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# SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

<b>MINIMUM</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Windows® 95</li><li>Pentium® 133MHz or better</li><li>16MB RAM</li><li>72MB free hard drive space</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>4X (quad-speed) or better CD-ROM drive</li><li>SVGA video compliant card, Direct Draw-compatible</li><li>Direct/Sound-compatible sound card</li><li>Keyboard and 100% Microsoft®-compatible mouse</li></ul>
<b>MULTIPLAYER (LAN)</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>IPX for DirectPlay</li></ul>	
<b>MULTIPLAYER (MODEM, TCP/IP)</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>28.8 kps modem or higher</li></ul>	
<b>RECOMMENDED</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Direct3D-compatible 3D video accelerator card with 4MB VRAM</li></ul>	
<b>SUPPORTED</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Keyboard/mouse</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Force feedback-compatible joystick</li></ul>

# INSTALLATION

1. Insert the **BASS Masters Classic®: Tournament Edition™** CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive. **BASS Masters** should launch automatically. If Autoplay is not enabled on your computer, doubleclick your MY COMPUTER icon, right-click your CD-ROM drive icon and select OPEN, then doubleclick the SETUP file.
2. A screen will appear with options to INSTALL, PLAY (grayed out) or EXIT. Click the INSTALL button and the InstallShield Wizard will launch.

3. Follow all on-screen instructions to install **BASS Masters** onto your hard drive.  
**Note:** It is not necessary to change any of the default options during installation.
4. After **BASS Masters** is installed to your hard drive, you will be asked if you wish to install DirectX 5.0 on your computer. In order to play **BASS Masters**, you must have DirectX 5.0 or higher installed, so unless you already have DirectX 5.0 installed on your computer, click YES.
5. After installation of DirectX 5.0, you will have the option to restart the computer. Please select YES unless you wish to perform other tasks before playing **BASS Masters**.
6. Once you have restarted your computer, there should be an open window in the upper left-hand corner of your screen. This window should have several icons in it.
  - To begin a game of **BASS Masters**, doubleclick the BASS MASTERS CLASSIC TE icon.
  - For help with **BASS Masters**, doubleclick the BASS MASTERS CLASSIC TE HELP icon.
  - To uninstall the game, doubleclick the UNINSTALL BASS MASTERS CLASSIC TE icon.  
**Note:** Uninstalling the game will remove it from your hard drive and you will no longer be able to play it until you reinstall the game.
  - To set up the Mplayer Internet gaming service, doubleclick FREE INTERNET PLAY ON MPLAYER.COM. (See "Mplayer Internet Gaming" on page 25 for more information.)

You can close this window and access these icons from your START menu as well. Click the START menu, then move the mouse over PROGRAMS -> BASS MASTERS CLASSIC TE, then select the icon you want and click it.

# CONTROLS

Here are the keyboard and mouse commands you will need to know in order to play **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition**.

## KEYBOARD

ACTION	COMMAND
Steer boat left/right.	← / → arrow keys
Drive forward/reverse.	↑ / ↓ arrow keys
Rev Trolling Motor for a burst of speed.	Shift key
Tighten/loosen drag.	Plus (+) / Minus (-) key
Rotate your view 90 degrees. Useful for centering your view.	V key
Switch to underwater view after your line has been cast. Press again to return to surface view.	U key
Stop Trolling Motor.	S key
Cut line.	C key
Switch between different rods.	1-7 keys
Toggle Lake Conditions on/off.	W key
Adjust view.	F1-F4 keys (F1 is closest; F4 farthest away)
Quit the game. (If you're in underwater view, switch to surface view in order to quit.)	Esc key

## MOUSE

ACTION	COMMAND
Select Control Panel buttons.	Left mouse button
Bring up Casting Target. Click again to remove target.	Right mouse button
Cast line.	Left mouse button (doubleclick when Casting Target is out)
Cancel cast.	Right mouse button
Raise/lower rod tip.	Roll mouse down/up
Set hook.	Quickly roll mouse down
Reel in line.	Left mouse button (click and hold after casting or after a strike)
Increase/decrease drag.	Right mouse button (click and hold after a strike and roll the mouse up/down)

## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to **BASS Masters Classic®: Tournament Edition™**, the only interactive fishing game that offers all the glamour and excitement of the BASS Masters Classic in a completely 3D bass fishing simulation.

For those not familiar with the BASS Masters Classic, it is more than just a bass fishing tournament. The culmination of the prestigious BASSMASTER Tournament Trail, the Classic is recognized worldwide as the “Test-Of-The-Best,” the world championship of tournament bass fishing.



Over a period of three days, participants must look past the autograph seekers, reporters, photographers and laser-light shows typical of Classic fanfare and concentrate on catching more fish than their worthy competitors.

A Classic championship means a resounding increase in prestige, recognition and financial reward. Many previous champions estimate

their victories as worth over \$1 million. More importantly, being BASS Masters Classic champion means being the best in the sport!

Now, with **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition**, you've got the chance to compete with the best that bass fishing has to offer in the quest for the elusive Classic crown.

**GOOD LUCK!**

## STARTING A GAME



To begin a game of **BASS Masters**, make sure you have your **BASS Masters** CD-ROM inserted into your CD-ROM drive. Doubleclick the MY COMPUTER icon and then doubleclick the CD-ROM icon in your My Computer window. You can also begin by clicking your START menu, moving your mouse over PROGRAMS -> BASS MASTERS CLASSIC TE, then clicking once.

**Note:** Before beginning your **BASS Masters** game, it is highly recommended that you close all running applications. This includes screensavers, e-mail, and disk optimizing software. Any of these applications can take up valuable resources on your computer, which can affect the performance of **BASS Masters**.

After launching **BASS Masters**, you will see the opening video. You can watch the whole video, or click the **Spacebar** to go straight to the Game Select screen.

The Game Select screen has four main options: SINGLE, MULTIPLAYER, TUTORIAL and OPTIONS. There are also EXIT and HELP (?) buttons at the bottom left-hand corner of the screen. The EXIT option will end your **BASS Masters** game and return you to the desktop. The HELP (?) option will allow you to access hints and tips for setting up and playing **BASS Masters**. Both these options appear throughout the setup screens.

It's usually a good idea to make sure your game options are set up properly before beginning a game, so click the OPTIONS button.

## OPTIONS

The Options screen allows you to customize many aspects of **BASS Masters**, in four main areas: SOUND, GRAPHICS, TOURNAMENT DAY LENGTH and GAME CONTROL.

### SOUND

Click the slider bars with the mouse to adjust the sound effects and music volume independently. You can click the checkbox for either category to remove the check mark; doing so will mute that category.

### GRAPHICS

The main slider bar allows you to specify if you prefer a higher frame rate (faster, smoother game play) or more detailed, realistic graphics. You can also select WAVES, TRANSLUCENT WATER or TEXTURED SKY to be ON or OFF (ON improves detail, OFF improves frame rate). If your computer has a Direct3D-compatible 3D video accelerator card, you can use HARDWARE ACCELERATION.

**Note:** We strongly advise you to use HARDWARE ACCELERATION if the option is available to you, as the improvement in both frame rate and graphic detail is significant.

### TOURNAMENT DAY LENGTH

In order to improve your play experience, a “day” in game time actually takes only a few minutes to half an hour to play. You can select 8, 15, or 30 minutes depending on your preference.

### GAME CONTROL

Click your controller preference. You can select either MOUSE or JOYSTICK.

Once you've adjusted the Options, click OK and you'll return to the Game Select screen. Click CANCEL if you wish to return to the Game Select screen without modifying the Options.

## TUTORIAL

In order to help you become familiar with tournament bass fishing with **BASS Masters**, you can examine the in-game tutorial, narrated by eight-time BASS Masters qualifier Shaw E. Grigsby, Jr. This tutorial is filled with interesting and useful tips to help you become better acquainted with the controls and options within the game. It's probably a good idea to check out the tutorial before you begin your first game of **BASS Masters**, but you can always come back to it later if you think the fish are biting right now!

## SINGLE

### CAREERS SCREEN

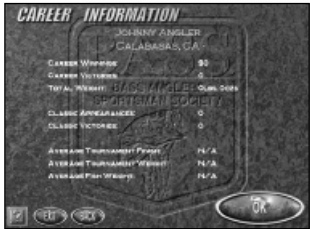
Click the SINGLE button to begin a singleplayer game of **BASS Masters**. The Careers screen will appear.

- To create your angler, click an empty bar and then click NEW. A box will appear that allows you to enter your name (up to 20 characters), city and state. Click OK when you're done entering the information, or CANCEL if you make a mistake.

Once you've created your angler, click the bar with his name and then click CONTINUE. You can also delete any of your fishermen by clicking on the bar with the appropriate name and then clicking the DELETE button.

### CAREER INFORMATION SCREEN

Once you've clicked CONTINUE, you'll move on to the Career Information screen. Here you can view all the statistics on your fisherman's career (if you've just created him, there obviously won't be much yet). If you have a saved game with that fisherman, you can also load it on this screen by clicking the LOAD GAME button. You can click the BACK button to return to the previous screen, or OK to advance to the next screen.



### GAME PLAY

Once you've viewed your career information, it's time to choose the type of fishing you wish to engage in. The Game Play screen allows you to select a wide range of fishing options, from a simple practice session for novice players all the way to the prestigious BASS Masters Classic.

You can also set the difficulty level on this screen by clicking on the EASY, NORMAL, or EXPERT buttons. The difficulty levels differ primarily in the level of simulation. It will be easiest to catch fish in EASY mode, and most difficult in EXPERT mode. Additionally, you will notice that EASY mode lets you see the shadows of fish from your boat. Once you've selected your difficulty level, click the button (AMATEUR, PROFESSIONAL, ARCADE or PRACTICE) that represents the type of fishing you want.

## AMATEUR

The Amateur mode is a great way to get accustomed to fishing in a B.A.S.S. tournament. This is a one day tournament that gives you an excellent way to explore one of the three lakes you can select in this mode. Prior to entering Amateur mode, read the Rules screen to familiarize yourself with the tournament objectives.

### LAKE SELECT

If you select the Amateur option, you will go to the Lake Selection screen. Select LAKE MEAD, LAKE MINNETONKA, or LAKE FORK by clicking them with the mouse.

### LAKE CONDITIONS

On this screen, you can examine different aspects of the lake that can affect your fishing, including time of day, water conditions, water temperature, air temperature and wind. Once you've reviewed the lake conditions, click the OK button to go on to the next screen.

**Note:** You can refer to the lake conditions during game play by pressing the W key.

### EQUIPMENT SETUP

In BASS Masters, you carry seven fishing rods on your boat. Each rod is preset with a different combination of action, lure size, and lure type and rig. This screen lets you select each rod and customize it to your personal specifications.

#### Rod Configuration

To select a rod, click it. You will see a description of how that rod is set up. To change the configuration of the rod, doubleclick that rod. You will see the various options you can modify. Make any changes you wish, and click OK, or click CANCEL if you wish to discard the changes you made. You can do this for each of your seven rods. When you are done modifying your rods, click OK.



Gear Save/Load

You can use the Gear Save/Load button to either save your current gear configuration, or load a configuration you previously saved. Click the GEAR SAVE/LOAD button and a screen will pop up with your saved gear lists (if any).

- You can save your current gear configuration by clicking an empty slot and then clicking the SAVE button. A box will appear allowing you to name the save file. Type the name you wish to use, then click OK.
- To load a gear configuration you previously saved, click the slot with the gear configuration you wish to load and then click the LOAD button. A message will appear indicating that gear has been loaded. Click the OK button to return to the Equipment Setup screen. When you are done saving and/or loading gear, click the OK button to go to the next screen.

LAKE SCREEN

Once you've set your options and gotten your gear set up, it's time to select a fishing spot. Move the cursor to the area where you want to fish, and click the mouse button. You'll see a prompt indicating how long it will take for the boat to reach the spot.

**Note:** This is "game time", not real time – it only affects how much time you have to fish during the tournament.

Click the YES button if you wish to move to that spot, or NO if you want to select a different spot.



If the cursor changes to a red slash and circle, the spot you have selected is close to land and your boat cannot go there. Move the cursor until the crosshair symbol returns in order to select a valid fishing spot. If you wish to weigh in and end your fishing for the day, you can return to the dock at any time. To do so, click the DOCK button. Doing this before you start to fish is generally not recommended.

Also notice the Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinates that appear at the bottom of the screen. You can use the GPS to monitor your position once you are out on the lake. Knowing your precise location can often be helpful when looking for good fishing spots.

You're now ready to fish! Once you're out on the lake, you can check out "Playing a Game" on page 15 for information on how to cast, reel in and land your fish.

PROFESSIONAL

In Professional mode, you can fish the pro tour all the way to the BASS Masters Classic itself. In this mode, which has much more simulation than the other modes, you must qualify in the top 10 in each tournament to make it to the Classic.

Rank	Name	Location	Fish	Lb Oz
5	James Leeland	Palmdale, IL	5	10-02
6	Ed Bach	Caro, IL	5	15-13
7	Tony Hall	West Chicago, IL	5	15-09
8	John McCreger	Norcross, IL	4	14-09
9	Bob Vercasen	Trabuco, FL	4	13-14
10	Mike Green	Chicago, IL	4	12-07
11	Joe Cheng	Verona Hills, IL	4	11-07
12	Steven Bishop	Kearney, NY	4	11-04
13	John Tate	Palmdale, IL	4	11-03
14	William Wells	Darien, IL	4	9-04
15	John Hatfield	Los Grove, IL	4	8-07
16	Johnny Rogers	Indianapolis, IN	4	8-12
17	Alan Moore	Metropolis, IL	4	8-07
18	Mike Green	Chicago, IL	4	8-07
19	Johnny Rogers	Indianapolis, IN	4	8-12
20	Johnny Rogers	Indianapolis, IN	4	8-12

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Once you've clicked on the Professional button, the Tournament Information screen appears. This screen contains everything you need to know about the **BASS Masters** tournament you are entering. Once you've familiarized yourself with the information, click the START button. The Lake Conditions, Equipment Setup, and Lake screens will appear. (For information on these screens, please see their descriptions in the "Amateur" section beginning on page 11.) After clicking OK, you will see information explaining your objectives for winning the tournament.

## ARCADE

Arcade mode is much more action-oriented than Professional mode. In this mode you get to fish each lake with increasing difficulty. It relies more on action and less on the simulation aspects of **BASS Masters** fishing.

### RULES

After you select the ARCADE option, the Rules screen appears. When you are done reading the rules, click OK to continue. The Lake Conditions, Equipment Setup, and Lake screens will appear. (For information on these screens, please see their descriptions in the “Amateur” section beginning on page 11.)

## PRACTICE

Practice mode gives you the opportunity to fine tune your fishing skills. Use this mode to customize the lake conditions to your liking. By practicing in different lake conditions, you will be prepared for anything you might encounter on the Tournament Trail.

### LAKE CONDITIONS

After you select the Practice option, the Lake Conditions screen will appear. On this screen you can modify all of the different aspects of the lake that can affect your fishing, including time of day, water conditions, water temperature, air temperature and wind. Once you’ve set up the lake conditions to your satisfaction, click the OK button to go on to the next screen. The Equipment Setup and Lake screens will appear. (For information on these screens, please see their descriptions in the “Amateur” section beginning on page 11.)

## PLAYING A GAME

Once you are out on the lake, you’ll see your angler standing in the boat. You’ll also notice a control panel at the bottom of your screen.



## CONTROL PANEL

Here’s a list of what all the options on the control panel do, from left to right:

Quit	Exits the game in progress and returns you to the Game Select screen.
GPS	Your Global Positioning System can tell you the precise location of your boat.
Sonar	This invaluable tool can show you the location and depth of fish in the area. Fish are displayed in red.
Trolling Motor	The lever next to the sonar screen is your throttle. You can control the throttle with the ↑ and ↓ arrow keys. Moving the throttle up will move the boat forward, moving it down will slow the boat and then move it in reverse.
Target	Brings up casting target (you can also click the right mouse button).



<b>Cast</b>	Casts the line after you click the left mouse button to lock your casting target in place (you can also doubleclick the left mouse button).
<b>Drag</b>	Indicates the amount of drag you have on your reel. You can adjust this with the <b>Plus (+)</b> and <b>Minus (-)</b> keys.
<b>Cast Type</b>	Allows you to toggle between Overhand, Flip and Pitch casts.
<b>Gear</b>	Allows you to change your gear configuration. <b>Note:</b> The game clock will not pause while you adjust your gear.
<b>Lure</b>	Displays the lure on the rod you are currently using.
<b>Live Well</b>	You can keep your catches in the Live Well for later weighing. The Live Well has a limited storage capacity, so be careful which fish you save in it. Click on the Live Well to see how many fish you've caught and what size they are.
<b>Lake Map</b>	Returns you to the Lake Map in order to select a new location or return to the dock to end your day of fishing.
<b>Tips</b>	These full-motion video clips offer you invaluable tips from <b>BASS Masters</b> pros like Roland Martin, Paul Elias and Ken Cook.
<b>Save</b>	Allows you to save your game. Click on the button to bring up a box where you can type the name of your save, then click OK.

## THE PROS



ROLAND MARTIN

Having won more tournaments (19) than any of his peers in the sport, nine Angler of the Year awards, and 21 appearances in the BASS Masters Classic, Roland Martin's name has become almost synonymous with BASSMASTER tournament success. Add to that his highly rated television show "Fishing with Roland Martin" on TNN and you've got a true bass fishing legend. Roland lives in Clewiston, Florida with his wife and two children. When he's not fishing he enjoys turkey hunting and fishing-tackle design.



SHAW E. GRIGSBY, JR.

Another of our professionals with his own successful TV show, Shaw boasts career earnings of over \$800,000, helped along by five first-place tournament finishes. He has also qualified for the Classic eight times. In 1995 he earned money in six of eight events including a 13th place finish in the BASSMASTERS MegaBucks Tournament. Shaw lives with his family in Gainesville, Florida and also enjoys fly-fishing.



**KEN COOK**

1991 BASS Masters Classic champion Ken Cook became a pro in 1983 after winning the first Super Bass tournament ever. Today, his career winnings total over \$500,000 with six tournament wins. Ken and family live in Meers, Oklahoma. When he is not on the Tournament Trail, Ken enjoys bowhunting and scuba diving.



**PAUL ELIAS**

Winner of the 1982 Classic on the Alabama River at Montgomery, Paul has won four tournaments in his career with winnings totaling \$384, 981. In 1992, Paul made a strong showing with a 5th place finish in the Classic. He resides in Laurel, Mississippi and enjoys hunting.

## ANGLER'S HINTS

- Beginning anglers may want to keep the default rod setup. It is a good one for first-timers.
- If you're preparing for a tournament on the practice lake, don't try to catch all your fish in one spot. Practice moving to different parts of the lake to find new "hot spots."
- When you are just starting out in a tournament, set the time in the Options menu to the longest setting.
- Once you've made your cast, roll the mouse down/up to raise or lower the rod tip. When you get a strike, quickly pull the mouse down to set the hook.
- When your lure is in the water, make sure you keep track of your "reel" icon. Try to keep it in the top half of your screen in order to make it easier to set the hook when you've got a strike.
- If you hook a fish while in the underwater view, switch back to the surface view. Now you will be able to see the position and tension of your fishing rod.
- If the fish aren't taking your lure, don't forget to get some tips from the pros. They're there to help, and they've been there before.
- If you're having trouble locating fish, try switching to the Easy mode. Now you'll be able to see the shadows of the fish from your boat. Sight fishing for a while will get you used to boating fish and predicting their patterns in various conditions.

# THE LAKES

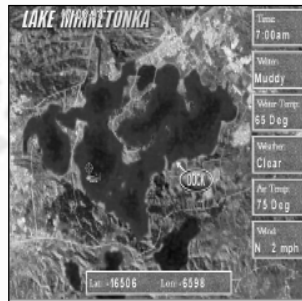
## LAKE FORK

Lake Fork is located approximately 70 miles east of Dallas in the great state of Texas. Regarded as one of the best bass lakes in all of the United States, its many timber- and grass-filled creeks, coves and points have bestowed upon anglers numerous bass over 10 pounds. The lake record is 18.18 pounds. Smaller bass in the two- and four-pound variety are also plentiful at Lake Fork.



## LAKE MINNETONKA

"It's the best bass fishery I've ever seen-bar none," remarked Guido Hibdon, veteran pro angler. Located approximately 12 miles west of downtown Minneapolis, Lake Minnetonka is another highly regarded bass fishery. Rather new to the Tournament Trail, the Minnesota BASS Master Top 100 took place on Lake Minnetonka in August, 1995. The pros were amazed at the spectacular amount of bass that they were boating. Jim Bitter won the tournament with a combined weight of 79 pounds, 3 ounces.



## LAKE MEAD

Located 20 miles southeast of Las Vegas, Nevada, Lake Mead is approximately 110 miles long and runs from the Hoover Dam all the way to the mouth of the Colorado River.

Mead's size provides BASS anglers with plenty of different coves, islands, underwater reefs, points, and large basins in which to seek out those lunkers. Larry Nixon, the second-place finisher in the 1989 Nevada Invitational, remarked, "Mead is also the type of lake in which you usually end up fishing more than one pattern and covering miles of water. It's so easy to get away from other competitors."



## LAKE LOGAN MARTIN

The site of the 1997 BASS Masters Classic, Lake Logan Martin lies approximately 30 miles east of Birmingham, Alabama. Also the site of the BASS Masters Classic in 1992 and '93, Lake Logan Martin has been receiving so much attention over recent years, not too many secret fishing spots remain. The best hot spots that produce some big fish are docks, the main channel, brush, and bumps in the mid-lake area. Steve Sherbert, a Lake Logan Martin guide, suggests:

"Because the docks and piers are such obvious places to fish, a more productive pattern might be to pinpoint underwater brush piles at the mouths of creeks, on main river points and just out from the bank."



# MULTIPLAYER

## CAREERS SCREEN

Click on the **MULTIPLAYER** button to begin a multiplayer game of **BASS Masters**. The Careers screen will appear.

- To create your angler, click an empty bar and then click **NEW**. A box will appear that allows you to enter your name (up to 20 characters), city and state. Click **OK** when you're done entering the information, or **CANCEL** if you make a mistake.

Once you've created your angler, click the bar with his name and then click **CONTINUE**. You can also delete any of your fishermen by clicking the bar with a fisherman's name and then clicking the **DELETE** button.

## CAREER INFORMATION SCREEN

Once you've clicked **CONTINUE**, you'll move on to the Career Information screen. Here you can view all the statistics on your fisherman's career (if you've just created him, there obviously won't be much yet). You can click the **BACK** button to return to the previous screen, or **OK** to advance to the next screen.

## SELECT PROVIDER

After the Career Information Screen, you should now see a window with three options:

- **IPX Connection for Direct Play**  
This option allows you to play **Bass Masters** over a Local Area Network (LAN) that has been set up with the IPX protocol.
- **Internet TCP/IP Connection for Direct Play**  
This allows multiple players to connect over the Internet.
- **Modem Connection for Direct Play**  
Two players using modems can connect directly for play.

Select the option you wish to use, then select either **HOST** or **JOIN**:

- **Host**  
This lets you set up a multiplayer game based on your computer. It is usually a good idea to host a game only if you have the fastest computer of all the players participating. Once you select **Host**, you will be asked to name your game. Do so and click **OK**. Your player will appear, along with empty slots for the other players. When a player joins your game, you will see his name appear in the window. After all of the players have joined your game, click the **OK** button.
- **Join**  
This allows you to join a multiplayer game based on another computer. After clicking the **JOIN** button, you will see a window with the **Bass Masters** multiplayer games that are available with your chosen connection. Select the game you wish to join and click **OK**.

Once you have either begun a **Host** game or **Joined** an existing game, and all the players are connected, the **Game Play** screen will appear.

## GAME PLAY

Once you've set up all of your multiplayer options, it's time to choose the type of fishing you wish to engage in. The **Game Play** screen allows you to select a wide range of fishing options, from a simple practice session for novice players all the way to the prestigious **BASS Masters** Tournament!

Once everyone has finished gearing up, it's time to fish! All controls are identical to the single-player game with the addition of the **T** key, which lets you send typed messages to the other players. Press **T**, then type your message and press **Enter** to send it.

You'll also see messages periodically that indicate when the other players have caught a fish, which will help you figure out where you stand in the rankings.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

- If **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition** is running slowly, quit **BASS Masters** and make sure no other programs are running in the background before starting **BASS Masters** again.
- If you are having problem with the program not running, be sure you have turned off all third-party memory managers.
- If you get a black screen when starting, make sure the latest version of DirectX and Direct Media are installed on your computer before starting **BASS Masters**. You can find these applications on the **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition** CD-ROM.
- If your FMV sequences are choppy, go to Performance Settings in the System Properties menu, make sure the CD-ROM setting under the File System button is set to QuadSpeed or Higher (regardless of the speed of your CD-ROM drive).
- If you have other questions about technical support, please visit us at [www.thq.com](http://www.thq.com) <<http://www.thq.com>>, e-mail us at [support@thq.com](mailto:support@thq.com) <[mailto: support@thq.com](mailto:support@thq.com)>, or call our customer support line at 818-225-5167. Customer Support hours are Mon. - Fri. 9am-5pm Pacific Standard Time.

## MPLAYER INTERNET GAMING

### WHAT IS MPLAYER.COM?

Mplayer.com is the #1 multiplayer game service on the Internet. Playing **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition** on mplayer.com means that a player in a remote location can challenge other players in remote locations, and they'll play in real time — like they're all sitting in the same room. Mplayer.com offers hundreds of innovative features, including real-time voice — chat that lets you verbally taunt your opponents and praise your teammates. When you sign up for mplayer.com you're joining a friendly online community where you can participate in regular tournaments, contests, and special events.

### PRICING

Mplayer.com is FREE — there are no charges or monthly fees to play **BASS Masters Classic: Tournament Edition** on mplayer.com.



### SO HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Installing mplayer.com is simple. Just follow these easy steps and you're on your way to the excitement of online multiplayer gaming!

1. There are several ways to install mplayer.com from **BASS Masters**:
  - a. **From the game CD-ROM Autorun Menu**, select the option to **Play on mplayer.com**.
  - b. **From the Windows 95 Start Menu**, select this game and the option to **Play on mplayer.com**.
  - c. **From inside the Game**, select the option to **Play on mplayer.com** from the multiplayer menu.
  - d. **From the Program folder**, click the icon to **Play on mplayer.com**.
2. This will start the mplayer.com installer which will check for mplayer.com — if you don't have it, we'll install everything you need! Just follow the easy install instructions at the prompts. During the process, you'll set up an mplayer.com account and select your mplayer.com member name and password.

3. After installing mplayer.com, your Web browser will launch and connect you to the mplayer.com game page:
  - a. Make sure your game CD-ROM is in the disk drive.
  - b. Now click PLAY NOW to log onto mplayer.com and head to the Lobby of your game.
  - c. Before entering the game's Lobby, we'll automatically download any additional files you might need to make the game playable on mplayer.com.
4. Now you are in your game's Lobby on mplayer.com.
  - a. Chat with other players by typing your message and pressing **Enter**.
  - b. To enter a Game Room, doubleclick a green ROOM icon.
  - c. If you want to create a new Game Room, click the CREATE ROOM button.
5. Almost there!
  - a. If you enter an existing Game Room, Click the READY TO PLAY? button, or,
  - b. If you create a Room, wait for players, then click the LAUNCH GAME button.
6. Have fun playing on mplayer.com!

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Mplayer.com has a staff of highly trained Technical Support representatives waiting to answer any questions or solve any problems you can throw at them. If you're having trouble installing mplayer.com, contact a Technical Support representative by emailing [support@mplayer.com](mailto:support@mplayer.com) or by calling (650) 429-3100 between 3 pm and 10 pm (PST), seven days a week.

For more information about mplayer.com visit our Web site at [www.mplayer.com](http://www.mplayer.com).

## TECHNICAL INFO

You need the following PC configuration to install our software and play games on mplayer.com:

### System Requirements

- Windows 95
- Pentium processor
- 8 MB RAM (16 MB recommended)
- 144 KBPS or faster modem (28.8 KBPS or higher recommended)
- Internet access\*
- Web browser

\*AOL, CompuServe, and Prodigy do not yet support adequate TCP/IP connections for FAST gameplay. Low latency games, including turn-based or role playing games, however, can be played.



