Navigation

Sighted users visually navigate through web content in a number of ways. They skim for headings, lists, tables, etc. Most of these methods are available to screen reader users if the site is correctly structured and well organized. To navigate forward and backward through links and form elements on the page, use Tab and Shift + Tab. Other shortcuts are listed below.

Quick Keys

The following Quick Keys will help you navigate common page elements.

- H: Headings
- D: Landmarks
- 1 - 6: Headings level 1-6
- F: Forms
- T: Tables
- B: Buttons
  - The Search button is often the first button on a page. You can often navigate to the search form but selecting B to jump to the button and then Shift + Tab to navigate to the previous form element – the search text box.
- L: Lists
- I: Items in a list

Shift + Quick Key will allow you to navigate through elements in reverse order (works with most Quick Keys). Several other Quick Keys are available in our list of NVDA keyboard shortcuts.

Other navigation shortcuts

- NVDA + F7: Elements List - lists page links, headings, and landmarks
- Ctrl + Home: Top of the page
- Ctrl + End: Bottom of the Page
- Alt + D or F6: Browser address bar