Adobe After Effects Cheat Sheet: Most Commonly Needed Keyboard Shortcuts

Windows:

Composition Window Tools

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Temporarily invoke Hand tool.. hold **SPACEBAR**
Zoom Tool...**z**
Zoom out.. **ALT + click zoom tool**

Timeline, Footage, Layers

Zoom In...**=**
Zoom Out... **-** (hyphen)
Snap ....hold **SHIFT**
Composition Start..**HOME**
Composition End ....**END**
Replace selected footage ....**CTRL + h**
Replace source footage in layer....................................**ALT + drag from Project window onto selected layer**
Add or remove expression .... **ALT + click stopwatch**
Hide property...**ALT + SHIFT + click property name**
Expand child properties... **CTRL + click triangle to left of name**
Go to layer in point... **i**
Go to layer out point (not after the end of the layer, but BEFORE the LAST FRAME)....................................**o**

Preview (playback/transport controls)

Play / Stop ....tap **SPACEBAR**
RAM Preview ....**0** (numpad zero)
Previous frame .... **PAGE UP**
Next frame ....**PAGE DOWN**

General

Duplicate selected item ....**CTRL + d**
Rename selected item...**ENTER**
Open selected item .... numpad **ENTER**
Add to Render Queue ....**CTRL + m**
Purge all ....**CTRL + ALT + /** (numpad slash)
Interrupt script .... **ESC**
Increment and save.. **CTRL + ALT + SHIFT + s**
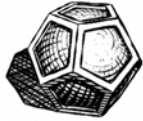
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