

LIGHTROOM

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS

CLASSIC / Less searching. More creating.

PLATFORM

MAC

macOS

Cmd + Option

01–26 YOUR EVERYDAY KEYS

Start with single keys. The active module or tool determines what a key does.

QRemove

WWhite balance

ELoupe

RCrop

TToolbar

YBefore / After

UUnflag

IInfo overlay

OOverlay / grid

PPick

AAspect lock¹

SSoft proof²

DDevelop

FScreen view

GGrid

HPins / overlay²

JClipping²

KBrush mask

LLights Out

ZZoom

XReject / crop

CCompare

VBlack & white²

BQuick Collection

NSurvey

MLinear gradient

CONTEXT CHANGES THE KEY.

X = Reject in Library.
X = Rotate crop in Crop.

¹ Crop active / ² Develop

Leave text fields before using keys.
Choose a photo, then use a shortcut.

VIEW / LAYOUT

CULL / MASK

EDIT / FINISH

US ENGLISH KEYBOARD

01 FILE / WORKFLOW

Import	Cmd + Shift + I
Export	Cmd + Shift + E
Edit in Photoshop	Cmd + E
Virtual copy	Cmd + '
Show in Finder / Explorer	Cmd + R
Save metadata	Cmd + S
Preferences	Cmd + ,
Undo	Cmd + Z
Redo	Cmd + Shift + Z
Select all	Cmd + A
Deselect all	Cmd + D
Print	Cmd + P
Module shortcuts	Cmd + /

Edits are saved automatically in the catalog.
Save metadata writes supported edits to files / XMP.

02 CULL / ORGANIZE

Pick	P
Reject	X
Unflag	U
Stars	1–5
Clear stars	0
Red / yellow / green / blue	6–9
Pick + next	Shift + P
Reject + next	Shift + X
Stars + next	Shift + 1–5
Quick Collection: add / remove	B
New collection	Cmd + N
Group stack	Cmd + G
Unstack	Cmd + Shift + G

Library context. Purple has no number shortcut.
Shift + a rating or flag key advances to the next photo.

03 DEVELOP / TONE

Open Develop	D
White balance	W
Black & white	V
Auto tone	Cmd + U
Auto white balance	Cmd + Shift + U
Copy settings	Cmd + Shift + C
Paste settings	Cmd + Shift + V
Previous photo settings	Cmd + Opt + V
Sync settings	Cmd + Shift + S
Reset edits	Cmd + Shift + R
Clipping warnings	J
Before view	\
Before / After	Y

Develop context. Reset edits returns to import defaults.
Copy settings lets you choose which edits to transfer.

04 VIEW / PANELS

Grid	G
Loupe	E
Compare	C
Survey	N
Toggle zoom	Z
Lights Out	L
Info overlay	I
Side panels	Tab
All panels	Shift + Tab
Toolbar	T
Filmstrip	F6
Library Filter bar	\
Reference view	Shift + R

Grid, Loupe, Compare and Survey are Library views.
Reference view opens in Develop. Fn may be needed.

05 MASK / REMOVE

Masking panel	Shift + W
Brush mask	K
Linear gradient	M
Radial gradient	Shift + M
Luminance range	Shift + Q
Color range	Shift + J
Remove tool	Q
Mask overlay	O
Overlay color	Shift + O
Smaller brush	[
Larger brush	]
Less feather	Shift + [
More feather	Shift +]

Overlay keys apply with a mask active.
Brush size / feather keys apply with a brush active.

06 CROP / FINISH

Crop tool	R
Aspect lock	A
Previous crop ratio	Shift + A
Rotate crop orientation	X
Crop grid	O
Grid orientation	Shift + O
Reset crop	Cmd + Opt + R
Guided Upright	Shift + T
Rotate photo left	Cmd + [
Rotate photo right	Cmd +]
Soft proofing	S
HDR merge	Ctrl + H
Panorama merge	Ctrl + M

A, X, O and Shift + O apply with Crop active.
Mac merge commands use Control, not Command.

READ THE KEYS

+ means press the keys together.
Context matters: select the right module / tool.
Cmd = Command; Opt = Option.

BUILD YOUR WORKFLOW

G to browse. P / X to cull. D to edit.
R to crop. Shift + W for masks.
Cmd + Shift + E to export the result.

KEEP EDITS FLEXIBLE

Use virtual copies for alternate treatments.
Copy only the settings you want to reuse.
Export creates a new rendered photo file.