Typing in Sheikh Bakri Saplao Script in Qubee Style

The Sheikh Bakri Sapalo script keyboard (🐍) is an experimental keyboard that supports typing the Sheikh Bakri Sapalo script using Qubee orthography rules. The keyboard requires the included "Athinkra – Sheikh Bakri Sapalo" font which in turn encodes the script in the Unicode Private Use Area.

The following with be updated with Afan Oromoo examples:

Example: typing **selam** becomes ሰላም

Because Geʾez has more sounds than English does, we sometimes have to adjust this rule. For example, English does not have 'ጠ' and the closest similar letter would be 't'. In this case, you should type with "capital T":

Example: typing **qTqaTie** becomes ቅጥቃጤ

Notice that we needed both "ie" together to make the 5th 'ጠ' letter 'ጤ'. When the letter you want to type does not appear when you hit the similar sounding key in English, try using the capital next. If typing the capital does not work, then try hitting the key two times:

Example: typing **sselam** becomes ሠላም
Example: typing **SSeHey** becomes ፀሐይ

Next, when you need to type the extra letters of Geʾez like ኊ, ሟ, ኵ you can do so by typing an extra vowel after a 'u':

Example: typing **mua** becomes ሟ
Example: typing **guie** becomes ጒ

Finally, we must introduce a special rule for ' (apostrophe). Some words are spelt with a ሳድስ (6th) letter followed by a vowel, like ርኤ in ገብርኤል. We use the apostrophe here to type "gebr'iel" to make sure we get "ርኤ" instead of 'ሬ'.

Example: typing **mel'ak** becomes መልአክ
Example: typing **ar'est** becomes አርእስት

The following typing tables show how to type all Geʾez letters, numbers, and punctuation.

Sheik Bakri Sapalo Typing Table

Key	*	a	u	i	e	o	aa	uu	ii	ee	oo	
	*	a	u	i	e	o	aa	uu	ii	ee	oo	*?
+x	**/*x	ax	ux	ix	ex	ox	aax	uux	iix	eex	xoo	**?
b	b*	ba	bu	bi	be	bo	baa	buu	bii	bee	boo	b
bb	bb*	bba	bbu	bbi	bbe	bbo	bbaa	bbuu	bbii	bbee	bboo	bb
j	j*	ja	ju	ji	je	jo	jaa	juu	jii	jee	joo	j
jj	jj*	jja	jju	jji	jje	jjo	jjaa	jjuu	jjii	jjee	jjoo	jj
d	d*	da	du	di	de	do	daa	duu	dii	dee	doo	d
dd	dd*	dda	ddu	ddi	dde	ddo	ddaa	dduu	ddii	ddee	ddoo	dd
h	h*	ha	hu	hi	he	ho	haa	huu	hii	hee	hoo	h
hh	hh*	hha	hhu	hhi	hhe	hho	hhaa	hhuu	hhii	hhee	hhoo	hh
w	w*	wa	wu	wi	we	wo	waa	wuu	wii	wee	woo	w
ww	ww*	wwa	wwu	wwi	wwe	wwo	wwaa	wwuu	wwii	wwee	wwoo	ww
z	z*	za	zu	zi	ze	zo	zaa	zuu	zii	zee	zoo	z
zz	zz*	zza	zzu	zzi	zze	zzo	zzaa	zzuu	zzii	zzee	zzoo	zz
hx	hx*	hxa	hxu	hxi	hxe	hxo	hxaa	hxuu	hxii	hxee	hxoo	hx
hxx	hxx*	hxxa	hxxu	hxxi	hxxe	hxxo	hxxaa	hxxuu	hxxii	hxxee	hxxoo	hxx
x	x*	xa	xu	xi	xe	xo	xaa	xuu	xii	xee	xoo	x
xx	xx*	xxa	xxu	xxi	xxe	xxo	xxaa	xxuu	xxii	xxee	xxoo	xx
y	y*	ya	yu	yi	ye	yo	yaa	yuu	yii	yee	yoo	y
yy	yy*	yya	yyu	yyi	yye	yyo	yyaa	yyuu	yyii	yyee	yyoo	Yy
k	k*	ka	ku	ki	ke	ko	kaa	kuu	kii	kee	koo	k
kk	kk*	kka	kku	kki	kke	kko	kkaa	kkuu	kkii	kkee	kkoo	Kk
l	l*	la	lu	li	le	lo	laa	luu	lii	lee	loo	L

Key	*	a	u	i	e	o	aa	uu	ii	ee	oo	
ll	ll*	lla	llu	lli	lle	llo	llaa	lluu	llii	llee	lloo	Ll
m	m*	ma	mu	mi	me	mo	maa	muu	mii	mee	moo	m
mm	mm*	mma	mmu	mmi	mme	mmo	mmaa	mmuu	mmii	mmee	mmoo	Mm
n	n*	na	nu	ni	ne	no	naa	nuu	nii	nee	noo	N
nn	nn*	nna	nnu	nni	nne	nno	nnaa	nnuu	nnii	nnee	nnoo	Nn
s	s*	sa	su	si	se	so	saa	suu	sii	see	soo	S
ss	ss*	ssa	ssu	ssi	sse	sso	ssaa	ssuu	ssii	ssee	ssoo	ss
f	f*	fa	fu	fi	fe	fo	faa	fuu	fii	fee	foo	F
ff	ff*	ffa	ffu	ffi	ffe	ffo	ffaa	ffuu	ffii	ffee	ffoo	Ff
sx	sx*	sxa	sxu	sxi	sxe	sxo	sxaa	sxuu	sxii	sxee	sxoo	sx
sxx	sxx*	sxxa	sxxu	sxxi	sxxe	sxxo	sxxaa	sxxuu	sxxii	sxxee	sxxoo	sxx
q	z*	za	zu	zi	ze	zo	zaa	zuu	zii	zee	zoo	z
qq	zz*	zza	zzu	zzi	zze	zzo	zzaa	zzuu	zzii	zzee	zzoo	zz
r	r*	ra	ru	ri	re	ro	raa	ruu	rii	ree	roo	r
rr	rr*	rra	rru	rri	rre	rro	rraa	rruu	rrii	rree	rroo	rr
sh	zz*	zza	zzu	zzi	zze	zzo	zzaa	zzuu	zzii	zzee	zzoo	zz
shh	zz*	zza	zzu	zzi	zze	zzo	zzaa	zzuu	zzii	zzee	zzoo	zz
t	t*	ta	tu	ti	te	to	taa	tuu	tii	tee	too	t
tt	tt*	tta	ttu	tti	tte	tto	ttaa	ttuu	ttii	ttee	ttoo	tt
kx	kx*	kxa	kxu	kxi	kxe	kxo	kxaa	kxuu	kxii	kxee	kxoo	kx
kxx	kxx*	kxxa	kxxu	kxxi	kxxe	kxxo	kxxaa	kxxuu	kxxii	kxxee	kxxoo	kxx
dh	dh*	dha	dhu	dhi	dhe	dho	dhaa	dhuu	dhii	dhee	dhoo	dh
dhh	dhh*	dhha	dhhu	dhhi	dhhe	dhho	dhhaa	dhhuu	dhhii	dhhee	dhhoo	dhh
g	g*	ga	gu	gi	ge	go	gaa	guu	gii	gee	goo	G
gg	gg*	gga	ggu	ggi	gge	ggo	ggaa	gguu	ggii	ggee	ggoo	Gg

Key	*	a	u	i	e	o	aa	uu	ii	ee	oo	
c	c*	ca	cu	ci	ce	co	caa	cuu	cii	cee	coo	C
cc	cc*	cca	ccu	cci	cce	cco	ccaa	ccuu	ccii	ccee	ccoo	cc
ny	ny*	nya	nyu	nyi	nye	nyo	nyaa	nyuu	nyii	nyee	nyoo	ny
nyy	nyy*	nyya	nyyu	nyyi	nyye	nyyo	nyyaa	nyyuu	nyyii	nyyee	nyyoo	nyy
ch	ch*	cha	chu	chi	che	cho	chaa	chuu	chii	chee	choo	ch
chh	chh*	chha	chhu	chhi	chhe	chho	chhaa	chhuu	chhii	chhee	chhoo	chh
ph	ph*	pha	phu	phi	phe	pho	phaa	phuu	phii	phee	phoo	ph
phh	phh*	phha	phhu	phhi	phhe	phho	phhaa	phhuu	phhii	phhee	phhoo	Phh
A	A*	A	U	I	E	O	AA	UU	II	EE	OO	A?
Ax	Ax*	Ax	Ux	Ix	Ex	Ox	AAx	UUx	IIx	EEx	OOx	Ax?
p	p*	pa	pu	pi	pe	po	paa	puu	pii	pee	poo	p
pp	pp*	ppa	ppu	ppi	ppe	ppo	ppaa	ppuu	ppii	ppee	ppoo	pp
v	v*	va	vu	vi	ve	vo	vaa	vuu	vii	vee	voo	v
vv	vv*	vva	vvu	vvi	vve	vvo	vvaa	vvuu	vvii	vvee	vvoo	vv
zy	zy*	zya	zyu	zyi	zye	zyo	zyaa	zyuu	zyii	zyee	zyoo	zy
zyy	zyy*	zyya	zyyu	zyyi	zyye	zyyo	zyyaa	zyyuu	zyyii	zyyee	zyyoo	zyy
ts	ts*	tsa	tsu	tsi	tse	tso	tsaa	tsuu	tsii	tsee	tsoo	ts
tss	tss*	tssa	tssu	tssi	tsse	tsso	tssaa	tssuu	tssii	tssee	tssoo	tss

Typing Punctuation

Sheik Bakri Sapalo Punctuation

:	=
:	.

When a number follows ':' or '=' they will change back to their Latin form automatically. For example:

$$12=50 \Rightarrow 12.50$$
$$12:50 \Rightarrow 12:50$$

Keyboard Punctuation

All regular punctuation on your keyboard remains available. Most punctuation can be typed with a single keystroke as usual. Those used to input Ethiopic symbols can be entered by hitting the punctuation key two or more times until it appears.

Typing Numbers

Sheik Bakri Sapalo Numbers

𝟝	Ч	𝟋	Ā	Б	𝟤	ⱸ	Ͻ	ⱬ
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Western Digits

Western numbers may be typed with a '#' mark followed by the desired digit 1-9.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9