

ILLUSTRATOR CS

Illustrator CS is a fantastic vector drawing tool, and here are the essential keyboard shortcuts. If you're on a PC, remember to use Ctrl instead of Cmd and Alt instead of Opt. Keep this card handy for reference...

TOOLS

| | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Selection | V |
| Direct Selection | A |
| Magic Wand | Y |
| Lasso | Q |
| Pen | P |
| Add Anchor Point | = |
| Delete Anchor Point | - |
| Convert Anchor Point | Shift+C |
| Type | T |
| Line Segment | \ |
| Rectangle | M |
| Ellipse | L |
| Paintbrush | B |
| Pencil | N |
| Rotate | R |
| Reflect | O |
| Scale | S |
| Warp | Shift+R |
| Free Transform | E |
| Symbol Sprayer | Shift+S |
| Column Graph | J |
| Mesh | U |
| Gradient | G |
| Eyedropper | I |
| Paint Bucket | K |
| Slice | Shift+K |
| Scissors | C |
| Hand | H |
| Zoom | Z |
| Toggle Fill/Stroke | X |
| Swap Fill/Stroke | Shift+X |
| EDIT MENU | |
| Paste In Front | Cmd+F |

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| Paste In Back | Cmd+B |
| Check Spelling | Cmd+I |
| Color Settings | Shift+Cmd+K |
| Keyboard Shortcuts | Opt+Shift+Cmd+K |
| Transform Again | Cmd+D |
| Move | Shift+Cmd+M |
| Transform Each | Opt+Shift+Cmd+D |
| Bring To Front | Shift+Cmd+J |
| Bring Forward | Cmd+] |
| Send Backward | Cmd+[|
| Send To Back | Shift+Cmd+[|
| Group | Cmd+G |
| Ungroup | Shift+Cmd+G |
| Selection | Cmd+2 |
| Unlock All | Opt+Cmd+2 |
| Selection | Cmd+3 |
| Show All | Opt+Cmd+3 |

OBJECT MENU

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Path Sub-menu: Join | Cmd+J |
| Path Sub-menu: Average | Opt+Cmd+J |
| Blend Sub-menu: Make | Opt+Cmd+B |
| Blend Sub-menu: Release | Opt+Shift+Cmd+B |

ENVELOPE DISTORT SUB-MENU

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| Make With Warp | Opt+Shift+Cmd+W |
| Make With Mesh | Opt+Cmd+M |
| Make With Top Object | Opt+Cmd+C |
| Edit Contents | Shift+Cmd+V |

CLIPPING MASK SUB-MENU

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| Make | Cmd+7 |
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Release

COMPOUND PATH SUB-MENU

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| Make | Cmd+8 |
| Release | Opt+Cmd+8 |

TYPE MENU

Create Outlines **Shift+Cmd+O**

Show Hidden Characters **Opt+Cmd+I**

SELECT MENU

All **Cmd+A**

Deselect **Shift+Cmd+A**

Reselect **Cmd+6**

Next Object Above **Opt+Cmd+]]**

Next Object Below **Opt+Cmd+[[**

FILTER MENU

Apply Last Filter **Cmd+E**

Last Filter **Opt+Cmd+E**

VIEW MENU

Preview **Cmd+Y**

Overprint Preview **Opt+Shift+Cmd+Y**

Pixel Preview **Opt+Cmd+Y**

Zoom In **Cmd+=**

Zoom Out **Cmd+-**

Fit In Window **Cmd+0**

Actual Size **Cmd+1**

Hide Edges **Cmd+H**

Show Template **Shift+Cmd+W**

Show Rulers **Cmd+R**

Hide Bounding Box **Shift+Cmd+B**

Show Transparency Grid **Shift+Cmd+D**

Show Text Threads **Shift+Cmd+Y**

GUIDES SUB-MENU

Hide Guides **Cmd+;**

Lock Guides **Opt+Cmd+;**

Make Guides **Cmd+5**

Release Guides **Opt+Cmd+5**

Clear Guides

Smart Guides **Cmd+U**

Show Grid **Cmd+’**

Snap To Grid **Shift+Cmd+’**

Snap To Point **Opt+Cmd+’**

WINDOW MENU

Minimize Window **Cmd+M**

Align **Shift+F7**

Appearance **Shift+F6**

Attributes **F11**

Brushes **F5**

Color **F6**

Gradient **F9**

Graphic Styles **Shift+F5**

Info **F8**

Layers **F7**

Pathfinder **Shift+F9**

Stroke **F10**

Symbols **Shift+F11**

Transform **Shift+F8**

Transparency **Shift+F10**

Character **Cmd+T**

Open Type **Opt+Shift+Cmd+T**

Paragraph **Opt+Cmd+T**

Tabs **Shift+Cmd+T**

TYPE SHORTCUTS

Insert Hyphen **Shift+Cmd+-**

Point Size Up **Shift+Cmd+.**

Point Size Down **Shift+Cmd+,**

Font Size Step Up **Opt+Shift+Cmd+.**

Font Size Step Down **Opt+Shift+Cmd+,**

Kern Looser **Shift+Cmd+]]**

Kern Tighter **Shift+Cmd+[[**

Tracking **Opt+Cmd+K**

Clear Tracking **Opt+Cmd+Q**

Spacing **Opt+Cmd+O**

Uniform Type **Shift+Cmd+X**

Highlight Font **Opt+Shift+Cmd+F**

Highlight Font (Secondary) **Opt+Shift+Cmd+M**

Left Align Text **Shift+Cmd+L**

Centre Text **Shift+Cmd+C**

Right Align Text **Shift+Cmd+R**

Justify Text Left **Shift+Cmd+J**

Justify All Lines **Shift+Cmd+F**

Toggle Auto Hyphenation **Opt+Shift+Cmd+H**

Toggle Line Composer **Opt+Shift+Cmd+C**

OBJECT SHORTCUTS

Lock Others **Opt+Shift+Cmd+2**

Hide Others **Opt+Shift+Cmd+3**

Repeat Pathfinder **Cmd+4**

Average & Join **Opt+Shift+Cmd+J**

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