Microsoft Explorer Mouse With BlueTrack Technology

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What: The Microsoft Explorer Mouse features Microsoft Corp.’s new BlueTrack Technology — the world’s most advanced tracking technology — which allows consumers to take their mouse anywhere and work with confidence on virtually any surface. Microsoft’s new proprietary tracking technology combines the width and power of optical technology with the precision of laser tracking to allow consumers to mouse on virtually any surface, from a granite kitchen countertop to the living room carpet.

Explorer Mouse offers a high-end look and feel, featuring real chrome accents and blue-light piping around the bottom, as well as easy recharging with a battery status indicator and a small charging pad. A right-handed, ergonomist-approved design offers hours of comfortable use, and 2.4GHz wireless technology and a snap-in mini transceiver deliver a reliable wireless connection from up to 30 feet away.

Format: The Explorer Mouse operates on the Windows Vista, Windows XP and Macintosh operating systems and connects to a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port.

Features And Benefits:

• New! BlueTrack Technology is the world’s most advanced tracking technology, working on more surfaces than optical and laser, including granite, marble, carpet and wood.1

• Sophisticated design features real chrome accents and glowing blue-light effects.

• 2.4GHz wireless technology gives consumers a confident wireless connection and a range of up to 30 feet, even in crowded wireless environments.
• **Convenient and compact horizontal charging station** provides a sturdy place to recharge the mouse; a blinking green light offers charge confirmation.

• **One AA rechargeable battery** provides more than three weeks of power on a full charge.

• **Snap-in transceiver** offers users the portability of a notebook mouse with the comfort of a full-size mouse, for use on the desk and on the go. When stowed, the transceiver turns off the mouse to conserve battery life.

• **Two-color battery life indicator** warns users when it is time to recharge. Red means the battery is running low on power, blinking green means the mouse is charging, and solid green means the mouse is fully charged.

• **One-touch access to Windows Flip 3D** allows users to flip through open windows in a stack and quickly switch among applications for added productivity.²

• **Tilt Wheel and Magnifier tool** let users activate key computer commands and movements with a single touch.

**System Requirements:** To use the Explorer Mouse, consumers need the following:

**For a Windows-based PC:**
• A PC that meets the requirements for and has installed the Windows Vista or Windows XP operating system
• 100 MB of available hard drive space
• CD-ROM drive
• An available USB port
• Internet access for certain features

**For Macintosh:**
• Mac OS X 10.2x–10.5x
• 30 MB of available hard drive space
• CD-ROM drive
• An available USB port
• Internet access for certain features
Availability and Pricing: Microsoft Explorer Mouse with BlueTrack Technology will be available exclusively at Best Buy stores and at BestBuy.com in November 2008 for an estimated retail price of $99.95 (U.S.).

The Explorer Mouse is backed by a worldwide three-year limited hardware warranty. The limited warranty and license agreement are available at http://www.microsoft.com/hardware/warranty.

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1 BlueTrack Technology does not work on clear glass or mirrored surfaces.
2 Windows Flip 3D button functions as an Instant Viewer tool when used with Windows XP.
3 Actual retail prices may vary.

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