

# VIP3™ Accessory Kit (AC820-blk) for Kinesis® Freestyle2™ Convertible Keyboard

**Online User's Manual and instructional videos.** This mini-manual for your new Freestyle®-family product will get you started, but if you have questions that aren't answered here, check for updates and view the instructional videos at <http://www.kinesis.com/support/manuals.htm>.

## Introduction

The Freestyle2 VIP3 Accessory kit provides a pair of 3-angle V-lifters™ and integrated palm rests that clip onto the Freestyle2 convertible keyboard, creating the Freestyle2 VIP3 keyboard. Three levels of tenting\* (5, 10, or 15 degrees) can be selected. Each keying module can be adjusted independently and V-lifters are equally effective whether the keying modules are splayed (using the pivot tether™ which came with your keyboard) or completely separated by up to 9 inches with the Pivot Tether removed (see page 2).

*VIP3 kit installed on Freestyle2 keyboard, 10 degree tenting*



*\*Tenting is the elevation of the center portion of a split keyboard. By raising your thumbs, your forearm muscles become relaxed, resulting in significantly improved comfort and blood flow. The included palm rests further improve relaxation of forearms and as well as that of neck and shoulder muscles.*

*VIP3 kit contents*



## Contents of kit

The Freestyle2 VIP3 Accessory Kit includes a pair of palm rests with replaceable, self-adhesive palm pads. Also included are a pair of 3-angle V-lifters which mount to the underside of the keyboard after the palm rests have been installed.

**Installing palm rests** (disconnect from or shut down your computer before beginning). Install palm rests first, before installing 3-angle V-lifters. The palm rests will only insert into their correct keying module, with the wider end of the support area towards the middle of the keyboard.

Lay the keyboard

on a flat surface and place palm rests in front of the appropriate keying module. Slide each palm rest towards its keying module to engage the three mounting tabs in their respective slots.

To remove the palm rests, hold a keying module in one hand and its palm rest in the other hand. Pull the palm rest straight away from the keying module. For easier removal, lift up **gently** on the palm rest while pulling it away from the keyboard.

*Note: Don't remove one corner before the other—pull the palm rest straight away from the keyboard.*

*Installing palm rest*



**Installing 3-angle V-lifters** (install palm rests first) The Pivot Tether, which comes with the Freestyle2 keyboard, is fully compatible with the V-lifters so it does not need to be removed before installing the V-lifters. Place the keyboard upside down on a flat surface. Each V-lifter is labeled “Right” or “Left,” and also has a colored dot (red for right, blue for left) that should match the corresponding dot on the palm rest.

To install, insert the two end tabs of the left V-lifter into the square holes on the bottom of the left keying module. Lower the other end until the two “squeeze tabs” snap into palm rest. Repeat with right side. When both V-lifters are installed, flip the keyboard gently into the upright position.

To remove, position keyboard upside down. Press the “squeeze tabs” on a V-lifter slightly and lift up gently until the two tabs at the other end exit from the square holes.

### Adjusting the V-lifter tenting angle

The VIP3 V-lifters each have two hinged legs which when unsnapped provide 5 degree tenting. The legs may be snapped together to form a rigid “V,” providing 10 or 15 degree tenting.

**5 degree tenting:** As shipped. To convert back to 5° after changing to 10°/15°, pull the short and long support legs apart to release the snaps. The legs will fold flat from the weight of the keyboard to provide a stable 5 degree angle.

**10 and 15 degree tenting:** To change from 5 degree tenting, simply snap the two legs of each V-lifter together to form a rigid “V.” To change between the 10 and 15 degree angles, lift each keying module slightly and flip its V-lifter to the higher (15 degree, single leg support) or lower (10 degree, two leg support) position.

### Removing Pivot Tether™

The Pivot Tether may be removed if you want to completely separate the keying modules. Place the keyboard on a flat surface, slide the release button on the top rear of a keying module. Lift that keying module up to release it from the pivot tether. To remove the pivot tether completely, slide the other release button and wiggle the Pivot Tether while pulling it away from the keying module.

### Trouble shooting and Technical Support

If the V-lifters seem unstable or protrude beyond the edge of the keyboard, you may have installed them on the “wrong” sides. Check that the colored dots match between the palm rests and V-lifter or try swapping left and right V-lifters to see if that solves the problem. The image above shows the underside of a Freestyle2 keyboard with correctly-installed VIP3 V-lifters.

For support, first download the latest User’s Manual and view the instructional video at the Kinesis website (<http://www.kinesis.com/support/manuals.htm>). If you still have questions or problems, email Kinesis Technical Support ([tech@kinesis.com](mailto:tech@kinesis.com)), or call during business hours (M-F, 8:00AM to 4:30PM Pacific Time).

### Health Caution

Improper keyboard and/or mouse use may contribute to painful and permanent injuries. Read the Health and Safety details on the bottom label of the keyboard. If you experience pain, weakness, numbness, or tingling while or after using your computer, consult a qualified health professional for advice.

### Warranty & Legal

Kinesis warrants these Freestyle keyboard accessories to be free from defects in materials and workmanship and to perform substantially in accordance with the Product documentation for two years from the date of purchase. If Product fails due to accident, abuse, inappropriate use or normal wear, Kinesis shall have no responsibility under this Limited Warranty. For complete warranty details, see <http://www.kinesis.com/support/manuals.htm>. *Kinesis and Freestyle are registered trademarks and Freestyle2, VIP3, and Pivot Tether are trademarks of Kinesis Corporation. Patents are pending.*

*Installing 3-angle V-lifters*



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