



TRAKTOR KONTROL F1



Setup Guide



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1 Welcome to the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 Setup Guide

Thank you for purchasing the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 DJ controller. On behalf of the entire Native Instruments team, we hope you are truly inspired by this product.

1.1 What Is Included in the Box?

The TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 box contains the following items:

- The TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 controller
- A USB cable
- A registration flyer with your TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 hardware serial number and a link to the hardware registration page, where you can register your hardware and download the drivers and documentation
- A Track Deck overlay for using the F1 as a Track Deck controller
- A safety instructions flyer

1.2 About this Setup Guide

This document will help you to install the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 hardware driver and the NI Controller Editor software on your computer (chapter [↑2, Driver Software Installation](#)). Both programs are needed in order to make effective use of this product.

You will also learn about connecting the controller to your computer (chapter [↑3, Connecting the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 to Your Computer](#)), and what further steps are needed in order to use the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 with the TRAKTOR DJ software or as a MIDI controller with other software (chapter [↑4, What's Next?](#)).

1.3 Document Conventions

This section introduces you to the signage and text highlighting used in this document. This document uses particular formatting to point out special facts and to warn you of potential issues. The icons introducing these notes let you see what kind of information is to be expected:



Whenever this exclamation mark icon appears, you should read the corresponding note carefully and follow the instructions and hints given there if applicable.



This light bulb icon indicates that a note contains useful extra information. This information may often help you to solve a task more efficiently, but does not necessarily apply to the setup or operating system you are using; however, it's always worth a look.

Furthermore, the following formatting is used:

- Text appearing in (drop-down) menus (such as *Open...*, *Save as...* etc.) and paths to locations on your hard drive or other storage devices is printed in *italics*.
 - Text appearing elsewhere (labels of buttons, controls, text next to checkboxes etc.) is printed in **blue**. Whenever you see this formatting applied, you will find the same text appearing somewhere on the screen.
 - Important names and concepts are printed in **bold**.
 - References to keys on your computer's keyboard you'll find put in square brackets (e.g., "Press [Shift] + [Return]").
- ▶ Single instructions are introduced by this play button type arrow.

Results of actions are introduced by this smaller arrow.

2 Driver Software Installation

2.1 Read Before Installing

Before starting the driver software installer, here are some points to be aware of:

- Make sure you have downloaded the Controller Editor software and the driver software to your computer by following the instructions on the registration page: www.native-instruments.com/go-tfk1.
Alternatively, you can get both from the following webpages: [Controller Editor](#) and [TRAKTOR KONTROL F1](#).
- Please **carefully review the installer screens** and the suggested installation paths in order to avoid that any unwanted folders are created on your hard disk.
- **Moving any folders** related to Native Instruments software after installation **is not recommended**. Future software updates rely on the directory locations set during initial installation.

2.2 Installation on Mac OS X

Controller Editor

To install the Controller Editor software:

1. Locate and unpack the downloaded installer package file on your computer.
2. Double-click the installer file to start the installation procedure.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 driver

The TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 does not require a dedicated driver under MAC OS X. The driver software installation is complete and you can proceed with chapter [↑3, Connecting the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 to Your Computer](#).

2.3 Installation on Windows



Make sure to run the installer using administrator privileges: right click on the installer file to open the shortcut menu and select *Run as administrator*.

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3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 driver

To install the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 driver software on Windows:

1. Locate and unpack the downloaded installer package file on your computer.
2. Double-click the installer file named **Traktor Kontrol F1 Setup PC.exe** to start the installation procedure.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

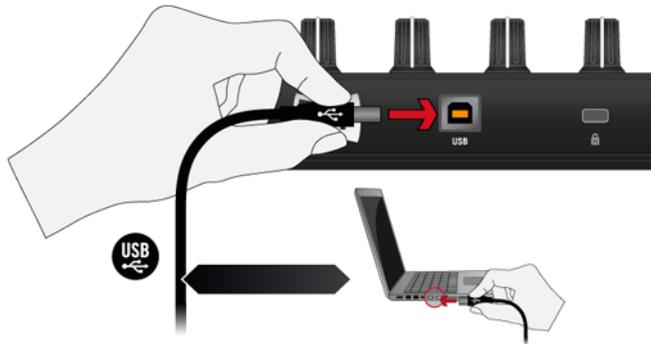
Once the installation procedure is finished continue reading with chapter [↑3, Connecting the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 to Your Computer](#).

3 Connecting the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 to Your Computer

3.1 Connecting the Controller on Mac OS X

Once the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 software installation is complete:

1. Connect the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 to a USB 2.0 (or later) port on your computer.



2. The TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 was designed as a plug-and-play device so no further configuration is necessary. You can now use your F1 controller with the TRAKTOR software. Proceed with chapter 4.



You cannot install the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 on a USB 1.1 port — a USB 2.0 port is required.

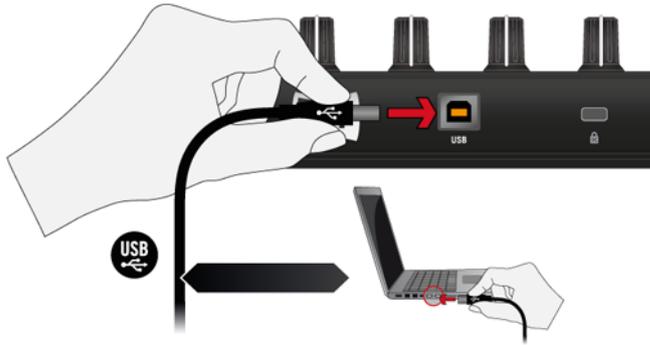


USB hubs may also be used; however, Native Instruments cannot guarantee compatibility with all USB hubs currently available on the market.

3.2 Connecting the Controller on Windows

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Every time the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 is plugged into a USB port that was not used during the initial installation, Windows will reinstall the drivers on the given port. This is normal behavior for USB devices on Windows.

4 What's Next?

- For information on how to operate the F1 controller and how to use it with the TRAKTOR DJ software, please refer to the **TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 Manual**. Don't miss out on its tutorial section! You can access the TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 Manual via the *Open Manual...* entry from the [Help](#) menu in the TRAKTOR software.
- For further information regarding the Controller Editor software, there is the **Controller Editor Manual** in the Controller Editor's documentation folder. You can access the manual via the *Open Manual...* entry from the [Help](#) menu in the Controller Editor software.
- For information on all TRAKTOR features, refer to the **TRAKTOR 2 Manual**. You can access the TRAKTOR 2 Manual via the *Open Manual...* entry from the [Help](#) menu in the TRAKTOR software.

5 Product Returns

Please contact our Technical Support team prior to returning an item. If your product needs to be returned, they will assign you an RA (Return Authorization) number to expedite the processing of your return.

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<http://www.native-instruments.com/support>