

# METROID PRIME™: BLAST BALL

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Please read this manual carefully before using this software. If the software is to be used by young children, the manual should be read and explained to them by an adult.

- ◆ Unless stated otherwise, any references to "Nintendo 3DS" in this manual apply to all systems in the Nintendo 3DS™ family.
- ◆ When playing on a Nintendo 2DS™ system, features which require closing the Nintendo 3DS system can be simulated by using the sleep switch.

### **IMPORTANT**

Important information about your health and safety is available in the Health and Safety Information application on the HOME Menu. You should also thoroughly read the Operations Manual, especially the "Health and Safety Information" section, before using Nintendo 3DS software.

### **Language Selection**

The in-game language depends on the one that is set on the system. This title supports five different languages: English, German, French, Spanish and Italian. If your Nintendo 3DS system language is set to one of these, the

same language will be displayed in the software. If your Nintendo 3DS system is set to another language, the in-game default language will be English.

For instructions about how to change the system language, please refer to the System Settings electronic manual.

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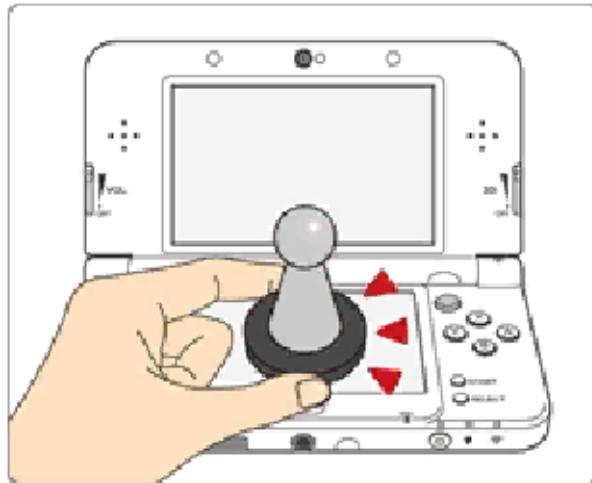
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## About amiibo



This software supports **amiibo**. You can use compatible amiibo™ accessories by touching them to the Touch Screen of a New Nintendo 3DS/New Nintendo 3DS XL system.

Your amiibo aren't just for show. You can use NFC (near-field communication) to connect them to compatible software and play with them in the game.

For more information, visit:

- [amiibo.nintendo.eu](http://amiibo.nintendo.eu) (Europe)
- [amiibo.nintendo.com.au](http://amiibo.nintendo.com.au) (Australia/New Zealand)

- ◆ An amiibo can be read by multiple compatible software titles.
- ◆ If the data on your amiibo becomes corrupted and cannot be restored, go to the HOME Menu ⇒ ⇒ amiibo Settings and reset the data.

The Nintendo 3DS NFC Reader/  
Writer is required to use amiibo  
with a Nintendo 3DS/3DS XL/  
2DS system.

## IMPORTANT

A light touch on the Touch Screen is enough for the system to detect your amiibo. Do not press the amiibo into the screen or forcefully drag it across the screen.

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## Online Features

This software allows you to connect to the internet to compete in Blast Ball games (p. 9). It also allows you to download software from the Nintendo eShop (p. 8).

- ◆ For information about connecting your Nintendo 3DS system to the internet, refer to the Operations Manual.

This software supports Nintendo Network™.



Nintendo Network is an online service which allows you to play with other players all over the world, download new add-on content and much more!

## Online Precautions

- If you post, send or otherwise make available any information or content through wireless communication please make sure not to include any information that can be used to identify you personally, such as your name, email address, your address or your telephone number, as others may be allowed to see such information and content. In particular, when choosing a user

name or nickname for your Mii™ characters, please do not use your real name as others may be able to view your user name and the nicknames of your Mii characters when using wireless communication.

- Friend codes are a part of a system that allows you to establish a friendship with other users, so that you can play, communicate and interact with people you know. If you exchange friend codes with strangers, there is a risk that you could receive information or messages with offensive language or inappropriate content and that strangers may see information about you that you do not want strangers to see. We therefore recommend that you do not give your friend codes to people you don't know.
- Do not engage in harmful, illegal, offensive or otherwise inappropriate activity that might cause problems for other users. In particular, do not post, send or otherwise make available any information or content that threatens, abuses or harasses other persons, infringes on the rights of others (such as copyrights, portrait rights, privacy rights, rights of publicity or trademarks) or that may make other people feel uncomfortable.

In particular, when sending, posting or making available photos, images or videos displaying other people, make sure to obtain their permission beforehand. If inappropriate conduct is reported or confirmed, you may be subject to penalties such as being banned from the Nintendo 3DS Services.

- Please note that Nintendo servers may become temporarily unavailable without prior notice due to maintenance following any problems, and online services for certain software may be discontinued.

You can use the following Parental Controls to restrict certain features of this software.

- ◆ For more information about Parental Controls, refer to the Operations Manual.
- Online Interaction  
Restricts online interactions with other players.
- Nintendo 3DS Shopping Services  
Restricts the purchase of downloadable content.

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## Introduction



This is a futuristic sport in which players score points by shooting a giant ball into the opponents' goal. Each player pilots a mechanised suit called a "Mech". Matches are 3 against 3.

There are two control configurations, and you can change between them on the Controls menu (p. 8). Controls that only apply to CONFIG B are in **yellow**.

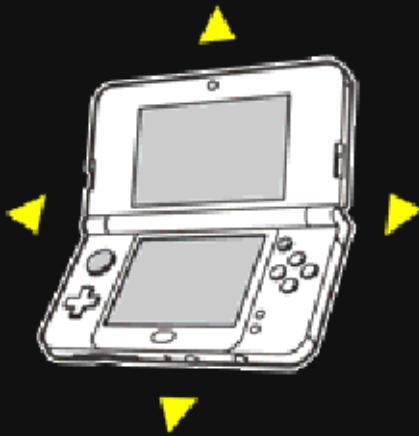
Move	○
Power Shot	Ⓐ/█
Charge Shot	Hold Ⓐ/hold █
Jump	Ⓑ/█
Use power-up	Ⓨ/█
Lock on to the ball	Ⓛ/█
Free Aim	█ + system movement/○
Sidestep	Ⓛ/█ + ○(left/right) + Ⓑ ○ (left/right) + Ⓢ
Send preset chat message	+
Display pause menu	START

If CONFIG B has been selected,  $\text{ZL}/\text{ZR}$  and  $\text{O}$  can be used during the game. This control configuration is only available on the New Nintendo 3DS and New Nintendo 3DS XL.

- ◆ When using the Circle Pad Pro,  $\text{ZL}/\text{ZR}/$ Right Circle Pad can be used. The placement of  $\text{ZL}/\text{ZR}$  and  $\text{L}/\text{R}$  is different on the Circle Pad Pro and the New Nintendo 3DS.

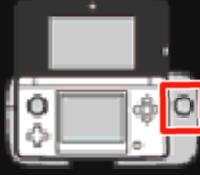
## About Motion Controls

Hold **R** (CONFIG A) and move your system around to aim your weapon.



When using this software, you may have to move the Nintendo 3DS system around. Make sure you have enough room before playing, and hold the system firmly with both hands. Do not move the system with excessive force, as this could lead to injuries, damage to the product or damage to nearby objects.

## Circle Pad Pro Calibration



Right Circle Pad

If the Right Circle Pad is not responding correctly, or it is sending signals to the software without being touched, follow the instructions below to calibrate the accessory.

### ● Calibration

1. On the Blast Ball menu or the pause menu, select "Controls" "CONFIG B" and then "Options".
2. Follow the on-screen instructions to calibrate the Right Circle Pad.

◆ Calibration of the Nintendo 3DS system's Circle Pad can be carried out in the System Settings.

If the Circle Pad Pro is not used for five minutes, it will enter standby mode. To end standby mode, press **ZL/ZR**.

For detailed information on setup and use of the Circle Pad Pro, please refer to the accessory's

**instruction booklet.  
This accessory is not necessary if  
you are using a New  
Nintendo 3DS/3DS XL system.**



### Saving Data

Your progress is saved automatically at the end of a match.

### Deleting Data

It is possible to delete all data by holding  $\textcircled{A}$  +  $\textcircled{B}$  +  $\textcircled{X}$  +  $\textcircled{Y}$  when launching the game. This can be done between when the Nintendo 3DS logo disappears and when the game's title screen is displayed.

◆ Deleted data cannot be restored, so be careful.

- Do not repeatedly reset the system or intentionally input incorrect controls. Do not remove any Game Card/SD card inserted into the system while saving. Make sure not to get dirt in the terminals. These actions could result in permanent data loss.
- Do not use external accessories or software to modify your save data, as this can lead to an inability to progress or loss of save data. Any modification is permanent, so be careful.



When you play Blast Ball for the first time, you can choose to play a practice match. Selecting "Practice" and then finishing the practice match or selecting "No practice" will take you to the Blast Ball menu, where the following options are available:

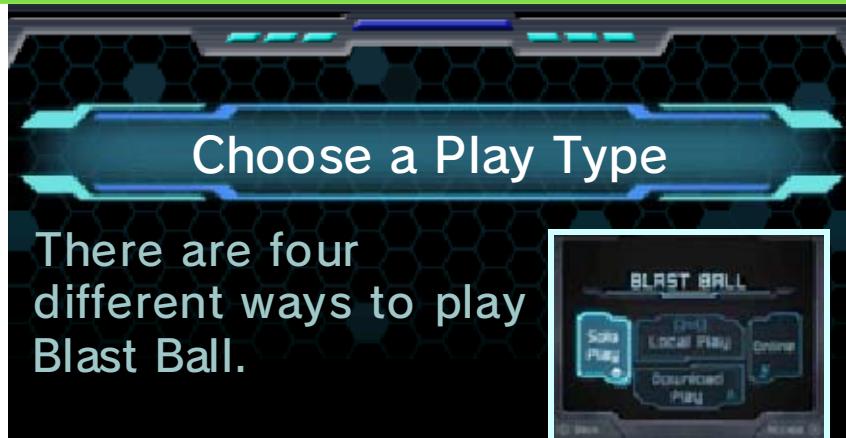


BLAST BALL	Select a play type and play Blast Ball (p. 9).
Customize	Change your Mech's paint job or change the preset messages set to +. You can also change the language, gender or pitch of your voice.
Practice	Practise movement and shooting. It is also possible to play a one-on-one match against a computer-controlled opponent.

Controls	View the controls or switch control configurations if you are using a New Nintendo 3DS system or a Circle Pad Pro.
Manual	Opens this electronic manual.
Training	Try your hand at training for Mech certification to become a combat-ready member of the Federation Force.
Nintendo eShop	Takes you to the Nintendo eShop.

### About amiibo

You can unlock special paint jobs by selecting the amiibo icon from the paint job menu and then using a compatible amiibo.



## Solo Play

Select "Solo Play" to play Blast Ball on your own. Your teammates and opponents will all be computer controlled.

## Local Play

Up to six players can play Blast Ball together via Local Play. Each player needs their own Nintendo 3DS system and a copy of this software.

### ● You Will Need:

One Nintendo 3DS system per player (max. 6)

One copy of the software per player (max. 6)

### ● How to Play

To host a match, select "Create", choose the desired settings, and then select "OK". When all players have joined and selected their team, press  $\otimes$  to start. Players join a match by selecting the name of the host.

## Online (Internet)

Select "Online" to connect to the internet and play Blast Ball online with other players.

## Download Play

Selecting Download Play lets up to six players play a Blast Ball match with just one copy of this software.

### ● You Will Need:

One Nintendo 3DS system per player (max. 6)

One copy of the software

### ● How to Play

#### Sending Data

1. Press  $\textcircled{A}$  or select "Create", choose the desired settings, and then select "OK".
2. When the other players' names appear, select "Upload" to begin.

#### Receiving Data

1. On the HOME Menu, select the Download Play icon, then touch "Open".
2. Select the Nintendo 3DS logo.
3. Select this software from the list.

◆ You may need to perform a system update. Follow the on-screen instructions to begin the update.

If you receive a message during the system update that the connection was unsuccessful, carry out the system update

from the System Settings application.

## Settings

The following settings are available in Blast Ball:



### ● Match Type

Versus is a match between two teams, while Challenge is a single-elimination-tournament challenge against five computer-controlled teams.

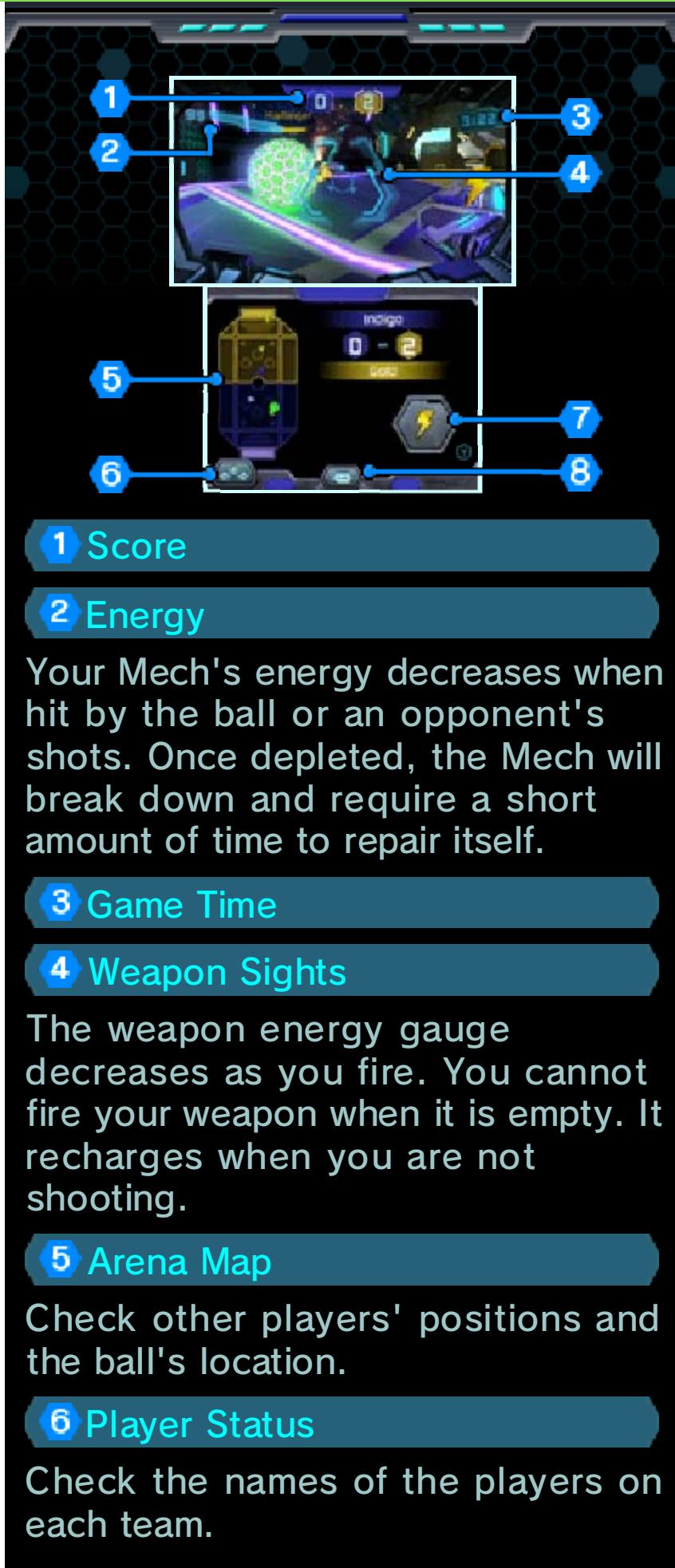
### ● Autobalance

When Autobalance is on, players are automatically divided into evenly-matched teams. Players can select their own team when Autobalance is off.

◆ Autobalance can only be used in Versus matches.

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## Blast Ball Screen



## 7 Power-ups (p. 11)

Press  $\textcircled{Y}$  or touch a power-up on the Touch Screen to use it.

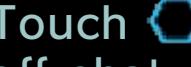
## 8 Chat Messaging

Displays all of the chat messages that you can send, including those assigned to  $\textcircled{+}$  for quick communication.

## Pause Menu

Press **START** to display the pause menu, which contains the Game Time and the following options:



Resume	Continue playing the current game.
Controls	View the controls or switch control configurations if you are using a New Nintendo 3DS system or a Circle Pad Pro.
Exit Game	Exit the game and return to the play type selection screen.
Mute Team Audio	Touch  to turn off chat voices.  shows when "mute team audio" is activated.

## Rules

Shoot the ball to move it around the arena, and into the goal to score a point. The first team to score three points or the one with most points when the time runs out is the winner. The game enters one minute of sudden death if the score is tied when the time runs out. The first team to score is the winner. If neither team can score a point, the match is declared a draw.

- ◆ A draw in Challenge Mode will cause you to lose the challenge.

## About Power-ups

Power-ups can be picked up after the ball has been shot a number of times. Once a power-up has been collected, press  $\text{Y}$  or touch the power-up on the Touch Screen to use it.



Shield

Shields a player from damage and prevents the player from being ejected from their Mech if a member of the opposing team uses the eject power-up.

	Mech movement speed, weapon recovery, and shot power are all increased when this power-up is used.
	Ejects all members of the opposing team from their Mechs.

## Repair Capsules

Pick up Repair Capsules to restore energy.



## The Ball

A new ball appears after a goal is scored. In rare cases, a special ball is used.

## Results Screen

The Results screen shows each player's achievements at the end of a match.



Select "New match" to play again or "Exit" to end the match and return to the Blast Ball menu. "New match" can only be selected when you are playing in Versus mode.

For product information, please visit  
the Nintendo website at:  
[www.nintendo.com/countryselector](http://www.nintendo.com/countryselector)

For technical support and  
troubleshooting, please refer to the  
Operations Manual for your  
Nintendo 3DS system or visit:  
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