Some Help With

Mastering AnyDesk Keyboard and Hotkey Shortcuts for Remote Access

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Keyboard & Hotkeys

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AnyDesk provides a feature for international users connecting from different language zones to translate the keyboard layout. For example, users can connect from one language zone using a different keyboard layout to another language zone and work seamlessly, regardless of the differences in keyboard layouts. In most cases, AnyDesk will automatically select the best mode for the user, but manual selection of the keyboard translation mode may be necessary in specific cases.

Remote

In “Remote” mode, all keys are mapped from the local to the remote keyboard based on their position. For example, if connected to a remote device with an AZERTY keyboard, the key “q” on a local

QWERTY keyboard will transmit an “a” character.

This mode is not recommended for office work but can be useful if the remote device uses specialty software to map macros to specific keys.

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Local

When “Local” is selected, all keys will be transmitted to the remote endpoint as if the local keyboard layout is active on the remote device.

However, this mode may cause issues with certain programs such as video games, which use scan codes to process key presses.

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Automatic

When the “Automatic” keyboard layout is selected in the AnyDesk toolbar, the “Remote” mode is used if the keyboard layouts on both the local and remote devices are identical. If the keyboard layouts differ, the “Local” mode is selected instead.

If encountering keyboard input problems with certain programs, please try changing the keyboard mode manually.

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Keyboard Shortcuts

Keyboard shortcuts (e.g. copy/paste) have to be used with the keys that are valid on the remote device’s operating system. For example, copy on MacOS with CMD+C, but paste on Windows with CTRL+V.

For more information, please see Cross-platform Shortcuts.

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Hotkeys (Windows-only)

Currently, **CTRL + ALT + SHIFT + Hotkey** commands are reserved for AnyDesk shortcuts. A list of our shortcuts can be found below:

Hotkey	Function
Left/Right (arrow)	Switch between different remote displays
1.. 9	Select tab [number pressed]
Return	Toggle full-screen mode
S	Toggle sound transmission
I	Toggle input state (allow/disallow input)
P	Save screenshot
F2	View Mode – Default (1:1 Pixel)
F3	Select view mode “shrink”
F4	Select view mode “stretch”
Del	Send CTRL+ALT+DEL
Space	Toggle Mouse Capture mode (AnyDesk 8+ for Windows)

Mouse Shortcuts

Double-clicking an active session tab switches the AnyDesk client into full screen mode.

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