Microsoft Magnifier- Basic User Guide

Introduction

Microsoft Magnifier is a tool to make a screen more readable for users who have low vision. This display tool has multiple features which will be explained below.

How to open Magnifier in Windows

To open Magnifier, open your “start” menu, “accessories folder”, “ease of access folder”, and click on the “Magnifier” program. Magnifier will then open to its default settings.

Adjusting Magnifier Views

To adjust your magnifier settings, select the program in the task bar. In the dialogue box that appears select the “View” button to change the view.

- **Full Screen** View will magnify the entire screen (shortcut Ctrl+Alt+F).
- **Lens View** will open a magnifying lens like a magnifying glass (shortcut Ctrl+Alt+L).
- **Docked View** will open a window that can be moved around the screen to a desired spot (shortcut Ctrl+Alt+D).

You can also adjust the incremental amount in which the magnifier will increase by clicking on the plus or minus buttons.
Additional Features for Magnifier

Magnifier has tracking options, such as the mouse, keyboard focus, and text insertion points.

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Settings

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Find a setting

Ease of Access

Narrator

Magnifier

Color & high contrast

Closed captions

Keyboard

Mouse

Other options

Magnifier

Magnifier mode

Full screen

Tracking options

- Follow mouse pointer
- Follow keyboard focus
- Follow text insertion point
- Follow Narrator cursor

Keyboard shortcuts

- Turn Magnifier on: Windows logo key + Plus (+)
- Turn Magnifier off: Windows logo key + Esc
- Open Magnifier settings: Windows logo key + Ctrl + M
- Zoom in: Windows logo key + Plus (+)
- Zoom out: Windows logo key + Minus (-)
- Zoom with mouse scroll wheel: Ctrl + Alt + Mouse Scroll Wheel
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