

FOOTBALL MANAGER 2016

Available for PC/Macintosh

Football Manager is the most realistic, in-depth and immersive football management simulation available – it's the closest thing to doing the job for real. Taking control of any squad from more than 50 countries across the world, you decide who plays and who sits on the bench, deal with the media and solve player problems. You're in total control of tactics, team-talks, substitutions and pitch-side instructions as you follow the match live with the acclaimed 3D match engine.

Fans who pre-purchase Football Manager 2016 from a participating digital retailer will be rewarded with a download key for 'An Alternative Reality: the Football Manager Documentary'. In addition, they will also enjoy access to a fully-playable Beta version of the game, which will be available roughly two weeks prior to the official release date. Careers started in this Beta version will continue in the full game.

Fans who pre-order a boxed copy from a participating retailer (high street or online) will be rewarded with a limited edition version of Football Manager 2016 which will include 'An Alternative Reality: the Football Manager Documentary'.

The Football Manager 2016 package, which includes Football Manager Touch as a separate game mode and network multiplayer options, delivers two all-new game modes and many new and improved features over previous releases in the series.

FOOTBALL MANAGER 2016 - KEY FEATURES

New Game Mode - Create-A-Club

For the first time, Football Manager 2016 allows fans to add their own custom-built club to any league they choose, through the single player 'Create-a-club' mode. Create-A-Club allows you to name the club, add yourself and a friend to the line-up, edit the squad to your heart's content and even choose the colours.

New Game Mode - Fantasy Draft

Create your dream team and take on your mates in 'Fantasy Draft' mode. Starting with a fixed budget, each manager builds a squad from scratch, competing with other managers to sign the best talent before going head-to-head against one another in a mini-league.

Manager on the Touchline

Get closer to the action than ever before with your own customisable character to bark out instructions and join the celebrations from the touchline.

Improved Matchday Experience

More than 2,000 new animations, alongside lots of other graphical improvements and improved AI, make the Football Manager 2016 match view the best ever.

Multi match highlights

A highlights package available to easily view other fixtures after each round in your own competition (or others) to keep you up-to-date with everything that's going on in the world around you.

Prozone Match Analysis

Sports Interactive's partnership with the leading sports statistics provider, Prozone, has seen a wide-reaching revamp of the in-game match analysis tool, adding lots of useful functionality whilst also making it a lot more prominent and easier to use.

Set-Piece Creator

Football Manager 2016's powerful, yet easy-to-use set piece creator allows managers to set up multiple set piece routines to be used across multiple tactics; with different set pieces for each set piece taker, new zonal marking options and much, much more.

More Realistic Injuries

Sports Interactive has worked alongside a number of physiotherapists, doctors and related organisations to ensure that the depiction and treatment of injuries in Football Manager 2016 is more realistic than ever before. This doesn't mean that fewer injuries will be sustained, but that those which do occur will be treated and develop more realistically. Injuries will now be determined during matches, while new injury types have been added and there is now a tangible distinction between player condition and match sharpness.

Expanded Press Interaction

Press conferences are more varied than ever before, with many new conversations to be had with the press, especially more contextual questions & responses. In addition, unemployed managers can now use media interviews to help get them back into the game.

Stats, Stats, Stats

Managers now have access to more detailed statistical information than ever before, with the introduction of a revamped stats screen and an all-new rolling stats panel.

New and Improved Screens

Information is now easier to find as a result of a revamp to many of the main screens, including player overview, tactics, the manager's home screen and the transfer offer screen.

And Much, Much More

Further additions and updates include staff shortlisting, improved manager and staff movement, revised board requests, a revamp of board confidence, more contextual team talks, fully updated competition rules & squad information, an improved financial module, improved AI transfers and team selection, new social media features and many more – all of which combine to make Football Manager 2016 the most complete and immersive simulation of football management ever.

Football Manager 2016, developed by Sports Interactive and published by SEGA® Europe Ltd., will be available from Friday, November 13th 2015. Further details will be revealed over the coming weeks via <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

For further information on Football Manager: www.footballmanager.com
For the best in Football Manager stories: www.wearethemanagers.com

To contact Sports Interactive: media@sigames.com

About Sports Interactive Ltd.

Sports Interactive (SI) is the world's leading developer of football management simulations through its Football Manager series. Founded in 1994 and based in the Old Street area of London, SI has a full-time staff of more than 100 and employs the services of roughly 1,300 part-time researchers across the globe (alongside more than 200 offsite Beta testers). SI has ongoing relationships with some of the biggest names in professional football, including Prozone, the League Managers Association, The Football League, La Liga and many other leagues and national associations. SI became a wholly-owned subsidiary of SEGA in 2006. Further information on the company and its games is available at www.sigames.com.

About SEGA® Europe Ltd.

SEGA® Europe Ltd. is the European Distribution arm of Tokyo, Japan-based SEGA Games Co., Ltd., a worldwide leader in interactive entertainment both inside and outside the home. The company develops and distributes interactive entertainment software products for a variety of hardware platforms including PC, wireless devices, and those manufactured by Nintendo, Microsoft and Sony Computer Entertainment Europe. SEGA Europe's website is located at www.sega.com.

