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1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Leopold FC980MBT is a space-saving full-size mechanical keyboard featuring both wired USB-C and wireless Bluetooth 5.4 connectivity. It is equipped with genuine Cherry MX Red switches and durable 1.5mm thick PBT Double Shot keycaps, designed for a premium typing experience. This model offers an 1800 layout, providing a compact form factor while retaining most of the functionality of a full-size keyboard, including a dedicated number pad.



Image 1.1: Top-down view of the Leopold FC980MBT mechanical keyboard, showcasing its two-tone white keycaps and compact 1800 layout.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Please verify that all items are present in the package before proceeding with setup.

- Leopold FC980MBT Mechanical Keyboard
- USB-C Cable
- 2 x AAA Batteries (for wireless mode)

3. KEY FEATURES

- **Dual Connectivity:** Connect via wired USB-C or wirelessly with Bluetooth 5.4.
- **Premium Keycaps:** Equipped with 1.5mm thick PBT Double Shot keycaps for enhanced durability and feel.
- **Authentic Switches:** Features genuine Cherry MX Red mechanical switches for a smooth and linear typing experience.
- **Customizable Functions:** Dip switches allow for customizing certain key functions to suit user preferences.
- **Flexible Cable Routing:** A 3-way cord channel allows the USB-C cable to exit underneath the keyboard from the left, right, or middle.
- **Wireless Power:** Wireless mode is powered by 2 AAA batteries, which are included.
- **Space-Saving Design:** Utilizes an 1800 layout, offering a compact footprint while retaining a full numeric keypad.
- **Integrated Multimedia Controls:** Convenient multimedia controls are accessible via the F-row keys.

4. SETUP GUIDE

4.1 Wired Connection

1. Locate the USB-C port on the back of the keyboard.
2. Connect one end of the provided USB-C cable to the keyboard's USB-C port.
3. Route the cable through one of the 3-way cord channels underneath the keyboard (left, right, or middle) as desired.
4. Connect the other end of the USB-C cable to an available USB port on your computer.
5. The keyboard will be automatically recognized by your operating system and ready for use.

4.2 Bluetooth Wireless Connection

Before establishing a Bluetooth connection, ensure the AAA batteries are correctly installed.

1. **Install Batteries:** Open the battery compartment on the underside of the keyboard and insert the two AAA batteries, observing the correct polarity.
2. **Activate Bluetooth Mode:** Locate the Bluetooth switch on the keyboard (refer to the keyboard's underside or a dedicated key combination if available, typically Fn + a specific key). Switch the keyboard to Bluetooth mode.
3. **Enter Pairing Mode:** Press and hold the Bluetooth pairing key (often indicated by a Bluetooth icon or a specific Fn combination, e.g., Fn + F12 or a dedicated pairing button) until the indicator light on the keyboard begins to flash, signifying it is in pairing mode.
4. **Pair with Device:**
 - **For PC/Laptop:** Go to Bluetooth settings on your computer, search for new devices, and select "Leopold FC980MBT" from the list. Follow any on-screen prompts to complete pairing.
 - **For Smartphone/Tablet:** Open Bluetooth settings on your mobile device, enable Bluetooth, and select "Leopold FC980MBT" when it appears in the list of available devices.
5. **Connection Confirmation:** Once successfully paired, the indicator light on the keyboard will stop flashing and remain solid or turn off, depending on the model. The keyboard is now ready for wireless use.



Image 4.1: Angled view of the Leopold FC980MBT, highlighting the keycap profile and overall design.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Multimedia Controls

The FC980MBT keyboard includes integrated multimedia controls accessible via the F-row keys. These functions typically require pressing the **Fn** key simultaneously with the corresponding F-key.

Key Combination	Function
Fn + F7	Play/Pause
Fn + F8	Stop
Fn + F9	Previous Track
Fn + F10	Next Track
Fn + F11	Volume Down
Fn + F12	Volume Up

5.2 DIP Switches

The Leopold FC980MBT features DIP switches on its underside, allowing users to customize certain key functions. Refer to the diagram or markings near the DIP switches for specific functions. Common customizations include:

- Swapping Ctrl and Caps Lock keys.
- Swapping Alt and Windows/Meta keys.
- Disabling the Windows/Meta key.
- Changing the function of the Fn key.

Caution: Always disconnect the keyboard from your computer (both wired and wireless) before changing DIP switch settings to prevent potential issues.



Image 5.1: Side view of the Leopold FC980MBT, showing the ergonomic angle and keycap profile.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Leopold FC980MBT keyboard.

- **Cleaning Keycaps:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth slightly dampened with water or a mild cleaning solution. Avoid harsh chemicals. For deeper cleaning, keycaps can be carefully removed using a keycap puller (not included) and washed with mild soap and water, then thoroughly dried before reattaching.
- **Cleaning the Case:** Wipe the keyboard case with a soft, dry cloth.
- **Dust Removal:** Use compressed air to remove dust and debris from between the keycaps and switches.
- **Storage:** When not in use for extended periods, store the keyboard in a dry, cool place away from direct sunlight. If storing for a long time, remove the AAA batteries to prevent leakage.
- **Avoid Liquids:** Do not spill liquids on the keyboard. In case of accidental spills, immediately disconnect the keyboard, turn it upside down to drain, and allow it to dry completely before attempting to use it again.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your keyboard, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **Keyboard Not Responding (Wired):**

- Ensure the USB-C cable is securely connected to both the keyboard and the computer.
- Try connecting the keyboard to a different USB port on your computer.
- Test the keyboard on another computer to rule out a computer-specific issue.

- **Keyboard Not Responding (Bluetooth):**

- Check if the AAA batteries are installed correctly and have sufficient charge. Replace if necessary.
- Ensure the keyboard is in Bluetooth mode and pairing mode (indicator light flashing).
- Verify that Bluetooth is enabled on your computer/device.
- Remove the keyboard from your device's Bluetooth list and attempt to re-pair it.
- Ensure no other Bluetooth devices are causing interference.

- **Keys Not Registering or Double-Typing:**

- Clean the area around the affected key with compressed air to remove any debris.
- Ensure the keycap is properly seated on the switch.

- **DIP Switch Settings Not Applying:**

- Ensure the keyboard was disconnected from the computer (both wired and wireless) before changing DIP switch settings.
- Reconnect the keyboard after making changes.

If the issue persists after trying these steps, please contact Leopold customer support for further assistance.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model	FC980MBT
Connectivity	Bluetooth 5.4, USB-C (Wired)
Switch Type	Genuine Cherry MX Red Mechanical Switches
Keycaps	1.5mm thick PBT Double Shot
Layout	1800 (Space-saving Full Size)
Power Source (Wireless)	2 x AAA Batteries
Compatible Devices	Laptop, PC, Smartphone, Tablet
Material	Polybutylene Terephthalate (Keycaps)
Color	Two Tone White (Cherry MX Red variant)

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Leopold products are manufactured to high quality standards. For information regarding warranty coverage, terms, and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Leopold website. For technical support, troubleshooting assistance beyond this manual, or warranty claims, please contact Leopold customer service

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