# **Basic Detail Report**



# **Typewriter**

### **Primary Maker**

Franklin Typewriter Company

#### Medium

Steel, nickel, leather, rubber, celluloid, oak, tin

### Description

A typewriter constructed with a semicircular keyboard. The central molded face plate is padded along the inner edge with leather. Steel keys are arranged along the

inside of the face plate in an upright striking position, resting against the leather pad. The ink ribbon is mounted in an upright reel position over the center of the roller bar. The typewriter frame is attached to a varnished oak base. The paten shield is ornamented with gilt scroll borders and the company's name "FRANKLIN." The letter keys at the front of the machine are of black celluloid with bold white characters, while the number and punctuation keys at either side of the semicircular keypad are of off-white celluloid with bold black characters. The return bar operates from the left hand side, mounted in an upright position and swinging to the right to advance the roller bar. A manual roller bar knob is mounted at right. The cover of the typewriter is of molded and soldered black painted tin with a wooden carrying handle.

#### **Dimensions**

 $7.5 \times 14 \times 11.88$  in. (19.1  $\times$  35.6  $\times$  30.2 cm) With Lid Fastened On:  $11.5 \times 15.5 \times 12.5$  in. (29.2  $\times$  39.4  $\times$  31.8 cm)