

SmartKeys

What it is

SmartKeys is a freeware control panel designed to let you type on the Macintosh as if it were a typewriter. (See Chapter 24 for details on why a typewriter is not a Mac.) Specifically, SmartKeys can perform six different tasks, as follows:

Space: Prevents typing of more than one space.

Dash: Converts two consecutively typed hyphens into a dash.

Quote: Converts typewriter quote marks into true quotation marks.

Ligatures: Converts the character components of a ligature (see Chapter 24) into one.

Kill Doubled Caps: Converts the second of two consecutively typed capitals into a lowercase letter when the second capital is followed by a lower case letter.

Shifted Punctuation: Converts the less than (<) and the greater than (>) math symbols into the comma and period.

What you need

System 6.0.2 or later; 6.0.4 or later is recommended. The U.S. keyboard layout is required.

Installation summary

Open the SOFTWARE SAMPLER folder on the CD-ROM. Open the SmartKeys folder; drag the SmartKeys control panel onto the System Folder icon. Click OK. Restart your Macintosh.

The manual

SmartKeys' manual is a word processor document that's available to you in three popular formats: Word, MacWrite, and ClarisWorks 4 (all in the SmartKeys folder). If you own one of these programs, double-click the appropriate document. If not, launch your word processor; then choose Open from the File menu to import the manual.

Notes and credits

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SmartKeys 2.1 (and its documentation) is free (but copyrighted).

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