

MacSpeech Dictate Global Command List

I have attempted to list all global MacSpeech Dictate commands present in MacSpeech Dictate version 1.2.1 and group them roughly by function. I have tried to put the more dictation-focussed commands first, the ones which control how the operation of MacSpeech Dictate itself, and the application-focussed commands afterwards but the distinction between them is fuzzy.

Understanding This Document

This is a command

Most commands are written like that, just say exactly what's written. Note that any explanatory text is in italics like this. Things in italics are not commands.

This is a command [with an optional section]

Commands set out like this will work with or without the section in square brackets, say either one.

This is a command with one/two/three options

With commands set like this you select the appropriate option from the "one/two/three" section, so the command here could be "This is a command with one options", "This is a command with two options", and "This is a command with three options".

Sleep/Wake Up MacSpeech Dictate

Wake up

Turn [the] microphone on

Go to sleep

[Switch to] sleep mode

Microphone off

This is different to sleep mode as it won't listen for a "wake up" command. You have to use mouse/keyboard to switch dictation on again.

Quit MacSpeech Dictate

Bring Dictate to the front

Mode switching

[Switch to] command/dictation/spelling mode

Cache commands

Cache document

Purge cache

Check the MacSpeech Dictate user's manual for an explanation of the dictation cache if you don't already know.

Undo/Redo Dictation

Redo dictation

Undo dictation

Alter Display

Show/Hide available commands window

Show/Hide status window

Show/Hide recognition Window

Phrase Training

Pick/Choose 1/2/3/etc.

Chooses the specified item # in the Recognition window as the spoken and recognized phrase.

Edit 1/2/3/etc.

Edit the numbered item in the Recognition Window.

Cancel edit

Cancels all edits and restores all original items in the Recognition window.

Press play

Replays audio of most recent word or phrase dictated.

Play the selection

Replays audio of selected phrase.

Train the word[s] "text" [through/to "text"]

Selects, corrects the specified words in text, and trains them into profile as specified words are re-dictated.

Train vocabulary from selection

Moving the insertion point

Go to beginning/Move to beginning of document

Go to end/Move to end of document

Insert before/after the word[s] "text" [through/to "text"]

Moves the insertion point to just before/after the word or phrase you said.

Move backward/forward [1-99] words

Note that punctuation marks, numbers, etc., count as words for this command.

Next field

Previous field

Individual Keystrokes

New line

Presses the Return key once.

New paragraph

Presses the Return key twice.

Tab key

Remove Stuff

Delete the word[s] "text" [through/to "text"]

Deletes the instance of the word or phrase spoken that is closest to the insertion point.

Scratch that/Forget that

Deletes the last phrase you said, or to the left of the cursor position.

Scratch word/Forget word

Deletes the last word you said, or to the left of the cursor position.

Capitalization Commands

All caps/Caps/No caps on/off

Turns on/off capitalizing every letter/the first letter/no letter of every word until you issue a different caps command.

All caps/Cap/No caps <word>

Capitalizes all/first letter/none of just the next word spoken.

Uppercase/Capitalize/Lowercase the word[s] "text" [through/to "text"]

Capitalizes all/first letter/none of the word or phrase spoken that is closest to the insertion point.

Spacing Commands

No space on/off

Turns the No Space mode on/off, so there is no space between words.

No space <word>

Types just the next word without a space in front of it.

No leading space

Remove leading space from the currently selected word, or word under cursor.

Selections

Select the word[s] "text" [through/to "text"]

Selects the instance of the word or phrase spoken that is closest to the insertion point.

Select all

Pasteboard

Cut selection

Copy selection

Paste from clipboard

Application Display

Hide this/all/other application
Show all applications
Expose all windows
Expose application windows
Expose desktop

Application Switching

Switch to next/previous application
Switch to space <number of space>
Open <name of program>

Application Windows

Next application window
Previous application window

Access find window
Access force quit window

About this application

Application Quitting

Quit this application
Force quit this application

Button Presses

Press cancel
Press don't save
Press OK
Cancel this operation

Menu Commands

File close
File new
File open
Save this document

Screen Capture

Capture screen
Capture selection

Undo/Redo

Undo last action
Redo last action

Dock Display

Turn dock hiding off
Turn dock hiding on

Sleep/Wake/Restart Computer

Put computer to sleep
Special sleep
Force computer to sleep

Restart the computer
Special restart
Force computer to restart with no user prompting