

ClickAway user manual

What is it?

ClickAway is a form of *Click-less software* (sometimes referred to as *auto-click*) which performs mouseclicks automatically. Although ClickAway will perform the clicks for you, it is necessary to position the mouse pointer by hand.

System requirements

- ClickAway requires an Internet connection, and Windows 11 operating system.
- ClickAway does not work on Windows 10 or Mac computers.

How does it work?

ClickAway is based on timing. When you stop moving the mouse pointer for a defined length of time, a single left click will be activated.

Other clicks including double, triple, right click and drag can be performed by:

1. clicking on the toolbar icon; or
2. using a gesture.

The default click is a left single click. ClickAway will return to the default after any other click type, unless you lock the click type on the toolbar.

How to perform clicks using ClickAway

Move the mouse over the target by hand. When you stop moving the mouse, a click will be activated.

2 options for changing the click type

1. The toolbar

Click on the toolbar icon. If ClickAway is on, you can let it do the clicking on the toolbar. When a particular click type is selected, the icon will be highlighted.

Toolbar icons	Notes
Off / On button 	Use to turn ClickAway on and off. ClickAway can also be turned on and off by using the default hotkey (F10). The default hotkey can be changed in Settings > Hotkeys
Single left click 	As single left click is the default, there is no gesture. After performing other click types, ClickAway will default back to a single left click (unless you have chosen to lock the click type).
Double left click 	Gesture: move the pointer to the left and back.
Triple click 	A triple click will select a paragraph. Gesture: move the pointer up and back.
Right click 	Gesture: move the pointer to the right and back.
Drag 	Gesture: move the pointer down and back. See more information below.
Settings 	See more information below.

2. Gestures

The click type can also be changed by using gestures. This will help to minimise mouse movements, as you won't need to move the pointer to and from the toolbar as often.

Default gestures

Click type	Move the mouse pointer:
Double left click	to the left and back
Triple left click	up and down
Drag	Down and up
Right click	to the right and back

When using gestures, the toolbar will indicate the change of click type (briefly, before it returns to the default single left click).

Gestures can be changed in Settings > Gestures

Locking

After changing the click type, ClickAway will return to the default single left click.

It is possible to lock the click type by clicking on the toolbar icon twice (single left click does not need to be locked, as it is the default click type). The padlock symbol indicates that the click type is locked.



To unlock the click type, hover the mouse over a different click type on the toolbar.

Drag

To drag using ClickAway:

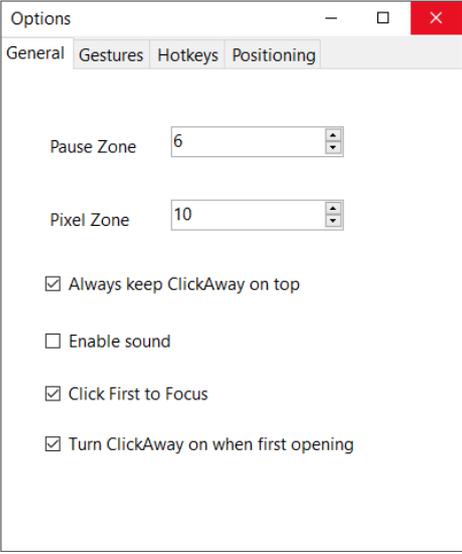
- Change the click type to Drag, using one of the 3 options:
 - Toolbar — D
 - Gesture — *Down – up*
- the toolbar will indicate when the click type has been changed to Drag. Look for the small green circle at the bottom right of the toolbar D button, which indicates that Drag is ready to go
- Move the mouse pointer
- Pause when ready to stop dragging

Note:

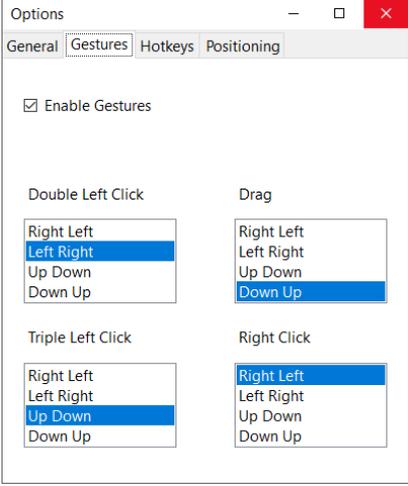
When word processing — if selecting text with the intention of dragging it, you will need to use the Drag gesture (move the mouse pointer down and back), rather than selecting Drag from the toolbar. This is because the selection will be lost when you move the mouse pointer over to the toolbar.

Settings

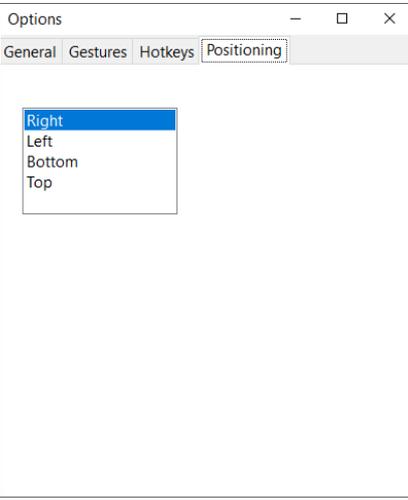
General

	<p>Pause zone Adjust the pause zone to increase or decrease the time delay before a click is activated. Once you are experienced with ClickAway, you will probably want to decrease the pause zone, to make ClickAway work faster.</p>
	<p>Pixel zone Adjust the pixel zone to increase or decrease the distance the mouse can move before a click is activated.</p>
	<p>Always keep ClickAway on top Allow ClickAway to always be on top of any work you're doing. Disabling this may prevent ClickAway from working as intended.</p>
	<p>Enable sound Enable a sound to indicate an automatic click. If volume is too loud, adjust the volume setting on your computer. Uncheck this setting if you prefer not to hear a sound.</p>
	<p>Click First to Focus Activates a single click to focus on an application before your desired click. This can help when working with spreadsheets etc. We recommend you check this setting.</p>
	<p>Turn ClickAway on when first opening With this setting checked, ClickAway will be on and ready to go when it launches.</p>

Gestures

	<p>If the default gestures don't suit, they can be changed in settings > Gestures</p>
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Positioning

<p>Positioning:</p> 	<p>Choose the toolbar position that suits best. The default is to the right of the screen. If the toolbar gets in the way for example of the scrollbar, choose a different position.</p>
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General notes

- It can take some time to get used to using ClickAway, particularly using the gestures and Drag function, so we encourage you to give it some time and practice.
- Note for Dragon speech recognition software users: as an alternative to double-clicking to open folders or emails, use ClickAway to select the item with a single click, then say “**Press enter**” to open.
- It is not necessary to close ClickAway when shutting down or restarting the computer.
- To launch ClickAway automatically when you log on to Windows, copy the *ClickAway.exe-Shortcut* file and paste it into the Startup folder at:
 - Windows 11 — C:\Users\Your User\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup

Cautions

As most ClickAway users have a health condition or disability, it is important to be aware of the following risks:

ClickAway reduces clicking by hand, but does not reduce mouse movements:

- Although ClickAway generates clicks automatically, the mouse pointer needs to be positioned by hand.
- Use of ClickAway could *increase* mouse movements, particularly if changing the click type by moving the mouse pointer over the toolbar.
- Using gestures to change the click type will reduce the need to move the mouse pointer to and from the toolbar. However for some users, the fine mouse movements involved in executing gestures could pose a risk.

Limitations of ClickAway

- Although ClickAway will perform the clicks for you, it is necessary to position the mouse pointer by hand.
- To avoid accidental clicks, be mindful when moving the mouse.
- There will be times when ClickAway gets in the way, so it is important to be able to turn it off easily. Turn ClickAway off by hovering the mouse pointer over the On/Off button on the toolbar.
- ClickAway is most likely to get in the way when selecting text, and in web browsers where you might accidentally click on a link.
- When using a gesture to open a folder or document in Windows Explorer (File Explorer), this sometimes accidentally puts the folder in rename mode instead of opening it:



When using ClickAway for this task it is recommended that you change the click type to double-click from the toolbar, rather than by a gesture.

An alternative method would be to use a single click to select the folder or file, then press the enter key to open.

- If using a laptop, ClickAway will work most effectively with an external mouse, rather than the laptop’s touchpad. Possible issues when using a laptop touchpad include:

- it is not always possible to execute a mouse movement in one go when using a touchpad mouse. This could lead to accidental clicks.
- We recommend you use ClickAway with a mouse pad, to keep your mouse movements as smooth and predictable as possible.

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