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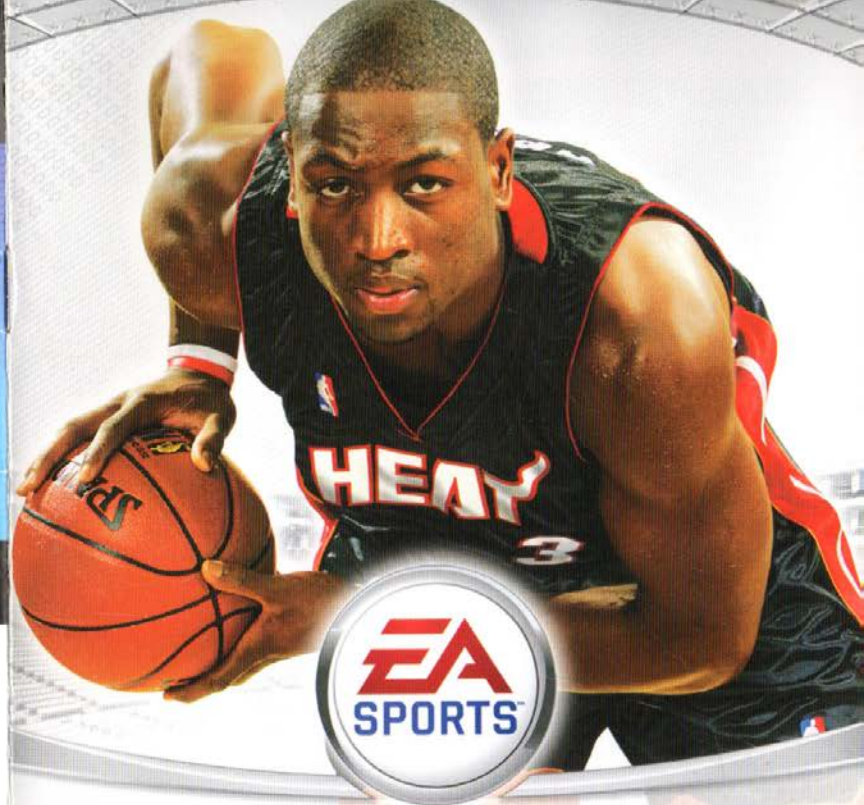P.O. Box 181
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- This disc is intended for use only with PlayStation 2 consoles with the NTSC U/C designation.
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- Keep this compact disc clean. Always hold the disc by the edges and keep it in its protective case when not in use. Clean the disc with a lint-free, soft, dry cloth, wiping in straight lines from center to outer edge. Never use solvents or abrasive cleaners.

This product has been rated by the Entertainment Software Rating Board. For information about the ESRB rating please visit www.esrb.org.

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BASIC CONTROLS

Refer to the *Additional Controls* section of this manual for in-depth offensive and defensive controls including EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Superstar.

GENERAL CONTROLS

Move player	left analog stick
EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Control (see p. 5)	right analog stick
Quick Plays (see p. 6)	D-button
NEW Playcalling	D-button (double-tap), R3 button (to view playcalling zones)
Turbo	R1 button
Call timeout	SELECT button
Pause game	START button

OFFENSE

Shoot	⊙ button (press and hold to jump then release to shoot; tap to pump fake)
Pass (direction of the left analog stick chooses receiver)	✕ button (hold and release to execute a give-and-go)
Dunk/Lay-up	▣ button (double-tap to adjust your shot)

DEFENSE

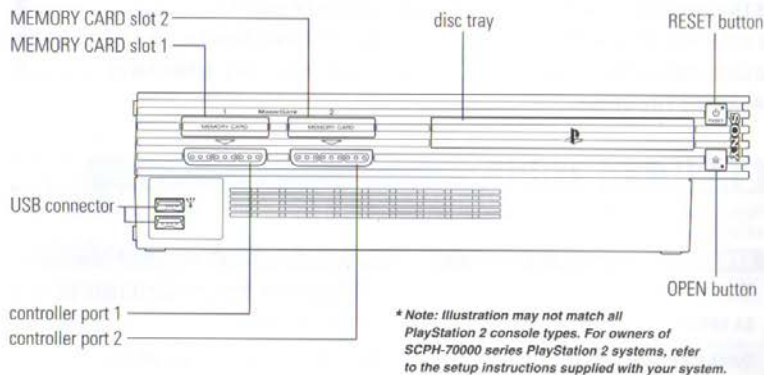|	
Switch player (direction of the left analog stick chooses player)	✕ button
Steal/Intercept/Hard foul	▣ button
Take charge	⊙ button
Block/Rebound	▲ button

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PLAYSTATION®2 COMPUTER ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM

MEMORY CARD slot 2
MEMORY CARD slot 1
disc tray
RESET button

USB connector

controller port 1
controller port 2

OPEN button

Note: Illustration may not match all PlayStation 2 console types. For owners of SCPH-70000 series PlayStation 2 systems, refer to the setup instructions supplied with your system.

1. Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual.
2. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located at the back of the console) is turned ON.
3. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the OPEN button and the disc tray will open.
4. Place the *NBA LIVE 06* disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the OPEN button again and the disc tray will close.
5. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate.
6. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

NOTE: When using the multitap (for PlayStation®2), a controller must be connected to controller port 1-A.

multitap connector (for PlayStation®2)

RFI filter

MEMORY CARD slot A
controller port A
controller port B
MEMORY CARD slot B

MULTITAP

MEMORY CARD slot D
controller port D
controller port C
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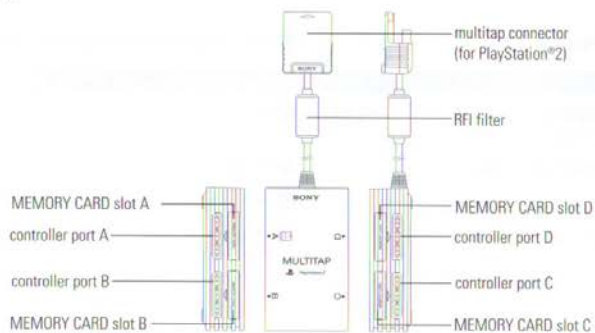
DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS

L2 button
L1 button
R2 button
R1 button

directional buttons (D-buttons)
left analog stick (**L3** button when pushed down)
SELECT button
ANALOG mode button
START button
right analog stick (**R3** button when pushed down)

△ button
○ button
✕ button
□ button
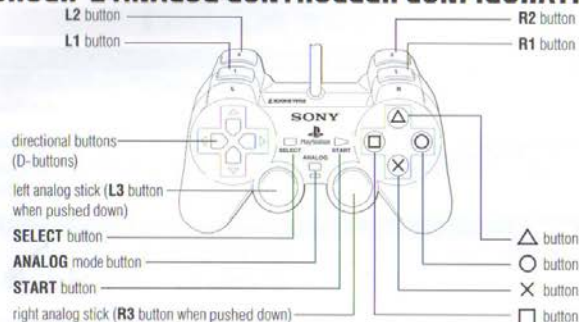
ADDITIONAL CONTROLS

NBA Superstars steal the show with an enhanced EA SPORTS Freestyle Control. For more information, see *EA SPORTS Freestyle Superstars* on p. 5.

NEW EA SPORTS FREESTYLE SUPERSTAR	
Superstar modifier	**L1** button + ● button, ✖ button, ◉ button, or ▲ button

OFFENSE	
Pro-hop/Power dribble	▲ button (hold for power dribble when player is standing still)
Protect ball	right analog stick ↓
Alley-oop pass (when teammate has a clear lane to the basket)	**R2** button
Direct pass	**L2** button + ● button, ✖ button, ◉ button, or ▲ button (tap **L2** button to pass to closest man to basket)
Off-ball switch™ (see p. 6)	R3 button + ● button, ✖ button, ◉ button, or ▲ button

DEFENSE	
Direct player switch	**L2** button + ● button, ✖ button, ◉ button, or ▲ button
Last man back	**L2** button (tap)
Defensive stance/Box out	right analog stick ↓
Intentional foul	**SELECT** button

MID-AIR REBOUNDS, TIPS, AND DUNKS	
Mid-air rebounds	▲ button
Tip-slam	● button when close to the basket
Tip-in	◉ button

(NEW) INBOUNDING

Call for screen	**L1** button
Swim move	right analog stick ↑
Push off	right analog stick ↓

CALL-FOR-PASS INBOUNDING

Move pass receiver	left analog stick
Call for pass	✖ button
Strategic player switch	D-button to switch to the best 3-point shooter, the closest man to the basket, the best free-throw shooter, or the best ball handler

LOW POST MOVES

Back down defender	right analog stick ↓
Slam dunk	left analog stick toward basket + ⬛ button when close to the basket
Fade away jump shot	left analog stick away from basket + ⬤ button
Power dribble	▲ button

OFF-BALL SWITCH [PLAYER LOCKED WITHOUT BALL]

Call for shot	⬤ button
Call for pass	✖ button
Call for dunk/lay-up	⬛ button
Call for screen	**L1** button

FREE THROWS

Use the help of the T-Meter™ when shooting free throws. For best accuracy aim (by pressing the ✖ button, ⬛ button, or ⬤ button) when the cursor is near the center of the meter. Next, press the ✖ button, ⬛ button, or ⬤ button again to set the distance.

NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND

3 POINT SHOOTOUT

Switch camera view	**L1** button
Pick up ball	**R1** button
Jump/Shoot	⬛ button, ✖ button, ⬤ button, or ▲ button (press to jump, release to shoot)

SLAM DUNK CONTEST (ON GROUND)

1 foot Gather	⬛ button
2 foot Gather	⬤ button
1 foot 180 Gather	▲ button
2 foot 180 Gather	✖ button
Ball toss	right analog stick
Move player	left analog stick
Toss modifiers	**L1** button/**R1** button

SLAM DUNK CONTEST (IN AIR)

Tomahawk	⬛ button
Pump	⬤ button
Windmill	▲ button
Clutch	✖ button
Rotate player (on 180 Gathers)	left analog stick
Dunk modifiers	**L1** button/**R1** button

PLAYING THE GAME

Get on the court quickly with a Play Now game.

TEAM SELECT SCREEN

After selecting an NBA, All-Star, Classic, Euro All-Star, International All-Star, RBK All-Star, or Young Gun team(s) for the upcoming game you have the option to adjust the starting lineups. Once your starters are set, the Jersey Select screen appears.

JERSEY SELECT SCREEN

Change your team's jersey for the upcoming game. Select a Home, Away, Alternate, Hardwood Classics, or Practice jersey.

SETTINGS

Select the skill level for the next game, along with quarter length, arena location, and camera view. You can also adjust the rules, preferences, gameplay settings, and in-game settings from the Settings screen.

ON THE FLOOR

GAME SCREEN

EA SPORTS Freestyle Superstar player icon/ Controlled Player

Score

Game clock/Period

EA SPORTS™ FREESTYLE CONTROL

Express yourself with EA SPORTS Freestyle Control. While dribbling, press the right analog stick in any direction to break out a Freestyle move. Making the same shape on the right analog stick results in the same move every time. You can also create combinations of Freestyle moves, so be sure to use Individual Practice mode to help perfect these moves.

(NEW) EA SPORTS FREESTYLE SUPERSTARS

NBA Superstars jump to life with an enhanced Freestyle Control. Players now perform based on distinct character types: Power, Highflyer, Playmaker, Scorer, Shooter, and Stopper. Each Superstar, represented on the court by a Superstar player icon, comes loaded with distinct passes, dunks, or signature moves. Power players dominate the inside, Shooters are dangerous behind the arc, and Playmakers have the ability to take over a game. Which one will you choose?

OFF-BALL SWITCH

Control players on the floor with or without the ball—call for passes, have a teammate shoot, or call a screen with the push of a button. Once you activate Off-Ball Switch mode (**R3** button), switch to another player on the court by pressing the corresponding button callout.

QUICK PLAYS

Direct traffic on both ends of the court by calling a Quick Play. On offense, you can run Isolation, Post Up, Pick-and-Roll, or Pick and Pop plays. On defense, the Half Court Trap, Double Team, Full Court Man to Man, and Half Court Man to Man defensive options are available.

You can change your Quick Play settings on your controller via the Playbook screen.

PLAYBOOK

Adjust to your opponent's playing style mid-game. You have the option to adjust your defensive matchups, defensive playbook, offensive playbook, and team strategies. The Playbook menu is accessible only through the Pause menu during a game.

SAVING AND LOADING

Before exiting a game mode (or a menu where changes have been made), be sure to save your progress to a memory card (8MB) (for PlayStation®2) in MEMORY CARD slot 1. All unsaved information will be lost otherwise. You can also save or load manually by accessing the LOAD/SAVE screen.

- To save or load a file, highlight the file you wish to load (or create a new file name when saving for the first time). Once the file is selected and/or named, the game data is either loaded or saved.

PLAY ONLINE

Become an NBA Superstar as you take on the best online players from across the nation.

PLAYING ONLINE

In order to play NBA LIVE 06 online, you must create a Your Network Configuration file and a new EA Account by following the on-screen instructions. If you already have an EA Account and a network configuration saved on a memory card, they appear automatically.

PLAYING BEHIND A FIREWALL

We recommend that you do not play behind a firewall. However, if you do wish to play behind a firewall, you must open the following ports: **UDP 3658** for peer-to-peer gameplay, **UDP 6000** for Voice over IP, **TCP 30100-30199** for lobby connectivity, **TCP 13505** for EA Messenger, **UDP 9555** for EA SPORTS Ticker, **TCP 80** for tournaments, lobby and online roster downloads, **TCP 443** for DNAS authentication.

NOTE: The game's timeout function may be different than your ISP's. This could lead to high telephone charges if you leave the game unattended.

WELCOME TO *NBA LIVE 06* ONLINE

The Online lobby is your main resource for connecting to players from around the world. Whether you're looking to join a Play Now game, a custom Session Match, a Lobby Match, or a 4 Player/8 Player Tournament, all the tools you need to connect to other players are available from the Online Main menu.

Play Now	Choose Play Now to find the next available player for Online play.
Session Match	Selecting a Session Match allows you to tailor the game to the way you want to play.
Quick Tournament	Choose a 4-player or 8-player Quick Tournament and take your favorite team to the next level.
Lobby Match	Choose a Lobby match and play against players based on your skill level or country.
EA™ Messenger	Use EA Messenger to play or chat with your favorite players online.

DYNASTY MODE™

Dynasty Mode operates on a year-round NBA calendar so be prepared to handle the duties on the court, as well as off it for multiple seasons. After choosing a team and selecting your settings, Season One begins. Before you start making key decisions be sure to check your PDA (click the **L3** button) for messages from the league, team owner, and more that can help determine the success of your franchise.

NEW HIRE STAFF

Assemble a coaching staff with assistants, scouts, and trainers who assist in player development and progression throughout the year. At the beginning of each season fill your openings with top talent. After reviewing the list of candidates, offer a contract and see if your proposal was generous enough for them to accept the offer. Once your staff is hired, Training Camp begins.

TRAINING CAMP

Before the season begins, put the team in your assistant coach's hands to improve player and team abilities during training camp. Your assistant coach focuses on certain aspects including offense, defense, and athleticism. Each has its reward and downfall. Be sure to balance the training in order to cover every area of need.

DURING THE SEASON

SCHEDULE/GM'S DESK/ROSTER MANAGEMENT

From the Dynasty Central menu you find the Schedule, GM's Desk, Roster Management screen, and more. Play or simulate games by selecting your next opponent on the team Schedule. For off-the-court news, get the latest updates from around the league, view the list of free agents, and more from the GM's desk. From the Roster Management screen you can reorder rosters, view injury reports, sign, release, and trade players.

SIM INTERVENTION

After choosing to simulate a game on the schedule, you have the option to intervene anytime during the simulation period. Once the game picks up, you are thrown into the middle of the action with time already off the clock. See if you can help your team hold a lead or make a comeback and grasp a victory.

OFF-SEASON

After the playoffs, it's time for all GMs to evaluate their respective teams for the upcoming season. Be sure to use valuable information from your team scouts to help evaluate talent. Listen to their advice and study up on the incoming class before draft day. Making a wrong pick could set your franchise back a few years.

After the Rookie Draft is complete, you have the chance to bid on and offer contracts to free agents. Financial security is the main selling point to many of the players, but don't break the bank to sign them. Be sure to keep enough money in the budget in order to sign the key role players as well.

To manage your roster, you can also re-sign and release players from the lineup. After the free agent period ends and your roster is set, the new season begins.

OTHER GAME MODES

SEASON

Play through the trials of a full NBA season. Set up a 29-, 58-, or 82-game season and make your run for the championship. You can play the season with any team using current NBA rosters, or assemble your team through a Fantasy Draft. You can even randomize your schedule or customize your league by switching up the teams in your division.

PLAYOFFS

Take part in the excitement of the NBA playoffs. Participate in a traditional format or customize a tournament—with or without a Fantasy Draft.

NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND

There are four events during the NBA All-Star Weekend. Your first event pits the rookies against the sophomore players during the *Rookie Challenge*. After slamming and jamming with the league's newest talent, rip the back of the net during the *3 Point Shootout* as you battle up to seven of the best long-range shooters in the league. Playing in a tournament format, you have 60 seconds to make as many shots (and score as many points) as you can. The winner moves on, the losers go home.

Next on the bill—the *Slam Dunk Contest*. Bust out your best Freestyle moves and wow the judges with an aerial assault that expresses your game like never before. Finally, show off your skills against the best players in the league during the *NBA All-Star Game*. It's East vs. West in this action-packed, winner-take-all game.

FREESTYLE CHALLENGE

Playing split-screen against an opponent, fly high above the rim in the Slam Dunk Contest, or drain 3s from beyond the arc in the 3 Point Showdown. Both players participate at the same time and the one who makes the most baskets wins the competition. Money Balls are worth more so be sure to capitalize on the bonus opportunity.

1 ON 1

Schoolyard basketball hits the NBA. Prove yourself against anybody in a 1 on 1 showdown for ultimate bragging rights.

SLAM DUNK SCHOOL

In Slam Dunk School, progress through the ranks of Beginner Practice, Alley-oop Practice, and Advanced Practice and perfect your skills along the way. You'll need to master the moves learned here before you can fully compete in the Slam Dunk Contest.

INDIVIDUAL PRACTICE

Before you storm the court, work on your Freestyle moves in Individual Practice mode. The entire court is yours with no time limit. Once you've mastered your dunks, cross-overs, and ball-handling skills, break 'em out against live competition. Better yet, show off your new act during the NBA All-Star Weekend.

NEW EA SPORTS™ RETRO

Play Old School Basketball with an all-time classic. Jump back in time and relive the glory days with the EA SPORTS classic *NBA LIVE 95*.

MY NBA LIVE

In My NBA LIVE, you can redeem Task Points earned in various game modes and buy shoes from the NBA Store. You can also enter codes, visit the EA SPORTS Hall of Fame, and choose your EA SPORTS TRAX from the Jukebox.

ROSTER UPDATES

Create an NBA player and add him to the league. Once a player is created he's added to the Free Agent Pool. From the Roster Management screen, you can add your Created Player to a roster, reorder current rosters, make player trades, sign or release players, and more. You can also visit Stats Central to view team and player stats, plus Task List requirements in order to unlock items in the NBA Store.