

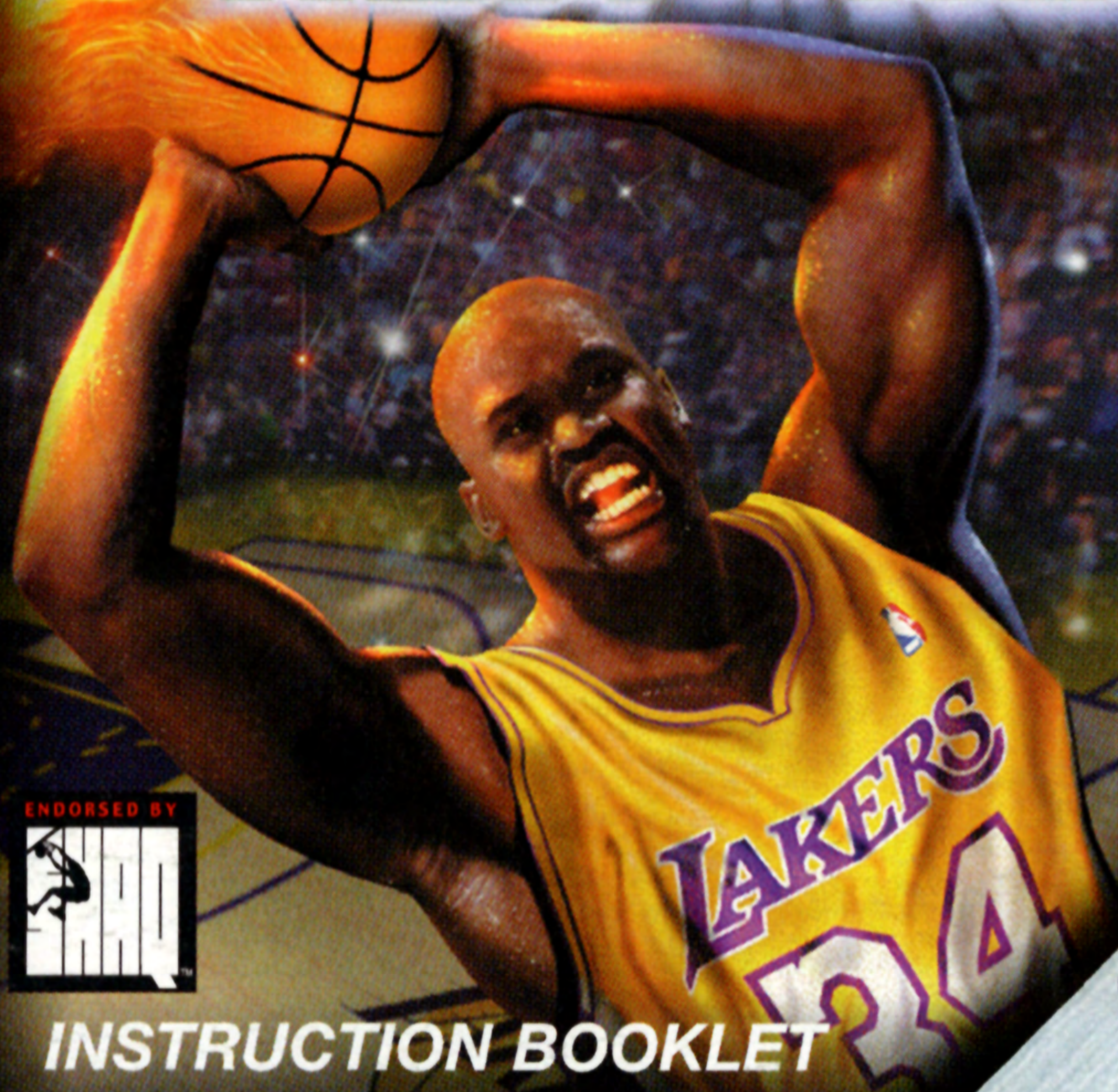
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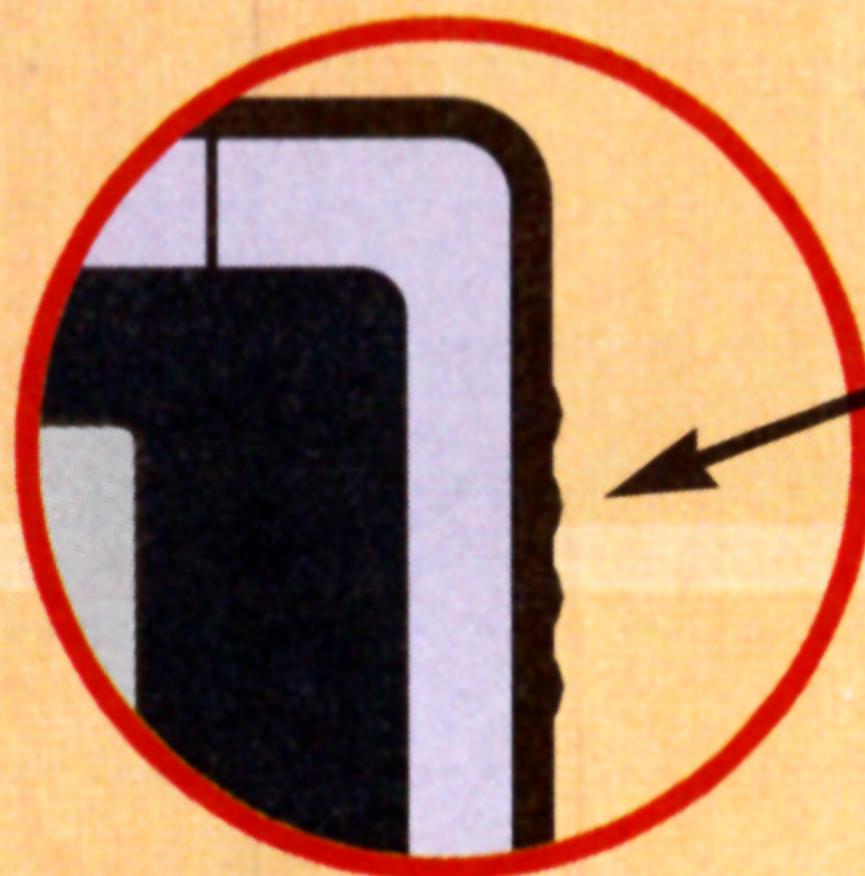
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GETTING STARTED

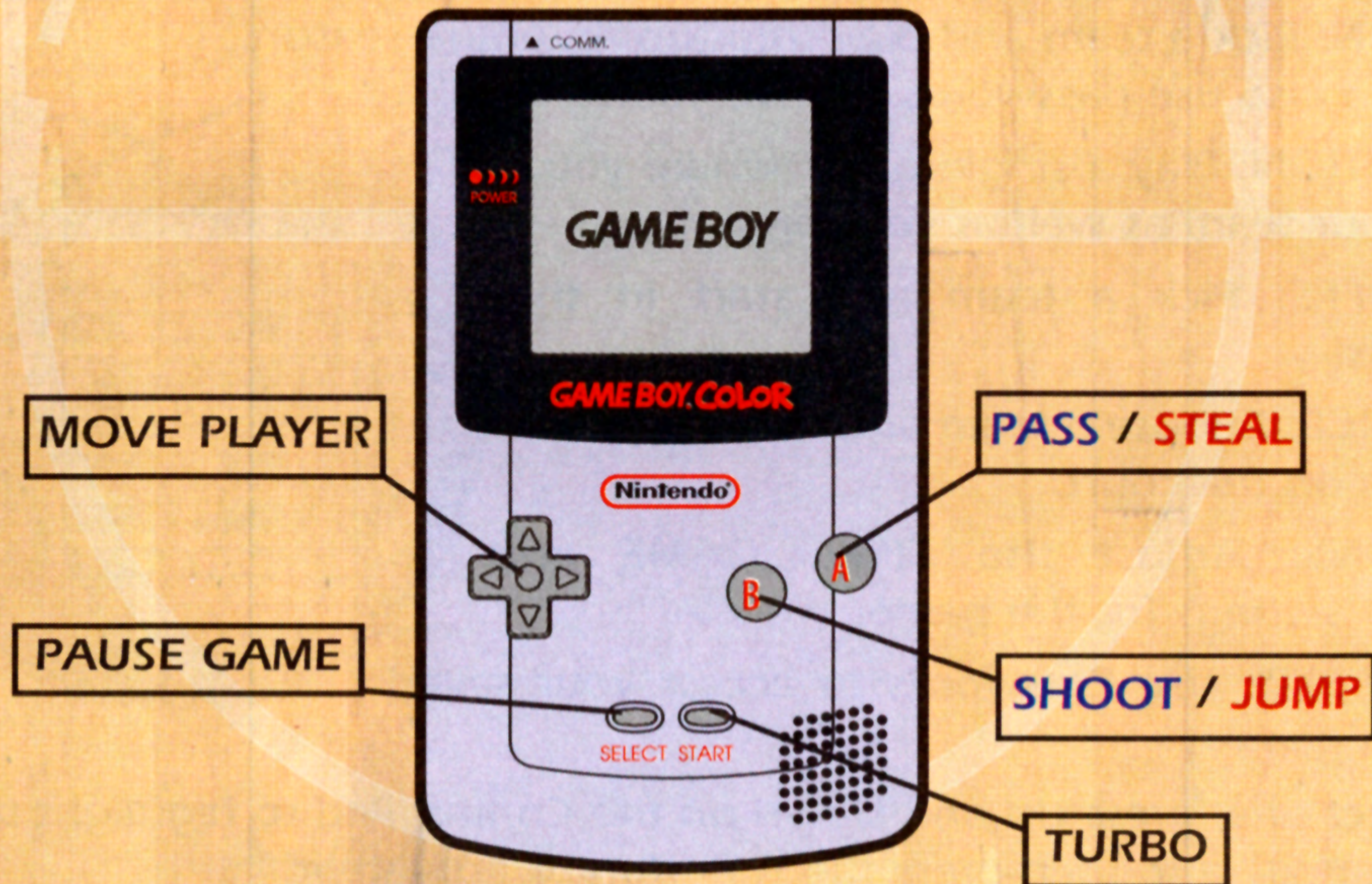


POWER ON / OFF

- Make sure the POWER switch is in the OFF position.
- Insert the Nintendo GAME BOY Game Pak into the slot on the back of the Game Boy body, label facing AWAY from play side.
- Slide the POWER switch to the ON position to turn ON the power.
- Follow gameplay instructions throughout this manual.

GAME CONTROLS

KEY: OFFENSE / DEFENSE



MAIN MENU

At the game's Title Screen, press START to access the game's Main Menu. In the Main Menu you will find the following game modes:

SEASON: Pick a team and play through an entire season. You can also use passwords to save your games.

EXHIBITION: Play a single game where you can pick your team as well as your opponent.

PLAYOFFS: Pick a team and start in the Playoffs!

PRACTICE: Choose a team and run a practice session on the court.

OPTIONS: Adjust the TIMER, GAME and AUDIO settings for the game.

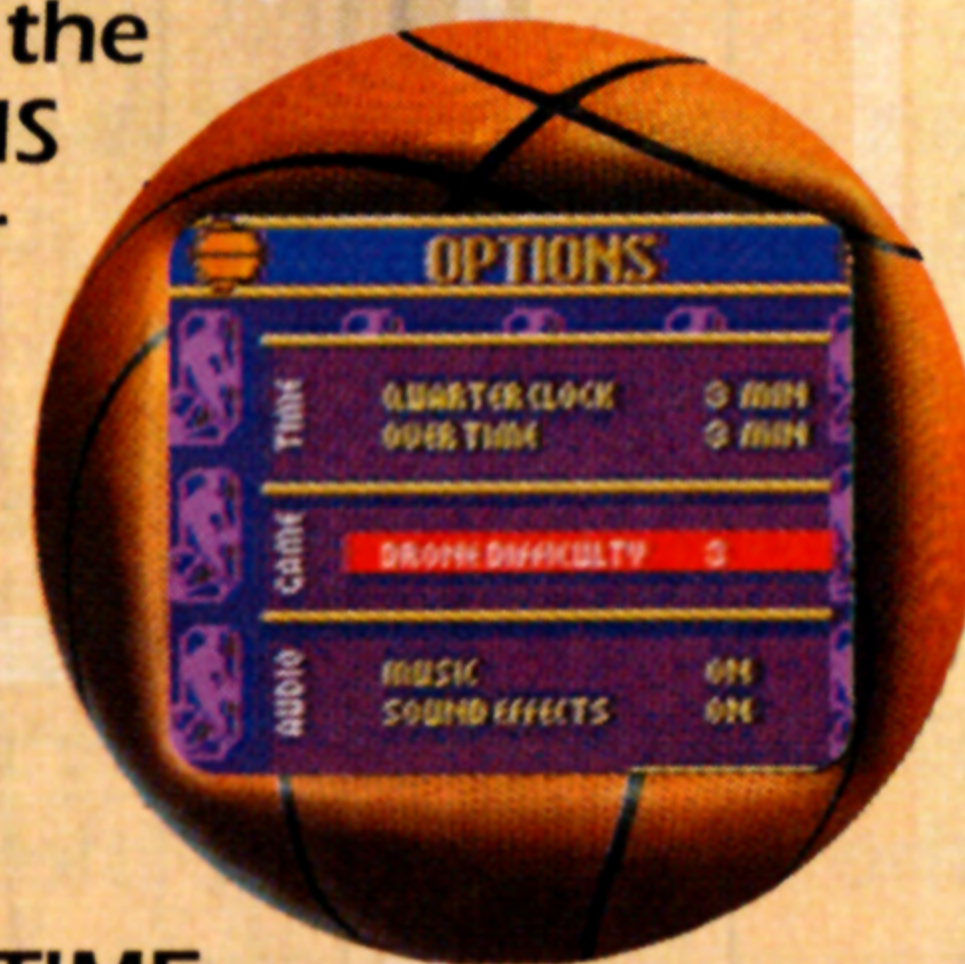
PASSWORD: Use Passwords to access your saved Season games!

To select one, press Up and Down on the Control Pad to highlight the game mode and then press the A Button to activate it.



OPTIONS MENU

Before you play a game, you might want to adjust the different options in the game. Highlight **OPTIONS** from the Main Menu and press the A Button to enter the Options Menu. The Options Menu allows you to adjust the **TIMER**, **GAME** and **AUDIO** settings in the game. To adjust each option, highlight the option by pressing Up and Down on the Control Pad. Next, press the A Button to toggle the options.



TIMER:

Adjust the time of the **QUARTER CLOCK** and **OVERTIME**. You can choose from between 1 and 5 minutes.

GAME:

DRONE DIFFICULTY refers to the opposition's players. You can select from 1 through 5. The higher the number, the harder the opposite team will be to defeat.

AUDIO:

Under the **Audio** portion of the options menu you will find **MUSIC** and **SOUND EFFECTS**. You can turn either one **ON** or **OFF**. This will allow you to play a game with sound or without.

SEASON MODE

Season Mode lets you choose a team and play through an entire season. At the Main Menu, select Season Mode and press the A Button.

After every season game you complete, you will be given a password that will let you start at the next game in your season. Select PASSWORD from the Main Menu and press the A Button. At the Password Menu you can select the numbers and letters by pressing the Control Pad to highlight them. To enter that letter or number, press the A Button. Once you have filled in the password, you will begin your next game. If you filled in the password incorrectly, the window will flash INVALID. You can only access a saved game with the correct password so make sure you write them down!

NOTE: You must win in order to advance through the season. If you lose a game, you are given the option to replay it. Otherwise, you can enter your previous password at a later time to continue your season.



SEASON MODE

TEAM SELECTION:

After choosing what type of game mode you are going to play (in this case we will use Season Mode), you will be allowed to select your team. Each team is listed in alphabetical order by the team's name. To scroll through the different teams, press Up and Down on the Control Pad. To select the team you want, press the A Button.

SEASON SCHEDULE:

After you have chosen the team you wish to play a season with, you will see their schedule. The schedule is broken up into two halves. Pressing Left and Right on the Control Pad will allow you to view the first and second halves of your scheduled season.

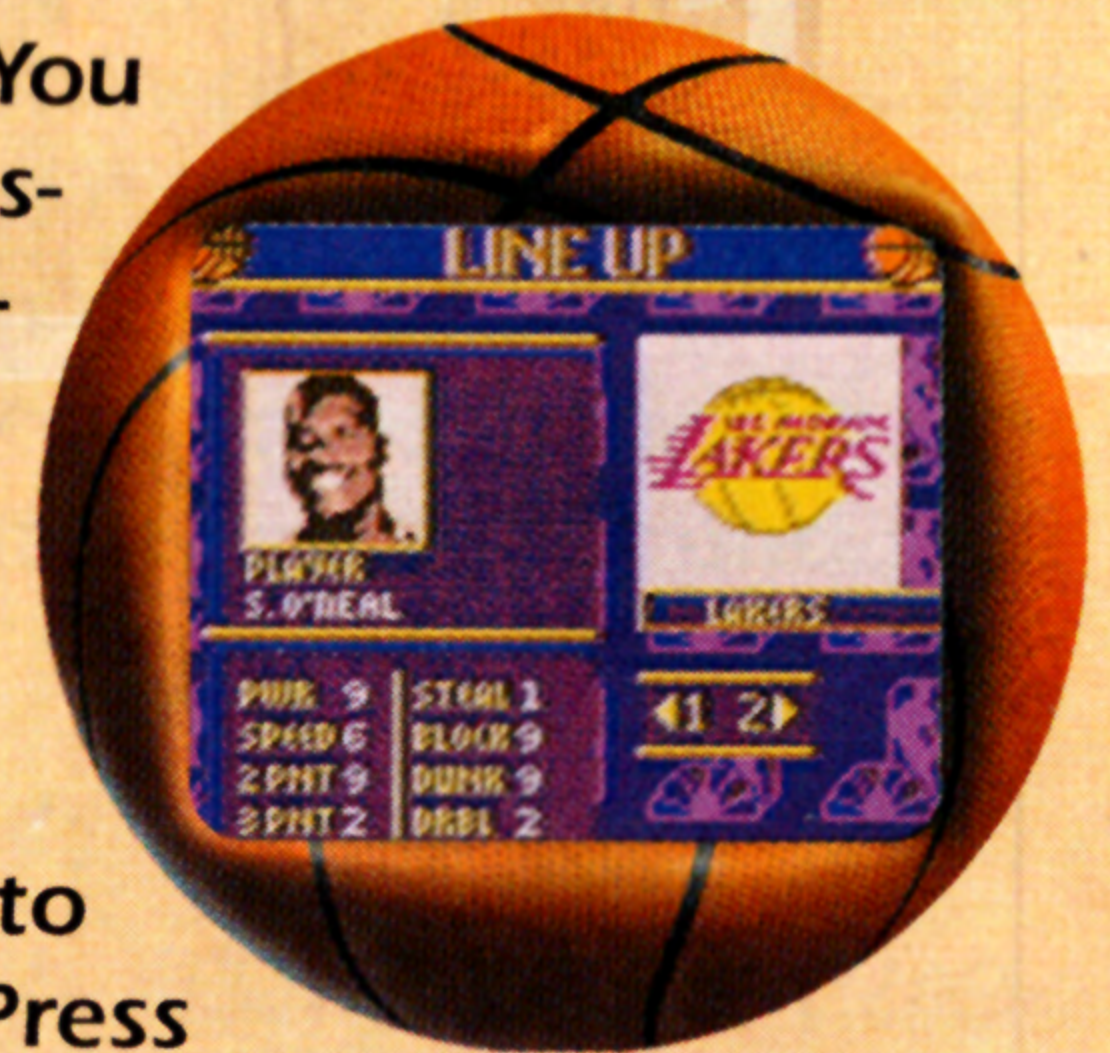


SEASON MODE

PLAYER SELECTION:

Each team has two players you can use on the court. One player is controlled by you and the other is your drone teammate.

The opposition consists of two drones as well. You can scroll through the different players by pressing Up and Down on the Control Pad. Each player's statistics are displayed underneath their photo. Once you have found the player you wish to use, don't press any buttons! You still have to choose your player's teammate!



When you have selected the player you wish to control, next you must select your teammate. Press Right on the Control Pad to view the player roster again.

Select your partner the same way by pressing Up and Down on the Control Pad. When you have selected your team, press the A Button. After you have selected your team, you will view the opposition's line up, followed by the match-up screen. After that, you're ready to begin your season!

EXHIBITION MODE

When you play a game in Exhibition Mode, you can choose what court you will play on and select your team as well as your opposing team. Highlight EXHIBITION from the Main Menu and press the A Button. The first thing you will do is select your court. There are two courts to choose from (PRACTICE and MAIN). Select by pressing Left and Right on the Control Pad to highlight the courts and press the A Button to select the court. Next you will be able to choose your team. You can scroll through teams by pressing Up and Down on the Control Pad. When you have found the team you want to use, press the A Button. After you choose your team you can choose your opposition the same way.



After you select your opposing team, you can choose your players (see the previous page for more information). After you have selected your players, you will see your opposing team's line up. Press the A Button to advance to the Match-Up screen and press the A Button again to begin the game.

PLAYOFFS & PRACTICE

PLAYOFFS:

This game mode allows you pick a team and try to make it to the big game. Select **PLAYOFFS** from the Main Menu and press the A Button. Next, you can select your team.

The next screen will display the teams in the playoffs. Press Left and Right on the Control Pad to view the entire chart. **PLAYOFFS** is a four part tournament. The first two games will determine who will play in the Conference Finals. The third round is to determine who will be the Conference champ. The fourth and final game is versus the opposing Conference champ. The winner of that game will be the best team there is in the National Basketball Association.



PRACTICE:

Selecting **PRACTICE** from the Main Menu will allow you to pick a team (including players) to practice with. This can help you train for a Season or even a Playoff mode game. Try to practice your dunks and three-pointers as well as the interaction between different players.



PLAYING THE GAME

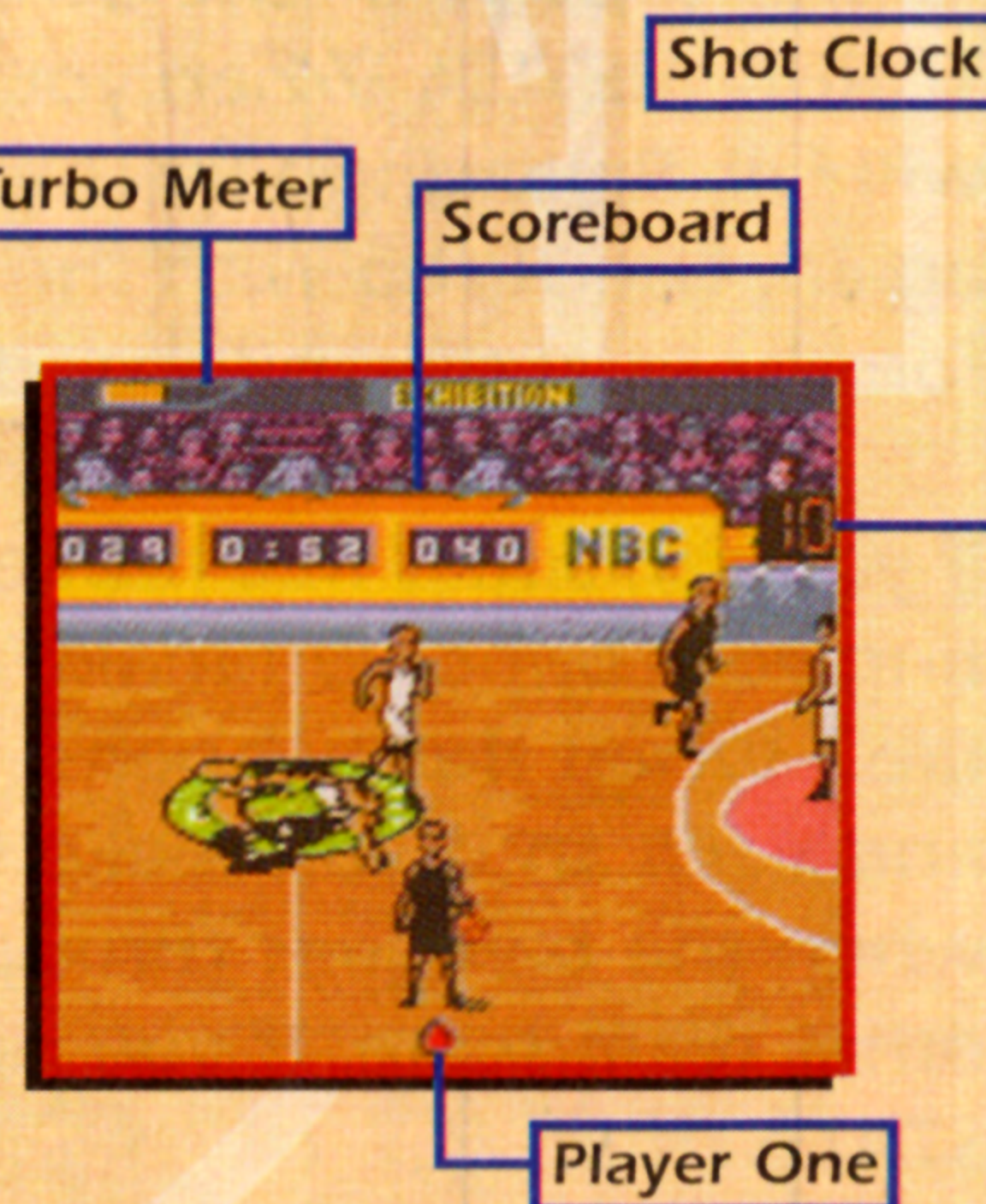
The next few pages will get you familiar with what to watch for on the court as well as some basic moves you should learn.

SHOT CLOCK:

Located on the right side of the screen is the Shot Clock. The Shot Clock will appear when you have 10 seconds left. You have 30 seconds from when you get possession of the ball to take a shot at the basket. If you don't take a shot within the 30 seconds, you will receive a Shot Clock Violation. A Shot Clock Violation will automatically give possession of the ball to the other team.

SCOREBOARD:

Each team's score is displayed at the bottom right of the screen. The scoreboard also displays the current period of the game as well as the time remaining in that period. Remember to keep an eye on the time remaining during a game.



PLAYING THE GAME

TURBO METER:

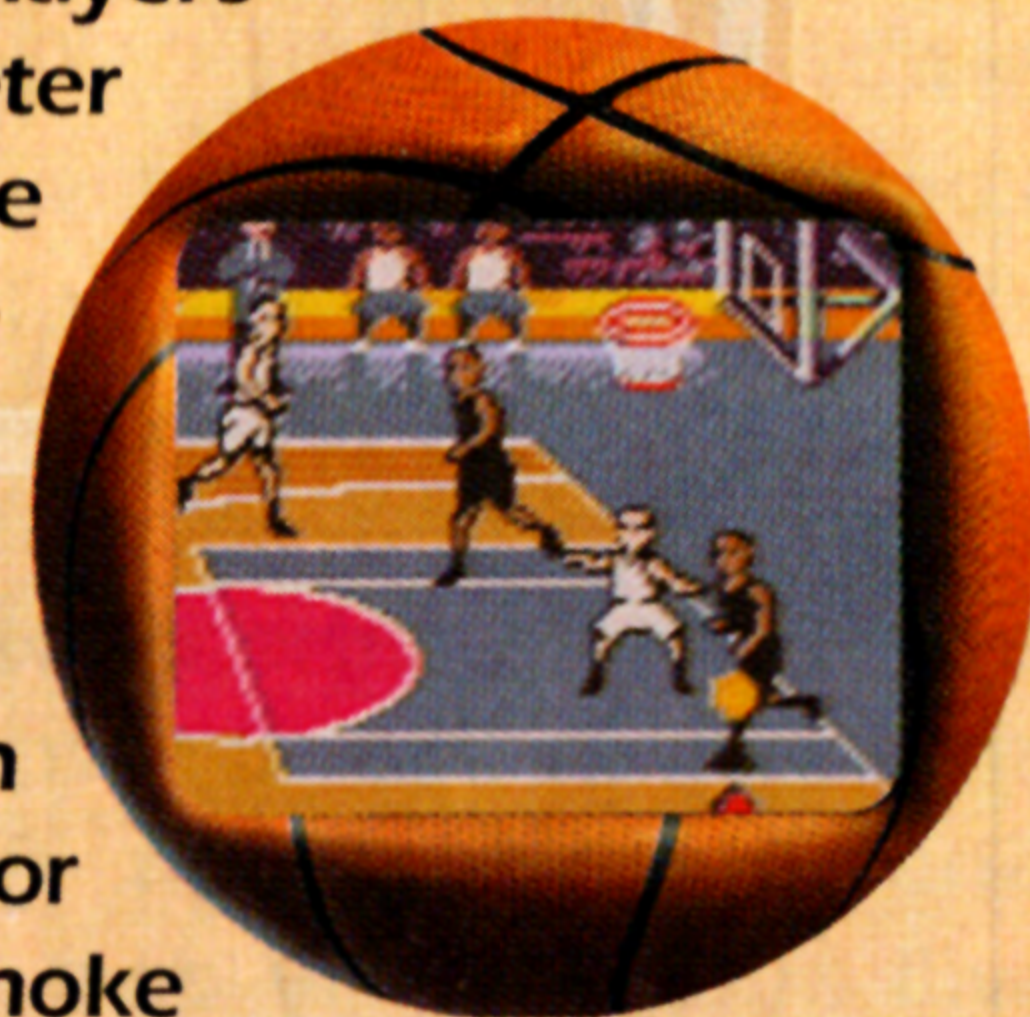
At the top-left of the screen you will see your player's TURBO METER. When you use your Turbo, the meter will fall. Releasing START will allow the meter to rise again. Use Turbo with the A and B Buttons to perform special offensive or defensive moves.

ON FIRE:

If you can sink three baskets in a row (without letting your opponent make a basket) you will be "on fire". When this happens, the ball will change color and each shot you make will cause the net to smoke when the ball goes through it. Make sure you don't let the other team score. If you do, your flame will go out.

STATISTICS:

At halftime and after the game, you will see the Statistics screen. This screen will let you view your team's current stats as well as the other team's. Press Left and Right on the Control Pad to select a team to view. Press Up and Down to view the different players' statistics.

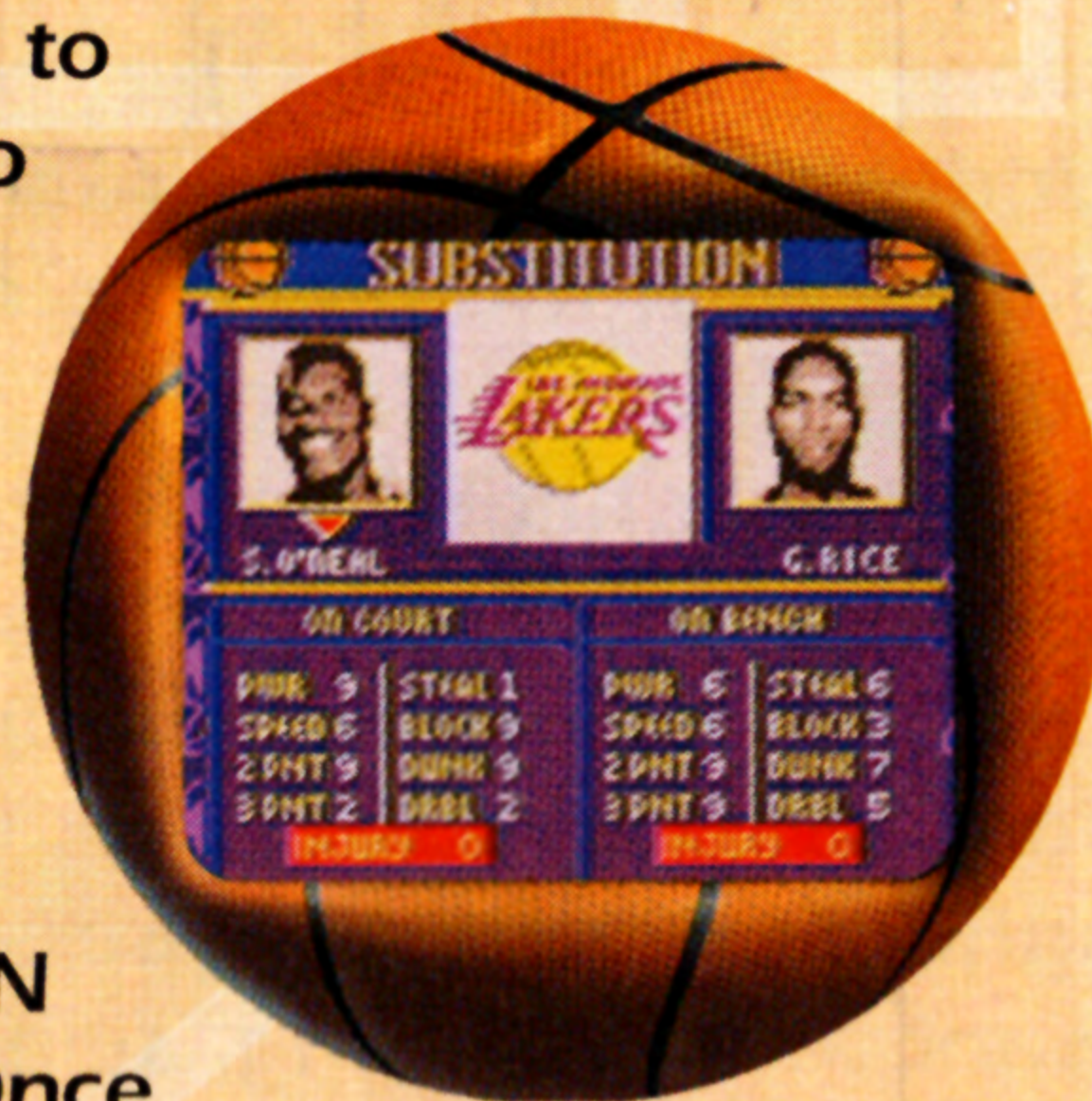


SUBSTITUTIONS

If you want to replace one of your players with another on your roster, you can do it at halftime and at the end of each quarter.

Substituting players is really a good idea. The players you chose to start the game with can easily get tired the more time they spend on the court. Substituting allows you to place new, refreshed players in the game to replace your original ones. You can either replace one player or both players.

At the SUBSTITUTE screen, press the Control Pad Up and Down to scroll through your roster. Press Left and Right to choose between your controlled player or your partner. Below each player you will see their current status (ON BENCH or ON COURT) as well as their stats. Once you have replaced your players or you are ready to get back to the game, press the A Button.



PAUSING THE GAME

While playing, you may want to pause the game. To do this, press SELECT to access the Pause Menu.

The Pause Menu will show the current score as well as the time remaining. Under the menu you can **Continue** your game, turn the game sound (**Music** and **Sound Effects**) ON or OFF and **Quit** the game. Highlight an option using the Control Pad. To adjust the sounds, press Left and Right on the Control Pad. When you are ready to go back to the court, highlight CONTINUE and press the A Button. If you want to quit playing, select QUIT GAME and press the A Button.



PASSWORDS

Use this page to record some of your season passwords.

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