

INTERACTIVE CONTROL

mpv has a fully configurable, command-driven control layer which allows you to control mpv using keyboard, mouse, or remote control (there is no LIRC support - configure remotes as input devices instead).

See the `--input-` options for ways to customize it.

The following listings are not necessarily complete. See `etc/input.conf` for a list of default bindings. User `input.conf` files and Lua scripts can define additional key bindings.

Keyboard Control

LEFT and RIGHT

Seek backward/forward 5 seconds. Shift+arrow does a 1 second exact seek (see `--hr-seek`).

UP and DOWN

Seek forward/backward 1 minute. Shift+arrow does a 5 second exact seek (see `--hr-seek`).

Ctrl+LEFT and Ctrl+RIGHT

Seek to the previous/next subtitle. Subject to some restrictions and might not always work; see `sub-seek` command.

Ctrl+Shift+Left and Ctrl+Shift+Right

Adjust subtitle delay so that the next or previous subtitle is displayed now. This is especially useful to sync subtitles to audio.

[and]

Decrease/increase current playback speed by 10%.

{ and }

Halve/double current playback speed.

BACKSPACE

Reset playback speed to normal.

Shift+BACKSPACE

Undo the last seek. This works only if the playlist entry was not changed. Hitting it a second time will go back to the original position. See `revert-seek` command for details.

Shift+Ctrl+BACKSPACE

Mark the current position. This will then be used by Shift+BACKSPACE as revert position (once you seek back, the marker will be reset). You can use this to seek around in the file and then return to the exact position where you left off.

< and >

Go backward/forward in the playlist.

ENTER

Go forward in the playlist.

p / SPACE

Pause (pressing again unpauses).

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Step forward. Pressing once will pause, every consecutive press will play one frame and then go into pause mode again.

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Step backward. Pressing once will pause, every consecutive press will play one frame in reverse and then go into pause mode again.

q

Stop playing and quit.

Q

Like q, but store the current playback position. Playing the same file later will resume at the old playback position if possible.

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Decrease/increase volume.

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Decrease/increase volume.

m

Mute sound.

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Cycle through the available video tracks.

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Cycle through the available audio tracks.

f

Toggle fullscreen (see also `--fs`).

ESC

Exit fullscreen mode.

T

Toggle stay-on-top (see also `--ontop`).

w and W

Decrease/increase pan-and-scan range. The e key does the same as w currently, but use is discouraged.

o (also P)

Show progression bar, elapsed time and total duration on the OSD.

O

Toggle OSD states between normal and playback time/duration.

v Toggle subtitle visibility.
 j and J Cycle through the available subtitles.
 z and Z Adjust subtitle delay by +/- 0.1 seconds. The x key does the same as z currently, but use is discouraged.
 l Set/clear A-B loop points. See `ab-loop` command for details.
 L Toggle infinite looping.
 Ctrl + and Ctrl - Adjust audio delay (A/V sync) by +/- 0.1 seconds.
 Shift+g and Shift+f Adjust subtitle font size by +/- 10%.
 u Switch between applying no style overrides to SSA/ASS subtitles, and overriding them almost completely with the normal subtitle style. See `--sub-ass-override` for more info.
 V Toggle subtitle VSFilter aspect compatibility mode. See `--sub-ass-vsfilter-aspect-compat` for more info.
 r and R Move subtitles up/down. The t key does the same as R currently, but use is discouraged.
 s Take a screenshot.
 S Take a screenshot, without subtitles. (Whether this works depends on VO driver support.)
 Ctrl s Take a screenshot, as the window shows it (with subtitles, OSD, and scaled video).
 PGUP and PGDWN Seek to the beginning of the previous/next chapter. In most cases, "previous" will actually go to the beginning of the current chapter; see `--chapter-seek-threshold`.
 Shift+PGUP and Shift+PGDWN Seek backward or forward by 10 minutes. (This used to be mapped to PGUP/PGDWN without Shift.)
 d Activate/deactivate deinterlacer.
 A Cycle aspect ratio override.
 Ctrl h Toggle hardware video decoding on/off.
 Alt+LEFT, Alt+RIGHT, Alt+UP, Alt+DOWN Move the video rectangle (panning).
 Alt + and Alt - Combining Alt+ with the + or - keys changes video zoom.
 Alt+BACKSPACE Reset the pan/zoom settings.
 F8 Show the playlist and the current position in it (useful only if a UI window is used, broken on the terminal).
 F9 Show the list of audio and subtitle streams (useful only if a UI window is used, broken on the terminal).
 i and I Show/toggle an overlay displaying statistics about the currently playing file such as codec, framerate, number of dropped frames and so on. See [STATS](#) for more information.
 del Cycles visibility between never / auto (mouse-move) / always
 、 Show the console. (ESC closes it again. See [CONSOLE](#).)

(The following keys are valid only when using a video output that supports the corresponding adjustment.)

1 and 2 Adjust contrast.
 3 and 4 Adjust brightness.
 5 and 6 Adjust gamma.
 7 and 8 Adjust saturation.
 Alt+0 (and command+0 on macOS) Resize video window to half its original size.
 Alt+1 (and command+1 on macOS) Resize video window to its original size.
 Alt+2 (and command+2 on macOS) Resize video window to double its original size.

command + f (macOS only)

Toggle fullscreen (see also `--fs`).

(The following keys are valid if you have a keyboard with multimedia keys.)

PAUSE

Pause.

STOP

Stop playing and quit.

PREVIOUS and NEXT

Seek backward/forward 1 minute.

If you miss some older key bindings, look at `etc/restore-old-bindings.conf` in the mpv git repository.

Mouse Control

Left double click

Toggle fullscreen on/off.

Right click

Toggle pause on/off.

Forward/Back button

Skip to next/previous entry in playlist.

Wheel up/down

Seek forward/backward 10 seconds.

Wheel left/right

Decrease/increase volume.