

Keychron Q8 Customizable Keyboard User Manual

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Fully Assembled Version

Keyboard

Ix Fully Assembled Keyboard

Including

Ix Aluminum Case

Ix PCB

Ix Steel Plate

14x Gaskets (8 Installed and 6 in the Box)

5 Sets x Stabilizers

1 Set x Keycaps (PBT Double-shot)

1 Set x Switches (Gateron G Pro)

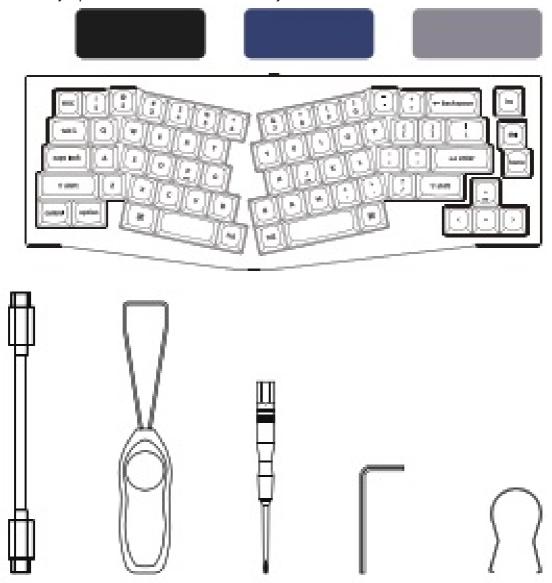
Cable

Ix Type-C to Type-C Cable

Ix Type-A to Type-C Adapter

Tools

Ix Switch Puller Ix Keycap Puller Ix Screwdriver Ix Hex Key



Barebone Version

Keyboard Kit

Ix Keyboard Kit (Without Keycaps & Switches)

Including

Ix Aluminum Case

Ix PCB

Ix Steel Plate 14x Gaskets (8 Installed and 6 in the Box)

5 Sets x Stabilizers

Cable

Ix Type-C to Type-C Cable

Ix Type-A to Type-C Adapter

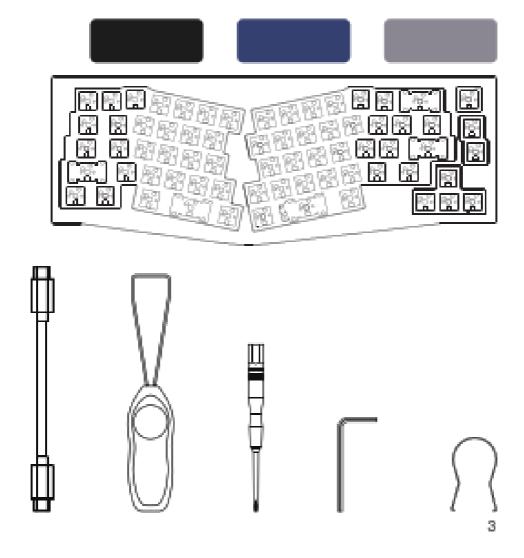
Tools

Ix Switch Puller

Ix Keycap Puller

Ix Screwdriver

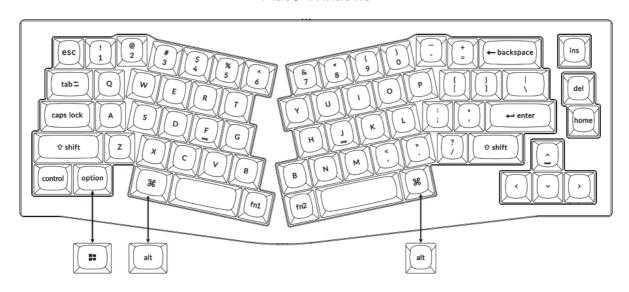
Ix Hex Key



QUICK START GUIDE

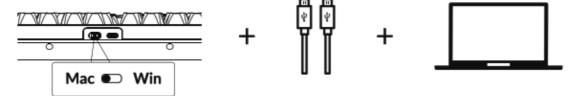
If you are a Windows user, please find the appropriate keycaps in the box, then follow the instructions below to find and replace the following keycaps.

Mac / Windows



1. Switch To The Right System

Please make sure the system toggle on the top center has been switched to the same system as your computer's operating system.



2. The VIA Key Remapping Software

Please visit <u>caniusevia.com</u> to download the latest VIA software to remap the keys. If the VIA software cannot recognize your keyboard, please reach out to our support to get the instruction.



3. The Layers

There are five layers of key settings on the keyboard.

Layer 0 is for the Mac system.

Layer 1 is for the Windows system.

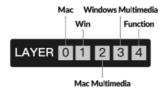
Layer 2 is for the Mac Multimedia keys.

Layer 3 is for the Windows Multimedia keys.

Layer 4 is for the Function keys.

If your system toggle is switched to Mac, then layer 0 will be activated.

If your system toggle is switched to Windows, then layer 1 will be activated.







4. Multimedia Key and Function Key

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Multimedia keys

Function keys
F1 / F2 / F3 / F4 / F5 / F6 / F7 / F8 / F9 / F10 / F11 / F12

In order to get Multimedia Key, you need to press ${\sf fn1}$ and

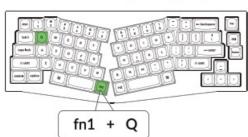
In order to get Function Key, you need to press fn2 and



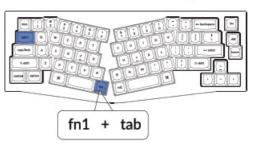
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5. The Backlight

Press fn1 + Q to change the lighting effect

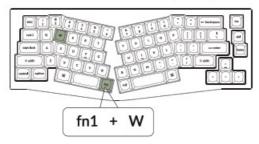


Press fn1 + tab to turn the backlight on/off



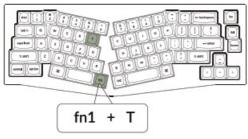
6. Adjust The Backlight Brightness

fn1 + W to increase the backlight brightness

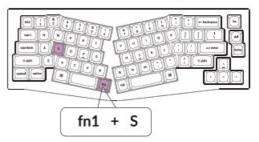


7. Adjust The Backlight Speed

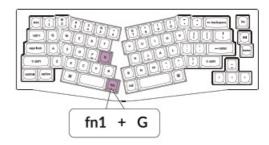
Press fn1 + T to increase the light effect speed



fn1 + S to decrease the backlight brightness



Press fn1 + G to decrease the light effect speed



8. Warranty

The keyboard is highly customizable and easy to be rebuilt. If anything goes wrong with any of the keyboard components of the keyboard during the warranty period, we will only replace the defective parts of the keyboard, not the whole keyboard.

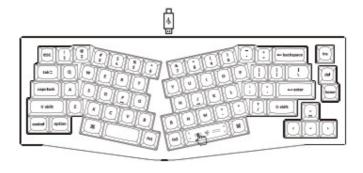


9. Watch The Building Tutorial On Our Website

If you are building the keyboard for the first time, we highly recommend you watch the building tutorial video on our website first, then start building the keyboard yourself.



10. Factory Reset



Troubleshooting? Don't know what's going on with the keyboard?

1. Try factory reset by pressing final +J +Z (for 4 seconds).

- 2. Download the right firmware for your keyboard from our website. Remove the power cable from the keyboard.
- 3. Remove the space bar keycap to find the reset button on the PCB.
- 4. Hold the reset key while plugging in the power cable and then release the reset key. The keyboard now will enter DFU mode.
- 5. Flash the firmware with the QMK Toolbox.
- 6. Factory reset the keyboard again by pressing fn + J + Z (for 4 seconds).

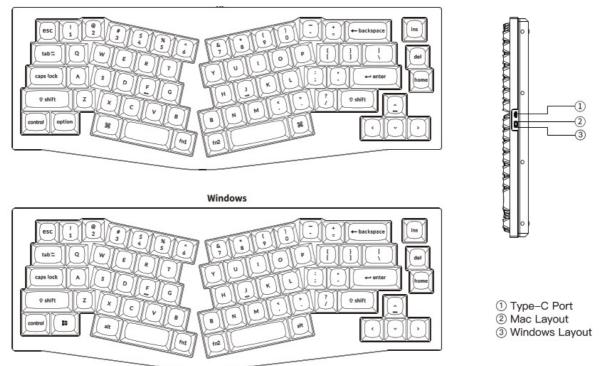
CUSTOMIZABLE KEYBOARD SPECIFICATIONS

Specification	
Layou	65%
Switc h type	Mechanical
Width	119.3 / 136.1 mm
Lengt h	358 mm
Front height	19.7 mm (without keycaps)
Back height	31.5 mm (without keycaps)
Front height	31.2 mm (with OSA keycaps installed)
Back height	41.5 mm (with OSA keycaps installed)
Keybo ard fe et hei ght	2.7 mm
Angle	5 degree

^{*}Step by step guide can be found on our website.

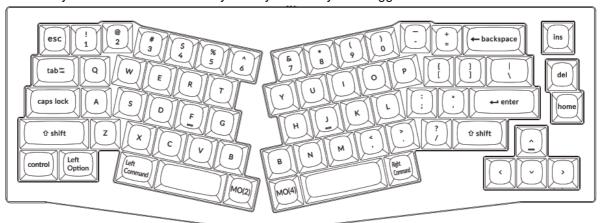
CUSTOMIZABLE KEYBOARD OVERVIEW

Mac

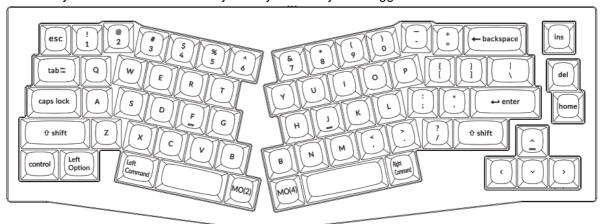


DEFAULT KEY LAYOUT:

LAYER 0: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Mac.

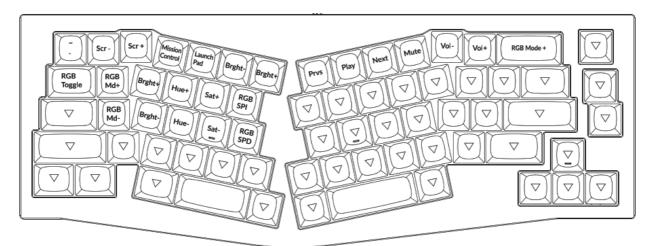


LAYER 1: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Windows.

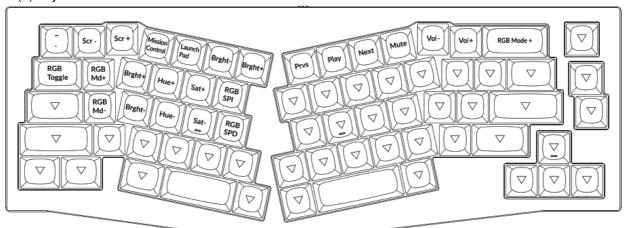


LAlt = Left Alt Left Windows Ralt = Alt

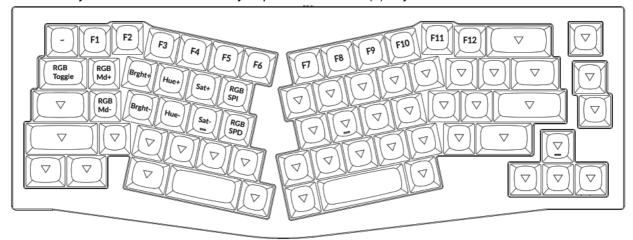
LAYER 2: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Mac and press the fn1/MO(2) key.



LAYER 3: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Windows and press the fn1/MO(3) key.



LAYER 4: This layer will be activated when you press the fn2/MO(4) key.



KEY DESCRIPTION

	Key Description
Scr-	Screen Brightness Decrease
Scr+	Screen Brightness Increase
Bright -	Backlight Decrease
Bright +	Backlight Increase
Prvs	Previous
Play	Play/Pause
Next	Next
Mute	Mute
Vol-	Volume Decrease
Vol+	Volume Increase
RGB Toggl e	Turn Backlight on/off
RGB Md+	RGB Mode Next
RGB Md-	RGB Mode Previous
Hue+	Hue Increase
Hue-	Hue Decrease
RGB SPI	RGB Speed Increase
RGBS PD	RGB Speed Decrease
MO(1)	Layer 1 will be activated when holding this key
MO(2)	Layer 2 will be activated when holding this key
MO(3)	Layer 3 will be activated when holding this key
MO(4)	Layer 4 will be activated when holding this key

Third-party input tools are not compatible with the keyboard.

Due to compatibility, versions, brands, and drivers of Windows/macOS, functionalities of third Part input tools may be affected while using the keyboard. Please make sure your operating system and drivers are up to date.

Certain fn keys or multimedia keys do not work under Windows/Android mode.

Functionalities of certain multimedia keys may be disabled due to compatibility, versions, brands, and drivers of Windows/Android OS.

Safety Precaution: Keep the product, accessories, and packaging parts out of reach of children to prevent any accidents and choking hazards. Always keep the product dry to avoid corrosion. Do not expose the product to extreme temperatures below -10°C (5°F) or above 50°C (131°F) to preserve the lifespan of the keyboard.

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