## Microsoft XBMSFT 805529792234

# Halo 2 - Xbox Standard User Manual

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## Introduction

Halo 2 is the critically acclaimed sequel to Halo: Combat Evolved, continuing the epic saga of the Master Chief. This game immerses players in a desperate fight for humanity's survival against the relentless Covenant forces. This manual provides essential information to help you get the most out of your Halo 2 experience.

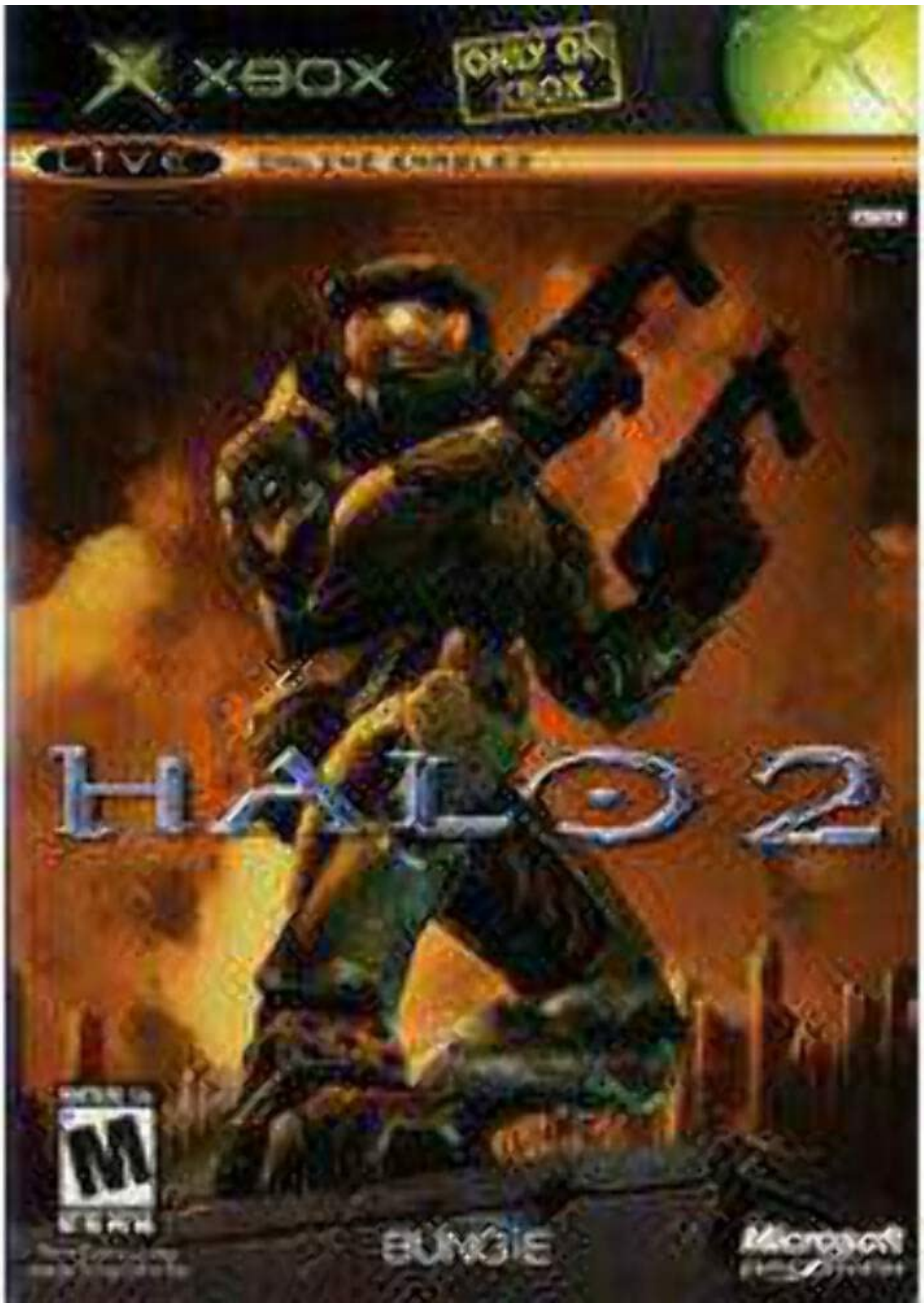



Image: The official game cover for Halo 2, depicting Master Chief, the protagonist, in his iconic Mjolnir armor, ready for battle. The game title 'Halo 2' is prominently displayed.

## Setup

To begin playing Halo 2, ensure your Xbox console is properly connected to your television and power source. Insert the Halo 2 game disc into the console's disc tray. The game should automatically launch. If it does not, navigate to the 'Games' section on your Xbox dashboard and select Halo 2.

### Xbox 360 Backward Compatibility

Halo 2 is backward compatible with the Xbox 360 console. To play on an Xbox 360, you must have an official Microsoft-branded hard drive installed. Third-party hard drives may not contain the necessary 'Partition 2' required for original Xbox game emulation, which can prevent the game from launching. Ensure your Xbox 360 system software is up to date for optimal compatibility.

## Operating Instructions

### Gameplay Basics

As Master Chief, you will engage in intense combat against various Covenant enemy types. The game introduces new mechanics and an expanded arsenal:

- **Dual-Wielding:** Master Chief can now equip and fire two one-handed weapons simultaneously, offering new tactical options.
- **New Weapons:** Discover and utilize new human and Covenant weaponry, including the Brute Shot and Energy Sword.
- **Vehicles:** Pilot a variety of vehicles, both human and Covenant, to traverse large environments and engage in vehicular combat.
- **ODST:** Encounter and fight alongside Orbital Drop Shock Troopers (ODST), an elite unit of human soldiers.

### Single-Player Campaign

The single-player campaign continues the narrative from Halo: Combat Evolved, delving deeper into the conflict between humanity and the Covenant. You will experience the story from multiple perspectives, including that of the Arbiter, a Covenant Elite.

### Multiplayer

Halo 2 offers robust multiplayer options for competitive and cooperative play:

- **Split-Screen:** Play with up to four players on a single console using split-screen.
- **System Link:** Connect multiple Xbox consoles via a local network for larger multiplayer matches.
- **Xbox Live:** Engage in online multiplayer with players worldwide. Note that the original Xbox Live service, which Halo 2 utilized, has been discontinued. Therefore, online multiplayer functionality for this version of Halo 2 is no longer available.

## Maintenance

To ensure the longevity of your Halo 2 game disc and console, follow these guidelines:

- Handle the game disc by its edges to avoid fingerprints and scratches.
- Store the disc in its original case when not in use.
- Keep your Xbox console in a well-ventilated area to prevent overheating.
- Regularly clean the console's exterior with a soft, dry cloth.

## Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues while playing Halo 2, refer to the following common problems and their solutions:

- **Game Does Not Start on Xbox 360:** This often occurs if your Xbox 360 does not have an official Microsoft hard drive with the necessary backward compatibility partition. Ensure you are using an official hard drive or research methods to enable the partition on compatible third-party drives.
- **Unable to Connect to Xbox Live:** The original Xbox Live service for Halo 2 has been discontinued. Online multiplayer for this version of the game is no longer supported.
- **Disc Read Errors:** Clean the game disc gently with a soft, lint-free cloth, wiping from the center outwards. If the issue persists, the disc may be damaged.

## Specifications

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| **Number of Players** | 1-4 (Local), Online (Discontinued) |
| **Publication Date** | November 9, 2004 |
| **Platform** | Original Xbox, Xbox 360 (Backward Compatible) |
| **UPC** | 805529792234 |
| **Item Model Number** | XBMSFT 805529792234 |
| **Language** | English |
| **Rated** | Mature |
| **Product Dimensions** | 7.75 x 5.5 x 0.5 inches |
| **Item Weight** | 8.2 ounces |
| **Manufacturer** | Microsoft |

## Warranty and Support

For any issues not covered in this manual or for further assistance, please refer to the official Microsoft support channels. Information regarding product warranties and technical support can typically be found on the official Microsoft Xbox website or through their customer service contact points.


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