Basic Controls for Minecraft On PC

While you can play Minecraft using a PC gaming controller keyboard shortcuts make it much easier to leap on top of things and be sneaky and do other things. THIS JUST IN Learn how to make the most of your keyboard and mouse controls when playing Minecraft on your computer.

Information in this article applies to all PC versions of Minecraft for Windows and Mac.

Motion Controls for Minecraft on PC

The basic controls for Minecraft are similar to the controls used in many other PC games that use a qwerty keyboard:

In Minecraft Creative game mode, tap the space bar twice to fly. To move up or down, press the spacebar once more while flying.

Minecraft Mouse Controls

Most action commands are performed with the mouse.

If you're playing on an laptop that has a trackpad it might be more convenient to use an external gaming mouse.

Inventory Controls

A few keyboard shortcuts can help you see and manage your inventory faster.

Multiplayer Controls

These controls are great for playing Minecraft with your colleagues.

Minecraft Shift Commands

Using the Shift key with the mouse buttons or other keys can have different effects

Miscellaneous Controls
The controls may not fit into any of these categories, but that doesn't mean they aren't useful. Try them out and you might find that they make Minecraft even more enjoyable to play.

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