



# NHL<sup>®</sup> 15



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See important health and safety warnings in the system Settings menu.


## GETTING STARTED

### PLAYSTATION®4 SYSTEM

**Starting a game:** Before use, carefully read the instructions supplied with the PS4™ computer entertainment system. The documentation contains information on setting up and using your system as well as important safety information.

Touch the (power) button of the PS4™ system to turn the system on. The power indicator blinks in blue, and then lights up in white. Insert the *NHL 15* disc with the label facing up into the disc slot. The game appears in the content area of the home screen. Select the software title in the PS4™ system's home screen, and then press the  button. Refer to this manual for information on using the software.

**Quitting a game:** Press and hold the  button, and then select [Close Application] on the screen that is displayed.

**Returning to the home screen from a game:** To return to the home screen without quitting a game, press the  button. To resume playing the game select it from the content area.










**Removing a disc:** Touch the (eject) button after quitting the game.





**Trophies:** Earn, compare and share trophies that you earn by making specific in-game accomplishments. Trophies access requires a Sony Entertainment Network account.

# COMPLETE CONTROLS

## OFFENSE

BASICS	
Skate/Shot Aim	left stick
Hustle	 button
Glide	left stick (release)
Deke	right stick ←/→
Stride deke	left stick ← + right stick ←/ left stick → + right stick →
Drag deke	right stick ←, ↙, ↓, ↘, →/ right stick →, ↘, ↓, ↙, ←
One-touch deke	 button
Windmill deke	 button + right stick ←/→
Drop to skate	 button + right stick ↓
Jump defender deke	 button + right stick ↑
Back skate	 button (hold)
Spin	 button (tap)
Protect puck	 button (hold)
Offensive boardplay with puck	 button (hold with the puck near boards)

STRATEGY CONTROLS	
Breakout Strategies	↑ button/↓ button
Forecheck Strategies	← button/→ button
Offensive Line Change/Strategy	 button
Defensive Line Change/Strategy	 button

SHOOTING	
Shoot	right stick ↑/↓
Slap shot wind up	right stick ↓
Wrist shot wind up	right stick ↙/↘
Fake shot with leg kick	 button

**NOTE:** All shooting controls are based on players moving toward the top of the game screen. To change your shooting controls, select CUSTOMIZE in the main menu, and then select CONTROLLER SETTINGS. There, change the Shooting Controls option from Camera Relative to Always Up. You can also change the game controls from SKILL STICK to HYBRID from here.

## PASSING

Pass	<b>R2</b> button
Saucer pass	<b>R1</b> button
Dump puck	<b>R1</b> button (hold) + right stick ↑
Drop pass	left stick (release) + <b>R1</b> button (tap)
Slap pass (during a slap shot)	right stick ↓ + <b>R2</b> button (tap)

**NOTE:** You have full control of the direction and speed of your pass (open passing). Tap the **R2** button for a short, slower pass, or hold the **R2** button to perform a longer, harder pass. To cancel a pass, press the **L1** button while holding the **R2** button.

## DEFENSE

### BASICS

Move	left stick
Switch players	<b>R2</b> button
Body check	right stick (in player's direction)
Poke check	<b>R1</b> button
Stick lift	⊗ button
Sweep stick (contextual)	<b>R1</b> button (hold)
Sweep stick (manual)	<b>R1</b> button (hold) + right stick
Chop puck (loose puck)	<b>R1</b> button (hold) + right stick
Instigate fight	△ button (tap)
Dive/Block	<b>L1</b> button + <b>R1</b> button
Pin player to boards	△ button (hold)
Boardplay kick	left stick + <b>R2</b> button
Hip check	<b>R3</b> button (hold)
Block pass	<b>L1</b> button
Manual goalie toggle	<b>L1</b> button + ⊗ button (hold)
Pull goalie	<b>L1</b> button + touch pad
Last man back	<b>R2</b> button (hold)

### FACEOFF

Orient body	left stick
Establish grip	right stick ←/→
Stick lift	right stick ↑
Go for puck	right stick ↓

## GOALIE

Butterfly	<b>L2</b> button (hold)
Hug post	<b>R2</b> button (hold)
Cover puck	<b>△</b> button
Free skate	<b>⊗</b> button (hold)
Basic movement	left stick
Precision movement	<b>L1</b> button + left stick
Anticipation glove/blocker	right stick <b>←/→</b>
Poke check	right stick <b>↑</b>
Desperation save	<b>R1</b> button + right stick
Stack pads	<b>R1</b> button + right stick <b>←/→</b>
Spread pads V save	<b>R1</b> button + right stick <b>↓</b>
Lunging horizontal poke check	<b>R1</b> button + right stick <b>↑</b>
Leave puck (when in possession)	<b>L2</b> button
Goalie roll over (from side and only when in Stack Pads)	right stick <b>←/→</b>
Pass puck	<b>R2</b> button
Goalie shove	<b>R3</b> button
Switch to skater	<b>L1</b> button + <b>⊗</b> button

## ADVANCED CONTROLS

### FIGHTING

Grab/Hold down	<b>L2</b> button
Fake grab	<b>L2</b> button (tap)
Overhand punch	right stick <b>↑</b>
Uppercut	right stick <b>↓</b>
Push	left stick <b>↑</b>
Pull	left stick <b>↓</b>
Block/Lean back	<b>R2</b> button (hold)
Dodge	<b>R2</b> button

### USER CELEBRATIONS

Celebrations	<b>○</b> button/ <b>⊗</b> button/ <b>△</b> button/ <b>□</b> button/ <b>L1</b> button/ <b>L2</b> button/ <b>R1</b> button/ <b>R2</b> button
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# ON THE ICE

## GAME SCREEN



## INSTANT REPLAY

Select **INSTANT REPLAY** in the pause menu to see a replay of your game events including goals, shots, hits, and saves.

## PAUSE MENU

Press the **OPTIONS** button during a game to freeze the action and open up the pause menu. While in the pause menu, the current game stats will be displayed on the right side of the screen.

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| <b>Resume Game</b>    | Get back out on the ice and continue your current game.                                                                                     |
| <b>Manage Team</b>    | Manage your team by editing lines and setting strategies as the game progresses.                                                            |
| <b>Instant Replay</b> | View a replay of your game. Move the camera around to get the best angles on all of the action.                                             |
| <b>Box Score</b>      | Check out detailed scoring and penalty information for the current game, as well as stats for both teams' players.                          |
| <b>Settings</b>       | Customize your gameplay, DUALSHOCK®4 wireless controller, and other settings to suit your style of play. You can also check the rules here. |
| <b>Game Manual</b>    | Press the touch pad button while in the pause menu to access the in-game manual and get the most out of your <i>NHL® 15</i> experience.     |

## AUTOSAVE

Game information for *NHL 15* is automatically saved to your PlayStation®4 hard disk drive.

Be a Pro and Be a GM career modes allow you to save new careers based on the one you're currently playing. Your progress in these career modes will be saved automatically at different checkpoints and upon exiting the mode.

## NEW TO *NHL 15*

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### 12 PLAYER NHL COLLISION PHYSICS

For the first time in any sports game, real-world physics affects every player through every on-ice collision with the new 12 Player NHL® Collision Physics. Utilizing the power of the next-generation systems, and building off the critically-acclaimed NHL Collision Physics system, every player on the ice is governed by physics at all times. Feel the hard-hitting chaos of NHL hockey through true-to-life secondary collisions, net scrambles, and player pileups, capturing the desperation of every shift.

### REAL PUCK PHYSICS

The puck is one of the most complex items in the game to authentically replicate, and it finally gets its due in *NHL 15*. Completely rebuilt puck physics result in a more realistic feel to every puck interaction. Everything on the ice—including the ice surface itself—is live, which leads to the unpredictable and authentic puck spins, rolls, and bounces seen in a real NHL game.

### AUTHENTIC PLAYER & EQUIPMENT MODELS

The Next Generation Hockey Player has been rebuilt from the ice up. Now player models have three distinct layers: body, equipment, and jersey. Each layer interacts independently, making every contact with the puck or other players even more realistic. Dynamic Cloth technology adds an extra layer of realism by reacting to the player's movement as they explode up the ice, helping bring the speed of the game to life.

### UNPRECEDENTED PLAYER LIKENESS

Powered by the same technology that brought the most realistic representation of the athlete to *EA SPORTS™ UFC*, *NHL 15* delivers groundbreaking player likeness, emotion, and animation. From the strides players take to get up the ice to the emotion on their faces after scoring a game-winning goal, the players are as real as they've ever been.



## SUPERSTAR SKILL STICK

Now all the tools of an NHL superstar are in your hands. The revolutionary Skill Stick has evolved to give even more control to the player. Protect the puck, receive passes without breaking stride, and discover an arsenal of sweet new dekes—all with an intuitive right stick control scheme that is easy to use but packed with depth.

## AUTHENTIC ARENAS

There is no feeling like being there, and we are giving you the best seats in the house. The power of the next-gen systems finally allows the *NHL* franchise to capture every detail of an NHL arena. Unique arena elements—from 19,000+ seat capacities to lighting and player entrance tunnels—are captured with a level of detail not possible on the previous generation. Now those home games will truly feel like home.

## NEW COMMENTARY TEAM

New voices for a new generation. *NHL 15* welcomes the NBC Sports commentary team of Mike 'Doc' Emrick and Eddie Olczyk to the broadcast booth. TSN analyst Ray Ferraro will provide game insights at ice level. Combined with Real Life Broadcast Integration that will feature real-world pre-game video commentary with Doc and Eddie set against in-game visuals, *NHL 15* takes a revolutionary step forward in sports video games, where the lines between the real world of sport broadcast and the game are blurred.

## NBC SPORTS GAME DAY PRESENTATION

The most realistic broadcast package in a video game to date is possible because of a new partnership with NBC Sports. During game intros, set the scene with the NHL on NBC crew welcoming you to the city, and immerse yourself in an experience that matches what you see on television with NHL on NBC graphics and branding.

## LIVING CROWDS

*NHL 15* sets a new standard in video games with over 9,000 individual crowd models with 4x the animations of previous generations. When you take a look through the glass, you'll see fans hold up signs with your name on them, costume-wearing superfans, or even sections full of team rivals rooting against you! Feel their behavior change after dropping the gloves, landing a big hit, or scoring a clutch goal. The crowd is alive.



## VISION AI


An elevated level of player intelligence, Vision AI features evolved awareness with players reading and reacting to potential plays. Scoring area recognition, pass anticipation, and enhanced team breakouts all improve the flow of the game.

## PLAY

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<b>Play Now</b>	Hit the ice to play a quick game in either a single-player or local multiplayer match.
<b>Hockey Ultimate Team</b>	Build and manage your dream hockey team, and face off against other HUT players in online games.
<b>Play Online</b>	Play online against your friends or other <i>NHL 15</i> players.
<b>Be a GM</b>	Manage an NHL team as general manager and see if you can take your team to greatness.
<b>Be a Pro</b>	Begin your quest for glory as your very own pro NHL player.
<b>NHL Moments Live</b>	Take control of a team and change the past! Alter the outcome of their most heartbreaking losses by leading them to victory instead, or relive the best moments of their NHL season.

## PLAY NOW

Hit the ice in an offline match! Choose to play as the home team or the away team, pick your jerseys, and then get ready to dominate on the ice. Before you press the  button to begin, you have the option of editing your lines and strategy, as well as adjusting various game settings.

## HOCKEY ULTIMATE TEAM

Select HOCKEY ULTIMATE TEAM from the Play menu or the Home menu to create and manage your custom team. Next, you'll be able to take your game to the virtual ice in online seasons and playoffs. See if you have what it takes to win!

As you progress through HUT with your dream team, you'll earn Coins to purchase new players and training items to keep upgrading your team. Make sure your players are not only stars on the ice, but also have the right chemistry to successfully work together.

## PLAY ONLINE

Jump into some online versus play against other *NHL 15* players. This is a great place to test your skills on the virtual ice and see if you have what it takes to be a star player.

## BE A GM

Take on the role of a GM (general manager) to run your favorite NHL franchise. Grab a seat and watch the live season play out in front of you as you make key management decisions. This includes everything from scouting new players to making sure your team can rake in the wins on the ice.

## BE A PRO

Truly experience life as your own custom NHL player, both on and off the ice. Make decisions that will shape your player's career, and orchestrate every action to ensure your legacy will be an impressive one.

## NHL MOMENTS LIVE

Are you ready to live in the NHL moment? Take control of a team and change the outcome of some of their most heartbreaking losses, or relive some of their best moments of the NHL season.

## CUSTOMIZE

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Adjust your created players, rosters, settings, and more.

### Favorite Team

Change your favorite team.

### Settings

Alter in-game settings such as difficulty, audio options, gameplay options, and more.

### Rosters

Manage and edit various teams' rosters, or create your own unique player.

### Enter Code

Enter codes to unlock exclusive content.

## FAVORITE TEAM

Select your favorite team to use them as your default when choosing a team to play.

# SETTINGS

## GAMEPLAY SETTINGS

Selecting GAMEPLAY SETTINGS will allow you to modify how you play *NHL 15*.

Quick Settings	Change camera angles, rules, and difficulty.
Advanced Settings	Adjust settings for line changes, shot aim, and gameplay updates.
Rules	Determine various game rules and their settings.
Gameplay Settings	Adjust detailed game settings like difficulty, game style, passing, shooting, and more.

## AV SETTINGS

Selecting AUDIO & VISUAL SETTINGS will allow you to modify the visual and audio settings for *NHL 15*.

Visual Settings	Change camera angles, overlays, indicators, popups, and other visual settings.
Volume Settings	Adjust volume settings for menus, matches, and sound effects.

## CONTROLLER SETTINGS

Select CONTROLLER SETTINGS to change control scheme presets and customize options such as Shooting Controls, Auto Back-Skate, and more.

## ONLINE SETTINGS

Selecting Online Settings will allow you to access settings for your Origin account, privacy settings, and terms and conditions.

Origin Account	Update your Origin profile here.
Privacy Settings	Edit your online privacy settings for <i>NHL 15</i> .
Terms and Conditions	Review the End User License Agreement for <i>NHL 15</i> .

## ROSTERS

View your saved rosters, create new rosters, and modify lines. You can also switch up team rosters by moving players to different teams in Player Movement, or even create completely new Custom Players to strengthen your lineup.

# NEED HELP?

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