

Adapting Your BigKeys To USB

The USB Problem

One of the features of BigKeys is "No Run-on": no matter how long the key is held down only a single character is created. All generic brand PS/2 to USB adapters available on the market defeat this feature; using one of these adapters will give multiple characters if the key is held down too long.

Additionally, these generic PS/2 to USB adapters can vary widely between manufacturers. Add to this the subtle differences in PS/2 keyboards (like BigKeys) and you have only a hit-or-miss chance that a combination of BigKeys and an off-the-shelf, generic, USB adapter will work with BigKeys.

We carry two types of PS/2 to USB adapters to convert your BigKeys to USB **and these are the only adapters that we can guarantee to work.**

BigKeys Single Port Adapter Part# USB-BK

Was specially designed by us to preserve the "no run on" or "no repeat" feature of the BigKeys keyboard, meaning a keystroke will not repeat no matter how long the key is held down. **However this adapter only works with BigKeys manufactured in 2004 or later.** You may check the manufacture date by looking at the 4-digit S/N number on the bottom of your BigKeys. The last two digits are the year of manufacture. (xx99 was made in 1999)

Generic Dual Port Adapter Part# USB2-ADPTR

This adapter has been tested and works with any BigKeys regardless of manufacture date. However this adapter defeats the "no run on" or "no repeat" feature of the BigKeys meaning if a key is held down it will repeat as long as the key is held.

You can find them on our web site at:

[Single Port model: USB-BK](#)

[Dual Port model: USB2-ADPTR](#)

We realize that the "no run on" or "no repeat" feature is VERY important to a lot of BigKeys users. If you need USB and your BigKeys is manufactured before 2004 and you need the "no run on" or "no repeat" feature, a keyboard firmware update is available.

If you need further help, or would like more information about an update, please contact us at the numbers below.

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