



8008 Ink

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Notes

Push Feel

While surprisingly smooth in push feel for a stock Gateron switch, Ink or otherwise, these switches mostly suffer when it comes to the bottoming and topping out feeling. Both of these, and especially the top out, feel quite thin and much more sharp than would be desirable.

Wobble

The wobble is fairly on par for expectations with Gateron switches both new and old alike. The 8008 Inks have no top housing wobble and a noticeable amount of equivalent stem wobble in both the N/S and E/W directions, though it is marginally less than some stock options.

Sound

Sound is the biggest hit to the performance of these switches in their stock forms. A bit of scratch noise mixed with a thin topping out sound is completely overlapped by an intense, consistent spring ping which is especially bad at higher typing speeds.

Context

Releasing alongside the ever drama-filled 8008 set, these switches surprisingly didn't catch as much attention as they were pushed for. Still currently in stock on Omnitype, I suspect the high pricing of these switches at \$0.75 per switch makes them unattractive given other current (as well as past) market options available for much cheaper.

Other

Overall, while these had a potential to be impactful given the nature of the opaque Ink housings, very little consideration to this point has been paid since their debut. If anything, it appears their high cost and limited availability has ultimately killed this prospect and maybe even caused the reduction in the number of keycap themed switches we have seen.