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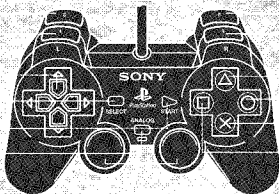
Getting Started
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Warranty

These are the default controls used to play
. To reconfigure the
controls, use the Options Screen -> Button
Configuration window (see the
"Options Screen" section).

L2 BUTTON
L1 BUTTON
DIRECTIONAL BUTTONS
SELECT BUTTON
START BUTTON
ANALOG MODE SWITCH
(ANALOG MODE WHEN LED IS LIT)



R2 BUTTON
R1 BUTTON
△ BUTTON
○ BUTTON
× BUTTON
□ BUTTON

Directional buttons

× button

▲ button

● button

■ button

L1 button

L2 button

R1 button

R2 button

Select button

Start button

Move wrestler

Kick

Chop

Action/Pin

Punch

Quick block

Taunt

Dodge

Tag your tag-team partner

Change attack focus in Battle Royal

Surprise run-in

Pause



NOTE: You may have a controller that looks like this, if so, please follow the digital instructions outlined above.



Press the **Directional buttons** up or down to highlight an option, then press left or right to modify the setting.

MATCH LENGTH (default: 5:00)

Change the length of your matches.

RINGOUT TIME (default: 20 SECONDS)

Set the maximum legal time a player can spend outside of the ring.

DIFFICULTY (default: NORMAL)

Choose how badly you want the competition to beat on you.

SURPRISE ATTACKS (default: YES)

Set this to YES or NO to decide whether or not you want "outside help" to win your matches. Be warned: outside interference works both ways!

WEAPONS (default: FEW)

Choose the number and frequency of various weapons that become available to you or your opponent during a match.

WEAPON TIME (default: 20 SECONDS)

Decide how long a weapon can be used after it has been picked up.

RING (default: RANDOM)

Choose from a number of your favorite WCW arenas in which to do battle, including Thunder, Fall Brawl, Road Wild, and more.

AUDIO (default: STEREO)

Set to MONO or STEREO sound.

SFX VOLUME

Use the left/right **Directional buttons** to increase/decrease the bone-jarring sounds of your match.

MUSIC VOLUME

Use the left/right **Directional buttons** to adjust the music levels on your system.

BUTTON CONFIGURATION

Press the X button to enter the Button Configuration window. Choose from the preset configurations or make your own. To create a custom configuration, hold down the button you would like to change and press the

Directional button right. You can assign Chop, Kick, Punch or Action to the buttons. In Dual-Shock™ compatible controllers, press the SELECT button to turn the Dual-Shock™ effects on or off.

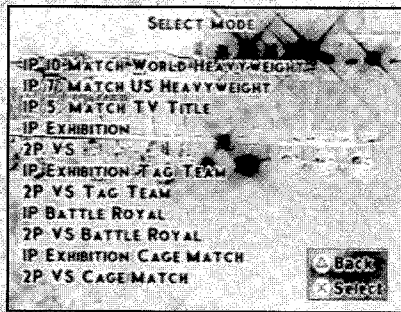
MEMORY CARD

Press the X button to load or save your settings or to save your championship run.

- **LOAD** – Highlight LOAD and press the X button to load settings or saved belt results.
- **SAVE** – Highlight SAVE and press the X button to save your settings or belt results.

Note: Insert a Memory Card into your PlayStation game console before starting

Select **START**
GAME at the Title Screen
to enter the Select Mode Screen. Choose
one of the many match and championship
tournament options to begin gameplay.



WCW WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT TOURNAMENT

Anything goes in this tournament to determine the best wrestler in the world today. Choose a wrestler, then fight your way through 10 of WCW's finest in a quest for championship gold.

1P EXHIBITION

Test your strength against an opponent of your choice in this single-match mode.

2P VS.

You and a second player duke it out in a one-on-one battle to the finish.

1P WCW TV TITLE TOURNAMENT

Go against five of WCW's top athletes in this tournament for the WCW TV Title. Choose a character to represent you, then beat out the competition to win the belt!

WCW U.S. HEAVYWEIGHT TOURNAMENT

Win the WCW U.S. Heavyweight Title by defeating seven of the top contenders in the world for this prestigious strap.

1P EXHIBITION TAG TEAM

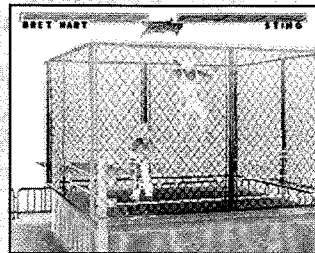
Choose two wrestlers to form a team, and match up against two opponents of your choosing. During a match, you control one man at a time. Get close to your tag team partner and tap the **R2** button to bring him into the fight.

2P EXHIBITION TAG TEAM

You and a second player select two players each to compete in a test of tag team supremacy.

1P BATTLE ROYAL

Be the sole survivor in this ultimate test of stamina and fortitude! Select a wrestler to control, select 3 more immediate opponents, and then try to survive a total of 29 rivals. Don't worry if your original wrestler gets tossed. Losing the character you chose gives you control of the next combatant entering the ring. Win by tossing all your opponents over the top rope. To throw an opponent out of the ring, make sure his health indicator is flashing red and press **←**, **X**, **●**. Add a friend into the mix by selecting **2P VS. BATTLE ROYAL** for the ultimate challenge!



1P CAGE MATCH

When all attempts at fair play fail, head for the confines of a steel cage. With 15 feet of fencing surrounding the ring, you can rest assured of no outside interference, and no weapons. Just you and your worst enemy mano-a-mano in a fight to the finish.

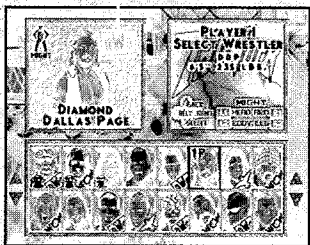
2P CAGE MATCH

Tired of your opponents bringing weapons to the ring, or calling for help from backstage when victory seems within your grasp? Challenge a second player to a steel cage match where the only weapons available are the cage itself and your skills as wrestlers!



Having trouble deciding which character to use against the biggest, baddest competition in the world? Use the **Directional buttons** to highlight an athlete. Press the **●** button to hear the wrestler's rant, his way of introducing himself to you. Press the **X** button to choose him, or use the **Directional buttons** to select someone else.

You can press the **▲** button at any time to move back one screen and change your play mode.



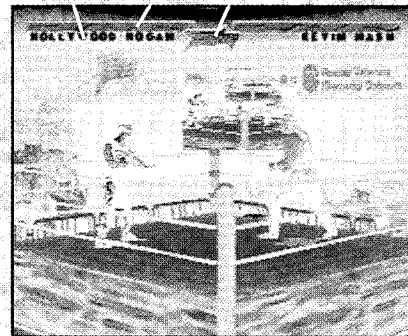
The game also features enhancements that allow you to modify wrestlers based on their status within WCW or your personal ideas.

ALLEGIANCES

Each character falls within one of these factions:

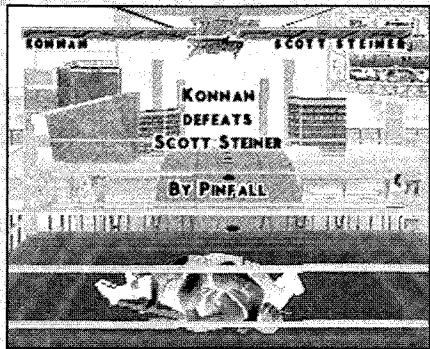
- WCW
- NWO Red
- NWO White
- Raven's Flock
- Four Horsemen

Use the **Directional buttons** to select a wrestler, then use the **■** button to change his affiliation. Changing a wrestler's allegiance may change his uniform and the characters who help him during run-ins and surprise attacks.



Health decreases as you get hit during the match. If you can avoid being punched or thrown around for a period of time, your health will gradually increase. This goes for your opponents, too, so keep punishing them! Taunting the opponent during a match pleases the crowd and helps you regain health.

Backstage at the arena, dozens of wrestlers and managers are waiting to be part of the action. You may encounter them as run-in characters causing interference, or as participants in the game's Battle Royal mode. Winning tournaments as different characters may allow you to take control of different hidden characters. Use the Save mode in the Options Menu to hold onto the hidden characters you've gained.



MATCH LENGTH

Each wrestling match consists of one bout.

WINNING

The winner can be determined in four ways:

- A match can be won by pinning your opponent (with the ● button) and holding him for a count of 3.
- A match can be won by default if a player or opponent stays outside of the ring for longer than the time allowed.
- If the match is timed, the bell can determine the winner. (The player with more health will be declared the winner if time expires.)
- A match can be won by submission if a player or opponent is too weak to continue the match after being placed in a particularly painful hold.

TOURNAMENT WIN

In a tournament, the winner will be allowed to battle the next randomly chosen opponent.

EXHIBITION/V5 WIN

At the end of an Exhibition or VS match, the game will return to the Title Screen.

BATTLE ROYAL WIN

In Battle Royal mode, the winner is the wrestler who remains as the last man in the ring after all others have been thrown over the top rope.

Press the **Start** button to pause the game at any time. From the Pause Menu, you can continue the match, restart the match, replay a tournament match, or quit to the Title Screen. (See "As the Battle Rages On." page 18.)

Before some especially devastating moves can be executed, you must first execute a pre-emptive grapple, leaving him at your mercy. To execute a grapple, move close to your opponent and press the → + ● button. Once your opponent is in your grasp, follow up this grapple with a button combination to execute the special move of your choice. But be careful! Take too much time and your opponent may counter the hold.

When engaged in the heat of battle, opponents may try to wear each other down in what is known as a Test of Strength, the classic locked-hand spectacle which can swing the momentum of a match in either wrestler's favor. To engage your opponent in a test of strength, press the ↑ + ●, then tap attack keys repeatedly to wear him down. Your success or failure in a Test of Strength will be reflected by the health meter levels at the top of the screen.

Nobody becomes a professional wrestler overnight! Practice and learn the moves on the next two pages to destroy the competition! All the button combinations refer to the wrestler facing right. Reverse the left/right **Directional buttons** for wrestlers facing left. Except where noted, all the moves on the following two pages can be performed by all wrestlers.

■ Button

× Button

▲ Button

● Button

L1 Button

R1 Button

L2 Button

R2 Button

→, ●

←, ●

↑, ●

←, ■, ×

↑, ■, ▲

↑, ▲, ●

←, ■

↑, ■

↓, ×

↓, ■, ▲

▲, ■

↑, ▲, ▲

↓, ▲

←, ×, ●

Basic Punch

Basic Kick

Basic Chop

Action/Pin Attempt

Basic Block

Dodge

Taunt

Tag in tag team partner

Grapple opponent

Whip opponent to ropes

Engage in Test of Strength

Frankensteiner (smaller wrestlers)

Head Scissors (smaller wrestlers)

Gorilla Press (larger wrestlers)

Hip Toss

Snapmare

Dropkick

Backbreaker

Basic Suplex

Bodyslam

Abdominal Stretch

Toss opponent out of ring



Pin Attempt
Elbow Drop
Knee Drop
Stomp
Leg Drop
Lift opponent off mat
Drag opponent



Foot Choke
Elbow
Big Chop
Knee
Splash
10-Count Punches



Powerbomb
Piledriver
Vertical Suplex



Flying Elbow Drop
Flying Knee Drop
Guillotine Legdrop
Missile Dropkick

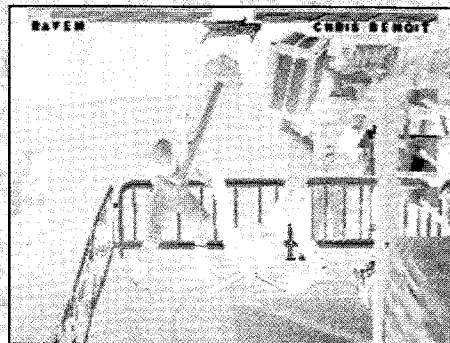


Clothesline
Spin Kick

Climb out of ring
Climb into ring



Climb top rope



In professional wrestling, many athletes win by any means necessary. A favorite shortcut to victory is the use of foreign objects (aka weapons) in a match. These objects can be almost anything: stop signs, chairs, and even televisions. Whether or not you take advantage of the objects strewn around the ring is up to you and your personal moral code.

HOW TO USE WEAPONS

- Pick up weapon = Move close to object with **Directional buttons**
- Swing weapon = ■
- Throw weapon = X
- Drop weapon = ▲
- Knock weapons out of opponents' hands by kicking, punching, or executing moves against them.

Press the **Start** button during any match to bring up the Pause Menu. Choose from the following options:

CONTINUE

Unpause and finish the match.

RESTART MATCH

Restart the current match from the beginning.

QUIT

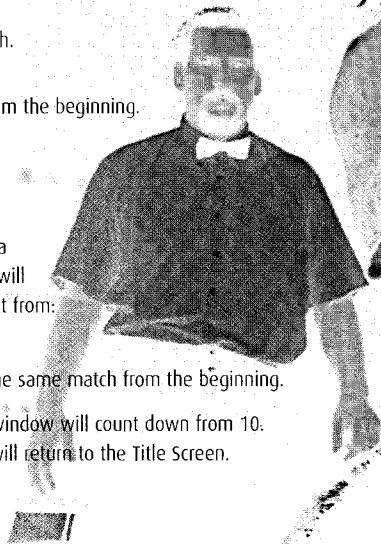
Leave the match and return to the Title Screen.

If your wrestler is beaten in a tournament match, a menu will appear allowing you to select from:

REPLAY MATCH

Select YES or NO to restart the same match from the beginning.

A timer on the Match Over window will count down from 10. If time runs out, the game will return to the Title Screen.



Every wrestler has special moves that only he can do, from trademark taunts to the deadliest finishers known to mankind.

These moves take years of practice to master, but in a little patience and the all-important hand-eye coordination could have you destroying opponents with any one of a number of devastating maneuvers.

The next eight pages reveal the signature moves that you can use to pulverize the competition!

- * With opponent on mat
- ** With opponent on mat, energy flashing red
- *** With opponents energy flashing red
- **** After whipping opponent to ropes
- + From top rope, with opponent's energy flashing red
- ++ With opponent dazed in turnbuckle



HOLLYWOOD HOGAN

X, ●, ●
▲, ▲, ▲
↑, ■, ■, X

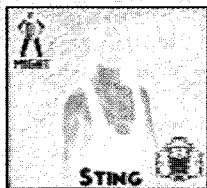
Knee Bashes
Big Boot****
Hogan Legdrop**



BRET HART

■, ■, ■
▲, ■, ■
↓, ■, ▲, ■

Russian Leg Sweep
Atomic Headbutt*
Sharpshooter**



STING

X, ●, ●
X, ●, X
↓, ■, X, ■

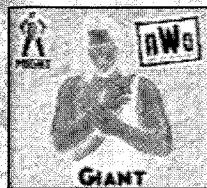
Scorpion Deathdrop
Stinger Splash++
(in the center of the ring)
Scorpion Deathlock**



LEX LUGER

X, X, ●
▲, ▲, ▲
↑, ▲, ■, ▲

Manhattan Drop
Diving Clothesline****
Torture Rack***



GIANT

■, ▲, ▲
↑, ▲, ■
↑, X, ●, ●

One Hand Pancake
Two-Handed Choke Lift
Chokeslam***



DIAMOND DALLAS PAGE

■, ■, X
▲, ●, ●
↑, X, X, ●

Tilt-A-Whirl Side Salto
Spinning Pancake
Diamond Cutter***



RAVEN

■, X, ■
→, X, ●
↓, →, ▲, ▲

Cheap Shot
Overhead Armdrag
Evenflow DDT***



SATURN

X, ●, X
←, X, X
↑, X, X, X

Saturn Driver
Gargoyle Suplex
Death Valley Driver***



GOLDBERG

▲, ●, ●
↓, ▲, ●, ●
↑, ▲, ▲, ▲

Gorilla Press Slam
Spear
Jackhammer***



KEVIN NASH

■, ■, ▲
↑, ▲, ■
↑, ■, ×, ■

Side Slam
Choke Lift
Super Powerbomb***



SCOTT HALL

×, ■, ■
←, ▲, ●
↑, ■, ■, ×

Headbutt
Fallaway Slam
Outsiders Edge***



CURT HENNIG

↑, ×, ■
×, ×, ■
←, ▲, ▲, ■

Belly-to-Back Suplex
Snap Suplex
Hennigplex***



MACHO MAN RANDY SAVAGE

■, ×, ×
▲, ▲, ■
↑, ▲, ●, ▲

Face Smash
Macho Suplex
Flying Elbow Drop+



RICK STEINER

↓, ▲, ●
■, ■, ■
←, ×, ×
↓, ▲, ●, ●

Spinebuster
Powerslam
Gargoyle Suplex
Football Tackle***



SCOTT STEINER

▲, ▲, ▲
×, ×, ×
←, ×, ×
↓, ■, ■, ▲

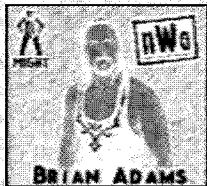
Forearm Smashes
Double Underhook Suplex
Gargoyle Suplex
Steiner Recliner**



JERICO

←, ×, ■
▲, ■, ▲
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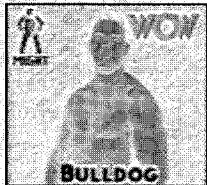
Body Scissors
Swinging Head Scissors
Lion Tamer**



BRIAN ADAMS

■, ■, ■
▲, ●, ●
↑, ▲, ▲, ▲

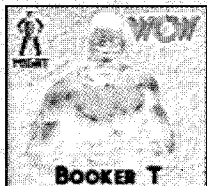
Russian Leg Sweep
Spinning Slam
Tilt-a-Whirl***



BRITISH BULLDOG

■, X, X
▲, ■, ■
↑, ■, ■, ■

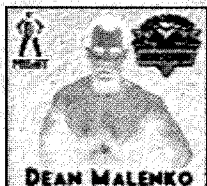
Face Smash
Atomic Headbutt*
Running Powerslam***



BOOKER T

↑, ▲, ■
▲, ●, ▲
↑, ▲, ▲, ▲

Harlem Axekick
Harlem Flip (inside ring only)
Harlem Hangover+



DEAN MALENKO

▲, ▲, ■
X, X, ■
←, ▲, ■, ■

Malenkoplex
Snap Suplex
Texas Cloverleaf**



WRATH

X, ●, ●
▲, ■, ■
←, ▲, ▲, ▲

Knee Bashes
Death Penalty
Meltdown***



ULTIMO DRAGON

←, X, ■
▲, ■, ▲
↓, ■, ▲, ■

Body Scissors
Spinning Head Scissors
Dragon Sleeper***



BILLY KIDMAN

■, ■, X
▲, ■, ▲
↑, ▲, ▲, ▲

Tilt-a-Whirl Side Salto
Spinning Head Scissors
7 Year Itch+



DISCIPLE

↑, X, ■
■, ■, ■
←, ■, X, X

Belly-to-Back Suplex
Powerslam
Apocalypse***



CHRIS BENOIT

■, ▲, ■
↑, ■, ▲, ▲
←, ▲, ▲, ■

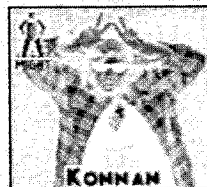
German Suplex
Flying Headbutt+
Crippler CrossFace***



SCOTT NORTON

▲, ▲, ▲
■, ■, ■
←, ▲, ●, ●

Forearm Smashes
Big Boot****
Shoulder Breaker



KONNAN

←, ×, ■
▲, ▲, ▲
↓, ■, ■, ■

Body Scissors
Diving Clothesline****
Tequila Sunrise**



ANVIL

■, ■, ■
←, ×, ×
↓, ▲, ●, ●

Russian Leg Sweep
Gargoyleplex
Football Tackle**



ROWDY RODDY PIPER

■, ×, ×
▲, ■, ■
←, ▲, ●, ●

Facebuster
Atomic Headbutt*
Sleeper Hold***



BUFF BAGWELL

×, ●, ●
■, ■, ■
→, ▲, ▲, ●

Knee Bashes
Powerslam
Blockbuster***



KANYON

×, ●, ×
×, ×, ×
→, ×, ×, ×

Scoop Bomb
Double Underhook Bomb
Flatliner***



ALEX WRIGHT

↑, ×, ■
→, ×, ●
↑, ■, ▲, ■

Belly to Back Suplex
Overhead Armdrag
German Suplex***