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NOTE:
Between stages,
screen stays black
for approximately
10 seconds.



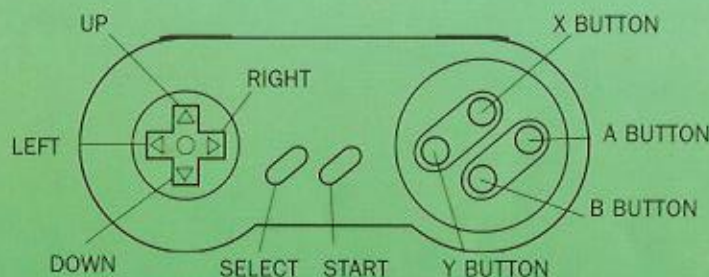
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Welcome to TNN's Bass Tournament of Champions. You're in for a unique and challenging bass fishing experience. Test your skills in different lakes and weather conditions using your choice of gear and bait. Compete with other anglers in three different tournaments. It's time to get in on the action!



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Make sure the Super Nintendo Entertainment System (Super NES) power switch is OFF.

Insert the TNN Bass Tournament of Champions game pak into the Super NES as described in the Super NES instruction manual.

Turn the power switch ON. After logo and credit screens, the title screen will appear. Press START. Move the control pad UP or DOWN to "New game" or "Continue", then press the A button.



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Continue: If you are continuing a game, you will enter the Save Game Data screen. Move cursor to your name and press A to re-enter game where you left off.



New Game: If you choose "New game", a Save Game Data screen will appear. Move UP or DOWN the list to where you want your name to be and press A. This will put you in the Input Your Name screen.



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Input Your Name Screen

To enter your name in the Input Your Name screen, move the control pad to select up to 10 characters and press A to enter each one. When finished, move to END and press A. The Select Game Mode screen will appear.



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Select Game Mode Screen: Allows you to choose Tournament, Free Fishing or Bass Pro Shop. Move UP or DOWN through the options and press A to enter.



When you choose the Tournament mode, an option window will appear. This screen has three options: Tournament, Shop or Save.

Tournament takes you directly to the tournament start where you can fish in three competitive tournaments - Junior, ASC and TNN. Placing 3rd in the Junior mode will allow you to move on to ASC. Placing in the ASC mode will allow you to compete in the TNN tournament. Press A to begin fishing.

Shop takes you to the Pro Shop to purchase tackle and lures with money from your fishing bank account. You will receive an initial \$100.00 to spend. Earn more money as you fish.





Save lets you save the day's catch and anything you purchased at the Pro Shop.

1. Tournament hours: 7:30 am to 4:30 pm
2. Ranking is based on the total bass weight in the livewell brought to the weigh-in.
3. A 5 bass maximum is allowed in the livewell. Any other bass caught will be automatically added or subtracted so that only the largest fish remain.
4. There is a minimum weight limit. If your fish is too small, the computer will let you know and you will have to throw it back.



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5. Once a fish is caught, you have the option to keep fishing or to enter the



Weigh-in screen. To weigh-in, return to "START" at the dock in the lake and an option screen will appear. Choose to weigh-in or keep fishing.

6. If you place in the top three, you will receive prize money and can continue to the next tournament level. The higher you place, the more money you earn. The prize money will be added to your account in the Pro Shop.



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Junior Tournament: This is the first tournament you will enter. You must place in the top three in order to move on to the ASC Tournament. If you lose in the Junior mode, you can keep trying until you place high enough to move on.

ASC Tournament: This is the second level of the tournaments. You must place in the top three in order to move on to the TNN Bass Tournament.

TNN Bass Tournament Of Champions: The last and most challenging of the three tournaments. The only way to enter is by placing in the first two tournaments.

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If you choose Free Fishing from the Select Game screen, you can fish from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm in the lake of your choice. Use your own gear and lures purchased from the Pro Shop. You will receive an initial \$100.00 at the beginning but, cannot earn any more money in this mode, so spend wisely. When the Free Fishing title screen appears, press A to enter the Lake Map screen.



Lake Map Screen

In this screen you will have 6 different lakes to choose from, each with its own unique shape and

characteristics. To learn more about a lake, move your control pad to highlight your selection and press A. This will lead you to the Lake Stats screen.

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Lake Stats screen

This screen shows the lake's shape, average fish size, weight and length, and best size caught. If you want to view other lakes, move the lure with your control pad to NO and press A. If you want to fish in this lake, Move to YES and press A. This will put you in the Fishing Conditions screen.



Fishing Conditions Screen

Choose the conditions you feel are best suited for your style of fishing.



1. SEASON: Spring, summer, fall or winter.
2. WEATHER: Sunny, cloudy, rainy, stormy, foggy or auto default.
3. FORCE WIND: Light, medium, heavy or auto default.
4. TIME OF DAY: Pick the time you want from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.
5. EXIT: To leave the screen.

Choose these fishing conditions by moving your control pad to highlight each area. When all your choices have been made, move to EXIT and press A to enter the Boat screen.





Boat Screen:

This screen gives you an overhead view of the boat on the lake, and shows all the fishing conditions you have chosen. Cruise around the lake, taking note of changes in water temperature and lake bottom terrain, until you find a fishing spot you want to try. To move your boat forward, press and hold down A. To move in reverse, press and hold down B. Pressing LEFT or RIGHT will steer your boat in the direction you are moving.



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1. The time of day.
2. Your current position on the lake map.
3. Depth and fish finder.
4. Water temperature - varies with time of day.
5. Current weather conditions.
6. Current season.

To get more options while in Boat Screen, press SELECT. To enter the Casting screen, press Y. If you haven't chosen your tackle and lures, you will fish with game default settings.



Boat Options Screen:

Move UP or DOWN to highlight options and press A to enter.

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The Options are:

1. Tackle Box
2. Livewell
3. Status
4. Time
5. Tip
6. Exit

NOTE: In the Tournament mode only, another option called Ranking is added. This screen gives your position and status in the tournament you are currently competing in. Press A while in Ranking to see how you rank in all three tournaments.



Tackle Box: Return to this screen every time you need to change rods, reels, lures or to get lure maneuvering suggestions. The Tackle

Box can be reached in the Casting screen by pressing SELECT, in the Pro Shop by choosing Tacklebox option, or in Boat Options by pressing SELECT.

1. Lure you are currently using
2. New lure you selected from the tackle box
3. Lure section lets you see what you have in stock and how many of each
4. Lure depth range

Move UP or DOWN to highlight your rod and reel selection and press A. To enter lure section, highlight lure area and press A.





To leave lure screen, highlight EXIT area and press A. To leave Tackle section, highlight EXIT area and press A. You will return to the Boat screen.

NOTE: Some lures have more than one option:

Texas Rig: Used in weeded areas because the hook is not exposed and won't catch on anything.

Split Shot: This rig has a piece of lead on the line which weighs the line down and lets the worm float a few inches off the bottom.

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Livewell Screen

The livewell holds up to 5 bass and will automatically add or subtract fish so that only the largest remain.

Press B to return to Boat

Options screen. You can also enter the livewell by catching a fish. Press A to enter the Casting screen.

1. Place of catch
2. Approximate weight
3. Fight time
4. Biggest size

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Status Screen

This screen will give your status for level, retrieve or fighting whether you are in Free Fishing or

Tournament modes. Move the control pad to NEXT and press A, to see your bass record of kilograms, centimeters and weather conditions when caught. Press B to return to Boat Screen.



Time screen

This screen allows you to move your time forward in the Free Fishing mode starting from 7:30 am until 4:30 pm.



Tip Screen

Return to this screen when you want some tips to better your chances of catching a fish.



Exit. Press A to see sub-menus. Press B to return to Boat screen.

Casting screen

Once you have selected a fishing point, you are ready to cast.





1. Time of day.
2. Wind direction.
3. Casting power bar. The more power in the bar, the longer the cast. To increase power, press A. To cancel power, press B.
4. Air temperature.
5. Weather conditions.
6. Lure icon shows you the lure you're now using.
7. Lure line lets you know how much line is cast out.

How to cast

Determine where you want to cast your line and press LEFT or RIGHT to face in that direction. Build up casting power by pressing A. When the power has surged to your liking, press A again to cast out your line.



Fishing Screen

Casting your line will automatically put you into the Fishing Screen. This screen gives an overhead view of the water. It also lets you control



your lure movements and battle the bass.

1. Shows lure distance from boat
2. Depth of lure in water
3. Rate of speed you are reeling in

To leave the fishing mode, return to the Boat screen, then motor to "START" at the dock in the lake. An options screen will appear. Choose YES to quit or NO to keep fishing.





After you have cast, the lure will sink to the depth appropriate for the particular lure you are using. To bring the lure closer to the top of the water, press the A button. To reel your lure in, press A and hold down. Control the lure by pulling up the rod or swinging the rod right or left by pressing RIGHT or LEFT on the control pad. Keep in mind what lure are your using to maneuver it in a realistic manner. See Tackle Box screen on pg 19 for suggestions. If the bass aren't biting, press SELECT to bring lure back to boat.

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Reeling In The Line

See Controller diagram on page 5 for button placement

Reel in the line
Reel quickly

Press the A Button
Press A with L or R
Button

Swing the rod

Press Control Pad LEFT
or RIGHT

Pull up the rod
Thumb the line
Reel in instantly
Dip the rod

Press DOWN
Press the B Button
Press SELECT
Press UP

Setting The Hook

When the bass strikes, you will hear a snapping sound. Immediately set the hook by pressing A. You will know the bass is hooked by the line tension sound and the line tension meter.

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Monitor the tension meter carefully, if the gauge reaches the end and turns red, your line will snap. A warning will sound if your line is in danger of snapping.

Landing A Bass

Ease the bass in to keep the line tension in control. If the bass takes off, let him run a bit, then thumb the line and gradually reel him in. The livewell screen will appear at this point. Press B to enter your catch. Press A to return to Casting.

Bass Pro Shop

Move the control pad UP or DOWN to highlight lures, rods, reels or tackle box. Press A to view your purchasing options. Press A again to buy. Purchases are deducted from your fishing bank account.



Press A to get into lure selection.

Press A to choose lure.

Press LEFT and RIGHT to highlight your selection.

Sub screen tells you what your lure can do and asks if you want to buy it. Move to yes or no and press A.

Pressing NO brings you back to lure screen. If you buy the lure, money will be subtracted from your fish bank account. You can then press A again to get back to lure sub screen.

NOTE: Selecting B always brings you back to previous screen.





1. Each lure has a specific movement that works best. Make sure you see Tacklebox screen for suggestions.
2. If your line becomes snagged with a fish on the line and you tried swinging the rod left and right with no results, press A and B together to cut the line.
3. Watch your line tension. A slack line can cause your bass to get away. When a fish is on the line, it's better to let him run and ease him in slowly. Too much tension may break your line and you'll lose your lure.
4. Don't forget to consider the wind direction and the amount of sunlight before making a cast.

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5. Notice light changes as you fish through the day.
6. A good way to find hiding bass is to fish an area from one end to the other.
7. Take advantage of the depth finder in searching for bass.

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