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Springboard PC-1 Keyboard - Instructions for use

Thank you for your purchase of the Springboard PC-1 keyboard.

We ask customers to read this guide prior to initial use. Advice for both Mac and Windows use is given later on in this guide.

The Springboard PC-1 Keyboard is made from silicone which has the usual number of keys seen on traditional Windows keyboards.

Plug & Play

Once connected to a Windows PC, the Springboard PC-1 keyboard will be recognised by Windows without the need for an additional driver.

5 second On / Off key

As the Springboard PC-1 keyboard is water resistant, it can be wiped with anti-bacterial wipes, a feature that has been included for shared environments such as schools where a child may cough or sneeze on to the keyboard.

To eliminate the need to physically disconnect the keyboard from the computer whilst being wiped, the “5 second On / Off key” as been included in the design so that the keyboard can easily be turned off and back on. To turn the keyboard on or off, simply hold down the 5 second On / Off key for five seconds until the three indicator lights (illustrated below) flash for several seconds.



Backlight control

The level of the green backlight can be controlled by the below keys:



The first of the above keys turns the backlight completely off, or back on again, depending on user preference. The second and third keys are used to decrease and increase the intensity of the backlight. *Please note: These keys do not need to be held down.*

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The Function and Windows media keys

The top row of keys are combined Function (F1 to F12) and Windows Media Keys. As the media keys are used more than the Function keys, the media keys are the default keys. In order to access the Function keys, the “Fn” (function key) must be held down. This means that pressing the F1 key will open your default Windows application for playing music, such as Groove Music.

Unfortunately, the Windows Sticky Keys accessibility feature does not currently recognise the Fn key as a modifier key.

Recommended Windows settings

For optimal performance, we recommend that you use the following Windows settings:

Keyboard

keystrokes when you press the same key more than once

Off

Turn on Slow Keys to make your PC wait before accepting keystrokes

Off

Turn on Repeat Keys to delay repeated keystrokes when you press and hold down on a key

On

Choose how long your PC waits before accepting the first repeated keystroke

2.0 seconds ▾

Choose how long your PC waits before accepting subsequent repeated keystrokes

2.0 seconds ▾

Change how keyboard shortcuts work

Underline access keys when available

On

Make it easier to type

- Show a warning message when turning on Sticky Keys, Toggle Keys or Filter Keys from the keyboard
- Make a sound when turning Sticky Keys, Toggle Keys or Filter Keys on or off from the keyboard

[Change other typing options](#)

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Other keys:

Print Screen

Pressing this button will take a screenshot of whatever is being display on screen. The image file which is held in the clipboard then be added to documents by control and paste.

Used in conjunction with Alt this can be used to only capture the current screen in focus rather than the entire screen contents.

SysRq

This is a little used key, with it's main function being debugging within the Linux operating system, Ubuntu and Mint being the most commonly used versions as a free alternative to Windows, with it's own accessibility features.

Scroll Lock

This is a toggling lock key which modifies the behaviour of the arrow keys between scrolling the window content or cursor on screen. It is unused in Windows apart from occasional use with very large spreadsheets. It can also be used to quickly scroll through text in Command Prompt windows. One example being the use of the "ipconfig /all" command from the Windows search box (bottom left of screen) to get details of your network configuration

Pause/Break

This is a very rarely used key, but can be used to halt or freeze the action of a game.

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