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Introduction

Welcome to APBA Baseball Version 6.0!

This User's Guide describes the installation and setup procedures for Version 6.0, whether you are upgrading from Version 5.75 or installing the program for the first time. It also contains information about adding new seasons, ballparks, and micromanagers to the game installation.

This User's Guide does not contain instructions about how to play APBA Baseball Version 6.0. For complete information on playing APBA Baseball, please refer to the Quick Start Guide that is available at the end of the setup process, and to the detailed Help files and Tutorials that are available from the Help menus within each of the game programs. The "How Do I" option in the Help menu of each program is particularly useful for getting quick answers to questions about the most commonly-used procedures within that program.

What's New in APBA Baseball Version 6.0

Version 6.0 of APBA Baseball includes the four main programs (Broadcast Blast, League Manager, Advanced Draft, and StatMaster).

All updates and fixes from Baseball Version 5.75 are included, as well as newer ones.

Significant reworking of all programs was needed in order to implement recent MLB rule changes regarding two-way players and the use of position players as pitchers. Please read the section "Important Version 6.0 Compatibility Considerations" below for further details.

Major changes from Version 5.75:

- New two-way player rule option with appropriate usage restrictions and limitations.
- New rule options for using position players as pitchers (including both 2022 and 2023 rules).
- An Early 21st Century pitcher durability option in AIM.
- New Help File engine in all programs.

Additional Items Included with Version 6.0

The Version 6.0 Setup program installs six Ballparks:

- Comerica Park
- Fenway Park
- Forbes Field
- Great American Ball Park
- Target Field
- Wrigley Field

Eight Micromanagers are also installed, including four new ones:

- Casey Cooper
- Alex Martinez
- Dusty Walker
- Terry Williams
- Cap Spalding, Jr.
- Duke Robinson, Jr.
- Larry Pepper
- Johnny McCoy

The Install media also contains three Season Data Disks – 2014, 2016, and 2021 - that can be selected for installation during initial setup, or installed at a later time.

New Micromanagers

- Casey Cooper is a "user adjustable" manager programmed to manage All-Star, Hall of Fame, or OFAS rosters. He is not designed to manage regular seasons.
- Alex Martinez is a modern, circa 2000+, replay only manager. He's best used for contemporary replay games with MBFs on for pitchers. Martinez is AIM only.
- Dusty Walker is a modern, circa 1995 onward, draft/replay dual manager. Best used with MBFs on for pitchers. Walker is AIM only.
- Terry Williams is a modern, circa 1995 onward, draft/replay dual manager. Best used with MBFs on for pitchers. Williams is non-AIM only.

Documentation for each of these micromanagers can be found in the following folder after installation:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\MicroManagers\2024 Managers

Important Version 6.0 Compatibility Considerations

In order to accommodate the new MLB player usage rules, it was necessary to change the contents of Franchise files and Commissioner files, which are used by APBA leagues, in Version 6.0.

Backup (.BKP) files have also changed.

Franchise files, Commissioner files, and Backup files created in Version 5.75 can be loaded into Version 6.0; however, **files created in Version 6.0 will not work with Version 5.75**.

Because the upgrade to Version 6.0 replaces the installed Version 5.75, only one program version can be installed on a computer at a time.

Version 6.0 will receive program patches as needed in the future. There will be no further updates issued for Version 5.75. Upgrade 30 and Play-by-Play Update 10 are the final updates.

Considerations for solo players

Solo players should not encounter any issues when upgrading from Version 5.75 to Version 6.0.

One exception to this would be if the player uses f-files, c-files, and/or backup files to transfer data between two computers. In that case, both computers would have to have the same version of Baseball installed.

Considerations for leagues

For league play, all managers **must** use the same version of APBA Baseball. F-files and c-files created in Version 6.0 will not be accepted by Version 5.75.

In addition, converting to Version 6.0 during a season is likely to cause problems. Conversion should be done by all teams prior to the distribution of the league's next initial season disk.

Currently active leagues will need to plan their Version 6.0 upgrade strategy in advance of the start of their next season.

Players in multiple leagues will need to be aware that they can only participate in leagues that use the same version of Baseball as they have installed on their own computers. One possible temporary workaround for this would be to have different program versions installed on different computers.

Installation of APBA Baseball Version 6.0

System Requirements

APBA Baseball Version 6.0 can be installed and run on any computer system that meets the recommended hardware requirements for Microsoft Windows 10 and 11.

The 6.0 program, additional Season Disks, and Ballpark disks are available either on CD or as zip files. If the computer on which the 6.0 program is being installed does not have a CD/DVD drive, the zip file should be purchased instead of the CD.

If large numbers of Season Disks are being installed, particularly if statistics and box scores are being saved, additional hard drive space will be required. For example, a Data Disk containing a single completed league Season, with all box scores saved, can require 200 MB or more of disk space.

Windows Versions Supported

- Windows 11
- Windows 10 Home and Pro, in both 64-bit and 32-bit editions

Upgrading from Baseball Version 5.75

Baseball Version 6.0 is compatible with Version 5.75. Season files, Ballparks, and Micromanagers are still located in the same folders.

The Version 6.0 setup program will replace Version 5.75 with Version 6.0. Existing configuration settings in Version 5.75 will not be changed, so Season files, Ballparks, and Micromanagers do not need to be reinstalled.

Because the Version 6.0 upgrade replaces the installed Version 5.75, the two versions cannot both be installed on a single computer.

APBA Baseball Products in Zip Files

Many APBA Baseball 6.0 products, including the game itself, are available as zip files.

Installation of products from zip files requires different handling from products provided on CDs. The following procedures apply to Baseball product zip files.

These files can be unzipped using the Windows File Explorer, or with other programs (not included with Windows) such as WinZip and 7-Zip.

Many users are already familiar with how to unpack and install the contents of zip files. However, due to Windows 10/11 File Blocking, additional steps are necessary prior to installing zip files received over the Internet, whether by download or by e-mail attachment. These instructions are intended to help users who need additional guidance for installing these zip files.

Windows File Blocking

Windows 10/11 Attachment Manager automatically marks many files received over the Internet as Blocked. This is true of both downloaded files and files received as e-mail attachments.

If a Blocked zip file is unzipped, the file properties of the contents will be modified. The original date and time for all of the files contained in the zip file will be changed to the current date and time. This will make it difficult in the future to determine if you have the most recent version of a file installed.

Fortunately, the process of Unblocking a file is simple and is described in the following section.

Unblocking zip files

The steps below demonstrate how to Unblock a zipped disk file using Windows 11 File Explorer.

In this example, the file being Unblocked is an official season file named "2022.zip."

1. Download the zip file to a folder on your computer. Remember where you saved it! Any location should work, but a good location to use would be a dedicated folder for APBA zip files, such as "C:\APBA\APBA Zip."



2. Right-click on the downloaded zip file and select "Properties" (it will be at the bottom of the menu).

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	Open in new window	
3	Share with Skype	
	Extract All	
	7-Zip	>
	Pin to Start	
6	TeraCopy	
	New folder with selection	
¥	Send a copy	
	Scan with Microsoft Defender	
B	Share	
	Open with	>
	Restore previous versions	
	Send to	>
	Cut	
	Сору	
	Create shortcut	
	Delete	
	Rename	
-	Properties	

3. In the "Security" section at the bottom of the "Properties" window, click the "Unblock" checkbox, then click the "Apply" button, followed by the "OK" button.

If you do not see a Security section and Unblock checkbox, your computer did not Block the zip file, and you can simply click the "OK" button.

ieneral Secu	urity Details Previous Versions			
2	2022.zip			
Type of file:	Compressed (zipped) Folder (.zip)			
Opens with:	Windows Explorer Change			
Location:	C:\APBA\APBA Zip			
Size:	448 KB (459,746 bytes)			
Size on disk:	e on disk: 452 KB (462,848 bytes)			
Created: Thursday, August 1, 2024, 7:35:06 PM				
Modified: Thursday, August 1, 2024, 7:32:58 PM				
Accessed:	Today, August 1, 2024, 1 minute ago			
Attributes:	Read-only Hidden Advanced			
Security:	This file came from another computer and might be blocked to help protect this computer.			

4. Installation instructions for each different type of product – the Version 6.0 game, Season Data Disks, Ballparks, and Fan Managers – are described in the following sections.

Using the Installation Setup Wizard

The screen images in this section were taken from the installation of Version 6.0 on Windows 11.

The installation process for both new installs and upgrades from Version 5.75 is the same. Any differences in the screens presented during the two types of installation are noted below.

1. If you have purchased the CD version, insert the APBA Baseball 6.0 CD into a CD/DVD drive.

If you have purchased the zip file version of the program, Unblock the zip file as described in the previous section, then unzip the file to whatever folder location you choose, open the folder, and double-click BBW-6.0.Setup.exe.

If you are installing the program from an external USB drive that contains the 6.0 installation files, insert or connect that drive. Depending on your Windows version and AutoPlay settings, a popup window with one or more actions that can be performed may open. If so, select the option to run BBW-6.0.Setup.exe. If that option is not displayed, then open Windows Explorer, browse to your CD drive or USB drive, and double-click BBW-6.0.Setup.exe.

If you are prompted by Windows User Account Control or your anti-virus program to confirm that you want to run BBW-6.0.Setup.exe, click the "Yes" or "OK" button on the confirmation window.

2. The Setup Wizard will open.

You can open an on-screen copy of this Users Guide by clicking the "View the Install Guide" button, or you can click the "Next" button to continue.

On any screen in Setup, you can click the "Back" button to return to the previous screen, or the "Cancel" button to cancel Setup.

🧱 Setup - APBA Baseball f	or Windows	-		\times
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		Next	Ca	ncel

3. The License Agreement screen will appear. Please review the License Agreement before continuing. When you are finished, click the radio button next to "I accept the agreement" and click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows -	×
License Agreement Please read the following important information before continuing.	(IIO)
Please read the following License Agreement. You must accept the terms of this agreement before continuing with the installation.	
Software License Agreement	
License	- I
 Under this Software License Agreement (the "Agreement"), APBA International, Inc. (the "Vendor") grants to the user (the "Licensee") a non-exclusive and non-transferable license (the "License") to use APBA Baseball (the "Software"). 	
"Software" includes the executable computer programs and any related printed, electronic and online documentation and any other files	
O I accept the agreement	
\bigcirc I do not accept the agreement	
Back Next C	Cancel

4. The Information screen will be displayed. Read the important information in this window before continuing. When you are finished, click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows —		\times
Information Please read the following important information before continuing.		(III)
When you are ready to continue with Setup, click Next.		
Welcome to APBA Baseball for Windows v6.0!		
APBA Baseball for Windows v6.0 is a new full version of the APBA Baseba Windows game designed to run on current supported versions of Microso Windows. The installer will guide you through the steps to install this new version. Note that the program files will be installed in one folder and the data dist micromanagers, ballparks, and other related files in a different folder. Th comply with the security provisions of current versions of Windows.	ll for ft ks, is is to	
You will have the option to install 3 season disks during the install - 2014, and 2021. If these seasons are already installed, the options to install will grayed out. If you don't install them during the initial installation you can d	2016, be to so	
Back Next	0	Cancel

5. This step does not apply to an initial installation of Version 6.0. This screen will only appear if you execute Setup on a computer on which Version 5.75 or Version 6.0 has already been installed. The first-time installation instructions continue with Step 6.

The Custom Install screen will allow you to choose whether to do a Full Install of all programs and data files, or to install the three included Season Disks Only. This allows you to return to Setup and install the Season Disks later if you chose not to install them during the initial installation. Please note that you will be given a chance on a later screen to decide which of the three Season Disks, if any, that you would like to install. After you select one of the two options, click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows		-		×
Custom Install				EN
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Select Full Install or Season Disks Only, the	en click Next.			
Full Install				
◯ Season Disks Only				
	Back	Next	C	incel
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6. The default program file location is displayed.

Although you are given the ability to select a different folder for installation, it is **strongly recommended** that you use the default folder location. Click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows	_		×
Select Destination Location Where should APBA Baseball for Windows program files be i	nstalled?	((I)
Setup will install the APBA Baseball for Windows pro following folder:	gram files	into the	
To continue, click Next. If you would like to select a different	folder, clic	k Browse.	
C:\Program Files (x86)\APBA Games\Baseball		Browse	
At least 802.3 MB of free disk space is required.			
Back	Next	Ca	incel

7. The Select Personal Data Directory screen appears.

Again, although you are given the ability to select a different folder for data, it is **strongly recommended** that you use the default folder location. Click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows			×
Select Personal Data Directory Where should your data disk files be installed?		((I)
Select the folder in which Setup should install your data disk files,	then	click Next.	
C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball		Browse	
Back	xt	Са	ncel

8. The Data Disks screen is displayed. This is where you are able to select which of the three included Season Data Disks you wish to install at this time. Click the check box next to each Season that you wish to install. You can run Setup again later and install any Seasons that you do not choose to install now. When you have finished selecting the Seasons to install, click the "Next" button to continue.

In an upgrade install, season disks will be greyed out if they had already been installed under Version 5.75 on this computer and do not need to be reinstalled. Any uninstalled season disks will be selectable.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows		_		\times
Data Disks Which disks to install?				
Please specify which data disks you would	like to install, then	click Next.		
2014				
2016				
2021				
	Back	Next	С	ancel

9. The Select Start Menu Folder screen will only be displayed for new installs.

Again, although you are given the ability to select a different Start Menu folder, or to skip creating a folder entirely, it is **strongly recommended** that you use the default folder. Click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows -		\times
Select Start Menu Folder Where should Setup place the program's shortcuts?		(a)
Setup will create the program's shortcuts in the following Sta	art Menu folder.	
To continue, click Next. If you would like to select a different folder, o	click Browse.	
APBA Games	Browse	
Don't create a Start Menu folder		
Back Next	Can	cel

10. The Select Additional Tasks screen allows you to choose whether or not to create icons for the four Baseball 6.0 programs on your Windows Desktop. These are entirely optional – you are not required to use them. Select whichever icons you wish to have Setup create for you. When you are finished making your selections, click the "Next" button to continue.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows		—		×
Select Additional Tasks Which additional tasks should be performe	:d?			(LON)
Select the additional tasks you would like Baseball for Windows, then click Next.	Setup to perform wh	ile installin	ig APBA	
Additional icons:				
✓ Create desktop icon for APBA Basebal	I			
🗹 Create desktop icon for League Mana	ger			
Create desktop icons for Advanced Dr	aft			
✓ Create desktop icon for StatMaster				
	Back	Next) a	ancel

11. The Ready to Install screen will display the folder selections that were made on previous screens. If these are correct, click the "Install" button. Otherwise, click the "Back" button and continue back until you reach the screen with the information that you wish to change.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows -	×
Ready to Install Setup is now ready to begin installing APBA Baseball for Windows on your computer.	
Click Install to continue with the installation, or click Back if you want to review o change any settings.	r
Programs folder: C:\Program Files (x86)\APBA Games\Baseball Data Disks folder: C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball	•
4 •	
Back Install	Cancel

12. The Installing screen will appear and display a progress bar as it extracts the files, copies them to your computer, and configures the programs. This may take several minutes, depending on the speed of your computer and your hard drive.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows	—		×
Installing Please wait while Setup installs APBA Baseball for Windows	on your comp	puter.	
Extracting files C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\BallParks\ 	(F-HDCHIN.D)	IB	
		C	ancel

13. When the installation is finished, the Completing the Setup Wizard screen will be displayed. You have the option of selecting to view the Quick Start Guide after the Setup Wizard has closed. The Quick Start Guide is a useful overview of the program's functions, and should be viewed by all new users.

Setup - APBA Baseball for Windows

Click the "Finish" button to close the Setup Wizard and complete the installation.

EN	Completing the APBA Baseball for Windows Setup Wizard Setup has finished installing APBA Baseball for Windows on your computer. The application may be launched by selecting the installed shortcuts. Click Finish to exit Setup.
	View Quick Start Guide
(HO)	
	Finish

14. Congratulations! You're ready to play APBA Baseball 6.0.

You can start the individual Baseball 6.0 programs from the desktop icons, if you chose to create them, or through the Windows Start Menu.

If you chose to install one or more Data Disks, the most recent Season that was installed will be set as the initial default Data Disk. In addition, all of the Data Disks that were chosen for installation will be pre-set with ready-to-play replay organizations. Please note that only the three Data Disks on the installation media contain these pre-set organizations. Data Disks installed from official APBA Season Disks will NOT contain any ready-to-play organizations.

You can now install additional Season Data Disks, Ballparks, and Managers, using the instructions in the "Installing Data Disks, Managers, and Ballparks" section of this Guide.

Updates to APBA Baseball Version 6.0

Program Updates

Updates for Baseball 6.0 (also known as Upgrades) will be made available periodically on the Baseball for Windows page at <u>http://apbagames.com/apbabaseball/baseball-for-windows</u>. These Upgrades will primarily contain software patches for issues that have been reported to APBA by game owners.

Upgrades will be cumulative, so all of the patches that were included in previous Upgrades will be contained in the most recent Upgrade. This means that a new install (or re-install) of Baseball 6.0 can be updated to the current level simply by installing the most recent Upgrade.

Upgrades will normally provide complete replacements for all of the individual programs, and may also include new or revised documentation. An Update Information document that describes the changes included within the Upgrade will also be made available on the Baseball for Windows web page.

Play-By-Play Updates

Play-By-Play Updates will also be made available. These are separate from the game program Upgrades described above. The Play-By-Play Updates correct errors in play results reporting. These updates will also be cumulative, so only the most recent one needs to be installed.

Installing Updates

The typical installation process for a future Baseball 6.0 Upgrade or a Play-By-Play Update will likely be similar to the process for Version 5.75. Any changes to this process will be provided with the Update.

- 1. Go to the Baseball for Windows page at <u>http://apbagames.com/apbabaseball/baseball-for-</u> <u>windows</u> and click on the link for the current Upgrade. A link to the current Upgrade may also appear in the "Latest APBA News" list on the apbagames.com main page.
- 2. Depending on the web browser that you used to access the web site, you may be prompted to Save or Run the file. Choose "Save" and select an appropriate location, such as your default Download folder or your Windows Desktop. Remember where you saved the file!
- 3. The file will be in compressed .zip format, and will have a descriptive filename such as "APBA60Update1-Setup.zip" or "APBA60-PBP-Update-1-Setup.zip."

The previous instructions on Unblocking and unpacking zip files also apply to update zip files.

4. The zip file will contain an executable program file with a filename such as "APBA60Update1 Setup.exe" or "APBA60 PBP Update 1 Setup.exe".

Save the extracted .exe file to your Windows Desktop or to your default Download folder. Remember where you saved the file!

5. Double-click the .exe file to start the Update process. If you receive a User Account Control popup window, click the "Yes" button to continue.

6. Most of the screens displayed during the Update install will be the same as the ones that are displayed during the program installation process, as described in the previous section of this Guide. There may be additional new screens that offer a choice of options for a newly-added feature.

Play-By-Play Updates are shorter and will display fewer screens during installation.

The last screen will include an option that will allow you to display the Update Information document after you exit Setup.

Once you complete the above steps, Baseball 6.0 will be updated to the most recent version.

Installing Season Data Disks, Managers, and Ballparks

APBA Baseball 6.0 stores Season Data Disk, Ballpark, and Micromanager data files in the same folder structure as Version 5.75.

The Install Data Disk functions within Baseball Blast and the other programs will install Season Disks into the proper location. Managers and Ballparks have their own installation methods, which are described below.

The following sections provide installation information for Data Disks, Micromanagers, and Ballparks. Windows 11 was used in all examples.

Season Data Disks

Installing a newer version of a Season Disk

If you are installing a newer version of a season disk that you had previously installed, you may get a yellow "Installed" message when installing the new disk. If this happens, you should exit the install of the new disk and rename the folder containing the old version of the season disk. This will disable the old version and allow the new version to be "Installable."

1. Locate the .WDD folder for the old disk. It will be in the following location:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball

2. Right-click on the .WDD folder name, select Rename, and change the folder name.

Example: If you are updating the 1957 disk, you could change the old folder to "1957 old.WDD."

Installing a Season Disk

The Install Data Disk process is basically the same as it was in earlier versions of APBA Baseball. Data Disks can be installed from a zip file or a CD, or the files on a CD can be copied to a Windows folder on an internal or external drive, and the Data Disk can be installed from that folder.

The instructions in this section are for installing a Data Disk from a CD or a folder on an internal or external drive. Instructions for installing from a Data Disk zip file are provided in the next section.

- 1. Broadcast Blast, Advanced Draft, League Manager, and StatMaster all have the ability to install a new Data Disk. The menu choices used to navigate to the Install Data Disk function are somewhat different in each program:
 - In Broadcast Blast, the menu path is Play Ball Game (or Play Ball Series).
 - In Advanced Draft, the menu path is Select Load Data Disk.
 - In League Manager, the menu path is Select Load Organization.
 - In StatMaster, the menu path is Select Organization.
- 2. Any of these will open the Select Data Disk window (except Broadcast Blast, which opens the Select Teams window). On the upper right side of this window, click the "Install Data Disk" button to open the Install Data Disk window.

Select Teams				×	
Data Disk					
2016 Season	016 Season 🗸				
Organization	Ca	Cancel			
Replay 2016	Replay 2016				
Teams			Install [)ata Disk	
Visiting	• Visiting				
⊖ Home	10				
Name	w	L	PCT	GB	
Division 1					
Baltimore	0	0	.000		
Boston	0	0	.000		
New York	0	0	.000		
Tampa Bay	0	0	.000		
Toronto	0	0	.000		
Division 2					
Chicago	0	0	.000		
Cleveland	0	0	.000		
Detroit	0	0	.000		
Kansas City	0	0	.000		
Minnesota	0	0	.000		
Division 3		•	000		
Houston	0	0	.000		
Oakland	0	0	.000		
Seattle	0	0	.000		
Texas	0	0	.000		
	0		.000		
Division 1					

3. Select the path to the new Data Disk by clicking to expand the folder tree until you reach the correct location. The season disk can be located on a Season CD, or in a folder on any internal or external drive that is attached to your computer.

Install Data Disk	×
Current Path This PC	
1. Select Path to Data Disk	Status
This PC Windows 11 (C:)	No Data Disk
	Begin Install
	Close
	Help
2. Enter Directory Name, if required (No	OT grayed)
-3. Enter Description, if allowed (NOT gr	rayed)

4. If a valid Data Disk is selected, the Status indicator will change from a red "No Data Disk" message to a green "Installable" message. If the Data Disk has already been installed on this computer, the Status indicator will change to a yellow "Installed" message.

If the disk being installed is an official APBA Season Disk, the Directory Name and Description fields will be pre-filled and grayed. If not, you will be able to edit the information in the two fields as you desire.

In the example below, the official APBA 2022 Season Disk is being installed from a folder on the C: drive, C:\APBA\Seasons\2022.

Install Data Disk	\times
Current Path C:\APBA\Seasons\2022	
1. Select Path to Data Disk	Status
> \$WinREAgent 	Installable
> - 575install > - Micromanagers > - NCD	Begin Install
←	Close
2023	Help
2. Enter Directory Name, if required (NOT	grayed)
2022	
3. Enter Description, if allowed (NOT gray	red)
Season	

5. When you are finished entering information, click the "Begin Install" button. The Data Disk will be installed in a few seconds, and will now be available to choose in the Select Data Disk screen.

Installing Data Disks from Zip Files

In this example, the official season zip file being installed is named "2022.zip." It has already been saved to a folder named "C:\APBA\APBA Zip."

1. Double-click on the season zip file name. This will open the zip file and enable the "Extract all" option in the File Explorer toolbar. Click on the "Extract all" button.



2. Select the destination for the unpacked season files by either typing in the location, or clicking the "Browse" button to search for the desired folder.

You should create a separate folder for each unzipped season disk. One method would be to create a C:\APBA folder, then a Seasons subfolder, then a subfolder for each season.

In the example below, the file 2022.zip is being extracted to a newly-created subfolder named C:\APBA\Seasons\2022.



3. Click the "Extract" button. The files will be unpacked to the chosen folder. If the "Show extracted files when complete" box was checked, a new window will open that displays the unzipped files in the new folder. The season files are now ready to be installed.

Note that each season disk includes a "Read" txt file, with additional information, and a "Starting Pitchers" txt file. Some disks also include a "Debuts" txt file, Transactions information, and/or alternate schedule files. The "Read" txt file will contain information about any additional files.

C:\APBA\Seasons\2022	× +			
$\leftarrow \rightarrow \downarrow G$	🖵 > This PC > Windo	ows 11 (C:) > APBA	> Seasons > 2022 >	Search 2
⊕ New - 🐰 🖸	î () 6° û	\uparrow Sort \cdot \equiv View	~	
🚞 АРВА	Name	Date modified	Туре	Size
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575install	2022orig.csv	12/12/2022 11:05 AM	Microsoft Excel Comma Separated Values File	108 KB
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Recaps	B-2022pb.bkp	12/12/2022 11:05 AM	BKP File	144 KB
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4. Open APBA Baseball and select "Play Ball – Game." You can also use one of the other three programs to install, as described in the previous section. In the "Select Teams" window, click the "Install Data Disk" button.

5. Locate the folder containing the unzipped season files in the "Select Path to Data Disk" window and click on the folder name. If that season disk has not already been installed on this computer, the green "Installable" message will appear. Click the "Begin Install" button.

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6. The disk is now installed, and will be available to select under "Data Disk."

Ballparks

Ballparks Distributed as Zip Files

In this example, the ballpark file being installed is named "Brooklyn-Ebbets Field.zip." It has already been saved to a folder named "C:\APBA\APBA Zip."

1. Double-click on the ballpark zip file name. This will open the zip file and enable the "Extract all" button in the File Explorer toolbar. Click on the "Extract all" button.

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2. Select the destination for the ballpark installation either by typing in the location, or by clicking the "Browse" button to search for the correct destination folder. The correct Ballparks destination folder name is:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\BallParks

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3. Click the "Extract" button. The files will be unpacked to the chosen destination folder. If the "Show extracted files when complete" box is checked, a new window will open that displays the contents of the destination folder.

4. The Ballpark is now installed, and it will be available to select in League Manager.

Ballparks provided on CD

All Ballparks provided on CD have an installation program (usually named Setup.exe) that is a selfextracting exe file that unpacks the Ballpark files to a folder.

As with Data Disks, the Ballpark can be installed directly from the CD, or the exe file on the CD can be copied to a folder on an internal or external drive, and then run from the folder.

You must point to the correct output folder when you are unpacking the Ballpark files. The default Ballpark folder is:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\BallParks

Use the "Browse" button in the WinZip Self-Extractor window to open the "Browse for Folder" window, navigate to the proper folder under as listed above, and click the "Unzip" button to install the Ballpark.

Be aware that the "Documents" folder under "Users\Public" is called "Public Documents" in the Windows Explorer folder tree, but it's the same folder.

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Ballpark Installer Utility for diskette-based Ballparks

Ballparks that were originally distributed by APBA on diskettes came with their own Setup.exe or BPSetup.exe program. Unfortunately, those setup programs will not run on 64-bit versions of Windows.

The Ballpark Installer Utility, which can be downloaded from the Baseball for Windows page at <u>http://apbagames.com/apbabaseball/baseball-for-windows</u>, resolves that problem. It allows the installation of these Ballparks in Version 6.0, whether they are located on the original diskette, in a hard drive folder, or on removable media, such as a data CD or USB drive.

The Ballpark Installer is easy to use, and comes with simple instructions in the form of a Help file.

Micromanagers

APBA Baseball Micromanagers are generally provided in one of two formats: a self-extracting exe file, or a compressed zip file. Regardless of which way the Manager is packaged, the key to installing him correctly in Version 6.0 is to point to the correct output folder when you are unpacking the files.

The default MicroManager folder is:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\MicroManagers

Be aware that the "Documents" folder under "Users\Public" is called "Public Documents" in the Windows Explorer folder tree, but it's the same folder.

Micromanager Self-extracting File Installation

- 1. In File Manager, double-click on the micromanager exe file name.
- 2. Use the "Browse" button in the WinZip Self-Extractor window to open the "Browse for Folder" window.
- 3. Navigate to the proper folder under as listed above.
- 4. Click the "Unzip" button to install the Micromanager.

MicroManager Installer Utility for diskette-based Micromanagers

Older Micromanagers that were originally distributed by APBA on diskettes, such as the FanManagers, came with their own Setup.exe program. Unfortunately, that setup program will not run on 64-bit versions of Windows.

The MicroManager Installer Utility, which can be downloaded from the Baseball for Windows page at <u>http://apbagames.com/apbabaseball/baseball-for-windows</u>, resolves that problem. It allows the installation of these older Micromanagers in Version 6.0, whether they are located on the original diskette, in a hard drive folder, or on removable media, such as a data CD or USB drive.

The MicroManager Installer is easy to use, and comes with simple instructions in the form of a Help file.

Micromanager Bundles Distributed as Zip Files

Some Micromanagers are available in special bundles known as FanManagers.

In this example, the zip file bundle being installed is named "FanManagers Bundle I.zip." It has already been saved to a folder named "C:\APBA\APBA Zip."

1. Double-click on the Fan Manager zip file name. This will open the zip file and enable the "Extract all" button in the File Explorer toolbar. Click on the "Extract all" button.

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2. Select the destination for the micromanager installation either by typing in the location, or by clicking the "Browse" button to search for the correct destination folder.

For Baseball 6.0, the correct Micromanagers destination folder name is:

C:\Users\Public\Documents\APBA Games\Baseball\MicroManagers

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3. Click the "Extract" button. The files will be unpacked to the chosen destination folder. If the "Show extracted files when complete" box is checked, a new window will open that displays the contents of the destination folder.

4. The Fan Managers are now installed and will be available to select in League Manager.

Technical Support

If you encounter problems while installing or using APBA Baseball 6.0, you should start by checking the program documentation.

This Guide covers most of the situations that you will encounter during installation.

The Quick Start Guide and the Help files contained within each of the programs are excellent resources for information about how to use all of the features of APBA Baseball 6.0.

The <u>http://apbagames.com/</u> web site will have updated information about any recent issues that have been reported by game owners.

Technical support for APBA Baseball 6.0 is available via e-mail at technical.com.

Please describe your problem as clearly as possible in your e-mail. You may be asked to provide copies of files that would allow Technical Support to recreate your problem.

There is no telephone technical support.

APBA Games can only provide technical support for currently-available versions of APBA products.

APBA is unable to provide support for any of the following:

- Microsoft Windows installation, configuration, or usage;
- Computer hardware problems;
- Network setup, configuration, or administration;
- Older products originally produced by Miller Associates;
- Older products originally distributed on diskettes;
- Game utilities or data files sold or distributed by third parties.

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