NeoMutt Terminal email client

START HERE

- `j` / `k` — Move down / up
- `d` — Delete a message
- `Enter` — Read the message
- `/` — Search
- `r` — Reply to sender
- `c` — Change folder
- `m` — Write a new mail
- `q` — Quit

Index message list → `Enter` **Pager** read one mail → `r` / `m` **Compose** headers, attach → `y` **Sent** back to index

CONCEPTS

Keys depend on the screen: the index lists mail, the pager shows one message, compose edits one. Press ? on any screen for its live key list.

Deletes and flag changes are only marked until you sync with $ or leave the folder; u undeletes before that.

Esc in a key means Alt (or press Esc first). Defaults can differ: your config may rebind keys, so check ? first.

MOVING AROUND

`j` / `k`
Next / previous message

`Enter` Open the message
In the pager, Enter scrolls one line instead.

`Space`
Page down, then next message

`-` / `Backspace`
Page up / line up in the pager

`q`
Leave pager or folder, then quit
At the index it saves changes and quits (asks first by default).

`x` Quit, discarding changes

`=` / `*` First / last message

`Tab`
Next new or unread message

`J` / `K`
Next / previous message in the pager

READING

`h` Show with all headers

`T` / `S`
Toggle / skip quoted text

`|`
Pipe message to a command

`a` Create alias from sender

`v`
Show MIME parts (attachments)

WRITE AND REPLY

`m` Compose a new message

`r` Reply to sender

`g` Reply to all

`L` Reply to mailing list

`f` Forward with comments

`R`
Recall a postponed message

`y`
Send the message (in compose)

`t` / `c` / `b` / `s`
Edit To / Cc / Bcc / Subject
In compose: the letters differ from the index keys.

`e` / `E`
Edit body / body with headers
Opens $EDITOR; E also lets you edit the header lines.

`a` / `A` / `D`
Attach file / message / remove

`P` / `q`
Postpone / abort compose

DELETE AND TAG

`d` Mark message deleted

`u` Undelete the message

`$` Apply changes to the folder
Without it, deletes happen when you leave the folder and confirm.

`D`
Delete messages matching a pattern

`t` Tag the message

`T`
Tag messages matching a pattern

`;`
Apply next key to tagged messages
For example ;d deletes all tagged messages, ;s saves them.

`F` Toggle important flag

`N` Toggle new flag

THREADS

`Ctrl`+`N` / `Ctrl`+`P`
Next / previous thread

THREADS (cont.)

`Esc` › `v`
Collapse or expand this thread

`Esc` › `V`
Collapse or expand all threads

`P` Jump to parent message

`Ctrl`+`R` Mark thread as read

SEARCH AND LIMIT

`/` Search forward

`Esc` › `/` Search backward

`n` Next search match

`l` Limit view to a pattern
Pattern examples: ~f bob, ~s invoice, ~N new, ~U unread, ~F flagged. Use all to reset.

`o` / `O` Sort / sort reverse
Prompts for the order: date, from, subject, threads, size ...

FOLDERS AND SAVING

`c` Change folder
At the prompt ? lists folders, Tab completes; = means $folder, ! the spool.

`.` List mailboxes with new mail

`s`
Save (move) message to a folder

`C` Copy message to a folder

ATTACHMENTS

`Enter` / `m` / `T`
View attachment / via mailcap / as text

`s` / `p` Save / print attachment

COMMAND LINE

`neomutt`
Open the default mailbox

`neomutt -f <file>`
Open a given mailbox or folder

`neomutt -R`
Open read-only

`neomutt -Z`
Open first mailbox with new mail, else exit

COMMAND LINE (cont.)

`neomutt -s "<subj>" <addr>`
Compose and send a message

`neomutt -a <file> -- <addr>`
Send with an attachment
Always put -- after the files, before the recipients.

`neomutt -c <addr>`
Add a Cc recipient

`neomutt -e "set <var>=<val>"`
Run a config command at startup

`neomutt -F <rc>`
Use another config file

CONFIG TIPS

`:set <var>=<val>`
Change a variable now (in the index)

Config lives in ~/.config/neomutt/neomuttrc (or ~/.neomuttrc). Set folders with set folder, mailboxes with mailboxes, accounts with account hooks.

Sidebar functions (sidebar-toggle-visible, sidebar-next, sidebar-open) have no default keys: bind them yourself, e.g. bind index,pager B sidebar-toggle-visible.

RECIPES

Send a file from a script

```
echo "Attached" | neomutt \
  -s "Report" -a r.pdf --
bob@example.org
```

Triage unread mail

```
# limit to new or unread
l ~N|~U Enter
# tag by subject, save the lot
T ~s invoice Enter
; s
# clear the limit
l all Enter
```

Clean out a sender

```
# mark matches deleted, then
sync
D ~f newsletter Enter
$
```

HELP

`?` Show key list for this screen

`:` Enter a config command

`man neomutt`
Manual page