Logitech Alto Keys K98M

Logitech Alto Keys K98M Wireless Mechanical Keyboard User Manual

Model: Alto Keys K98M

Brand: Logitech

INTRODUCTION

The Logitech Alto Keys K98M is a wireless mechanical keyboard designed for enhanced typing comfort and productivity. Featuring a 98-key layout, UniCushion integrated cushioning, and hot-swappable switches, it offers a customizable and enjoyable typing experience. This manual provides detailed instructions for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your keyboard.

Figure 1: Top-down view of the Logitech Alto Keys K98M Wireless Mechanical Keyboard, showcasing its full 98-key layout and transparent casing.

Figure 2: The Logitech Alto Keys K98M keyboard is available in multiple color variants, allowing users to choose a style that complements their setup.

KEY FEATURES

- **UniCushion Integrated Cushioning:** Logitech's self-designed integrated cushioning gasket structure provides an upgraded, comfortable, and pure sound typing experience.

- **Hot-Swappable Marble Axis:** Features high-precision, stable, and sensitive linear marble axis switches, offering a pleasant key sound. The hot-swappable design allows for easy customization and replacement of switches.

- **Translucent PBT Keycaps with Backlight:** Equipped with translucent PBT keycaps and white ambient light, illuminating your workspace and enhancing productivity.

- **Customizable Workflow:** Smart keys allow for personalized settings via Logi Options+ software, streamlining your workflow.

- **98-Key Layout & Aesthetic Design:** A compact yet functional 98-key layout with a transparent top cover, combining beauty and utility.

- **Long-Lasting Battery Life:** Offers up to 12 months of battery life in backlight-off mode, with convenient USB-C charging.

- **Multi-Device & Multi-System Compatibility:** Connects to up to 3 devices via Bluetooth or Logi Bolt receiver using Easy-Switch (F1, F2, F3) and supports Windows, macOS, ChromeOS, and iPadOS.

Figure 3: Detail of a hot-swappable switch, illustrating the ease of removal and replacement for customization or maintenance.
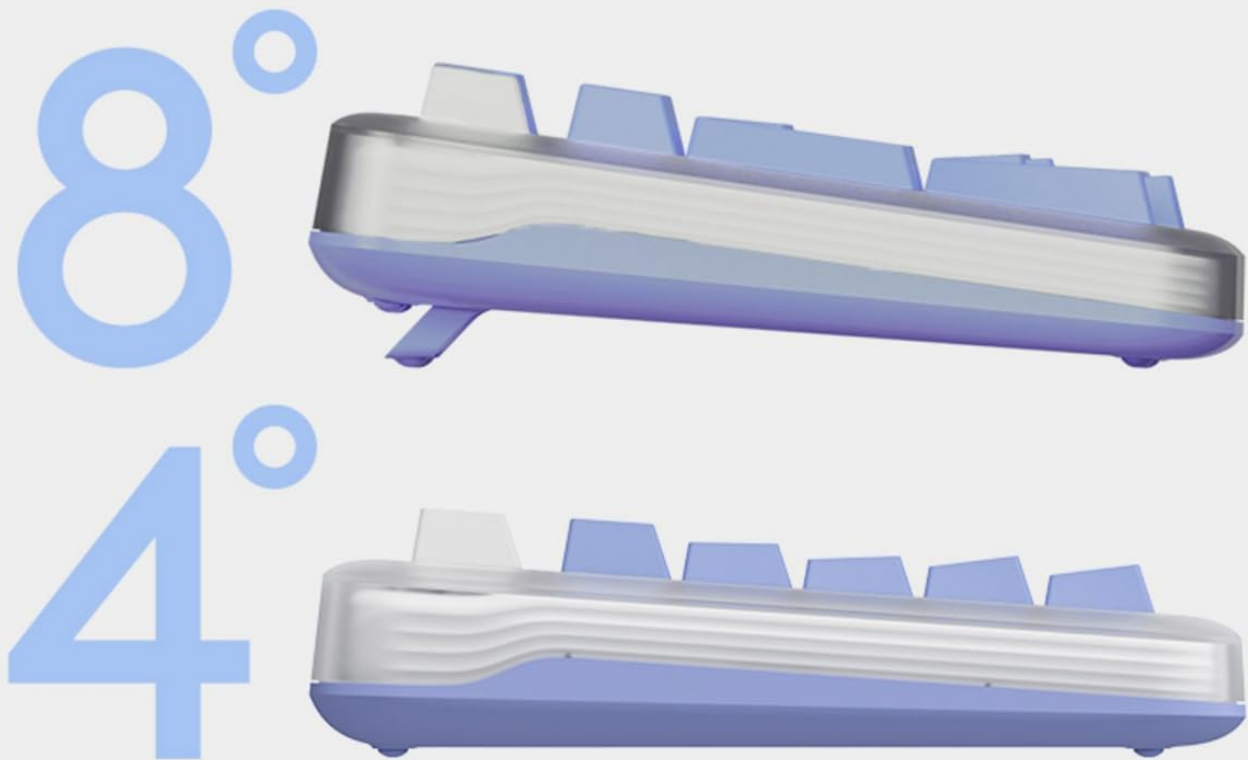
Figure 4: The keyboard features adjustable feet, allowing users to set the typing angle to either 4 or 8 degrees for ergonomic comfort.

SETUP

Unboxing

Upon opening the package, ensure all components are present:

- Logitech Alto Keys K98M Wireless Mechanical Keyboard
- Logi Bolt USB Receiver
- USB-C Charging Cable
- User Documentation (this manual)

Initial Charging

Before first use, it is recommended to fully charge your keyboard. Connect the supplied USB-C cable to the charging port on the keyboard and the other end to a USB power source (e.g., computer USB port, USB wall adapter).
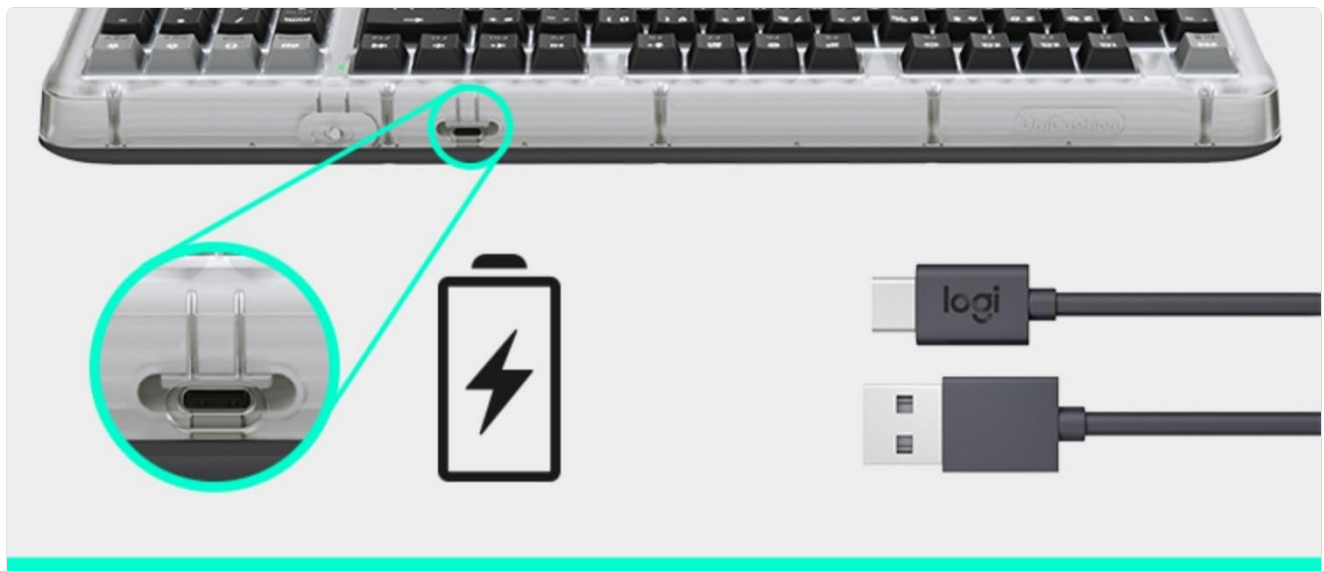
Figure 5: The USB-C charging port on the keyboard, along with the compatible USB-C to USB-A charging cable.

Connectivity

The Alto Keys K98M keyboard supports two wireless connection methods: Bluetooth and Logi Bolt USB Receiver.

Bluetooth Connection

1. Ensure the keyboard is powered on.
2. Press and hold one of the Easy-Switch keys (F1, F2, or F3) for 3 seconds until the LED indicator above the key starts blinking rapidly, indicating pairing mode.
3. On your device (computer, tablet, smartphone), open Bluetooth settings and select "Logitech K98M" from the list of available devices.
4. Follow any on-screen prompts to complete the pairing process. The LED will turn solid when connected.

Logi Bolt Receiver Connection

1. Plug the Logi Bolt USB Receiver into an available USB port on your computer.
2. Ensure the keyboard is powered on.
3. The keyboard should automatically connect to the receiver. If not, press one of the Easy-Switch keys (F1, F2, or F3) briefly to select an available channel, then press and hold it for 3 seconds to initiate pairing.
4. The LED indicator will turn solid when connected.

Multi-Device Switching (Easy-Switch)

The Alto Keys K98M allows you to connect to up to three devices and switch between them seamlessly using the Easy-Switch keys (F1, F2, F3). Simply press the desired F-key corresponding to the device you wish to use. The LED above the key will illuminate to indicate the active connection.

Software Installation

To unlock the full customization potential of your keyboard, download and install the Logi Options+ software. This application allows you to customize key functions, manage device connections, and more.

- Visit app.logi.com to download the latest version of Logi Options+.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to install the software on your Windows or macOS device.

OPERATING THE KEYBOARD

Basic Functions

The Alto Keys K98M functions as a standard 98-key mechanical keyboard. All standard alphanumeric, symbol, and function keys operate as expected. The dedicated number pad provides convenience for data entry.

Backlight Control

The keyboard features an adjustable white backlight. Use the F4 key to cycle through brightness levels.
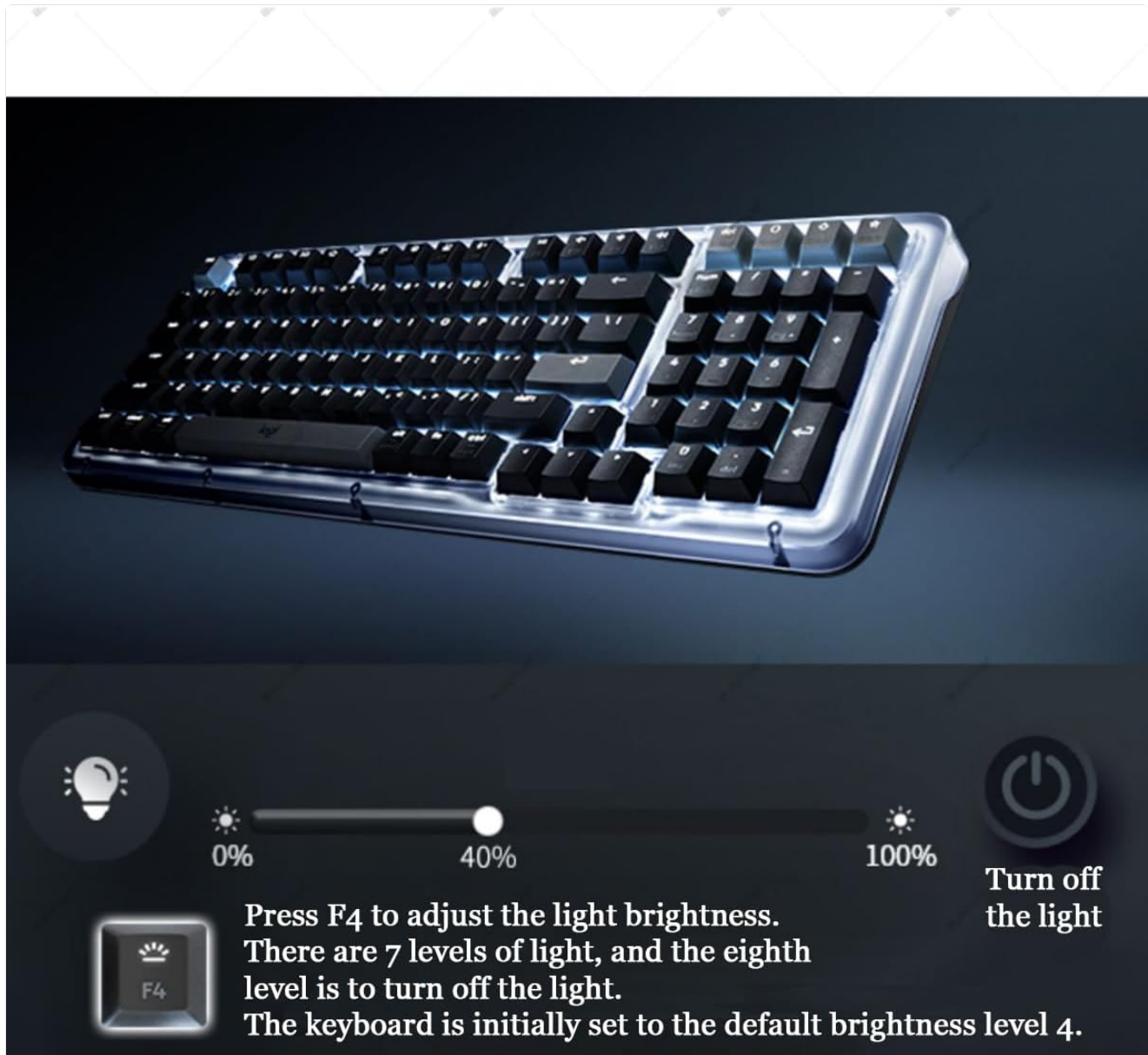

Figure 6: The F4 key controls the backlight brightness. There are 7 levels of light, and the eighth press turns off the light. The keyboard is initially set to the default brightness level 4.

Customizing Keys

Utilize the Logi Options+ software to customize the functions of various keys, including the F-keys and other programmable keys, to suit your specific workflow and applications.

System Compatibility

The Logitech Alto Keys K98M is compatible with a wide range of operating systems:

- Windows
- macOS
- ChromeOS
- iPadOS

MAINTENANCE

Cleaning

To maintain the performance and appearance of your keyboard, follow these cleaning guidelines:

- Disconnect the keyboard from power and turn it off before cleaning.
- Use a soft, lint-free cloth slightly dampened with water or a mild cleaning solution (e.g., isopropyl alcohol) to wipe the keycaps and casing.
- Avoid spraying liquids directly onto the keyboard.
- For debris between keys, use compressed air or a small brush.

Battery Management

The keyboard features a long-lasting rechargeable battery. To maximize battery life:

- Charge the keyboard fully when the battery indicator shows low power.
- Turn off the backlight when not needed, as it significantly impacts battery consumption.
- If storing the keyboard for an extended period, ensure it is fully charged and powered off.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Common Issues and Solutions

- **Keyboard not connecting/responding:**

  - Ensure the keyboard is powered on and fully charged.
  - Verify the correct Easy-Switch channel (F1, F2, or F3) is selected for your device.
  - For Bluetooth, ensure Bluetooth is enabled on your device and try re-pairing.
  - For Logi Bolt, ensure the receiver is securely plugged into a working USB port. Try a different USB port.
  - Restart your computer/device.

- **Keys not registering or double-typing:**

  - Check for debris under the keycap. Use compressed air to clear.
  - If a specific switch is faulty, consider replacing it due to the hot-swappable design.
  - Ensure Logi Options+ software is up to date.

- **Backlight not working or dim:**

  - Press F4 repeatedly to cycle through brightness levels.
  - Ensure the keyboard has sufficient battery charge.
  - Check Logi Options+ settings for any backlight controls.

- **Logi Options+ software not detecting keyboard:**

  - Ensure the keyboard is connected to your computer (via Bluetooth or Logi Bolt).
  - Restart the Logi Options+ application.
  - Reinstall Logi Options+ if the issue persists.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Logitech
Model	Alto Keys K98M
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth, Logi Bolt USB Receiver
Keyboard Description	Mechanical
Number of Keys	98
Special Features	Backlight function, Mechanical, Easy-switch, Customizable Display Keys, Hot-swappable
Compatible Devices	Laptop computer (Windows, macOS, ChromeOS, iPadOS)
Material Type	Rubber, Plastic, Metal
Product Dimensions	40.1 x 15 x 4 cm
Item Weight	1.5 kg
Batteries Required	No (Rechargeable)
Country/Region of Origin	China
First Available Date	18 March 2025

Figure 7: Bottom view of the keyboard, showing the adjustable feet and product labeling.
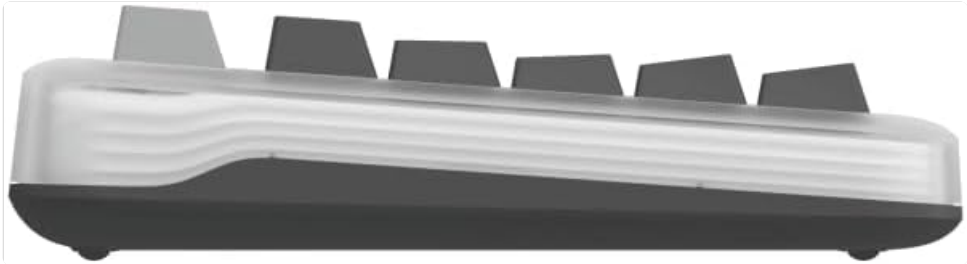

Figure 8: Side profile of the keyboard, highlighting its ergonomic design and transparent casing.

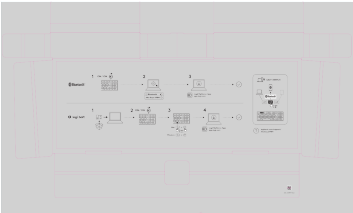## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Warranty Information

Logitech products are manufactured to the highest quality standards. For specific warranty terms and conditions applicable to your region, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Logitech website.

Customer Support

If you encounter any issues not covered in this manual or require further assistance, please visit the Logitech support website for FAQs, troubleshooting guides, and contact information for technical support.
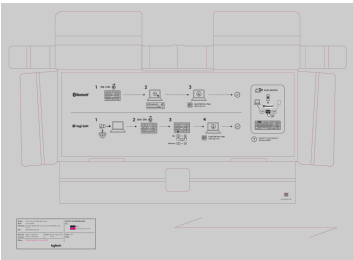
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