PowerPoint slide show shortcuts

Windows · presenter keys first
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THE 8 KEYS TO LEARN FIRST

`F5` Start from slide 1	`Shift` + `F5` Start from this slide	`B` Black screen	`Ctrl` + `L` Laser pointer
`Ctrl` + `P` Pen	`E` Erase all ink	`Ctrl` + `H` Hide the pointer	`Esc` End the show

START AND END THE SHOW

`F5`	Start the show from the first slide.
`Shift` + `F5`	Start the show from the current slide.
`Alt` + `F5`	Start the show in Presenter View.
`Esc`	End the show. In Presenter View it closes Presenter View.

MOVE BETWEEN SLIDES

`N` or `Enter` or `Page Down` or `Right Arrow` or `Down Arrow` or `Space`	Go to the next animation or slide.
`P` or `Page Up` or `Left Arrow` or `Up Arrow` or `Backspace`	Go to the previous animation or slide.
`Number` + `Enter`	Type a slide number, then press Enter, to jump to that slide.
`Home`	Go to the first slide.
`End`	Go to the last slide.
`H`	Go to the next slide if it is hidden. Not available in Presenter View.
`Ctrl` + `S`	Open the All Slides dialog.
`Tab` or `Shift` + `Tab`	Tab moves to the next hotspot on the slide, Shift+Tab to the previous hyperlink. Enter opens the selected link.

PEN, LASER AND INK

`Ctrl` + `L`	Switch the pointer to the laser pointer.
`Ctrl` + `P`	Switch the pointer to the pen.
`Ctrl` + `A`	Switch the pointer back to the arrow.
`Ctrl` + `E`	Switch the pen to the eraser.
`E`	Erase all the annotations on the screen.
`Ctrl` + `M`	Show or hide the ink markup.

BLANK SCREEN, POINTER AND MENUS

`B` or `.`	Show a blank black slide. Press it again to return to the show.
`W` or `,`	Show a blank white slide. Press it again to return to the show.
`Ctrl` + `H`	Hide the arrow pointer and the navigation buttons.
`Ctrl` + `T`	Show the taskbar.
`Shift` + `F10`	Open the context menu. The Windows Menu key does the same.
`F1`	Open the list of shortcuts inside the show.

PRESENTER VIEW

`F6`	Move between the regions of Presenter View.
`Tab`	Move between the tools inside a region.
`Ctrl` + `Down Arrow` or `Ctrl` + `Up Arrow`	Scroll the Notes pane down or up one line.
`Ctrl` + `Page Down` or `Ctrl` + `Page Up`	Scroll the Notes pane down or up one screen.
`Alt` + `A` or `Alt` + `Z`	Read the next or the previous line of the notes (for a screen reader).
`Alt` + `W`	Read the elapsed time (for a screen reader).
`Alt` + `Q`	Read the next step (for a screen reader).
`Esc`	Close Presenter View.

AUDIO AND VIDEO IN THE SHOW

`Alt` + `P` or `Ctrl` + `Space`	Play or pause the media.
`Alt` + `Q`	Stop the media.
`Alt` + `Up Arrow` or `Alt` + `Down Arrow`	Raise or lower the volume.
`Alt` + `U`	Mute the sound.
`Alt` + `Shift` + `Page Down` or `Alt` + `Shift` + `Page Up`	Skip forward or back 3 seconds.
`Alt` + `Shift` + `Right Arrow` or `Alt` + `Shift` + `Left Arrow`	Skip forward or back a quarter of a second, then pause.
`Alt` + `End` or `Alt` + `Home`	Go to the next or the previous bookmark.
`Alt` + `J`	Show or hide the audio and subtitles menu.
`Alt` + `X`	Change the camera source for a cameo (Microsoft 365 only).

REHEARSE TIMINGS

`T`	Set new timings while you rehearse.
`O`	Use the original timings.
`M`	Advance by mouse click.
`R`	Re-record the narration and the timing.

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