

## XGrabDeviceKey, XUngrabDeviceKey – grab/ungrab extension input device Keys

**XGrabDeviceKey**(*display, device, Key, modifiers, modifier\_device, grab\_window, owner\_events, event\_count, event\_list, this\_device\_mode, other\_devices\_mode*)

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Display *display;
XDevice *device;
unsigned int Key;
unsigned int modifiers;
XDevice *modifier_device;
Window grab_window;
Bool owner_events;
unsigned int event_count;
XEventClass event_list;
int this_device_mode, other_devices_mode;
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**XUngrabDeviceKey**(*display, device, Key, modifiers, modifier\_device, grab\_window*)

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Display *display;
XDevice *device;
unsigned int Key;
unsigned int modifiers;
XDevice *modifier_device;
Window grab_window;
```

*display* Specifies the connection to the X server. *device* Specifies the device that is to be grabbed or released. *Key* Specifies the device Key that is to be grabbed or released or *AnyKey*. *modifiers* Specifies the set of keymasks or *AnyModifier*. The mask is the bitwise inclusive OR of the valid keymask bits. Valid bits are: **ShiftMask, LockMask, ControlMask, Mod1Mask, Mod2Mask, Mod3Mask, Mod4Mask, Mod5Mask**. *modifier\_device* Specifies the device whose modifiers are to be used. If a *modifier\_device* of **NULL** is specified, the X keyboard will be used as the *modifier\_device*. *grab\_window* Specifies the grab window. *owner\_events* Specifies a Boolean value that indicates whether the device events are to be reported as usual or reported with respect to the grab window if selected by the event list. *event\_count* Specifies the number of event classes in the event list. *event\_list* Specifies which device events are reported to the client. *this\_device\_mode* Specifies further processing of events from this device. You can pass *GrabModeSync* or *GrabModeAsync*. *other\_devices\_mode* Specifies further processing of events from other devices. You can pass *GrabModeSync* or *GrabModeAsync*.

The *XGrabDeviceKey* request establishes a passive grab. In the future, the device is actively grabbed (as for *XGrabDevice*, the last-device-grab time is set to the time at which the **Key** was pressed (as transmitted in the *DeviceKeyPress* event), and the *DeviceKeyPress* event is reported if all of the following conditions are true:

- The device is not grabbed, and the specified key is logically pressed when the specified modifier keys are logically down, and no other keys or modifier keys are logically down.
- The *grab\_window* is an ancestor (or is) the focus window OR the grab window is a descendant of the focus window and contains the device.
- The *confine\_to* window (if any) is viewable.
- A passive grab on the same key/modifier combination does not exist on any ancestor of *grab\_window*.

The interpretation of the remaining arguments is as for *XGrabDevice*. The active grab is terminated automatically when the logical state of the device has the specified key released.

Note that the logical state of a device (as seen by means of the X protocol) may lag the physical state if device event processing is frozen.

If the key is not *AnyKey*, it must be in the range specified by *min\_keycode* and *max\_keycode* as returned by the *XListInputDevices* request. Otherwise, a *BadValue* error results.

This request overrides all previous grabs by the same client on the same Key/modifier combinations on the same window. A modifier of *AnyModifier* is equivalent to issuing the grab request for all possible modifier combinations (including the combination of no modifiers). It is not required that all modifiers specified have currently assigned KeyCodes. A key of *AnyKey* is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible keys. Otherwise, it is not required that the specified key currently be assigned to a physical Key.

If a *modifier\_device* of NULL is specified, the X keyboard will be used as the *modifier\_device*.

If some other client has already issued a *XGrabDeviceKey* with the same Key/modifier combination on the same window, a *BadAccess* error results. When using *AnyModifier* or *AnyKey*, the request fails completely, and a *BadAccess* error results (no grabs are established) if there is a conflicting grab for any combination. *XGrabDeviceKey* has no effect on an active grab.

*XGrabDeviceKey* can generate *BadAccess*, *BadClass*, *BadDevice*, *BadMatch*, *BadValue*, and *BadWindow* errors. It returns *Success* on successful completion of the request. The *XUngrabDeviceKey* request releases the passive grab for a key/modifier combination on the specified window if it was grabbed by this client. A modifier of *AnyModifier* is equivalent to issuing the ungrab request for all possible modifier combinations, including the combination of no modifiers. A Key of *AnyKey* is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible Keys. *XUngrabDeviceKey* has no effect on an active grab.

If a *modifier\_device* of NULL is specified, the X keyboard will be used as the *modifier\_device*.

*XUngrabDeviceKey* can generate *BadDevice*, *BadMatch*, *BadValue* and *BadWindow* errors.

***BadDevice*** An invalid device was specified. The specified device does not exist or has not been opened by this client via *XOpenInputDevice*. This error may also occur if the specified device is the X keyboard or X pointer device. ***BadMatch*** This error may occur if an *XGrabDeviceKey* request was made specifying a device that has no keys, or a modifier device that has no keys. ***BadValue*** Some numeric value falls outside the range of values accepted by the request. Unless a specific range is specified for an argument, the full range defined by the argument's type is accepted. Any argument defined as a set of alternatives can generate this error. ***BadWindow*** A value for a Window argument does not name a defined Window.

**XAllowDeviceEvents(3X),**

**XGrabDevice(3X),**

**XGrabDeviceButton(3X),**

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