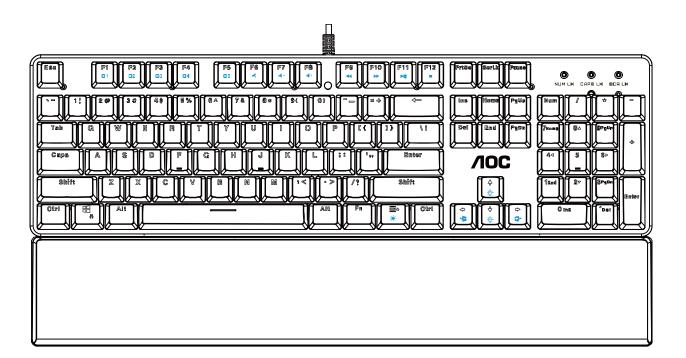
# **AOC GK500 Mechanical Gaming Keyboard**

**USER'S GUIDE** 

Ver.:1.00



CAUTION: To use this product properly, please read the user's guide before installing.

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## **PACKAGE CONTENTS/SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

### **Package Contents**

- AOC GK500 Mechanical Gaming Keyboard
- Quick Setup Guide
- Wrist Rest
- Gaming Keycap Kit

### **Product System Requirements**

- Windows<sup>®</sup> 7/8/8.1/10
   MAC OS X (V10.7 to 10.9)
- Available USB port
- 160MB free hard disk space
- Internet connection

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- Windows<sup>®</sup> 7 or above
- 160MB free hard disk space
- Internet connection

### **Technical Support**

- 2 years limited warranty
- Free online technical support at <u>www.aoc.com</u>

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Technical Specifications**

- 50 Million keystroke lifespan with Outemu blue mechanical switches.
- All key programmable
- All key roll-over anti-ghosting
- Up to 1000Hz/ms report rate
- Customizable RGB lighting effect syncing with other AOC gaming devices
- 1.8M Braided cable

## Approximate Size & Weight

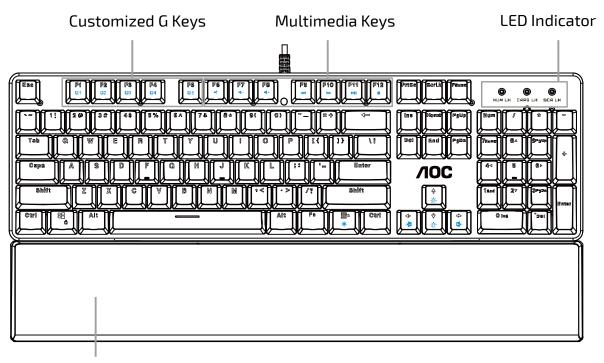
- Length: 433 mm/ 190.5 in
- Width: 191.6 mm/ 75.4 in
- Height: 36.94 mm/ 14.5 in
- Weight: 875 g/1.9 lbs
- Cable Length: 1.8 m/ 5.9 ft

## **Operating Environment**

- Operating Temperature: 0 ° C 40 ° C
- Operating Humidity: 10% 85%

## **DEVICE LAYOUT AND FUNCTIONAL INTRODUCTION**

## **Device Layout**



Wrist Rest

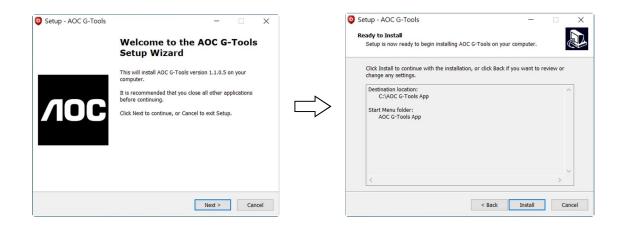
Key Function (* compound key, press together with Fn key to operate)			
Ctrl+G	Switching Key Mode	Switch to All Keys	
Ctrl+N	Switching Key Mode	Switch to Standard	
F6- "	Mute	Turn off computer sound	
F7-'⁴-	Volume down(Voice-)	Decrease computer sound volume	
F8-' <sup>(+</sup>	Volume up(Voice+)	Increase computer sound volume	
F9- <b></b> ≁	Previous	Switch to previous media track	
F10-₩	Next	Switch to next media track	
F11-™	Play/Pause	Switch between playing and pausing media	
F12- •	Stop media	Stop playing the media	
W	Switch WASD keys with arrow keys.	Switch back by pressing again.	
□ C	Switch Win Lock	Turn on/off the function of the Win Key	
☆ ☆ ☆ ☆	Increase backlight brightness/ lower backlight brightness	Up for brighter/ Down for darker	
	Go to previous lighting effect/ go to next lighting effect	Switch between the lighting effects of Light FX cycle	
	Turn on/off backlight	Switch between turning on/off the backlight	

## **AOC G-TOOLS INSTALLATION**

**Step 1:** Plug the device into a USB port on your computer.

- **Step 2:** The computer operating system will automatically detect the device.
- **Step 3:** For more information on programming the device, go to <u>http://www.aoc.com</u> and follow the instruction to find the AOC G-Tools.
- Step 4: Download AOC G-Tools.
- Step 5: Start the installation by clicking on the file "Setup.exe".

**Step 6:** Windows<sup>®</sup> will prompt you if installation should continue; install the driver despite this.



#### Note:

The driver will automatically uninstall its last version; for this reason, it may take a while for the driver to install before you can start to program the device.

- **Step 7:** When the installation process is completed, please reboot your computer system to assure the smooth running of the program.
- **Step 8:** The AOC G-Tools icon is displayed in the Windows<sup>®</sup> taskbar while it is running. Access the configuration menu by right clicking the icon.

## **AOC G-TOOLS INSTRUCTION**

## **Game Profile Management**

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You can export a profile customized by clicking for import a profile from your computer by clicking for a profile for a

The default profile names are Profile 1 to Profile 5. You can rename your profiles by typing on the text field below Profile Name.

Each profile can be activated along with a linked program. To do so, put the executable path of the program you want to link in the text field of Path To Executable (\*EXE).

## Buttons

#### Button Assignment

For each key other than Fn, Win, ESC, and Shift keys, you could assign an action from the menu, which will be shown when you left-click on the key. Options available from the menu include Macro Manager, Multimedia, Window Management, Text Editor, etc. Options listed are explained in the following.

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GK500	Browser Forward Double Click	
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#### →Macro Manager

When choose this option from the menu, the Macro Manager window will pop-up; you could select an existing macro as the assignment of the button, or start to record a new macro and assign it to the button. For more info on Macro Manager, please refer to the Macro Manager section.

#### →Multimedia

**Open Player:** Start media player.

**Pre Track:** Toggle to the previous media track. **Next Track:** Toggle to the next media track.

**Play/Pause:** Toggle between playing and pausing media.

**Stop:** Stop playing the media.

Mute: Turn off the computer sound.

**Volume +:** Increase the computer sound volume.

**Volume -:** Decrease the computer sound volume.

#### →Window Management

Calculator: Start Microsoft Calculator.
Email: Start the default mail program.
WWW Favorites: Open the Internet Explorer Favorites.
WWW Forward: Go to the next webpage.
WWW Back: Go to the previous webpage.
WWW Stop: Stop loading webpage.
My Computer: Open the My Computer window ( or This PC for Win10).

**WWW Refresh:** Refresh the current webpage.

**WWW Home:** Start the default web browser and load the homepage.

**WWW Search:** Go to web browser's search bar or Search Windows. **Show Desktop:** Switch between desktop and the current view.

#### →Text Editor

9 text commands available: Cut, Copy, Paste, Undo, Select All, Find, New, Safe, and Open.

### →Left Click

Perform a left-click.

## →Right Click

Perform a right-click and quick function menu.

### →Middle Click

Activate the universal scrolling function.

### →Browser Backward

Perform "Backward" command for most internet browsers.

## →Browser Forward

Perform a "Forward" command for most internet browsers.

## →Double Click

Perform a double-click.

## →Fire Button

Perform a fire button until release.

## →Assign a Shortcut

Assign a shortcut combination.

#### →Windows Key

Start Windows menu.

## →Preset Button

Remove the assigned action and restore the original one.

## Macro Manager

A macro is a prerecorded sequence of keystrokes and button presses executed with precise timing. By assigning a macro to a button, you can execute complex combinations with ease. The device allows you to create, delete, import, and export your customized macros. Click the **Macro Manager** button, and a pop-up box will show for further operations.



#### 1. Create a Macro

- (1) Click + and name the macro you are about to record. Confirm the name by hitting the enter key on your keyboard.
- (2) Set the delay time between events:
  - -Recording: The delay between events are registered as they are recorded.
  - -Fixed: Use a predefined time (shown in millisecond) for the delay.
  - -Ignore: Omit all the pauses between keystrokes and button presses.
- (3) Click **Start** to record all your keystrokes and mouse button commands into the macro. When done, click **Stop** to complete this recording.
- (4) Click **Cancel** if you want to discard this recording, or **Ok** to confirm this recording. Successfully recorded macros can be found from the drop-down list of the Macro Select.
- **(5)** For any recorded macro, you could later delete or adjust its event sequences, or add new events by initiating another recording session.

#### 2. Delete a Macro

Select the macro to be deleted and click on the trash bin button down below. A message window will pop up to confirm your decision. Click **Ok** to delete the macro.

#### 3. Edit Delay

To adjust the delay time, double-click the field to be revised and enter the new value. Some games may not be able to detect short delays.

#### 4. Delete Recorded Actions

To delete a single or multiple actions or delay time of the macro, click the trash bin button.



### 5. Insert Macro Item

Click + to start inserting another macro to an existing macro. Choose to record this new macro before or after the existing one; then click **Start** to start the recording. When done, click **Stop** to complete the session and Save to keep the recording. You can also insert delay time before/after the selected event. After entering the desired time value, click Save.

#### Game Mode

## →Disable Alt + Tab

**Alt + Tab** switches between application-level windows. Click on this option to turn off this keyboard shortcut; click again to turn it on.

## →Disable Alt + F4

Alt + F4 most often used to close the current active window. If no programs are open or you are at the desktop, Alt+F4 opens the Shutdown window. Click on this option to turn off this keyboard shortcut; click again to turn it on.

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	Ok	Cancel

### →Disable Windows Key

Windows key opens the Start menu. Click on this option to turn off this keyboard shortcut; click again to turn it on.

### →Switch WASD and Arrow Key

Option to switch the function of WASD keys and arrow keys. Click to make the switch; click again to switch back.

## →Key Mode

1.Standard: Standard 6 buttons anti-ghosting. 2.All Keys: N-key rollover anti-ghosting.

## G1-G5 Key

G1-G5 keys are designed at the spots of F1~F5 for your easy and intuitive access. Assign your favorite gaming commands here and remember them with ease.





## Sensitivity

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#### Polling Rate

Choose from 4 options of polling rate: 125Hz/8ms, 250Hz/4ms, 500Hz/2ms, 1000Hz/1ms(default).

#### Repeat Delay

Drag the slider bar knob toward left or right to set the Repeat Delay; 4 options available from Long to Short.

#### Repeat Rate

Drag the slider bar knob toward left or right to adjust the Repeat Rate, set the speed at any point of the slider.

#### Repeat Rate Test

For speed test of Repeat Rate & Repeat Delay, hold down a key to type in this text field and check how the setting works.

## Light FX



## Light FX

Choose from the drop-down menu for your favorite light setting. Options are: Static, Breathing, React, Flashing, Ripple, Radar, Fireworks, Blink, Wave, Custom setup, Concentric Circle, W Wave. Related setting options like **Direction** and **Stop Time** will be displayed when applicable to the selected Light FX.

## LED Settings

Decide your favorite color by picking a color from the RGB color panel or entering the RGB values for your lighting effect, or take the Random color option for the lighting effect to display RGB colors that continuously change.

## Pulsation

Drag the slider bar knob toward left or right to set up the speed of the lighting effect, three options are available from Slow to Fast. This setting option is available for most of the lighting effects except Static and Custom Setup.

## Brightness

Drag the slider bar knob toward left or right to set up the brightness of the lighting effect, four levels of lighting brightness are available from Off to Bright. This setting option is available for all of the lighting effects.

## Direction

Set up the direction of the chosen lighting effect. This setting option is available for the lighting effects of Flashing, Radar, Wave, and Concentric Circles.

## Stop Time

Set up the length of time of the chosen lighting effect. This setting option is available for the lighting effects of Static, Breathing, Flashing, Radar, Wave, Custom Setup, Concentric Circles, and W Wave.

## Number of Stops

Set up the number of times for the chosen lighting effects to be displayed. This setting option is available for the lighting effect of Blink.

## Light FX Sync

The lighting effect of the device can be synchronized with other AOC gaming devices that support the AOC Light FX Sync. To sync the devices, select the icons of the devices of your choice and click **Apply.** The synchronized devices are lighted up in red.

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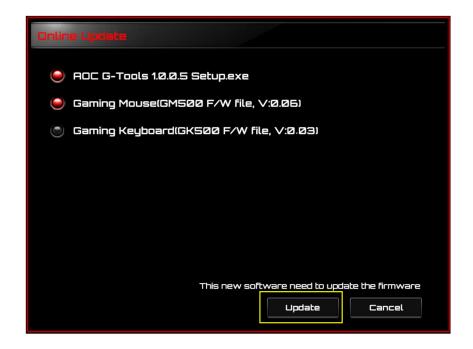
By clicking the **GO** button, all the settings you have made will be reset to factory default settings.

## **Online Update**

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When there is new updated available, a notice balloon would show on the upper right corner along with the tool icon.

Click on the notice balloon, a pop-up window will show the update options. Click **Update** and follow the process to complete the update.



## SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE

## Important

For your safety, please carefully read the following guidelines on the device.

- 1. Do not operate the device under abnormal conditions.
- 2. Do not disassemble the device (this will void the warranty) and do not attempt to operate under abnormal current loads.
- 3. Keep the device away from liquid or moisture. Operate the device only within the indicated temperature range: 0 ° C (32 ° F) to 40 ° C (104 ° F). If the temperature is too high, unplug the device to lower the temperature.
- 4. Avoid any liquid spill on the device, which would cause damage to the device and result in malfunction.
- 5. Unplug and replug the device if the RGB lighting is not running properly or the device is not functioning, or if there is thermal abnormal situation.
- 6. If the troubleshooting is not working, unplug the device and visit <u>www.aoc.com</u> for support. Do not attempt to repair the device by yourself.

## Safety

### Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement.

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference.
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

#### Note:

This device has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This device generates uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this device does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the device off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- -Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- —Increase the separation between the device and receiver.
- -Connect the device into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- -Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

