Holding down the left mouse button in AutoHotkey

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I want a script where pressing F1 makes AutoHotkey hold down the left mouse button. I then want the script to release the mouse once I press the key again.



How can I do that?



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To those willing to close the thread: this is a programming question, AutoHotkey is a programming language. – PhiLho Jan 2 '10 at 22:53

@PhiLho: Thanks for pointing that out. I nearly closed this myself. – Bill the Lizard Jan 3 '10 at 2:16

1 @Pizza Overflow: You might want to consider including a short code snippet in AHK questions to avoid any confusion. If you just include a short bit of code showing what you've tried so far, that should be enough that people won't mistakenly close your questions as "not programming related." – Bill the Lizard

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I would use Click down and Click up





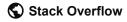


Click is generally preferred over MouseClick because it automatically compensates if the user has swapped the left and right mouse buttons via the system's control panel.



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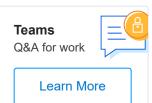
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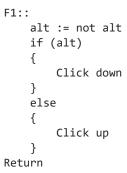


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I've needed to add Return at the end of the hotkey procedure code to make it work for me. F1:: alt := not alt if(alt) { Click down } else { Click up } Return -Michał Oniszczuk Aug 21 '10 at 10:15 🖍

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F1::Click % GetKeyState("LButton") ? "Up" : "Down"

answered Mar 24 '16 at 14:10



Can I use this one-liner for Right Mouse Click? Changing LButton -> RButton still appears to be trigger the Left Mouse Click.... - Alex Johnson Aug 6 '17 at 22:51

1 Yes. F1::Click right % GetKeyState("RButton") ? "Up" : "Down" might do the job. If not do F1::Click % "right" (GetKeyState("RButton") ? "Up" : "Down") - Forivin Aug 6 '17 at 23:14

Perfect! F1::Click % "right " (GetKeyState("RButton") ? "Up": "Down") works as intended! Thanks Forivin! -Alex Johnson Aug 7 '17 at 16:32



Mmm, I am a bit rusty in AHK programming, but here is what I tried, seems to work:

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F1::
alt := not alt
If (alt)
 MouseClick Left, 217, 51, , , D
Else
 MouseClick Left, 217, 51, , , U
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Using MouseClick is overkill and makes it look more complicated. Click Up/ Down should suffice. – syaz Feb 23 '10 at 9:12

1 Yes, that's what did DaMacc... – PhiLho Feb 24 '10 at 17:55

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