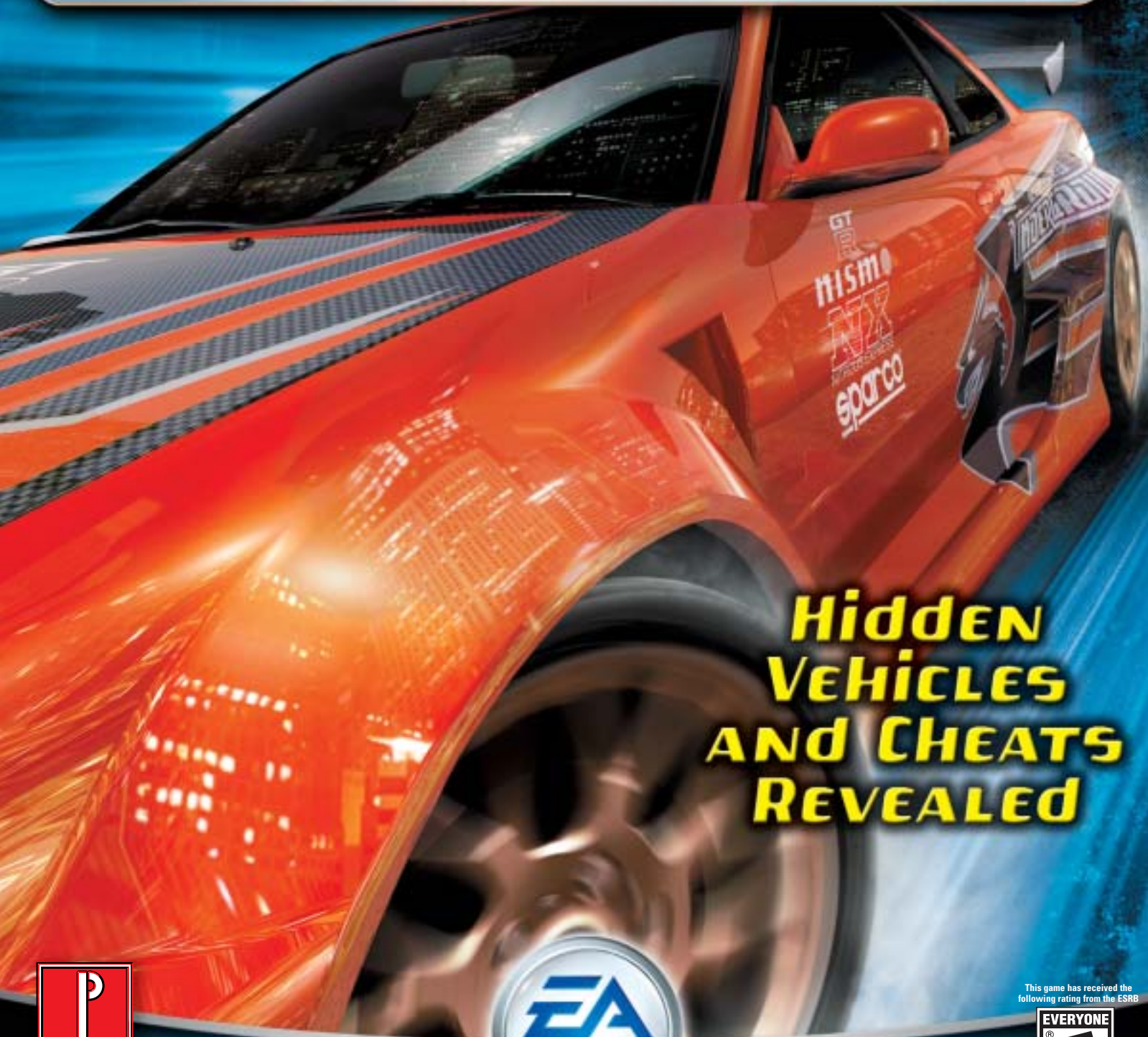


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CIRCUIT RACING

Circuit Racing is the most common type of race—the leader of the pack at the end of the race wins. Dominate the circuits and move up in rank, status and of course, sweeten your ride.

Olympic Square



Atlantica



Inner City



Stadium



National Rail



Market Street



Terminal



Port Royal





OLYMPIC SQUARE

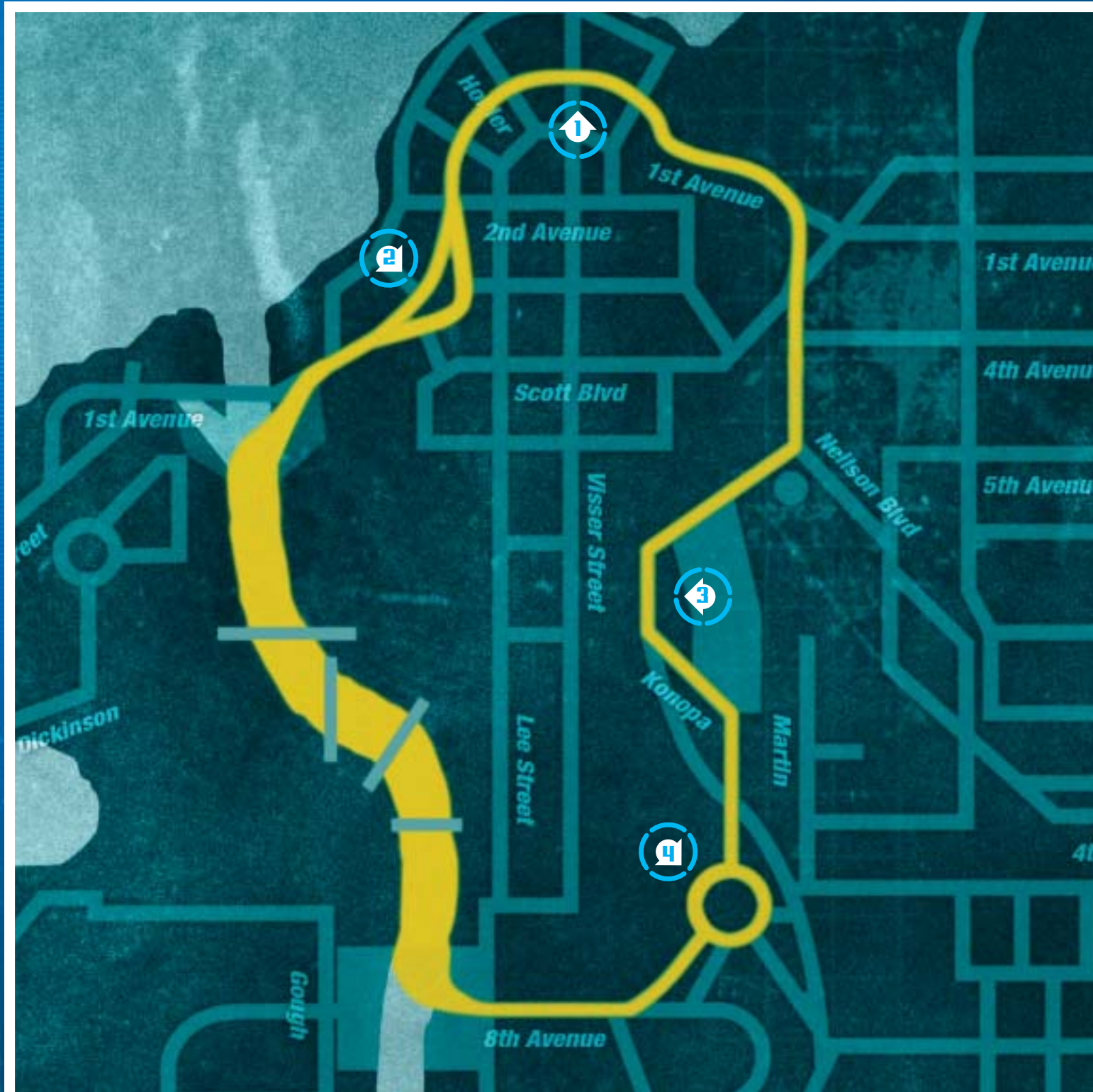
Olympic Square is the first circuit course in the underground. When racing this track forward, you go counter-clockwise. The following points warrant special attention:

1. Watch for oncoming traffic on the inside of this corner. You can take this very quickly without hitting the far wall.
2. This shortcut evens out the transition between the preceding corner and the following straight. Use this shortcut often.
3. The shortcut down in the underground parking is the safest route to avoid traffic along this straight.
4. Take this corner wide and line yourself up to come out of the turn exit on the right side of the approaching treed median. The fastest line sometimes takes you between the traffic sign and the first tree.
5. Two lines exist here: The highlighted line indicates the optimal line for speed by fast cars. Take the left road until it comes around to the straight section and then keep right. For slower cars, stay right for your optimal line until the following straight section and after the corner switch sides to the left shortcut (6).
6. and 7. Here are entrances to shortcuts. Watch for the tall neon free-standing sign, and turn in just before it. Watch for the sign in your peripheral vision when practicing. The intersection at its mid-point can burp out cars at the last minute from a blind spot behind the railing, so watch out.
8. S-curve through the street construction area. Watch out for the many boxes and signs littering the sides of the fences.
9. Take this S-curve in a straight line, very quickly.

Reverse

The same features and shortcuts apply to this circuit course in reverse. Good lap times are a function of driver preference and confidence in one direction or the other.





ATLANTICA

Atlantica is a fast course that incorporates the city spillway, a slick expanse of wet greenish cement. You drive the forward version counterclockwise. The whole course is a challenge to maintain top speeds, and some features especially test your reflexes:

1. The concrete medians and trees lining the street give you a quick lesson in lightning speed navigation. Stay right of the medians all the way through the course; maximize your speed by keeping as many straight lines through this section as possible.
2. Here the road splits into two sections; always take the shorter of the two. On the forward track, you're going with the direction of traffic.
3. This construction area shortcut is lined up perfectly for some high speed hang time. The middle ramp is more challenging to negotiate due to the tabletop landing near the inward angle of the guardrail. The lower right alley provides the best hang time and speed optimization for exiting this section. The dirt surface does not cause a significant loss of speed, so go for it!
4. This dirt S-curve can be tricky to negotiate at high speeds, but once you have the pattern down it's a nice speedy drift on the approach to set up the straight line into the construction site shortcut. Let 'er rip!

Reverse

On the Atlantica Reverse course, most features are comparable with following exceptions:

1. Go against traffic when you hit the medians. At high speed it's a crap shoot, but it sets you up for the optimal lines on the following corners at the end of the respective median sections.
3. In this direction, a slight zigzag in the road just before the construction site shortcut makes the setup a bit tricky. If you're in a really fast car, max out and follow the road unless you're going for the hang time style points and obvious bragging rights.





INNER CITY

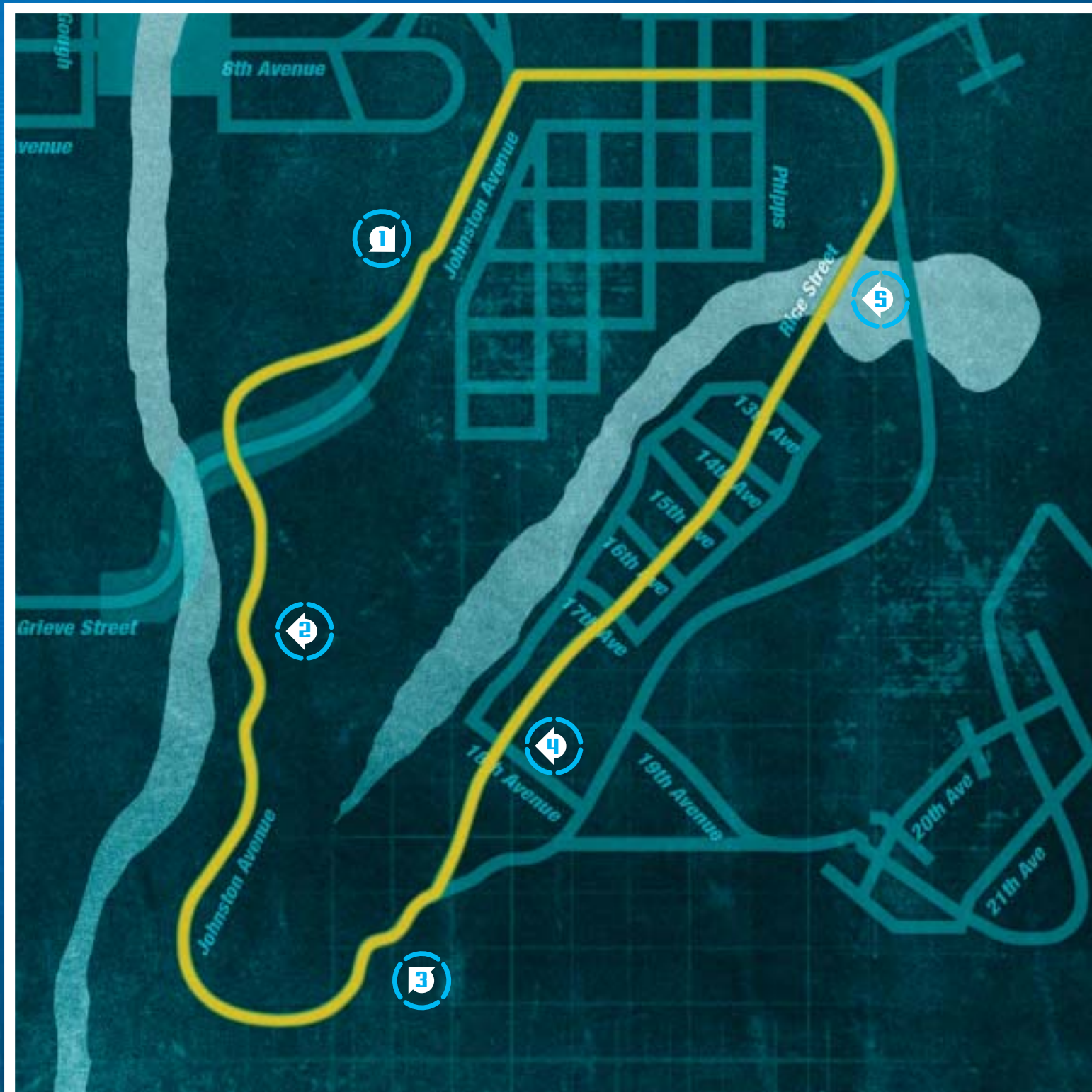
Inner city consists of sections from both the Atlantica and Olympic Square courses. Consequently, the strategies for getting through this course are very similar to those already outlined.

1. This shortcut section appears on several courses. Use it with the fast line through the next branch of city streets as described for Olympic Square.
2. The construction zone shortcut is a toss up in this direction. If you carry all your speed through the preceding corner and nail the left cement alleyway, you should shoot out of the corner with only slightly less than maximum speed. This angle sets you up nicely for the following section.
3. Here's one of our favorite high-speed corners. Use typical straight line braking and cut straight across the apex to the far outside corner, and you keep your speed up for the coming series of intersection airs. Watch for cars! If you time it right you can jet right over the traffic on the flats of each intersection.
4. This is one of the most technical corners in the game. Watch the approach carefully; it may take several tries to nail it. Straight line, hard braking is essential prior to the turn along the outside edge. Then, late apex through the turn and you come flying out tight along the right guardrail.

Reverse

Drive the Inner City Reverse track in the same manner as forward with one exception. Ignore the construction zone shortcut unless you have good brakes to help check your speed as you blast out of the alley and have to carve hard to your right. To maintain your speed here, follow the road around instead and it sets you up nicely for the coming corner.





STADIUM

The main attraction on this course is the large stadium and the long stretches of highway zipping past it. Stadium is a very fast track composed of straights and slight curves. A few technical sections keep your adrenaline pumping. These areas of the course warrant explanation:

1. Take the right ramp and go with the traffic. The line is more technical, however, quick reflexes pay off in tenths of seconds by the end of the next section.
2. At the first set of concrete pillars, stay left all the way through to blast by them in one piece.
3. At the second set of concrete pillars, stay left of pillars 1 and 2, go straight through between 2 and 3, and back through again between pillars 4 and 5. You set up the optimal straight line into the warehouse district.
4. The warehouse district line is fast and furious and very rough. Keep it straight through here or end up as rat food.
5. You have to be doing at least 70 mph to get across this bridge jump. However your friends might appreciate it much more if you're doing 180 mph!

Reverse

When racing Stadium in reverse, apply the same principles, with the notable exception of the division of the road at 2. There, go with the traffic. You avoid the second set of concrete pillars and take the obviously faster line in that direction. If you're an expert driver, saddle up to the added challenge of going against traffic. In a fast car it takes a comparable amount of time.





NATIONAL RAIL

The National Rail course runs through the industrial part of town and is a little more technical than the preceding other tracks. Given the tunnel, the highway sections, and the high-speed corners, you have focus to keep your speed up and pick the best lines. The main areas of interest are:

1. Blast through the metal gates into the subway. This shortcut is for experts only!
2. There are two routes through this subway shortcut, however stay below and speed along the tracks rather than attempting the upper causeway, which is littered with heavy oil drums. They slow you down significantly if you hit them. On the tracks, the worst thing you may hit is a few light boxes. Brake before jetting out of the shortcut or you'll hit the far wall across the road and bail hard.
3. Some tight driving gets you through this fast series of S-curves.
4. Take this high speed corner wide to maximize your exit speed.
5. Be cautious around this corner, as it can stop you dead in your tracks. However, this section allows you to drift very easily. Learn the curves and brake accordingly to allow for moderate speed through, and pull away quickly as soon as you hit the pavement.
6. When the highway splits, go against the traffic for the fastest line.
7. The quickest route through the river tunnel involves smooth transition from lane to lane between the concrete pillars. Try a straight line between outside corners. A recommended path is to keep left against traffic, cut through to the far lane between pillars 3 and 4, then cut back into the oncoming lane between pillars 5 and 6. This sets you up for a clean exit along the left wall.

Reverse

Make several alterations to your route when racing this course in reverse:

2. At the subway shortcut, follow the same path but maximize your speed when exiting the uphill passage for some dramatic hang time style points. It's also quite impressive when you shoot out of the tunnel and pass your buddy in the air, or better yet, land on his car and beat him around the next series of corners. Good luck!
6. At the break in the highway, go with the traffic. Just set yourself up for this corner at the tunnel's exit. Otherwise it's such a sharp curve that if you don't do it right, you lose a lot of speed.
7. Enter the river tunnel on the left side, going against traffic. Switch to the right side between pillars at the first corner, back to the left side at the next corner, then back to the right highway section just before the steel median.



MARKET STREET

This course is a long circuit through the Asian market, park, commercial, and residential areas. It's a fast course with many high-speed corners and a whole host of shortcuts.

1. Take this corner wide to maintain your speed.
2. Stay in the right lane to avoid a train car along this stretch of road.
3. Always use this brief shortcut to straighten your line and set you up for the route through the park.
4. The Great Wall shortcut is for experts only! This path is very tricky to navigate and demands high skills. Use at your own risk!
5. The park S-curve is all about timing, and it can be done at high speeds.
6. Use straight line braking here to avoid bailing against the outer wall.
7. This tough shortcut near the fountain is lined with cement planters. The entry angle is usually too steep to enter with any speed. Only the slowest cars can take advantage of this tricky shortcut. It may be best to avoid it altogether.
8. This "shortcut" (it's actually longer going this way) is a lifesaver for fast cars, as it increases the corner's radius significantly, which allows for higher speeds through this section. This may be the most valuable shortcut on the course. At full speed, this turn allows you to jet right through to the stretch uphill leading into the tight market streets preceding the bridge. Use this shortcut all the time unless you're driving a slower car, and in that case, do the following:

9. Take the noodle house shortcut. Never use this shortcut in a car that has a decent top speed! If your car is only moderately fast, don't use the previous shortcut, instead cut off the apex of the main corner by following the red lanterns through the noodle house front entrance. This allows for a straighter and quicker line.

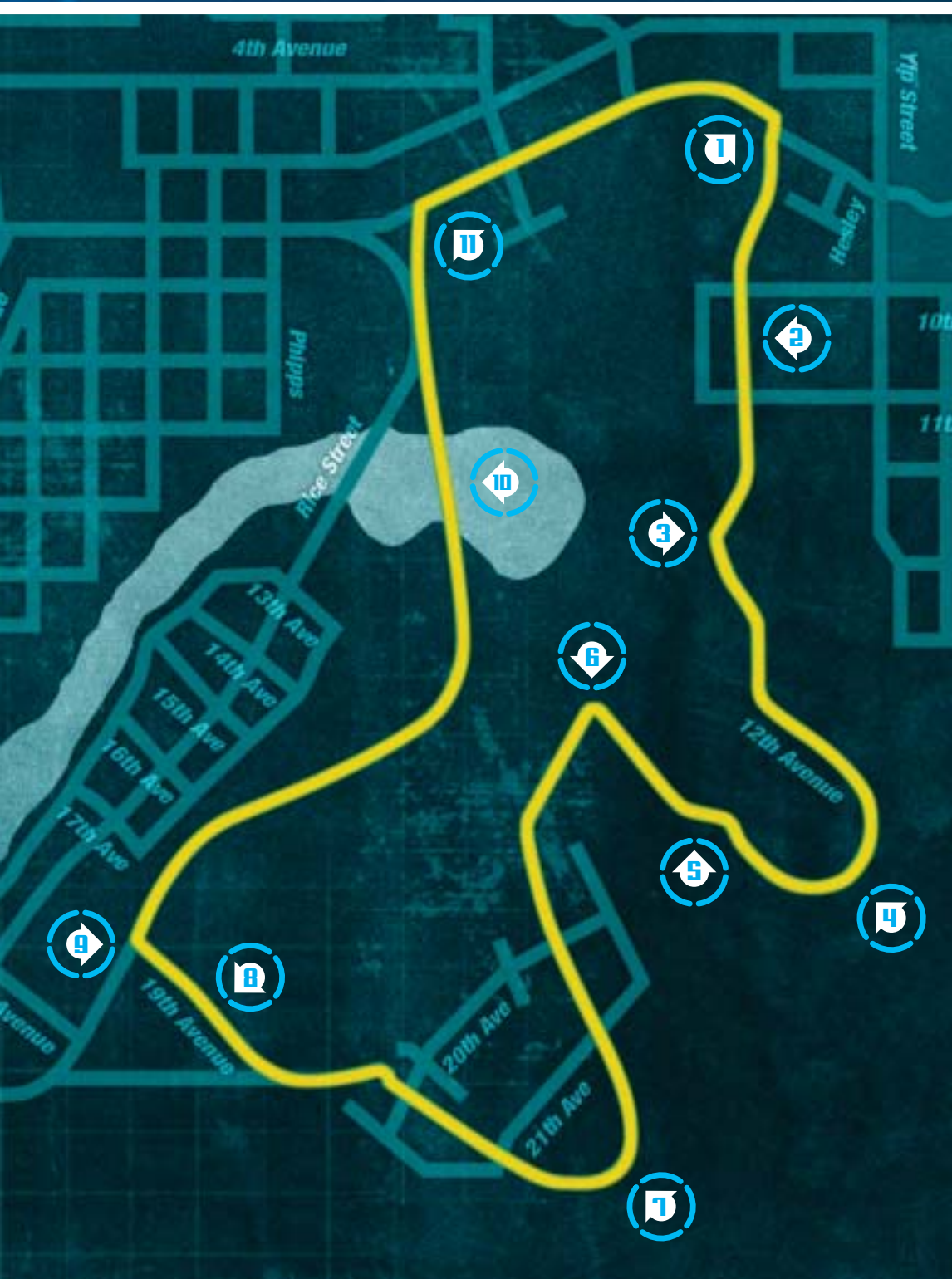
10. At the bridge jump, you need to be going at least 70 mph to make it over the river.

11. The gas station shortcut is for experts only! With faster cars, trying to hit this shortcut is a crap shoot. You maintain higher speeds just using the road. If you're still working your way up and your car is only moderately speedy, use the route through the pumps to clip the apex of the turn.

Reverse

The overall feel of the course changes little in reverse, with few exceptions being more ease of access to some of the shortcuts. The Great Wall shortcut becomes slightly less devastating, yet remains a challenge to exit without hitting the exit gate post or the right wall. Check your speed at the top when coming out of the gate. Until you can nail this just right, stick to the road.





TERMINAL

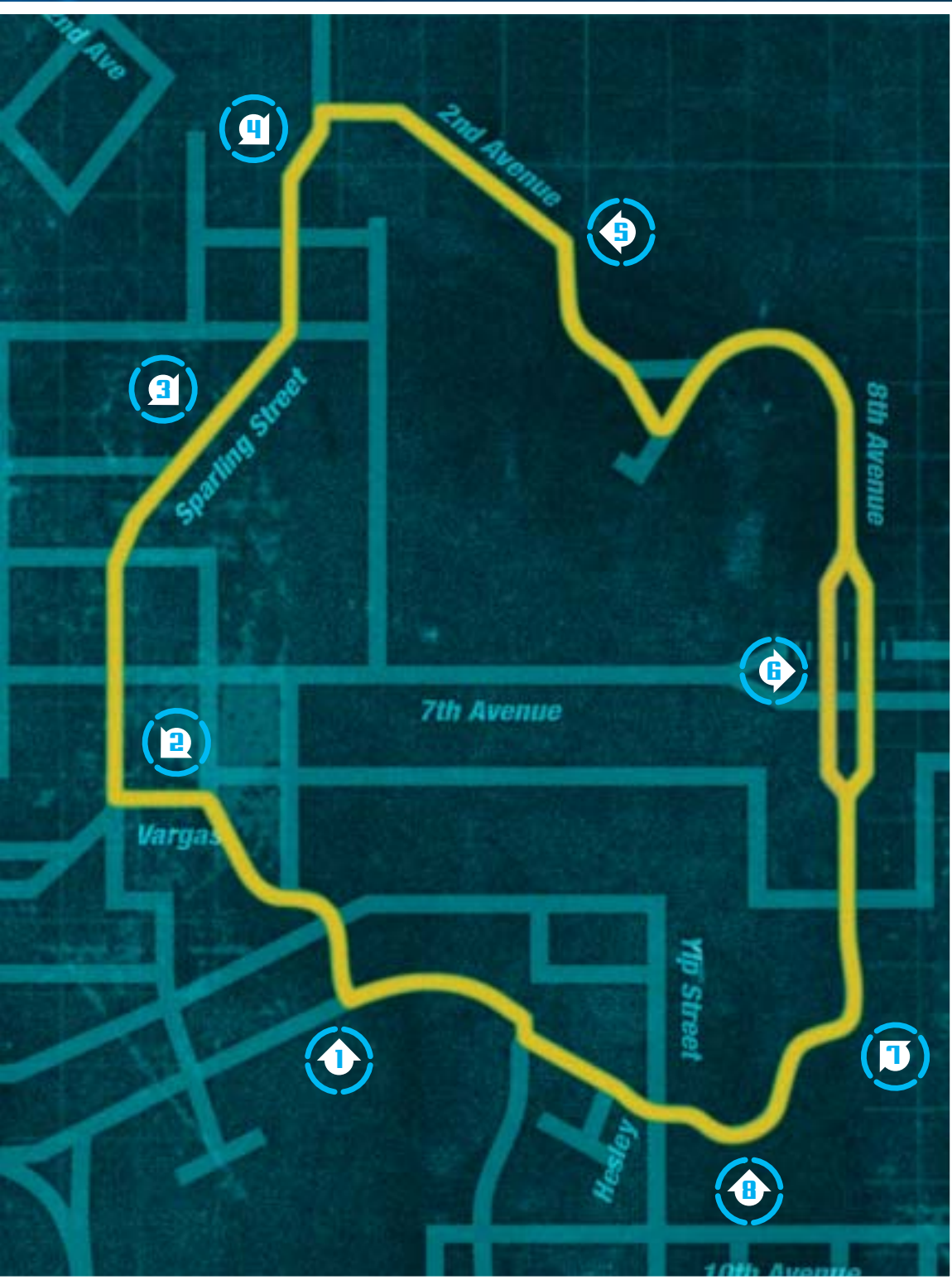
A significant portion of the Terminal course is composed of a technical section running through the airport.

1. Use your brakes cautiously, as this corner is very sharp.
2. Tail brake through this corner. You don't need to lose too much speed if you cut it wide enough.
3. This section through the street construction area is littered with obstacles. Stay clear of them.
4. A proper setup is required for this S-curve and fast corner combo. Make a beeline through the S-curve with a bit of straight line braking to eke through the big corner.
5. At the tunnel approach to the airport, always enter the tunnel on the right side. When you hit the first corner, beeline straight through the pillars and exit the tunnel on the left side. This sets you up to keep left of the control tower just outside the tunnel exit. It's a much faster line than going all the way around the right side.
6. The best way to keep out of trouble at the airport construction area is to stay on the pavement. Follow the right road for the fastest line.
7. This side route doesn't make much difference either way you look at it. If you have a super-fast car, try this line to determine if the extra corner radius helps maximize speed through the turn.
8. The skate park shortcut is difficult for sure, but use this shortcut if you want to win. The jump is tricky because if you don't hit it straight, you'll fly off into space with no hope of recovery. Get the trajectory down and you land perfectly between the gates and take off like a rocket once you hit the asphalt.

Reverse

The optimum lines through the Terminal course in reverse do not change significantly, nor do the shortcuts. When blasting through the airport tunnel, use the same strategy: stick to the right side until the first big corner and jet across to the left side for the exit.







PORT ROYAL

Port Royal incorporates the city spillway and the warehouse district. It's a quick course with some technical areas and shortcuts.

1. Take this corner wide and maintain full speed all the way around.
2. Go through either the left or center of the bridge support pillars to set up wide for the immediate corner.
3. Take this S-curve at high speed with the right line and timing.
4. For the fastest line, follow the highlighted line through this section. It leads to the warehouse district where many side roads distract you. Focus!
5. There are lots of buildings and cross streets in the warehouse district—and one fast way through them. There is also a shortcut through several of the buildings, however you're better off sticking to the recommended line.
6. Take this long, wide sweeping corner full out.

Reverse

Optimal lines do not change significantly on the Port Royal track in reverse. So just use the tricks that we've discussed above.

CONCLUSION

Now that you've had a chance to cut your teeth on some of the basic, but technical courses, turn to the next section for some sprint racing strategies.



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