# **NBA Courtside 2002 FAQ**

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A. Introduction-This FAQ for NBA Courtside 2002 on Gamecube will break down the basics of the game, giving insight on how to call plays, read defense, watch for picks while on defense, and picking the right team.

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# B. Version Updates

-Version 1.0 1/27/02-FAQ written.

- -Version 1.1 1/30/02-I corrected the double team mistake(it was in the offensive controls) and added the playcalling/rebounding controls. I added defensive sets and strategies. I made a contact section, a credits section, and a Q and A section with a few questions which should accumulate as time goes on.
- -Version 1.2 2/1/02-I've added the player(starters only) stats for the Atlantic division. I changed the author to me, ProtoDude, only since my partner hasn't gotten back to me for any info. I also changed the Scenarios section to Secrets and added one from Ruflano. I slighty changed the controls as HBKrulz pointed out a small mistake.
- -Version 1.3 2/9/02-I added starter stats for the Central division, changed one of the FAQ answers, and corrected the Seattle team stats.

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# C. Reviews

Review by Protodude-

When NBA Courtside was originally released one the N64 it had some Stiff competition with NBA Live and NBA Jam. Even up against the Established franchises Courtside was a Player's Chioce million seller. Left Field Productions decided to give gamers more of the great basketball action with Courtside 2. All the good stayed and all the bad was replaced with more of the good stuff. Now Nintendo's new system get it's own dose of Courtside and the newest addition, NBA Courtside 2002

is one top-notch baller.

Beautiful graphics, realistic AI, complete roster, smooth player animations, a variety of moves and jukes, and plenty of options all contribute to make this a great game. Take your favorite team to the NBA Finals, smoke your friends in some sweet street ball, or kick back with a three-point contest. Amazingly, even though all saves take up only 7 blocks on your memory card, all season stats, game scores, and created players are saved.

The graphics are some of the best in any basketball game. Ultra -realistic facial scanning makes every player look so much like the real guy, you might forget it's a game (but probably not). Silky smooth motioned captured player animations and a solid 60fps framerate bring the action to new levels of realism. Players on the sidelines move around and when you want to make some subs at the next whistle, your players will get up and go to the scorer's table. Even the crowd moves in a somewhat realistic manner, standing up and clapping after a big play. The only drawback is some transitions from one move's animation to the next are awkward. Graphics-10

The controls are also very sharp. GC's controller puts more functions in less buttons giving you complete control on exactly what jukes, spins, cross-overs, shots and defensive moves you want to. Control-10

The sound is on of the games weak points. The somewhat comical announcing (for about 10 minutes) makes you want to scream. The two announcers seem to be more into commenting about each other's comments than moving onto the next play. The crowd on the other hand has been done much better though. Cheering for the home team, booing the visitors. Sound-6

Courtside has so much to do that you'll be playing it for a while to come. Complete seasons will last for a long time, not getting boring, but keeping you working for that NBA title. In between season games you can take a break with a solid version of 3 on 3 street ball. Three point contests and and Practice mode allow you to perfect your skills. Lasting appeal-9

Just because Courtside is the only basketball game on the Gamecube Market doesn't mean it can't compete with other systems. It does a great job competing with the veteran b-ball games. If you're a basketball fan you owe it to yourself to pick this up today.

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## D. Game menus and controls

- 1. Main Menu
  - a. Quick Play

-Team Selection Menu

b. Arcade Mode

-Team Selection Menu

c. NBA Season Play

-Full Season-New/Continue

-Playoff-New/Continue

- d. Skills Mode
- e. Create A Player
- f. Update Rosters
- 2. Options
  - -Difficulty-Easy/Normal/Hard
  - -Quarter Length-3/5/9/12
  - -Foul Outs-On/Off

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-Defensive Fouls-Off/Low/Medium/High
     -Offensive Fouls-Off/Low/Medium/High
    -3 Sec. In the Key-On/Off
    -5 Sec. Inbounds-On/Off
     -8 Sec. Half Court-On/Off
    -Shot Clock-On/Off
     -Backcourt-On/Off
    -5 Sec Backdown-On/Off
    -Goaltending-On/Off
    -Out-of-Bounds-On/Off
    -Injuries-On/Off
     -Fatigue-On/Off
3. Preferences
     -Game Speed-Slow/Normal/Fast
     -SFX Volume-Set the SFX Volume
    -Commentary Volume-Set the announcer Volume
    -Music Volume-Set the music Volume
    -Ambient Volume-Set the stadium and crowd Volume
     -Audio Output-Mono/Stereo/Surround
    -Rumble-On/Off
    -Score and Clock Display-On/Off
    -Statistical Updates-On/Off
    -C-Stick Pass Trigger-Press/Release
     -Pass Indicator-On/Off
    -Arcade Mode Hotspots-
 4. Pause Menu
     -Call Time-out-Call a Time-Out
    -Instant Replay-View the last 10 seconds of play
     -Camera Controls-Press/Sideline/Behind/Overhead/Zoom Press
    -Controller Setup-Pick which team to play on
    -Game Settings-
            -Options
            -Preferences
            -Stats-Team/Player Stats
            -Strategy
            -Injuries
    -Substitutions
    -Exit Game
  5. Controls
          Note: L can be depressed with two amounts of pressure.
          I will say "1/2 L" when you should depress it without
          "clicking" it and "Full L" when you should press it
          down all the way.
       a. Defense
            -A: Jump for rebound/Block shot
            -B: Attempt steal
            -X: Switch to player closest to the basket
            -Y: Switch to player closest to the ball
            -R: Defensive stance/Box out (when a shot goes up)
            -C-Stick: Cycle through defensive players
            -Z: Double Team the man with the ball
            -D-Pad Right: Select a defensive set
            -D-Pad Left: Toggle between Full Court Press or no
                         press
            -D-Pad Up: Choose High/Normal/Low rebounding level
            -Start/Pause: Pause
        b. Offense
            -A: Shoot/Pump fake(tap A)
            -B: Pass
            -X:
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-Sim Play: Front Crossover(switch dribble hand)

-Arcade Play: Special Crossover

-Y: Through-the-legs crossover

-Y+ 1/2 L: Behind-the-back crossover

-Y+ Full L: Spin move

-C-Stick: Pass in the direction pressed

-D-Pad Left/Right: Choose an offensive play

-D-Pad Up: Choose High/Normal/Low rebounding level

-Z: Call for a pick
-Start/Pause: Pause

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#### E. Modes of Game Play

- 1. Quick Play
- 2. Arcade Mode
- 3. NBA Season Play
  - -Season
  - -Playoff
- 4. Skills Mode
  - -3-Point Contest
  - -Practice Mode
- 5. Create a Player
- 6. Update Rosters
  - -Trade
  - -Sign
  - -Release

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#### F. Teams and Team Stats

	Offense	Defense	Overall
1.Atlanta Hawks	75	86	76
2.Boston Celtics	85	81	81
3.Charlotte Hornets	77	97	87
4.Chicago Bulls	72	82	72
5.Cleveland Cavaliers	79	84	78
6.Dallas Mavericks	97	85	95
7.Denver Nuggets	90	74	82
8.Detroit Pistons	88	77	80
9.G. State Warriors	81	72	73
10.Houston Rockets	92	91	86
11.Indiana Pacers	82	92	83
12.LA Clippers	80	90	79
13.LA Lakers	98	95	98
14.Memphis Grizzlies	76	75	75
15.Miami Heat	74	99	92
16.Milwaukee Bucks	99	80	94
17.Minnesota T-Wolves	94	87	88
18.New Jersey Nets	78	79	77
19.New York Knicks	73	90	90
20.Orlando Magic	95	83	84
21.Philadelphia 76ers	86	96	99
22.Phoenix Suns	84	94	93
23. Portland Trailblazers	87	95	91
24.Sacramento Kings	98	88	97
25.San Antonio Spurs	89	98	95
26.Seattle Sonics	93	76	85
27.Toronto Raptors	96	89	89
28.Utah Jazz	91	93	96
29.Washinton Wizards	90	80	85

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G. Players and Player Stats

<sup>1.</sup> Abbreviations—the following are the abbreviations for player  $\ensuremath{\text{abbreviations}}$ 

#### -FTA: Free Throw Accuracy -DRB: Dribbling -PSS: Passing -SPD: Speed -STL: Stealing -DNK: Dunking -RBD: Rebounding -BLK: Blocking -DEF: Defense -STR: Strength -STM: Stamina 2. Atlantic Division-Boston Celtics FGA 3PA FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM K.Anderson 90 78 83 96 92 95 97 49 44 41 58 41 P.Pierce 76 85 97 91 74 80 99 77 99 93 75 74 96 E.Williams 62 81 72 78 71 66 67 84 66 57 44 66 80 97 91 71 78 96 84 97 96 96 73 78 82 A.Walker 99 M.Blount 68 49 70 41 40 57 69 62 72 94 Miami Heat Name FGA 3PA FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM 72 73 63 93 93 95 88 49 48 53 71 52 86 A.Carter E.Jones 95 93 84 81 74 97 97 99 68 97 83 96 4.5 K.Gill 73 71 72 82 83 83 96 85 59 53 B.Grant 95 46 80 59 53 72 64 75 96 82 98 94 A.Mourning 93 65 71 70 70 64 69 94 99 99 98 New Jersey Nets FGA 3PT FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM Name J.Kidd 91 78 81 99 99 99 99 62 77 65 99 67 74 89 K.Kittles 74 87 79 87 88 81 40 53 84 36 79 K.Van Horn 90 93 81 76 72 80 68 76 83 73 58 94 84 55 63 68 64 73 77 90 87 96 94 K.Martin 84 90 71 59 64 50 54 41 45 57 87 86 60 96 T.Maculloch 55 New York Knicks FGA 3PT FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM Name 74 81 78 99 98 83 78 35 64 54 92 39 95 M.Jackson A.Houston 98 93 91 78 66 91 57 75 64 52 96 47 95 94 75 78 82 90 97 86 99 73 68 98 97 L.Sprewell 60 K.Thomas 74 63 81 47 41 55 60 66 94 86 97 75 8.8 83 57 67 69 59 76 70 87 98 98 96 70 M.Camby Orlando Magic FGA 3PT FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM 91 88 95 97 98 98 65 64 46 96 D.Armstrong 90 49 95 99 81 73 92 94 93 96 98 79 95 97 49 99 T.McGrady 96 80 83 95 95 91 93 91 92 77 93 74 G.Hill 85 79 52 78 69 65 67 65 61 87 83 98 H.Grant P.Ewing 80 56 69 41 51 43 66 61 94 93 89 Philadelphia 76ers FGA 3PA FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM Name 98 79 73 79 97 96 60 5.5 59 98 58 E Snow 96 92 97 97 A.Iverson 99 81 99 99 99 99 70 70 99 54 M. Harpring 90 68 81 64 67 59 57 64 68 60 67 81 75 73 68 63 63 59 61 65 93 86 62 98 71 D.Coleman 95 44 73 58 60 68 61 73 99 99 99 D.Mutumbo 91 Washington Wizards FGA 3PA FTA DRB PSS SPD STL DNK RBD BLK DEF STR STM Name

73 87 89 93 92 90 80 66 47 38 56 36

stats:

C.Whitney

-FGA: Field Goal Accuracy -3PA: 3-point Accuracy

R.Hamilton	92	72	87	79	80	90	72	70	52	44	85	40	92
M.Jordan	91	80	84	89	83	85	88	99	74	68	91	80	89
K.Brown	75	70	75	74	68	82	64	91	83	86	66	74	75
J.White	88	40	57	47	36	39	38	73	95	96	87	98	83
Central Div	7isio	on											
Atlanta Haw	ıks												
Name	FGA	3PA	FTA	DRB	PSS	SPD	STL	DNK	RBD	BLK	DEF	STR	STM
E.Davis	85	88	82	83	84	86	92	58	52	57	84	45	76
J.Terry	96	93	85	92	95	99	81	64	45	44	66	38	96
S.Abdur-Rahim	93	58	83	75	74	80	70	94	96	84	91	77	98
A.Henderson	81	45	64	61	48	58	71	64	86	71	71	79	84
T.Ratliff	86	57	76	64	61	76	67	86	95	99	98	82	96
Charlotte H	lorne	ets											
Name	FGA	3PA	FTA	DRB	PSS	SPD	STL	DNK	RBD	BLK	DEF	STR	STM
B.Davis	92	86	68	95	98	95	99	96	65	62	87	60	97
D.Wesley	91	92	30	90	93	96	96	36	42	47	97	57	96
J.Mashburn	94	91	77	90	96	75	71	74	79	56	78	89	97
P.Brown	74	59	85	70	62	64	67	69	97	87	99	85	94
E.Campbell	91	53	71	57	61	58	64	52	94	97	94	95	90
Chicago Bul	lls												
Name	FGA	3PA	FTA	DRB	PSS	SPD	STL	DNK	RBD	BLK	DEF	STR	STM
G.Anthony	75	91	66	82	82	94	89	46	42	43	95	42	78
R.Mercer	91	64	82	79	75	93	76	98	66	60	59	54	99
E.Robinson	72	65	73	60	60	77	78	81	73	84	89	51	70
C.Oakley	78	59	84	82	81	58	66	56	97	79	97	97	94
B.Miller	79	57	74	67	65	43	48	57	93	83	60	97	83
Cleveland C	Cava	liers	5										
Name	FGA	3PA	FTA	DRB	PSS	SPD	STL	DNK	RBD	BLK	DEF	STR	STM
A.Miller	80	73	83	97	99	83	95	51	65	67	96	66	93
B.Stith	89	87	85	76	70	77	81	66	51	47	77	61	92
L.Murray	91	82	73	66	63	79	89	83	71	66	70	83	89
T.Hill	89	57	63	40	46	57	66	55	95	67	96	79	91
Z.Ilguaskas	83	62	68	58	41	47	63	53	94	95	94	91	70
Detroit Pis													
Name		3PA			PSS					BLK			STM
C.Atkins	86	85	69	88	87	91	61	37	37	39	35	35	94
J.Stackhouse	98	90	82	83	95	92	74	99	67	76	83	70	99
M.Curry	72	71	85	83	79	79	55	77	39	49	67	57	79
B.Wallace	75	60	34	55	53	66	81	67	99	98	97	90	93
C.Robinson	89	91	71	74	71	71	78	69	74	86	98	69	93
Indiana Pac													
Name		3PA											
J.Rose	93	79	83	88	97	83	59	67	73	74	83	53	98
R.Miller	99	99	93	80	76	88	66	57	57	46	82	47	98
A. Harrington	72	64	66	62	70	67	76	88	72	58	57	75	85
J.O'Neal	88	61	60	60	54	73	60	95	97	99	95	72	92
J.Foster	78	51	52	45	40	49	67	63	91	80	60	86	66
Milwaukee E					Daa	ann	ОШТ	DATE	חחח	DIV		CMD	СШМ
Name		3PA											
S.Cassell	97	76	86	96	98	96	79	37	62	48	96	41	94
R.Allen	98	99	89	93	94	96	96	95	69	56 70	88	64 71	96
G.Robinson	98	79	82	73	80	72	78	78	77	79	69	71	96
A.Mason	88	55 45	78	81	73	67	59 55	59 E E	97	82	98	98	99
E.Johnson	78	45	54	54	55	46	55	55	92	93	96	84	85
Toronto Rap			D	DD-	DCC	arr	0.55	D3777	DD -	DIII	D==	0.00	O
Name		3PA											
A.Williams	89	75	75	96	95	93	96	66	42	62	68	37	89
V.Carter	99	95	76	96	90	96	91	99	73	85	97	60	98
M.Peterson	89	87	72	64	64	74	79	79	68	61	67	66	84

A.Davis 94 48 75 56 57 69 59 76 98 97 98 86 94 H.Olajuwon 81 53 62 63 65 59 88 70 94 95 95 94 75 More coming soon...

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#### H. Offensive Plays and Strategies

1.Perimeter-Either 4 players spread out around the perimeter and your center is left alone or 3 players are outside and two are on the low blocks. If 4 players are outside, work the ball around the perimeter for a 3 or dish to your center for a one-on-one lane to the basket. If 3 are outside and the point guard has the ball, pass to one of the sides. The post man will come out to the corner. Get the ball to him. If he's open, take the 3. If not, the passer will usually cut to the hoop so pass to him.

2.Box-Your players spread to the four corners of the court with your point guard at the top. Look for a mismatch to send your center to the hoop.

3.Motion-Your players spread the floor continuously, setting picks and making cuts to the basket. Look for a good pick or a slower defensive player and dish the ball to the open man.

4.Outside Triangle-Two perimeter players and 1 post player make up this triangle. Look for mismatches or double teams. If your post man is guarded by a smaller player, get it to him. If he gets the ball and is double teamed, pass the ball back outside for an open 3.

5. Inside Triangle-Made up of 2 post players and 1 perimeter player. It relies heavily on a bad post match up. If there isn't one call for a pick with your perimeter player and drive to the rim.

6.Isolation-Your players spread to the court's 4 corners leaving your point guard 1-on-1 with a defender. If you have a good point guard, this is your play. Crossover and take it to the rim. Also sometimes 3 players go to one side leaving your center open on the other side. Get him the ball and back up the defender for a shot.

7. High Post-Your number 1 post player, most of the time the center, plays the high post. Get him the ball. If you see a good cut, get the ball to the cutter for an open lane to the basket. If not, back up the defender with your big man to get close to the rim and shoot.

8.Low Post-Your number 1 post player will play the low post. If you have a great post player like Shaq or Mourning, this is your play. You'll already be close to the basket with them so back the defender down and shoot or dunk the ball.

9. Rebounding(also applies for defense) - Reb-High/Medium/Low allows you to prepare your team for a rebound. If you anticipate a lofty rebound select High, this is most useful for 3-pointers since they usually hit the rim hard and bounce off of it high. Use Low when shorter shot or lay-up is used, since they usually don't bounce off very high.

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#### I. Defensive Sets and Strategies

- 1. Loose/Tight Man-Each player will guard the man who plays the same position as himself unless told otherwise in the strategy menu. In the Loose Man set you players are less likely to foul but will attempt to steal the ball or block shots. In Tight Man your players guard more tightly and steal and block shots more but are more likely to foul in the process.
- 2.2-3 Zone-Your team has 2 players at the top of the key, 2 players on the low blocks and your center in the paint. Use this set if your opponent is constantly driving down the middle. Your center will be there to stop him.
  - 3. Box Sets: Box+1(PG), Box+1(SG), Box+1(SF), Box+1(PF), Box+1(C)

There are 5 Box sets, one to play man-to-man defense on each position. Your team plays the four corners of the paint with one man playing man to-man defense on the player you choose. If you want to cover the opponents point guard simply choose Box+1(PG), or to guard their power forward select Box+1(PF). These sets allow you to isolate a team's star you can have your teammates help without double teaming.

4. Full Court Press-Use this if you're behind by only a couple points in the fourth quarter to pressure a teams inbound play. You may come away with a steal if you're lucky, but at least you can foul without wasting time waiting for the ball to be brought down the court. Press left on the D-pad to select Press or Normal(no press).

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#### J. Secrets

1. Infinite "perfect" created players:

Once you have one created player whose stats are all the way up just clone him to make another one with perfect stats. You can then change his appearance and profile to your liking.

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#### K. Q and P

- Q. How do I hang on the rim after a dunk and get called for a technical foul?
  - A. I have tried over and over with different methods and button combos and have failed with everything. I am convinced that it is not possible to hang on the rim after a dunk.
  - Q. How do I do signature moves?
  - A. I only know a few. Shaq, Reggie Miller, and Mark Jackson have a signature free-throw shooting style.
  - Q. How do I see a player's stats or attributes?
  - A. Under the "Update Rosters" menu choose "Reorder Starters". Press X while highlighting the player you want to see and their 2000 2001 season stats will show up. Press up or down on the C-stick to see their attributes.

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