



Blender Cheat Sheet

Common Shortcuts (Key Bindings)

Note: The **Industry-Compatible** keymap is not recommended because it reconfigures commonly needed key bindings, such as the N key to toggle the Sidebar.

To bind an icon to a key, right-click and choose **Assign Shortcut**. Don't forget to unbind those keys from any other shortcuts in **Preferences > Keymap**.

Viewport Navigation

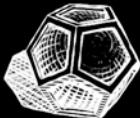
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| Pan (<i>track left / right, pedestal up / down</i>) | SHIFT + middle mouse |
| Orbit | middle mouse |
| Zoom (<i>or Dolly Forward / Backward</i>) | CTRL + middle mouse <i>or mouse wheel</i> |
| Dolly Forward | + (numeric keypad plus) |
| Dolly Backward | - (numeric keypad minus) |
| Frame All | HOME |
| Frame Selected | . (numeric keypad period) |

Viewport Display

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| Sidebar (<i>right panel</i>) | N |
| Toolbar Popup (<i>left panel</i>) | T |
| Toolbar (<i>context menu</i>) | SHIFT + SPACE |
| Local View (<i>isolate selection</i>) | / (forward slash) |
| Toggle Quad View | CTRL + ALT + Q |
| Viewpoint (<i>Pie Menu</i>) | ` (backtick) |
| Shading (<i>Pie Menu</i>) | Z |
| Toggle Wireframe | SHIFT + Z |
| Toggle Overlays | SHIFT + ALT + Z |

Commands

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| Menu Search | F3 |
| Undo | CTRL + Z |
| Redo | SHIFT + CTRL + Z |
| Duplicate | SHIFT + D |
| Duplicate Linked | ALT + D |
| Adjust Last Operation | F9 |
| Apply | CTRL + A |



Transforms

Blender has two different sets of interactive transform tools: keyboard shortcuts and Toolbar icons. Keyboard shortcuts invoke transforms without any gizmo or manipulator. This is unorthodox compared to industry standards. Toolbar icons invoke conventional gizmo-based transform tools.

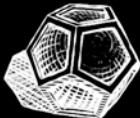
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| Move (Grab) | G |
| Rotate | R |
| Scale | S |
| Constrain to Axis | X, Y, Z |
| Precision Transform | drag + SHIFT |
| Snapping (<i>toggle Snap</i>) | SHIFT + TAB |
| Snap (<i>Snap-To Pie Menu</i>) | SHIFT + S |
| Affect Only Origins (<i>transform object pivot</i>) | CTRL + . (period) |

Selection

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| Select Tool and Selection Mode | W |
| Select All | A |
| Select None | ALT + A |
| Select Inverse | CTRL + I |
| Add to Selection | SHIFT + drag |
| Add to Selection and Make Active | SHIFT + click |
| Remove from Selection | CTRL + drag |
| Remove Active from Selection | SHIFT + click |
| Remove Inactive from Selection | SHIFT + double-click |

Modeling

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| Toggle Edit Mode | TAB |
| Vertex, Edge, Face modes | 1, 2, 3 (<i>numerals on alphabetic keypad</i>) |
| Toggle Selection | SHIFT + click |
| Expand Selection (<i>select components between</i>) | CTRL + click |
| Proportional Editing (<i>soft selection</i>) | O |
| Select Loop | ALT + click |
| Toggle Loop Selection | SHIFT + ALT + click |
| Dissolve Selection | CTRL + DELETE or CTRL + X |



Sculpting

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| Brush Radius | F then drag then click or [] (square brackets) | |
| Brush Invert (Direction Add / Subtract) | CTRL + drag | |
| Smooth | SHIFT + drag | |

Rigging

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| Set Parent | CTRL + P |
| Clear Parent | ALT + P |
| Armature Extrude (<i>create Bone</i>) | E |

Animation

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| Play / Pause | SPACE |
| Jump to First Frame | SHIFT + LEFTARROW |
| Jump to Previous Keyframe | DOWNARROW |
| Jump to Next Keyframe | UPARROW |
| Insert Keyframe | I |
| Insert Keyframe Menu | K |
| Toggle Dope Sheet / Graph Editor | CTRL + TAB |

Mac users:

The **ALT** key is labeled **OPTION** on the keyboard.

The **CTRL** key is labeled **CONTROL**. The **COMMAND** key may also work.

By default, function keys are reserved for macOS operating system commands. To use the function keys in Blender, we have two options:

1. Hold the **FUNCTION** key, labeled **FN** on the keyboard, sometimes with an icon of a globe. Then press the desired function key, such as **F1**.
2. Enable the option **Use all F1, F2, etc. keys as standard function keys**. In macOS Ventura or later, this is found in **Apple Menu > System Settings > Keyboard > Keyboard Shortcuts**. In earlier versions of macOS, it's in **System Preferences > Keyboard**.