

search language

DuckDuckGo

quick reference sheet

Default operator: AND. Searches exact (no query autocorrect).

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boolean			
AND	[space]	Returns all sets or concepts. Alternatively: AND + &	p q
OR	OR	Returns some or all terms.	p OR q
NOT	-	excludes a set or concept. Must be the last words in the query	p -q

adjacency			
ADJ	" "	Returns results with words next to each other in fixed order.	"p q"

proximity			

meta data			
Domain	site:	Limit results to a certain (top-level) domain only. Accepts multiple domains	p site:reuser.biz p site:reuser.biz,cnn.com
Country	region: r:	Limits (boosts)results to a region or country only.	region:de to limit to Germany r:de limit results to Germany r:de -site:de to limit results to region Germany but not sites with a DE ccTLD
Body	inbody: b:	Limits results to words in the body of the page	b:p inbody:p
Title	intitle: t:	Limit results to words in the title	
Format	filetype: f:	Limit results to certain filetypes only.	p f:odt return open office documents only

grouping			
Grouping	()	To change the search priority	p (q OR s)

modifiers			
maps	[searchterm] map	Returns a map on the searchterm	leiden map london map
news	[searchterm] news	Returns the news on searchterm	european union news

specialties			
Feeling Ducky	\	Go directly to the first search result	\amsterdam
!Bang syntax	!	Search other search engines. Here is the Full list? of !bang keywords.	!b amsterdam searches Bing for documents containing Amsterdam.
Safe	!safeoff	Turn of safe search. Add to the end of the query	p OR q !safeoff
Sort	sort:date s:d	Sort results by date. Smaller index used.	p q sort:date p q s:d

Biographical info	!linkedin given name surname	Returns the search result page for any person	!linkedin arno reuser
Biographical info	@person	Returns Twitter bio information on person	@arnoreuser to get the Twitter bio of Arno Reuser
Google+	google plus [name]	Returns Google+ bio information on 'name'	google plus arno to get the bio of people called Arno

instant answers			
URL short, long	expand shorturl shorten fullurl	Expands a shortened URL to the full URL, or , shortens a full URL to tinyurl	expand https://is.gd/NDqQ0I shorten http://opensourceintelligence.eu
passwords	password N	Generates a strong password consisting of N characters	password 24 to generate a 24 character strong password
random passphrase	random passphrase	to generate a random 4 word pass phrase	random passphrase
Alternatives	alternative to [phrase]	Returns a listing with alternatives for 'phrase'	alternative to duckduckgo alternative to bing
Site Up/Down	is [URL] down	Returns information weather the URL website is down or up as well as the IP address	is opensourceintelligence.eu down is opensourceintelligence.eu up
Time/date	time [city]	Returns the current time and date in 'city'	time amsterdam time bangkok
Calendar	calendar [month] [year]	Returns a monthly calendar for month and year	calendar august 2022
Country code	country code [countryname]	Returns the ISO3166 country code for [country]	country code netherlands
Dictionary	what is [term]	Returns a description of 'term'	what is propellant
Calculator	[equation]	Basic calculator	3*\$34
Calling codes	dialing code [country code]	Returns the dialing code for a country, or the countryname for a specific dialing code.	dialing code netherlands dialin code +31
Conversions	convert [unit] to [unit][unit] [unit]	Converts between a variety of units of measurements: currencies, weights, lengths, sizes, etc.	convert 5 oz to kilo 100 euro gbp
DDC	dewey [class description]	Returns the class or description of DDC [class] or [description]	dewey 644 dewey government
DNS	mx records [domain]dns records [domain]	Reverse domain search, returns IP addresses and MX records	
Spelling [term]	spell [term]	Returns spelling variations for the searchterm	spell propellant
Synonyms		returns synonyms and alternative terms for 'term'	synonyms example thesaurus manual
Tor node	tor node [IP address]	Returns basic information on a Tor exit node.	tor node 192.96.155.3
whois	whois [domain]	Returns WHOIS information on the given domain	whois reuser.biz

cheat sheets			
Country codes	country codes cheat sheet	Returns ISO3166-1 standard country code 2 letter, three letter and numeric code.	country codes cheat sheet

DuckDuckGo	duckduckgo syntax cheat sheet	Cheat sheet for the DuckDuckGo search language	duckduckgo syntax cheat sheet
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answers for programmers

Encode URLs		Encode URLs to machine readable text, or, decode	url encode http://rr.reuser.biz/news url decode http%3A %2F%2Frr.reuser.biz%2Fnews
Bin Hex converter	[number] hex[number] bin	Converts a hexadecimal or binary	1100 bin returns 12 17 hex returns 11
HTML character table	html chars	Returns a HTML special character converter table: name, decimal value, hex value, meaning	html chars
HTML entity codes	html for [char name]	Returns the entity encode for a character	html for spade html for pound
base64	base64 [text]	encodes to, or decodes from, base64 text	base64 we love librarians base64 decode d2UgbG92ZSBsaWJyYXJpYW5z

Sources: <https://duck.co/help/results/syntax> search syntax || <https://duck.co/ia> Overview of DuckDuckGo Instant Answers (about 1000) ||

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