

## Telephone Counseling Service

Please call us if you think you or others around you have problems because of pachinko or pachislot play.

Approved Specified Nonprofit Corporation  
Pachinko Addiction Problem Counseling Organization

## Recovery Support Network

### Free Telephone Counseling

(toll charge apply)

050-3541-6420

Mon to Fri (closed Sat, Sun & holidays)  
10:00 to 22:00 (last call by 21:30)

We welcome calls from people having problems with getting seriously “hooked” to playing pachinko or pachislot, as well as their family members and friends.

Our experienced and trained counselors are available to talk with you and introduce you to public organizations in your area.

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## Mental Health and Welfare Centers

(Kokoro no Soudan Dial)

### Counseling Helpline

(National Number)

0570-064-556

This phone number will connect you to the nearest public counseling service. Counselors from the Prefectural or Designated City’s Mental Health and Welfare Center are on hand to talk with those who are suffering from mental problems or illness, as well as their families and friends. In-person counseling along with information about specialized medical clinics and local counseling services are also available.

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## Pachinko & Pachislot: Things you need to know to enjoy play

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# Pachinko & Pachislot: Basic information

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Things you need to know  
to enjoy play

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## Introduction

**Correctly learning** about pachinko and pachislot **is important to play them safely**. There is a possibility that believing the incorrect information will lead to making the wrong decision and create problems. **Correctly and realistically understanding** about pachinko and pachislot will help you play safely the way you want to.

### Rules for Playing Pachinko

#### Follow the Pachinko Hall Rules

When you are playing pachinko, please follow the rules of the pachinko hall. Also if there is **terms and conditions of playing**, please check the details.

#### Main Rules

- ▶ Anyone **under 18 years old** cannot play pachinko or enter a pachinko hall.
- ▶ You can only play with balls and tokens rented from the pachinko hall that you are playing in.
- ▶ You are not allowed to **take balls and tokens out of or bring them into** a pachinko hall.
- ▶ You cannot buy or sell rental balls and tokens.
- ▶ With pachinko machines, you cannot use items to **keep the handle steady** while you play.

Please ask a **pachinko hall staff** if you do not understand the hall rules or the terms and conditions of play.

### Rules Followed by the Pachinko Hall

- ▶ Pachinko halls operate by following “the Businesses Affecting Public Morals Regulation Law”.
- ▶ Pachinko halls operate with a permit issued by the prefectural public safety commission.
- ▶ Machines are strictly regulated, and pachinko halls **cannot change their performance** or **illegally operate them**.
- ▶ If a rule is broken, a pachinko hall will be given strict penalties including the suspension of operation.

**Pachinko and Pachislot are Entertainment Which Use Up Money and Time.**

In order to enjoy playing pachinko or pachislot safely, learn about the features of the machine (odds and systems) and

## Select the Machine that Matches You is Important.

### Pachinko and Pachislot Common Point

#### Rental Balls and Tokens Have Different Prices

The upper limit for prices of rental balls and tokens in pachinko halls are set at 4 yen per pachinko ball and 20 yen per pachislot token, and lower prices can be set freely.

#### 4 Pachi / 20 Slot

(4 yen pachinko / 20 yen pachislot)

The most popular prices of rental balls and tokens in Japan.

#### 1 Pachi / 5 Slot

(1 yen pachinko / 5 yen pachislot)

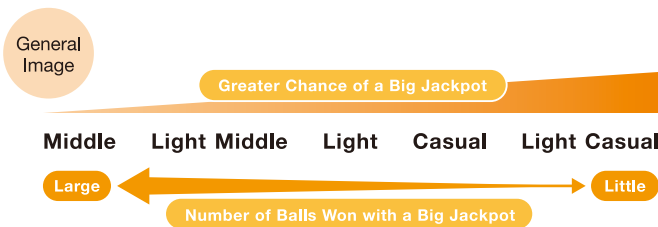
You can play for 1/4 of the money compared to 4 Pachi/20 Slot machines.

#### 2 Pachi / 10 Slot 0.5 Pachi / 2 Slot

Available depending on the pachinko hall. Please find one which the price best matches you.

### Types are Divided Based on Big Jackpot Odds

The performance of pachinko machines differs greatly by their odds of hitting the big jackpot.



The big jackpot odds may differ with machines with the same name. Please check before play as machines have functions which their performance may be affected by their variable probability state.

### Pachislots Have Levels of Setting

Some have up to 6 levels of setting. The big jackpot odds change and will make a big difference to the performance of a pachislot. Pachinko halls can change the setting, however they cannot change during operation hours.

\*There are now new pachinko machines with this kind of setting.

#### A and AT Types

In Pachislot, there are 2 main types.

General Image

#### A Type

Win tokens by hitting the big jackpot.  
**Simple and easy to understand.**

#### AT Type

Win tokens by navigating buttons during bonus time.  
**Play is complex.**

### Where Can I Find the Specs of a Machine?

You can find the machine's name, its type and big jackpot odds around the machine, or look up the details on the computer or the smartphone. If you do not understand the information or cannot find it, please **check with the pachinko hall staff**.

#### ○ Big Jackpot Odds are Always the Same

The odds of a big jackpot are set for each machine. These odds do not change based on pachinko halls or players. There are times which the number of big jackpot wins change greatly, but that is by chance.

\*When the big jackpot odd is 1/100, this does not mean that there will be always be a big win before playing 100 times.

#### ○ Is There a Winning Formula?

There are ways to extend play such as not waste balls shot in pachinko, and practice pushing the buttons or look for machines to play under a certain situation in pachislot, however they are not formulas to win.

#### ○ Non-Logical Information and Rumors

Pachinko and pachislot are entertainment enjoyed by many people. Because there are lots of fans, there are lots of rumors and false information which will cause misunderstanding. Please think carefully and avoid being fooled.

**Pachinko halls make profit by offering entertainment. Overall, the longer you play the number of balls or tokens will decrease.**