

# **Tamperegotchi**

## *User Manual*

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this document is to describe how to play the Tamperegotchi™ game app.

## 1.2 Product and Environment

Android platform, for phones and tablets running Android.

## 1.3 Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations

## 1.4 References

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1. *The text currently in here were copied from the tamagotchi overview document.*
2. *We need to customize it for our app, which includes actions like sauna*
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  - 3.1. *Sending pet to other devices*
  - 3.2. *Reproduction*
  - 3.3. *Personality traits*
  - 3.4. *etc.*
4. *Also describe the default/reset settings*

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# 2 What is a Tamperegotchi Pet?

## 2.1 Summary

The name “Tamperegotchi” is a play on the city of Tampere and the original game name of “Tamagotchi”.

A Tamagotchi pet is a keychain-sized virtual pet simulation created in Japan. They were first sold by Bandai in 1996; as of 2010, more than 76 million Tamagotchi pets have been sold worldwide. The name “Tamagotchi” is said to be a combination of the Japanese word for “egg” and the English word “watch”. Tamagotchi handheld pets are contained in egg-shaped computers small enough to dangle from a keychain and require constant care, making the source of the name fitting.

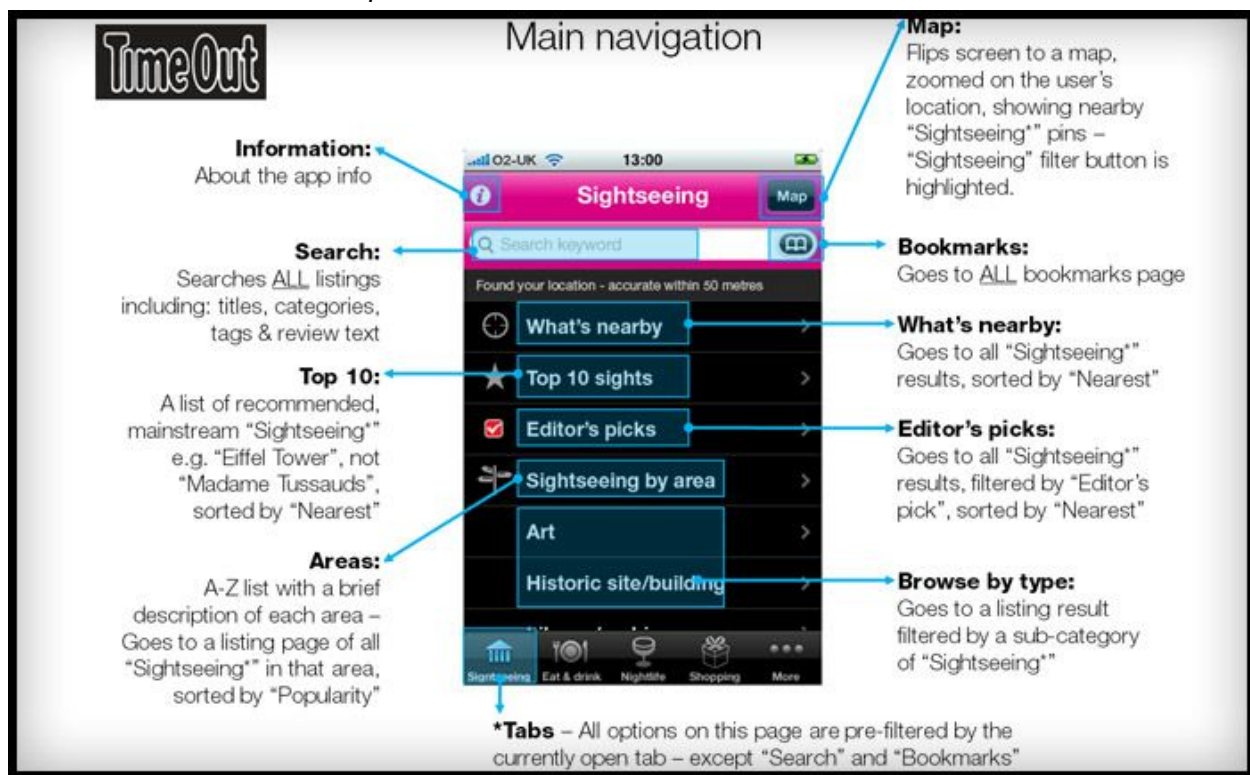
A Tamagotchi pet is simple in design and can be based on animals, people or other objects. The creatures are said to be of an alien species that left eggs on Earth for humans to raise. Tamagotchi pets start out as an egg; after a few

minutes of wiggling back and forth (during which time the player is required to set the time of day on their device) the egg hatches, leaving a baby creature.

## 3 Game Play

### 3.1 Screens

1. Title screen
2. Main screen
3. Game play screen
4. "Share Pet" screen
5. Settings screen
6. <Sample>



### 3.2 Controls

The player has the following care options:

1. food 🍷: feed a meal or a snack
2. light: turn light on or off
3. play: play minigame with pet
4. medicine: cure a sick pet
5. toilet 💩💩: clean up after pet
6. health ❤️: shows a health meter
7. discipline: scold bad behavior
8. attention: lights up when needs care

9. sauna:

### 3.3 Settings

## 4 Pet Growth and Personality

### 4.2 Growth Affects

Tamperegotchi pets grow in the following life stages:

1. Egg
2. Baby
3. Child  
4. Teen  
5. Adult  
6. Senior

All Tamperegotchi pets begin their life cycles as eggs, and end at adulthood or seniors.

Tamperegotchi pets that receive more care during the baby and child stages will require less attention as adults. All baby Tamperegotchis require almost constant care to survive and live comfortably. Not caring properly for a Tamperegotchi pet at a young age can affect how it develops into the teenager stage. Once the baby stage of a Tamperegotchi pet's growth is passed, it is possible for the virtual pet to die from lack of care.

### 4.2 Personality Affects

Tamperegotchi pets have the following personality traits:

1. Happy
2. Angry
3. ...

## 5 How to Care for a Tamperegotchi Pet

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Whenever your Tamperegotchi pet needs attention, the attention icon will light up, along with some music or sound effects. As long as this icon is lit, your pet needs to be taken care of! If you are unsure what your pet needs, you can find out by looking at the health meter. The health meter shows a player how hungry the Tamperegotchi pet is, as well as how happy it is. A well-fed and happy pet will have the health bars all full. Other versions of Tamperegotchi virtual pets may have different requirements and more health meters.

If your Tamperegotchi's hunger meter is low, you need to feed it some food! When your pet's hunger bar is empty, it needs to eat a meal. Depending on how hungry your Tamperegotchi is, it may need multiple meals to fill up its hunger bar. While meals fill up your Tamperegotchi's hunger bar, snacks fill up its happiness bar. Be careful, though - the more a Tamperegotchi pet eats, the more weight it gains. Feeding your pet too many snacks can make it overweight.

To get your Tamperegotchi pet happy, it is best to play games with it! The types of mini games available vary with the version of Tamperegotchi virtual pet; in the original Tamperegotchi, players could only play a game of Rock, Paper, Scissors with their Tamperegotchi. Playing with your pet naturally fills up its happiness bar, especially if it is the one winning the games. Playing with your Tamperegotchi can also help it lose weight!

If you don't take proper care of your Tamperegotchi, it can become sick. While this can happen at random, there are other causes of illness, such as overfeeding or failing to clean up after your pet. If sickness is left unchecked, your Tamperegotchi pet can die. To cure your pet's illness, simply give it medicine via the medicine icon on your device.

Like any actual pet, your Tamperegotchi will leave droppings on the screen from time to time. If you don't clean up after your pet can become ill and unhappy. All Tamperegotchi's have the toilet icon to clean up after pet messes. If the player catches the Tamperegotchi pet in the action of using the bathroom - it makes an odd face and stink lines appear on the screen - they can activate the toilet icon and the pet will use the toilet. This can lead to toilet training the Tamperegotchi pet.

Sometimes, your Tamperegotchi will ask for attention when it doesn't need any; its hunger and happiness bars might be full, and no messes to clean up. In this case, you can discipline your virtual pet. Later versions feature different types of discipline, such as scolding or praising your pet; the original Tamagotchi simply allows the player to scold their pet for bad behavior.

Discipline is necessary when your Tamperegotchi pet misbehaves, though it won't like it!

In later versions of the Tamagotchi, some pets will automatically turn off the light when they go to bed. In earlier versions, however, they simply fall asleep and it is up to the player to do this

for them. Usually this provokes an alert for attention so that the player knows that their virtual pet is sleeping. Turning off the light can help them sleep better and keep them in better health. While it isn't required, it is highly encouraged. Why not, when it means keeping your Tamperegotchi pet healthy and happy?

If your Tamperegotchi pet is sleeping, you can turn the lights off to make it happier.