

Extreme-G FAQ/Walkthrough

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*** Extreme G - The FAQ ***

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June 15th - Thanks to Cheat Code Center, I have added a ton of codes!
And I did a few other, miscellaneous things that no one cares about.

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1) Cars

Scales are on a 1-10 basis, 1 being pitiful and 10 being awesome. I'm judging what number it gets from the car selection screen, where it shows all of these categories

Acceleration: This is how quickly it can get to it's top speed from a stop. For racing, you really want a good score in this area.

Top Speed: Speed wins. PERIOD.

Handling: Duh! You want a car that handles well in the races

Shield: Except for Battle Mode, Shields are useless

On-Board Weapon: Again, nothing to wine about. Although they are pretty useful in the races...there are three types of guns. But remember, the power depends on the particular vehicle.

- Green Balls: This is the weakest, it has almost no range
- Purple Pulses: Awesome range, but hard to aim
- Red Laser: May have a short range, but this is the best weapon in the game. Pulls players in like a magnet!

When you shoot someone, they slow down; be sure not to hit them!

Now on to the eight cars...

RAZE

Description normal bike with blue and red stripes on it

Acceleration: 1
Top Speed: 8
Handling: 7
Shield: 4
On-Board Weapon: (laser) 9

Notes: This guy in FAST! But it's a trade off for acceleration, which is almost 0. If you're prone to hitting the edges of a track (and almost everyone is) then avoid this bike.

RANA

Description: Red, white, and blue! It's strange though, it looks so morbid...

Acceleration: 3
Top Speed: 7
Handling: 8
Shield: 5
On-Board Weapon: (pulse) 9

Notes: This guy just plain sucks! After 30 seconds of accelerating you reach a bad top speed of barely 200 MPH...

KHAN

Description: Blue wheels, yellow with white strips (looks like a cheetah almost) and a blue underside.

Acceleration: 9
Top Speed: 8
Handling: 5
Shield: 8
On-Board Weapon: (green balls) 3

Notes: This is a GOOD choice if you want to take on the harder tracks. Even if you come to a complete stop you can get up into the 220 MPH range in just seconds! The handling takes a bit of practice, as it seems to be a little heavy in the back.

MOOGA

Description: The largest bike of all, this one must weigh about 10 tons with all of that armor. It has green and yellow camouflaged with black wheels.

Acceleration: 1
Top Speed: 7
Handling: 9
Shield: 10
On-Board Weapon: (pulse) 4

Notes: This is the heavy-weight of the group, as it is larger than any bike you'll ever see in the game. This is NOT one you want to take into a race, but it's absolutely PERFECT for battle mode, where heavy shields are a must.

JOLT

Description: This is basically Mooga stripped of all its armor. It's light blue with some traces of yellow around the edges.

Acceleration: 4
Top Speed: 8
Handling: 6
Shield: 3
On-Board Weapon: 1

Notes: The only good thing about this vehicle is its high top speed, but everything else seems to be lacking. Leave this one in the garage!

GRIMACE

Description: A purple bike with a cool painting of a shark's mouth at the head, like those WWII planes!

Acceleration: 10
Top Speed: 7
Handling: 4
Shield: 8
On-Board Weapon: (laser) 3

Notes: From the stats it wouldn't seem like a good bike to use, right? Well guess again! This one is a HOT bike. With a lot of practice, this can become one of the best bikes in the game!

MAIN

Description: Fat body with a blue color and a slightly gray underside.

Acceleration: 9
Top Speed: 6
Handling: 7

Shield: 2

On-Board Weapon: (laser) 10

Notes: Well, it's not the best bike in the game. It's not bad, and it's not good. If you can master it, it's a KILLER car!

APOLLOYON

Description: A rad red bike with hues of metallic blue on the sides

Acceleration: 7

Top Speed: 6

Handling: 4

Shield: 3

On-Board Weapon: (pulse) 9

Notes: This could very well be the worst bike in the game! If you fall behind you'll struggle to catch up, and it's awful handling doesn't help hide that fact, either.

Out of these, the best bikes are (in order of greatness): Khan, Grimace, and at a very close 3rd, Main. Practice with Khan's above average handling and you have an unstoppable machine at your hands which will win any race.

The following secret cars can be earned by doing certain things [See "Codes and Secrets" section]

ROACH

Description: A brown, crappy looking (the color is crappy (brown), not the actual appearance) vehicle with a painting of a flaming skull on the side.

Acceleration: 8

Top Speed: 8

Handling: 8

Shield: 8

On-Board Weapon: (green balls) 8

Notes: This one is awesome! Just be careful while racing, as some other cars have a higher topspeed.

NEON WONDER

Description: A cool, metallic blue with a reflective surface. Awesome to just stare at! =)

Acceleration: 10

Top Speed: 10

Handling: 10

Shield: 10

On-Board Weapon: (laser) 10

Notes: Absolutely perfect. It's top speed is around in the 300+ range, and it's the only vehicle that can reach the point where your speedometer won't go any further (650 MPH if I remember correctly). You can only reach that mind-numbing speed in two locations, with a special code on, though. But don't fret, you'll be going over 400 MPH (normally) A LOT! It takes a master to use this one, because of it's blinding speed.

And there we go, ladies and gentleman!

2) Weapons and Items

CATEGORY # 1: MINES

Description of Pick-up: A green ball with a yellow "M" in the middle

Types:

Proximity - As in GoldenEye 007? Almost. Set this on a wall and when someone comes by...BOOM!

Normal - Drop this behind you and it sticks to the road. Anyone who hits it will go flying!

Phosphorus Blast - This one will blind the other players for several seconds, very useful when going towards a jump!

Atomic Blast - Flames will go flying from your craft and rain down on everyone around you! Save it for when people start coming from behind...

Nitro Haze: Sends a purple blast along the road. It goes until it finishes a lap. It takes up the entire road, so it's almost unavoidable! When it hits you, you'll craft will go limp and you'll be unable to control it for several seconds. Learn the familiar humming sound that comes from behind so you can quickly get out of the way! The A.I. likes to use this one a lot...

Electro Mine: Sends two arcs of electricity away from your car. Anyone who tries to pass will be knocked around a bit.

CATEGORY # 2: ROCKETS

Description of Pick-up: A giant green "R" with green energy surrounding it

Types:

Mortar (comes in one, twin, triple, quadruple, and fives) - These yellow rockets are painful! It's not the actual warhead that hurts, it's the explosions; they make your craft slow down a few hundred MPH! Don't fire these close to you or you'll feel the pain.

Normal (come in one, twin, triple, quadruple, and fives) - Pretty straightforward. Just be sure the target is in front of you! Pretty fast, too.

Road Blockers (come in one, twin, triple, quadruple, and fives) - You

don't fire these one at a time, like the others. Oh no! These pink babies all fire AT ONCE! If aimed right, the entire road can become engulfed in flames!

Backwards Rockets (come in ones, twins, triples, quadruples, and fives)
- These shoot rockets backwards...DUH!!

Grenade Launcher - Well, it shoots some explosive bombs

Super Grenade Launcher - Same as above, except A LOT more

CATEGORY # 3: HOMING MISSILES

Description of Pick-up: A red "H" surrounded by green energy

Normal (come in one, twin, triple, and quadruple...and whatever you use for five) - These will track the nearest craft until it hits it! The target has to be in visual range, however.

CATEGORY # 4: ARMOR

Description of Pick-up: A yellow "A" in some green haze.

Normal - Makes a bubble around you. Now you can not be harmed by lasers, missiles, mines, or rockets!

Super Armor - Lasts longer than the normal armor.

Ghost - Makes your craft invisible to the enemy!

CATEGORY # 5: FUSION

Description of Pick-up: A red "F" with an arrow near it.

Normal - A rocket engine comes behind your craft. Upon activation, a long trail of fire and smoke will blast out of it at high speeds. Besides getting a pretty good boost off of it, it fries anyone behind you!

CATEGORY # 6: WARP

Description of Pick-up: A blue "W" surrounded by a blue haze.

Normal - First you lay down the exit, and then the entrance. If you do it right, any cars behind you will fall into the entrance first and then exit the exit...in other words, they get sent backwards!

CATEGORY # 7: MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Armor Re-fillers - These brown balls are quite common, they re-fill your shields a bit. The higher your shields the higher your top-speed is.

Nitros - You get three of these a race and NO MORE. Activating these (C-

down by default) will make your craft plunge into the 300+ range. Don't even ask what happens when you try this when going down-hill... Save these for the last lap, as the other vehicles during a race always seem to catch up to you somehow, EXCEPT during the last lap! Sweeet...

Nitro Curtains - Running through these flame-like objects has the same effect as activating a Nitro. If you activate a Nitro shortly before going through one of these, your car will go so fast that your surroundings will just become a blur of colors and light! Mmmm...500 MPH...

Ramps - Don't go on these unless it's part of a shortcut or you just HAVE TO. They actually slow you down...

Corkscrews - These speed you up, up, UP!!

3) Levels

For some strange reason, none of the courses have names (maybe it was the "limiting cartridge format"...hehehe). Therefore, I will go through the levels as they appear in the "Meltdown" setting.

- DESERT 1 -

This course is a road cut through mountains, sand dunes, ancient temples, and cave systems. You'll learn the pains, and pleasures, of Extreme G here. There is nothing difficult about this level, except for maybe the short jump over a chasm. You have to be going AT LEAST 130 MPH to clear it. Maybe less, maybe more, that's the best I could guess when I was playing. And quite frankly, I don't really care what the exact speed is so DON'T EMAIL ME ABOUT IT...yes, you'd be surprised how many people are so picky...

Short Cuts:

Not exactly, but almost. When you get to a fork in the road with a yellow ground, take the left route. It's slightly longer, but the TWO (count 'em...) Nitro Curtains more than make up for that. In fact, try using a Nitro before the second one. If you position your bike just right, you'll enter the looong cave ahead. This is one of the places where you can go over 600 MPH (with a code) and 500 (normally)!

Weapon of Choice:

What is this section about? It's the best weapon in the level, or at least the most useful. This time? The mighty Homing Missile on the shortcut above. It might be difficult to get, though, because it's on the inside of a very tight curve. You might have to break a little...

- DESERT 2 -

Like the first level, it's in a mountain/desert like setting. This one is even faster, as there is a Nitro Curtain right at the beginning. Using a Nitro right before it, you can go ahead, up the ramp, and over the huge chasm and on the hilly road. After that is a looong dip which leads to a bunch of cave systems and jumps.

Short Cuts:

Again, not a HUGE short-cut, but it's one all the same. At the first junction, turn right to find some tubes that lead to a Nitro Curtain. If

you don't bang against the wall, you can get a tremendous boost!

Weapon of Choice:

The Road Blockers on all of the curves in the level...VERY useful in the caves.

- DESERT 3 -

At the end of a desert stands the beginning of a large city, though this is the poor part as most of the buildings are breaking apart. Avoid the ramps at the beginning and take any path you want, they're all the same. You'll soon find a long yellow path, use your Nitros here. After a long corkscrew is a ramp and some more places, leading up to the end.

Short Cuts:

After the giant corkscrew is a ramp, right? Well, jam on the gas and follow it up to another, shorter, road that will drop you down right in front of the cave system. This is almost essential to winning the race as the computer A.I. always use this (unless you "guide them away"...).

Weapon of Choice:

On the short cut road, at the very end is a rocket; use this on anyone in the cave! They'll go flying and scrap along the walls.

- CITY 1 -

This is a favorite of mine...A long hill leads to a tunnel (use a Nitro on the hill for some knuckle whitening speeds) which opens up a long road. Avoid the ramps and choose a side at the loop-da-loop (both are the same length). After a stretch of road, duck into the tunnel. It's best to be on the LEFT side when doing this because you're aligned with it. After that it's easy breezin'.

Short Cuts:

None

Weapon of Choice:

Shortly after the orange tunnel you'll come to a junction, take a right to find a Homing Missile. Now no one will pass you, Oh, and the few Nitro Hazes are pretty useful, too.

- CITY 2 -

Yep, this is also one of my favs. There is no defining features about this level. Maybe it's the erratic turns, or the lovingly crafted straight-aways ending in a hill that makes you go over 300 MPH...

Short Cuts:

None

Weapon of Choice:

I hate to say it...but almost all of the weapons in this level are useful! To the mine in the very thin sections (you should use Nitros in them, since they're so long) to the Fusion right at the start and end. BTW (By The Way), you should use the first Fusion in the first tunnel...it's so narrow that anyone behind you will be burnt to a crisp!

- CITY 3 -

Yes, this level is quite splendid. After the junction there is a canyon

(we're starting to exit the city here) which goes to a hole and a path around it. Take the hole for the Weapon of Choice (see below) and then there is a long straight-a-way which goes to a TREMENDOUS corkscrew...then there's the exit =P

Short Cuts:

Shortly after the start is a junction, one has a Nitro Curtain RIGHT there...if you use a Nitro before it, you can easily go over 500 MPH (normal) or 650 (with a code). Whew...it'll make your eyes bleed! Everything just melts...

Weapon of Choice:

Remember that hole in the road? Well, inside there is a Fusion! After that there will be all kinds of goodies like Rockets and Grenade Launchers.

- INDUSTRIAL MINE 1 -

This one is a little short, but it's oh so sweet (I don't believe I just said that). The first half consists of one giant hill, when you finally stop you'll be going at excess of 400 MPH!! Great place to use Nitros. After that it's a long corkscrew which leads to the end...pretty much.

Short Cuts:

None...aren't these new levels just sooo exciting? >=)

Weapon of Choice:

Well, after the giant screw that comes from above, look to the left...Rockets! Fusions! Mortars! Yay! I can't stop using exclamation marks...!

- INDUSTRIAL MINE 2 -

The first hill is like the first hill of a giant roller coast...you go up sorta slow, but when you reach the top...it's almost a drop straight down! If you use a Nitro at the bottom to get up more quickly, then you'll have so much momentum when going over the top that your wheels will probably come off the ground and you'll be floating a few INCHES off the ground! The rest of the level consists of hairpin tunnel turns and a lot of hills. Then there's the occasional pillar in the middle of the track to keep you on your toes :)

Short Cuts:

After the blue hill is a ramp, get on it and turn your bike 90 degrees (in the air...) and you'll land on a track!

Weapon of Choice:

Well, it's on the secret track explained just above! It's a Wally Warp! Then it turns into some Rockets. Then...dun dun dun...Homing Missiles!

- INDUSTRIAL MINE 3 -

AKA...HELL! Any fan of Extreme G will tell you that this is the hardest level to achieve first place on (unless you use Neon...), so it takes tons of practice. The first few sections have lava on either sides...with NO rails. Falling in will cost you several seconds, then there's the fact you start from a dead stop, which tacks even MORE time. There's two methods here: Go through as fast as possible and pray to God you don't hit a mine or someone else (which would quickly deposit you into the red goo) or...go through at about 100 MPH. Yes, even the A.I.

falls in, so it wouldn't be so bad. The rest of the level is almost unexplainable...it's unique, because you'll ride the ceiling and go into strange twists and turns...

Short Cuts:

Well, falling into the lava is one! Wait, no....

Weapon of Choice:

Aw, who cares? They all suck. You'll be cursing at the screen too much to even take notice of any weapons.

- INSANE WACKO PLACE 1 -

This level is...strange, to say the least. You go through a flying scrapyard with tons of movement. There are space shuttles flying overhead, planes, cities in the background, and all other kinds of stuff!

After the first hill, you'll encounter a large boulder in the middle of the road...SWERVE! You can either go left or right, pick anyone, none is better than the other as they are both the same length. After that you will find a place where you can actually ride on the wall, use this to avoid Nitro Hazes shot from behind (which is quite common in this game). Also, the best place to shoot your Nitros would be the yellow stripe right at the end (hard to miss since it's the only yellow strip in the level).

Short Cuts:

None. Aren't these levels so riveting?

Weapon of Choice:

Sorry. None really. You'll be more focused on the background...

- INSANE WACKO PLACE 2 -

This place is even weirder...there is a purplish-blue mist covering everything, which is very close to you, making it any man's guess what lays over the horizon (unless you know the track by heart). No, it's not to prevent pop-up, this time it's even closer than normal! Be careful of the many hairpin corners, some players might even want to slow down towards the middle to prevent scrapping along the metal rails.

Short Cuts:

It's all easy once you get up to the loop-da-loops with all of their curves, twists, and...LOOPS! Most FAQ writers make the mistake that there is in fact a shortcut INSIDE the loops (i.e. go left, right, right). This is NOT true. No matter what direction you go, you'll end up in the same place at the same time. After that there will be a blue "wall" (portal, I guess). Turn right and hit your Nitro! You'll go sailing through a hidden (well, you can see it. But you have to know where it is since the blue wall prevents you from seeing it) Nitro Curtain. You'll go screaming past a straight-a-way before careening over a cliff. This will plant you right in front of the exit.

Weapon of Choice:

Around the middle of the course is a ramp, right? Well, when going over it, be on the left side and aim your vehicle slightly to the right (but still be on the left side). There's the Weapon of Choice! You'll get Homing Missiles, Rockets, and a Fusion!

Sadly, the last level does not present much of a challenge. Although you can tell that a lot of work went into this level. There is so much action in the fore-ground you might want to practice the course in practice mode before playing it so as not to get distracted...there's flying saucers with awesome flame effects twirling everywhere, birds, and even airplanes. All of this, plus players and everything, without a hint of slowdown? Amazing. This level has a lot of holes in the ground that make you fall in, go up a few hills, and then you're back out! That's pretty much the entire level right there.

Short Cuts:

Near the middle, after coming out of a hole, is a ramp that goes to an upper corner. In it is a Nitro Curtain, slam on the Nitro to go flying (with a cheat, you go 650 MPH here) through a straight-a-way. To guarantee hitting the ramp, stay on the LEFT side of the road.

Weapon of Choice:

Almost all of the weapons in the level are useful! All of the Missiles and Rockets come in pairs of FIVE too! Woohoo! Explosions will be everywhere...

4) Codes and Secrets

NOTICE:

None of these cheats are my responsibility, they were obtained from Cheat Code Central. If any of these do not work, or are incorrect, complain to them, not me. Thank you. Also, make sure you can beat the game and unlock all the cars before using these cheats, otherwise you're throwing your fun right out the window.

FULL WEAPONS:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "arsenal" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

INFINITE NITROS:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "nitroid" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

TRANSPARENT TRACK:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "ghostly" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

SLIPPERY TRACK:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "banana" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

INVISIBLE MODE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "stealth" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

TURBO MODE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "xtreme" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

MAGNIFICATION MODE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "magnify" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

WIRE-FRAME MODE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "wired" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

FISH-EYE LENS:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "fisheye" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

BOULDER RACE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "roller" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

NO GRAVITY:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "antigrav" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

DISABLE MIP MAPPING AND TEXTURES:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "uglymode" (case-sensitive) as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound.

QUICK RACE FINISH:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "RA50" as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound. Then, begin a race and quit during game play. Now the race will complete with a finishing position the same as whatever place your bike was when the quit option was selected.

EXTREME TEAM RACERS:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then,

enter "XGTEAM" as a name. If you entered the code correctly, you will hear a sound. Then, return to the name entry screen and enter the first name of one of the game's developers, from the credits. Some choices are Andy, Ash, Craig, Darren, Giles, Greg, Joe, John, Jon, Justin, Lloyd, Sadie, Shawn, Simon, Steve, and Omri. Now the faces of the developers will appear on the bikes.

FERGUS MODE:

Enter "Contest" mode, then at the bike selection screen, press R. Then, enter "FERGUS" as a name and begin shoot 'em up mode. Then, Fergus' face will now appear on the drones.

ROACH MOTORCYCLE:

Complete the Meltdown circuit at the intermediate difficulty level. Alternatively, enter "51GG95" as a password for the Roach and all tracks.

NEON WONDER MOTORCYCLE:

Complete the Meltdown circuit at the expert difficulty level. Alternatively, enter "61GGB5" as a password for the Roach, Neon, and all tracks.

BONUS TRACK:

Complete the Meltdown circuit at the extreme difficulty level with a bike other than the Roach or Neon and finish first on all tracks. Then, a small bonus track will be available in single and multiplayer modes. Alternatively, enter "81GGD5" as a password for the Roach, Neon, and all tracks including the bonus track.

BIKE INSPECTION:

Enter the bike selection screen. Then, press C-Left or C-Right to speed up, slow down, and stop the slow rotation of the bikes. Press C-Up or C-Down to tip the bikes to view the tops and bottoms.

5) Credits

Companies

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Nintendo: It's their machine.

Acclaim: Their company...

Probe Entertainment: For making it

Internet Sites

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Cheat Code Central <www.cheatcc.com>: Take Gamesages and add N64cc and what do you have? This site, containing the largest amount of codes for video-games on the planet. They are responsible for the huge amount of cheats in this FAQ.

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7) Farewell/Final Notes

Oh man! I'm tired...Sure, it's only 6:07 P.M., but I'm still exhausted.

If you find any mistakes, have some corrections, have a question about the FAQ or the actual game, or anything else my wacko brain can't come up with at the moment, e-mail me at m_mallow@hotmail.com (found under the title of this FAQ as well).

That concludes yet another FAQ. I can't think of much to say, so I'll just let you on your way (hey, that rhymes! I swear, it wasn't intentional...)!

C-ya on the flip side

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Or should I say, the next guide?

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