








Comments

Action	Key binding	Command	Notes
Comment Commands	 This is an early version of this page. More information is required on this topic.		
Insert, realign, comment/uncomment region	M-;	(comment-dwim ARG)	Insert or realign comment on current line. <ul style="list-style-type: none">If the region is active, comment or uncomment the region instead.C-u M-; executes comment-kill
Uncomment a region	<f11> ; u	(uncomment-region BEG END &optional ARG)	Uncomment each line in the BEG .. END region. The numeric prefix ARG can specify a number of chars to remove from the comment delimiter.  Sometimes the comment-dwim, shown above, does not uncomment a region, it adds another layer of comment. In that case try this command instead.
Comment/uncomment current line	<ul style="list-style-type: none">C-x C-;<f11> ; 1	(comment-line N)	Comment/uncomment current line (the comment is at the beginning of the line). Since C-; is not an ASCII Control character, C-x C-; does not work in Terminal. Use the alternate keystroke.
Comment the region as a box	<f11> ; B	(comment-box BEG END &optional ARG)	Comment the marked region in a comment box.
Kill comment on current line	<f11> ; k	(comment-kill ARG)	Kill the complete comment text on the line (whether it is at the beginning of the line or after some code) and remember in kill ring. <ul style="list-style-type: none">With numeric argument, kill comment on as many lines starting with the current one.For one line this can also be executed with C-u M-;
Delete all comments in buffer or marked region (See also: Σ Cut & Paste)	<f11> ; ☒	(pel-delete-all-comments)	Delete all comments in current (possibly narrowed) buffer or marked region.  To delete all comments inside a region mark the region first. You can also narrow a region and then use this command to remove all comments from that narrowed region, without affecting anything else. See the Σ Narrowing table for information on narrowing.
Kill all comments in buffer or marked region (& retain them in kill ring) (See also: Σ Cut & Paste)	<f11> - ;	(pel-kill-all-comments)	Kill all comments in current (possibly narrowed) buffer or marked region and retain them in kill ring.  To kill all comments inside a region mark the region first. You can also narrow a region and then use this command to remove all comments from that narrowed region, without affecting anything else. See the Σ Narrowing table for information on narrowing.
Set comment column to current column	C-x ;	(comment-set-column ARG)	Set the <i>comment-column</i> variable (shown in the ruler as ‘#’).
Set comment column to previous comment and adjust/insert a comment	C-u C-x ;	(comment-set-column 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">With no argument: set to the current column.With any positive argument set comment-column to the same column as the previous comment and align/create a comment on this line at that column.With - as arg, kill any comment on current line.
New line & aligned comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">M-jC-M-j	Mapped to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">C, C++ modes: (c-indent-new-comment-line &optional SOFT ALLOW-AUTO-FILL)Buffer Menu, text mode, python mode: (comment-dwim ARG)	When M-j is typed, on a line that contains a comment, a new line is entered and a comment is placed in the same column, with point placed after the same number of spaces.
Set comment start string	<f11> ; b	(pel-comment-start)	Show and set comment start string for current mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Controlled by variable: comment-start
Set comment end string	<f11> ; e	(pel-comment-end)	Show and set comment end string for current mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Controlled by variable: comment-endBy default it’s “”. It must be “” if the comment ends at the end of the line.
Set comment continue (middle) string	<f11> ; m	(pel-comment-middle)	Show and set comment continue/middle string for current mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Controlled by variable: comment-continueBy default it is <i>nil</i>. Can be set to any string.This is used for multi-line comments
Set Fill Column	C-x f	(set-fill-column ARG)	When no prefix value: prompts for column. <ul style="list-style-type: none">If with C-u prefix: use current column.If with prefix value: use that value.  Note: this command and other fill specific commands are described in the Fill/Justification table.
Toggle auto fill inside comments only	<f11> t f C	(pel-auto-fill-only-comments)	Toggle the comment-auto-fill-only-comments variable to control whether filling is done everywhere or only inside the comments.  Note: this command and other fill specific commands are described in the Fill/Justification table.
See all comment control variables	<ul style="list-style-type: none">C-h v comment- <tab><tab><f1> v comment- <tab><tab>		Lists all variables that have a name that starts with the word “comment-”.  See the Help table for more information on getting help from within Emacs.

Comments — References

GNU Emacs Manual - Manipulating Comments	
GNU Emacs Lisp — Tips on Writing Comments	Emacs Lisp comments conventions/guidelines.