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75% RGB MECHANICAL GAMING KEYBOARD

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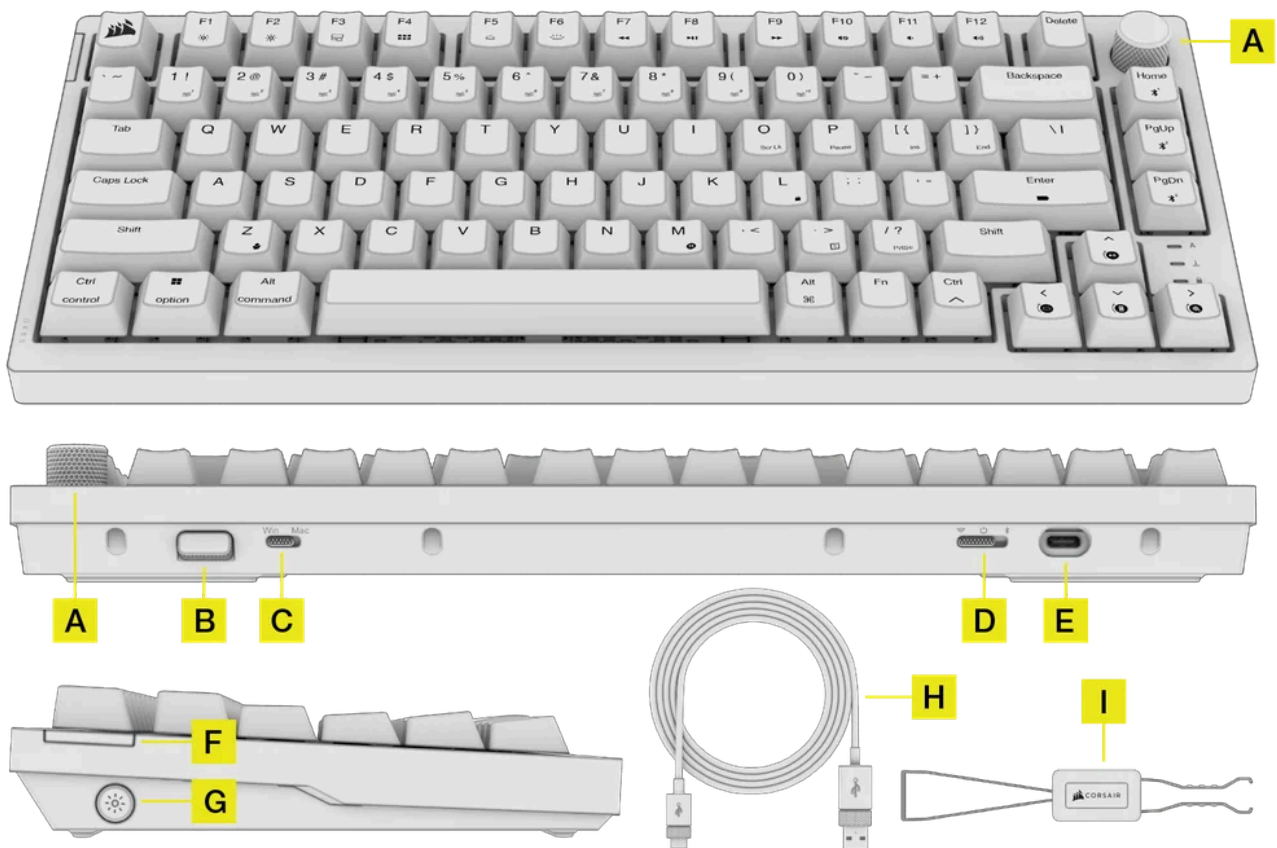
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GETTING TO KNOW YOUR KEYBOARD

A. **ROTARY DIAL**	F.	**MULTI-PURPOSE INDICATOR**
B. **USB WIRELESS RECEIVER**	G.	**BACKLIGHT BUTTON**
C. **WIN/MAC SWITCH**	H.	**USB TYPE-C TO USB TYPE-A CABLE**
D. **3-WAY MODE SWITCH**	I.	**2-IN-1 KEYSWITCH/KEYCAP PULLER**
E. **USB TYPE-C PORT**		

BEFORE FIRST USE

Charge the keyboard fully before first use by connecting the USB cable (H) to the keyboard USB Type-C port (E) and to an available USB 3.0 or better Type-A port on a compatible device including:

Windows PC®	Apple Mac®	Microsoft Xbox One* Microsoft Xbox Series X | S*	Sony PlayStatio… Sony PlayStatio…

*Keyboard is compatible out of the box, see corsair.com/xbox-support for details.

**See Connecting to Sony PlayStation section.

MULTI-PURPOSE INDICATOR (F)

MPI serves as an indicator for different scenarios such as

- Status indications when device is turned on
- Indication when a connection is made (wired/2.4GHz/BT)
- Macro recording sequences
- Displaying different dial functions

Sequence of indication when power on:

1. Battery status
2. Wired/Wireless status
3. BT pairing (only when BT pairing is triggered in BT mode)

CHARGING & BATTERY LIFE

Upon powering on the keyboard or using the check battery life shortcut FN+ Enter ▬, an indication (F) will denote current battery charge level.

0%	10%	11%	20%	21%	40%	41%	97%	≥98%
CRITICAL (Blinking red)		LOW (Solid red)		MEDIUM (Solid amber)		HIGH (Solid green)		FC (Blinking green)

NOTE:

1. All backlighting except indicators turns off when battery level is 20% or below.
2. Device turns off automatically when battery is below 5%.
3. Battery indicator only shows for 3 seconds and turns off after each status change.
4. Multi-purpose indicator (F) will pulse battery status while charging and turns off when charging is complete.

BUTTON & SWITCHES

Button/Switch	Function	Remarks
3-Way Mode Switch (D)	- On - 2.4GHz - Off - On - BLE	- On-2.4GHz & BT: The keyboard remains in wireless mode even when a cable is plugged (to charge). - Off: Wired mode 2.4GHz mode: Indication (F) LED turns solid white 3 seconds if connected, pulsing white if not connected.
WIN/MAC Switch (C)	- Windows - MacOS	

Backlight Button (G)	On/off toggle	This button remains functional even when the screen is locked.

CONNECTING VIA BLUETOOTH WIRELESS

K65 PLUS Wireless can store up to three pairing info and can be switched via FN key (see below table for details).

Steps to connect to your host device:

1. Turn on Bluetooth function of your host device such as a phone or tablet. (Bluetooth 4.0 or higher)*
2. Flip to BT mode of the 3-way mode switch (D) at the rear of the keyboard, and it will be in pairing mode automatically.
3. Follow the pairing instructions on your host device to finish pairing.
4. Press ESC to cancel the pairing process and erase the pairing info.
5. To store or toggle to a different BT profile, simply hold FN and BLE (BLE1, BLE2, BLE3) for 3 seconds. Any existing pairing info will be erased when new pairing is triggered.

Shortcut	Function	Indication (F)	Status
FN + ⁑¹ (Press)	Switch to Bluetooth host 1 mode	Solid Blue (3 sec)	Connected
		Pulsing Blue or timing out after 60 secs	Disconnected
FN + ⁑¹ (Hold)	Start Bluetooth host 1 pairing*	Rapidly Blinking Blue (120 sec)	Pairing
FN + ⁑² (Press)	Switch to Bluetooth host 2 mode	Solid Blue (3 sec)	Connected
		Pulsing Blue or timing out after 60 secs	Disconnected
FN + ⁑²	Start Bluetooth	Rapidly Blinking Blue (120 sec)	Pairing

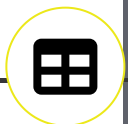| (Hold)	host 2 pairing*		
FN + $\ast^3$ (Press)	Switch to Bluetooth host 3 mode	Solid Blue (3 sec)	Connected
		Pulsing Blue or timing out after 60 secs	Disconnected
FN + $\ast^3$ (Hold)	Start Bluetooth host 3 pairing*	Rapidly Blinking Blue (120 sec)	Pairing

CONNECTING VIA USB WIRED

1. Connect the keyboard via USB cable to a USB 3.0 Type-A port or better.
2. The keyboard will automatically switch to USB wired mode when mode switch toggles to off.

NOTE: Keyboard firmware update must be with cable plugged in.

CONNECTING TO SONY PLAYSTATION

The keyboard also has a special mode to support Sony PlayStation 4 and 5 via 2.4GHz wireless and USB wired modes that can be activated via shortcut.

Shortcut	Function	Indication (F)
FN + ⊞ (Hold for 5 sec)	Switch to PlayStation Mode	Blinks Blue 5 times
FN + ⊞ (Hold for 5 sec)	Switch back to standard mode	Pulse Blue 2 times

NOTE: Available functions may be limited depending on gaming console support and application.

SOFTWARE MODE (May not be available in select regions)

When iCUE is running the keyboard operates in software mode and is controlled by iCUE. Download iCUE from corsair.com/downloads and install on a Windows PC or Apple Mac to connect all of your CORSAIR iCUE compatible products together in a single interface, giving you complete control of everything from lighting to powerful macros.

HARDWARE MODE (Compatibility may vary by region)

When iCUE is not running or the keyboard is connected to a device that does not support iCUE, the keyboard operates in hardware mode which uses profiles and settings saved to the onboard storage.

STANDARD SHORTCUTS

Windows Only

All below definitions assume FN key is being held and action is output upon press unless otherwise noted.

Key	Icon	Function	Remarks / Alt
FN + F1	☀	Reduce the screen's brightness	
FN + F2	☀	Increase the screen's brightness	
FN + F3	▱	Toggle task view for windows	⊞
FN + F4	▦	Launch File Explorer	
FN + F5	⌨	Reduce KB backlight brightness	

FN + F6	☀	Increase KB backlight brightness	
FN + F7	◀◀	Last track command	
FN + F8	▶‖	Pause/play command	
FN + F9	▶▶	Next track command	
FN + F10	🔇	Mute	
FN + F11	🔉	Volume Down	
FN + F12	🔊	Volume Up	
FN + [{	INS	Insert key	
FN +] }	END	End key	
FN + L	🔒	Toggle Win Lock on and off	Press and release
FN + Enter	🔋	Battery power status checking	
FN + Z	👤	Cycle onboard 4 profiles MPI (F) blinks in color defined for the profile:1. White - Water Color2. Red - Spiral Rainbow3. Green - Rain4. Blue - Rainbow Wave	
FN + /?	PRTSC	Print screen key	⊞
FN + O	SCRLK	Toggles Scroll Lock on and off	
FN + P	PAUSE	Pause break key	
FN + Up	🔊	Change dial mode to volume up (clockwise) / down (counterclockwise)	Default modePress: Mute / unmute

FN + Down	(scroll icon)	Change dial mode to scroll up (counterclockwise) / down (clockwise)	Works only when windows support scroll functionPress: End of page
FN + Left	(brightness icon)	Change dial mode to KB backlight brightness up (clockwise) / down (counterclockwise)	Press: Turn on / off light
FN + Right	(zoom icon)	Change dial mode to zoom in (clockwise) / out (counterlockwise)	Press: Reset to default zoom
FN + Delete	Delete	Press FN + Delete for 3 seconds to enable 2.4GHz mode pairing. Delete & MPI will blink for 120 seconds, during which user should insert wireless adapter to complete pairing process	

MAC FUNCTION DEFINITION

Just press the following keys to enable the functions when Mac mode is turned on.

Key	Icon	Function	Remarks / Alt
F1	☼	Reduce the screen's brightness	
F2	☀	Increase the screen's brightness	
F3	(task view icon)	Toggle task view for windows	
F4	(grid icon)	Launch File Explorer	
F5	(backlight icon)	Reduce KB backlight brightness	
F6	(backlight icon)	Increase KB backlight brightness	

Key	Icon	Function	
F7	◄◄	Last track command	
F8	►❚❚	Pause/play command	
F9	►►	Next track command	
F10	🔇⊘	Mute	
F11	🔉	Volume Down	
F12	🔊	Volume Up	
⊞	Option	Option key in Mac OS	
ALT	⌘	Command key in Mac OS	Both left Alt and right Alt

HARDWARE LIGHTING

Key	Icon	Function	Remarks / Alt
FN + 1	≋1	Backlighting effect - Water Color	
FN + 2	≋2	Backlighting effect - Spiral Rainbow	
FN + 3	≋3	Backlighting effect - Rain	
FN + 4	≋4	Backlighting effect - Rainbow Wave	
FN + 5	≋5	Backlighting effect - Type Lighting Per-key	

FN + 6	≋⁶	Backlighting effect - Type Lighting Ripple	
FN + 7	≋⁷	Backlighting effect - Color Shift	
FN + 8	≋⁸	Backlighting effect - Color Pulse	
FN + 9	≋⁹	Backlighting effect - Color Wave	
FN + 0	≋¹⁰	Backlighting effect - Static Color	8 colors cycle through

FN SHORTCUTS LIGHTING INDICATOR

When pressing FN key, all lighting will momentarily turn OFF except for:
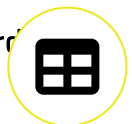
- Keys that have FN shortcut functions, including predefined ones and macros assigned by user, will have backlighting turned ON in WHITE.
- Indication (F) will also show current profile color.
- Exception cases: when adjusting lighting effect shortcuts such as FN+1~0, or FN+F5/F6, override to show the lighting effect which keeps playing until either FN is released or a different FN+ combo is pressed.

MACRO RECORDING

Step 1: Hold FN + M key to start recording, and indication (F) pulses red.

Step 2: Press any series of standard keys to begin recording, and indication (F) blinks red.

-Only standard keyboard functions can be recorded and not specialty or onboard functions like

- Profile
- Backlighting effects
- Brightness
- Media
- Win lock

Step 3: Press FN + M key to stop recording, and indication (F) rapidly blinks red.

Step 4: Assign Macro keys by pressing any keys, FN + key, or modifier (CTRL/SHIFT/ALT/ALTGR) + key.

- If keys were recorded: Pressing that key or combination saves the macro
- If no keys were recorded: Pressing that key or combination clears any original macro or function saved
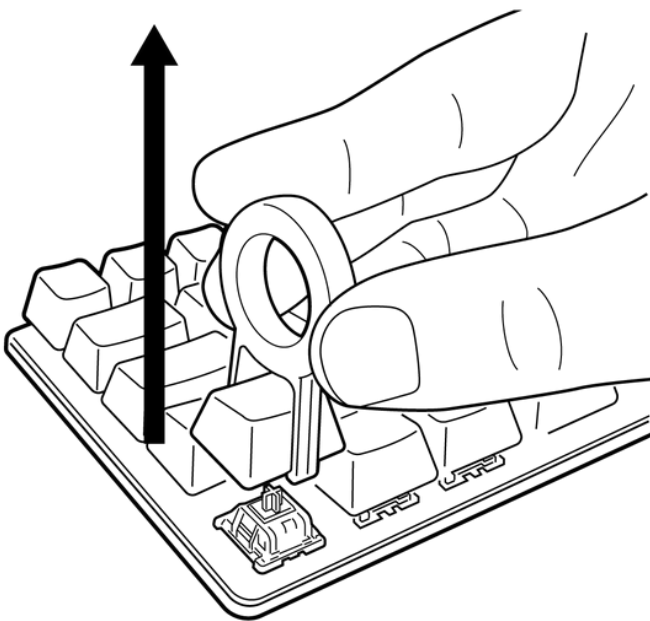
-Except cannot record over these keys or key combinations:

- FN
- All existing predefined FN shortcut combinations

NOTE: Once a macro is recorded, it will be remembered even after device is shut down and turned back on, and will not change until users make any changes or enable factory reset.
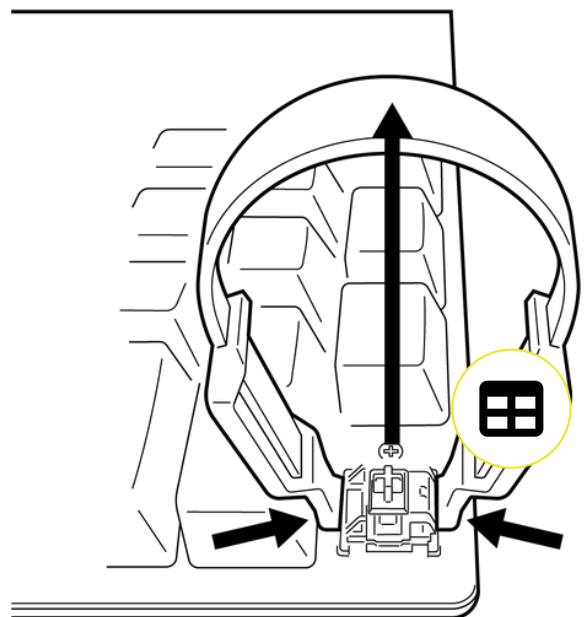
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SWAPPING KEYSWITCHES

The keyswitches can be removed and replaced with any variety or combination of CHERRY MX RGB mechanical keyswitches. Other third party mechanical keyswitches with 3-pin and 5-pin design may be compatible, but are not guaranteed to work due to physical differences.
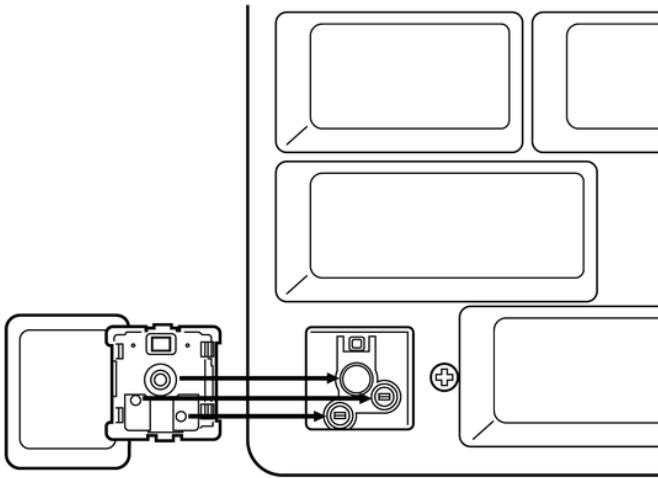

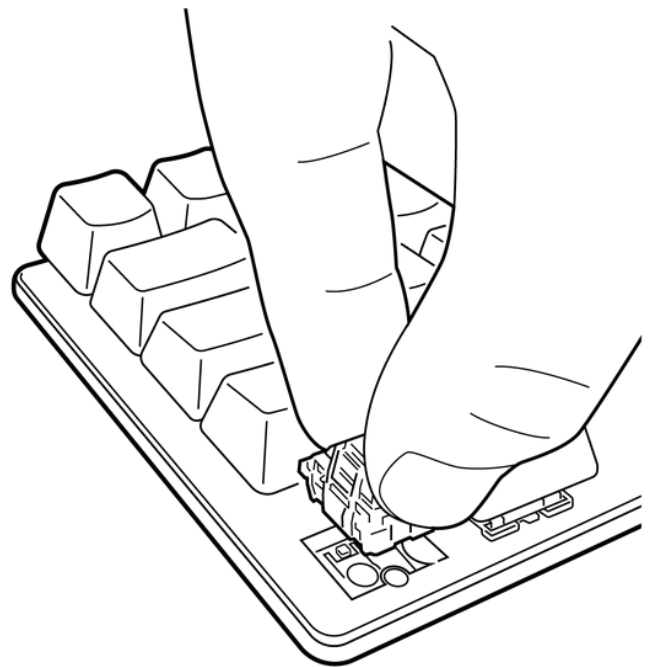1) Push the 2-in-1 keyswitch/keycap puller (I) over the keycap, then lift to remove.

2) Position the tips of the 2-in-1 keyswitch/keycap puller (I) under the

keyswitch top and bottom tabs, then press in and lift to remove.

3) Align the new keyswitch's pins and base with the sockets and opening.

4) Carefully press the keyswitch in until it clicks into place. If you feel any resistance, remove and try again.
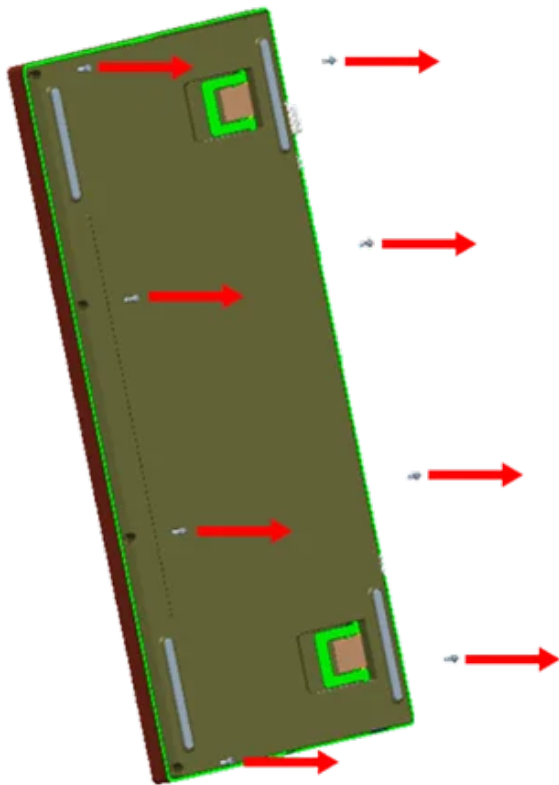
NOTE: Be sure to align the new keyswitch properly before insertion to prevent bent pins or damage.
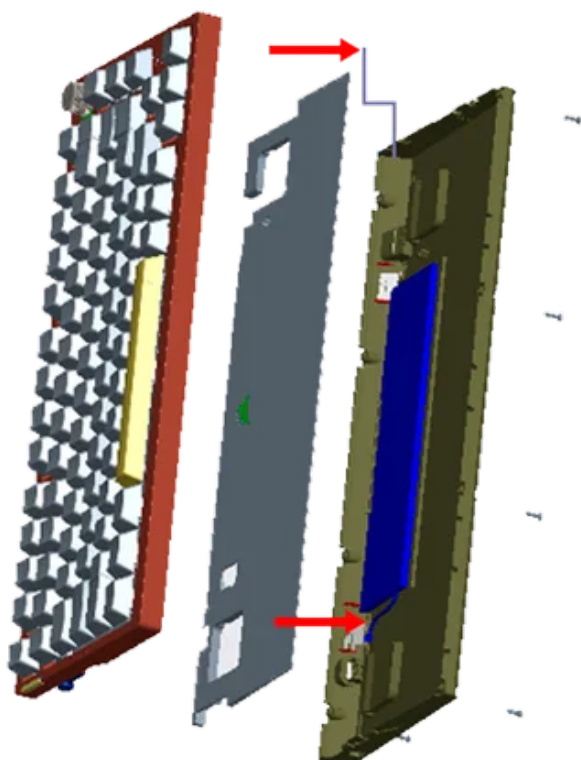
FACTORY RESET

Press and hold FN + Backlight button (G) for 5 seconds. Multi-purpose indicator (F) will blink RED for 5 seconds once reset is activated. The keyboard will turn on with factory defaults.
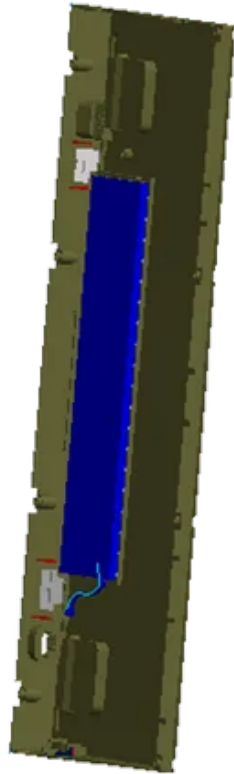
BATTERY REMOVAL INFORMATION

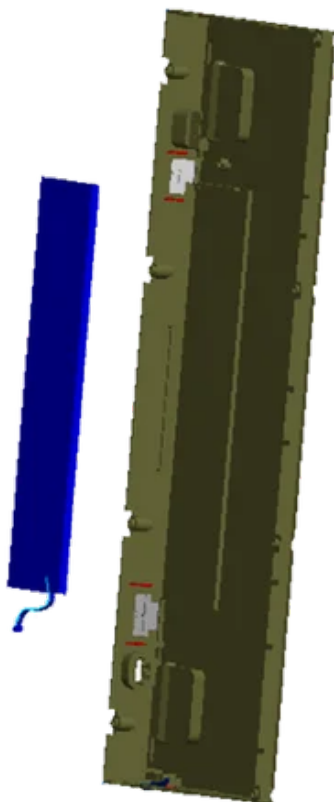**1)** Remove the 8 screws fastening the top and bottom covers

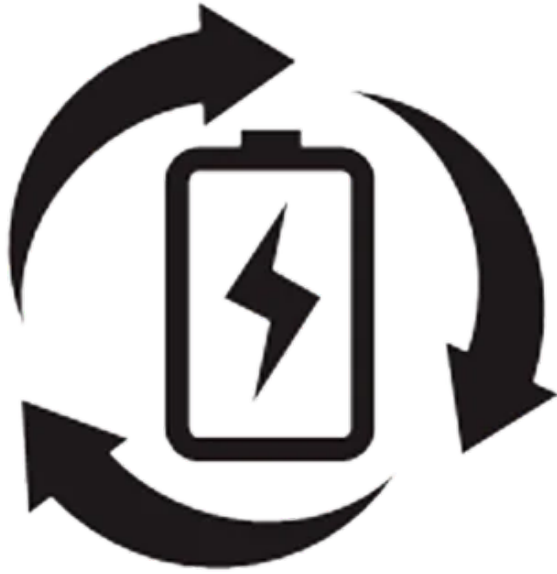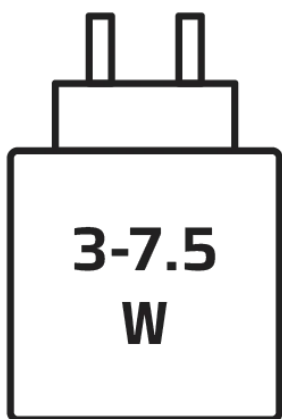**2)** Remove the antenna and battery bar cables from the motherboard

3) Remove the lower cover and battery assembly from the keyboard

4) Remove the battery from the lower cover mounting compartment

5) Recycle batteries according to local battery disposal rules

3-7.5 W

The power delivered by the charger must be between min 3 Watts required by the radio equipment, and max 7.5 Watts in order to achieve the maximum charging speed.

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