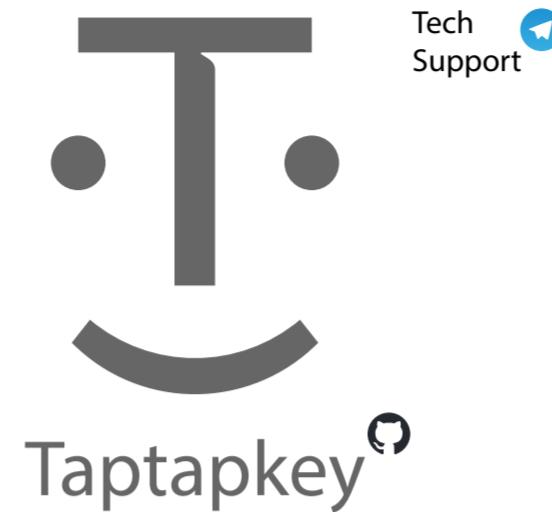


You can open this
pdf-file in Illustrator
to test features

Written
in AutoHotkey



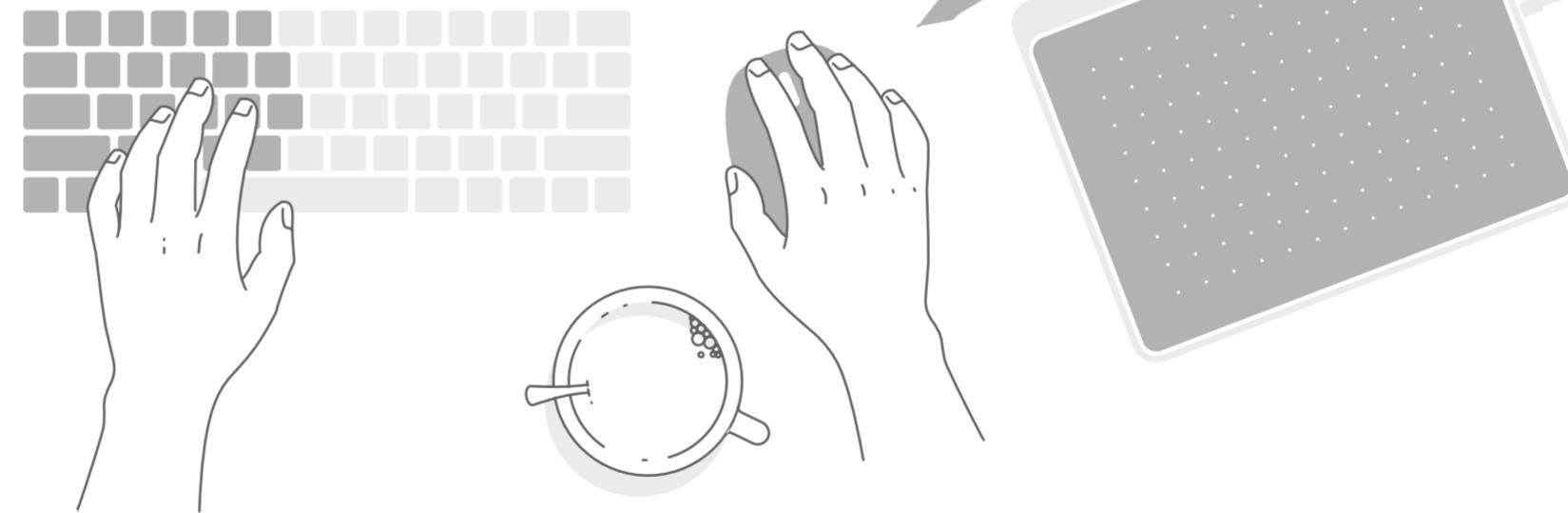
Tech
Support

*This thing greatly simplifies
the life of an illustrator who
often forgets hotkeys, like me*

Created by Oleg Krasnov

Taptapkey is a set of hotkeys, widgets,
and menus that streamline everyday tasks
for designers and other Windows users.

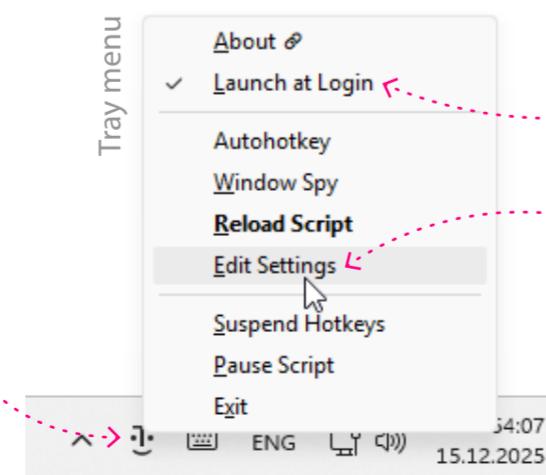
It allows you to work comfortably
with your left hand always on the keyboard
and your right hand on the mouse/tablet.



Installation:

Download the ZIP file,
unpack it, run *taptapkey.exe*

You will see the icon in your tray



Click to enable autorun
when logging in.

Click to change
the settings.

These settings
will open as text
in Notepad

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settings.ahk
File Edit View
;taptapkey settings
/* -----
Modify the lines below as you wish. Unnecessary lines
can be disabled by adding the ';' character at the
beginning, or enabled by removing the character: */

#include adobe/illustrator/funcs.ahk
#include adobe/illustrator/hotkeys.ahk

#include adobe/inDesign/funcs.ahk
#include adobe/inDesign/hotkeys.ahk

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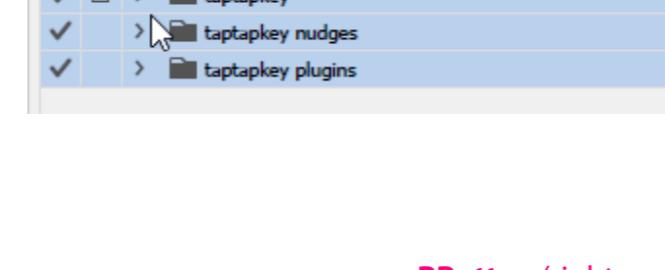
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Hotkeys and features for Illustrator

Every time you open Illustrator, Taptapkey needs to read the program settings. In this case, the following message pops up at the bottom of the main screen:

Reading AI Prefs.
Done

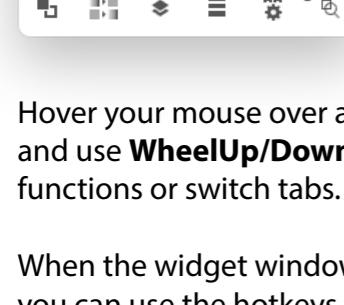
First time Taptapkey runs any of its necessary actions inside Illustrator, it automatically loads them as action sets. It takes some time, so please restart Illustrator once after this to save them.



Some functions and tools require plugins. Such items are prefixed before the name:
AG — Astute Graphics
RJ — RJ-Graffix
CS — CoolSelection
CV — CValley FILTERit

Widgets:

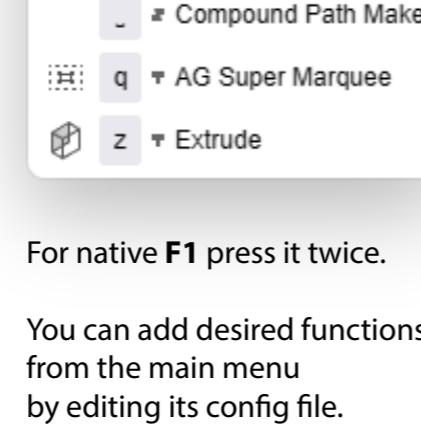
CapsLock
Functions widget,
config file:
`adobe/illustrator/funcs.yaml`



Hover your mouse over an icon and use **WheelUp/Down** to call functions or switch tabs.

When the widget window is active, you can use the hotkeys from top left corner of an icon. Hold **Ctrl** to reverse the command.

F1
Favorites menu,
config file:
`adobe/illustrator/menuFavorites.yaml`



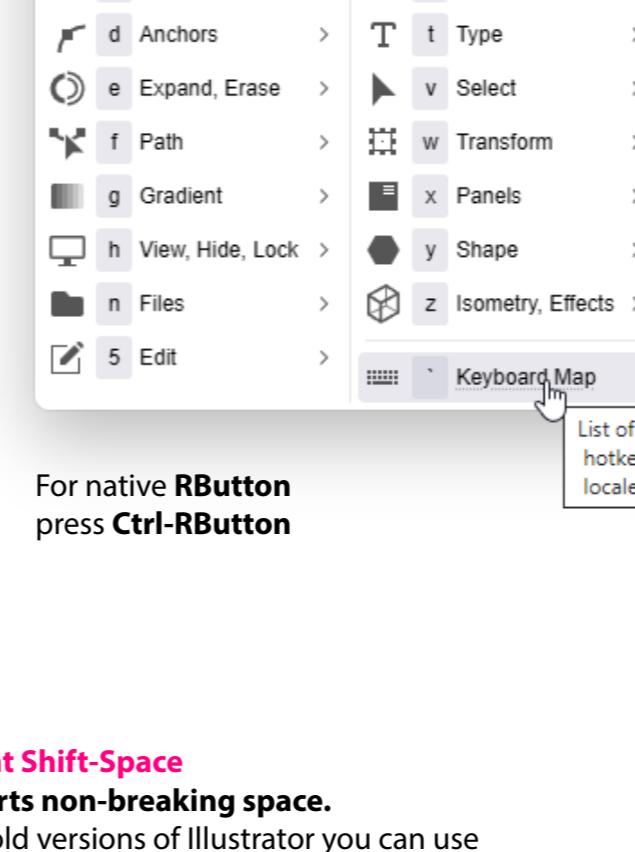
For native **F1** press it twice.

You can add desired functions from the main menu by editing its config file.

RButton (right mouse button)

Main menu,
config file:

`adobe/illustrator/menu.yaml`



For native **RButton** press **Ctrl-RButton**

Hotkeys:

Escape
Deselects an object, just like in any normal application.

For native **Escape** press **Shift-Escape**.

Alt-Wheel ± 1
Alt-Shift-Wheel ± 10
Alt-Ctrl-Wheel ± 0.1 or ± 0.5

Changes stroke weight (Requires Control Panel enabled. Works in Illustrator 2022 or newer).



Right Shift-Space
Inserts non-breaking space. For old versions of Illustrator you can use **RCtrl-RShift-Space** to apply "no break".

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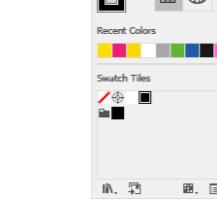
Ctrl-Shift-B bold,
Ctrl-Shift-I italic,
Ctrl-Shift-U underline,
Alt-Ctrl-V paste w/o formatting.

These text block hotkeys work in any version of Adobe Illustrator, even before version 2024 (28.3).

Ctrl-Arrows
Nudges selection. by 0.1 document unit.



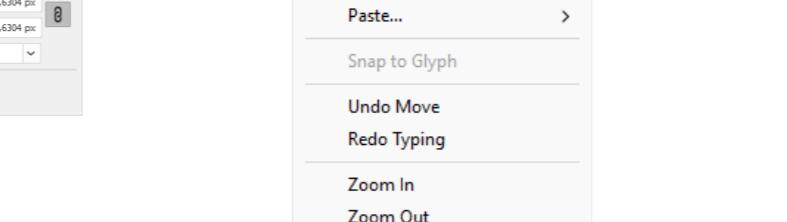
Alt-Ctrl-Arrows
Nudges selection by 0.01 document unit.



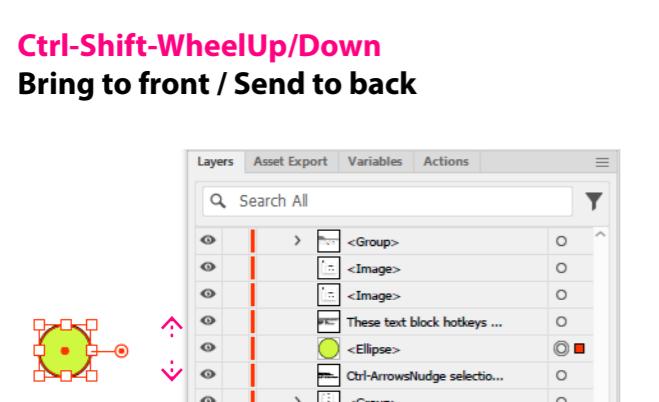
MButton
Short click: selects an input field.
Long click: resets an input field to zero.



Alt-Space
Calculates the formula entered, suitable for complex mathematical calculations.



Shift-RButton
Short click: Shows fill color popup under cursor.
Long click: stroke color popup.

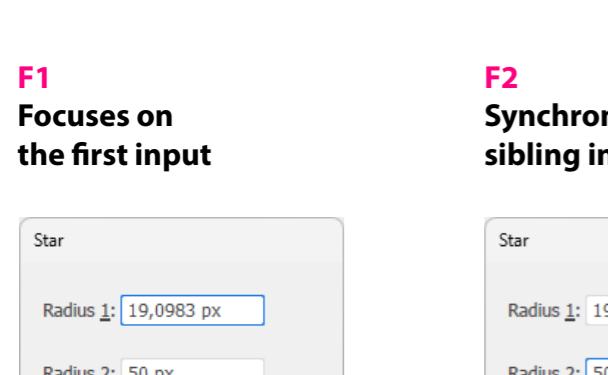


Sometimes Illustrator pops up this panel in a wrong place. Click the **MButton** to bring it back.

Press **F1** to context menu.

Ctrl-WheelUp/Down
Bring forward / Send backward

Ctrl-Shift-WheelUp/Down
Bring to front / Send to back



Alt-RButton
Shows the stroke popup under the cursor



Alt-Shift-RButton
Shows transform popup under cursor

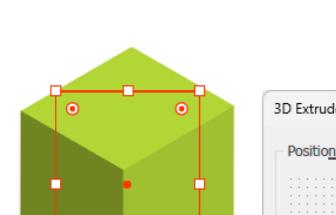


Ctrl-RButton
Shows native context menu

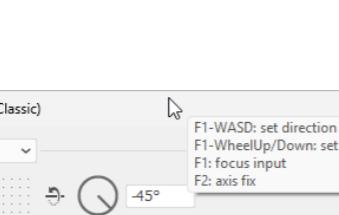


Modal windows:

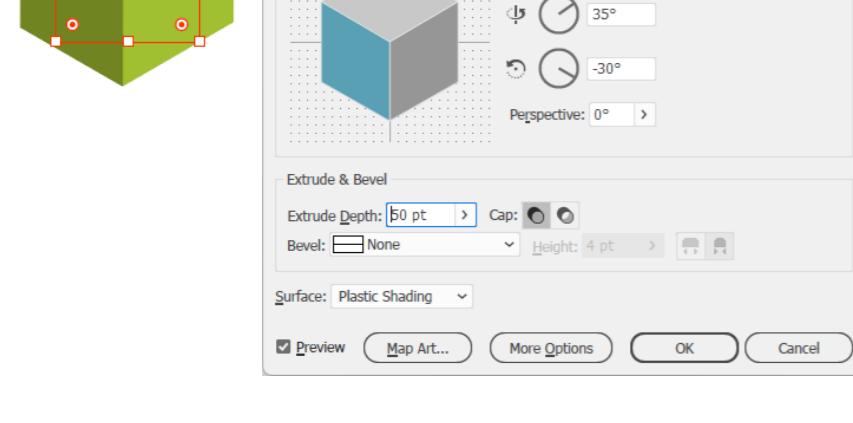
F1
Focuses on the first input



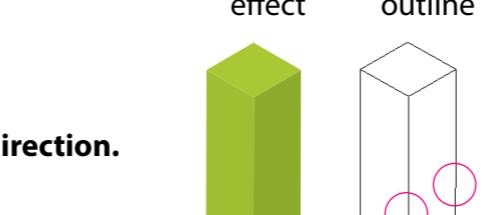
F2
Synchronizes sibling inputs



Click outside the modal window:
LButton **RButton**
Enter (apply) **Escape** (close)



Click outside the modal window:
LButton **RButton**
Enter (apply) **Escape** (close)



MButton
Toggles Preview checkbox



3D Classic windows:



F1-W/A/S/D
Fast change isometric direction.

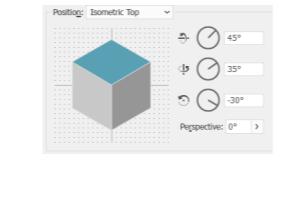
F1-WheelUp/Down
Fast change surface.

F1
Focuses the Extrude Depth input. When focused, change the value with **WheelUp/Down**.

F2
Axis fix. Corrects the tilt of the vertical axis. Without the fix your vertical lines won't be really vertical after Expand Appearance.

Live effect

Expanded outline



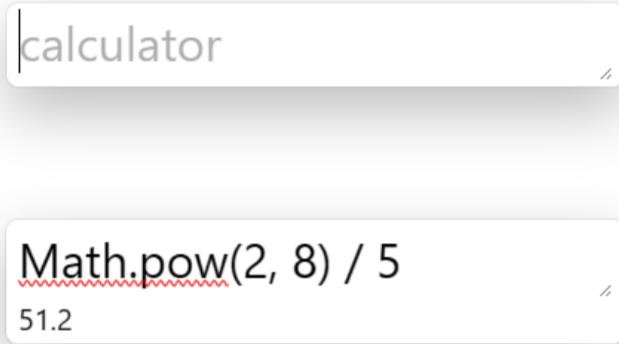
With axis fix

Hotkeys and features for Windows ■

Widgets:

CapsLock-F1

Javascript calculator

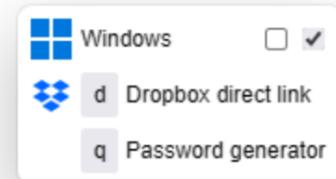


CapsLock-F2

Menu,

config file:

windows/menu.yaml



Arrows **Enter**
History **Copy the result
to the clipboard**

Hotkeys:

CapsLock-Pause
Shows active app

CapsLock-Ctrl-Pause
Kills active app

CapsLock-Shift-Pause
Kills all instances of active app

CapsLock-1/2/3/4
CapsLock-Q/W/E/R/T
CapsLock-A/S/D/F/G
CapsLock-Z/X/C/V/B
Numpad emulation

CapsLock-H/J/K/L
CapsLock-Y/U/I/O
Vim-like navigation