

## KVM Switches and Advantage2 & Freestyle Pro Keyboards

Many KVM switches are not compatible with SmartSet Programming Engine.

- Most pass-through style (non-emulating) KVM switches with support basic onboard programming commands but may not support advanced features (e.g. accessing the v-Drive, running a Status Report, using the SmartSet App etc).
- Hotkey switching on your KVM may not be compatible so switches with remote controls are recommended.
- Some emulating switches may have an optional mode where emulation can be deactivated to enhance keyboard compatibility, check with your KVM manufacturer.

### Kinesis Recommended KVM Switches

- Pass-Through KVM: **TrendNet TK209K**
  - All basic features (e.g, multimedia controls and onboard programming) as well as advanced features like v-Drive access should be supported. Hotkey switching (via Scroll-Scroll) from the keyboard should also be supported.
- Emulating KVM: **ConnectPro UR-12+ Kit**
  - When connected to an “emulating” port on this KVM, most basic features are supported (e.g, multimedia controls and onboard programming). Hotkey switching should be supported. To access the v-Drive you must swap the keyboard to one of the "pass-through” ports. The 4 and 8 port versions of this switch were not tested but should perform in a similar manner.
  - Note: The default speed of the Status Report may playback garbled when connected through an emulating port so it may be necessary to lower the speed (consult the user’s manual).

Disclaimer: Due to the vast number of different KVM switches on the market and the variable operating environments our customers employ, Kinesis cannot guarantee specific keyboard features will be supported by any particular KVM switch. Kinesis cannot be held responsible if your results differ from our testing. Kinesis invites you to send feedback about your experience with various KVM devices to by submitting a trouble ticket so that we can update this page for other customers.