Novation Launchkey MK4 & FLkey 2 V2.0 Update



Novation has today released a free firmware update for its Launchkey MK4 and FLkey 2 keyboard controllers. The v2.0 update is designed to inspire fresh ideas with major upgrades to the built-in arpeggiator, two-way plugin integration, and new options for customising knob behaviour.

Launchkey and FLkey's v2.0 updates add six new arp types, bringing the total to 14. In addition, it's now possible to route the output of each of the three chord modes to the arpeggiator, making it easier than ever to generate new sequences. New Arpeggiator Snapshots allow users to save up to eight different arp states directly to their hardware for later recall.

With the v2.0 firmware update, Novation Play — a software instrument designed for and included with Launchkey MK4 and FLkey 2 — now features deep, two-way integration with both ranges. Users can now see exactly which parameters are being adjusted directly on the OLED display, making each controller feel even more like a hardware instrument. The update does the same for more than 2,000 NKS-ready plugins thanks to the addition of full NKS 2.0 support. Finally, by popular request, a new Pot Style encoder curve allows each controller's knobs to behave more like traditional, fixed potentiometers.

Owners of Launchkey MK4 and FLkey 2 can update to the v2.0 firmware now via Novation Components.

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Key Features:

- New arp types: Generate fresh ideas with six new arp types, bringing the total to 14.
- Arpeggiator routing: Route the output of Chord modes or external MIDI to the arpeggiator for instant inspiration.
- Arpeggiator Snapshots: Save and recall up to eight arpeggiator states directly to the hardware.
- A new encoder curve: The Pot Style encoder curve allows each controller’s knobs to behave more like fixed potentiometers.
- Improved Play integration: New two-way feedback with Novation Play allows users to see exactly what they’re adjusting directly on the OLED display.
- Full NKS 2.0 support: The same two-way feedback is now also available for more than 2,000 NKS-ready plug-ins.

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