

Shift Art

Top Ten Time Saving Keyboard Shortcuts for Photoshop Artists:

1. Alt+Shift+Ctrl+E = Merge all visible layers into one new layer.

To use, select the top visible layer in your layer stack and use the shortcut. This will produce a new layer with all visible layers below merged into one layer.

2. Ctrl +J = Duplicate selected layer.

3. Alt+Del or Ctrl+Del = Fill with black or white.

Technically, it should be called "Fill with foreground/background color". To make sure you are using black and white press the D key to set the foreground and background to black and white respectively. Notice that when selecting a mask, black and white switch places with white in the foreground.

4. Ctrl+0 = Zoom to fit to screen.

This will enlarge or shrink your document view to fill up available space on your screen. Note that if you are working on an image that is smaller than your screen size, it will still zoom in to fill your screen, thus producing a blurred view. To view at 100% use **Ctrl+1**.

5. Alt+Shift+Ctrl+W = Export As...

When you are ready to share your work on social media or via email, you are ready for Export As...

6. Ctrl+Shift+S = Save As...

When you are ready to save a draft or another final-final version...

7. Hold Ctrl + Left Click on mask = Load visible area as a selection.

8. Ctrl+T = Bring up transform box

Now use Shift+click&drag a corner to resize leaving proportions intact.

9. Ctrl+D = Deselect

10. Alt+Ctrl+Z = Ctrl Z with more power!

Just keep going back and back and back...

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Seven Time Saving Tool Shortcuts For Photoshop Artists:

Note that some of these shortcuts actually cycle through multiple tools. For example, G cycles through Gradient, Paint Bucket, and Material Drop Tool (anyone know what that does?). Cycle options given in brackets below [].

D = Default foreground and background colors (Black & White).

X = Switch foreground and background colors.

B = Brush, then **1-0** for 10-100% opacity, then **[&]** to size the Brush. [Cycles Brush, Pencil, Color Replacement, Mixer Brush]

V = Move Tool. [Cycles Move, Artboard]

G = Gradient Tool. [Cycles Gradient, Paint Bucket, 3D Material Drop (?!)]

W = Quick Select Tool. [Cycles Quick Select, Magic Wand]

M = Marquee Tool. [Cycles Rectangular, Elliptical, Single Row, Single Column]