Instructions for use
The Olivetti Lexikon 83 Deluxe is a portable electric typewriter with interchangeable typing element and ribbon cartridge. You may select the appropriate typestyle for every occasion; a business style for business letters, an informal style for personal letters. Our interchangeable ribbon cartridge enables you to switch to a fresh ribbon or a different color ribbon in seconds by merely changing the ribbon cartridge.

Typing elements and ribbon cartridges for the Lexikon 83 Deluxe are manufactured exclusively by Olivetti.
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On/Off Switch

After making sure the electrical cord is connected to both the typewriter and the electrical outlet, move the On/Off switch 28 to the «ON» position. This will also unlock the carriage. When the electrical power is turned off, move the carriage to the extreme right, then center it and it will automatically lock in the center position. If keyboard should deactivate due to simultaneous multiple key depression, turn switch to «OFF» then to «ON» again to reactivate keyboard.

Inserting, Centering and Releasing Paper

Place left edge of paper against lateral paper guide 10. If paper need not to be centered, guide should be aligned with zero on paper centering scale 9. If you need to center paper, you may do so by aligning both sides of the paper with corresponding numbers of the paper centering scale. Margins may also be set evenly on this scale. To free paper from carriage, lift up paper release lever 20.
Margin Setting
To set the left hand margin, move the carriage until the center line of the cardholder is aligned with the exact position you wish to begin typing. Then move the left margin set 11 until the black line is aligned with the center line of the cardholder. To set the right hand margin, move the carriage until the center of the cardholder is aligned with the exact position you wish to end typing, then move the right hand margin set until the black line is aligned with the center of the cardholder.

Margin Bypass Key
Depress key 5 to type outside the margins.

Line Space Selector
Select (1) single, (2) double, (3) triple line spacing.

Variable Line Spacer
To disengage the line space selector, push in the variable line spacer 7 located on the left platen knob and turn the platen. Line spacing will be resumed when the variable line spacer is released. It is used for making additions and corrections or for positioning pre-ruled paper forms.
Tabulator
To set tab stops, move carriage to position desired and depress tab set switch 26 forward to position marked «set». To tabulate, depress tab key 6 and carriage will move to selected stops. To clear individual stops, tabulate to stop and move tab switch to rear position marked «clear».
To clear all stops, move carriage to the right or left while depressing tab switch to the rear position marked «clear».

Repeat Typing Keys
The space bar, the 8 key and the back space key will automatically repeat when depressed and held down.
Correction with Half Space Key

Why retype the page? Use the half space key either to add a letter that has been omitted or to delete an unwanted letter. To add a letter, you must take a half space from both sides of the word to be corrected, for example, HALF in the exercise below. Practice doing this as follows:

1. Return the carriage and type (in Capital letters)

   THE HALF SPACE

2. Suppose you meant to write WHOLE.
   Instead of erasing the full line, as you would normally do, return the carriage and type on the next line

   THE SPACE

3. Return to the beginning of the line number two and touch the space bar three times.
   You should be directly to the right of the letter E in THE.

4. Depress and hold the half space key, type the letter W. Release the half space key.
   Depress and hold the half space key, type the letter H. Release the half space key.
   Repeat the process for O, L and E.

Automatic Title Centering

No back spacing, dividing or guessing when you want to center a title on the Lexikon 83 Deluxe. Everything is done automatically when you follow these instructions:

1. Center and insert paper with carriage at normal left hand margin.

2. Depress margin bypass key 5.
   You should now be at the zero (0) position on the lower scale 18 in the paper bail.

3. Spell out the title on the space bar.
   Make certain you touch the space bar once for every letter and for every space.

4. Read the number on the upper scale 17 (if it is between two numbers, take the higher number to the left).

5. Move the carriage to the number on the lower scale 18.

6. Type the title...

   Centered Perfectly
Page-End Indicator

The page-end indicator 21 will show you the exact number of inches you have remaining to the bottom of a page.

To use the indicator for 8½, 11 or 13 inch length of paper, follow these steps:

1. Center and insert paper.
2. Align the top edge of the paper with the top edges of the aligning scale 16 to the right and the left of the cardholder.
3. Push the fluted portion of the right hand platen knob in and turn until the number corresponding to your paper length (b) is directly opposite the mark on the carriage end cover (a).
4. Release knob and begin typing at preferred location.
Interchangeable Typing Element

Each typing element is marked with the pitch (10 or 12) and the name of the typeface. Type styles are not interchangeable between 10 and 12 pitch.

To remove the typing element:
1. Make sure the typewriter is in lower case.
2. Slide the lock 22 on top of the typing element to the extreme right.
3. Grip the slide lock between forefinger and thumb and lift up the typing element.

To install typing element follow above instructions in reverse.

Interchangeable Ribbon Cartridge

To remove the ribbon cartridge, lift up the ribbon cartridge cover toward you, grip on both sides with thumb and forefinger and lift straight up.

To insert ribbon cartridge, first make sure the ribbon is taut. Then simply place cartridge so that the ribbon is between the cardholder 15 and the typing element 23 and depress firmly on the small circle in the center of the cartridge.
Serial Number Location

The serial number is located on the upper right hand side of the frame. To read it, look straight down between the carriage and the top right hand cover of the typewriter.