



# MAINTENANCE GUIDE

Thank you for purchasing a Skytech Gaming PC! We hope you will enjoy the performance and versatility that comes from being a member of the international PC gaming community. Here are a few tips to ensure that your PC will keep its level of performance in the years to come.

## **Keep it updated!**

Regularly run 'Windows Update' to make sure it has all of the latest security and feature updates. Check either Nvidia's or AMD's website based on the graphics card in your system for the latest graphics card drivers. Make sure to select a clean install when possible. Usually this is under the 'Custom' or 'Advanced' install option.

## **Keep it clean!**

Be sure to regularly dust the internals of your computer using a can of compressed air or a hand blower. There may be dust collected in the filters and fans. Dust can cause your components to overheat which may lead to performance throttling or mechanical wear. When cleaning the fans, be sure to hold the fan in place as blowing the fan directly may cause it to spin faster than it is rated for.

Delete any programs that you are not using and keep at least 15-20% of your hard drive disk (HDD) and 25-30% of your solid state disk (SSD) space free. This will let your drives continue to run background processes to keep them running smoothly. If you have an SSD, keep only your main games or programs while installing the rest to your HDD to utilize the space efficiently.

Make sure you only allow the programs you use often to run on startup, as having too many can reduce your startup time.

## **Keep it safe!**

Get a pop-up blocker for your browser to stop malicious pop-ups and scripts from running in your browser. Be sure to regularly update and run anti-virus scans on your computer. Windows' built-in antivirus (Windows Defender) is enough for most people. Make sure that if Windows Firewall asks you whether to allow a program through the firewall that you know the program that triggered it is safe.

When installing any game or program, be sure to go into 'Custom' or 'Advanced' options and uncheck any additional unwanted toolbars or software that may be installed alongside it.

Skytech Gaming will only ask you for your Windows 10 login credentials if you send your PC in. If possible, kindly change your login password and/or PIN to a temporary one and email it to our support before sending in your PC. Log out of any services such as Discord, Steam, email etc. After you receive your repaired PC, please change the temporary password/PIN.

