Unicomp Re-Introduces the Mini M

Unicomp released the Mini M in February of 2021 for users who desire a small footprint, i.e. tenkeyless, keyboard. The keyboard was a very popular selling keyboard but in 2022, the microcontroller used by the keyboard became unavailable (not obsolete, but it has a 53 week lead time on the part). So, with a totally redesigned controller, we are bringing the Mini M back beginning April 17, 2023.

The Mini M

The **Mini M** buckling spring keyboard has the same mechanism, feel and general layout as the original IBM Model M (SSK) keyboard. With the much-loved buckling spring key design these keyboards have been prized by computer enthusiasts and robust typists because of the tactile and auditory feedback of each keystroke.
Manufactured in Lexington, Kentucky, our buckling spring keyboard is a durable, audible keyboard with a gorgeous finish and solid feel reminiscent of the classic IBM Model M family of keyboards.

Buckling Springs

Buckling springs originated in IBM's mechanical keyboard as a fundamentally different kind of switch mechanism. Featuring a coil spring that sits between the keycap and a pivoting hammer that collapses when clicked, the spring provides a loud, tactile feedback.

Model M-Inspired Keycaps

The two-tone white and gray buckling spring keys are made of PBT polymer. The dye-sublimated legends compliment the authentic feel and classic design. The keys are also available in all gray or all white.

Other features

Similar to the SSK, the Mini M has an embedded number pad which is active whenever the operating system has NumLock active. When NumLock is active, you can also move the cursor by holding down a shift key and selecting the appropriate key in the NumPad area for movement.
Additionally, just like the SSK, the connection cable is detachable, albeit a USB cable. The cable may be removed by inserting a small screwdriver or other small probe into the connector just above the cable plug to release the cable.
The number of phantom key situations possible in the keyboard is greatly reduced over other Model M design. While the keyboard does not support N Key Rollover, applications where multiple keys are depressed such as extremely fast typing or gaming action responses should be handled much better than previous Model M keyboards.

Specs

- o Connection : USB
- o Cable length : 6 ft.
- o Number of keys/buttons : ANSI layout – 87, ISO layout 88
- o Length : 15.5 in. (395.4 mm)
- o Depth : 7.5 in. (190 mm)
- o Height : 2.34 in. (59.4 mm)
- o Weight : 3 lb. 1 oz (1.39 Kg)
- o Compatible : PC
- o Gross Weight : 4 TBD
- o Manufactured in Kentucky