

# Illustrator Keyboard Shortcuts

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## Tools

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Selection tool	V	V	V
Direct Selection tool	A	A	A
Magic Wand tool	Y	Y	Y
Lasso tool	Q	Q	Q
Pen tool	P	P	P
Add Anchor Point tool	+	+	+
Delete Anchor Point tool	-	-	-
Type tool	T	T	T
Line Segment tool	\	\	\
Rectangle tool	M	M	M
Ellipse tool	L	L	L
Paintbrush tool	B	B	B
Pencil tool	N	N	N
Rotate tool	R	R	R
Reflect tool	O	O	O
Scale tool	S	S	S
Free Transform tool	E	E	E
Shape Builder tool	Shift + M	Shift + M	Shift + M
Width tool	Shift + W	Shift + W	Shift + W
Mesh tool	U	U	U
Gradient tool	G	G	G
Eyedropper tool	I	I	I
Blend tool	W	W	W
Scissors tool	C	C	C
Eraser tool	Shift + E	Shift + E	Shift + E
Artboard tool	Shift + O	Shift + O	Shift + O
Hand tool	H	H	H
Zoom tool	Z	Z	Z

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Switch to Hand tool (when not in text-edit mode)	Space	Space	Space

## Selecting & Editing

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Select all	Cmd + A	Ctrl + A	Ctrl + A
Deselect	Shift + Cmd + A	Shift + Ctrl + A	Shift + Ctrl + A
Reselect	Cmd + 6	Ctrl + 6	Ctrl + 6
Select artwork in active artboard	Cmd + Alt + A	Ctrl + Alt + A	Ctrl + Alt + A
Switch to last-used selection tool	Cmd + `	Ctrl + `	Ctrl + `
Undo	Cmd + Z	Ctrl + Z	Ctrl + Z
Redo	Shift + Cmd + Z	Shift + Ctrl + Z	Shift + Ctrl + Z
Cut	Cmd + X	Ctrl + X	Ctrl + X
Copy	Cmd + C	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C
Paste	Cmd + V	Ctrl + V	Ctrl + V

## Arrange, Group & Lock

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Group the selected artwork	Cmd + G	Ctrl + G	Ctrl + G
Ungroup the selected artwork	Shift + Cmd + G	Shift + Ctrl + G	Shift + Ctrl + G
Lock a selection	Cmd + 2	Ctrl + 2	Ctrl + 2
Unlock a selection	Alt + Cmd + 2	Alt + Ctrl + 2	Alt + Ctrl + 2
Hide a selection	Cmd + 3	Ctrl + 3	Ctrl + 3
Show all selections	Alt + Cmd + 3	Alt + Ctrl + 3	Alt + Ctrl + 3
Lock all deselected artwork	Cmd + Alt + Shift + 2	Ctrl + Alt + Shift + 2	Ctrl + Alt + Shift + 2
Bring a selection forward	Cmd + ]	Ctrl + ]	Ctrl + ]
Move a selection to the front (Bring to Front)	Shift + Cmd + ]	Shift + Ctrl + ]	Shift + Ctrl + ]
Send a selection backward	Cmd + [	Ctrl + [	Ctrl + [
Move a selection to the back (Send to Back)	Shift + Cmd + [	Shift + Ctrl + [	Shift + Ctrl + [

## Paste

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Paste in Front	Cmd + F	Ctrl + F	Ctrl + F
Paste at Back	Cmd + B	Ctrl + B	Ctrl + B

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Paste in Place	Shift + Cmd + V	Shift + Ctrl + V	Shift + Ctrl + V
Paste on All Artboards	Alt + Shift + Cmd + V	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + V	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + V

## Drawing & Paths

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Join two or more paths	Cmd + J	Ctrl + J	Ctrl + J
Average two or more paths	Alt + Cmd + J	Alt + Ctrl + J	Alt + Ctrl + J
Create corner or smooth join	Shift + Cmd + Alt + J	Shift + Ctrl + Alt + J	Shift + Ctrl + Alt + J
Create a compound path	Cmd + 8	Ctrl + 8	Ctrl + 8
Release a compound path	Alt + Shift + Cmd + 8	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + 8	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + 8
Switch through drawing modes	Shift + D	Shift + D	Shift + D

## Transform & Objects

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Reapply a transformation to an object (Transform Again)	Cmd + D	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D
Apply last Pathfinder effect to the selected object	Cmd + 4	Ctrl + 4	Ctrl + 4
Move an object (Move dialog)	Shift + Cmd + M	Shift + Ctrl + M	Shift + Ctrl + M
Open the Transform Each dialog box	Alt + Shift + Cmd + D	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + D	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + D
Make a clipping mask	Cmd + 7	Ctrl + 7	Ctrl + 7
Release a clipping mask	Alt + Cmd + 7	Alt + Ctrl + 7	Alt + Ctrl + 7
Toggle between fill and stroke	X	X	X
Set fill and stroke to default	D	D	D
Swap fill and stroke	Shift + X	Shift + X	Shift + X

## Type

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Create outlines	Shift + Cmd + O	Shift + Ctrl + O	Shift + Ctrl + O
Open the Character panel	Cmd + T	Ctrl + T	Ctrl + T
Open the Paragraph panel	Alt + Cmd + T	Alt + Ctrl + T	Alt + Ctrl + T
Open the Tabs panel	Shift + Cmd + T	Shift + Ctrl + T	Shift + Ctrl + T
Open the OpenType panel	Alt + Shift + Cmd + T	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + T	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + T
Superscript	Shift + Cmd + =	Shift + Ctrl + =	Shift + Ctrl + =

## View & Zoom

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Toggle between Outline and GPU Preview	Cmd + Y	Ctrl + Y	Ctrl + Y
Toggle between GPU and CPU Preview	Cmd + E	Ctrl + E	Ctrl + E
View in Overprint Preview mode	Alt + Shift + Cmd + Y	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + Y	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + Y
View in Pixel Preview mode	Alt + Cmd + Y	Alt + Ctrl + Y	Alt + Ctrl + Y
Zoom in	Cmd + =	Ctrl + =	Ctrl + =
Zoom out	Cmd + -	Ctrl + -	Ctrl + -
Magnify 100%	Cmd + 1	Ctrl + 1	Ctrl + 1
Toggle screen modes (Normal / Full Screen with Menu Bar / Full Screen)	F	F	F
Hide guides	Cmd + ;	Ctrl + ;	Ctrl + ;
Make guides	Cmd + 5	Ctrl + 5	Ctrl + 5
Show/hide Smart Guides	Cmd + U	Ctrl + U	Ctrl + U
Show grid	Cmd + '	Ctrl + '	Ctrl + '
Hide unselected artwork	Cmd + Alt + Shift + 3	Ctrl + Alt + Shift + 3	Ctrl + Alt + Shift + 3

## Artboards & Documents

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Show/Hide artboards	Cmd + Shift + H	Ctrl + Shift + H	Ctrl + Shift + H
View all artboards in window	Cmd + Alt + 0	Ctrl + Alt + 0	Ctrl + Alt + 0
Exit Artboard tool mode	Esc	Esc	Esc
Navigate to next document	Cmd + F6	Ctrl + F6	Ctrl + F6
Navigate to previous document	Cmd + Shift + F6	Ctrl + Shift + F6	Ctrl + Shift + F6
Create a document	Cmd + N	Ctrl + N	Ctrl + N
Open a document	Cmd + O	Ctrl + O	Ctrl + O
Place a file in the document	Shift + Cmd + P	Shift + Ctrl + P	Shift + Ctrl + P
Save changes made to the document	Cmd + S	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S
Open the Export for Screens dialog box	Alt + Cmd + E	Alt + Ctrl + E	Alt + Ctrl + E
Print	Cmd + P	Ctrl + P	Ctrl + P

## Panels & Preferences

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Open the Keyboard Shortcuts dialog box	Alt + Shift + Cmd + K	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + K	Alt + Shift + Ctrl + K

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Open the Preferences dialog box	<b>Cmd + K</b>	<b>Ctrl + K</b>	<b>Ctrl + K</b>
Open the Color Settings dialog box	<b>Shift + Cmd + K</b>	<b>Shift + Ctrl + K</b>	<b>Shift + Ctrl + K</b>