SteelSeries Apex 100

SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard User Manual

Model: Apex 100 (64435)

1. OVERVIEW

Thank you for choosing the SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard. This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your new keyboard. The Apex 100 is designed for gamers and everyday users, offering a tactile and silent typing experience with vibrant blue LED backlighting and splash-resistant durability.

Figure 1: SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard with blue LED backlighting.

2. SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 What's in the Box

- SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard (with integrated USB Cable)

2.2 Connecting Your Keyboard

1. Unpack the SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard from its packaging.
2. Locate an available USB port on your computer (desktop PC, laptop, or compatible gaming console).
3. Plug the USB connector of the keyboard into the USB port.
4. The keyboard is plug-and-play; no additional software or drivers are typically required for basic functionality. The blue LED backlighting should illuminate automatically.

3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Basic Usage

The SteelSeries Apex 100 functions as a standard QWERTY keyboard. Simply begin typing to input text into your applications.

3.2 Blue LED Backlighting

The keyboard features brilliant blue ground effects backlighting. This backlighting is designed to enhance visibility in low-light conditions and provide an aesthetic appeal. Specific controls for adjusting brightness or modes may be available through SteelSeries Engine software (if installed) or via dedicated function key combinations (refer to the keyboard's keycap legends for any secondary functions).

3.3 Tactile & Silent Keys

The Apex 100 is equipped with tactile switches that provide a satisfying bump feedback without excessive noise, ensuring a comfortable and quiet typing experience suitable for both gaming and office work.

3.4 Media Controls

The keyboard includes integrated media controls, allowing for convenient management of audio and video playback. These controls are typically accessed via function keys (F-keys) in combination with the 'Fn' key. Consult the keycap legends for specific media control assignments (e.g., volume up/down, play/pause, track skip).

4. MAINTENANCE

4.1 Cleaning

- To clean the keyboard, disconnect it from your computer.
- Use a soft, damp cloth to wipe down the keycaps and surface. Avoid excessive moisture.
- For debris between keys, use compressed air to dislodge particles.
- Do not immerse the keyboard in water or use harsh chemical cleaners.

4.2 Splash Resistance

The SteelSeries Apex 100 is designed to be splash resistant to everyday spills. While it can withstand minor liquid exposure, it is not waterproof. In case of a spill, immediately disconnect the keyboard, gently wipe away the liquid, and allow it to air dry completely before reconnecting.

4.3 Durability

The keyboard features a guaranteed 20-million click lifespan, ensuring long-term durability under regular use.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

5.1 Keyboard Not Responding

- Ensure the USB cable is securely plugged into both the keyboard and the computer.
- Try plugging the keyboard into a different USB port on your computer.
- Restart your computer.
- Test the keyboard on another computer to determine if the issue is with the keyboard or your system.

5.2 Backlighting Not Working

- Check if the backlighting has been accidentally turned off or dimmed using function key combinations (e.g., Fn + F-keys).
- Ensure the keyboard is properly connected to a powered USB port.
- If SteelSeries Engine software is installed, check its settings for backlighting control.

5.3 Keys Sticking or Not Registering

- Clean the affected keys using compressed air to remove any debris.
- If a liquid spill occurred, ensure the keyboard is completely dry.
- If the issue persists, contact customer support.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	SteelSeries
Model Name	Apex 100
Model Number	64435
Connectivity Technology	USB (Wired)
Keyboard Description	Gaming
Recommended Uses	Gaming
Special Feature	Blue LED Backlit, Splash Resistant
Color	Black

Keyboard Backlighting Color	Single Color (Blue)
Material	Plastic
Number of Keys	104
Switch Type	Tactile
Keyboard Layout	QWERTY
Water Resistance Level	Water Resistant
Item Weight	2.4 Pounds

7. WARRANTY INFORMATION

This SteelSeries Apex 100 Gaming Keyboard comes with a 90-day limited warranty. For detailed terms and conditions, please refer to the official SteelSeries warranty policy or contact customer support.

8. SUPPORT

For further assistance, technical support, or to download the SteelSeries Engine software for advanced customization (if available for this model), please visit the official SteelSeries website:

www.steelseries.com

You may also contact SteelSeries customer service directly for any product-related inquiries.