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Comprehensive instructions for installation, gameplay, and troubleshooting.

1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Hot Wheels Velocity X PC game. This manual provides essential information to help you install, play, and troubleshoot the game. Prepare to navigate Monument City, engage in high-speed races, and complete challenging missions.

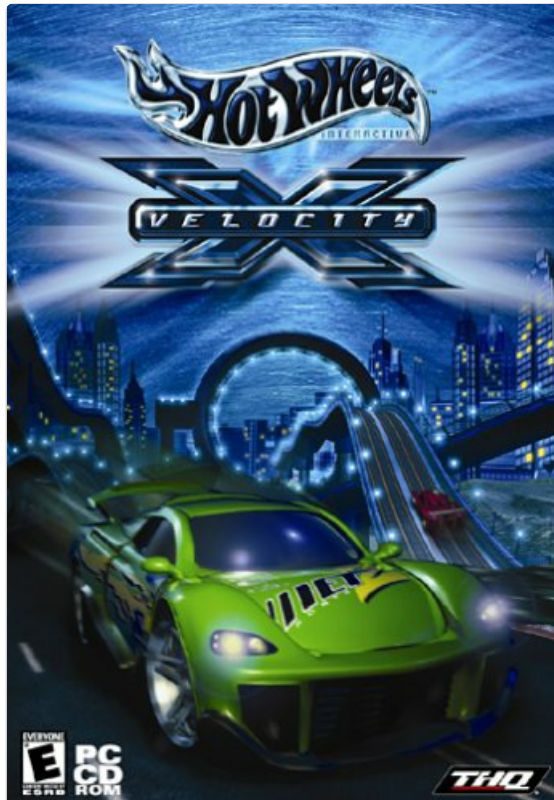


Image 1: The official cover art for Hot Wheels Velocity X, featuring a green racing car against a backdrop of a futuristic city skyline.

2. SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Before installing, ensure your computer meets the minimum system requirements for optimal performance.

- **Operating System:** Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows Me (Later Windows versions may require compatibility mode).
- **Processor:** Pentium II 300 MHz or equivalent.
- **RAM:** 64 MB.
- **Hard Drive Space:** 500 MB free.
- **Video Card:** 8 MB DirectX compatible 3D accelerator card.
- **Sound Card:** DirectX compatible sound card.
- **CD-ROM Drive:** 8x speed.
- **Input:** Keyboard, Mouse.

3. INSTALLATION

Follow these steps to install Hot Wheels Velocity X on your PC:

1. Insert the Hot Wheels Velocity X game CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive.
2. If the installer does not launch automatically, navigate to "My Computer," right-click on your CD-ROM drive icon, and select "Open." Then, locate and double-click "Setup.exe" or "Install.exe."
3. Follow the on-screen prompts to complete the installation process. This typically involves accepting the license agreement, choosing an installation directory, and selecting components.
4. Once installation is complete, you may be prompted to restart your computer. It is recommended to do so.
5. A shortcut to the game will be placed on your desktop or in your Start Menu.

4. OPERATING THE GAME

4.1 Starting the Game

Double-click the Hot Wheels Velocity X shortcut on your desktop or select it from the Start Menu to launch the game.

4.2 Main Menu

From the main menu, you can access various game options:

- **New Game:** Start a new campaign.
- **Load Game:** Continue a previously saved game.
- **Options:** Adjust graphics, sound, and control settings.
- **Multiplayer:** Engage in local multiplayer modes.
- **Exit:** Quit the game.

4.3 Game Modes

Hot Wheels Velocity X offers several modes of play:

- **Story Mode:** Embark on 30 missions across six distinct levels in Monument City to defeat a criminal gang.
- **Race Mode:** Compete in various races against AI opponents.

- **Battle Mode:** Engage in vehicular combat using power-ups.
- **Stunt Challenge:** Perform daring stunts and earn points.
- **Multiplayer:** Challenge a friend in head-to-head racing, battle mode, or stunt challenges.



Image 2: A dynamic in-game screenshot showing a yellow Hot Wheels car defying gravity on a looped track, highlighting the game's stunt capabilities.

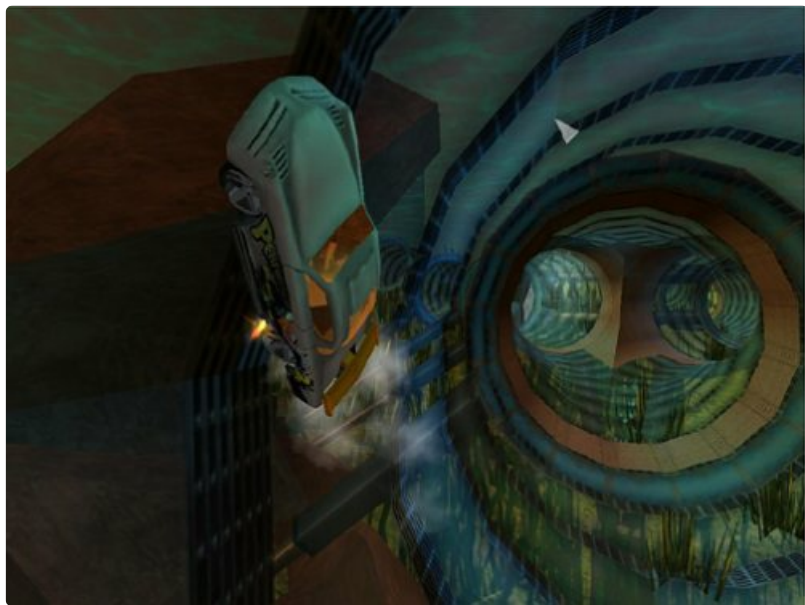


Image 3: An in-game view of a white Hot Wheels car navigating a vibrant, patterned tunnel, showcasing the diverse track designs.

4.4 Controls

Default keyboard controls are as follows. These can be customized in the Options menu.

- **Accelerate:** Up Arrow Key
- **Brake/Reverse:** Down Arrow Key
- **Steer Left:** Left Arrow Key
- **Steer Right:** Right Arrow Key
- **Use Power-up:** Spacebar
- **Handbrake:** Left Shift Key
- **Look Back:** C Key
- **Pause Game:** Esc Key

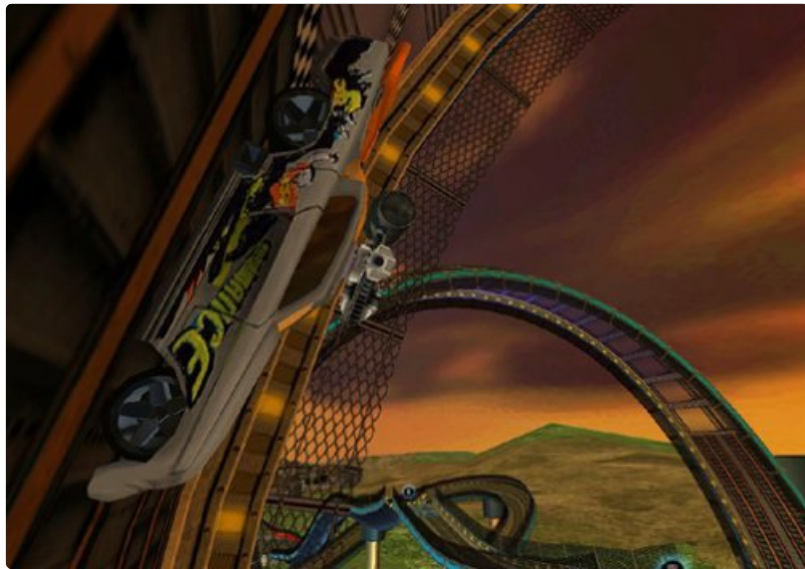


Image 4: An action shot from the game featuring a white Hot Wheels car with custom decals, racing on an elevated track against a vibrant sunset.



Image 5: A high-resolution gameplay image showing a Hot Wheels car executing a wall ride on a complex track structure, with the city visible below.

4.5 Saving and Loading

The game typically features an auto-save function at key points. You can also manually save your progress through the in-game pause menu. To load a game, select "Load Game" from the main menu and choose your desired save file.

5. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your game, consider the following maintenance tips:

- **Disc Care:** Keep the game CD clean and free of scratches. Store it in its original case when not in use.
- **System Updates:** Ensure your operating system and graphics drivers are up to date. This can improve game compatibility and performance.
- **Disk Space:** Periodically check that you have sufficient free hard drive space for game saves and temporary files.
- **Antivirus Software:** Keep your antivirus software updated and perform regular scans to prevent malware interference.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues while playing Hot Wheels Velocity X, refer to the following common solutions:

- **Game Not Starting:**

- Verify your system meets the minimum requirements.
- Ensure the game CD is clean and properly inserted.
- Try running the game in compatibility mode for Windows 95/98/Me. Right-click the game shortcut, select "Properties," then "Compatibility."
- Update your graphics card drivers.

- **Performance Issues (Lag, Low FPS):**

- Close other applications running in the background.
- Lower the game's graphical settings in the Options menu.
- Ensure your graphics drivers are updated.

- **Sound Problems:**

- Check your computer's volume settings and in-game sound options.
- Ensure your sound card drivers are up to date.
- Verify your sound card is DirectX compatible.

- **Controls Not Responding:**

- Ensure your keyboard and mouse are properly connected.
- Check the in-game control settings for any reconfigurations.
- Restart the game and your computer.

For further assistance, please refer to the Support section.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Title	Hot Wheels Velocity X - PC
Brand	THQ
Model	Velocity X
Platform	PC (Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows Me)
Release Date	October 21, 2002
Manufacturer	THQ
Item Weight	4.8 ounces
Product Dimensions	7.76 x 5.24 x 1.26 inches
UPC	752919490976
ASIN	B00006C7EP
ESRB Rating	Everyone

8. WARRANTY INFORMATION

This product is subject to the standard warranty terms provided by the manufacturer, THQ, at the time of purchase. Please refer to the documentation included with your game disc or visit the official THQ website (if available) for detailed warranty information, including coverage period and conditions. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

9. SUPPORT

For technical support or further inquiries regarding Hot Wheels Velocity X, please consider the following resources:

- **Manufacturer Website:** Visit the official THQ website for potential FAQs, patches, or contact information. (Note: THQ has undergone significant changes since the game's release; current support may be limited).
- **Online Forums:** Community forums dedicated to classic PC games or Hot Wheels games may offer solutions from other players.
- **Retailer Support:** If purchased recently, your retailer may offer limited support or return options.