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PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Drop ALT High-Profile Mechanical Keyboard is a compact 65% layout keyboard featuring 67 keys. It is designed with a durable aluminum frame and equipped with hot-swappable switches, programmable macros, and customizable RGB LED backlighting. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your keyboard.



Image: The Drop ALT High-Profile Mechanical Keyboard, showcasing its compact layout and vibrant RGB underglow and per-key lighting.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in the package:

- Drop ALT High-Profile Mechanical Keyboard
- USB-C Cable
- Keycap Puller
- Switch Puller
- 1-Year Drop Warranty Information

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

Connecting the Keyboard

1. Connect the provided USB-C cable to the USB-C port located on the keyboard.
2. Connect the other end of the USB-C cable to an available USB port on your computer (compatible with Laptop and PC).

3. The keyboard will automatically be recognized by your operating system and should be ready for use.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

RGB Backlighting Control

The Drop ALT High-Profile keyboard features fully customizable RGB backlighting and under-lighting. Use the following function key combinations to adjust lighting effects:

- **Fn + Z**: Cycle through various color options for the backlighting.
- **Fn + X**: Change the lighting pattern or effect.
- **Fn + C**: Adjust the brightness level of the backlighting.

Hot-Swappable Switches

The Drop ALT High-Profile keyboard is equipped with hot-swappable switch sockets, allowing you to change switches without soldering. To replace a switch:

1. Use the included keycap puller to carefully remove the desired keycap by hooking it onto the keycap and pulling upwards.
2. Use the included switch puller to gently grasp the switch from its top and bottom clips, then pull it straight out from its socket.
3. Align the pins of the new switch with the corresponding holes on the PCB and press firmly until it clicks securely into place. Ensure the pins are not bent.
4. Reattach the keycap onto the new switch stem.



Image: Keycap puller (left) and switch puller (right) tools, essential for customizing the keyboard's switches and keycaps.

Programmable Macros

The keyboard supports programmable macros and custom key layouts. For detailed instructions on using the configurator to program custom key assignments and macros, please visit the official Drop website's

MAINTENANCE

Cleaning

Regular cleaning helps maintain the performance and appearance of your keyboard. Use a soft brush or compressed air to remove dust and debris from between the keycaps. For more thorough cleaning, remove the keycaps using the provided keycap puller and wipe the keyboard surface with a slightly damp, lint-free cloth. Ensure the keyboard is disconnected from power before cleaning.

Switch and Keycap Care

When handling switches and keycaps, do so gently to prevent damage. Avoid excessive force when removing or installing components to protect the switch pins and keycap stems.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Keyboard Not Responding

- Ensure the USB-C cable is securely connected to both the keyboard and your computer.
- Try connecting the keyboard to a different USB port on your computer.
- Test the keyboard on a different computer to determine if the issue is with the keyboard or the original system.
- If possible, try using a different USB-C cable.

Lighting Issues

- Verify the lighting settings using the function key combinations (Fn + Z, Fn + X, Fn + C) as described in the Operating Instructions section.
- Ensure the keyboard's firmware is up to date. Check the official Drop website for the latest firmware and update instructions.
- If issues persist, consider resetting the keyboard to factory defaults using the configurator tool on the official Drop website.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	DROP
Model Name	ALT High-Profile Mechanical Keyboard
Model Number	MDX-31828-12
Number of Keys	67
Keyboard Layout	65%
Switch Type	Cherry MX Blue (Hot-Swappable)
Connectivity Technology	USB-C

Frame Material	Aluminum
Backlighting	RGB (Per-Key and Underglow)
Item Weight	43 Ounces
Compatible Devices	Laptop, PC

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Drop ALT High-Profile Mechanical Keyboard includes a 1-Year Drop Warranty. For warranty claims, technical assistance, or additional support, please visit the official Drop website's support page: [Drop Support](#).