

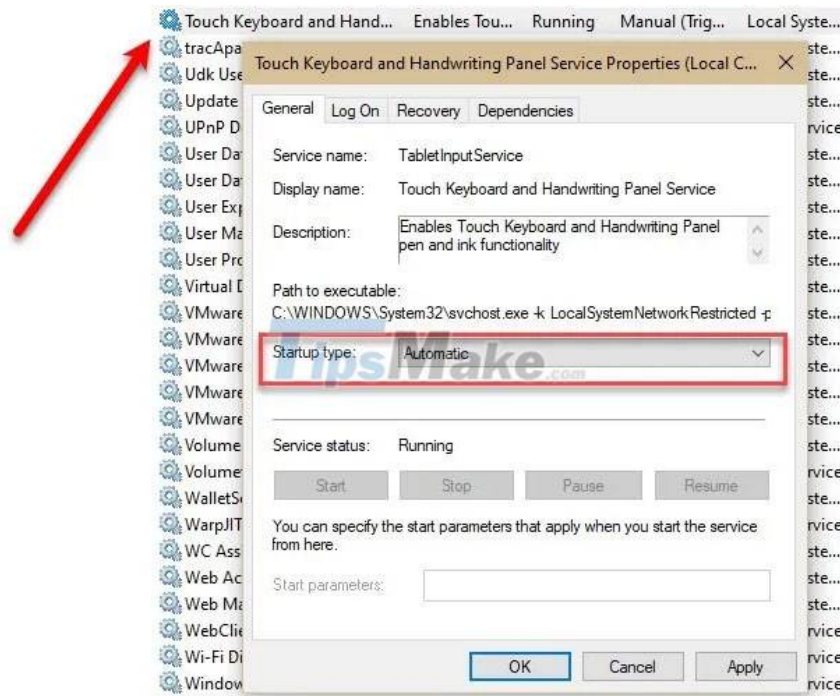
# Fix virtual keyboard not working in Windows 10

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Virtual keyboard is a built-in feature that allows users to use their computer even when the physical keyboard is not working, it is also a bit more secure than a real keyboard because you are protected from keyloggers and useful when in Tablet Mode.

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## 1. Check Touch Keyboard service



The first and foremost thing you need to do is check if the '**Touch Keyboard and Handwriting Panel**' service is automated.

To do that, launch **Services** from the Start menu, search for service '**Services**' , double click on it, change the **Startup type** to **Automatic** and click **Apply** > **OK** .

Now, restart the computer and check if the problem persists.

## 2. Enable touch keyboard while in Tablet Mode



If you are in Tablet Mode but the touch keyboard or virtual keyboard does not appear then you need to go to the **Tablet** settings and check if you have turned off "**Show the touch keyboard when there's no keyboard attached**".

To do that, launch **Settings** and click **System > Tablet > Change additional tablet settings**. Now use the toggle to enable "**Show the touch keyboard when there's no keyboard attached**".

Now go into Tablet Mode and hopefully the problem will be fixed.

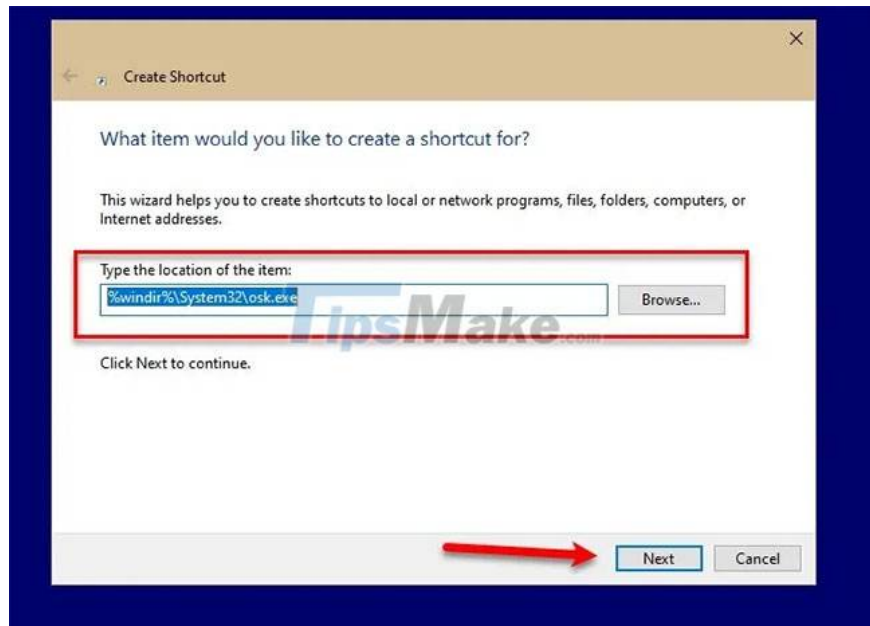
## 3. Run System File Checker (SFC)

If the problem is caused by a corrupted file then using System File Checker (SFC) can help. To do that, launch Command Prompt with admin rights from the Start menu, type the following command and press **Enter**.

```
sfc /scannow
```

It will search and repair all corrupted files you may have. Hope this will also fix the on-screen keyboard not working issue.

## 4. Create shortcut for virtual keyboard



One of the ways you can launch the virtual keyboard is to right click on the Taskbar, select '**Show touch keyboard button**', then click on the **Touch Keyboard** icon from the Taskbar. But if you can't launch the virtual keyboard using this method then you might want to create a shortcut to do the same.

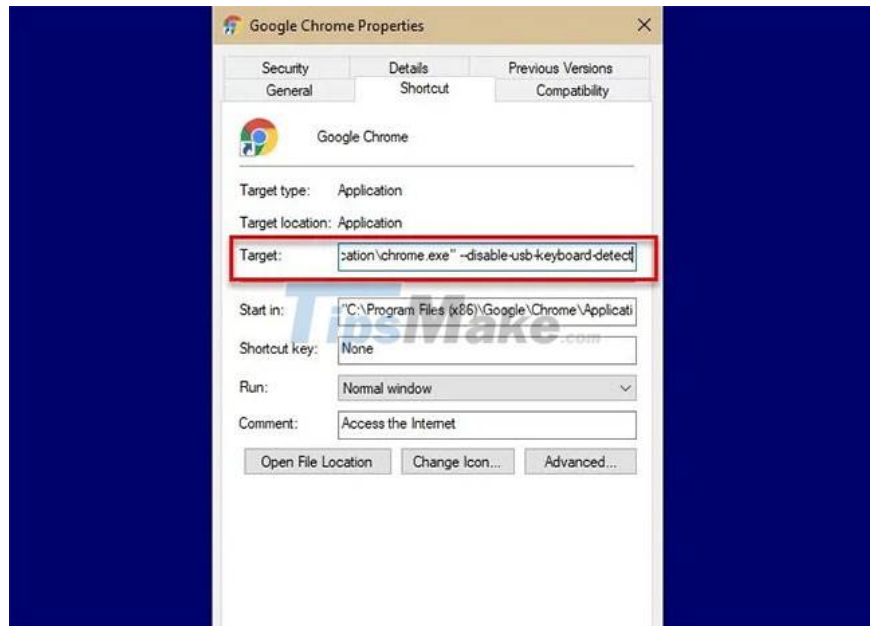
To create a shortcut for the virtual keyboard on the desktop, right-click the desktop and select **New > Shortcut**. Enter the following address in the '**Type the location of the item**' section and click **Next**.

```
%windir%\System32\osk.exe
```

Now give it a name and click **Finish**.

This way, a shortcut will be created on your desktop and you can access the virtual keyboard from there.

## 5. Change Target in Chrome/Edge



This is a rare situation, but if you are having trouble using the on-screen keyboard on Chrome then this solution is for you.

Right-click on the **Chrome** shortcut , select **Properties** , click the **Target** option , give a space, copy and paste the following command, and then click **Apply** > **OK**.

```
--disable-usb-keyboard-detect
```

Above are some solutions to fix the problem of the virtual keyboard not working in Windows 10.

Hope you are succesful.

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