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Emergency! You have been abandoned on an ocean-covered planet. You have only one base ship and a mobile fighter.

To stay alive you must fight enemy ships in the air and under water, destroying and capturing as many as possible before enemy interceptors arrive.

LOADING INSTRUCTIONS

Remove all cartridges from computer.
ROM cartridge only: Insert Aquatron ROM cartridge into Atari: center slot (400) OR left slot (800). 3. Disk only:

Disk only: Label side up, insert your Aquatron disk into the drive. Turn on power

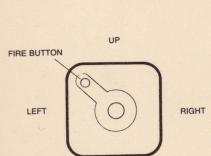
to the drive and close the door. Turn on power for the computer and

monitor.

Plug joystick into port #1.

6. When the demo begins, press 1-4 to choose number of players.

the game.



DOWN



CONTROLS

JOYSTICK

Fire proximity missiles (they kill on contact or near miss) and blasters (they kill only on contact) with joystick button. When the Fire Button is depressed, you will get a missile followed by a short burst of blasters.

To engage hyperdrive, push stick up and fly full speed at top of screen. Slow speed by pulling back on stick.

CONTROL KEYS

START ◆CTRLS ▼ESC

To Start/Restart Game To Toggle Sound On/Off To Pause or Resume Game

▼RESET

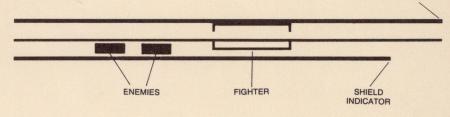
Go To the Demo Mode (change number of players)

HOW TO PLAY AQUATRON

Your fighter is a remarkable craft--it dogfights with enemy planes in the air, then plunges into the ocean to battle enemy submarines. It is armed with blasters and proximity missiles, and protected by energy shielding. Your fighter is also equipped with hyperdrive, enabling it to jump through hyperspace to any sector in only seconds.

When your shield energy or your supply of proximity missiles runs low (indicators are at the bottom of the screen) you can visit your base ship to reload. (You will never run out of blasters.) The arrow in the upper right corner of your screen indicates the direction of your base. To restore shields and missiles, intercept the rescue chute that drops from your base ship. DO NOT HIT YOUR BASE! If your fighter is destroyed your base ship is traded for a new fighter.

The sector map at the bottom of your screen tells you where the enemy is in relation to your fighter. Your side scanners will show you the position of any enemy craft just before it appears on the screen. MISSILE SUPPLY



SCORING

You score points by either capturing or destroying an enemy craft. There are only three types of enemies which can be captured (to capture, simply touch the enemy with your fighter), but notice that you score much higher by capturing than by destroying these!

ENEMIES	POINTS Hit/Capture		FIGHTING TACTICS
Bomber	100		Drops submarine chutes
Sub Chute	10	100	Turns into submarine on contact with water
Submarine	200		Tracks fighter under water, launches missiles
Escort	50		Accompanies bomber, fires missiles (turns into interceptor when bomber is destroyed)
Helicopter	200		Flees and fires
Power Mine —	200	1000	Drains energy banks from short distances
Contact Mine —	300		Attacks and destroys (must be shot to be destroyed)
Interceptor	300		Attacks from above (need not be destroyed to advance in level)
Emergency Chute	50	400*	Often drops from destroyed aircraft

Every 20,000 points you get a free base ship. You get another base ship when you pass the ninth level into the Suicide Level. Beat that level and you are truly a Master Warrior!

capture bonus at the end of the level (if you survive it).

* When you capture an emergency chute you receive the capture score immediately and a

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