



Linx Tough Tab 8



Thank You.

Thank You for choosing the
Linux Tough Tab 8 as your new tablet.
This quick-start manual will help you
to get to know your new tablet and
explain how to get the most out of
all of its great features.

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Important safety information

Your tablet should be treated with care. The information below has been provided in the interest of safety and will help you to enjoy this product and the benefits it brings for many years.

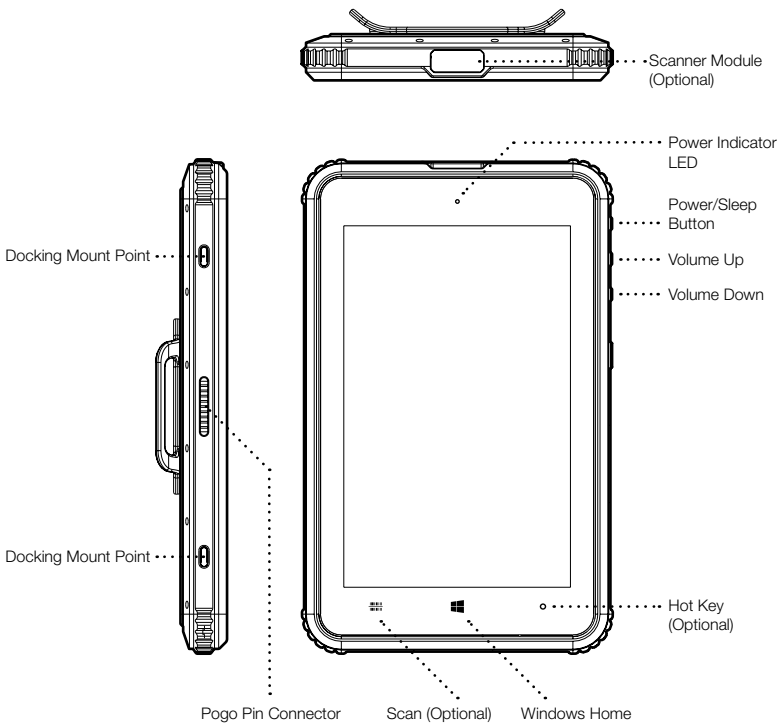
- **DO NOT** use or press down on the tablet PC screen with any sharp objects, they may scratch the LCD screen.
- **DO NOT** place the tablet PC on uneven or unstable work surface.
- Avoid any heavy impacts caused by collisions or dropping your tablet above 1.2 metres as this may damage the product.
- **DO NOT** shove any foreign objects into the Tablet PC.
- **DO NOT** expose the tablet PC to strong magnetic or electrical fields
- **DO NOT** expose the tablet to direct sunlight, or leave the Tablet PC facing the sun for long periods of time as it can damage the LCD Screen.
- **SAFE TEMP:** This tablet PC should only be used in environments with ambient temperatures between 0°C and 40°C
- **CAUTION:** Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.
- **DO NOT** throw the Tablet PC in municipal waste. Check local regulations for disposal of electronic products.
- **DO NOT** use harsh chemicals, cleaning solvents or detergents to clean the product. Wipe with a dry soft cloth or tissue paper to clean.
- The underneath and sides of the product may become warm after a long period of use. This is normal.
- **DO NOT** leave the Tablet PC on your lap or any part of the body in order to prevent discomfort or injury from heat exposure.
- **INPUT RATING:** Refer to the rating label on the Tablet PC and be sure that the Power Adapter complies with the rating. Only use attachments or accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- Checking the connections between the main unit and attachments before turning on the Tablet PC.
- **DO NOT** insert anything into the Tablet PC that may result in short circuit or damage the circuit.
- Disconnect the Tablet PC from the electrical outlet and remove any installed batteries before cleaning.
- Keep the product and all of its part out of the reach of children.
- This product is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning the use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- **NEVER** use the tablet near emergency/intensive care medical equipment, if you have a pacemaker fitted or during an electrical storm.



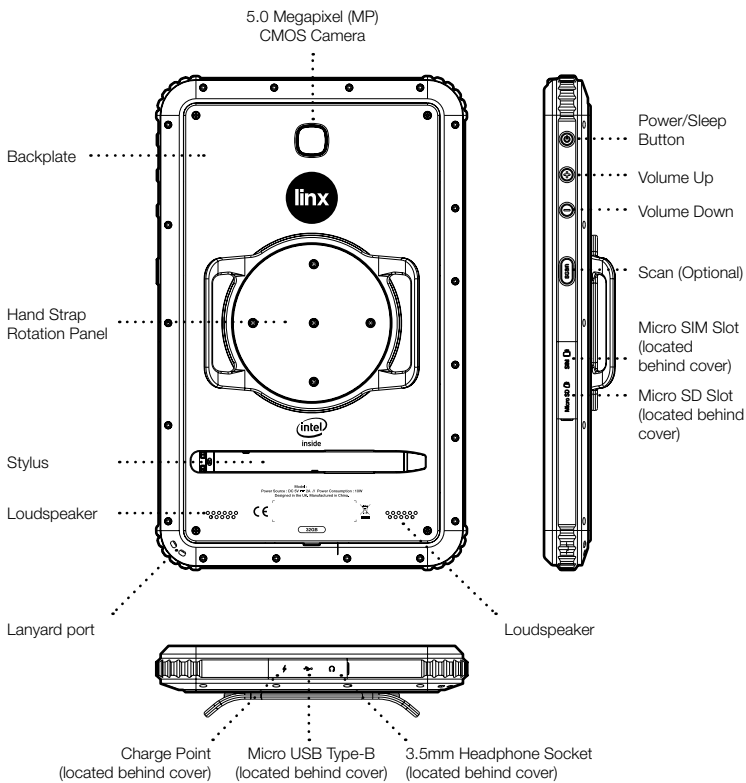
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- **CAUTION:** This Tablet PC has some metal parts to disperse heat.
- **DO NOT** block or cover slots, holes or openings on the product by placing on soft furnishings such as carpets, rugs or beds as these are provided for functionality and/or ventilation to ensure safe operation of the product.
- To prevent possible hearing damage, do not listen at high volume levels for long periods.
- **DO NOT** leave it in low temperatures as moisture can form inside the product, which may damage the circuit board.
- **DO NOT** leave it in high temperatures as electronic devices and plastic parts may warp in heat.
- Disconnect your tablet from the mains power supply during thunderstorms.
- Only use the power supply that came with the product. Using an unauthorised power supply will invalidate your guarantee and may irreversibly damage the product.
- **CAUTION:** When the mains power plug or an appliance coupler is used and then disconnected, the tablet PC shall remain with an electronic charge until power is drained.
- **DO NOT** attempt to open the product. This product does not contain any user serviceable parts. Unauthorised handling of the device may damage it and will void your warranty.

Product Overview



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Instructions for use

Check the package contents

The package contains:

- 1 x Linx Tough Tab 8 Tablet
- 1 x Power Supply Unit with mains plug adaptor
- 1 x USB OTG Cable
- 1 x Instruction Manual
- 1 x Hand Strap (assembled on Hand Strap Panel)

Charging your tablet

Your battery has been partially charged at the factory, but you may need to recharge it before you can switch the tablet on for the first time.

Note: It is recommended to recharge the battery of the tablet fully before turning on for the first time.

 **Important:** Use only the provided or approved chargers or cables with this tablet.

1. Plug the charger into a wall outlet
2. Connect the mains charger to your tablet via the connector on the charger. The Power indicator LED will light up when charging.

When the battery is full, disconnect the charger from the tablet, then from the wall outlet.

Note: To check the current charge level of the battery, press the  icon located at the bottom right of the screen.

Note: You don't need to charge the tablet for specific length of time, and you can use the tablet while it is charging.

Note: If the battery is completely discharged, it may take several minutes before the tablet can be used.

Rechargeable Lithium-Ion battery

Your tablet has an internal Lithium-ion polymer battery which should last the lifetime of the product.

If you suspect that the battery is dead, try charging it several times and follow the steps for charging your tablet.

- Do **NOT** attempt to change the battery yourself.
- **CAUTION:** Danger of explosion if batteries are incorrectly replaced.
- **NEVER** use or charge the battery if it appears to be leaking, discoloured, deformed or in any way abnormal.
- **NEVER** expose the battery to any liquid.
- **NEVER** expose the battery to excessive heat such as direct sunlight or fire.
- **NEVER** throw batteries in a fire or attempt to open the outer casing.
- Batteries are harmful if swallowed, so keep away from and out of reach of infants and young children.

Using your tablet

Turning your tablet On

To turn your tablet on, press and hold the Power/Sleep button and the tablet will begin to power up.

Putting your tablet into Sleep mode

To put your tablet into Sleep mode, press the Power/Sleep button once. The screen should switch off and your tablet will be in Sleep mode.

To wake the tablet from Sleep mode, press the Power/Sleep button once. The screen should wake up and display the lock-screen.

Turning your tablet Off

To turn your tablet off, press **and hold** the Power/Sleep button until you are prompted with the 'Slide

to shut down your PC' message. Slide and drag your finger down the screen to begin the shut down process and turn off your tablet.

Emergency reboot

To reboot your tablet if the screen becomes unresponsive, press **and hold** the Power/Sleep button for 10 seconds until the screen turns off.

Note: Leave the tablet for 15 seconds before trying to reboot the tablet.

 **Important:** Avoid powering the tablet down by using the emergency reboot where possible. Always try to shut down your tablet using the correct shut down method to avoid loss or damage to data.

Increasing and decreasing the volume

To increase the volume level on your device, press the Volume up button. Repeatedly press the Volume up button until the desired volume is reached.

To decrease the volume level on your device, press the Volume down button. Repeatedly press the Volume down button until the desired volume is reached.

Using headphones with your tablet

You can connect headphones with a 3.5mm plug (not included) to your tablet. The headphone socket can be found on the bottom of the device highlighted with . When you have headphones connected the tablet speaker is switched off and all sound is via the headphones.

Installing a Micro SD card

Your tablet supports Micro SD cards (not included) for additional storage of data and files.

 **Important:** Use only compatible memory cards

approved for use with this device. Incompatible cards may damage both the memory card and the tablet and may corrupt data stored on the card.

To install a Micro SD memory card:

1. Locate the Micro SD card slot on the tablet.
2. Insert the Micro SD card into the slot with the gold contacts facing up, carefully slide the memory card into the slot, pushing gently until it clicks into place.

Note: To remove a memory card, push the memory card gently until it clicks and the spring will push the card out to allow you to remove it from the tablet.

 **Important:** Do not remove a memory card when files are currently being used by the tablet. This may corrupt or lose the data stored on the memory card.

Installing a Micro-SIM Card

Your tablet supports Micro-SIM cards for 3G connectivity (where available).

 **Important:** 3G Ready Micro-SIM cards and data plans are sold separately and may be subject to additional contracts and fees. Contact your network operator for advice regarding connectivity or network charges.

 **Important:** Please ensure that your tablet is turned off before installing or removing a Micro-SIM card.

To install a Micro-SIM card:

1. Locate the Micro-SIM card slot on the tablet.
2. Insert the Micro SIM card into the slot facing up and carefully slide the SIM card into the slot, pushing gently until it clicks into place.

To remove a Micro SIM card:

1. Locate the Micro-SIM card slot on the tablet.
2. Gently push the installed Micro SIM card until it clicks. A spring will push the SIM card out slightly ready to be removed.

Using the Stylus

The Linx Tough Tab 8 comes with a Built-in capacitive Stylus providing precision navigation and is designed to aid the function of any workforce.

The stylus can be removed, simply being unclipped from the location slot on the back of the device. Please ensure you take care when removing/storing the stylus.

Note: Please take care when handling the Stylus as incorrect operation/excessive force may damage the tablet or stylus.

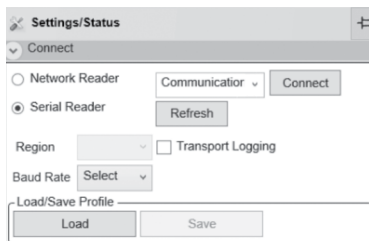
Scanning (Optional)

This device is equipped with a scan module which is simple to operate.

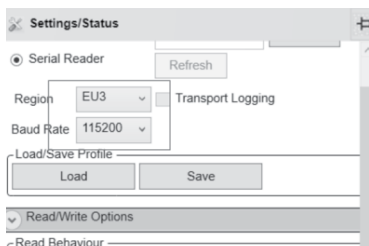
Instructions: Press the physical scan button on the side of the Tablet PC or the scan button on Touch Panel on the front, and then the scan module will enter the scan mode.

RFID Testing (where applicable)

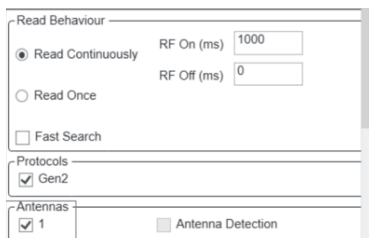
1. Find and launch the RFID test programme named ThingMagic, open the folder and locate the application UniversalReaderAssistant. Press the app for a few seconds, and then tap "Run as administrator"
2. Next, within the Settings/Status menu, under the 'Connect' drop down tab click 'Serial Reader' and hit refresh to connect.



3. Set the 'Region' and 'Baud Rate' configuration parameters.

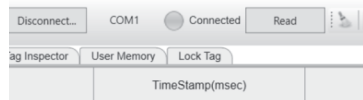


4. Under the 'Read/Write Options' drop down tab ensure 'Read Continuously' is selected.



5. Under the 'Antennas' section make sure that the singular antenna check box is selected.

6. Once the 'Connected' icon is showing click the 'Read' button.



7. Place the RFID Tag under the tablet within 2 metres to test if the tablet can read the RFID Tag. Reposition the RFID Tag, after a few seconds the interface will refresh to read the RFID Tag again.

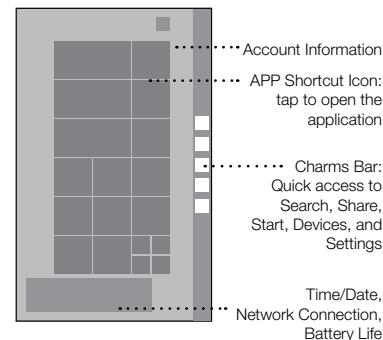
8. Finally, after completing the test click 'Stop' to stop the tablet RFID module from scanning.

Warning: The temperature of the RFID module will be very high and tablet overheating may occur if the RFID module is left scanning.

Using Windows® 8.1 Pro

For a full guide to using Windows® 8.1 Pro please visit: <http://downloads.linx-tablets.com/manuals>

Getting to know Windows® 8.1 Pro



The main home screen is where all of the main applications tiles for your tablet will be located. From here you can select applications to run or open further menus to browse your files.

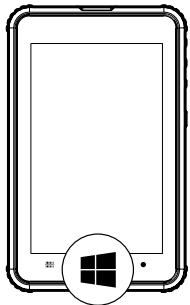
Note: The main home screen may differ if your tablet is set to 'PC' mode. Please see '**Changing between Tablet and PC mode**' section for more details.

The Windows home button

The Windows home button is used to take you back to the main Home/Start screen at any time.

This function can be accessed by using two different methods:

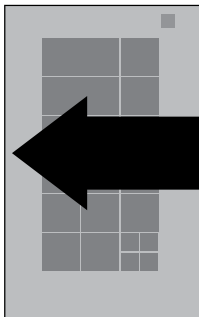
1. By pressing the Windows icon located on the screen bezel on the front of your tablet.



2. By pressing the Windows icon located in the Charms Bar

Accessing the Charms Bar

To access the Charms Bar, slide in from the right edge of the screen:

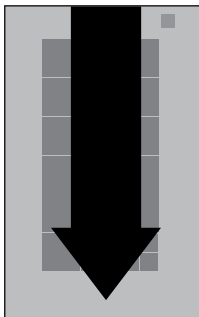


You will find the current date and time, battery life and network connection located on the bar at bottom of the screen.

Opening and closing apps

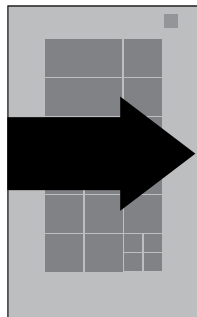
To open an app, tap the app tile.

To close an app, slide your finger down from the top of the screen to the bottom of the screen:



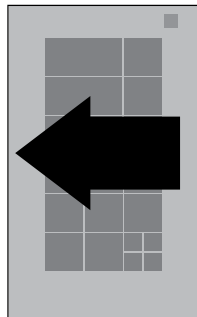
Switching apps

To switch between apps, swipe in from the left edge of the screen:



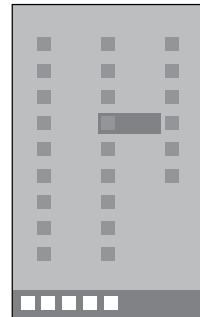
The screen will cycle through all of the applications currently running on your tablet:

Adding screen shortcuts/widgets



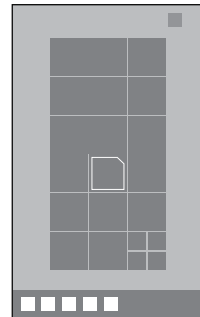
On the home/start screen, there are APP shortcuts. If you want more shortcuts to show up, slide the home screen from right to left. The + sign will appear on

the screen, tap it then you can access APPs menu. Tap and hold the desired app that you want to add to the home screen, a list of options will appear. You can Pin to start, Pin to taskbar or Uninstall. Choose what you want to complete the setting.



Deleting screen shortcuts/widgets

On the home screen, touch and hold the APP icon that you want to delete from the home screen, a list of options will appear.



You can Unpin it from start, Unpin from taskbar, Uninstall or Resize it. Choose what you want to complete the setting.

Using the On Screen Keyboard

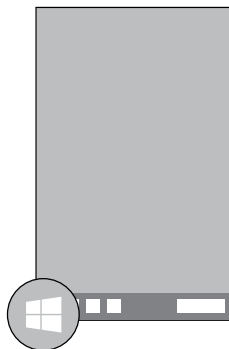


To gain access to the keyboard simply touch a text field to open the on-screen keyboard.

With the OSK you can get access to the numbers by pressing the numbers symbol at the bottom left or simply by tapping the target number key and sliding upwards.

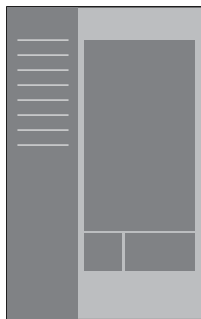
Changing between Tablet and PC mode

Switching between Tablet and PC Mode is simple, tap the Desktop tile, located on the Home/Start screen and you will be taken to the Desktop and PC Mode. To return to Tablet mode simply press the Windows icon located in the bottom left of the screen.



PC Settings

To access the PC Settings simply click the PC settings tile.



Activating Windows

The tablet will activate itself once it is connected to the Internet or Wi-Fi.

Personalise

You can choose to change your Account picture, Lock screen and Picture password

PC and devices

Lock screen

You can pick an image as a lock screen picture or play a slideshow on the lock screen.

Lock-screen applications

Choose apps to run in the background and show quick status and notification, even when your screen is locked.

Camera

You can decide whether to swipe down on the lock screen to use the camera or not.

Display

In the Display menu, you can customise the display by setting the resolution and other options.

Bluetooth

You can turn on/off the Bluetooth to exchange information and connect to different types of devices.

Slide the Bluetooth icon to On to automatically start searching for devices within range. All the devices found will be displayed in the list under the icon. Choose one displayed device and tap pair and then confirm the match code, if it is the same, then tap Yes.

Devices

In this menu, you can add devices such as printers and other devices. In addition, you can download over metered connections and set the default save location.

Mouse and touchpad

You can set the primary button of the mouse and other items.

Typing

In this menu, you can change the settings of Spelling, Typing and Touch keyboard.

Corners and edges

Here you can set the App switching and Corner navigation.

Power and sleep

Adjust the time at which the device powers off when plugged and unplugged.

AutoPlay

In this menu, you can decide whether to use auto play for all media and devices or not and choose Auto Play defaults.

Disk space

You can see the available space on this Tablet PC, and can delete Windows Store apps to free up disk space.

PC info

Here you can find information about the software installed on this tablet is displayed. You can also rename the PC here.

Accounts

Your account

In this menu, you can connect to a Microsoft account or set the account picture. Tap Connect to a Microsoft account and enter the information required.

Sign-in options

Add a password for information security.

Other accounts

Here you can add and manage other accounts.

OneDrive

File storage

Connecting to a Microsoft account, then you can save files to OneDrive for easy access to files.

Camera roll

Connecting to a Microsoft account, then you can upload photos and videos.

Sync settings

Once you need to reinstall the system, you can sync settings with OneDrive without restarting every APPS and losing files. In addition, you can optimize personalization settings, App settings and other settings.

Metered connections

You can change how OneDrive uses metered connections.

Search and apps

Search

You can clear search history, decide whether to use Bing to search online and manage your search experience, Safe Search and Metered connections.

Share

Set the sharing options and the way to share.

Notifications

In this menu, you can manage app notifications, set quiet hours which helps to stop app notifications during certain hours of the day and choose apps from which notifications are showed.

App sizes

In this menu, you can know the size of every app. If you want to uninstall an app, select it from the list and then tap or click Uninstall.

Defaults

Choose default apps for the Web browser, Email, Music player, Video player, Photo viewer, Calendar and Maps.

Privacy

General

In this menu, you can change privacy options to better protect your privacy.

Location

Decide whether you will let Windows and apps use your location or not. If the answer is yes, choose the apps in the list.

Webcam

Decide whether you will let apps use your Webcam or not. If the answer is yes, choose the apps in the list.

Microphone

Decide whether you will let apps use your

microphone or not. If the answer is yes, choose the apps in the list.

Other devices

Other devices that allow you to control app access will appear here.

Network

To connect to network, tap the Settings icon from the Charms Bar and select the desired network, alternatively access the Desktop via the Desktop tile and tap the Networks Icon in the bottom right corner. Make sure Wi-Fi is set to on, then the system will auto-scan and display the available networks to connect to.

Connections

You can see the status of the network connection and manage them. You can also add a VPN connection by inputting the VPN provider, Connection name, and Server name or address and so on.

Flight mode

Tap the slider to turn on Flight mode to stop all wireless connections.

Proxy

Proxy helps to speed up your access to websites. In this menu, you can decide to complete proxy automatically or manually.

HomeGroup

You must be connected to a home network to use Home Group.

Workplace

To access the workplace, enter your user ID, to join your workplace network.

Time and language

Date and time

In this menu, you can set the date and time of the tablet.

Region and language

In this menu, choose a country and desired language for better operating.

Ease of Access

Narrator

Narrator is a screen reader that reads all the elements on the screen, like text and buttons. If you need the narrator to read the text for you, you can turn it on and even personalise it here.

Magnifier

If you need to magnify something to see something more clearly, tap the slider to turn it on.

High contrast

In this menu, you choose a theme, then tap Apply, then you can change the color of Text, Hyperlinks, Disabled Text, Selected Text, Button Text and Background.

Keyboard

In this menu, you can open the on-screen keyboard and manage some useful keys like Sticky Keys, Toggle Keys and Filter Keys by tapping the slider .

Mouse

You can change the Pointer size, Pointer color and Mouse keys here.

Other options

In this menu, you can manage visual options here to play animations in Windows, show Windows background and so on.

Update and recovery

Windows Update

You can check your update history here since your tablet is set to automatically install updates.

File History

In this menu, you can save copies of your personal

files to another drive for safety.

Recovery

In this menu, you can refresh your PC without affecting your files. In addition, if you want to reinstall Windows, you can complete it here to reset it to its factory settings.

Internet Explorer

Once you are connected to a network, tap the Internet Explorer tile on home page to access the network browsing window. Here you can access Bookmarked websites or enter the URL manually.

Email

Before you open your mail, be sure you have a Microsoft account and have already connected to a network.

On the home page tap the Mail tile to open. Tap 'Sign in' and enter your Microsoft account information and tap 'Save' to sign in to your Microsoft account and mail.

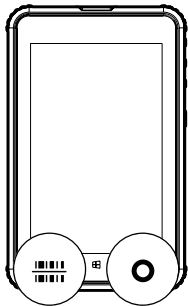
Here you can manage your mail. If you want to switch to another account, slide left and tap Settings > Accounts

You can also add an account or remove all accounts.

You can manage some mail options here, and tap Remove accounts to delete the mail account.

Hot Key Shortcuts (Optional)

The Linx Tough Tab 8 multi-touch capacitive display comes equipped with additional icons for application shortcuts located on the screen bezel on the front of your tablet.



Barcode Scanner: Using the scan button located on the front left-hand side of the touch panel, enables users to operate the scanner that is positioned on top of the device.

OSK (On Screen Keyboard): By pressing the circular icon on the front right-hand side of the touch panel opens up the tablets on screen keyboard, press again to remove the on screen keyboard.

Note: Buttons will only work when the tablet is unlocked.

Technical information

Physical Properties	
Dimensions (HWD)	235 x 147 x 22mm
Weight	870g (typical)
Primary Orientation	Portrait
Screen Size	8" IPS
Screen Resolution / Aspect Ratio	800 x 1280 / 10:16
Touch Module	10-Point Capacitive Touch Panel
Battery Type	Rechargeable Lithium-ion Polymer
Battery Capacity	8,000mAh / 3.7V
Battery Life	5 - 7 Hours / Approx (dependant on use)
IP67 Certified	Dustproof, Waterproof (Submersion up to 1m for 30mins)
Drop Tested	IEC-60068232 standards at 1.2M
System Hardware Configuration	
CPU Type	Quad-Core Intel® Atom™ Z3735F
Clock Speed	1.33GHz - 1.83GHz
GPU	Intel® HD Graphics (Generation 7), 2MB Cache
RAM	2GB DDR3L
ROM Flash	32GB eMMC
Camera	5.0 Megapixel (MP) CMOS (Rear)
Speaker	2 x Built-in 8Ω / 0.8W Speakers
G-Sensor	Gravity Acceleration Sensor
Microphone	Built-in
Navigation	Built-in GPS & GLONASS

Technical information

Network Connections	
Wi-Fi	Yes
Bluetooth Version	Bluetooth 4.0
Interface Configuration	
Expandable Memory Slot	Supports SDHC/SDXC up to 32GB
USB	1 x Micro USB
Headphone Jack	3.5mm headphone port
Keyboard Support	Micro USB, Bluetooth, Wired / Wireless
Mouse Support	Micro USB, Bluetooth, Wired / Wireless
Included Accessories	
Power Adapter	PSU (9V/1.5A)
USB Patch Cord	USB OTG Cable
Software Configuration	
Operating System	Windows 8.1 Pro

Note: Specifications and external appearance are subject to change without notice.

General information

Guarantee

Exertis (UK) Limited warrants to the end user that this product will be free from defects in materials and workmanship in the course of normal use for a period of 12 months (1 year) from the date of purchase. This guarantee covers breakdowns due to manufacturing or design faults. If a genuine manufacture fault is found Exertis (UK) Limited will arrange the collection of the faulty device and issue a 'like for like' replacement.

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- The guarantee does not cover accidental damage, however caused, wear and tear, or negligence.
- It must be solely used for domestic purposes.
- The guarantee will be rendered invalid if the product is re-sold or is damaged through any adjustment, modification or repair not authorised by us.
- Specifications are subject to change without notice.
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Always return your used electronic products, batteries, and packaging materials to dedicated collection points. This way you help to prevent uncontrolled waste disposal and promote the recycling of materials. All materials of the device can be recovered as material and energy.

Disposal of Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE)



This symbol on the product or on its packaging indicates that this product should not be treated as household waste. Instead it should be handed over to a suitable collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment. By ensuring this product is disposed of correctly, you will help prevent potential negative consequences for the environment and human health, which could otherwise be caused by inappropriate waste handling of this product. The recycling of materials will help to conserve natural resources. For more information about the recycling of this product, please contact your local council office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product.

Digital Rights Management

When using this device, obey all laws and respect local customs, privacy and legitimate rights of others, including copyrights. Copyright protection may prevent you from copying, modifying, or transferring photos, music, and other content.

Rechargeable Lithium-Ion battery

This device has an internal, non-removable, rechargeable Lithium-ion polymer battery. Do not attempt to open the back cover or remove the battery, as you may damage the device. To replace the battery, take the device to the nearest authorised service facility.

Only use the power supply that came with the product. Using an unauthorised power supply could invalidate your guarantee and may irreversibly damage the product.

The battery can be charged and discharged hundreds of times, but it will eventually wear out.

When battery life is noticeably shorter than normal, to replace the battery, take the device to the nearest authorised service facility.

Battery and charger safety

To unplug a charger or an accessory, hold and pull the plug, not the cord.

When your charger is not in use, unplug it.

If your tablet is left unused on standby, a fully charged battery will still lose its charge over time.

Always keep the battery between 59°F and 77°F (15°C and 25°C) for optimal performance. Extreme temperatures reduce the capacity and lifetime of the battery. A device with a hot or cold battery may not work temporarily.

Do not dispose of batteries in a fire as they may explode. Obey local regulations. Recycle when possible. Do not dispose as household garbage. Do not dismantle, cut, crush, bend, puncture, or otherwise damage the battery in any way. If a battery leaks, do not let liquid touch skin or eyes. If this happens, immediately flush the affected areas with water, or seek medical help.

Do not modify, attempt to insert foreign objects into the battery, or immerse or expose it to water or other liquids. Batteries may explode if damaged.

Use the battery and charger for their intended purposes only. Improper use, or use of unapproved or incompatible batteries or chargers may present a risk of fire, explosion, or other hazard, and may invalidate any approval of warranty. If you believe the battery or charger is damaged, take it to a service center before continuing to use it. Never use a damaged battery or charger.

Do not charge your device during a lightning storm. Only use the charger indoors.

Small children

Your device and its accessories are not toys. They may contain small parts. Keep them out of the reach of small children.

Medical devices

Operation of radio transmitting equipment, including wireless phones, may interfere with inadequately shielded medical devices' function. Consult a physician or the medical device's manufacturer to determine if it is adequately shielded from external radio energy.

Implanted medical devices

To avoid potential interference, manufacturers of implanted medical devices recommend a minimum separation of 6 inches (15.3 centimeters) between a wireless device and the medical device. Persons who have such devices should:

- Always keep the wireless device more than 6 inches (15.3 centimeters) from the medical device.
- Turn the wireless device off if there is any reason to suspect that interference is taking place.
- Follow the manufacturer directions for the implanted medical device.

If you have any questions about using your wireless device with an implanted medical device, consult your health care provider.

Hearing

 **Warning:** When you use a headset or earphones, your ability to hear outside sounds may be affected. Do not use the headset where it can endanger your safety.

To prevent possible hearing damage, do not listen to audio at high volume levels for extended periods of time.



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