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Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin

PlayStation 4 Instruction Manual

Brand: Bandai Namco | **Model:** 12027

1. Introduction

Welcome to the world of **Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin** for PlayStation 4. This manual provides essential information to help you navigate the challenging and immersive experience of Drangleic. Prepare to face formidable foes, uncover ancient secrets, and test your resolve in a dark fantasy setting.

This edition includes all previously released downloadable content (DLC) packs: *Crown of the Sunken King*, *Crown of the Old Iron King*, and *Crown of the Ivory King*, along with additional content and balance adjustments for an enhanced journey.



Game cover for Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin on PlayStation 4, featuring a heavily armored figure with a flowing cloak and a large sword.

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Official trailer for Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin, showcasing various in-game environments, combat sequences, and key narrative elements. This video provides an overview of the game's atmosphere and challenges.

2. Product Features

- **All 3 DLC Pack Contents:** Includes *Crown of the Sunken King*, *Crown of the Old Iron King*, and *Crown of the Ivory King*.
- **Additional NPCs:** Enhanced story experience with new non-player characters to guide players.
- **Parameter Setting Adjustments:** Improved game balance for a refined experience.
- **Augmented Item Descriptions:** Deeper lore and understanding through expanded item details.

- **Increased Online Players:** Supports a higher maximum number of online players for cooperative and competitive multiplayer.

3. Setup Guide

3.1. Initial Installation

1. **Insert Game Disc:** Place the Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin game disc into your PlayStation 4 console's disc drive.
2. **Automatic Installation:** The console will automatically begin installing the game data to your hard drive. Follow any on-screen prompts.
3. **System Updates:** Ensure your PlayStation 4 system software is up to date. Connect to the internet and check for system updates if prompted.
4. **Game Updates:** The game may require additional updates (patches) to be downloaded and installed. Allow these updates to complete before playing for the best experience. A stable internet connection is recommended for this step.

3.2. Account Setup

- Ensure you are logged into your PlayStation Network (PSN) account to access online features and save game data.
- If you do not have a PSN account, you can create one through your PlayStation 4 console's settings.

4. Operating Instructions

4.1. Basic Controls (DualShock 4 Controller)

- **Left Analog Stick:** Movement
- **Right Analog Stick:** Camera Control
- **X Button:** Action/Confirm
- **Circle Button:** Roll/Backstep/Cancel
- **Square Button:** Use Item
- **Triangle Button:** Two-Hand Weapon/Switch Weapon Stance
- **L1/R1:** Left/Right Hand Weapon Attack (Light)
- **L2/R2:** Left/Right Hand Weapon Attack (Heavy/Special)
- **Touchpad:** Open Gesture Menu
- **Options Button:** Open Main Menu
- **Directional Pad (D-Pad):** Switch Equipped Items/Spells

4.2. Gameplay Fundamentals

- **Bonfires:** These serve as checkpoints where you can rest, restore health and Estus Flasks, and manage your inventory. Resting at a bonfire will respawn most enemies.
- **Souls:** Souls are currency obtained by defeating enemies. They are used to level up your character, purchase

items, and upgrade equipment. If you die, you drop all your accumulated souls at the point of death. You have one chance to retrieve them.

- **Hollowing:** Upon death, your character will hollow, reducing maximum HP. Using a Human Effigy can reverse this state.
- **Combat:** Combat is deliberate and requires careful timing of attacks, blocks, and dodges. Observe enemy attack patterns to find openings.
- **Exploration:** The world of Drangleic is vast and interconnected. Explore thoroughly to find hidden paths, valuable items, and optional bosses.

4.3. Saving Your Game

Dark Souls II features an auto-save system. Your progress is saved automatically at key moments, such as resting at bonfires or transitioning between areas. There is no manual save option. Always ensure the auto-save icon is not active before turning off your console to prevent data loss.

5. Maintenance and Care

5.1. Game Disc Care

- Handle the disc by its edges to avoid fingerprints and scratches.
- Store the disc in its original case when not in use.
- Clean the disc with a soft, lint-free cloth, wiping from the center outwards if necessary. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

5.2. Console Care

- Ensure your PlayStation 4 console is placed in a well-ventilated area to prevent overheating.
- Keep the console and its peripherals clean and free of dust.
- Regularly back up your save data to PlayStation Plus cloud storage or a USB drive to prevent loss.

6. Troubleshooting

6.1. Common Issues and Solutions

- **Game Freezing/Crashing:**
  - Ensure your game and console software are fully updated.
  - Clean the game disc for smudges or scratches.
  - Rebuild the PlayStation 4 database (Power off console, then hold power button until second beep to enter Safe Mode, select 'Rebuild Database').
- **Installation Problems:**
  - Check for sufficient free space on your console's hard drive.
  - Ensure the disc is clean and undamaged.
  - Try restarting the console and attempting installation again.

- **Online Connectivity Issues:**
  - Verify your internet connection is stable.
  - Check PlayStation Network status for any service outages.
  - Ensure your router's firmware is up to date and try restarting it.
- **Graphical Glitches:**
  - Ensure your console's video output settings are correct for your display.
  - Check for any pending game or system updates.

6.2. Contacting Support

If you encounter persistent issues not resolved by the above steps, please refer to the 'Support and Contact' section for further assistance.

7. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Title	Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin
Platform	PlayStation 4
Brand	Bandai Namco
Model Number	12027
ASIN	B00Q03M3HY
UPC	722674120272
Release Date	April 7, 2015
Language	English
ESRB Rating	Teen (T)
Product Dimensions	0.6 x 5.3 x 6.7 inches
Item Weight	2.4 ounces

8. Warranty Information

This product is covered by the standard warranty policies of the retailer from which it was purchased and the manufacturer, Bandai Namco Entertainment America. For specific details regarding warranty coverage, duration, and claims, please refer to your purchase receipt or contact the retailer directly. Manufacturer warranty information may also be available on the official Bandai Namco Entertainment website.

9. Support and Contact

For technical support, gameplay assistance, or any other inquiries regarding**Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin**, please utilize the following resources:

- **Bandai Namco Entertainment Official Website:** Visit the official Bandai Namco website for FAQs, support articles, and contact options.
- **PlayStation Support:** For console-related issues or PlayStation Network assistance, visit the official PlayStation Support website.
- **Retailer Support:** If your purchase was made through a specific retailer, their customer service may be able to provide direct assistance or guide you to the appropriate support channel.

Please have your game title, platform (PlayStation 4), and any relevant error codes ready when contacting support.

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