

General Information

- A laptop or PC running Windows 7 or later, or a Mac running OS X 10.6 or later, or a smart phone or tablet
- An 'A Male' to 'micro B' USB cable to connect your computer to your BBC micro:bit. This is the same cable that is commonly used to connect a smart phone to a computer
- Access to the internet

Powering your BBC micro:bit

- When your BBC micro:bit is not connected to your computer with a USB, you will need 2 x AAA batteries to power it.

Using phones and tablets

- Find out how to use the BBC micro:bit app to connect your phones and tablets with the BBC micro:bit in the getting started section on the website

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT: PLEASE RETAIN THIS INFORMATION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

- Do not place any metal objects across the BBC micro:bit batter socket
- Do not place any metal objects across the printed circuit board and the board components as this can cause the board to fail
- Do not use your BBC micro:bit in water or with wet hands
- Do not leave your BBC micro:bit plugged into any device unsupervised
- Please avoid handling the BBC micro:bit circuit board while plugged into a power supply
- Please handle your BBC micro:bit by its edges
- All leads and accessories used with your BBC micro:bit should meet the relevant standards and be marked with relevant logo
- Connecting your BBC micro:bit to anything unapproved could damage it
- Please do not leave your BBC micro:bit within reach of children under 8 years
- Please operate your BBC micro:bit in a well ventilated room
- Only connect your BBC micro:bit to a power supply rated at 3Volts dc
- The maximum current safely supplied to an external circuit using the 3V pin on edge connector is 100mA
- Please do not store or use your BBC micro:bit in extremely hot or cold environments

Battery Warnings

- Only use zinc-carbon or alkaline batteries with your BBC micro:bit
- To remove the battery pack pinch the connector with your fingers
- Do not remove by pulling the wires
- Please do not mix different types of batteries or mix new and used batteries

- Please use batteries of the same or equivalent type as those recommended
- Please insert batteries the correct way round
- Please remove spent batteries from the battery holder
- Do not place any metal objects across the terminals as this may short-circuit the battery supply
- Do not try to charge normal (non-rechargeable batteries)