

2.7 Keyboard Basics and Short-Cut Keys

ESC (O/I): Press this key to prepare the editing unit for shutdown. After the key is pressed, the current settings are saved; you are then given the option to Shut Down, Restart or Cancel.

Cut: Cut or remove any selected item and temporarily stores it into memory.

Copy: Copy any selected item and temporarily stores it into memory.

Paste: Paste any previously cut or copied item from memory. Items that were cut or copied from the Clips Bin can be pasted back into the bin or onto a Storyboard. Items that were copied from a Storyboard can be pasted onto another Storyboard, but not into the Clips Bin

Duplicate: Duplicate any selected item from its respective location (no additional hard disk space is utilized).

Select All: Select all items from their respective location. By first selecting a single item from either of the resource bins, drawers or Storyboards, the Select All key will select all the remaining items from within that location. This function is useful when cutting, copying, pasting, duplicating or deleting a mass selection at one time.

New Drawer: Add a new drawer within any of the resource bins (Clips Bin, Transition Bin, Graphics Bin, Special Effects Bin or Color Effects Bin). When the New Drawer key is pressed a new drawer will be placed at the bottom of that bin. If an item were previously selected, the new drawer would be placed adjacent to that selected item.

Extract Frame: Extract a current frame from a video clip, thus creating a still image.

Extract Frame by itself: Extracts a frame from an up-converted (interpolated) field (best for motion.)

Extract Frame + Ctrl: Extracts a full frame using top field first dominance.

Extract Frame + Alt: Extracts a full frame using bottom field first dominance.

Master: Advanced method for mastering out a storyboard. When setup properly, the Master function will first merge any non-merged transition that was used on the Storyboard. Next, it will force any compatible DV recorder that is connected to the system via a DV cable into its record mode and then play out the storyboard with five seconds of black added to the beginning and end of the project. When the Storyboard has completed, the DV device will stop recording.

Clips: Short cut that will display the Clips Bin.

Transition: Short cut that will display the Transition Bin.

Graphics: Short cut that will display the Graphics Bin.

Effects Color/Special: Short cut that will toggle between the Color Effects and the Special Effects Bins.

ClapperBoard Icon: Display the Editor screen.

Text Icon: Display the Graphics screen.

Suitcase Icon: Display the Setup screens. The Setup screens consist of Language Settings, View Options, Audio Levels, MIDI Levels, DV Settings, and Drive Settings.

Merge: Combines selected items on a Storyboard. Also used to manually merge 30 field/second transitions into 60 field/second transitions.

Sync: Synchronizes all currently selected items on a Storyboard and keeps their relation to each other fixed, regardless of other changes to the storyboard.

Unsync: Unsyncronizes all currently selected items on a Storyboard.

Undo: Undo the last operation.

Redo: Redo the last undone operation.

Delete: Delete any selected item(s) from the resource bin or from a Storyboard.

Arrows: Pressing these keys while in the capture screen will cause the capture control panel to change its position on screen.

Full Screen: Puts the system into full screen mode, so playback of video will fill the entire screen and no on-screen controls will appear. Pressing this key again will turn off the full screen mode.

I<: Go to the beginning or to the IN point of a selected video or audio clip. Pressing Shift + I< will take you to the beginning of a Storyboard.

>I: Go to the end or to the OUT point of a selected video or audio clip. Pressing Shift + >I will take you to the last clip on a Storyboard.

<<: Rewind through a selected video in one-second increments.

II: Pause play of video.

>>: Fast forward through a selected video in one-second increments.

•: Access the record capture screen.

: Stop play of video.

||</>: Play selected clip or Storyboard from the beginning.

<|: Rewind one frame.

/ : Use the Break/Split key to divide a selected clip from either the Clips Bin or the Storyboard or to divide a clip as it is being recorded.

|>: Advance one frame.

>: Play selected clip, Storyboard or section of Storyboard from current playback cursor location.

Set Key Frame: Selects the video frame to be used as the thumbnail to represent that video. When playing the video clip or when the video is paused, press this key to select a particular frame to use as the thumbnail representing the clip in the bin or on the Storyboard.

Set In: Create an IN marker based on the position of the video cursor bar.

Set Out: Create an OUT marker based on the position of the video cursor bar.

Details: Switch between Detail view and Storyboard view.

Tab: Aligns the beginning of the selected audio clip or title with the current Storyboard Cursor Bar position (the audio clip or title must be selected).

Control + Tab: Aligns the end of the selected audio clip or title with the current Storyboard Cursor Bar position (the audio clip or title must be selected).

Shift + >|: Jump to the last video clip on the Storyboard.

Shift + |<: Jump to the beginning of the Storyboard.

Magic Key: Holding down the Magic key while selecting a clip from the Clips Bin allows you to perform a 'Drag & Replace' function. 'Drag & Replace' allows you to replace a clip on the Storyboard with the new clip from the bin and it will match the duration of the clip it is replacing (the clip from the bin must be equal or longer in duration than that of the clip it is replacing).

Magic + B: qBist Backgrounds

This extension activates a background image generator, which creates random images, based on the program's complexity and mutations settings.

Magic + C: Clip Stats

This extension displays the data info of a selected clip.

Magic + E: Extract Sequence

This extension allows you to select a segment of a video clip and extract in order to create a new clip. Performs much faster than merging.

Magic + F: Fast Motion

This extension allows you to apply a fast motion effect on a video clip (this effect will mute the audio).

Magic + G: Grab Screen

This extension allows you to transfer an extracted frame of video onto an installed memory card.

Magic + J: JAB Screen Saver

This extension allows you to adjust the screensaver delay time.

Magic + K: Kill Fonts

This extension will delete all fonts except for the system font (Arial for ScreenPlay).

Magic + O: Query Stats

This extension displays the data info of a selected Storyboard.

Magic + R: Reverse Motion

This extension allows you to apply a reverse motion effect on a video clip (this effect will mute the audio).

Magic + S: GUI Skins

This extension allows you to change the look of the editing screen interface.

Magic +T: Thumbnail Cache

This extension allows for faster caching of thumbnails in bin when starting up system.

Magic + V: Volume Control

This extension allows you to change the volume setting of selected AV and/or audio clips.