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Model: 64812

# **Product Overview**

The SteelSeries Apex 3 is a high-performance gaming keyboard engineered to provide an exceptional gaming experience. It integrates advanced features such as IP32 water resistance for durability against spills, vibrant 10-zone RGB illumination for customizable aesthetics, and whisper quiet gaming switches for silent yet responsive keypresses. Its design focuses on reliability and user comfort, making it suitable for extended gaming sessions.



# **Setup Guide**

# **Package Contents**

Before you begin, ensure all components are present in the package:

- 1 SteelSeries Apex 3 RGB Gaming Keyboard
- 1 Premium Magnetic Wrist Rest
- User Documentation (this manual and other guides)

# **Connecting the Keyboard**

- 1. Unpack the SteelSeries Apex 3 keyboard and its magnetic wrist rest.
- 2. Attach the premium magnetic wrist rest to the bottom edge of the keyboard. The magnets will securely snap it into place, providing ergonomic support.
- 3. Locate an available USB port on your computer (PC, Mac OS X, Xbox Series S, Xbox Series X, PS4, PS5).
- 4. Plug the USB cable from the keyboard into the USB port.
- 5. The keyboard will automatically be recognized by your operating system. Drivers may install automatically.

# **Operating Instructions**

## **Key Features**

• **IP32 Water Resistant:** The keyboard is designed to prevent accidental damage from liquid spills, offering enhanced durability. This protection helps safeguard internal components from splashes.



Figure 2: Detail view emphasizing the keyboard's water and dust resistant design, protecting against spills and particles.

• 10-Zone RGB Illumination: Experience gorgeous color schemes and reactive effects across 10 independent RGB lighting zones. These zones can be customized to create personalized lighting patterns and synchronize with ingame events.



Figure 3: An illustrative diagram pointing out the key features of the Apex 3, including its 10-zone RGB lighting.

• Whisper Quiet Gaming Switches: Enjoy nearly silent use with switches designed for 20 million low-friction keypresses. These switches provide a tactile and silent typing experience, ideal for quiet environments without sacrificing responsiveness.



Figure 4: A close-up of a keycap, illustrating the design of the whisper quiet gaming switches for silent operation.

• **Premium Magnetic Wrist Rest:** The included wrist rest provides full palm support and comfort during extended use. Its magnetic attachment ensures it stays securely in place.



Figure 5: The keyboard shown with its premium magnetic wrist rest, designed for ergonomic support and comfort.

• **Dedicated Multimedia Controls:** Adjust volume and settings on the fly with dedicated multimedia controls. This includes a clickable metal roller and a media button for convenient control over your audio and playback.



Figure 6: A detailed view of the dedicated multimedia controls, including the volume roller and media button, for quick adjustments.

### **Software Customization (SteelSeries GG)**

For advanced customization of RGB lighting, key bindings, and other settings, download and install the SteelSeries GG software from the official SteelSeries website. This software allows you to:

- Create and manage custom RGB lighting profiles for the 10 zones.
- Remap keys and create macros for enhanced gaming efficiency.
- · Adjust keyboard settings and update firmware.

### **Care and Maintenance**

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your SteelSeries Apex 3 keyboard, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- Cleaning: Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe down the keyboard surface. For deeper cleaning, a slightly damp cloth can be used, but ensure no liquid enters the key switches or internal components.
- Spill Protection: While the keyboard is IP32 water resistant, it is designed to withstand accidental splashes, not

immersion. In case of a spill, immediately unplug the keyboard and allow it to dry completely before reconnecting.

- Storage: Store the keyboard in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- Avoid Harsh Chemicals: Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or strong detergents, as these can damage the keyboard's finish and components.

# **Troubleshooting**

If you encounter issues with your SteelSeries Apex 3 keyboard, refer to the following common solutions:

### · Keyboard Not Responding:

- Ensure the USB cable is securely plugged into both the keyboard and the computer's USB port.
- Try plugging the keyboard into a different USB port.
- · Restart your computer.
- Check if the keyboard is recognized in your operating system's device manager.

### • RGB Lighting Not Working/Incorrect:

- Ensure the SteelSeries GG software is installed and up to date.
- Check lighting settings within the SteelSeries GG software.
- Verify that no other lighting control software is conflicting with SteelSeries GG.

### · Keys Not Registering:

- Gently clean around the affected key to remove any debris.
- If the issue persists, it may indicate a hardware problem.

### • Multimedia Controls Not Functioning:

- Ensure the SteelSeries GG software is running in the background.
- Check for any conflicting software that might be overriding multimedia key functions.

For further assistance, refer to the official SteelSeries support website or the full user manual PDF.

# **Technical Specifications**

Feature	Specification
Brand	SteelSeries
Model Number	64812
Hardware Platform	PC
Operating System Compatibility	Windows, Mac OS X, Xbox, PS4, PS5
Item Weight	2.79 pounds
Product Dimensions (LxWxH)	5.94 x 17.52 x 1.57 inches
Color	Whisper Quiet - Tactile & Silent
Power Source	DC power supply
Connectivity Technology	Wired (USB)

Keyboard Description	Gaming
Special Features	Wrist Rest, Water Resistant
Number of Keys	104
Keyboard Backlighting	RGB (10-zone)

# **Warranty and Support**

SteelSeries products are covered by a limited warranty. For detailed warranty information, terms, and conditions, please visit the official SteelSeries website or refer to the documentation included with your product.

For technical support, driver downloads, and frequently asked questions, please visit the SteelSeries support page. You can also download the full User Manual in PDF format for comprehensive instructions: Download User Manual (PDF)

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