# Internet Explorer 9 Accessibility Features

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## Accessibility and Internet Explorer 9

Windows Internet Explorer (IE) 9 offers many accessibility options to help you access information using special screen reader technology. The information below identifies accessible features in IE9.

| Descriptions of Accessible Features | Descriptions of Accessible Features |
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| [Use the keyboard to surf the web](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-accessibility-options#use_the_keyboard_to_surf_the_web) Press the Tab key to move forward between screen elements and Shift+Tab to move backward. By pressing Tab or Shift+Tab, you can navigate through the parts of the screen. | [Zoom in on a webpage](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/Windows7/Zoom-in-on-a-webpage)Zoom enlarges or reduces everything on the page, including text and images. In Internet Explorer 9 the Zoom control is on the Tools menu at the top right side of the window. Press ALT+X to open the menu, Z to select Zoom, then use the arrow keys plus ENTER to select. Or, to quickly zoom using the keyboard, Press CTRL + PLUS SIGN (+) to zoom in, or CTRL + HYPHEN (-) to zoom out. |
| [Change the font size, formatting, and screen colors](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-accessibility-options#section_2)You can specify the font type and size and the foreground and background colors that are used to display webpages. You can also specify the color used for links in webpages. | [Internet Explorer 9 keyboard shortcuts](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-keyboard-shortcuts)You can use the Internet Explorer shortcut keys to perform lots of different tasks quickly or to work without a mouse. |
| [Change the font size, formatting, and screen colors](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-accessibility-options#section_2)You can specify the font type and size and the foreground and background colors that are used to display webpages. You can also specify the color used for links in webpages. | [Select text and move around a webpage with a keyboard](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/select-text-and-move-around-a-webpage-with-your-keyboard)You can use keys on your keyboard—including Home, End, Page Up, Page Down, the arrow keys, and Tab—to navigate through the buttons, content, and text entry fields on most webpages. This feature is called Caret Browsing. |
| [Customize Internet Explorer 9 to work with a screen reader or voice recognition software](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-accessibility-options#section_3)Some Internet Explorer 9 features can cause screen readers to give confusing or incorrect information. | [Pin a website to your taskbar](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/pin-a-website-to-your-taskbar)For quick access, you can pin a frequently visited website to the taskbar on the Windows 7 desktop, just like you would a program. |
| [Use accelerators](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/How-to-use-Accelerators-in-Internet-Explorer-9)Make tasks like copying, navigating, and pasting easier by using accelerators to save time and keystrokes. Accelerators help you quickly perform tasks without navigating to other websites to get things done. | [Improve the legibility of printed webpages](http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows7/Internet-Explorer-9-accessibility-options#section_4)You can stop printing background colors and images to make text stand out more clearly. |

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