

Batch-Delete Playlists v2.1

AppleScript for iTunes

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This script will allow you to delete any number of selected playlists or playlist folders from iTunes or the iPod at once.

Very handy when assigned a Keyboard Shortcut.

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Installation:

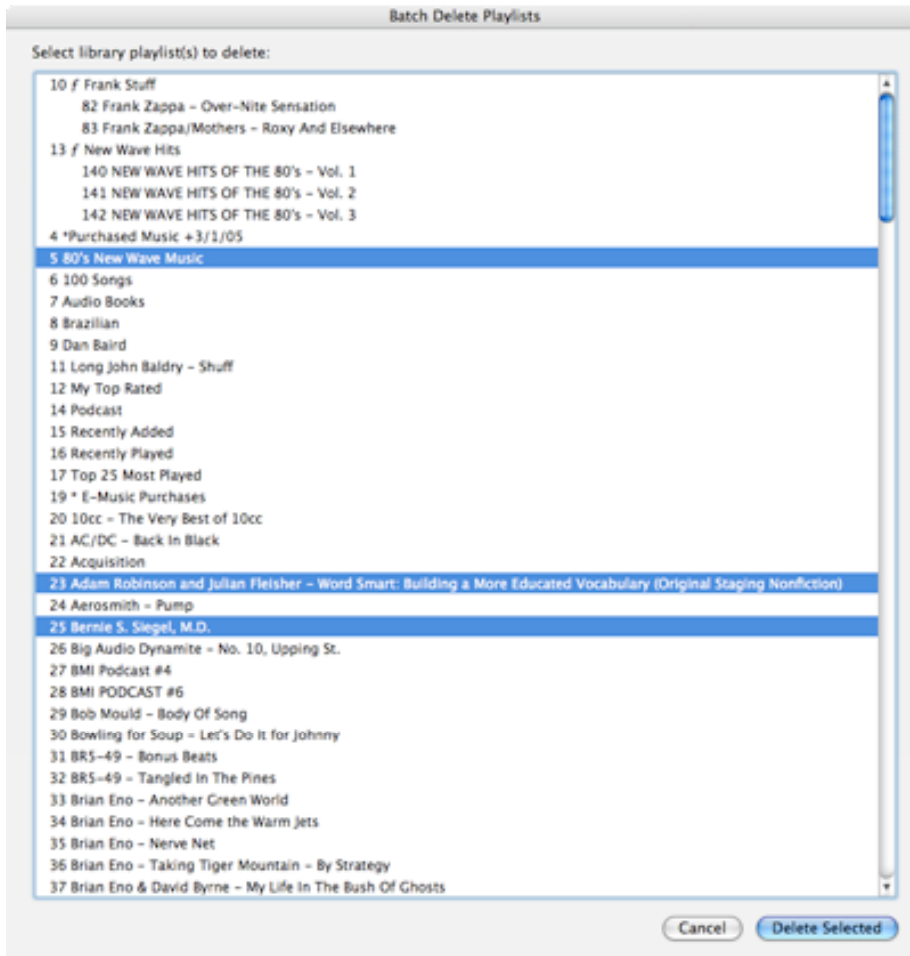
To manually install: Put AppleScripts in your iTunes Scripts folder. This is located in *[user name] > Library > iTunes*. If there is no folder named "Scripts" there, create one and put the script(s) in it. AppleScripts will then appear in iTunes' Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and convenient place.

How to use:

Before running the script, choose a **Source**:

- To select from playlists in iTunes, first click on any iTunes playlist in the Source column.
- To select from playlists on the iPod, first click on any iPod playlist in the Source column.

Now run the script. A choose box listing playlist folders, the playlists they may contain, and every user playlist in the selected Source will be displayed, like so:



The choose box displays the playlists and playlist folders in the selected Source. This is a screen shot from Tiger.

Folders will be designated with a "f" before their names and the playlists they contain will be indented in the list.

Select the playlists you want to delete by Command-clicking each one in the choose box, scrolling as necessary. Then click the "Delete Selected" button. In a few moments the playlists will be deleted.

Notes:

- **The numbers that appear to the left** of each playlist/playlist folder name in the choose box are their unique "index" numbers, and they are not necessarily in numeric order. You can ignore them, but they are quite necessary to the script :)
- When you delete a playlist the tracks it contains still reside in the main library.
- If you choose to delete a **folder** then the playlists it contains will also be deleted. This is just how iTunes works. If you want to preserve the playlists in a folder playlist which you intend to delete, move the playlists *out* of the folder playlist *before* running this script. You can drag them a playlist within a folder the left side of the Source column to extricate it from the containing folder.

Helpful Links:

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- Doug's AppleScripts for iTunes
- Assign Shortcut Keys to AppleScripts
- Download FAQ - **Info on downloading and installing AppleScripts**
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Information and download link for this script is located at:

<http://dougscripts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=batchdeleteplaylists>

Version History:

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- addresses "none/all" issue <http://dougscripts.com/itunes/itinfo/noneallissue.php>

v2.0 jun 10, 2008

- runs as universal binary
- fixed some minor issues when running on Leopard OS
- performance fixes and finessings

v1.0 oct 31 2005

- initial release

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If you have any trouble with this script, please email me.

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