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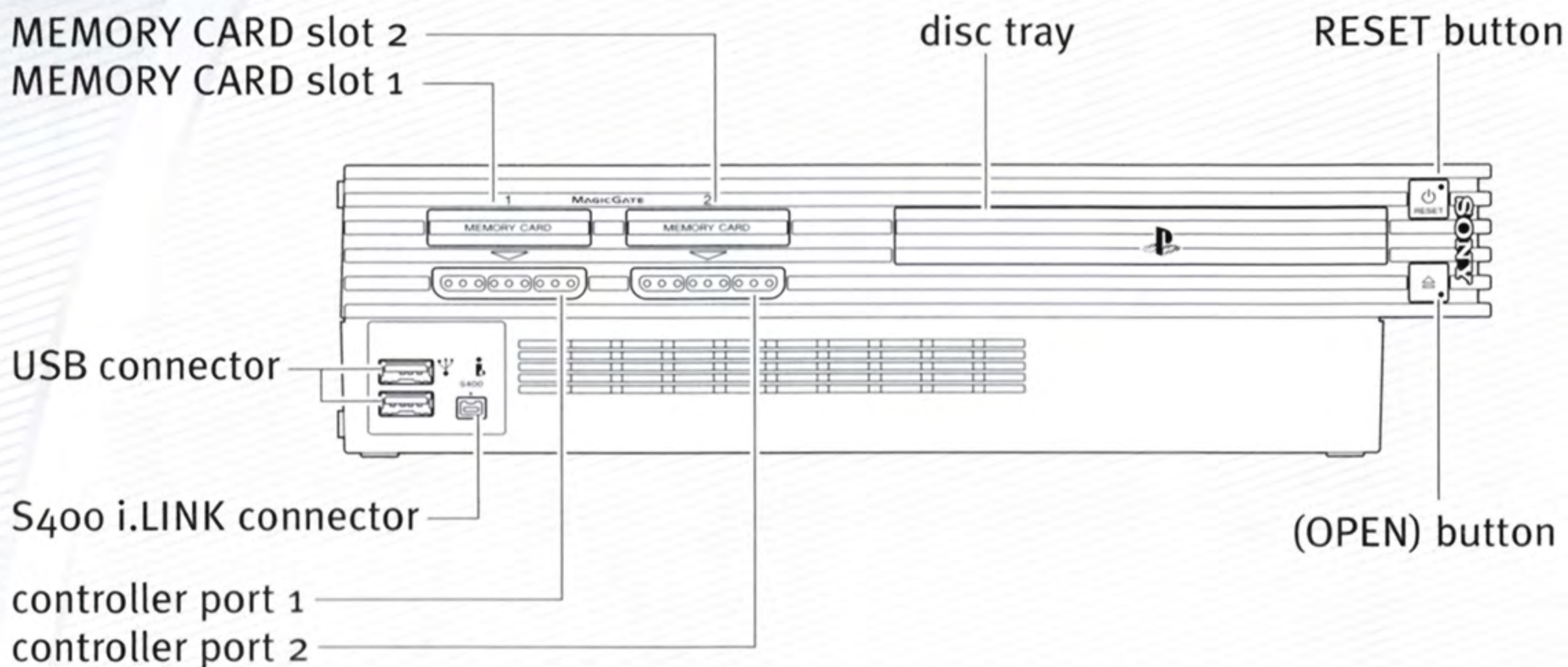
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NOTE: For an in-depth game manual featuring all *NBA Live 2003* game modes (and more), visit www.nbalive2003.ea.com.

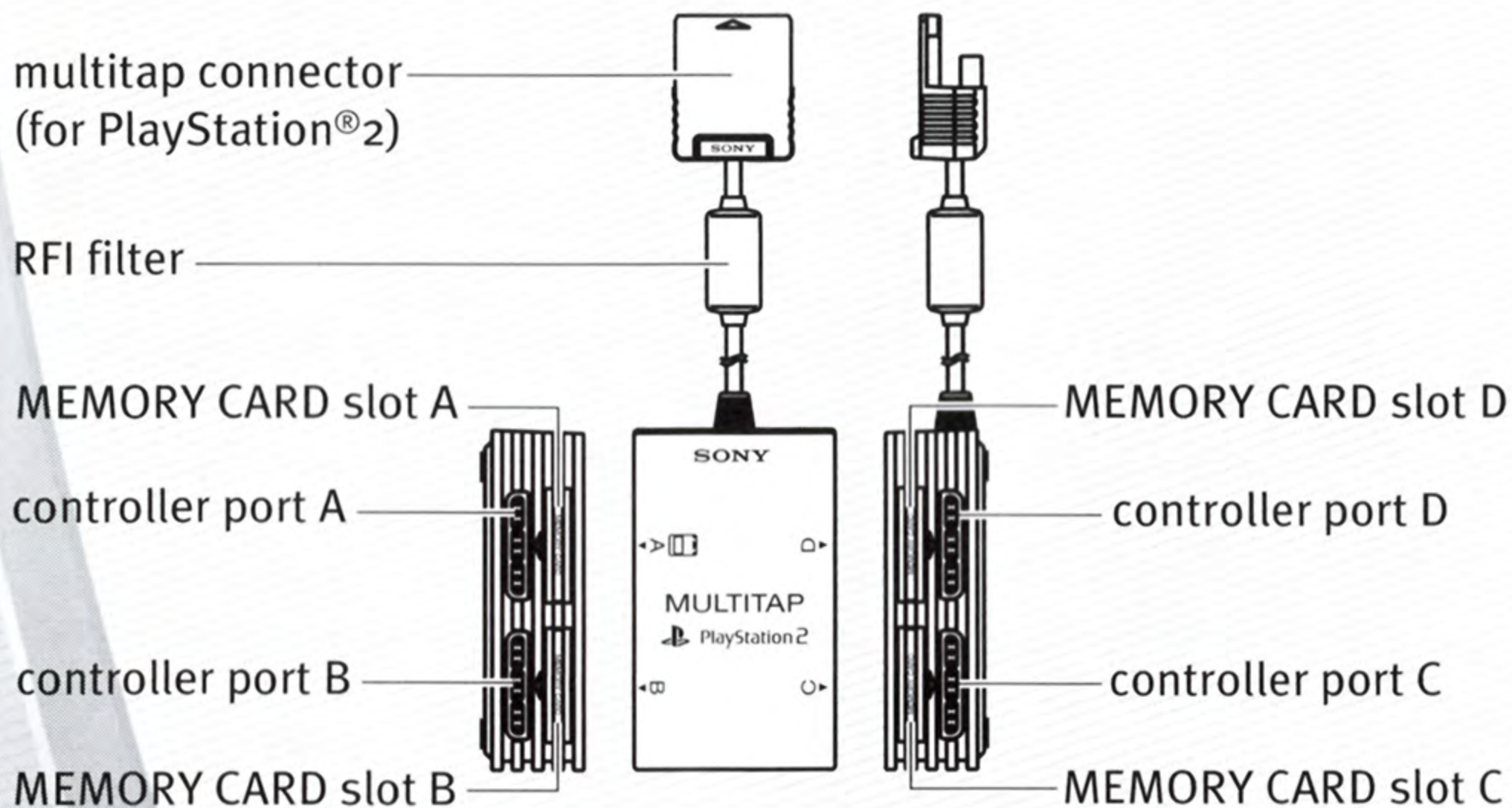
GETTING STARTED

PLAYSTATION®2 COMPUTER ENTERTAINMENT 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 2003* 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.

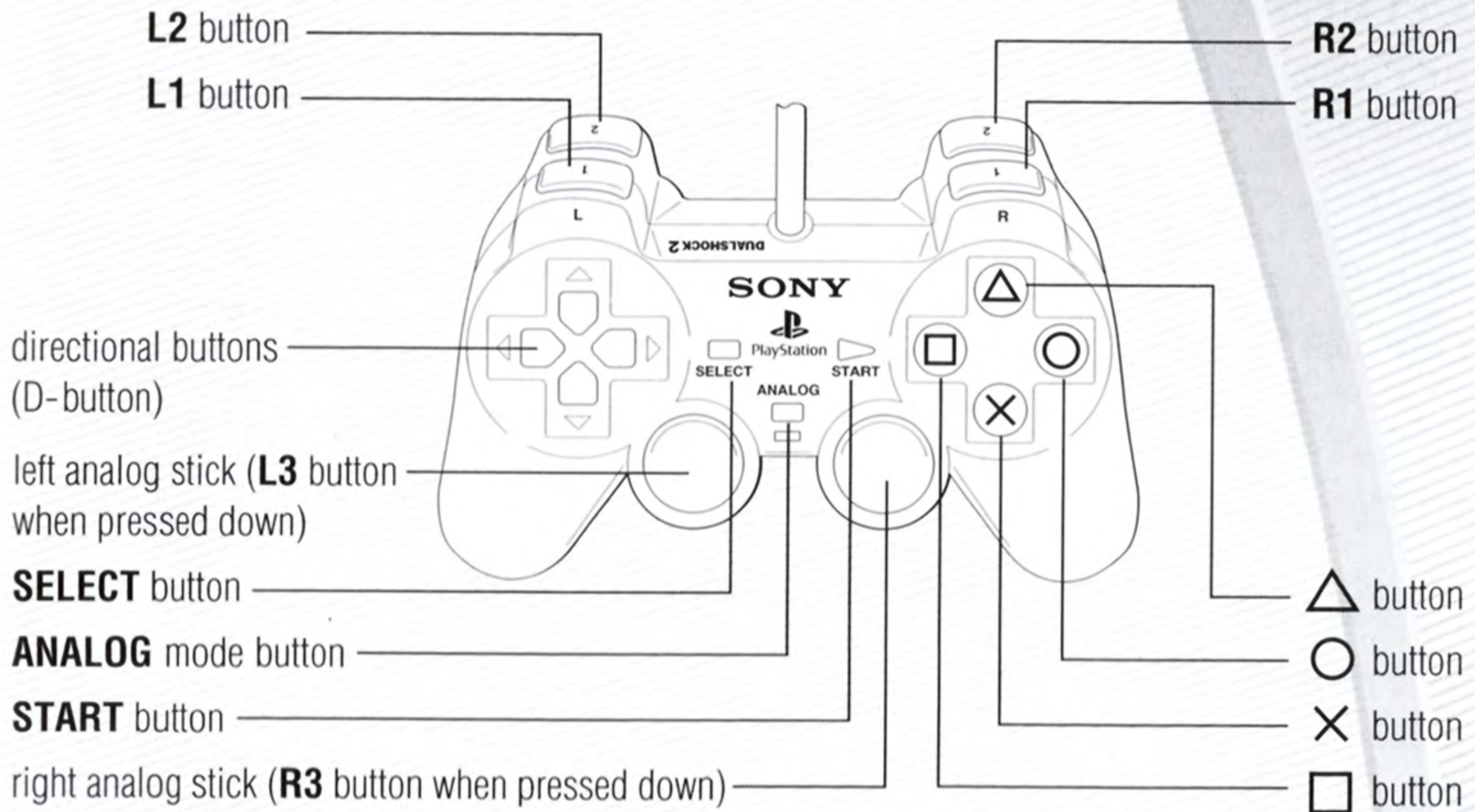
NOTE: Up to 8 players can play *NBA Live 2003* by using the Multitap (for PlayStation®2).



COMMAND REFERENCE



DUALSHOCK[®]2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS



NOTE: *NBA Live 2003* only supports the Dualshock 2 analog controller.

MENU CONTROLS

Highlight menu item	D-button ↑
Change highlighted item	D-button ↔
Accept/Go to next screen	START button/× button
Cancel/Return to previous screen	▲ button
Help menu	SELECT button



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BASIC CONTROLS

Before you can run the floor and dunk with style, you must first master the fundamentals of the court.

OFFENSE

<i>ACTION</i>	<i>COMMAND</i>
Move player	left analog stick
Shoot	● button
Pass	✕ button
Crossover	■ button
Spin	▲ button
Turbo	R1 button

DEFENSE

<i>ACTION</i>	<i>COMMAND</i>
Move player	left analog stick
Switch players	✕ button
Steal	■ button
Take a charge	● button or R2 button
Block/Rebound	▲ button
Turbo	R1 button

Ⓞ *NBA Live 2003* features many other moves—including the all-new EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Control—on both ends of the floor that can help push the outcome of any game in your favor.

COMPLETE CONTROL SUMMARY



After you figure out how to shoot, pass, and jump, take your game to another level with these advanced moves.

OFFENSE

ACTION	COMMAND
Move player	left analog stick
Shoot (Press and hold to jump then release to shoot; tap to fake)	● button
Pass (direction of the left analog stick chooses receiver)	✕ button (hold and release to execute a Give-and-Go)
Crossover	■ button (tap; hold for Hesitation move)
Spin move	▲ button
Turbo	R1 button
Back down defender	L1 button
Alley-Oop pass (when teammate has a clear lane to the basket)	R2 button
Direct pass (to a specific player)	L2 button + ■ button, ✕ button, ● button, or ▲ button (tap L2 button to pass to closest man to basket)
Call timeout	SELECT button
Pause game	START button
Call an offensive Quick Play (▶ p. 10)	D-button
EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Control (▶ p. 7)	right analog stick

DEFENSE

ACTION	COMMAND
Move player	left analog stick
Switch players (direction of the left analog stick chooses receiver)	✕ button
Steal	■ button
Take a charge	● button or R2 button
Jump to block/Rebound	▲ button
Turbo	R1 button
Faceup/Boxout the player you are guarding	L1 button

DEFENSE CONT.

Direct Player Switch (to a specific player)	L2 button + ■ button, X button, ● button, or ▲ button
Switch to the closest defender to the basket	L2 button (tap)
Intentional foul	SELECT button
Pause game	START button
Call a defensive Quick Play (► p. 10)	D-button
EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Control (► p. 7)	right analog stick

ADDITIONAL LOW POST MOVES

↳ To back your defender down, press and hold the L1 button and choose one of the following moves:

ACTION	COMMAND
Jump hook/Slam dunk	left analog stick toward basket + ● button
Fade away jump shot	left analog stick away from basket + ● button
Drop step	left analog stick to side of direction you want to step + ● button (tap to pump fake)
Spin move from back down	left analog stick in the direction you want to spin and release L1 button
“Up and Under” Finger roll/Slam dunk	Drop step, pump fake then tap the left analog stick toward basket and press ● button

OFFENSE (PLAYER LOCKED)

In Player Lock mode, you control a single position for the entire game rather than controlling the ball handler after every move. When you don't have the ball, use the special controls listed below:

ACTION	COMMAND
Make computer ball handler shoot	● button
Call for pass from the computer ball handler	X button
Post up	L1 button + left analog stick

FREE THROWS

Use the T-Meter™ to aim free throws when your player goes to the charity stripe.



SET THE
DISTANCE

AIM RIGHT/LEFT

PRESS THE
X BUTTON OR
● BUTTON WHEN
THE CURSOR IS
IN THE CENTER OF
THE METER FOR
BEST ACCURACY

EA SPORTS™ FREESTYLE CONTROL

Take full command of your players with revolutionary EA SPORTS Freestyle Control. For a detailed description of this new feature, be sure to view the EA SPORTS Freestyle Control tutorial video.

NOTE: For more information on how to use the EA SPORTS™ Freestyle Control visit www.nbalive2003.ea.com.

OVERVIEW

Basketball is a sport of individual expression and every player has their own style. EA SPORTS Freestyle Control is designed to give you the opportunity to use the exact set of moves that you want to execute at any given time. It lets you bring your style of basketball to the court.

HOW IT WORKS

When you make a shape using EA SPORTS Freestyle Control (right analog stick), a move is played out on the court. Making the same shape will always result in the same move. This means that you can decide exactly which move to use in a specified situation.

OFFENSE

Every player likes to show off when they have the ball and this is where EA SPORTS Freestyle Control shines best.

EA SPORTS Freestyle Control produces moves based on what your player is doing at any given point during a game. However, different moves are performed depending on which hand the ball carrier is holding/dribbling the ball with.

DEFENSE

Of course, the game experience would be somewhat incomplete if EA SPORTS Freestyle Control were not available to you while you are playing defense. Relative to the arsenal of moves available on offense, the number of defensive moves is much smaller since the primary objective on defense is to prevent your opponent from scoring, however it is a skill that will take some time and effort for you to master.

SETTING UP THE GAME

Life on the hardcourt begins from the *NBA Live 2003* Main menu.

MAIN MENU

TAKE ON *NBA LIVE 2003* FANS ONLINE (▶ P. 11)

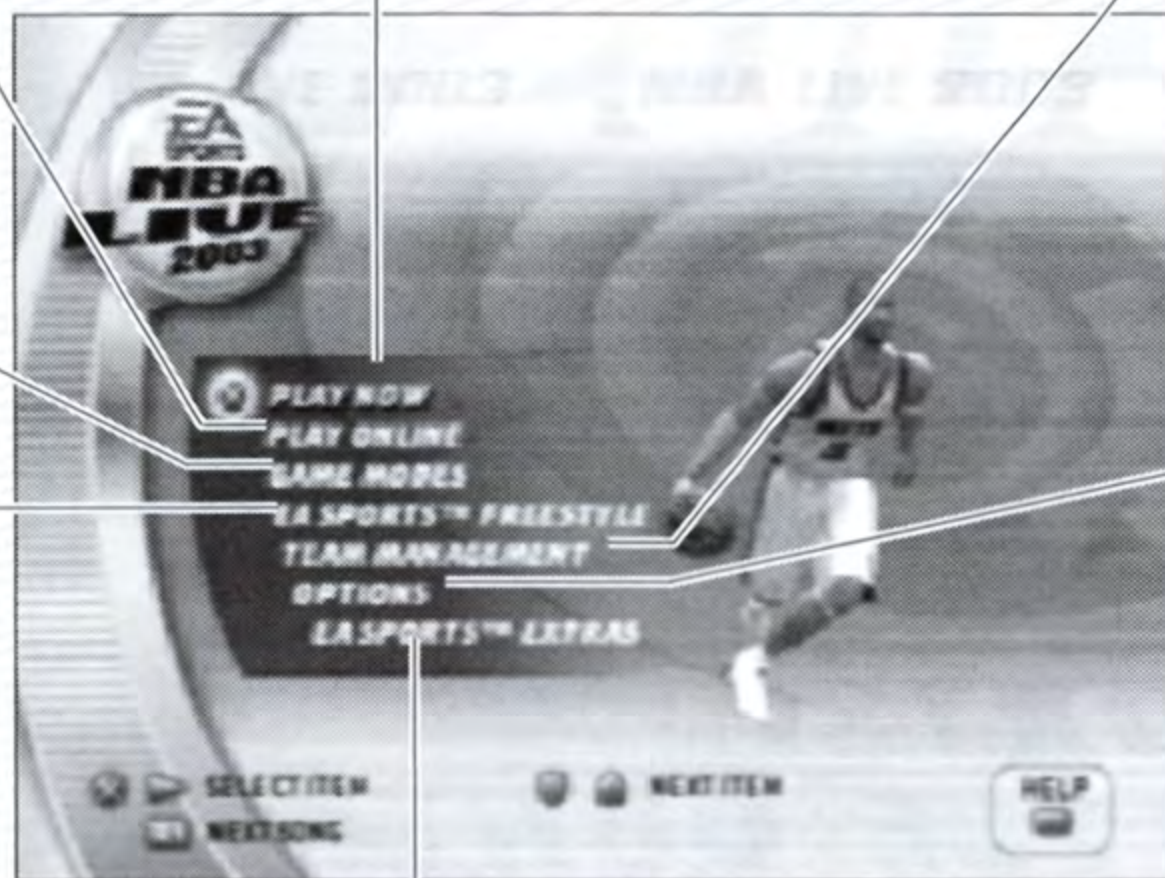
SKIP ALL OF THE PRE-GAME ACTIVITIES AND "PLAY NOW" (▶ BELOW)

MANAGE YOUR ROSTERS AND TAKE FULL CONTROL OF A TEAM OR CHECK OUT PLAYER, TEAM, AND USER STATS

GET IN THE GAME BY PLAYING IN MORE ADVANCED GAME MODES

GET THE SCOOP WITH BASIC AND ADVANCED FREESTYLE STICK TUTORIALS

LOAD OR SAVE YOUR GAME, OR ADJUST YOUR USER CONFIGURATIONS



EA SPORTS™ EXTRAS: PREVIEW VIDEOS OF OTHER EA SPORTS TITLES AND GAME CREDITS

NOTE: Default options are listed in bold in this manual.

EA SPORTS EXTRAS

CREDITS: See who made *NBA Live 2003* the best basketball game in the world.

SEASON PREVIEW: Take an inside peek at the all-star lineup from EA SPORTS.

PLAY NOW – STARTING AN EXHIBITION GAME

Go straight to the court in an Exhibition game between any two teams.

To start a Play Now game:

➔ From the Main menu, highlight **PLAY NOW** and press the **X** button. The Select Teams screen appears.

SELECT TEAMS SCREEN

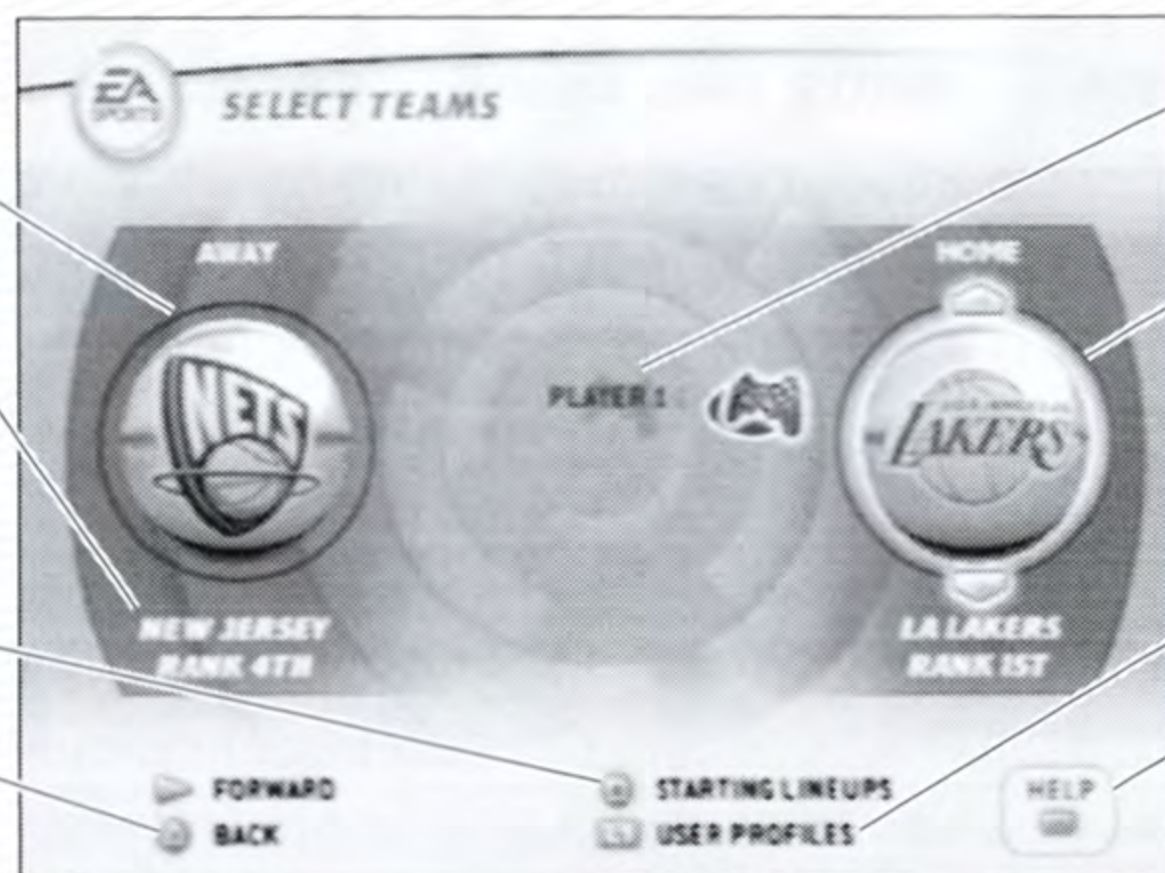
Select the teams for the next game.

AWAY TEAM

TEAM RANKING

PRESS THE **■** BUTTON TO ADJUST THE STARTING LINEUPS

PRESS THE **▲** BUTTON TO GO BACK TO THE MAIN MENU



CONTROLLED TEAM (PLAYER 1)

HOME TEAM

PRESS THE **L1** BUTTON TO ACCESS THE USER PROFILE SCREEN

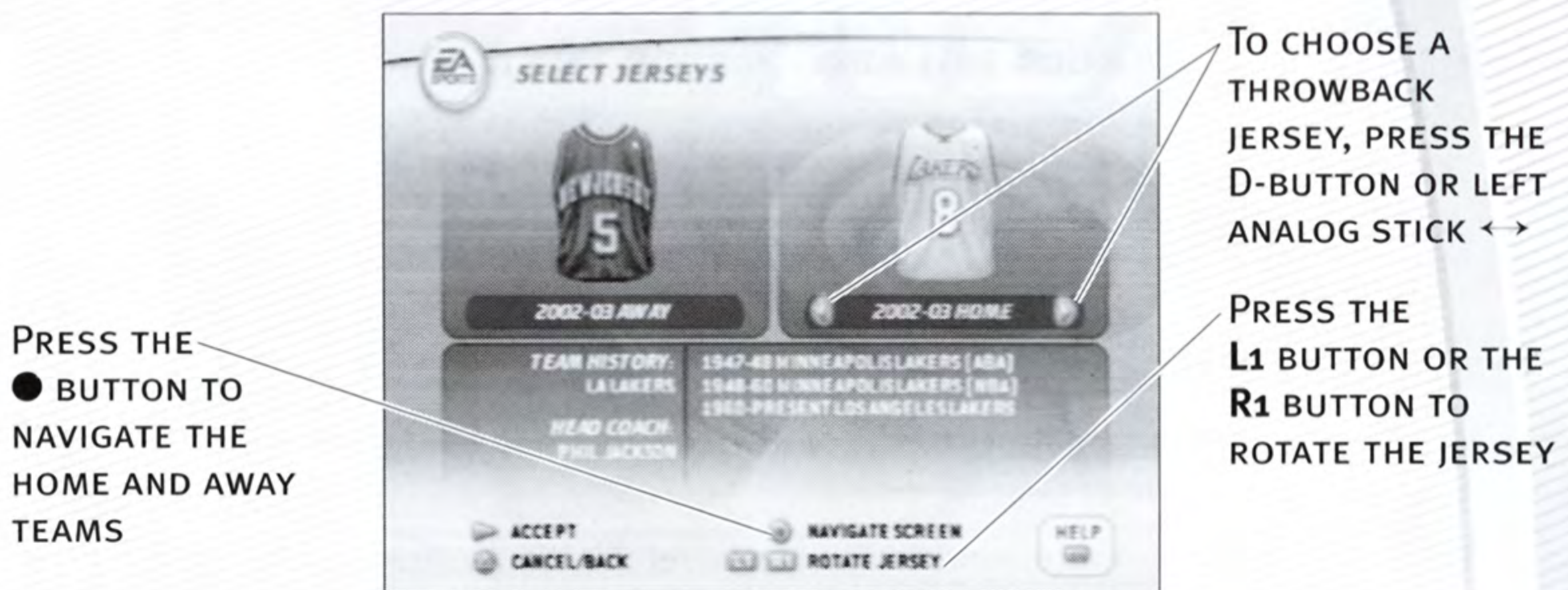
PRESS THE **SELECT** BUTTON TO ACCESS THE HELP MENU

SELECTING THE TEAMS

- To select a team to control for the upcoming game, press the D-button or left analog stick ↔ and move the controller icon beside the team logo of the team you wish to control. If a team doesn't have a controller icon positioned beside it, the CPU controls that team.
- To play with teams other than the defaults (Nets vs. Lakers), move the controller icon towards the home or away team and press the D-button ↑ to scroll through the rest of the teams in the league. Press the **R1** button to select a team at random.
- Press the **START** button to continue on to the Select Jerseys screen.

SELECT JERSEYS SCREEN

Select an "old school" retro jersey to wear for the upcoming game or sport your team's current uniform instead.



- Press the **START** button to go to the Quick Settings screen.

QUICK SETTINGS SCREEN

Setup the basic setting for the upcoming game.

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|-----------------------|---|
| SKILL LEVEL | Set your skill level to ROOKIE , STARTER , ALL-STAR , or SUPERSTAR . |
| QUARTER LENGTH | Set the quarter length from 2–12 minutes. Default is 5 minutes. |
| CAMERA VIEW | Choose one of five camera views: CENTER COURT , SIDELINE , BASELINE LOW , PRESS BOX , or BASELINE HIGH . |

- Press the **L1** button to access the Settings screen
- Press the **START** button to begin the game.

ON THE COURT

Run the point, dominate the paint, and take full control of your *NBA Live 2003* experience.

GAME SCREEN

If your player is off-screen, an arrow the same color as your control indicator points toward him from the edge of the screen. Press and hold the left analog stick in the opposite direction of the arrow to bring the player on-screen.

CONTROLLED
PLAYER



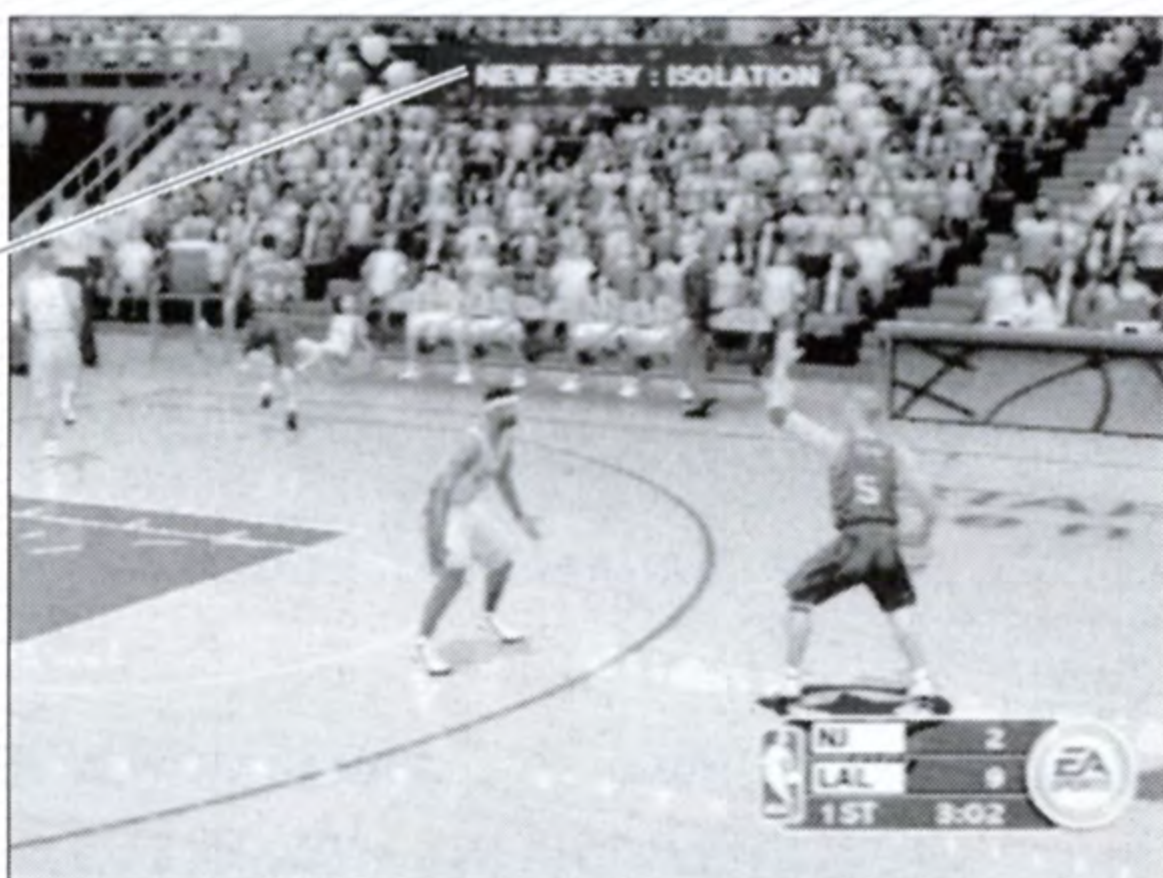
SHOT CLOCK

GAME CLOCK

QUICK PLAYS

In *NBA Live 2003* you can direct traffic on the court with the single touch of a button using the new Quick Play feature. There are four default plays on both offense and defense that give you unprecedented control over what your teammates are doing on the court.

CURRENT PLAY



ONLINE

Create your online profile, login, and take on players from across the country in *NBA Live 2003* Online mode.



NOTE: In order to play online, you need the following items: a network adaptor (Ethernet/Modem) (for PlayStation®2) installed, an active Internet connection via your own Internet Service Provider (ISP) account, and a memory card (8MB) (for PlayStation®2) with at least 42 KB free space. Prior to playing online, you must set up Your Network Configuration file. *NBA Live 2003* includes a utility for setting up these files.

NOTE: Online gameplay server will be available only through November 12, 2003. Use subject to the Online Agreement. All features may not be available at the time of purchase. Please check the online feature in game and the Online Agreement for more information.

NOTE: For Online gameplay the default rosters will be used.

SELECT YOUR NETWORK CONFIGURATION FILE

Before you can begin playing online, you must select your Network Configuration File (found on your memory card) or create a new one through Network Adaptor Start-Up Disc.

NOTE: After using the included SCE Network Configuration GUI, the reset button functions differently in *NBA LIVE 2003*. To put the PlayStation 2 system into stand-by mode press and hold the reset button until the LED indicates in a red color.

NETWORK CONFIGURATION FILE

Scroll through the available Network Configuration Files and select one for the upcoming Online game. The default displayed onscreen is the last Network Configuration File used when playing Online mode.

CREATE/EDIT CONFIGURATION

The Network Adaptor Start-Up Disc allows you to create and edit Network Configuration Files. When selected, the game shuts itself down while the Network Adaptor Start-Up Disc is loaded. When complete, the game re-launches itself and goes through its normal loading procedure before returning to the Main menu screen.

CONNECT

After selecting a Network Configuration File, connect to your Network Service Provider. If the connection is successful, the *NBA Live 2003* Server Login screen appears.

NBA LIVE SERVER LOGIN

ONLINE ACCOUNT

Scroll through the available Online Accounts. You can create and save up to five Online Accounts on a memory card.

PASSWORD

Enter in your password for an Online Account. You can also edit a password as well. When a change to a password is made, be sure to save it to your memory card.

REMEMBER PASSWORD

When set to YES, the password is stored with the selected Online Account and saved to a memory card. When set to NO, the password associated with the current Online Account must be entered in before moving on.

CREATE/ADD ACCOUNT

Create up to five Online Accounts.

- ⊙ **ONLINE ACCOUNT NAME:** This option allows you to enter a name for your Online Account.
- ⊙ **PASSWORD:** After creating a name for an Online Account, create a new password. All passwords must be entered in before reaching the *NBA Live 2003* Online Main menu.
- ⊙ **RE-TYPE PASSWORD:** To help avoid misspellings when first creating a password, you must re-type your new password to assure that the name was entered in correctly.
- ⊙ **REMEMBER PASSWORD:** When set to YES, passwords are stored with the selected Online Account and saved to a memory card. When set to NO, the password associated with the current Online Account must be entered in before moving on.
- ⊙ **CREATE ACCOUNT:** After creating an Online Account name and password, create a new Online Account.

LOGIN

Log in to the *NBA Live 2003* Server and access the Online Main menu.

NBA LIVE ONLINE MENU

PLAY NOW

Join *NBA Live 2003* online.

ROSTER UPDATES

Check for updates to the current NBA roster, or select a roster from a previous update.

SAVE

Save or delete game files to a memory card. You can also save downloaded rosters and Online Accounts.

ONLINE AGREEMENT

Read the Online Agreement for *NBA Live 2003*.

DISCONNECT

Exit the *NBA Live 2003* server and return to the Main menu. The connection to the Network Service Provider will be terminated.



NBA LIVE SERVER LOBBY

From the Server Lobby, you can Enter a Room or Create a Room of your own. Rooms are where players gather to chat and challenge each other to a game.

CHANNEL LIST

The *NBA Live 2003* Server Lobby has four channels which are based on the *NBA Live 2003* Skill Levels: ROOKIE, STARTER, ALL-STAR and SUPERSTAR. From here you can access a room.

ROOM LIST

Access a room for your selected skill level. By default, each channel contains two rooms based on geographical location: East and West. When you create a room in the highlighted channel, it's added to the list of available rooms for that particular channel. When a room is empty, it disappears from the list.

USER LIST

This right side of the Server Lobby screen displays the total number of users, total number of rooms, and the names of the users in the current Channel and/or Room.

ROOM

Rooms are where players gather to chat and challenge each other to a game.

- ⊙ **USER LIST:** This User List displays the list of users in the room, along with their connection quality. When you highlight a user's bar graph, the Stats List is updated, triggering the Challenge User overlay.
- ⊙ **STATS LIST:** The Stats List displays statistics, including the total number of Wins, Losses, and Disconnects, for the highlighted user.
- ⊙ **CHAT WINDOW:** The Chat Window displays the messages that are being sent by all users.

CREATE

Create a room within the highlighted channel. Enter the name of the room that you wish to create. When complete, you are taken directly into the newly created room.

CANCEL

Return to the *NBA Live 2003* Server Lobby.

CHALLENGE USER

CHALLENGE USER TO AN EXHIBITION GAME

Take on all comers to an Exhibition (5-On-5) game. If the challenger accepts, the Select Teams screen appears.

UPDATE CONNECTION QUALITY

Update the connection quality display in the room for the highlighted user.

CANCEL

Return to the room.

USER IS CHALLENGED

ACCEPT

Accept the challenge and access the Select Teams screen.

CANCEL

Decline the challenge and trigger the Challenge Decline overlay on the challengers' screen.

SEND MESSAGE

MESSAGE AREA

View the chat dialog between players.

ENTER MESSAGE

Meet, greet, and chat with opponents.

ONLINE QUICK MESSAGES

When selected, the text of the currently highlighted Online Quick Message is copied into the Enter Message area. When you press the **X** button, the text of the current Online Quick Messages can be edited.

SAVING AND LOADING (LOAD/SAVE)

Save your game, settings, and roster files to a memory card.

NOTE: Never insert or remove a memory card when loading or saving files.

To save a file:

1. From the Load/Save menu, press the D-button or left analog stick \updownarrow to highlight the type of file you want to save. Press the **X** button and the save screen appears.
2. Name your save file and press the **X** button. After your file is named, press the **●** button to toggle to the save box and press the **X** button again. The file is saved to your memory card.
3. A pop-up screen appears indicating if the save was successful. Press the **X** button to acknowledge it and return to Load/Save menu.

To load a file:

1. From the Load/Save menu, press the D-button or left analog stick \updownarrow to highlight the type of file you want to load. Press the **X** button and the load screen appears.
2. Press the D-Button or left analog stick \updownarrow to highlight the type of file you want to load and then press the **X** button.
3. A pop-up screen appears asking again if you want to load the file to the game.
4. Highlight YES and press the **X** button to begin loading the file.

To delete a file:

1. From the Load/Save menu, press the D-button or left analog stick \updownarrow , highlight DELETE FILES, and press the **X** button. The Delete File screen appears
2. Press the D-Button or left analog stick \updownarrow and highlight the file you want to delete and press the **X** button. A pop-up screen appears indicating if deleting was successful. Press the **X** button to acknowledge it and return to the Delete Files screen.

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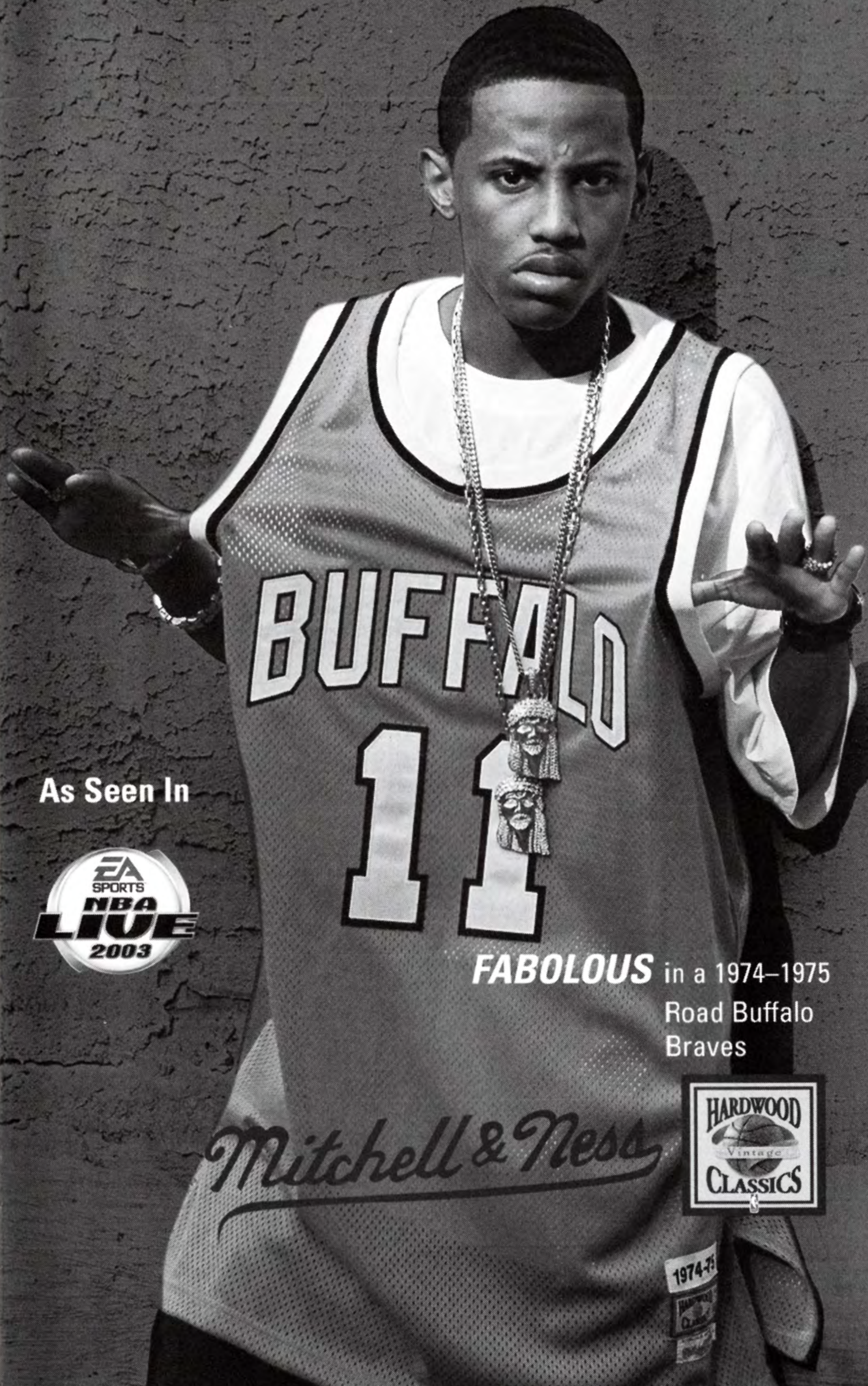
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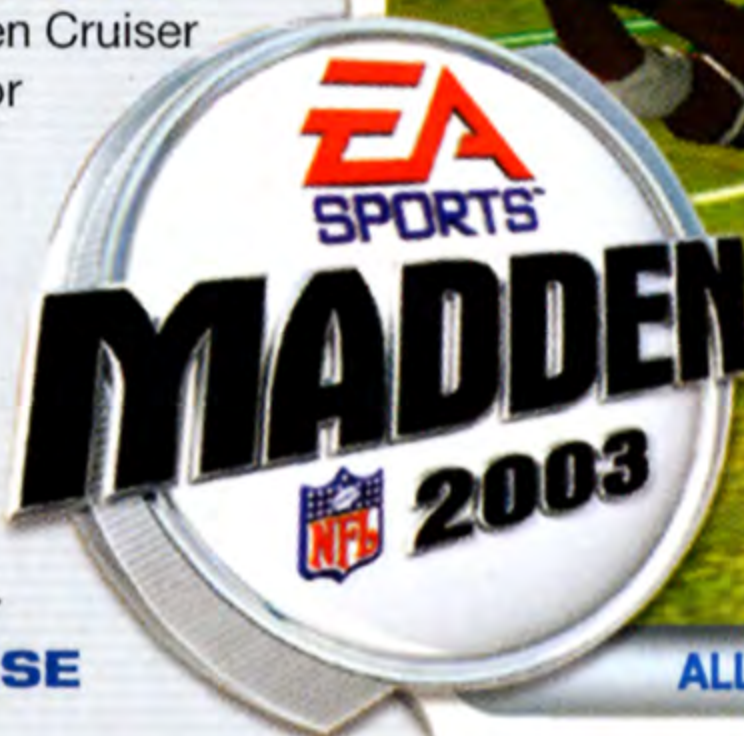
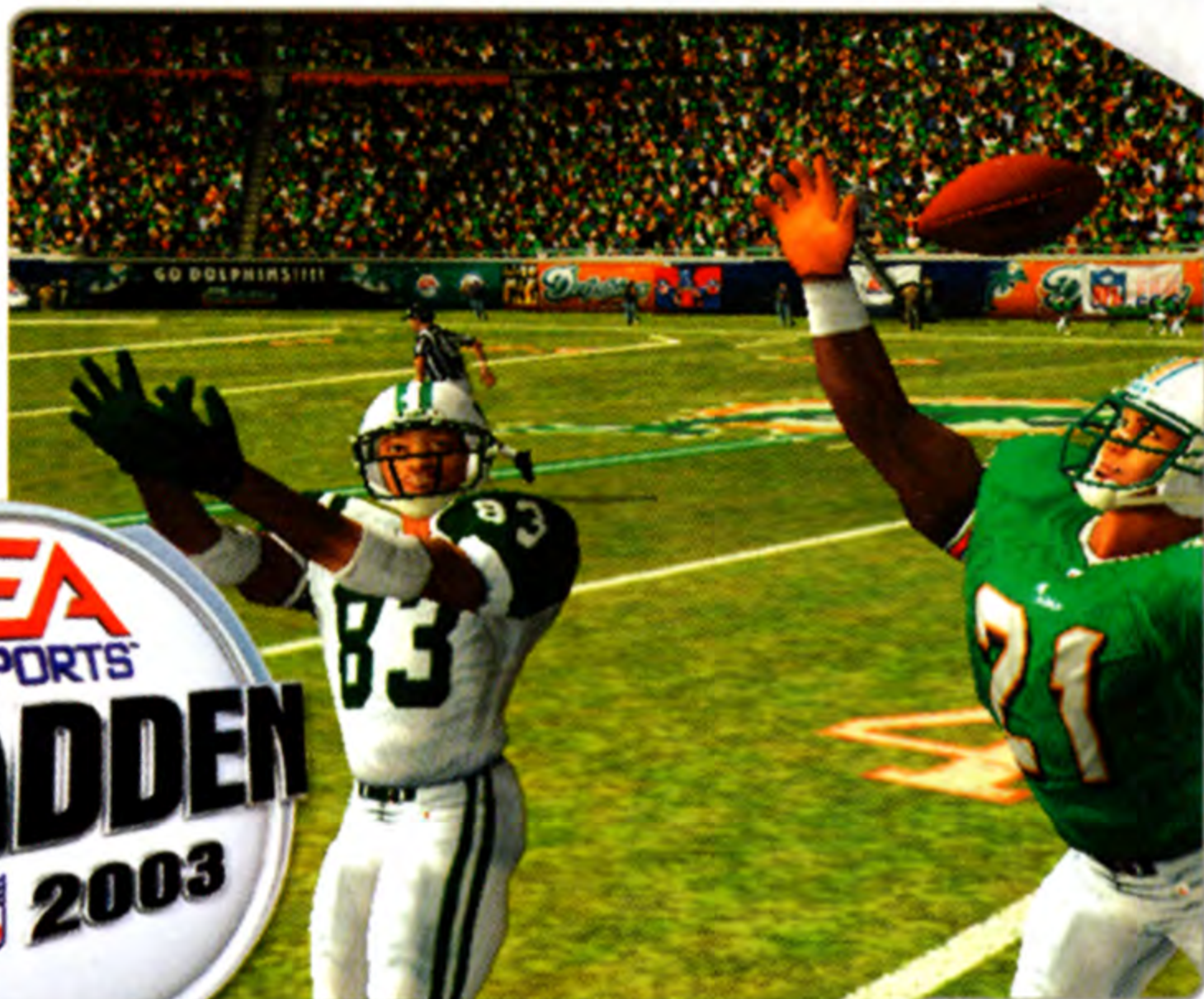
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