

Fast Disk Speed & Resetting

The Playstation 2 has an option for Fast Disk Speed (FDS) with Playstation 1 games. This is useful for Mega Man 8 speedrunning. Runs with this configuration have their console labeled as "FDS" on the Mega Man Leaderboards.

NOTE - This is banned for Mega Man X4, X5, and X6 speedruns, due to those games potentially crashing with "FDS" enabled. Mega Man 8 has no such documented crash issue.

Enabling FDS

The following steps work on a North America Playstation 2.

1. Power on the Playstation 2 with the disk drive open to access the system menu.
2. Press Triangle.
3. Press Triangle (again)
4. Select fast disk speed and turn it on

Resetting Your Run

If you use the PS2 reset button, you will turn off FDS and need to re-enable it.

The best way to reset is to pause the game and press Select in the pause menu. (You will get a confirmation dialogue before the game resets). This takes you back to the Title Screen, however you cannot pause the game at some points (such as when the intro stage boss is at 0 HP), and you must be in a stage (not the stage select).

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