

Ecological Monitoring System Australia

Setting default keyboard preferences

Overview

The default numeric keyboard on some Android devices does not include a minus sign (-). This appears to specifically affect Samsung devices but is easily addressed changing the default keyboard for your device. You may need to download the keyboard first (requiring an internet connection) but depending on the device there are often several keyboard options available in your device's keyboard settings.

Note: the steps for your device's make and model may be slightly different, if you run into trouble we suggest googling the steps for changing the default keyboard for your specific device.

Equipment

- Android device
- Downloaded

Setting the default keyboard

1. In the device's **Settings** select **General Management** > **Keyboard List and Default**, if available, toggle on **GBoard** or **SWIFT KEY** and change the **Default Keyboard** to Gboard or SWIFT KEY
2. If **GBoard** or **SWIFT KEY** is not available then you will need to download one of them from the **Google Play** store.
3. Once installed, the keyboard should then appear as an option in the **Keyboard list and Default** Page
4. Once changed in the device settings, the keyboard that appears when you use the Monitor app (or any other app) should now have a minus sign available.

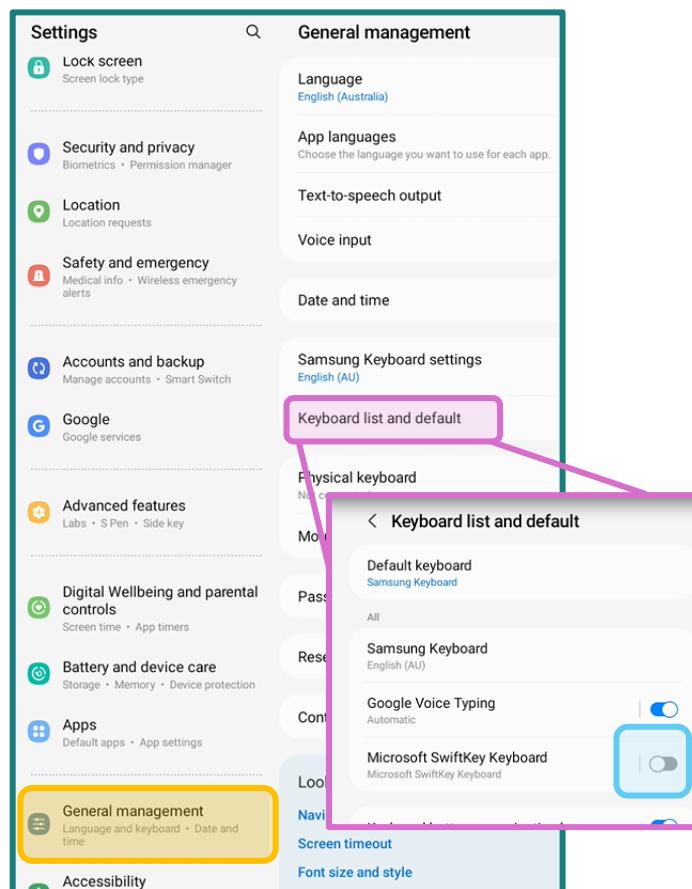


Figure 1: Screenshot of device settings showing the button selections; General Management (yellow), Keyboard list and default (pink) keyboard toggle (blue)



Figure 2: Screenshot of suggested keyboards available to download for free.