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## SteelSeries 64831

# SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL RGB Gaming Keyboard User Manual

Model: Apex 3 TKL (64831)

## INTRODUCTION

The SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL RGB Gaming Keyboard is designed for competitive gaming, offering a compact tenkeyless form factor, durable construction, and customizable RGB illumination. This manual provides essential information to help you get the most out of your keyboard.



*Image: The SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL RGB Gaming Keyboard, showcasing its compact design and vibrant RGB lighting.*

## PACKAGE CONTENTS

- SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL RGB Gaming Keyboard
- USB Cable (integrated)
- User Manual (this document)

## SETUP

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### 1. Connecting the Keyboard

1. Locate an available USB port on your computer (PC or Mac).
2. Plug the USB cable from the Apex 3 TKL keyboard into the USB port.
3. The keyboard will automatically be recognized by your operating system.

### 2. Software Installation (SteelSeries Engine)

For full customization of RGB lighting, key bindings, and macros, download and install the SteelSeries Engine software.

- Visit the official SteelSeries website: [steelseries.com/engine](https://steelseries.com/engine)
- Download the latest version of SteelSeries Engine compatible with your operating system (Windows or macOS).
- Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.
- Once installed, launch the SteelSeries Engine to configure your keyboard settings.

## OPERATING THE KEYBOARD

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### Key Features

- **Tenkeyless Compact Form Factor:** This design optimizes desk space and allows for better mouse movement, preferred by many professional gamers.
- **Whisper Quiet Gaming Switches:** Engineered for silent operation and durability, these switches provide a tactile feel with minimal noise, ensuring over 20 million keypresses.
- **IP32 Water & Dust Resistant:** The keyboard is designed to withstand accidental spills and dust, enhancing its longevity and reliability.
- **8-Zone RGB Illumination (PrismSync):** Customize your keyboard's lighting with millions of colors and dynamic effects across 8 distinct zones using SteelSeries Engine.
- **Gaming Grade Anti-Ghosting:** Ensures that every keypress is registered accurately, even during intense gaming sessions with multiple simultaneous key inputs.

# OUTSHINE THE COMPETITION



Image: Diagram highlighting key features of the Apex 3 TKL keyboard, including Whisper Quiet Gaming Switches, Water and Dust Resistance, Dedicated Multimedia Controls, Brilliant 10-Zone PrismSync Lighting, and Competitive Tenkeyless Form Factor.

## Detailed Feature Overview

# WHISPER QUIET GAMING SWITCHES

**COMPLETELY SILENT WITH A  
DISTINCTIVE FEEL**

*Image: Close-up of the Whisper Quiet Gaming Switches, designed for silent operation and a distinctive tactile feel.*

# WATER AND DUST RESISTANT

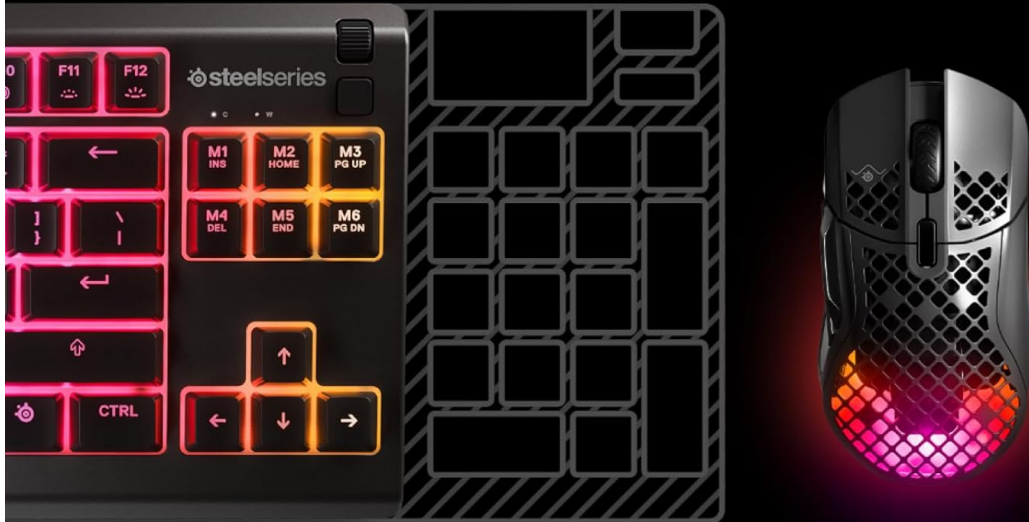


**PROTECTED FROM SPLASHES, DUST,  
AND MORE**

*Image: Detail showing the IP32 water and dust resistance, protecting the keyboard from splashes and particles.*



# TENKEYLESS FORM FACTOR



## COMPACT SIZE FOR MORE DESK ROOM

*Image: Illustration of the tenkeyless form factor, demonstrating its compact size for increased desk space and mouse movement.*

### Dedicated Multimedia Controls

The Apex 3 TKL features a clickable volume roller and dedicated media keys for convenient control over your audio and media playback.

- **Volume Roller:** Scroll up to increase volume, scroll down to decrease volume. Press the roller to mute/unmute audio.
- **Media Key (Play/Pause):** Single press to play or pause media.
- **Media Key (Forward/Skip):** Double press to skip to the next track.
- **Media Key (Back/Previous):** Triple press to go to the previous track.

# DEDICATED MULTIMEDIA CONTROLS



Volume Up: Scroll Wheel Up  
Volume Down: Scroll Wheel Down  
Mute / Unmute Toggle: Press Wheel

Play / Pause: Single Press  
Forward / Skip Track: Double Press  
Back / Previous Track: Triple Press

## ADJUST VOLUME AND MORE

*Image: Close-up view of the dedicated multimedia controls on the SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL keyboard, showing the volume roller and media buttons.*

### Compatibility

The SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL is compatible with a wide range of devices:

- Windows PC
- Mac OS X
- Xbox Series S
- Xbox Series X
- PlayStation 4 (PS4)
- PlayStation 5 (PS5)

### MAINTENANCE

#### Cleaning Your Keyboard

Regular cleaning helps maintain the performance and appearance of your keyboard. Due to its IP32 water and dust resistance, minor spills are less of a concern, but proper cleaning is still recommended.

- **Dust Removal:** Use a can of compressed air to blow away dust and debris from between the keys.
- **Surface Cleaning:** Dampen a soft, lint-free cloth with a small amount of water or a mild, non-abrasive cleaning

solution. Gently wipe the keycaps and the keyboard surface. Avoid excessive moisture.

- **Stubborn Stains:** For more stubborn stains, a cotton swab lightly dampened with isopropyl alcohol can be used on keycaps, but avoid direct contact with the keyboard's internal components.
- **Drying:** Ensure the keyboard is completely dry before reconnecting it to your computer or using it.

*Do not immerse the keyboard in water or use harsh chemicals.*

## TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL keyboard, try the following troubleshooting steps:

- **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.
- **RGB Lighting Not Working/Incorrect:**
  - Verify that the SteelSeries Engine software is installed and running.
  - Check the lighting settings within the SteelSeries Engine to ensure desired effects are selected.
  - Ensure no other RGB control software is conflicting with SteelSeries Engine.
  - Update SteelSeries Engine to the latest version.
- **Keys Not Registering or Ghosting:**
  - Clean the affected keys as described in the Maintenance section.
  - Ensure the keyboard firmware is up to date via SteelSeries Engine.
  - Test the keyboard on another computer to rule out system-specific issues.
- **Multimedia Controls Not Functioning:**
  - Check if any background applications are interfering with media control hotkeys.
  - Ensure SteelSeries Engine is running, as some functions may rely on the software.

If these steps do not resolve your issue, please refer to the Support section for further assistance.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	SteelSeries
Model Number	64831
Form Factor	Tenkeyless (TKL)
Switch Type	Whisper Quiet Gaming Switches (Tactile & Silent)
Illumination	8-Zone RGB (PrismSync)
Durability	IP32 Water & Dust Resistant
Anti-Ghosting	Gaming Grade Anti-Ghosting
Dedicated Controls	Multimedia Controls, Clickable Volume Roller
Connectivity	Wired USB
Compatible Operating Systems	Windows, Mac OS X



<b>Compatible Consoles</b>	Xbox Series S, Xbox Series X, PS4, PS5
<b>Item Weight</b>	1.4 pounds (0.64 kg)
<b>Product Dimensions (LxWxH)</b>	14.3 x 5.9 x 1.57 inches (36.3 x 15 x 4 cm)

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

### Official User Manual (PDF)

A detailed PDF version of the user manual is available for download:

[Download User Manual \(PDF\)](#)

### Manufacturer Support


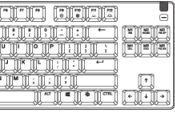

For warranty information, technical support, and frequently asked questions, please visit the official SteelSeries support website:




[SteelSeries Support Website](#)

You can also find additional resources and product information on the main SteelSeries website:

[SteelSeries Official Website](#)

## Related Documents - 64831

 <p><b>APEX 7 TKL</b> PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL Product Information Guide</a></p> <p>Comprehensive guide to the SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL gaming keyboard, covering features, setup, functions, and compatibility. Learn to use SteelSeries Engine for customization.</p>
 <p><b>APEX 9 TKL</b> PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex 9 TKL Product Information Guide</a></p> <p>Comprehensive product information guide for the SteelSeries Apex 9 TKL keyboard, detailing its features, setup, functions, customization options, and regulatory compliance.</p>
 <p><b>APEX 3 TKL</b> PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL Keyboard: Product Information Guide</a></p> <p>A comprehensive guide to the SteelSeries Apex 3 TKL keyboard, covering its features, setup, functions, and compatibility. Learn about SteelSeries Engine, multimedia controls, macro recording, and illumination brightness.</p>

 <p>APEX 7 TKL PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL Keyboard Product Information Guide</a></p> <p>This guide provides comprehensive product information for the SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL keyboard, covering its features, setup, functions, compatibility, and regulatory details.</p>
 <p>APEX 7 TKL PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL Product Information Guide   User Manual</a></p> <p>User guide for the SteelSeries Apex 7 TKL mechanical gaming keyboard. Covers product overview, setup, functions, multimedia controls, OLED display features, macro recording, illumination settings, system requirements, platform compatibility, and regulatory compliance information.</p>
 <p>APEX PRO TKL PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE</p>	<p><a href="#">SteelSeries Apex Pro TKL Keyboard Product Information Guide</a></p> <p>This guide provides comprehensive information on the SteelSeries Apex Pro TKL Keyboard, including product overview, setup, functions, and compatibility. Learn how to use SteelSeries Engine, multimedia controls, macro recording, and illumination settings.</p>