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## Cyrillic Lang Kit: Does It Follow Stnrd Keyboard Layout? (10/96)

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TOPIC -----

Do the phonetic transliterated keyboard layouts used by the Russian language in the Cyrillic Language kit follow the same standard set by the American Teachers of Slavic and Eastern European Language (ATSEEL) or the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AASSS)?

DISCUSSION -----

ATSEEL and AAASS have not yet officially agreed upon a recognized standard set of keyboard layouts. However, ATSEEL's Ad Hoc Committee on Standardization of Computer Keyboards for Cyrillic does have a suggestion for keyboard layout usage.

Apple has included as shareware on the CD, Matvey Palchuk's keyboard layout which is based on the work of ATSEEL's Ad Hoc Committee. Since, there was no agreed upon standard at the time Apple's Cyrillic Language Kit was released, it was decided that this was the most appropriate approach for Apple to take.

More information on Matvey Palchuk's keyboard layout is available from the following web site: <<http://www.pitt.edu/~mapst57/rus/russian.html>>.

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