

Gameboy / Gameboy Color / Gameboy Advance Emulator

Software Manual

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INSTALLATION

Simply copy Firestorm.prc into the \PALM\Launcher folder of your SD card, or install it into main memory using TapWave's installation program.

Place any ROM image files (.gb, .gbc, .gba) into the root directory ("\") of the SD card or internal Virtual File System (VFS). You may also place ROM files into \PALM\programs\Firestorm-gbaZ or use the ROM Installer program to do it for you.

OBTAINING ROM FILES

You can download hundreds of public domain Gameboy and Gameboy Advance games from <u>http://www.zophar.net/roms.phtml</u>

You can also download ROM images from commercial cartridges that you own. Using a cable called a Linker, you connect the GameBoy to your PC and download the ROM. Please see http://www.gameboy-advance.net for more information about the Flash Advance Linker.

GAMEPLAY CONTROLS

ZODIAC



5-WAY NAVIGATOR



SONY GAME CONTROLLER



NOTE: Due to a lack of keys (unfortunately the X/Y buttons are hard to get working), you can simulate the start button by pressing the up and down keys at the same time. Likewise, select is the left and right keys at the same time.

NOTE: You can also select this configuration for a standard Palm if you prefer the alternate key layout, where the left/right keys are both on the left side, and the A/B buttons are on the right side.



STANDARD PALM KEYS

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USING THE PROGRAM MENUS



During gameplay, tap on the left side of the screen to bring up the program menu, or tap on the top right corner of the screen to toggle fullscreen mode.

Simply tap on the menu option to select it, and tap again to activate it. Close windows such as the "Load ROM File" or "Options" windows by tapping on the X in the upper right corner.

You can also navigate the menus using the joystick and keys.

OPTIONS



Fullscreen: In fullscreen mode, the Gameboy display will take up most of the screen. But it will be stretched so it might look blocky, and gameplay will be slightly slower.

Sound Mute: You can disable sound to speed up slow games, or if you just want some peace and quiet.

Max Frame Skip: To speed up slow games, try increasing the frame skip. This means that Firestorm will skip drawing the screen a few times, to allow more time for the emulation. We recommend you start at 0 and work you way up only if you need to.

Auto Framerate: This will have Firestorm try to keep the game going at 100% speed, either slowing down or skipping frames if it needs to. We don't suggest this setting, but it could help if a game is playing very quickly...

Navigation: Choose your basic navigation style here (see diagrams above). You can also configure the keys.