

**Tamil Typewriter Keyboard layout for Unicode font.**  
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Most of the keys in this keyman file are assigned to keys compatible to Tamil typewriter scheme of keying in method. However, there are certain matra combinations, like u's and uu's, are assigned slightly different from the Tamil typewriter method. Secondary symbols for u and uu are placed in [ and ] respectively. To type **ஓ**, one would type f and [; for **ஔ** the combinations are k and ] and so on. . See the three images below for all the combinations. The .kmn file is included in this package and you can customize it anyway you want, provided you have Keyman developer software installed in your desktop.

**Default keyboard:**

**Design Your Keyboard** Keyboard is Unicode Font is Arial

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Tab Q W E R T Y U I O P [ ] \  
ஈ ஊ ஋ ஌ ஍ எ ஏ ஐ ஓ ஔ ஑ ஒ ஓௌ

Caps A S D F G H J K L ; ' Enter  
ய ள ன க ப ா த ம ல ' ற

Shift \ Z X C V B N M . / Shift  
ண ஔ ஊ ஌ ஍ எ ஏ ஐ ஓ ஔ ஑ ஒ ஓௌ

Ctrl Alt Alt Ctrl

Key:  To select another key:  
• press and release Ctrl  
• select with the mouse

☐ Distinguish between left and right Ctrl/Alt

You can define the output for a key by 1. enclosing characters in quotes, e.g. 'A' 'A'  
or 2. using character code values, e.g. U+0041 d65 x41

## Keyboard layout with shift key pressed:

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	.	=	BkSp	
Tab	Q	W	E	R	T	Y	U	I	O	P	[	]	\
Caps	A	S	D	F	G	H	J	K	L	;	'	Enter	
Shift	\	Z	X	C	V	B	N	M	,	.	/	Shift	
Ctrl		Alt								Alt		Ctrl	

Key: 

Shift

`

To select another key:  
• press and release Ctrl  
• select with the mouse

☐ Distinguish between left and right Ctrl/Alt

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## Keyboard layout with control key pressed: (Tamil numbers)

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Design Your Keyboard

Keyboard is Unicode  
Font is Arial

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	.	=	BkSp	
Tab	Q	W	E	R	T	Y	U	I	O	P	[	]	\
Caps	A	S	D	F	G	H	J	K	L	;	'	Enter	
Shift	\	Z	X	C	V	B	N	M	,	.	/	Shift	
Ctrl		Alt								Alt		Ctrl	

Key: 

Ctrl

`

To select another key:  
• press and release Ctrl  
• select with the mouse

☐ Distinguish between left and right Ctrl/Alt

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1. enclosing characters in quotes, e.g. 'A' "A"

or 2. using character code values, e.g. U+0041 d65 x41