

# 🚧 Emacs support for Dart 🚧

Description	Keystroke	Function	Note
<b>Dart Editing</b>		Emacs does not provide any built-in mode for Dart programming language programming language. PEL provides support for Dart via the following external packages activated by the <code>pel-use-dart</code> user-option set to the following values:  <code>dart-mode</code>  when <code>pel-use-dart</code> is set to <code>t</code> .  <code>dart-ts-mode</code>  when <code>pel-use-dart</code> is set to <code>with-tree-sitter</code> , Emacs >= 30 and <code>pel-use-tree-sitter</code> is <code>t</code> . Best choice. PEL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promotes the use of <code>dart-ts-mode</code> for Emacs &gt;= 30.</li> <li>Associates the <code>.dart</code> file extensions with the Dart major mode currently used.</li> <li><code>xitMenu</code> is supported by <code>dart-ts-mode</code> but not by <code>dart-mode</code>.</li> <li>Adds Dart support for <code>Speedbar</code> for <code>dart-ts-mode</code> when the <code>pel-use-speedbar</code> user-option is turned on.</li> <li>Activates PEL functions keys under the <code>&lt;f12&gt;</code> prefix inside Dart buffers.</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">Tree Sitter</a> and <a href="#">Tree-sitter</a> .
>Edit Dart code using wider indentation in buffer, keep 2-space indent in files.		The official Dart indentation scheme strictly imposes a 2-space indentation scheme <a href="#">despite people requesting more flexibility</a> .  If this is a problem for you PEL can help  By setting <code>pel-indent-with-tabs-mode-for-dart</code> to a value between 2 and 8, PEL will automatically activates the <code>pel-indent-with-tabs-mode</code> minor mode for Dart buffers using the selected value as the visual indentation rendering width. You will be able to edit the buffer with the tab-based indentation scheme, with further ability to dynamically change the indentation rendered width with the <code>pel-set-tab-width</code> command (bound to <code>&lt;f11&gt; &lt;tab&gt; w</code> ). The file is saved using the original 2-space indentation scheme! See <a href="#">Indentation</a> for more details.	
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<a href="#">Open this PDF file.</a> See also: <a href="#">Help/Info</a>	<code>&lt;f11&gt; SPC d &lt;f1&gt;</code> <code>&lt;f12&gt; &lt;f1&gt;</code>	( <code>pel-help-pdf</code> &optional OPEN-WEB-PAGE)	Open the <a href="#">Dart</a> local PDF. If the prefix argument (like <code>C-u</code> or <code>M--</code> ) is used, then it opens the remote GitHub hosted raw PDF instead. If the <code>pel-flip-help-pdf-arg</code> user-option is set it's the other way around.
<a href="#">Customize</a> PEL Dart support	<code>&lt;f11&gt; SPC d &lt;f2&gt;</code> <code>&lt;f12&gt; &lt;f2&gt;</code>	( <code>pel-customize-pel</code> &optional OTHER-WINDOW)	Customize PEL Dart support. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If OTHER-WINDOW is non-nil (use <code>C-u</code>), display in another window.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Customize</a> Emacs Dart support	<code>&lt;f11&gt; SPC d &lt;f3&gt;</code> <code>&lt;f12&gt; &lt;f3&gt;</code>	( <code>pel-customize-library</code> &optional OTHER-WINDOW)	Customize Emacs Dart support: dart, dart-ts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If OTHER-WINDOW is non-nil (use <code>C-u</code>), display in another window.</li> </ul>
Toggle between classic and Tree-Sitter major mode		PEL supports switching from classic to tree-sitter based mode with the following command.	<a href="#">See Tree Sitter</a>
	<code>&lt;f11&gt; C-t C-t</code>	( <code>pel-treesit-toggle-mode</code> )	Toggle the major mode between the classic mode and the Tree-Sitter based mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the other major mode is not available the command signals a user error.</li> </ul>  Use the repeat command (bound to <code>&lt;f5&gt;</code> under PEL) to quickly toggle from the classic to the Tree-Sitter major mode and compare the impact of syntax highlighting.
Show PEL setup information for the major mode.	<code>&lt;f11&gt; ? /</code> <code>&lt;f11&gt; SPC d ?</code> <code>&lt;f12&gt; ?</code>	( <code>pel-mode-setup-info</code> &optional APPEND)  ( <code>pel-dart-setup-info</code> &optional APPEND)	Display Dart setup information inside a <code>*pel-dart-info*</code> buffer with buttons providing quick access to the customization buffer of each variable shown. The information shown includes the value and interpretation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>pel-use-dart</code> (whether the classic or tree-sitter based major mode is used).</li> <li>indentation and hard tab control customizable user-options</li> </ul> To append information in the buffer instead of clearing the previous content type any prefix argument (such as <code>C-u</code> ) before the command keystroke.
Comments			
Toggle display of comments in buffer or active region See also: <a href="#">Comments</a>	<code>&lt;f11&gt; ; ;</code>	( <code>hide/show-comments-toggle</code> &optional START END)	Toggle hiding/showing of comments in the active region or whole buffer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the region is active then toggle in the region. Otherwise, in the whole buffer.</li> </ul>  This requires the <code>hide-comment.el</code> package (see <a href="#">Comments</a> ).  PEL activates it when the <code>pel-use-hide-comment</code> user option is <code>t</code> .
<a href="#">Insert, realign, comment/uncomment region</a> See also: <a href="#">Comments</a> With PEL: Comment the current line with <code>M-0 M-;</code>	<code>M-;</code>	( <code>comment-dwim</code> ARG)	Insert or realign comment on current line (or region if a region is active). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On a single line, the comment is placed <i>after</i> the code.</li> <li><code>C-u M-;</code> executes comment-kill</li> </ul>
		( <code>pel-comment-dwim</code> ARG)	Same as <code>comment-dwim</code> but comments the current line with a numeric ARG or 0.

## Emacs & Dart – References

Document	Notes
The Dart programming language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Dart @ Wikipedia</a></li> <li><a href="#">Dart home</a></li> <li><a href="#">Dart @ Github</a></li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Dart Documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Introduction to Dart</a></li> <li><a href="#">Effective Dart</a></li> <li><a href="#">Dart Libraries</a></li> <li><a href="#">Dart SDK</a></li> <li><a href="#">Asynchronous programming: futures, async, await</a></li> <li><a href="#">Packages</a></li> </ul>
Dart Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Awesome Dart</a></li> </ul>