

Liminal Chess

Quick Start Guide

Move real pieces on a real board. The board reads your moves, plays online on Lichess, and analyzes your games. Here is how to get going.

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Power on

Connect USB-C power (or use a charged battery) and press the D0 button. A welcome screen appears and the board looks for Wi-Fi.

2

Connect to Wi-Fi

On first use the board creates its own temporary Wi-Fi network. Join it from your phone, then enter your home Wi-Fi name and password. The board reboots and connects.

3

Open the web settings page

On the board, choose Settings. It shows a QR code and web address for the board's settings page on your network. Open it on your phone or computer for anything you need to type.

4

Add your Lichess token

Lichess is the free service the board plays through. If you do not already have a Lichess account, create one (free) at lichess.org first. Then open the preconfigured link below, sign in, and create the token, which already has the right permissions. Copy it and paste it into the Lichess API token field on the web page.

[Create your Liminal Chess token on Lichess](#)

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Set up the pieces and play

Place the pieces in the standard starting position, choose Play Online or Local Game, and start. Lift and place pieces to move; the board confirms each move with a sound.

The buttons

D2 Up / previous

D0 Down / next

D1 Select / confirm

Hold D0 ~3s Power off

Press D0 Power on

Good to know

Sit on either side. The board detects which side White is on automatically.

Software power button. There is no switch; hold D0 to power off, press D0 to power on.

If a move misreads, the board shows a Recovery prompt. Just re-place the pieces as shown.