

Kimi Code CLI Keyboard Shortcuts

Mac · Windows · Linux — free printable reference from linuru.com

Starting & Core Keys

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Install (official script)	<code>curl -fsSL https://code.kimi.com/kimi-code/install.sh bash</code>	<code>irm https://code.kimi.com/kimi-code/install.ps1 iex</code>	<code>curl -fsSL https://code.kimi.com/kimi-code/install.sh bash</code>
Install with npm (needs Node 22.19+)	<code>npm install -g @moo-nshot-ai/kimi-code</code>	<code>npm install -g @moo-nshot-ai/kimi-code</code>	<code>npm install -g @moo-nshot-ai/kimi-code</code>
Start Kimi Code in the current project	<code>kimi</code>	<code>kimi</code>	<code>kimi</code>
Send the current message	Enter	Enter	Enter
Insert a new line without sending	Shift + Enter	Shift + Enter	Shift + Enter
Insert a new line (works in every terminal)	Ctrl + J	Ctrl + J	Ctrl + J
Exit Kimi Code (press twice to confirm)	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D
Interrupt the answer, or clear the input box	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C
Browse your input history (empty input box)	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓
Close a popup, cancel completion, or interrupt	Esc	Esc	Esc

Plan Mode & Shell Mode

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Toggle Plan mode (read-only research and planning)	Shift + Tab	Shift + Tab	Shift + Tab
Enter shell mode to run a terminal command (empty input box)	!	!	!
Leave shell mode	Esc	Esc	Esc
Send a running shell command to the background	Ctrl + B	Ctrl + B	Ctrl + B
Clear the current plan (while idle)	<code>/plan clear</code>	<code>/plan clear</code>	<code>/plan clear</code>

Steering While It Runs

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Steer — inject your input into the turn already running	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S
Interrupt the streaming answer	Esc	Esc	Esc
Expand or collapse tool output and summaries	Ctrl + O	Ctrl + O	Ctrl + O

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Expand or collapse a truncated todo list	Ctrl + T	Ctrl + T	Ctrl + T

Editing & Pasting

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Compose in your external editor (\$VISUAL / \$EDITOR)	Ctrl + G	Ctrl + G	Ctrl + G
Paste an image or video from the clipboard	Ctrl + V	Alt + V	Ctrl + V
Undo in the input box	Ctrl + -	Ctrl + -	Ctrl + -
Open the undo selector (double-press while idle)	Esc + Esc	Esc + Esc	Esc + Esc

Approval Panel

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Pick an option by number — the fastest way to approve	1 + - + 9	1 + - + 9	1 + - + 9
Move between the options	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓
Confirm the selected option	Enter	Enter	Enter
Reject the request	Esc	Esc	Esc
Expand or collapse the diff or preview	Ctrl + E	Ctrl + E	Ctrl + E

Popups & Panels

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Scroll one line	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓	↑ + ↓
Scroll ten lines	PageUp + PageDown	PageUp + PageDown	PageUp + PageDown
Close the panel	Q	Q	Q
Open the built-in shortcut reference	/help	/help	/help

Slash Commands — Session & Modes

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Start a fresh session, discarding the current context	/new	/new	/new
Browse past sessions and restore one	/sessions	/sessions	/sessions
Fork a new session from the current one	/fork	/fork	/fork
Compact the conversation to free up context	/compact	/compact	/compact
Undo recent prompts from the active context	/undo	/undo	/undo

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Toggle Plan mode from the prompt	/plan	/plan	/plan
Toggle YOLO mode (skip approval for regular tool calls)	/yolo	/yolo	/yolo
Toggle auto permission mode	/auto	/auto	/auto
Turn swarm mode on or off (parallel sub-agents)	/swarm	/swarm	/swarm
Browse the background task list	/tasks	/tasks	/tasks
Export the session as Markdown	/export-md	/export-md	/export-md
Copy the last assistant message to the clipboard	/copy	/copy	/copy
Add another workspace directory to the session	/add-dir	/add-dir	/add-dir
Open the current session in the web UI	/web	/web	/web
Analyze the codebase and generate AGENTS.md	/init	/init	/init
Exit Kimi Code CLI	/exit	/exit	/exit

Slash Commands — Goals, Config & Info

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Show the current autonomous goal and its status	/goal	/goal	/goal
Pause, resume, or cancel the active goal	/goal pause	/goal pause	/goal pause
Replace the saved goal with a new objective	/goal replace	/goal replace	/goal replace
Queue an upcoming goal for this session	/goal next	/goal next	/goal next
Ask a side question in a forked sub-agent	/btw	/btw	/btw
Switch the model used in this session	/model	/model	/model
Select a permission mode	/permission	/permission	/permission
Configure the external editor that Ctrl+G opens	/editor	/editor	/editor
Open the settings panel inside the TUI	/settings	/settings	/settings
Switch the terminal UI color theme	/theme	/theme	/theme
Show token usage, context consumption, and quota	/usage	/usage	/usage
Show the session's runtime state	/status	/status	/status
List MCP servers and their connection status	/mcp	/mcp	/mcp
Open the interactive plugin manager	/plugins	/plugins	/plugins

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Import Claude Code and Codex instructions, skills, and MCP	/import-from-cc-codex	/import-from-cc-codex	/import-from-cc-codex
Log in, or switch account and platform	/login	/login	/login