

# Ctrl+letters

Ctrl+ A	Select → All
Ctrl+ B	Edit → Paste in Back
Ctrl+ C	Edit → Copy
Ctrl+ D	Object → Transform → Transform Again
Ctrl+ E	View → Preview on CPU/GPU Preview
Ctrl+ F	Edit → Paste in Front
Ctrl+ G	Object → Group
Ctrl+ H	View → Hide/Show Edges
Ctrl+ I	Edit → Check Spelling...
Ctrl+ J	Object → Path → Join
Ctrl+ K	Edit → Preferences → General...
Ctrl+ L	Layer panel → New Layer (no dialog box)
Ctrl+ M	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+ N	File → New...
Ctrl+ O	File → Open...
Ctrl+ P	File → Print...
Ctrl+ Q	File → Exit
Ctrl+ R	View → Rulers → Show/Hide Rulers
Ctrl+ S	File → Save
Ctrl+ T	Window → Type → Character (show/hide)
Ctrl+ U	Window → Smart Guides
Ctrl+ V	Edit → Paste
Ctrl+ W	File → Close
Ctrl+ X	Edit → Cut
Ctrl+ Y	View → Outline/Preview (on GPU by default)
Ctrl+ Z	Edit → Undo (last operation)

# Ctrl+Shift+letters

Ctrl+Shift+ A	Select → Deselect
Ctrl+Shift+ B	View → Hide/Show Bounding Box
Ctrl+Shift+ C	Paragraph panel → Align Center
Ctrl+Shift+ D	View → Show/Hide Transparency Grid
Ctrl+Shift+ E	Effect → Apply Last Effect
Ctrl+Shift+ F	Paragraph panel → Justify All Lines
Ctrl+Shift+ G	Object → Ungroup
Ctrl+Shift+ H	View → Hide/Show Artboards
Ctrl+Shift+ I	View → Perspective Grid → Show/Hide Grid
Ctrl+Shift+ J	Paragraph panel → Justify Text Left
Ctrl+Shift+ K	Edit → Color Settings...
Ctrl+Shift+ L	Paragraph panel → Align Left
Ctrl+Shift+ M	Object → Transform → Move.../ <a href="#">Insert Em Space</a>
Ctrl+Shift+ N	File → New from Template... / <a href="#">Insert En Space</a>
Ctrl+Shift+ O	Type → Create Outlines
Ctrl+Shift+ P	File → Place...
Ctrl+Shift+ Q	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+ R	Paragraph panel → Align Right
Ctrl+Shift+ S	File → Save As...
Ctrl+Shift+ T	Window → Type → Tabs (show/hide)
Ctrl+Shift+ U	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+ V	Edit → Paste in Place
Ctrl+Shift+ W	View → Hide/Show Template
Ctrl+Shift+ X	Character → Uniform Type (V & H Scale=100%)
Ctrl+Shift+ Y	View → Hide/Show Text Threads
Ctrl+Shift+ Z	Edit → Redo (last operation)

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# Ctrl+Alt+letters

Ctrl+Alt+A	Select → All on Active Artboard
Ctrl+Alt+B	Object → Blend → Make
Ctrl+Alt+C	Object → Envelope Distort → Make w/ Top Object
Ctrl+Alt+D	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+E	File → Export → Export for Screens...
Ctrl+Alt+F	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+G	View → Hide/Show Gradient Annotator
Ctrl+Alt+H	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+I	Type → Show Hidden Characters (on/off)
Ctrl+Alt+J	Object → Path → Average...
Ctrl+Alt+K	Character panel → Highlight Tracking value
Ctrl+Alt+L	Layer panel → New Layer... (behind current)
Ctrl+Alt+M	Object → Envelope Distort → Make w/ Mesh
Ctrl+Alt+N	File → New (no dialog box)
Ctrl+Alt+O	File → Browse in Bridge...
Ctrl+Alt+P	File → Document Setup...
Ctrl+Alt+Q	Character panel → Clear tracking
Ctrl+Alt+R	View → Rulers → Change to Artboard/Global Rulers
Ctrl+Alt+S	File → Save a Copy...
Ctrl+Alt+T	Window → Type → Paragraph (show/hide)
Ctrl+Alt+U	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+V	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+W	File → Close All
Ctrl+Alt+X	Object → Live Paint → Make
Ctrl+Alt+Y	View → Pixel Preview
Ctrl+Alt+Z	<i>available!</i>

# Ctrl+Shift+Alt+letters

Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ A	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ B	Object → Blend → Release
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ C	Paragraph panel → Toggle Line Composer
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ D	Object → Transform → Transform Each...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ E	Effect → Apply Last Effect... (dialog box)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ F	Character panel → Highlight Font*
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ G	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ H	Paragraph panel → Toggle Auto-Hyphen
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ I	File → File Info...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ J	Object → Path → Average & Join
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ K	Edit → Keyboard Shortcuts...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ L	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ M	Highlight Font ( <i>*so, available!</i> )/Thin Space
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ N	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ O	Paragraph panel → Reveal Space values
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ P	File → Package...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ Q	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ R	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ S	File → Export → Save for Web (Legacy)...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ T	Window → Type → OpenType (show/hide)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ U	Switch to next unit of measure
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ V	Edit → Paste on All Artboards
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ W	Object → Envelope Distort → Make w/ Warp
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ X	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ Y	View → Overprint Preview
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ Z	<i>available!</i>

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# Modifiers with numbers #1

Ctrl+1	View → Actual Size
Ctrl+2	Object → Lock → Selection
Ctrl+3	Object → Hide → Selection
Ctrl+4	Pathfinder panel → Repeat Pathfinder
Ctrl+5	View → Guides → Make Guides
Ctrl+6	Select → Reselect
Ctrl+7	Object → Clipping Mask → Make
Ctrl+8	Object → Compound Path → Make
Ctrl+9	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+0	View → Fit Artboard in Window
Ctrl+Shift+1	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+2	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+3	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+4	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+5	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+6	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+7	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+8	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+9	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+0	unassignable

# Modifiers with numbers #2

Ctrl+Alt+1	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+2	Object → Unlock All
Ctrl+Alt+3	Object → Show All
Ctrl+Alt+4	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+5	View → Guides → Release Guides
Ctrl+Alt+6	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+7	Object → Clipping Mask → Release
Ctrl+Alt+8	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+9	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+0	View → Fit All in Window
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+1	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+2	Object → Lock Others (not selected)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+3	Object → Hide Others (not selected)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+4	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+5	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+6	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+7	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+8	Object → Compound Path → Release
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+9	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+0	<i>available!</i>

# Modifiers with symbols #1

Ctrl+ ~	Switch between Black and White Arrow tools
Ctrl+ -	View → Zoom Out
Ctrl+ +	View → Zoom In
Ctrl+ [	Object → Arrange → Send Backward
Ctrl+ ]	Object → Arrange → Bring Forward
Ctrl+ \	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+ ;	View → Guides → Hide/Show Guides
Ctrl+ '	View → Show/Hide Grid
Ctrl+ ,	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+ .	Cancel current operation
Ctrl+ /	Attributes panel → Add New Fill
Ctrl+Shift+ ~	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+ -	<i>available!</i> / Discretionary Hyphen
Ctrl+Shift+ +	unassignable / Superscript
Ctrl+Shift+ [	Layer → Arrange → Send to Back / Kern Together
Ctrl+Shift+ ]	Layer → Arrange → Bring to Front / Kern Apart
Ctrl+Shift+ \	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+ ;	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+ '	View → Snap to Grid
Ctrl+Shift+ ,	Character panel → Point size down
Ctrl+Shift+ .	Character panel → Point size up
Ctrl+Shift+ /	<i>available!</i>

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# Modifiers with symbols #2

Ctrl+Alt+ ~	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ -	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ +	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ [	Select → Next Object Below
Ctrl+Alt+ ]	Select → Next Object Above
Ctrl+Alt+ \	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ ;	View → Guides → Lock Guides
Ctrl+Alt+ '	View → Snap to Point
Ctrl+Alt+ ,	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ .	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Alt+ /	Attributes panel → Add New Stroke
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ ~	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ -	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ +	unassignable / <a href="#">Subscript</a>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ [	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ ]	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ \	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ ;	<i>available!</i>
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ '	Layer → Export As...
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ ,	Character panel → Point size step down (x5)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ .	Character panel → Point size step up (x5)
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+ /	<i>available!</i>



# Letters only

A	White Arrow (Direct Selection) tool
B	Paintbrush tool
C	Scissors tool
D	Default fill and stroke colors
E	Free Transform tool
F	Cycle between Full Screen modes
G	Gradient tool
H	Hand tool
I	Eyedropper tool
J	Column Graph tool
K	Live Paint Bucket tool
L	Ellipse tool
M	Rectangle tool
N	Pencil tool
O	Reflect tool
P	Pen tool
Q	Lasso tool
R	Rotate tool
S	Scale tool
T	Type tool
U	Mesh tool
V	Black Arrow (Selection) tool
W	Blend tool
X	Toggle fill and stroke attributes
Y	Magic Wand tool
Z	Zoom tool

# Shift+letters

Shift+ A	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ B	Blob Brush tool
Shift+ C	Anchor Point tool
Shift+ D	Cycle between Drawing modes
Shift+ E	Erase tool
Shift+ F	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ G	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ H	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ I	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ J	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ K	Slice tool
Shift+ L	Live Paint Selection tool
Shift+ M	Shape Builder tool
Shift+ N	Shaper tool
Shift+ O	Artboard tool
Shift+ P	Perspective Grid tool
Shift+ Q	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ R	Warp tool
Shift+ S	Symbol Sprayer tool
Shift+ T	Touch Type tool
Shift+ U	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ V	Perspective Selection tool
Shift+ W	Width tool
Shift+ X	Swap fill and stroke attributes
Shift+ Y	<i>available!</i>
Shift+ Z	<i>available!</i>

# Number variations (no Ctrl)\*

1	<i>available!</i>
2	<i>available!</i>
3	<i>available!</i>
4	<i>available!</i>
5	<i>available!</i>
6	<i>available!</i>
7	<i>available!</i>
8	<i>available!</i>
9	<i>available!</i>
0	<i>available!</i>
Shift+1	<i>available!</i>
Shift+2	<i>available!</i>
Shift+3	<i>available!</i>
Shift+4	<i>available!</i>
Shift+5	<i>available!</i>
Shift+6	<i>available!</i>
Shift+7	<i>available!</i>
Shift+8	<i>available!</i>
Shift+9	<i>available!</i>
Shift+0	<i>available!</i>

\* All available from the Tools panel of the Keyboard Shortcuts dialog box.

# Symbol variations (no Ctrl)

~	<i>tilde</i>	<i>available!</i>
-	<i>minus</i>	Delete Anchor Point tool
+	<i>plus</i>	Add Anchor Point tool
[	<i>left bracket</i>	Decrease brush size ( <i>Blob Brush, Eraser, Symbolism</i> )
]	<i>right bracket</i>	Increase brush size ( <i>Blob Brush, Eraser, Symbolism</i> )
\	<i>backslash</i>	Line Segment tool
;	<i>semicolon</i>	<i>available!</i>
'	<i>quote</i>	<i>available!</i>
,	<i>comma</i>	Active attribute: solid color
.	<i>period</i>	Active attribute: gradient
/	<i>slash</i>	Active attribute: none (transparent)
Shift+~		<i>available!</i>
Shift+-		<i>available!</i>
Shift++		<i>available!</i>
Shift+[		Decrease brush intensity ( <i>Symbolism</i> tool)
Shift+]		Increase brush intensity ( <i>Symbolism</i> tool)
Shift+\		<i>available!</i>
Shift+;		<i>available!</i>
Shift+'		<i>available!</i>
Shift+,		<i>available!</i>
Shift+.		<i>available!</i>
Shift+/		<i>available!</i>

# Function keys #1

F1	Help → Illustrator Help...
F2	Edit → Cut
F3	Edit → Copy
Shift+F3	Window → Color Guide
F4	Edit → Paste
Alt+F4	⚠ <b>Force quit active application...!</b>
Ctrl+F4	⚠ <b>Close active window...!</b>
F5	Window → Brushes
Shift+F5	Window → Graphic Styles
F6	Window → Color
Shift+F6	Window → Appearance
Ctrl+F6	Next document window
Ctrl+Shift+F6	Previous document window
Ctrl+Alt+F6	Next document group
Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F6	Previous document group
F7	Window → Layers
Shift+F7	Window → Align
F8	Symbols panel → New Symbol...
Shift+F8	Window → Transform
Ctrl+F8	Window → Info
Ctrl+Shift+F8	Object → Pattern → Edit Pattern...
Ctrl+F9	Window → Gradient
Ctrl+Shift+F9	Window → Pathfinder

# Function keys #2

Ctrl+F10

Ctrl+Shift+F10

Ctrl+F11

Ctrl+Shift+F11

F12

these and others

Window → Stroke

Window → Transparency

Window → Attributes

Window → Symbols

File → Revert

*available!*

# Pure miscellany

Tab	Hide/show toolbox and panels
Shift+Tab	Hide/show right-side panels
Alt+Tab	Advance to next application
Shift+Alt+Tab	Return to previous application
Ctrl+Tab	Next document window
Ctrl+Shift+Tab	Previous document window
Backspace	Edit → Clear, or delete selected object
Enter	Display dialog box for active tool
Esc	Exit isolation or pattern mode
▲, ▼, ◀, ▶	Nudge selected object 1 increment*
Shift+▲, ▼, ◀, ▶	Nudge selected object 10 increments*
Alt+▲, ▼, ◀, ▶	Duplicate selected object 1 increment*
Sh+Alt+▲, ▼, ◀, ▶	Duplicate selected object 10 increments*

\* By default, 1 increment = 1 point.  
Adjust using the Keyboard Increment value  
in the General Preferences dialog box (Ctrl+K).

Page Up/Down	Scroll up/down whole screen
Shift+Page Up/Dn	Advance to next/previous artboard
Alt+Page Up/Dn	Scroll up/down partial screen
Ctrl+Page Up/Dn	Scroll left/right whole screen
Ctrl+Sh+Pg Up/Dn	Advance to first/last artboard
Ctrl+Alt+Pg Up/Dn	Scroll left/right partial screen