Keys for the Layers panel

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This list includes the most helpful shortcuts. You'll find additional shortcuts in menu commands and tool tips.

Result	Windows	Mac OS
Set layer options	Alt-click New button	Option-click New button
Delete without confirmation	Alt-click Trash button	Option-click Trash button
Apply value and keep text box active	Shift + Enter	Shift + Enter
Load layer transparency as a selection	Control-click layer thumbnail	Command-click layer thumbnail
Add to current selection	Control + Shift-click layer	Command + Shift-click layer thumbnail
Subtract from current selection	Control + Alt-click layer thumbnail	Command + Option-click layer thumbnail
Intersect with current selection	Control + Shift + Alt-click layer thumbnail	Command + Shift + Option-click layer thumbnail
Merge visible layers	Control + Shift + E	Command + Shift + E
Create new empty layer with dialog	Alt-click New Layer button	Option-click New Layer button
Create new layer below target layer	Control-click New Layer button	Command-click New Layer button
Activate bottom/top layer	Alt + .(period)/ ,(comma)	Option + .(period)/ ,(comma)
Select next layer down/up	Alt + [or]	Option + [or]
Move target layer down/up	Control + [or]	Command + [or]
Merge a copy of all visible layers into target layer	Control + Shift + Alt + E	Command + Shift + Option + E
Merge down	Control + E	Command + E
Copy current layer to layer below	Alt + Merge Down command from the panel pop-up menu	Option + Merge Down command from the panel pop-up menu
Copy all visible layers to active layer	Alt + Merge Visible command from the panel pop-up menu	Option + Merge Visible command from the panel pop-up menu
Show/hide all other currently visible layers	Alt-click the eye icon	Option-click the eye icon
Toggle lock transparency for target layer, or last applied lock	/ (forward slash)	/ (forward slash)
Select all text; temporarily select Type tool	Double-click text layer thumbnail	Double-click text layer thumbnail
Create a clipping mask	Alt-click the line dividing two layers	Option-click the line dividing two layers
Rename layer	Double-click the layer name	Double-click the layer name
Add to layer selection in Layers panel	Shift + Alt + [or]	Shift + Option + [or]
Copy the mask from one layer to another, and ask to replace if the mask is already present	Alt + drag layer mask	Alt + drag layer mask

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