

PuTTY cheat sheet

Ctrl key bound

Tab	Auto-complete file and folder names
Ctrl + W	Delete the word before cursor
Ctrl + K	Clear the line after cursor
Ctrl + T	Swap the last two characters before the cursor
Esc + T	Swap the last two words before the cursor
Alt + F	Move cursor forward one word on the current line
Alt + B	Move cursor backward one word on the current line
Ctrl + A	Go to the beginning of the line you are currently typing on
Ctrl + E	Go to the end of the line you are currently typing on
Ctrl + L	Clear the screen (similar to the clear command)
Ctrl + U	Clear the line before the cursor position. If you are at the end of the line, clears the entire line
Ctrl + H	Same as backspace
Ctrl + R	Search through previously used commands
Ctrl + C	Kill whatever you are running
Ctrl + D	Exit the current shell
Ctrl + Z	Put whatever you are running into a suspended background process. Type fg to restore it

Alt key bound

Alt + <	Move to the first line in the history
Alt + >	Move to the last line in the history
Alt + ?	Show current completion list
Alt + *	Insert all possible completions
Alt + /	Attempt to complete filename
Alt + .	Yank last argument to previous command
Alt + B	Move backward

Alt + C	Capitalize the word
Alt + D	Delete word
Alt + F	Move forward
Alt + L	Make word lowercase
Alt + U	Make word uppercase
Alt + N	Search the history forwards non-incremental
Alt + P	Search the history backwards non-incremental
Alt + R	Recall command
Alt + T	Move words around
Alt + Backspace	Delete backward from cursor

Misc

Esc then U	Undo last command
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More information: defkey.com/putty-shortcuts

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