

Kounta on Windows, the best way to experience Kounta!

While iPads are used often in POS, there are notable benefits to using POS applications such as Kounta with Windows, and particularly with a touchscreen PC that's specifically designed for POS.

Some of the benefits are:

- Simple setup. You can plug in your printer or barcode scanner directly into the computer! Rather than purchasing a wireless barcode scanner or printer, with Kounta on a Windows based PC you can just plug the devices in. This reduces cost and complexity significantly.
- Generous screen size. iPad screens can be smaller than ideal for POS, and consumer Windows PCs are typically a little too large for a busy store counter. We recommend considering a specialised POS PC which typically have a screen size of 15", which is an ideal size for POS.
- Security / convenience. Specialised POS PCs are designed to sit comfortably on a store counter. No need for something to hold them in place and give a good viewing angle, and there is much reduced risk of theft compared to an iPad.

So while there are of course positives and negatives to both scenarios, by using a specialised POS PC you can remove the necessity for everything to be wireless, you get a screen size that is ideal for POS and remove the cost and hassle of installing a mounting system for the iPad.

You also get a significant portion of these benefits, (specifically being able to plug in a barcode scanner directly), from using a standard PC as well.

The following POS hardware has been tested and works with Kounta

Nexa LS-6150+ Barcode Scanner. A Laser barcode scanner with a hands free stand. It's robust and reliable and will power through retail barcodes with ease. It's built tough - have a look at us throwing it out a second storey window! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DmJAsIVVowU . All other Nexa barcode scanners also work well with Kounta. **Epson TM-T82II-I Intelligent Receipt Printer** Designed specifically for cloud based POS solutions such as Kounta, the TM-T82II-I allows quick and easy setup combined with Epson's renowned quality. Note that this printer can be used as a server with standard Epson POS printers attached to it for secondary printers, so if you need a second, third or more receipt printers it is possible to use a lower cost standard model such as the normal TM-T82II. Nexa CB-900 Cash Drawer. With over 10,000 sold in Australia, the CB-900 cash drawer won't let you down. It has 8 coin compartments and 5 note compartments, and works well with Epson receipt printers and Kounta.





All other Nexa cash drawers work well with Kounta.

Nexa Desire POS All-in-one touchscreen PC
An ideal size and shape for POS, the Nexa Desire
POS features a 15" screen, lots of ports, a
removable hard drive, and more. To put that into
practical benefits, that means no need to work out
how to fix it to the counter, you can easily connect
your peripherals, and in the unlikely event of a
failure you can remove the hard drive and there is a
good chance of retrieving any data stored on it.

We recommend using POS Ready 7 as the operating system, which is a version of Windows designed specifically for POS applications.

How to Setup POS Hardware with Kounta on Windows

Receipt Printing:

To connect and use the Epson TM-T82II-I printer with Kounta, please refer to Kounta's instructional video at this link - https://support.kounta.com/hc/en-us/articles/203236310-Setup-an-Epson-Intelligent-printer-with-Kounta

To use standard Epson printers as a secondary printer controlled by the TM-T82II-I, please refer to the video and documentation on Kounta's website here - https://support.kounta.com/hc/en-us/articles/202998514

Barcode Scanner:

Nexa barcode scanners require no drivers or setup to specifically work with Kounta. They work in the same way as a keyboard, so you can just plug them in and you're ready to go in moments. When you scan a barcode they will type out the barcode on screen just as though it was typed in from a keyboard.

Cash Drawer:

Similar to Nexa barcode scanners, Nexa cash drawers require no specific setup or configuration to work with Kounta. Just plug in the cable from the cash drawer into the Epson receipt printer and as long as the printer is setup and working, the cash drawer will work also.

POS Touchscreen PC:

Nexa touchscreen PCs run Pos Ready 7 which is based on Windows 7 Professional, (most commonly, other versions of Windows are also available). This version of Windows is licensed by Microsoft for uses such as POS and will run the same standard Windows applications as a normal PC. In the case of Kounta it just runs in a web browser, so no software is required to be installed. Note that it requires Google Chrome, not Internet Explorer. Google Chrome can be downloaded from here - https://www.google.com/chrome/