



V5 MAX WIRELESS MECHANICAL KEYBOARD USER MANUAL



How to Remap Your QMK Enabled V Max Series Keyboard on macOS, Windows, Linux:

<https://www.keychron.com/blogs/news/how-to-use-launcher-to-program-your-keyboard>

Source Code, download link will be available on the product page of our official website if the code is up on Github, you can then search “source code” to find it.

More files for further customization:

<https://www.keychron.com/pages/keychron-v5-max-user-guide>

Fully Assembled Version

Keyboard

1x Fully Assembled Keyboard

Including

1x Case

1x PCB

1x PC Plate

1x PET Foam

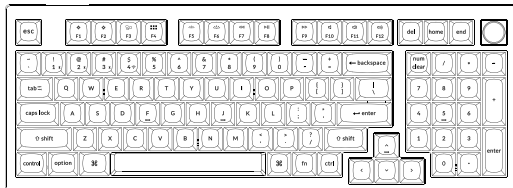
1x Case Foam

1x Sound Absorbing Foam

6 Sets x Stabilizers

1 Set x Keycaps (PBT Double-shot)

1 Set x Switches



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1x Type-A to Type-C Adapter

1x Extension Adapter For Receiver

Receiver

1x Type-A 2.4GHz Receiver

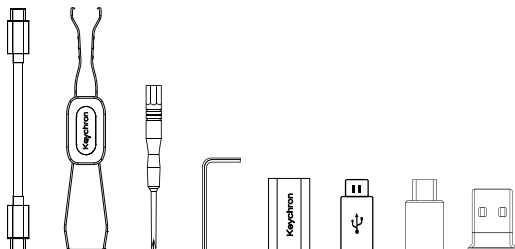
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Tools

1x Keycap & Switch Puller

1x Screwdriver

1x Hex Key



Barebone Version

Keyboard Kit

1x Keyboard Kit (Without Keycaps & Switches)

Including

1x Case

1x PCB

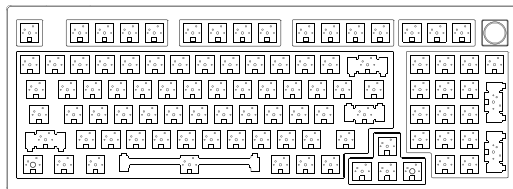
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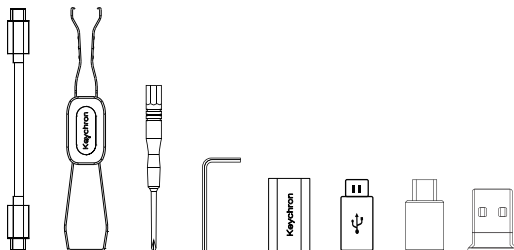
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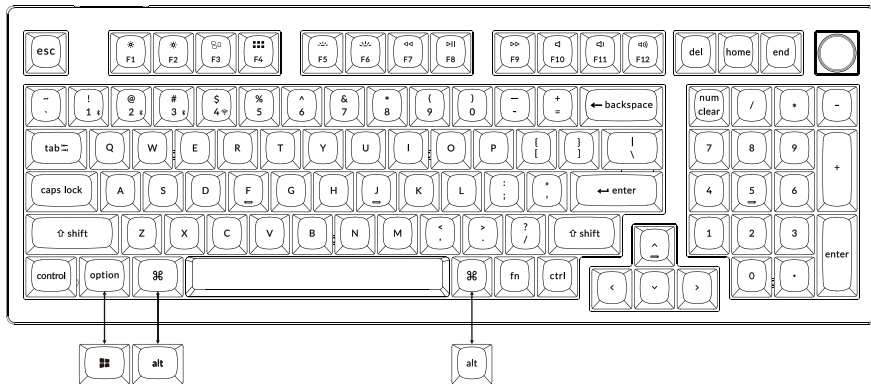
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Quick Start Guide

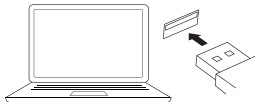
If you are a Windows user, please find the appropriate keycaps in the box, then follow the instructions below to find and replace the following keycaps.

Mac / Windows

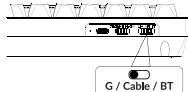


1 Connect 2.4GHz Receiver

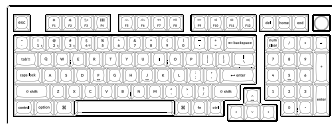
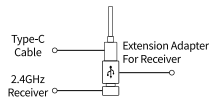
Connect the 2.4GHz receiver to the device USB port.



Switch toggle to 2.4GHz mode

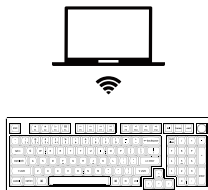


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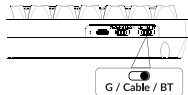


Note: For the best wireless experience, we recommend using the extension adapter for receiver and putting the 2.4GHz receiver somewhere on your desk close to your keyboard for a low rate of latency and fewer signal interferences.

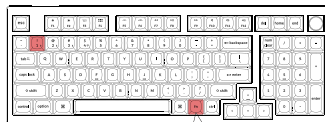
2 Connect Bluetooth



Switch toggle to Bluetooth

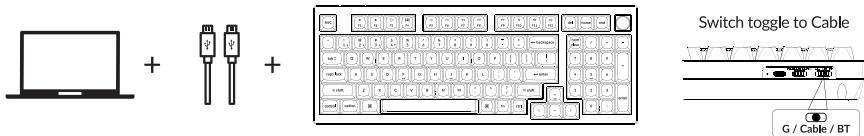


Press fn + 1 (for 4 seconds) and pair with device named Keychron V5 Max.



fn + 1

3 Connect Cable



4 The VIA Key Remapping Software

Please visit usevia.app to use the online VIA software to remap the keys.
If the VIA cannot recognize your keyboard, please reach our support to get the instruction.



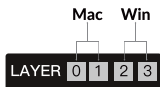
- * The online VIA software can only run on the latest version of Chrome, Edge, and Opera browsers yet.
- * VIA only works when the keyboard is connected by wire to the computer.

5 The Layers

There are four layers of key settings on the keyboard. The layer 0 and layer 1 are for the Mac system. The layer 2 and layer 3 are for the Windows system.

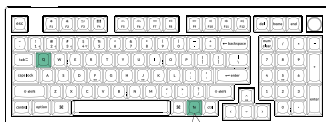
If your system toggle is switched to Mac, then the layer 0 will be activated.

If your system toggle is switched to Windows, then the layer 2 will be activated. Remember that if you are using it in Windows mode, please make changes to the layer 2 instead of the top layer (the layer 0). This is a common mistake people are making.



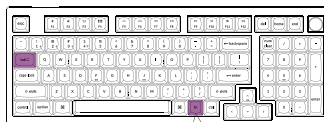
6 The Backlight

Press fn + Q to change the lighting effect



fn + Q

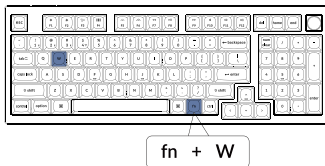
Press fn + tab to turn the backlight on/off



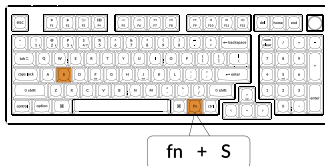
fn + tab

7 Adjust The Backlight Brightness

Press fn + W to increase the backlight brightness

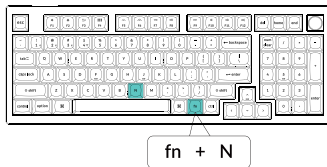


Press fn + S to decrease the backlight brightness



8 The Key Rollover

Press fn + N to switch between 6-key rollover and N-key rollover



6-key rollover: the keyboard can detect up to 6 simultaneous key inputs.
N-key rollover: the keyboard can detect all key inputs without limit to the number of key presses.

* The keyboard enables N-key rollover by default.

9 Warranty

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

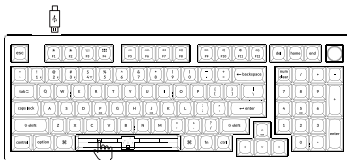


10 Watch The Building Tutorial On Our Website

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.



11 Factory Reset



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

1. Download the right firmware and QMK Toolbox from our website.
2. Unplug the power cable and switch the keyboard to Cable mode.
3. Remove the space bar keycap to find the reset button on the PCB.
4. Hold the reset key first, then plug the power cable into the keyboard.

Release the reset key after 2 seconds, and the keyboard will now enter DFU mode.

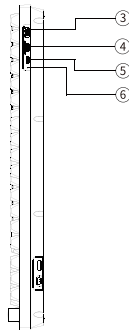
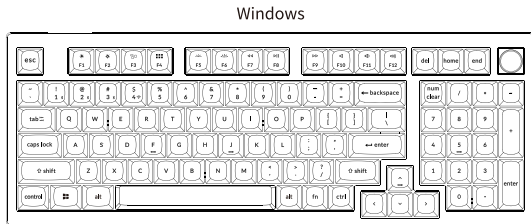
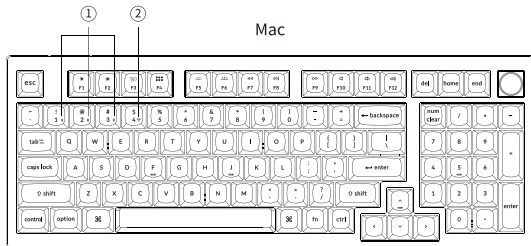
5. Flash the firmware with the QMK Toolbox.
6. Factory reset the keyboard by pressing fn + J + Z (for 4 seconds).

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

V5 MAX WIRELESS MECHANICAL KEYBOARD SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications	
Layout	96%
Switch type	Mechanical
Width	148.7 mm
Length	391.5 mm
Front height	21.7 mm (without keycaps) 30.9 mm (with keycaps installed)
Back height	29.6 mm (without keycaps) 40.3 mm (with keycaps installed)
Keyboard feet height	2 mm
Angle	3.5 / 8 / 10 degree

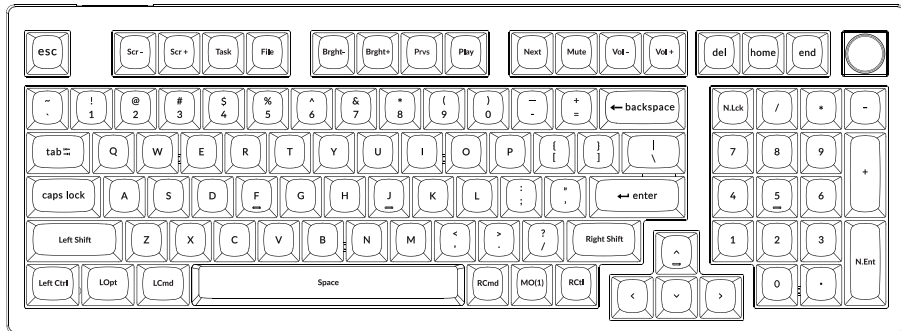
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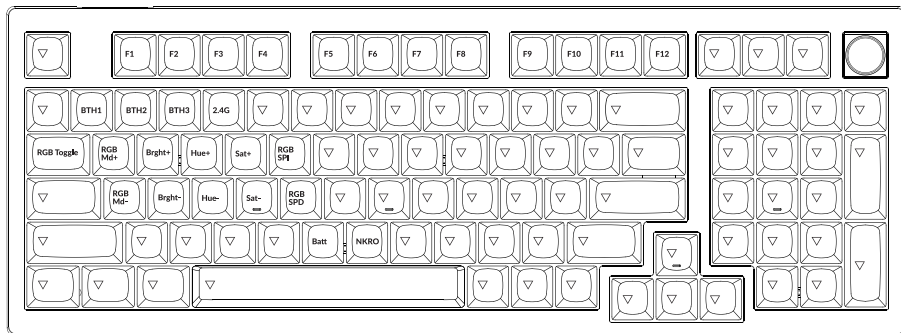
- ① Bluetooth Indicator
- ② 2.4G Indicator
- ③ G/Cable/BT (Mode Toggle)
- ④ Win/Android Mac/iOS (OS Toggle)
- ⑤ Type-C Port
- ⑥ Charging Indicator

DEFAULT KEY LAYOUT:

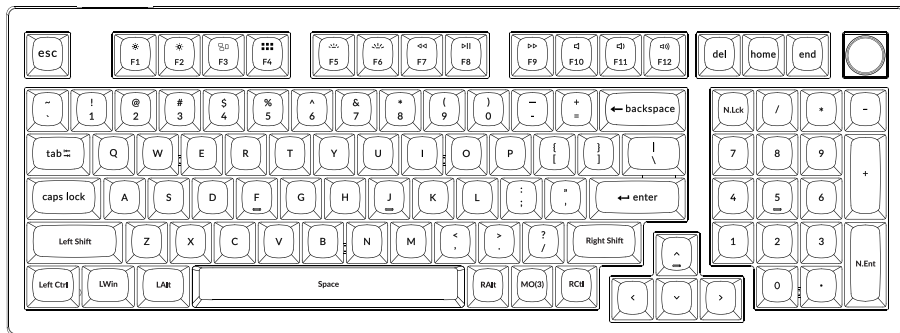
LAYER 0: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Mac.



LAYER 1: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Mac and press the fn/MO(1) key.

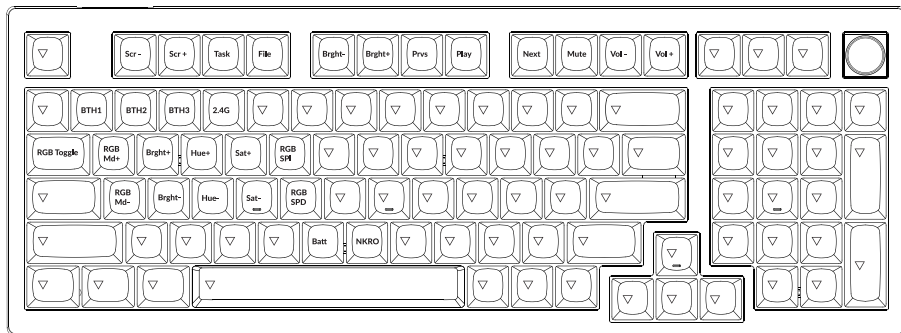


LAYER 2: This layer will be activated when your keyboard's system toggle is switched to Windows.



LWin = Left Windows LAlt = Left Alt RAlt = Right Alt RCtrl = Right Ctrl

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



KEY DESCRIPTION

Key Description		Key Description		Key Description	
Scr-	Screen Brightness Decrease	RGBMd+	RGB Mode Next	2.4G	2.4GHz Host
Scr+	Screen Brightness Increase	RGBMd-	RGB Mode Previous	Batt	Battery life
Bright-	Backlight Decrease	Hue+	Hue Increase	NKRO	N-key rollover
Bright+	Backlight Increase	Hue-	Hue Decrease		
Prvs	Previous	RGB SPI	RGB Speed Increase		
Play	Play/Pause	RGB SPD	RGB Speed Decrease		
Next	Next	MO(1)	Layer 1 will be activated when holding this key		
Mute	Mute	MO(3)	Layer 3 will be activated when holding this key		
Vol-	Volume Decrease	BTH1	Bluetooth Host 1		
Vol+	Volume Increase	BTH2	Bluetooth Host 2		
RGB Toggle	Turn Backlight on/off	BTH3	Bluetooth Host 3		

LED STATUS OVERVIEW

LED Location	Function	Status
Battery Indicator	Charging	Charging - Static Red Fully charged - Static Green
Bluetooth / 2.4GHz Indicator	Bluetooth / 2.4GHz	Reconnecting - Fast Blinking Paired - Light off Pairing - Slow Blinking
Caps Lock Indicator	Caps Lock	Enable Caps Lock - Static White Disable Caps Lock - Light Off

FUNCTION DESCRIPTION: CHARGING

Plug the cable into a USB port and plug the other end into the keyboard port. Charging Indicator: A red light will stay on while charging; Charging is completed in about 5 hours, a green battery indicator will appear.

*The V5 Max keyboard is compatible with all USB ports. Please use a 5V 1A adapter or USB 3.0 for the best performance. The V5 Max can be charged in Bluetooth/on/off mode.

**This product supports up to 5V charging voltage and 1A charging current. We are not responsible for any problems caused by improper charging.

2.4GHZ / CABLE / BLUETOOTH MODE (MODE TOGGLE SWITCH)

2.4GHZ MODE

1. Connect the 2.4GHz receiver to your device's USB / Type-C Port.
2. Switch the toggle switch to the 2.4GHz option. The keyboard will automatically connect to your device.

* Press the key combination "Fn" + "4" to enter the forced pairing mode. During this period, it is recommended that the keyboard be within 20cm of the receiver.

BLUETOOTH MODE

1. Switch the toggle switch to the Bluetooth option.
2. Backlighting will be turned on.
3. Hold "Fn+1" key for 4 seconds to activate Bluetooth pairing (the Bluetooth indicator fast flashes for 3 minutes to detect pairing).
4. Search for the Bluetooth device "Keychron V5 Max" on your device and connect it (the Bluetooth indicator goes off after successful pairing).

Note: This keyboard supports pairing up to 3 devices simultaneously via key combination "Fn" + "1" / "Fn" + "2" / "Fn" + "3".

**The Bluetooth indicator will continue to flash for 3 minutes.*

***Slow or failed connections may exist due to different Bluetooth versions, please make sure all the settings are correct.*

SWITCH BLUETOOTH DEVICES

Short press key combination "Fn" + "1" / "Fn" + "2" / "Fn" + "3" to switch to other device.

RECONNECT:

1. Switch the keyboard to the Bluetooth option to activate the keyboard.
2. The Bluetooth indicator flashes for 3 seconds and automatically pairs with the last paired device.
3. If the Bluetooth indicator is off, press any button to enter the connection again.

* The keyboard must have been paired with the device to perform this function.

WIRED MODE

1. Switch the toggle switch to the Cable option (it only works when a USB cable is plugged in).
2. Connect our cable with your PC and keyboard.
3. Backlighting will be turned on.

*Under Wired Mode, keyboard will not enter into Battery Saver Mode.

TURN OFF THE KEYBOARD

Switch the keyboard to the Cable option and unplug the power cable.

BACKLIGHT SETTING

- Short press key combination “Fn” + “Tab” to turn the backlight on/off.
- Short press key combination “Fn” + “Q” / “Fn” + “A” to switch between different types of lighting effects.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If unable to pair keyboard to device, confirm that the device you're trying to pair with is Bluetooth-capable. If so, restart the device and try pairing it with the keyboard again.

Note: On a Windows computer, a new Bluetooth connection will sometimes require additional software updates—a process that may still be ongoing after a message appears indicating a successful completion. Wait at least 20 minutes after pairing to make sure all updates are completed before restarting the computer.

Confirm that the device is configured to accept Bluetooth connections (Windows) and supports an external keyboard (HID profile).

Go to Bluetooth Devices > Open Settings and select the following:

Allow Bluetooth devices to find this computer

Allow Bluetooth devices to connect to this computer

Alert me when a Bluetooth device wants to connect

My keyboard isn't working in Bluetooth mode.

For the computer/smartphone:

Go to your device Bluetooth settings>Select the keyboard and remove/delete/unpair it.

Then restart your device.

For the keyboard:

Turn the keyboard off and back on. Then reconnect it to your device.

Wireless connection is interrupted even within 10 meters.

Check if the keyboard is resting on a metal surface that can interfere with the wireless signal.

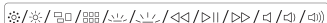
Third-party input tools are not compatible with the keyboard.

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

Certain multimedia keys or function keys do not work.

Functions of certain multimedia keys may be disabled due to compatibility, versions, brands, and drivers of devices.

*Multimedia keys:



Function keys:

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

Safety Precaution:

Keep the product, accessories and packaging parts out of the 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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