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Keyboard Shortcuts for the Windows PowerShell ISE

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Use the following keyboard shortcuts to perform actions in Windows PowerShell® Integrated Scripting Environment (ISE). Windows PowerShell ISE is available as part of the Windows Server and Windows client operating systems, but can also be installed on some older Windows operating systems as part of the Windows Management Framework 4.0 download package.

Keyboard shortcuts for editing text

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts when you edit text.

	Keyboard	
Action	Shortcuts	Use in
Help	F1	Script Pane Important: You can specify that F1 help comes from the TechNet Library on the web or downloaded Help (see Update-Help). To select, click Tools, Options, then on the General Settingstab, set or clear Use local help content instead of online content.
Сору	CTRL+C	Script Pane, Command Pane, Output Pane
Cut	CTRL+X	Script Pane, Command Pane

Action	Keyboard Shortcuts	Use in
Expand or Collapse Outlining	CTRL+M	Script Pane
Find in Script	CTRL+F	Script Pane
Find Next in Script	F3	Script Pane
Find Previous in Script	SHIFT+F3	Script Pane
Find Matching Brace	CTRL+]	Script Pane
Paste	CTRL+V	Script Pane, Command Pane
Redo	CTRL+Y	Script Pane, Command Pane
Replace in Script	CTRL+H	Script Pane
Save	CTRL+S	Script Pane
Select All	CTRL+A	Script Pane, Command Pane, Output Pane
Show Snippets	CTRL+J	Script Pane, Command Pane
Undo	CTRL+Z	Script Pane, Command Pane

Keyboard shortcuts for running scripts

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts when you run scripts in the Script Pane.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
New	CTRL+N
Open	CTRL+O
Run	F5
Run Selection	F8
Stop Execution	CTRL+BREAK. CTRL+C can be used when the context is unambiguous (when there is no text selected).
Tab (to next script)	CTRL+TAB Note : Tab to next script works only when you have a single Windows PowerShell tab open, or when you have more than one Windows PowerShell tab open, but the focus is in the Script Pane.
Tab (to previous script)	CTRL+SHIFT+TAB Note : Tab to previous script works when you have only one Windows PowerShell tab open, or if you have more than one Windows PowerShell tab open, and the focus is in the Script Pane.

Keyboard shortcuts for customizing the view

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts to customize the view in Windows PowerShell ISE. They are accessible from all the panes in the application.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
Go to Command (v2) or Console (v3 and later) Pane	CTRL+D
Go to Output Pane (v2 only)	CTRL+SHIFT+O
Go to Script Pane	CTRL+I
Show Script Pane	CTRL+R
Hide Script Pane	CTRL+R
Move Script Pane Up	CTRL+1
Move Script Pane Right	CTRL+2

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
Maximize Script Pane	CTRL+3
Zoom In	CTRL+PLUS SIGN
Zoom Out	CTRL+MINUS SIGN

Keyboard shortcuts for debugging scripts

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts when you debug scripts.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut	Use in
Run/Continue	F5	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Step Into	F11	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Step Over	F10	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Step Out	SHIFT+F11	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Display Call Stack	CTRL+SHIFT+D	Script Pane, when debugging a script
List Breakpoints	CTRL+SHIFT+L	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Toggle Breakpoint	F9	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Remove All Breakpoints	CTRL+SHIFT+F9	Script Pane, when debugging a script
Stop Debugger	SHIFT+F5	Script Pane, when debugging a script

① Note

You can also use the keyboard shortcuts designed for the Windows PowerShell console when you debug scripts in Windows PowerShell ISE. To use these shortcuts, you must type the shortcut in the Command Pane and press ENTER.

	Keyboard	
Action	Shortcut	Use in

Action	Keyboard Shortcut	Use in
Continue	С	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Step Into	S	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Step Over	V	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Step Out	0	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Repeat Last Command (for Step Into or Step Over)	ENTER	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Display Call Stack	K	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Stop Debugging	Q	Console Pane, when debugging a script
List the Script	L	Console Pane, when debugging a script
Display Console Debugging Commands	H or ?	Console Pane, when debugging a script

Keyboard shortcuts for Windows PowerShell tabs

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts when you use Windows PowerShell tabs.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
Close PowerShell Tab	CTRL+W
New PowerShell Tab	CTRL+T
Previous PowerShell tab	CTRL+SHIFT+TAB. This shortcut works only when no files are open on any Windows PowerShell tab.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
Next Windows PowerShell tab	CTRL+TAB. This shortcut works only when no files are open on any Windows PowerShell tab.

Keyboard shortcuts for starting and exiting

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts to start the Windows PowerShell console (PowerShell.exe) or to exit Windows PowerShell ISE.

Action	Keyboard Shortcut
Exit	ALT+F4
Start PowerShell.exe (Windows PowerShell console)	CTRL+SHIFT+P

See Also

• PowerShell Magazine: The Complete List of Windows PowerShell ISE Keyboard Shortcuts

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