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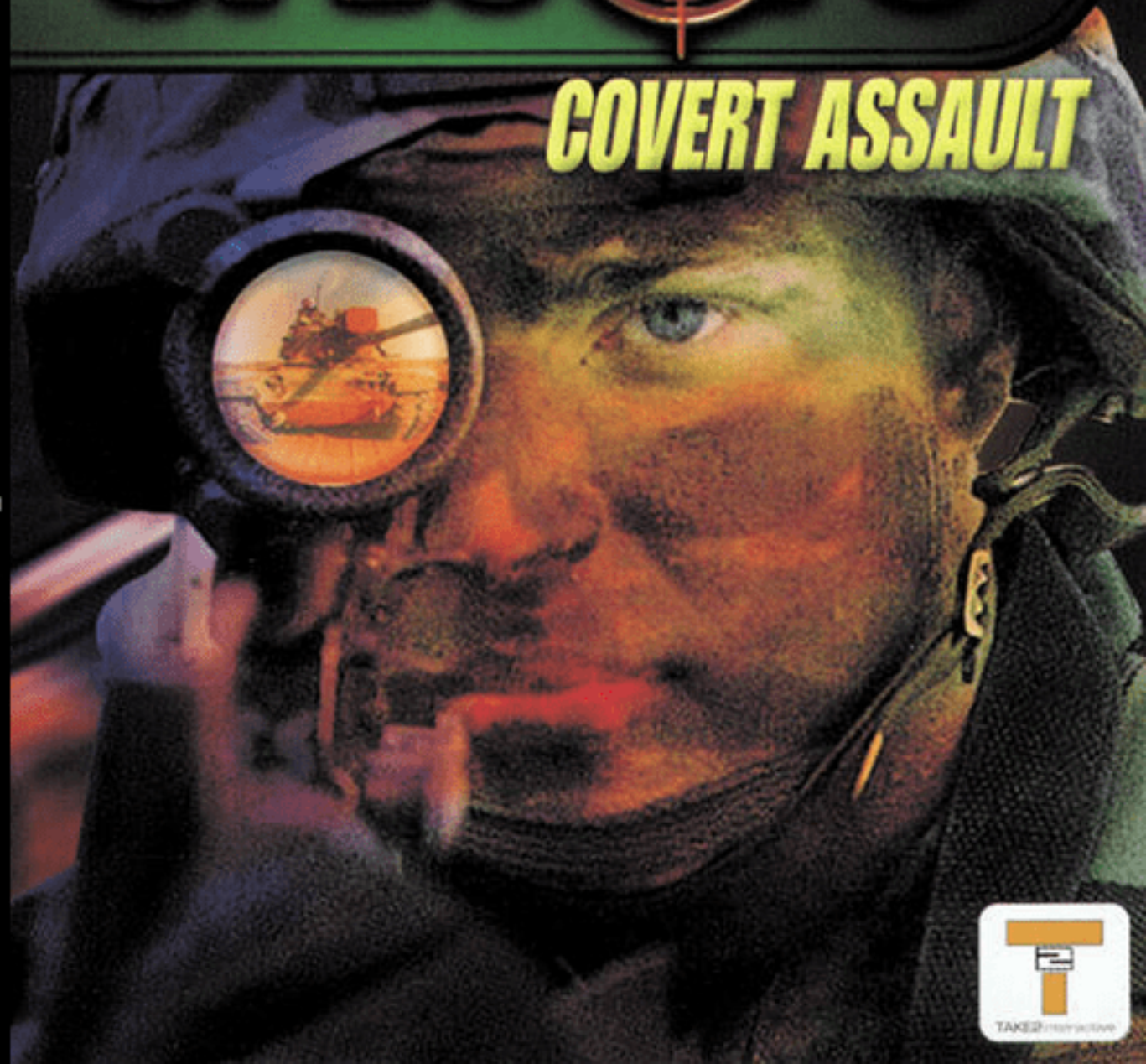
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# GETTING STARTED

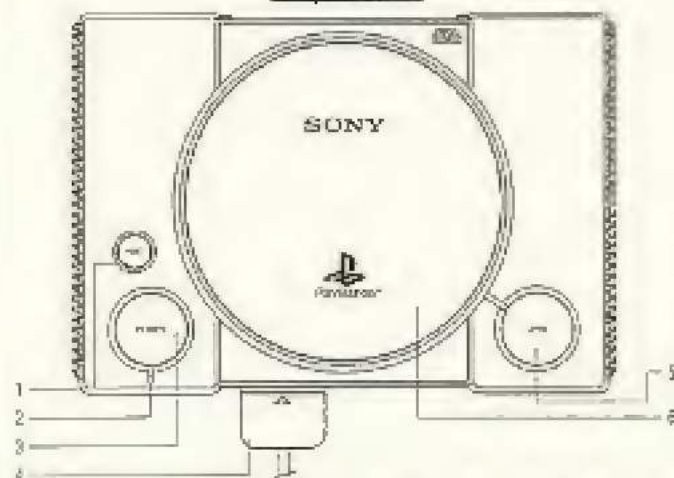
## INSTALLATION

Set up your PlayStation® game console according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual. Make sure the power is off before inserting or removing a disc. Insert the Spec Ops: Covert Assault disc and close the Disc Cover. Insert the game Controller and turn on the PlayStation® game console. Follow the on-screen instructions to start the game.

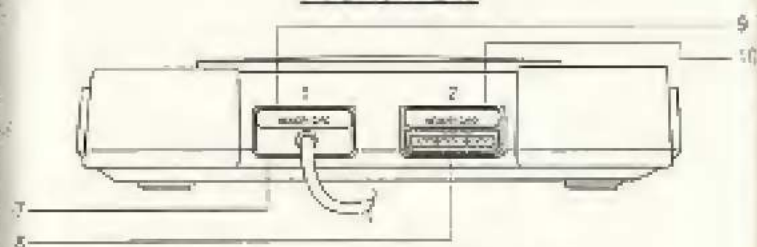
If you wish to save your game you will need a MEMORY CARD (Spec Ops: Covert Assault only supports MEMORY CARD slot 1), and if you would like to play a two player game then ensure that a second Controller is inserted into Controller Port 2. Spec Ops: Covert Assault saved Options data is auto loaded on boot-up.

It is advised that you do not insert or remove peripherals or MEMORY CARDS once the power is on. Make sure there are enough free blocks on your MEMORY CARD before commencing play.

Top view

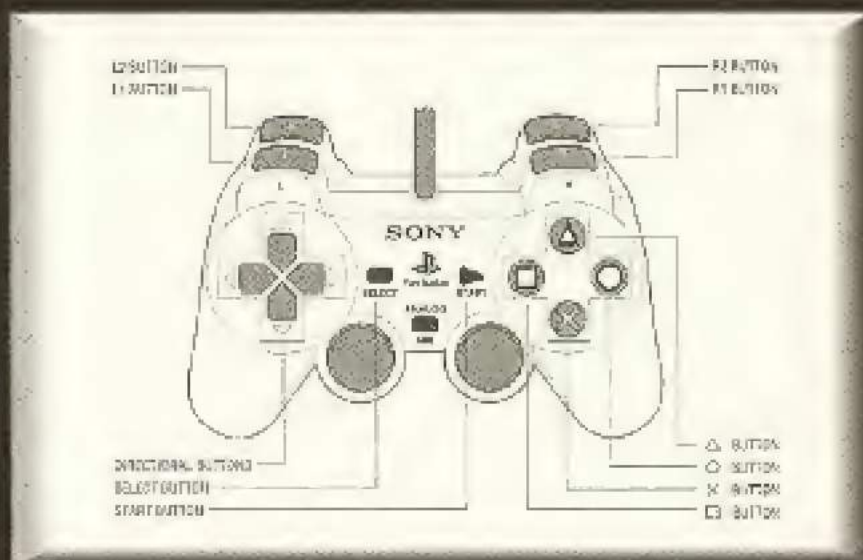


Front view



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|---|-----------------|----|--------------------|
| 1 | RESET button    | 6  | Disc cover         |
| 2 | POWER indicator | 7  | Controller port 1  |
| 3 | POWER button    | 8  | Controller port 2  |
| 4 | Controller port | 9  | MEMORY CARD slot 1 |
| 5 | OPEN button     | 10 | MEMORY CARD slot 2 |

# CONTROLS



## STANDING MODE (DEFAULT)

ACTION	CONTROL(S)
Run Forwards	↑ directional button
Walk Backwards	↓ directional button
Turn Left	← directional button
Turn Right	→ directional button
Sidestep Left	<b>R2</b> button + ← directional button
Sidestep Right	<b>R2</b> button + → directional button

*Note: to use the left stick of the DUALSHOCK™ analog controller, please press the analog mode switch (LED: Red).*

If a DUALSHOCK™ analog controller is used to control the direction of your Ranger, then the speed at which the Ranger moves will be relative to the amount the left stick is moved by the player.

**NOTE** - crouching mode is accessed by pressing the **R2** button and the down directional button from standing, or the **R2** button and the up directional button from lying down.

## CROUCHING MODE

ACTION	CONTROL(S)
ROLL TO LEFT	R2 button + ← directional button
ROLL TO RIGHT	R2 button + → directional button


*NOTE - all actions/controls are identical in crouching mode as in standing mode except sidestepping which becomes rolling.*

## RANGER FUNCTION AND GAME FUNCTION CONTROLS

### RANGER/GAME FUNCTIONS

ACTION	CONTROL(S)
FIRE WEAPON	X button
THROW GRENADE / USE EXPLOSIVE	□ button
USE INVENTORY ITEM	● button
TOGGLE RANGERS	▲ button
TOGGLE RANGER POSTURE	R2 button + ↑ or ↓ directional buttons
USE SCOPES	L3 button
RELOAD WEAPON	R2 + ↑ directional button
USE INVENTORY	R1 + directional buttons
MAP SCREEN	button
PAUSE + GAMES OPTIONS	button




*NOTE - If you are using a M203 grenade launcher and have selected M203 Grenades in the inventory, your Ranger will fire the grenade using his gun, rather than throwing the grenade when the  button is pressed.*




## LEFT2 (SHIFT FUNCTIONS)

ACTION	CONTROL(S)
BUDDY ORDER "HOLD UP"	 +  button
BUDDY ORDER "FIRE 'EM UP"	 +  button
BUDDY ORDER "MOVE UP"	 +  button
BUDDY ORDER "FOLLOW ME"	 +  button

## BINOCULARS AND SCOPES

Pressing the  button (use Inventory item) activates the Binoculars. Before using the binoculars, they first have to be selected in the Equipment section of the Inventory.

Both binoculars and scopes are controlled using the directional buttons or the left stick (for Analog Controllers).

The binoculars are capable of changing magnification, from 2x to 8x. Use the  button to increase magnification, and the  button to decrease magnification. Pressing the  button again exits the Binos Mode.

## BINOCULARS

USE BINOS	INCREASE MAG.	DECREASE MAG.	EXIT BINOS
 button	 button	 button	 button



# THE RANGER CREED

**R**ecognizing that I volunteered as a Ranger, fully knowing the hazards of my chosen profession I will always endeavor to uphold the prestige, honor, and high "esprit de corps" of the Rangers.

**A**cknowledging the fact that a Ranger is a more elite soldier who arrives at the cutting edge of battle by land, sea, or air, I accept the fact that as a Ranger my country expects me to move further, faster and fight harder than any other soldier.

**N**ever shall I fail my comrades. I will always keep myself mentally alert, physically strong and morally straight and I will shoulder more than my share of the task whatever it may be. One Hundred-percent and then some.

**G**allantly will I show the world that I am a specially selected and well trained soldier. My courtesy to superior officers, neatness of dress and care of equipment shall set the example for others to follow.

**E**nergetically will I meet the enemies of my country. I shall defeat them on the field of battle for I am better trained and will fight with all my might. Surrender is not a Ranger word. I will never leave a fallen comrade to fall into the hands of the enemy and under no circumstances will I ever embarrass my country.

**R**eadily will I display the intestinal fortitude required to fight on to the Ranger objective and complete the mission, though I be the lone survivor.



# MAIN MENU SCREEN

## **One Player Quick Start**

*This option allows you to jump straight into the action.*

## **Two Player Quick Start**

*This option allows two players to jump straight into the action.*

## **One player Game**

*Start a new game. (See the how to play section).*

## **Two player Game**

*Starts a new two-player game.*

## **Load Game**

*Load a previously saved Spec Ops:Covert Assault game.*

## **Game Options**

*Modify Spec Ops:Covert Assault features and settings – see 'Options' section for details.*

## OPTIONS

### **Difficulty**

*Upon starting a new game, you will need to choose the difficulty level.  
The options are:*

Private

Corporal

Sergeant

Easy

Medium

Difficult

## **Features that change depending on the level of difficulty include:**

- ⊙ Enemy accuracy is increased at higher difficulty levels.
- ⊙ Enemy armor is increased at higher difficulty levels.
- ⊙ Less time is allotted for the mission on harder difficulty settings.
- ⊙ Hardest difficulty only gives you 5 Rangers to complete ALL missions.

### **Music Volume**

Adjust Music Volume via the ← and → directional buttons.

### **SFX Volume**

Adjust SFX Volume via the ← and → directional buttons.

# CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS

Players can select from a choice of 4 different configurations:

The options are:

Configuration	✖ Button	● Button	▲ Button	■ Button
<b>A</b>	fire	equip item	swap Ranger	grenades/explosives
<b>B</b>	grenade/explosives	fire	equip items	swap Ranger
<b>C</b>	swap Ranger	grenades/explosives	fire	equip item
<b>D</b>	equip item	swap Ranger	grenades/explosives	fire

## Player 1 Vibration On/Off

Toggles the DUALSHOCK™ analog controller vibration function on and off for player 1.

## Player 2 Vibration On/Off

Toggles the DUALSHOCK™ analog controller vibration function on and off for player 2.

## Set Screen Position

Adjust the screen position using the directional buttons.

## Accept

Accepts the changes made to the options and returns to the Main Menu.

# HOW TO PLAY

## ENTERING YOUR NAME

For both one and two player games, you can enter a name on the sign in screen. This allows Player One and Player Two to enter a name of up to eight letters.

## SELECTING A MISSION

After choosing the level of difficulty, you can proceed to the Select Mission screen. If you have begun the game for the first time, you will commence with Mission One: Phase One. You can proceed on to Mission One: Phase Two and so on, when you successfully complete Phase One. Completing all the phases of a mission allows you to start the next mission.

Once you have successfully completed a phase or a mission, you may then go back and replay that phase or mission again.

## MISSION BRIEFING

This screen describes the scenario behind each mission, and the phases involved in completing the mission. The player can play other missions so long as they have unlocked them previously by advancing through the mission briefings.

## PHASE OBJECTIVES

After selecting a mission, you will be taken to the Phase Briefing screen. This will show you what you need to know to complete the phases. A satellite download to the Ranger team updates a computer between mission phases. This download contains the intelligence information you need to succeed in your mission. Image and text data of all crucial Phase Objectives is displayed.

## **SELECTING RANGERS AND MODIFYING LOADOUTS**

When you have absorbed the information in the briefing, it is time to select an appropriate team of two Rangers, from the group of five.

Each of the Rangers has a special skill with a particular weapon. This is something to bear in mind when selecting your men for a mission. The five Ranger types are:

1. MACHINE GUNNER
2. GRENADIER
3. RECON/SNIPER
4. CLOSE QUARTER
5. RIFLEMAN

After selecting both Rangers, you can modify their loadout (weapons and equipment), by going to the loadout screen. Here you can add, subtract, or swap certain items of the Rangers inventory. There is a limit to the number of items and weight that a Ranger can carry.

## **SELECTING RANGERS IN A TWO PLAYER GAME**



Selecting Rangers in the two player game is very similar to the one player game.

First Player One (or whatever name has been entered as Player One) selects their Ranger and edits the loadout if desired. When done, control is handed to Player Two, who can select a Ranger and modify his loadout as wished. Control then returns to Player One who can start the mission by selecting the pilot.

## **RANGER FATIGUE**

Your Rangers are only human, and too much combat will burn them out. When selecting Rangers there will be an indication of the Ranger's fatigue. The greater the fatigue the less health the Ranger has at the start of a mission.

## INVENTORY USE



To access the inventory you must press and hold the  button. Pressing the left or right directional buttons will move between weapon, explosives and equipment sections. Pressing the up and down directional buttons will cycle through the equipment available to the Ranger in the current inventory section. When the  button is released, the inventory changes are implemented.

## SATCOM RADIO

Every Ranger carries a SATCOM Radio in his inventory.

The radio communicates the latest information on the Ranger's current mission objective.

## SACHEL CHARGES

These are highly explosive charges, which are set to detonate in a user-determined time. After placing the charge, set the timer for detonation at a value between 5 and 20 seconds using the  and  buttons. Times more than 5 seconds but less than 10 seconds are yellow in color. Times greater than 10 seconds are green.

## CLAYMORE & CLACKER

The Claymore is a fragmentation antipersonnel mine. After placing the Claymore, use the Clacker as the remote detonator to blow the mine when the enemy is within the range of the mine.

*Note: The Clacker has a limited range.*

## GRENADES

When throwing grenades, note how far you throw is dependent on your posture. You will not be able to throw as far in the crouched position as when standing.

## **Fragmentation Grenade**

*These are typical anti-personnel grenades. They have a medium explosion and a 3m kill-radius against unarmored enemies.*

## **HE Grenade**

*These are specialized high explosive grenades. They have a large explosion and a 7m kill-radius against armored enemies and equipment.*

## **Smoke Grenade**

*Use this to temporarily blind the enemy.*

## **White Phosphorous Grenade**

*A powerful explosive and incendiary grenade.*

## **M203 Grenade**

*These grenades are launched from a rifle-mounted grenade launcher. They are high explosive, point-impact grenades with a small, 1m kill-radius.*

## **MED. KITS**

Med. kits are used to restore health. Do not use a Med. Kit if your health is already high, as they can only be used once, and will only take your health to a maximum of 100%.

## **POSTURE**









There are three postures - stand, crouch and lie. Each posture influences your accuracy and vulnerability to enemy fire. Enemy soldiers will find it harder to hit you when crouched, but you will find you cannot throw grenades as far.


To move between the postures, the **R2** button should be held, and either the up or down directional button pressed. Pressing the **R2** button and the down directional button will move the Ranger from standing to crouching. Press the combination again and he will lie down. To move back to crouch mode the **R2** button and up directional button should be pressed.

# HOW TO USE YOUR RANGER BUDDY

Your Ranger Buddy is extremely important to you. Using him will help you achieve your mission objectives, and survive.

## Ranger Buddy Commands

<b>Fire 'em Up!</b>	 + 	This command allows your Buddy to target and open fire on his closest enemy. This provides the best attack formation when the enemy is to the front of either Ranger.
<b>Follow Me!</b>	 + 	This command tells your Buddy to stay close to you. When you stop, he stops. When you are on the move, your Buddy is close behind.
<b>Hold Up!</b>	 + 	This mode tells your Buddy to stand his ground. He will not move until instructed to do so but will fire at enemies if they get within a certain radius of him.
<b>Move Up!</b>	 + 	This mode tells your Buddy to immediately advance forward of you a certain distance, while you provide cover.

You can switch back and forth between Ranger One and Ranger Two using the  button. If you switch postures during gameplay, your Buddy will adopt the same posture. Using both Rangers throughout your mission objectives is optimal for gameplay. It not only allows you to use different weapons and inventory items, but also lets you have more control over how you navigate and interact with the enemy.




The default Buddy command when you enter a level is "Follow Me." When you switch Rangers, your old Ranger (now your Buddy) will remain in the "Follow Me" mode until you give him new orders.

*NOTE – Ranger Buddy commands are only available in the single player game, as your real buddy will be controlling Ranger Two.*

## GAME MESSAGES

Game messages will appear periodically in the top center of your screen where the radio messages also appear. These messages give you updates and hints as to what to do next.

## PAUSING THE GAME

Hit the  button to pause the game and show the following in-game options:

### **Resume**

*Lets you continue playing the game.*

### **Music volume**

*Allows you to adjust the music effects volume.*

### **SFX Volume**

*Allows you to adjust the sound effects volume.*

### **Vibration** *(Player who paused the game)*

*You can turn the DUALSHOCK™ analog controller vibration on or off.*

### **Abort Mission**

*This quits the current mission and returns you to the mission briefing screen.*

### **Quit Game**

*This aborts the whole game and returns you to the title screen.*

# AWARD SCREEN

You will receive an update screen after completion of each phase of a mission, allowing you to judge your progress. After completing all phases of a mission you will receive the overall mission score.

## Your score is based on:

**Enemies KIA (killed in action)**  
**Rangers KIA**  
**Marksmanship**  
**Completion Time**  
**Mission Rating**

## Depending on just how good you are, here's what you could win:

- No commendations**      *You need to go back to Ranger School.*
- The Army Achievement Medal**      *Don't be afraid, you're trained to kill the enemy.*
- The Army Commendation Medal**      *Not bad.*
- The Meritorious Service Medal**      *You're learning.*
- The Bronze Star**      *You're starting to get pretty good.*
- The Silver Star**      *You must be using the Ranger buddy pretty well by now.*
- The Distinguished Service Cross**      *Wow, you are now a skilled Ranger!*
- The Medal of Honor**      *You are awesome! Perhaps you should think about really joining the U.S. Army Rangers if you haven't already.*

## SAVING A GAME

You have the opportunity to save your game after completion of a phase.

The Phase Result screen is displayed once you have completed a phase and continuing on from this screen will take you to the Save Game screen, where you have the choice to save or not, if you choose to save then just follow the on screen instructions.

## WEAPONS/ SCOPES

### WEAPONS

Each weapon type has unique fire rate and damage. Experiment with each to discover the effects on gameplay.

#### RIFLE (assault) – Compatible with all scopes

M16



G11



#### RIFLE (assault) – Not compatible with all scopes

AK74



M4



## MACHINE GUN

M249



M60



RPK



## GRENADE LAUNCHER

M203

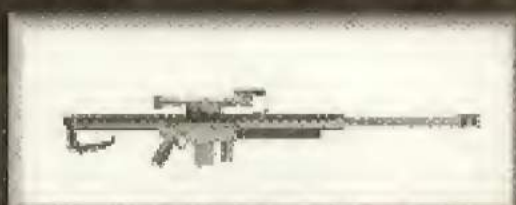


## SNIPER (rifle) – Compatible with all scopes

SSG



BarretM82A1



## SHOTGUN

I-37 (Ithaca 37)



## SUB-MACHINE GUN

H&K MP5



## SCOPES

**4x Sniper Scope** *Increases the view distance 4x times the normal.*

**Binos** *Increases the view distance up to 8x the normal.*

**6x Sniper Scope** *Increases the view distance 6 times the normal with a targeting device.*

# ENVIRONMENT AND ENEMY PICKUPS

Some items can be picked up off of enemies while some are environmental only. All will aid you in completing your objectives.

- Ammo Box** *Contains a certain number of clips.*
- Frag Grenade** *These are typical anti-personnel grenades. They have a medium explosion and a 3m kill-radius against unarmored enemies.*
- HE Grenade** *These are specialized high explosive grenades. They have a large explosion and a 7m kill-radius against armored enemies and equipment.*
- Smoke Grenade** *Use this to cover your movement from the enemy.*
- White Phosphorous Grenade** *Throw and seek cover because this one is powerful.*
- Flak Vest** *Increases armor when run over. This can only be picked up if your armor is not already full.*
- Satchel Charge** *These are highly explosive charges that are set to detonate at user determined time. The Ranger sets this time to a value of 5 – 20 seconds. The **[L2]** button decreases the time, the **[R2]** button increases the time. The triangle button will cancel the satchel charge, returning it to the Ranger's pack.*
- Med Kit** *Falls into your inventory when you pick it up and increases your health when used. If you use it when your health is already full that's your problem.*

## BOOBY TRAPS

These are enemy devices that are placed throughout the environments that will kill the player if not avoided or escaped from properly. Obvious routes can be booby trapped so try not to establish patterns in your actions. Avoid trails, paths, and other obvious routes as these have the most potential to contain booby traps.

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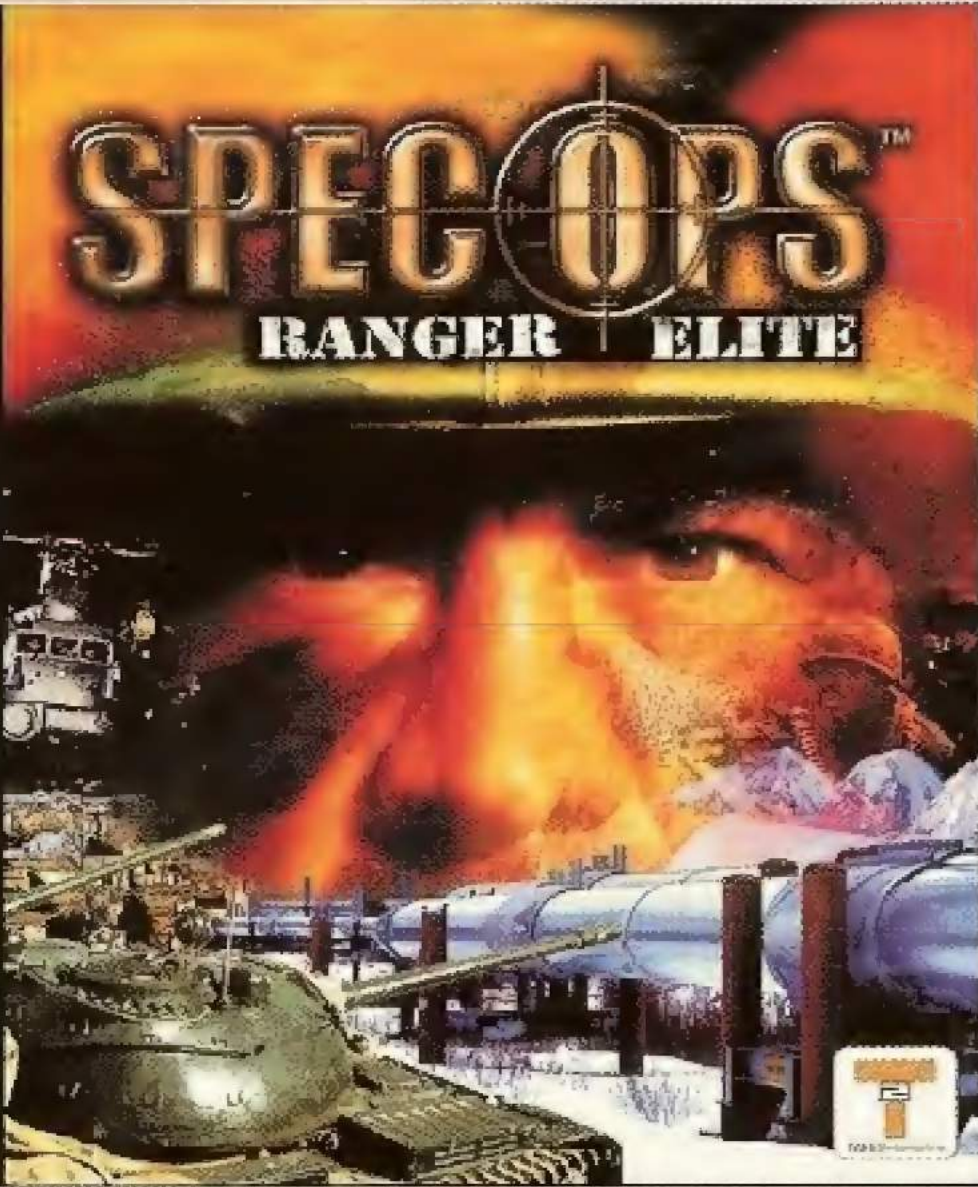


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