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GAME INSTRUCTIONS

Enemy aliens are swarming everywhere! Just as you destroy one set, another set of faster and different ones appear! Can you destroy them all before you run out of fuel?

Use either the left and right arrows or "<" and ">" to move your ship right and left. Use either the spacebar or "F" to fire. Fuel status is indicated by the gauge at the top of the screen. Running out of fuel destroys all ships. When a "Flagship" [with the rotating eye] appears, destroy him quickly or suffer the consequences. After destroying all sets of aliens the space station will appear. Wait until it stops for docking instructions. After docking, multiple missiles may be fired by rapidly pressing the fire key.

Each player is initially given three ships, which are shown at the top of the screen next to each player's score. The game is over when all ships are destroyed. An extra ship is awarded at each 10,000 points. For computers without a CLEAR key, hold the spacebar and the "I" and "O" keys together to start the game. To abort a game in progress, hold BREAK and CLEAR together. If a lower-case mod is installed, switch it on after loading the game.

LOADING INSTRUCTIONS

Model 1. Level 2: Turn computer off. Hold down the BREAK key and turn on the computer. Press ENTER in response to the MEMORY SIZE? question. Type SYSTEM and press ENTER. Type COSMIC and press ENTER. Set recorder volume between 4 & 6 and play in the tape. If a "C" in the upper right corner of the screen appears (checksum error], rewind tape and start over using a different volume. If problem persists, try loading in the second copy of the program (usually located on the same side of the tape immediately following the first copy.) Unplug the earplug and play the tape until you hear a gap in the recorded material. Stop the tape at that point, reinsert the earplug and attempt to load the tape from this point. After a successful loading type a slash and press ENTER to start the game.

Model 3, Level 2: Use the Model 3 side of the tape (the Model 1 version is not compatible) and follow instructions for Model 1 above, except press ENTER in response to the Cass? question during power-up.

Model 1, Level 1: Turn computer off for 15 seconds and then back on again. Type CLOAD and press ENTER. Set volume between 7 & 8 and load tape. Game will begin after the tape loads.

Disk-on-Tape (Model 1 only): Follow instructions for Model 1, Level 2 but load in side that says "Disk Version". After a successful loading and before typing the slash, insert a TRSDOS or NEWDOS system diskette with ample free space into drive 0. Type /0 (slash zero) and press ENTER to boot your diskette. When DOS READY appears, type:

DUMP COSMIC/HIS [START=X'8007',END=X'AAA6',TRA=X'8007']

and press ENTER. The transfer is now complete. To start the game simply type COSMIC/HIS when DOS READY appears. To erase any old high scores that you wish to kill, type KILL HISCORES/COS when DOS READY appears before starting the game. Always leave the diskette in the drive while playing the game because it will be accessed after each game to save the high scores.

Disk-on-Disk (Mod1/Mod3): Insert the diskette into Drive 0 and press the reset button to boot it in the usual fashion. Both the Mod 1 and Mod 3 versions are on the same side of the diskette. To erase any old high scores that you wish to kill, hold down the clear key on the keyboard while the disk is booting and until the message "Erase High Scores?" message appears. Always leave the diskette in the drive while playing the game because it will be accessed after each game to save the high scores.

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SOUND

This game contains programming which produces sound effects that leave the computer through the AUX plug in the cassette cable. To hear the sound follow these instructions: First. load in the game. Remove the tape from the recorder if you loaded the game from cassette. Insert the large gray plug on the cassette cable into the AUX jack on the recorder. Insert an earphone into the jack labeled EAR on the recorder. Pop open the cassette door on the top of the recorder and reach in and hold in the interlock switch that is located in the left rear corner. Now press Record & Play together and then release the interlock switch. Sound should now come through the earphone. A better method for hearing the sound is to connect the AUX plug on the cassette cable to an amplifier, such as Radio Shack's mini amplifier, part# 277-1008. This will allow more people to hear the sound while the game is being played.

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