

# Windows XP cheat sheet

## Windows logo shortcuts

These shortcuts involve using Windows key on your keyboard. They're usually globally available, meaning you may use them no matter what program is currently active.

Win	Open / Close the Start menu
Win + R	Open the Run dialog box
Win + Shift + M	Restore minimized windows
Win + F	Search for a file or a folder
Ctrl + Win + F	Search for computers
Win + U	Open Utility Manager
Win + F1	Display Windows Help

## General

These shortcuts can be used when editing text or when working with any type of items. Windows XP and many programs support them.

Ctrl + V	Paste
Del	Delete
Ctrl + F4	Close active document or tab in a program
Alt + Tab	Switch between open programs in taskbar
F4	Display the Address bar list in My Computer or Windows Explorer
Shift + F10	Display the shortcut menu for the selected item

## Windows Explorer

Backspace	Open a folder one level up if a folder is selected in the Save As or Open dialog box
Ctrl + V	Paste
Del	Delete (by default, will move items to Recycle Bin)
Shift + Del	Delete selected item permanently without placing the item in the Recycle Bin.
F5	Refresh the active window
F4	Display the Address bar list

## Accessibility

Right Shift	(hold for 8 seconds) Switch FilterKeys either on or off
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