

## Pscreen to Pygame conversions

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*This document is meant to assist in the pscreen to pygame "conversion process". I tried to (as concisely as possible) show how each "construct" works in the two libraries. If there are missing items, let me know and I'll try to update this document.*

*A special thanks to Paul Yost (Yost Engineering) for developing his excellent pscreen wrapper – it's how I learned python ☺*



Pscreen	Pygame	Description
<code>pscreen.loadScreen((800,600))</code>	<code>pygame.init()</code> <code>screen = pygame.display.set_mode((800, 600))</code>	<i>Creates the window and a pygame surface to draw to (representing the back-buffer)</i>
<code>pscreen.unloadScreen()</code>	<code>pygame.quit()</code>	<i>Destroys the window and shuts down.</i>
<code>pscreen.updateScreen()</code>	<code>pygame.display.flip()</code>	<i>Should be called at the end of the game loop.</i>
<code>pscreen.pixelSet(x, y, color)</code>	<code>surf.set_at((x, y), color)</code>	<i>Sets an individual pixel to a given color. In pygame, you can do this to any surface (in pscreen, just the screen)</i>
<code>pscreen.pixelGet(x, y) -&gt; color</code>	<code>surf.get_at((x, y)) -&gt; color</code>	<i>Gets the color at the given spot (in pygame on surf, in pscreen the screen)</i>
<code>pscreen.line(x1, y1, x2, y2, color)</code>	<code>pygame.draw.line(surf, color, (x1, y1), (x2, y2), width=1)</code>	<i>Draws a line</i>
<code>...the rest of the pscreen drawing commands are just wrappers...they should be pretty straightforward to map to pygame</code>	See <a href="http://www.pygame.org/docs/">http://www.pygame.org/docs/</a> for the drawing commands (under the 'draw' section at the top)	

```
pscreen.keyIsPressed(keyName)
# e.g.
pscreen.keyIsPressed("escape")
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# You must call this exactly once per
game loop
pygame.event.get()
# ...or one of these two.  If just doing
# "device-polling" (this is all that
# pscreen supports), it doesn't matter
# which.
pygame.event.poll()
pygame.event.pump()

# Then to actually test whether a key is
# down do this at least once per frame
keysPressed = pygame.key.get_pressed()

# Finally, to check the state of a key
# see if the Boolean in the "slot" of
# interest is True
if keysPressed[pygame.K_ESCAPE]:
```

*.Pygame also supports another type of input handling ("event handling"). See the examples from my ETGG1802 course for examples...*

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pscreen.mouseGetButtonL() ->
Boolean
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# You can see the full list of key codes
# at http://www.pygame.org/docs/ref/key.html

# You must process waiting events (as we
# did on the row above for keyboards).
# Make sure this method is only called
# once!

# Then, to test a mouse button:
mPress = pygame.mouse.get_pressed()
# This is a list of 3 booleans
# (left, middle, right).  So to test
# whether the left mouse is down, do:
if mPress[0]:
```

*As for keyboard events, pygame supports an "event-handling" mode. See the ETGG1802 examples for more.*

```
pscreen.mouseGetX() -> int
pscreen.mouseGetY() -> int
pscreen.spriteLoad(filename, slot)
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...
# Make sure you've processed events...
pygame.mouse.get_pos() -> (x, y)
pygame.image.load(filename) -> surface
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pscreen.spriteRender(x, y, slot,  
rotation=0, scale=1, flipH=False,  
flipV=False, alpha=255)
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# I'm assuming img is a pygame surface.  
# If a transform is processed (e.g.  
# scaling), use the "newImg" in future  
# calls (not "img")  
  
# Optionally scale:  
new_size = (scale * img.get_width(),  
            scale * img.get_height())  
newImg = pygame.transform.scale(img,  
                                new_size)  
  
# Optionally rotate:  
newImg = pygame.transform.rotate(img,  
                                rotation)  
  
# Optionally flipH  
newImg = pygame.transform.flip(True,  
                                False)  
  
# Optionally flipV  
newImg = pygame.transform.flip(False,  
                                True)  
  
# Optionally change the alpha. Note:  
# only works with images *without*  
# a per-pixel alpha channel.  
img.set_alpha(alpha)  
  
# Calculate the upper-left corner  
leftx = x - img.get_width() // 2  
topy = y - img.get_height() // 2  
  
# Finally, blit it to another surface  
surf.blit(newImg, (leftx, topy))
```

*This code centers the sprite at the given x, y position. Pygame blits with the upper-left as the 'anchor' – so you must calculate the true upper-left based on where you want the center to appear. Pscreen just does this internally*