

Photoshop Useful Keyboard Shortcuts: Windows

SELECTING

TOOLS	Shortcuts
Alt-drag selection	Draw marquee selection from the center
Shift	Add to a selection
Alt	Subtract from a selection
Shift+Alt	Intersect with a selection
Alt-drag selection	Make a copy of the selection w/Move tool
Ctrl+Alt-drag selection	Make a copy of the selection when not in the Move tool
Arrow keys Move selection (in 10-pixel increments)	Move selection (in 1-pixel increments)
Shift+F6	Feather selection
Hold Spacebar while drawing a marquee	Move marquee while drawing selection
Ctrl-click on layer thumbnail (in the Layers panel)	Shift+Arrow keys Select all opaque pixels on the layer
Ctrl-Shift-D	Reselect last selection

VIEWING

Shortcuts	TOOLS
Double-click on Hand tool or Ctrl-0	Fit on Screen
Double-click on Zoom tool or Ctrl-1	100% View Level (Actual Pixels)
Alt+Spacebar-click or Ctrl-Minus (-)	Zoom out
Ctrl-Shift+Page Up/Down	Scroll image left or right in the window
Ctrl-drag in Navigator panel	Jump/Zoom to part of an image
Shift-Tab	Hide/Show all tools and panels
Ctrl+Spacebar-click or Ctrl+Plus (+)	zoom in
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F	Cycle through full screen modes

LAYERS

Shortcuts	TOOLS
Ctrl+Shift+N	Create new layer
Ctrl-click layers	Select non-contiguous layers
Click one layer, then Shift-click another layer	Select contiguous layers
Delete key (while in the Move tool)	Delete layer
Alt-click layer mask icon	View contents of layer mask
Shift-click layer mask icon	Temporarily turn off layer mask
Alt-drag	Clone layer as you move it
Right-click on the object w/Move tool	Find/Select layer containing object

Number pad keys (w/Move tool selected)	Change layer opacity
Shift-Plus (+) or Minus (-)	Cycle down or up through blending modes
(W/Move tool) Shift-Alt-letter (N=Normal, M=multiply, etc.)	Change to a specific blending mode
Alt-[or Alt-]	Switch to layer below/above current layer
Ctrl-[or Ctrl-]	Move layer below/above current layer
Double-click on T thumbnail in Layers panel	Select all text on layer
Ctrl-Shift-> or <	Increase/Decrease size of selected text by 1 pt
Ctrl-Shift-Alt-> or <	Increase/Decrease size of selected text by 5 pts.
Alt-Right/Left arrow	Increase/Decrease kerning/tracking
Ctrl-Shift-L/C/R	Align text left/center/right

PAINTING

Shortcuts	TOOLS
Ctrl-Backspace	Fill selection with Background color
Alt-Backspace	Fill selection with Foreground color
Shift-Alt-Backspace	Fill selection with Foreground color using Lock Transparent Pixels
Ctrl-Alt-Backspace	Fill selection with source state in History panel
Shift-Backspace	Display Fill dialog box
Alt-click w/Eyedropper tool to	Sample as background color
While in any painting/editing tool, hold Ctrl to get	get Move tool
Alt	Eyedropper with painting tools
Number keys	Change paint opacity (with Airbrush OFF)
Shift-Number keys	Change paint opacity (with Airbrush ON)
Number keys	Change Airbrush flow (with Airbrush ON)
Shift-Number keys	Change Airbrush flow (with Airbrush OFF)
While in any painting/editing tool, turn Caps Lock on	to get Crosshair cursor
[Or]	Decrease/Increase brush size
Shift-[or Shift-]	Decrease/Increase hardness of brush
< or >	Switch between preset brushes
Right-click in image window	Open Brushes pop-up panel
Alt-Eraser	Erase to History panel's source state
Shift-Plus (+) or Minus (-)	Cycle down or up through blending modes
Shift-Alt-letter (N=Normal, M=multiply, etc.)	Change to a specific blending mode
Shift-click in image window	Create fixed color target from within a dialog box
Alt-click on target with Color Sampler tool	Delete fixed color target
Ctrl-click on new channel button in Channels panel	Create new Spot Color channel from current selection

PEN TOOL & PATHS

Shortcuts	TOOLS
Ctrl	To get Direct Selection tool while using Pen tool
Alt	Switch between Add Anchor and Delete Anchor Point tools
Ctrl–Alt	Switch from Path Selection tool to Convert Point tool when pointer is over anchor point
Alt–	To select a whole path w/Direct Selection tool
Ctrl–click on path name (in Paths panel)	click Convert path to a selection

PANELS

Shortcuts	TOOLS
F5	Show/Hide Brush panel
F6	Show/Hide Color panel
F7	Show/Hide Layers panel
F8	Show/Hide Info panel
Alt–F9	Show/Hide Actions panel
Ctrl–Alt–O	Open Adobe Bridge

General Tools

TOOLS	Shortcuts
Move and Artboard tools	V
Marquee tools	M
Lasso tools	L
Quick Selection, Magic Wand	W
Crop and Slice tools	C
Eyedropper, 3D Material Eyedropper, Color Sampler, Ruler, Note, Count	I
Spot Healing Brush, Healing Brush, Patch, Content-Aware Move, Red Eye	J
Brush, Pencil, Color Replacement, Mixer Brush	B
Clone Stamp, Pattern Stamp	S
History Brush, Art History Brush	Y
Eraser tools	E
Gradient, Paint Bucket, 3D Material Drop O Dodge, Burn, Sponge P Pen tools	G
Type tools	T
Path Selection, Direct Selection	A
Rectangle, Rounded Rectangle, Ellipse, Polygon, Line, Custom Shape	U

Hand R Rotate View	H
Zoom D Default colors	Z
Switch Foreground and Background colors	X
Quick Mask Mode	Q
To switch between all tools within groups, add the Shift key to the letters above. For example, to switch between Rectangular and Elliptical Marquee	
Shift-M	SWITCHING TOOLS