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Chapter 1 - INTRODUCTION

Wild Pitch! is a baseball simulation that allows you to test

your

skills as a big league skipper by letting you manage players

that

perform just as they did in real life. You select the starting lineups and pitchers, decide when to steal a base, bunt, hit

and

run, pinch hit or run, and when to bring in your ace reliever. Since players are rated using their actual statistics and tendencies, the ones that hit for high average will

consistently

lead the league in batting average, the power hitters will hit homeruns at the same rate they actually did, and the top base stealers will be among the leaders in stolen bases. Pitchers

will

produce realistic results in strike outs, walks, earned run average, and many other pitching categories.

So put on the uniform and step into the dugout of one of the wildest baseball strategy games you've ever played!

1.1 PROGRAM FEATURES

Here are some of the features of Wild Pitch!:

- o Easy-to-use modern Windows-like user interface with pull down menus, dialog boxes, and full mouse capabilities.
- o All managerial strategy options are available: base stealing, hit and run, bunt, squeeze play, position the defense, bring in pinch hitters and runners, and more.
- o View batter, pitcher, and team statistics at any time during the game. Stats include actual, total replay, all possible base situations, an incredible number of the

new

 $$\operatorname{stats},$$ fielding stats, versus left hand pitching/batting,

versus right hand pitching/batting.

o USA Today-style expanded box scores at any time during the $$\operatorname{\mathsf{qame}}$.$

- o Detailed scorecard of the game's play-by-play available any time during the game.
- o Save a game in progress and retrieve it later.
- o The scoreboard, lineup cards, ballpark, and play-by-play result window are always displayed on the screen.
- o Ballpark window features simulated baseball action. You can see the fielders, base runners, batter and on-deck batter, and view their stats via the 'quick stat' dialog boxes. The location of the ball is displayed after

every

play.

o On-line help is available for every screen.

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1.2 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Wild Pitch! is distributed as shareware and can be evaluated, at

no charge, for 30 days. After the 30 day evaluation period has expired, you order a registered version of the software.

1.2.1 HOW TO REGISTER

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MS Software c/o Mike Savage P.O. Box 536 Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

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1.2.2 WHAT YOU RECEIVE WHEN YOU REGISTER

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- o A printed and bound user guide
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- o One free program upgrade
- o Notification of future upgrades

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- o Through CompuServe mail. My CompuServe Address is 71121,3137.
- o By mail. Write to MS Software, c/o Mike Savage, P.O. 536, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028.

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may begin offering Wild Pitch! immediately (However Michael Savage must still be advised so that the distributor can be

up-to-date with the latest version of Wild Pitch!).

You are encouraged to pass a copy of Wild Pitch! along to your friends for evaluation. Please encourage them to register their

copy if they find that they can use it.

1.6 USER GUIDE CONVENTIONS

The following conventions are used in the Wild Pitch! User Guide:

Keystrokes

Key names are displayed as <key> where key is a key found on your keyboard. For instance, <F1> is the F1 function key, <Enter> is the Enter or Carriage Return key, <Space> is the space bar, etc.

DOS Commands

Anywhere that you're required to type a command, the command is shown surrounded by single quotes. For example, the User Guide may say something like "to see a listing of the files on a disk type 'DIR' at the DOS prompt". Notice that you should only type D, I, and R. Do not type the quotes.

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Chapter 2 - GETTING STARTED

2.1 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The following hardware/software is required to run Wild Pitch!:

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- o An IBM PC, XT, AT, or 100 percent compatible computer a hard drive.
- o DOS 2.11 or higher.
- o 640K RAM.
- o 80 column VGA/EGA/CGA/monochrome monitor.

Suggested but not required:

- o A mouse. It definitely makes moving through the program much easier. If you're using a mouse, make sure it's a Microsoft Mouse version 6.1 or later, or compatible.
- o A printer. Useful for printing stat reports, box scores, scorecards, etc. If you don't have a printer, all

reports

can be directed to a file instead.

2.2 PROGRAM INSTALLATION

To run the installation program, insert the Wild Pitch! disk into drive A and type:

A: INSTALL

from the C:\> prompt at DOS and press <Enter>. Follow the prompts on the screen.

2.3 STARTING THE PROGRAM

To start the program:

1. Change to the subdirectory Wild Pitch! is stored in.

For example, if Wild Pitch! is on your C: drive in the

subdirectory, type 'CD\WP' at the DOS prompt.

2. Type 'WP' at the DOS prompt to start the program.

2.4 EXITING THE PROGRAM

To exit the program, press the ${\rm Alt}{\rm X}{\rm Beys}$ or choose the Exit command under the Game menu.

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3.1 GETTING HELP

 $$\operatorname{Press}$\ \ensuremath{<\operatorname{F1}}\$ at any time to display on-line help. Context sensitive

help is available for every window in Wild Pitch!

3.2 WILD PITCH! SCREEN COMPONENTS

The Wild Pitch! Screen consists of three components: the menu bar

at the top of the screen, the status line at the bottom of the screen, and the window area in the middle.

3.2.1 MENU BAR

The menu bar at the top of the screen provides access to the

menu

commands. Each word (Game, Stats, etc.) on the menu bar is the name of a pull down menu. There's a Game menu and a Stats

menu,

etc. Use the $\langle \text{Left} \rangle$ and $\langle \text{Right} \rangle$ arrow keys to move from one

menu

item to another on the menu bar. The current menu item is highlighted. $\,$

Press the <Enter> or <Down> while on a menu item and the pull down menu is displayed. You can use the <Up> and <Down> arrow keys to move the highlighted bar between menu commands. Press

the

<Enter> key to select a menu command.

Menu commands that are followed by an arrow (>) means that another pull down menu will be displayed. If a menu command is followed by an ellipsis (\ldots) , that means that a dialog box

will

be displayed when that item is chosen. All other menu commands perform some sort of action when selected.

Menu Shortcuts

Each menu command has a letter or number highlighted. This is the shortcut key that can be used to select the menu command without having to move to the item with the arrow keys. To use

shortcut key, press the <Alt> key and the highlighted character

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simultaneously. For instance, press ${\rm Alt}{\rm G}{\rm S}$ to pull down the Game menu.

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General Hot Keys

Table 3.1: General Hot Keys

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Menu Hot Keys

Table 3.2: Menu Hot Keys

Key(s)	Menu Item	Action
<f10></f10>	(none)	Takes you to the main menu
<alt><g></g></alt>	Game menu	Takes you to the Game menu
<alt><s></s></alt>	Stats menu	Takes you to the Stats menu
<alt><w></w></alt>	Window menu	Takes you to the Window menu
<alt><h></h></alt>	Help menu	Pulls down the Help menu
<ctrl><s></s></ctrl>	Off. Mgr Steal	Steal a base
<ctrl><h></h></ctrl>	Off. Mgr Hit & run	Hit & run
<ctrl><d></d></ctrl>	Def. Mgr Defense	Position the defense
<ctrl></ctrl>	Stats Box score	View the box score
<ctrl><s></s></ctrl>	Stats Scorecard	View the scorecard

Window Management Hot Keys

Table 3.3: Window Management Hot Keys

	Key(s)	Menu Item	Action
W	<alt><#></alt>	(none)	Window # becomes the active
•	<alt><0></alt>	Window List	Displays a list of open windows
	<alt><f3></f3></alt>	Window Close	Closes the active window
	<shift><f6></f6></shift>	Window Previous	Cycles backwards through window
	<f5></f5>	Window Zoom	Zooms/unzooms the active window
	<f6></f6>	Window Next	Cycles through windows on scree
	<ctrl><f5></f5></ctrl>	Window Size/move	Resize or position a window

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On-line Help Hot Keys

Table 3.4: On-Line Help Hot Keys

Key Action

- <F1> Displays on-line help

 ${\tt <Alt><F1>}$ Displays the previous help topic

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3.2.2 STATUS LINE

The Status Line is displayed at the bottom of the screen and is used as a reminder to let you know of the valid hot keys for a particular window. You can press a key displayed on the Status Line to perform the action indicated. If you have a mouse, double-clicking on the Status Line will also work.

3.2.3 WINDOW AREA

The Window Area is between the Menu Bar and the Status Line and contains a number of windows. Only one of these windows is the current, or active, window.

3.2.4 DIALOG BOXES

A dialog box is a window in which you'll be asked to enter information required to complete some action. A dialog box can contain push buttons, groups of check boxes or radio buttons, input fields, and list boxes.

Valid Keystrokes for a Dialog Box

The following are valid keystrokes in a dialog box:

Table 3.5: Valid Keystrokes for a Dialog Box

Key Action

<Tab> Move to next field

	<shift><tab> <space> <enter> <esc> <f1></f1></esc></enter></space></tab></shift>	Move to previous field Select an entry from a list box Accept information and exit the dialog box Exit a dialog box without saving information Help
	Push Buttons	
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A push button can be chosen by pressing <Enter> or clicking on it. An action is carried out immediately. If a push button has

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highlighted letter, you can press the <Alt> key and the letter

to

'push' the button from anywhere in the dialog box.

Check Boxes

clear

A check box next to an option means that you can select or

the option. Press <Space> to select the option and <Space>

again

to clear the option. A check box that is selected appears as

[X]

and one that is cleared appears as $[\]$. You can select as many check box items as necessary.

Check boxes are usually found in groups of two or more. To move between check boxes in a group, press the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Up}}\xspace>$ and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{CDown}}\xspace>$ arrow keys.

For example, the following is a group of check boxes from the Game Options dialog box:

Factors

[X] Ballpark

[] Weather

Note that the Ballpark check box has been selected and the Weather check box has not.

Radio Buttons

Only one radio button can be selected from a group of radio buttons. Radio buttons are named after the buttons of an old

car

radio where only one button can be chosen at a time. A radio button that is selected appears as (*) and one that is not selected appears as ().

Radio buttons are found in groups of two or more. To move

between

the radio buttons in a group, press the $\ensuremath{\text{Up}}\xspace$ and $\ensuremath{\text{Down}}\xspace$ arrow keys.

For instance, the following is a group of radio buttons from a

dialog box:

Select only one:

- () Option A
- (*) Option B
- () Option C

This example shows that Option B has been selected. Since these are radio buttons, only one option can be selected.

Input Fields

An input field allows you to enter some information, such as a number or words.

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List Boxes

A list box contains a scrollable list of items and allows you to

choose one item from the list. Press <Space> to select an item from a list box.

3.3 MENU OPTIONS

3.3.1 GAME MENU

The Game menu is used to select teams for a new game, retrieve a previously saved game, etc. Refer below for details on each menu item.

The menu contains the following commands:

Select teams... Use this menu item to choose teams

for a new game.

Save Save the game in progress to disk

for later play.

Retrieve Retrieve a game that had been

saved.

Play Ball! After the teams have been selected

for the game and the starting lineups and pitchers have been chosen, you can start the game by

using this menu item.

At bat Resolve the batter/pitcher

confrontation.

Go to DOS Temporarily exit Wild Pitch! and go

to DOS. Type 'EXIT' to return to

Wild Pitch!

Exit the program.

3.3.2 MANAGER MENUS

Before teams are chosen for a game, you'll see 'Visitors' and

names	'Home' as main menu options. These will be replaced by the						
Hames	of the teams that you've selected for the game.						
in	The menus displayed under each team will be different depending on whether the team in batting (offensive manager menu) or is						
111	the field (defensive manager menu).						
	Offensive Manager Menu						
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The offensive manager menu appears on the main menu under the name of the team batting. The menu contains these managerial options:

Lineup...

Displays the lineup dialog box. During the game, use this menu command to pinch hit and bring in pinch runners.

To make defensive substitutions, wait until your team is in the field, then choose the Lineup... menu command. See Defensive Manager Menu for more info.

Mouse: Double click on the team's lineup in the Lineup Cards window to display the lineup dialog box.

Steal... Use this menu item to steal a base.

Hit & Run Attempt a hit and run play. The

lead runner runs on the pitch.

Bunt Lay down a sacrifice bunt. If

there's a runner on 3rd base,

select the Squeeze command instead.

Squeeze play. The runner on 3rd

base breaks for the plate on the pitch and the batter attempts to bunt the ball. If there's no runner on 3rd base, use the Bunt command

instead.

Defensive Manager Menu

The defensive manager menu appears on the main menu under the name of the team batting. The menu contains these managerial options:

Lineup...

Displays the lineup dialog box.
During the game, use this menu item
to bring in a relief pitcher or
make defensive substitutions.

To bring in a pinch hitter or runner, wait until your team is batting, then choose the Lineup... menu item. See Offensive Manager Menu for more info.

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Mouse: Double click on the team's lineup in the Lineup Cards window to display the lineup dialog box.

Defense... Position the defense: bring the

infield in or play at normal depth.

Intentional Walk Intentionally walk the batter.

3.3.3 STATS MENU

The Stats menu is used to display the batting, pitching, and team $\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}$

statistics of both teams, as well as the box score and scorecard

of the game. The menu contains these items:

Batting stats Displays the Batting Stats window.

Pitching stats Displays the Pitching Stats window.

Team stats Displays the Team stats window.

Box score Use this menu command to show the

box score of the game.

Scorecard View the play-by-play of the game.

The commands on the Stat menu can be used at any time before, during, or after the game.

3.3.4 OPTIONS MENU

The Options menu contains commands that let you view and change various default settings. The menu consists of the following choices:

Game... Set up game options.

League... Choose the league rules, such as

whether the pitcher or a designated

hitter bats.

Environment Set up the Wild Pitch! environment.

Display Select the type of monitor you

have.

Printer	Configure the printer settings.
Mouse	If you're using a mouse, you can customize the mouse settings by
	choosing this menu command.

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Save options...

Save the game, league, and program settings in a configuration file that can be retrieved at a latter time. This saves you having to reconfigure the settings every time you run Wild Pitch!

Retrieve

Retrieve a previously saved Wild Pitch! configuration file. If you save your configuration file with the file name WP.CFG, it will be retrieved automatically every time Wild Pitch! is run.

3.3.5 WINDOW MENU

Size/Move

This command allows you to change the size or position of a window.

Zoom

Zoom will resize the active window to the maximum size. If the window is already zoomed, you can choose this command to restore it to its previous size.

Mouse: You can also double-click anywhere on the window's title bar to zoom or unzoom the window.

Tile

Tiles stat windows, making all of them visible.

Cascade

Cascades stat windows, making all of them visible.

Next

Choose the next window on the screen.

Previous

Choose the previous window on the screen.

Close

Close the active window.

List

This menu item opens a dialog box containing a list of all open windows. You can choose a window

from this list and it will become the active (top) window or close a window.

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3.3.6 HELP MENU

Contents Display a list of help topics.

Help on help How to use the on-line help system.

How to register... How to register your copy of Wild

Pitch!

About Wild Pitch!...

Displays Wild Pitch! version

number, release date, and copyright

information.

3.4 MAIN WINDOWS

Four windows are displayed on the screen when Wild Pitch! is

run:

the Scoreboard, Lineup cards, Play-by-Play, and Ballpark

windows.

3.4.1 SCOREBOARD

The Scoreboard window displays the number of runs scored by inning, total runs scored, hits, and errors for both teams.

3.4.2 LINEUP CARDS

The Lineup Cards window shows the current lineup for both teams.

3.4.3 PLAY-BY-PLAY

The Play-by-Play window displays the outcome of the batter's at bat. The play-by-play results are saved and can be viewed in

the

scorecard.

3.4.4 BALLPARK

The Ballpark window shows the playing field, the batter and ondeck batter, the base runners, the pitcher, the fielders, and

the

location of the ball.

Quick Stats

From the Ballpark window, you can view the stats of the batter, on-deck batter, base runners, the pitcher, and all the fielders.

Quick Batting Stats

Press the number key of the batter's lineup position. For example, if the batter is batting 3rd, press <3> to see his stats. You can also view the on-deck batter's stats by pressing his lineup number.

Quick Running Stats

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Press the number key of the runner's lineup position. For example, if the runner is batting 1st, press <1> to see his

base

running stats.

Quick Pitching Stats

Press <Shift><1> to the view the pitcher's stats.

Quick Fielding Stats

Press <Shift> and the number key of the fielder's position. For instance, press <Shift><7> to the left fielder's fielding stats.

The numbers that represent each fielder:

Table 3.6: Fielding Position Numbers

Key	Fielder
<shift><1></shift>	Pitcher
<shift><2></shift>	Catcher
<shift><3></shift>	First base
<shift><4></shift>	Second base
<shift><5></shift>	Third base
<shift><6></shift>	Shortstop
<shift><7></shift>	Left field
<shift><8></shift>	Center field
<shift><9></shift>	Right field

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Before you can begin a new game, you'll have to select the visiting and home teams and their starting lineups.

4.1 CHOOSING THE TEAMS

league.

To select the teams for a new game, use the Select Teams command on the Game menu. The Select Teams dialog box will be displayed.

- - Press <Tab> to move to the list of visiting teams that belong to the league.
 - 3. Press the $\langle \text{Up} \rangle$ and $\langle \text{Down} \rangle$ keys to move the highlight bar over the name of the visiting team.
 - 4. Press <Tab> to move to the list of leagues for the home team. Press the <Up> and <Down> keys to select the
- 5. Press <Tab> to move to the list of home teams that belong to the league.
 - 6. Press the <Up> and <Down> keys to move the highlight bar over the name of the home team.
 - 7. Press the Ok button by pressing the <Enter> key.

4.2 RETRIEVING A SAVED GAME

To load a game that had previously been saved, choose the Retrieve command on the Game menu. A message box will be displayed asking if you'd like to retrieve a saved game. If you choose 'Yes' the saved game will continue at the exact spot you saved it.

4.3 SETTING LEAGUE OPTIONS

After the teams have been loaded, the League Options dialog box

pitcher	will be displayed. This allows you to set up whether the
	or a designated hitter will bat and the league scoring rules.
started.	The league options can not be changed after the game has

4.3.1 LEAGUE OPTIONS DIALOG BOX

The League Options dialog box allows you to set the following league rules:

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Who bats Select whether the pitcher will bat or a

designated hitter will bat for the

pitcher.

Scoring Rules Select if a sacrifice fly should count

as an at bat. Under current scoring rules, a sacrifice fly does not count as

an at bat, but years ago it did.

Press the Ok button to save the league options or the Cancel to quit the dialog box without saving the options.

To save the league options to disk, see page ?.

4.4 SETTING GAME OPTIONS

Anytime during the game you can set the game options. Select

Game command from the Options menu to display the Game Options dialog box.

4.4.1 GAME OPTIONS DIALOG BOX

The Game Options dialog box allows you to set the following game options:

Visiting team Human or computer will manage the

visiting team.

Home team Human or computer will manage the

home team.

Factors Choose if the ballpark and weather

can affect the game.

Type of game If you play a league game the stats

for both teams will be saved after the game. Select a non-league game and the stats will not be saved.

Team designation Select the way you'd like to see

the team names in the menu, box score, and lineup cards. For example, if the Pittsburgh Pirates are playing, select nickname to see

Pirates, select City/location to

see Pittsburgh, or select abbreviation to see PIT92.

Sound

If you select Game noise you'll hear an audible click every time a batter gets a hit. You can also hear the US or Canadian (or both) national anthems at the beginning of the game.

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Press the Ok button to save the game options or the Cancel to quit the dialog box without saving the options.

To save the game options to disk, see page ?.

4.5 SELECT A STARTING LINEUP

Team

To choose the starting lineup for a team, go to the Visiting

or Home Team menu and select the Lineup command. This will display the Lineup dialog box.

If you have a mouse, you can double-click on the team's lineup in the Lineup Cards window to display the Lineup dialog box.

4.5.1 LINEUP DIALOG BOX

Auto button

Bench button

The Lineup dialog box consists of:

Lineup list box	Shows the current lineup.
<pre>Include button (<)</pre>	Add a player to the lineup from bench or a pitcher from the bullpen.
Remove button (>)	Remove a player from the lineup.
Bench list box	Shows all position players (non-pitchers) that can be brought into the game.
Fldg list box	Shows the fielding positions available for a player to play.
Bullpen list box	Shows all pitchers that can be brought into the game.
Ok button	Submit the lineup to the umpire.
Cancel button	Quit the Lineup dialog box and do not save changes made to the

lineup.

Automatically select the lineup.

View the Bench list box. This

button will only be enabled when the Bullpen list box is currently displayed.

Bullpen button

View the Bullpen list box. This button will only be enabled when the Bench list box is currently displayed.

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Lineup List Box

The Lineup list box contains the team's current lineup.

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Figure 4.1: Lineup Dialog Box - Lineup List Box

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Bench List Box

The Bench list box contains all the position players that are eligible to enter the game.

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 Figure 4.2: Lineup Dialog Box - Bench List Box
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     Fielding List Box
     The Fielding list box shows all available fielding positions.
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     Fldg
     +---+
      | C |
      | 1B |
      | 2B |
      | 3B |
      | SS |
      | LF |
      | CF |
      | RF |
      | DH <----- Only available if designated hitter
               option is chosen in League Options dialog box
      _____
          Figure 4.3: Lineup Dialog Box - Fielding List Box
     Bullpen List Box
     Bullpen
      +----+
      \mid Clemens R St 0 <-- \# of games since last game he
pitched
      | Gardiner R St 2 |
      'Rf' = 100% Relief pitcher
             +-----'L' = lefty, 'R' = righty
       +---- Pitcher's name
      ______
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Figure 4.4: Lineup Dialog Box - Bullpen List Box

4.5.2 ADDING PLAYERS TO THE LINEUP

Since the Lineup dialog box can display either the Bench or the Bullpen list box at one time (but not both), you have to make sure that the Bench list box is currently displayed. If it is

not

displayed, press the Bench button to display it.

To add players to the lineup:

1. Make sure you're in the Bench list box. You can tell if you're in a list box if one of the items in the list box

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is highlighted. If you're not in the Bench list box, press <Tab> until you're there, or press <Alt>.

- 2. Use the <Up> and <Down> keys to move the highlight bar to the player that you want to add to the lineup.
 - 3. When a player is highlighted in the Bench list box, his primary position is highlighted in the Fielding Position (Fldg) list box. If this is the position you'd like him

play press <Space> or double-click to put the player

the lineup. The player will be removed from the Bench

box and added to the highlighted lineup position in the Lineup list box.

If the fielding position highlighted in the Fldg list

isn't the position you want him to play, move to the

list box by pressing <Tab> or <Alt><F>. Move the

bar to the correct fielding position using the <Up> and <Down> keys. Press <Space> or double-click to select the position (for the player highlighted in the Bench list box) and it to the lineup.

You can also press the Include (<) button to add the player to the lineup.

If the pitcher is batting (this can be set in the League

dialog box), only eight position players can be added to the starting lineup. The ninth player, the pitcher, is added to the batting order when he is chosen as the pitcher.

If a designated hitter is batting instead of the pitcher, nine position players can be added to the starting lineup.

4.5.3 REMOVING PLAYERS FROM THE LINEUP

To remove players from the lineup:

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Options

- 1. Make sure you're in the Lineup list box. You can tell if you're in a list box if one of the items in the list box is highlighted. If you're not in the Lineup list box, press <Tab> until you're there, or press <Alt><L>.
- 2. Use the <Up> and <Down> keys to move the highlight bar the player that you want to remove from the lineup.
 - 3. Press <Space> or double-click to remove the player from the lineup and back to the bench. You can also press the Remove (>) button.

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4.6 SELECT THE STARTING PITCHER

Since the Lineup dialog box can display either the Bench or the Bullpen list box at one time (but not both), you have to make sure that the Bullpen list box is currently displayed. If it is not displayed, press the Bullpen button to display it.

To select the starting pitcher for the game:

if

Make sure you're in the Bullpen list box. You can tell you're in a list box if one of the items in the list box is highlighted. If you're not in the Bullpen list box, press <Tab> until you're there, or press <Alt><P>.

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- 2. Use the <Up> and <Down> keys to move the highlight bar the pitcher you want to start this game.
- 3. Press <Space> or double-click to move the pitcher to the lineup.

you

If you've chosen a pitcher but want another pitcher instead,

can remove him from the lineup by moving to the Lineup list box by pressing <Alt><L>, move the highlight to the pitcher's name, then press <Space>. This will send the pitcher back to the bullpen. To get back to the Bullpen list box to choose another pitcher, press <Alt><P>. Now you can select another pitcher.

4.7 SWAP FIELDING POSITIONS

of all other positions.

You can swap the fielding positions of any two players (except the pitcher).

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 From the Lineup list box, press the <F8> key to change fielding position of the highlighted player.

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The Swap Fielding dialog box will be displayed showing player's name and current fielding position and a list

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2. Use the <Up> and <Down> keys to move the highlight bar

to

the new fielding position.

3. Press <Space> to swap fielding positions.

4.8 SUBMIT THE LINEUP TO THE UMPIRE

After you've selected the starting lineup and the starting pitcher, press the Ok button at the bottom of the dialog box to submit the lineup to the umpire.

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4.9 CANCEL LINEUP CHANGES

To quit the Lineup dialog box without saving the changes you made to the lineup, press the Cancel button at the bottom of the dialog box.

4.10 SAVING THE STARTING LINEUP

When you submit a lineup to the umpire, the starting lineup (but not the pitcher) is automatically saved for use in the next game.

So the next game you play with this team, the lineup card will already be filled in for you. Of course you can make any changes

to the lineup and you'll have to select a starting pitcher for the game.

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After you have selected the visiting and home teams, and their starting lineups, you are ready to begin the game.

5.1 BEGIN THE GAME

Game

To begin a new game, select the Play Ball! command from the menu.

If the Play Ball! menu item is not enabled, check the following things:

- o You've selected the teams that will be playing in the game.
- o You've selected the lineups for both teams.

5.2 OFFENSIVE MANAGER OPTIONS

The offensive manager can bring in a pinch hitter or pinch runner, give a base runner the steal sign, instruct the batter

to

hit and run, lay down a bunt, or try to squeeze the runner from 3rd base.

5.2.1 PINCH HITTING

To pinch hit for the current batter:

- 1. Choose the Lineup command on the offensive manager menu.
- Choose the player currently batting (his name is highlighted) from the Lineup list box by pressing or double-clicking.

<Space>

the

or double-clicking.

3. Press the Ok button when asked if you'd like to remove player from the game.

- 4. Move to the Bench list box and select the player that'll be pinch hitting.
- 5. Press the Ok button to make the lineup 'official'.

5.2.2 PINCH RUNNING

To pinch run for a runner:

- 1. Choose the Lineup command on the offensive manager menu.
- 2. Choose the base runner from the Lineup list box by moving the highlight bar over his name.

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You can tell who the base runners are by looking at the column at the right (next to his fielding position). There'll be a number 1-3 representing the base he's on $(1=1st\ base,\ 2=2nd\ base,\ 3=3rd\ base)$.

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- 3. Press <Space> or double-click and press the Ok button asked if you'd like to remove the player from the game.
- 4. Move to the Bench list box and select the player that'll be pinch running.
- 5. Press the Ok button to make the lineup 'official'.

5.2.3 BASE STEALING

To steal a base, select the Steal command from the offensive manager's menu.

5.2.4 HIT & RUN

To execute a hit and run, select the Hit & Run command from the offensive manager's menu. There must be a runner on 1st or 2nd base $\frac{1}{2}$

When you execute a hit and run play, the lead runner will break on the pitch.

5.2.5 BUNTING

To sacrifice, there must be a runner on 1st or 2nd base (if there's a runner on 3rd base, you must try a squeeze play (see below). Select the Bunt command on the offensive manager menu

and

select press the Ok button when asked if you'd like to bunt.

5.2.6 SOUEEZE PLAY

To execute a squeeze play, there must be a runner on 3rd base

(if

there isn't a runner on 3rd, you must sacrifice (see Bunting above). Select the Squeeze command on the offensive manager

menu

and press the Ok button when asked if you'd like to squeeze.

5.3 DEFENSIVE MANAGER OPTIONS

The defensive manager can bring in a relief pitcher, make defensive substitutions, position the infield and outfield, and call for an intentional walk.

5.3.1 BRINGING IN A RELIEF PITCHER

To bring in a relief pitcher:

1. Select the Lineup command from the defensive manager menu.

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- 2. From the Lineup list box, press <Space> or double-click the pitcher's name to remove him from the game.
- 3. Move to the Bullpen list box by pressing <Alt><P> or clicking on it.
- 4. Choose the relief pitcher by moving the highlight to his name.
- 5. Press <Space> or double-click on his name to move him to the Pitcher field.
- 6. Press the Ok button to make the lineup 'official'.

5.3.2 DEFENSIVE SUBSTITUTIONS

A manager can only make defensive substitution while the team is in the field.

To make a defensive substitution:

- 1. Remove a player from lineup. See page 21 for removing players from the lineup.
- 2. Add a new fielder to the lineup. Refer to page 20 for information on adding a player to the lineup.

5.3.3 SWAP FIELDING POSITIONS

See 'Swap Fielding Positions' on page 22.

5.3.4 POSITIONING THE DEFENSE

The defensive manager can position the infield and the outfield by selecting the Defense command on the defensive manager menu.

The following defensive alignments can be chosen for the infield:

- o Play the infield at normal depth
- o Move the infield in for a play at the plate
- o Shift the infield to the left

- o Shift the infield to the right
- o Guard the lines with the 1st and 3rd basemen

The following defensive alignments can be chosen for the outfield:

o Play the outfield at normal depth

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- o Move the outfield in
- o Shift the outfield to the left
- o Shift the outfield to the right

5.3.5 INTENTIONAL WALK

command

To issue an intentional walk, select the Intentional Walk

from the defensive manager menu. Press the Ok button and the batter will take first base.

5.4 SAVING A GAME IN PROGRESS

To save the current game, select the Save command from the Game menu. The game will be saved to a file which can be retrieved $\,$

at

a later time.

5.5 VIEWING STATS

Batting, pitching, and total team statistics can be viewed any time before, during, or after a game. For example, you may want to view the batting stats for a team while selecting the

starting

lineup or choosing a pinch hitter.

To view the stats:

- 1. Select the Stats menu from the main menu by pressing $\langle Alt \rangle \langle S \rangle$.
- 2. Choose the batting, pitching, or team stats command for the team you'd like to view stats for.
- 3. Press $\langle PgDn \rangle$ or $\langle PgUp \rangle$ to view different stat categories.

Neat Feature: More than one stat window can be displayed at one time.

5.5.1 BATTING STATS

The Batting Stats window displays numerous categories of stats.

While the Batting Stat window is active, press <PgDn> to move to the next category or <PgUp> to move to the previous category. You can choose a stat category by pressing <F8> to view a list of all stat categories.

Neat Feature: The Batting Stats window will be updated automatically if you leave it displayed while playing the game.

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5.5.2 PITCHING STATS

The Pitching Stats window displays numerous categories of pitching stats.

While the Pitching Stat window is active, press <PgDn> to move

the next category or <PgUp> to move to the previous category.

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can choose a stat category by pressing $\langle F8 \rangle$ to view a list of

stat categories.

Neat Feature: The Pitching Stats window will be updated automatically if you leave it displayed while playing the game.

5.5.3 TEAM STATS

The Team Stats window displays numerous team related stats and total team batting and pitching stats.

Neat Feature: The Team Stats window will be updated automatically

if you leave it displayed while playing the game.

5.5.4 PRINTING A STAT REPORT

To print a stat report, press <F7> while the Stat window is the active window. You have the choice of sending the report to your printer or a file.

5.6 VIEWING THE BOX SCORE

The box score can be viewed at any time during or after the game.

To display the Box Score window, select the Box Score command from the Stats menu. The Box Score window will remain displayed until you press <Esc> or <Alt><F3> to close it.

Neat Feature: The Box Score window will be updated automatically

if you leave it displayed while playing the game.

5.6.1 PRINTING A BOX SCORE

To print the box score, press <F7> while the Box Score window is the active window. You have the choice of sending the box score to your printer or a file.

5.7 VIEW THE SCORECARD

The scorecard can be viewed at any time during or after the game.

To display the Scorecard window, select the Scorecard command from the Stats menu. The Scorecard window will remain displayed until you press $\langle Esc \rangle$ or $\langle Alt \rangle \langle F3 \rangle$ to close it.

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Neat Feature: The Scorecard window will be updated automatically

if you leave it displayed while playing the game.

5.7.1 HOW TO READ THE SCORECARD

The Scorecard shows the play-by-play results of the game.

Credit: USA Today's Baseball Weekly uses this style scorecard for

League Championship and World Series games.

5.7.2 SCORECARD SCORING CODES

The runners on base are shown as:

1st	Runner	on	first base
2nd	Runner	on	second base
3rd	Runner	on	third base

The following codes can appear as the outcome of the at bat:

Single
Single, runner out on interference
Double
Triple
Balk
Base on balls
Batter out on obstruction
Cather interference
Caught stealing
Reached on failed fielder's choice
Ground rule double
Ground out
Ground out double play
Ground out fielder's choice
Ground out triple play
Hit by pitch
Homerun
Intentional base on balls
Strike out
Strike out and error
Strike out and passed ball
Strike out and wild pitch
Infield line out
Infield line out double play

LO TP	Infield line out triple play
OF	Outfield fly
OF-F	Outfield fly - foul
PB	Passed ball
PK	Pick off
PK-E	Error on pick off
PO	Infield pop out
PO-F	Infield pop out - foul
SB	Stolen base

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SF	Sacrifice fly
SH	Sacrifice hit
WP	Wild pitch

5.7.3 EXAMPLE SCORECARD

Here's a quick example of a typical scorecard:

For each batter you'll see which bases have runners, the number of outs, and the outcome of the at bat.

INNING 1

Batter 1st 2nd 3rd O Play

Boggs

0 1B 7 (B-1)

The example above shows Wade Boggs stepped up to the plate with bases empty, no outs, and he hit a single to left field (1B 7). The batter/runner movement follows showing the batter moves to first base (B-1).

The next

Batter 1st 2nd 3rd O Play

Boggs 0 1B 7 (B-1) Bonilla 1st 0 2B 8 (B-2, 1-H)

The next batter stepped into the box with a runner on 1st, no outs, and hits a double to center field (2B 8). The batter/runner

movement show the batter going to second base on the double (B-2)

and the runner on 1st base scored, moving from 1st base to home (1-H).

5.7.4 PRINTING THE SCORECARD

To print the scorecard, press <F7> while the Scorecard window

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6.1 AFTER THE GAME

When the game is over, you can do any of the following things:

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- o View and/or print the box score for the game. See page for instructions for viewing the box score.
- o View and/or print the scorecard. See page 28 for instructions for viewing the scorecard.
- o View and/or print any batting, pitching, or team stats. See page 27 for an explanation of how to view the stats.
- o Play another game. See page 16 for instructions on how begin a new game.
- o Exit the program by pressing choosing the Exit command from the File menu.

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