

Terminal / Bash Keyboard Shortcuts

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Cursor Movement

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Move cursor to beginning of line	Ctrl + A	Home	Ctrl + A
Move cursor to end of line	Ctrl + E	End	Ctrl + E
Move cursor forward one character	Ctrl + F	Right	Ctrl + F
Move cursor backward one character	Ctrl + B	Left	Ctrl + B
Move cursor forward one word	Alt + F	Ctrl + Right	Alt + F
Move cursor backward one word	Alt + B	Ctrl + Left	Alt + B
Move cursor to beginning of line (Home key)	Home	Home	Home
Move cursor to end of line (End key)	End	End	End

Text Editing

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Delete character under cursor	Ctrl + D	Delete	Ctrl + D
Delete character before cursor	Ctrl + H	Backspace	Ctrl + H
Delete word before cursor	Ctrl + W	Ctrl + Backspace	Ctrl + W
Delete word after cursor	Alt + D	Ctrl + Delete	Alt + D
Delete from cursor to end of line	Ctrl + K	Ctrl + K	Ctrl + K
Delete from cursor to beginning of line	Ctrl + U	Ctrl + U	Ctrl + U
Paste last deleted text (yank)	Ctrl + Y	Ctrl + Y	Ctrl + Y
Transpose characters	Ctrl + T	Ctrl + T	Ctrl + T
Uppercase word from cursor	Alt + U	Alt + U	Alt + U
Lowercase word from cursor	Alt + L	Alt + L	Alt + L
Capitalize word from cursor	Alt + C	Alt + C	Alt + C

History

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Previous command in history	Ctrl + P	Up	Ctrl + P
Next command in history	Ctrl + N	Down	Ctrl + N
Previous command (arrow key)	Up	Up	Up
Next command (arrow key)	Down	Down	Down

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Go to first command in history	Alt + <	Alt + <	Alt + <
Go to last command in history	Alt + >	Alt + >	Alt + >
Run the last command again	!! + Enter	!! + Enter	!! + Enter
Recall last argument of previous command	Alt + .	Alt + .	Alt + .

Process Control

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Interrupt (kill) current process	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C
Suspend current process (background)	Ctrl + Z	Ctrl + Z	Ctrl + Z
End of input (close shell if empty)	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D
Quit (send SIGQUIT)	Ctrl + \	Ctrl + \	Ctrl + \
Stop output to screen	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S
Resume output to screen	Ctrl + Q	Ctrl + Q	Ctrl + Q
Send EOF marker on current line	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D	Ctrl + D
Discard current line and get new prompt	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C	Ctrl + C

Screen & Output

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Clear the screen	Ctrl + L	Ctrl + L	Ctrl + L
Clear screen (Cmd shortcut)	Cmd + K	Ctrl + L	Ctrl + L
Scroll up in terminal	Cmd + Up	Ctrl + Shift + Up	Shift + PageUp
Scroll down in terminal	Cmd + Down	Ctrl + Shift + Down	Shift + PageDown
Scroll to top of buffer	Cmd + Home	Ctrl + Home	Shift + Home
Scroll to bottom of buffer	Cmd + End	Ctrl + End	Shift + End
Increase font size	Cmd + +	Ctrl + +	Ctrl + +
Decrease font size	Cmd + -	Ctrl + -	Ctrl + -

Tab Completion

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Auto-complete file or command name	Tab	Tab	Tab
Show all possible completions	Tab + Tab	Tab + Tab	Tab + Tab
List possible completions	Alt + ?	Alt + ?	Alt + ?
Insert all possible completions	Alt + *	Alt + *	Alt + *

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Attempt completion and list if ambiguous	Alt + =	Alt + =	Alt + =
Undo last completion	Ctrl + _	Ctrl + _	Ctrl + _

Search

Action	Mac	Windows	Linux
Reverse search command history	Ctrl + R	Ctrl + R	Ctrl + R
Forward search command history	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S	Ctrl + S
Abort search and restore original line	Ctrl + G	Ctrl + G	Ctrl + G
Accept search result and execute	Enter	Enter	Enter
Accept search result and edit	Esc	Esc	Esc
Search again for next match (reverse)	Ctrl + R	Ctrl + R	Ctrl + R
Non-incremental reverse search	Alt + P	Alt + P	Alt + P
Non-incremental forward search	Alt + N	Alt + N	Alt + N