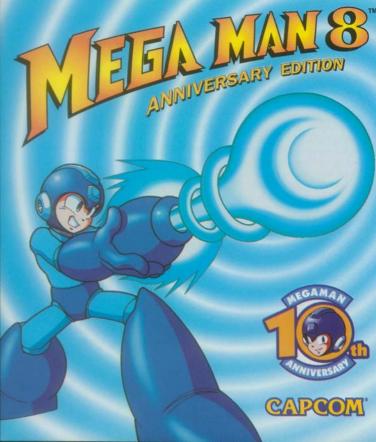




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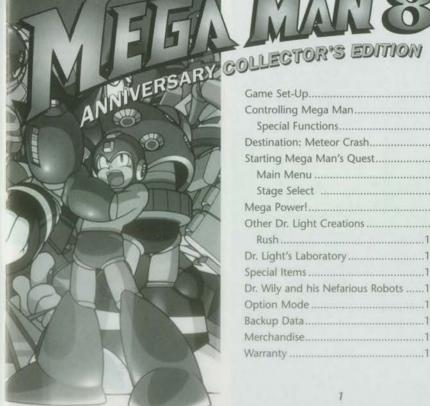
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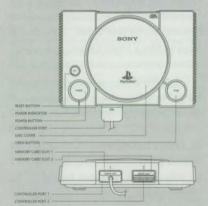
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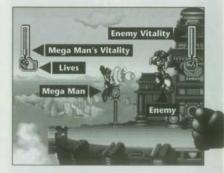
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STARTING MEGA MAN 8

After loading MEGA MAN 8, watch the cartoon introduction sequence or press START or any Control button to jump to the title screen. Press START or X to bring up the main menu. Refer to page 7 for more on how to begin playing.



CONTROLLING MEGA MAN

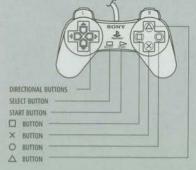
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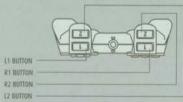
DL #001

Mega Man, the second robot created by Dr. Thomas Light, was originally intended only to perform functions in the laboratory that Dr. Light could not. Slowly, Dr. Light began using Mega Man for more and more advanced robotics experiments. One day, Mega Man walked in on Dr. Light listening to an inter-

cepted transmission from the evil Dr.
Willy. The transmission exposed Dr.







BUTTON	FUNCTION
START Button	Starts Game Opens Mega Power Screen Selects item in menu
SELECT Button	Opens Reset Menu from Mega Power screen
DIRECTIONAL Button	Highlights item in menu Moves Mega Man Left or Right Climbs Ladders Up or Down
Δ	Fires Mega Buster (Shot Button Press and hold until fully charged, release to fire Mega Blast. Try jump and sending out a Mega Blast. Cancel item in menu
	Fires Mega Power (Special Weap Fires Mega Buster (Shot Button Press and hold until fully charged then release to fire Mega Blast.
0	Jump Swim
×	Jump Swim Select Item in menu
L1, R1	Changes Mega Power Switches menu in Mega Power screen
L2, R2	Not Used

To reset game at any time, press and hold SELECT. Then press and hold START. Or pause game by pressing START, then press SELECT to open the RESET MENU. Highlight and select QUIT. Select YES to OUIT.

SPECIAL FUNCTION

SWIM

CLIMB LADDER

SLIDE Press the DIRECTIONAL Button

▼ and ○ or X simultaneously to slide under narrow passages.

IUMP Press ○ or X to jump. Adjust

Press ○ or X to jump. Adjust height of the jump by holding the button down longer. Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to determine the direction of the jump.

Press O or X to swim. Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to move Mega Man while swimming.

Stand at base of ladder and press the DIRECTIONAL Button ▲ to climb ladder. Press ▼ to climb down.

USE MEGA BALL Rush delivers the first Mega Power to Mega Man on the island, but the Mega Ball is a Mega Power and can be depleted. Equip the Mega Ball then press to fire it. You will see the Mega Ball on the ground. Stand next to the Mega Ball and press again to make Mega Man kick the ball and activate it.



SPECIAL FUNCTION

MOVE MEGA BALL Press the **DIRECTIONAL** Button Left or Right to move the Mega Ball without activating it. Sliding onto the Mega Ball works as well.

JUMP ONTO MEGA BALL Fire a Mega Ball but don't activate it. Press and hold ○ or X to jump on the Mega Ball. Mega Man will jump higher.

USE SNOW BOARD In certain parts of the Icy stages Mega Man can use a Snow Board. He can Jump and Slide by using the same motions mentioned previously. Be prepared: inclines increase the snow board's speed.



FLOAT IN A BUBBLE Bubbles turn up occasionally. Jump onto the bubble-maker and Mega Man will float upward. Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to move the bubble left or right. No weapons are available while in a bubble, and spikes will pop the bubble.





DESTINATION: METEOR CRASH

Dr. Light sped to his controls to react to the sudden alarms. Lights flashed and electronic sounds blared. He scanned the meters and checked the print-outs for any clues to what had just happened. Then the computers centered on the disruption in the radar and brought it on-screen.

"Mega Man, come in! You must investigate the disturbance immediately. Come in, Mega Man!"

A hologram displaying the gentle face of the Titanium Titan gradually materialized, and Dr. Light breathed a sigh of relief. Mega Man was already in the vicinity.

"Yes, Dr. Light. I have the readings. From the looks of it that comet was not an accident. I detect a high concentration of metal alloy in that fireball. I bet Dr. Wily is behind this."

"If not, he at least knows about it and is nearby. It crashed onto that deserted island. If Wily's there, don't let him get away. And be careful Mega Man. Remember what happened the last time!"

STARTING MEGA MAN'S QUEST

MAIN MENU

From the MEGA MAN 8 title screen, press START or the X Button to bring up the main menu. Here you have 3 options: GAME START, CONTINUE or OPTION. To start a new game, highlight GAME START and press START or the X Button. After the cartoon introduction sequence, you will begin play. To bypass the intro, press START or the X Button.

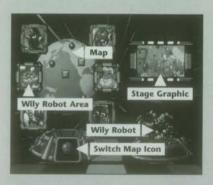
To continue a previous game, highlight CONTINUE. For more on how to save or load a game, see page 15.

Adjust the configuration of your game by selecting OPTION. This brings you to the OPTION MODE. See page 15 for more on options.

STAGE SELECT

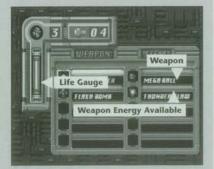
After Mega Man investigates the deserted island, he is presented with the Stage Select Screen. The square markers show the stages on the map where Mega Man can go to find clues. Highlight a marker and press START or the X Button to begin Mega Man on his quest.

At first you can only go to 4 stages and Dr. Light's laboratory. For more on the functions of Dr. Light's lab, see page 11.



MEGA POWER!

As Mega Man battles Wily's Nefarious Robots he will gather power-ups, weapons and items. If Mega Man is skilled enough to face and defeat the Wily Robot introduced at the beginning of the stage he is rewarded with that Robot's weapon. The weapon and any other special power-up he acquires will be stored on the Mega Power screen.



Press START during gameplay to pause the game and bring up the Mega Power screen. This first screen shows all the weapons Mega Man has acquired from defeated Wily Robots. The second screen, the Item Select screen, shows all the special items Mega Man has collected, Use L1 or R1 to shift back and forth between Mega Power screens.

To equip an item or weapon, use the DIRECTIONAL Button to highlight the item or weapon and press START. This will return you to gameplay with the weapon or item you chose to use.

You can switch weapons during gameplay by pressing L1 or R1. You must have energy remaining in the weapon in order to use it.



OTHER DR. LIGHT CREATIONS

Mega Man is not alone on this adventure. Dr. Light has been busy creating other robots to help Mega Man find Dr. Wily. Here are those that Mega Man can count on when he needs help:



ROLL

DL #002

Mega Man's younger sister Roll works in the laboratory and assists Dr. Light in turning the bolts Mega Man collects into those nifty items he can obtain at the lab. For more on this, see the next sec-

tion.

PROTO MAN

DL #000

Dr. Light's first creation seems to be at the right place at the right time. Good ol' Proto Man. You know good things are usually nearby when he shows up.

AUTO

Normally a technical assistant in the lab, the beefy. Auto steps out of the lab and into the hunt with his custom weapon. Mega Man can definitely count on Auto to lend a hand.



EDDY "FLIP-TOP"

Dr. Light made Eddy to transport things from the lab to his robots in the field. Now Eddy has been equipped with the ability to fly. So, along with Eddy, Mega Man has some real fire power.



BEAT

The famous crime-fighting bird named Beat is always out for world peace. Beat was built by

Dr. Cossack, a long-time friend and colleague of Dr. Light. Cossack and Light worked together so well that Cossack gave Beat to Mega Man to support him in battle. While flying, Beat will

dash out to attack if fully charged.

RUSH

Where would any person be without a trusty canine at their side? The same goes for the Blue Bomber and Rush the Robo Dog. Rush can transform himself into many different vehicles so Mega Man cannot do without

him. All Rush powers have limited energy, and once you call on him you must use all the energy from that power.

Rush has 6 forms, but Mega Man can only call on 4 by himself.

Special Rush allows Dr. Light to send a holographic image to communicate with Mega Man, while Rush Jet gives Mega Man the power to fly. Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to move the Rush Jet. Mega Man can only fire to the right while on Rush Jet, but can use any Robot Weapons at his disposal.

Rush Bike - Call up the Rush Bike and zoom through enemies with no problems. Mega Man will not take any damage while on the bike, but Rush's energy takes a pummeling if you ram enemies. To leave the bike, press the DIRECTIONAL Button A and the JUMP button to jump off the bike.

Rush Bomber - Rush will drop bombs to help you.

> Rush Charger -Mega Man will receive life energy or weapon energy. Rush will drop these down for Mega Man to collect.

DR. LIGHT'S LABORATORY

From the Stage Select screen, highlight Dr. Light and press START or the X Button to select the lab. Roll will appear and talk you through the features at the lab. There are a number of items that can be built and given to Mega Man depending on how many bolts are required to make the item. The number of bolts you have collected will appear in the lower right corner of the screen.

Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to highlight a menu item then press START or the X Button to select it. You can choose from ASK FOR A PART, SAVE, OPTION MODE or EXIT. Select ASK FOR A PART to have Roll create a special item. After selecting this from the menu, you will see icons representing the items you can make. Use the DIRECTIONAL Button to highlight an item. Information about the item will appear at the top of the screen. If you have enough bolts press START or the X Button to select it. If you do not have enough bolts Roll will tell you so. When you have finished, select Exit and you will return to the Stage Select screen.

You can also save your game in the lab. Make sure you have a memory card loaded in Memory Card Slot 1, then highlight SAVE and press START or the X Button. You will then be asked which block you want to save the game to. For more on saving and loading games, see page 15.

Select **OPTION MODE** to adjust your options in the same way as you can from the game's main menu.



SPECIAL ITEMS

Each item has information about its purpose when you highlight it in the lab (or highlight it in the ltem Select screen) but here is a short list of some things you can purchase:

Energy Balancer-When you collect Weapon Energy, the balancer will fill your weapons from least to greatest.

Exit Part-Allows you to exit a stage you have already completed.

Laser Shot-A piercing laser weapon.

These items appear when you defeat enemies, or are just there if you can find them:

Bolts-Use these to create items at the lab.

Companion Panel Appears only in flying stage; pick up when the companion you want appears.

Rush Panel-Allows you to call up the corresponding Rush power.

1 UP-Increases the number of chances you have to battle, up to a maximum of 9 extra lives.

DR. WILY AND HIS NEFARIOUS ROBOTS

DR. ALBERT W. WILY

The evil scientist never gives up. Try and try as he might, Thomas Light is always there to get the upper hand. Even back in their days at the Robot Institute of Technology Dr. Light got all the attention and accolades. Wily has vowed to become the greatest robot maker the world has ever seen but Dr. Light's Mega Man has consistently foiled Wily's schemes to control the world.



BASS AND TREBLE

An interesting pair. Who would have ever thought to pair a robot with a trusty canine sidekick? Wily figured if you can't beat 'em, copy 'em so now Rush and Mega Man have Bass and Treble to deal with. Bass is convinced he can defeat Mega Man by himself yet welcomes the fierce Treble.



TENGU MAN

DW #057

Weapon:
Tornado Hold
Wily created Tengu Man
to take advantage of the
power of the storm. An
experimental robot
with many weaknesses if you can find
them, Tengu Man exudes
confidence and frequently
looks down on others. So
look out for the tornado.



ASTRO MAN

DW #058

Weapon:
Astro Crash
An abandoned
planetarium
held lots of parts
for Wily to convert
into the menacing Astro

Man. At first Astro Man was designed to control the minds of those who viewed the planetarium show, but the greedy Wily prepared him for battle. Never one to shy away from a fight, Astro Man still feels more comfortable in space.

SWORD MAN

DW #059

Weapon: Flame Sword
One of Wily's most prized thefts was an ancient sword he lifted out of a museum. But the sword was so huge he could not find a use for it. Finally he built

Sword Man but could not balance the weight. Wily decided he must float Sword Man's upper body above the rest so he will not be clumsy. The devastating sword can be charged up and shoots fire.

CLOWN MAN

DW #060

Weapon: Thunder Claw
Dr. Wily rescued Clown
Man from a cancelled science
fiction TV show. Made from old
sets and props, he displays the
charisma of show business.
The truth is Dr. Wily can't
stop laughing at Clown Man's
arms. This makes Clown Man
especially proud of his arm span, which can
extend over great distances, because he never

got a laugh while on the show.

SEARCH MAN

DW #061

Weapon: Homing Sniper
Built from extra parts and
an out-of-service security
robot, Search Man has
Jeckyl-and-Hyde written all
over him. Wily decided that
two heads would be better
than one but then again Wily
never does anything for the
better. Search Man's heads
should cooperate but in reality
they are constantly bumping heads over
every decision.



FROST MAN

DW #062

Weapon: Ice Wave

When Wily bought parts to enhance Clown Man, he over did it. To use up those parts, he worked day and night to come up with Frost Man. He had

with Frost Man. He had so many more parts than he expected. So Wily built an ice machine right inside Frost Man. His most dangerous weapon is the Ice Wave, a quick blast of razor-sharp icicles that freezes and cuts through anything it touches.



GRENADE MAN

DW #063

Weapon: Flash Bomb

The best description that fits Grenade Man is a crazy drill sargeant whose favorite pastime is to blow up everything in sight. Grenade Man's bold and reckless personality was just the remedy for Dr. Wily. While he loves to hurt his enemies,

strangely Grenade Man longs for the pain of

an explosion or two. AQUA MAN

DW #064

Weapon: Water Balloon

Aqua Man emerged when Wily's first shot at Frost Man's ice machine failed miserably. So he gave Aqua Man a huge water tank in his chassis. Wily sent him to a water utility plant to train, and now he has emerged as one of Wily's best weapons.

OPTION MODE

Roll assists you in adjusting the configuration of your controls and the sound mode for your game. Highlight OPTION from the main menu and press START or the X Button to select it. Then highlight the function you want to change and press the button you want to use for that function.

Choose between STEREO and MONO for the sound on your game depending on the capability of your system.



BACKUP DATA

There are 3 ways to save your game. Each time you clear a stage you will be asked if you want to save your game. When you run out of lives you will be given the chance to save your game. You can also save while in Dr. Light's Laboratory. Your game progress, items and option settings will be saved.

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