Copy From Start to Stop

v2.2

AppleScript for iTunes
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Makes a copy of the selected track using its Start and Stop times as the beginning and ending, with options to name new track/file and copy to current playlist.

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Installation:

Put AppleScripts in your iTunes "Scripts" folder. This is located in your *[user name] / Library / iTunes /* folder.

*The user Library directory is hidden by default. To make it visible, hold down the Option key on your keyboard and select **Go > Library** from the Finder.*
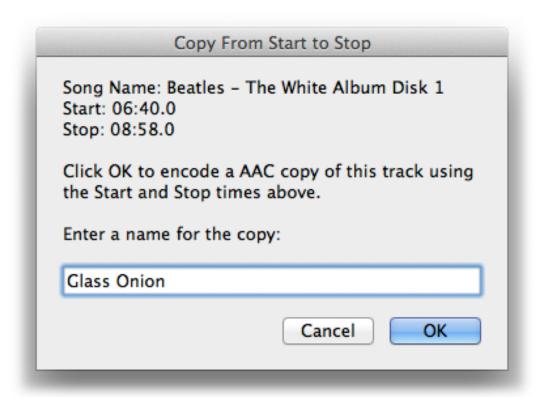
If there is no folder named "Scripts" in the *[user name] / Library / iTunes /* folder then create one and put the script(s) in it. AppleScripts will then appear in iTunes' Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and convenient place.

See the online Download FAQ **for more info and video on downloading and installing AppleScripts.**

How to use:

iTunes will honor the Start and Stop times set for a track when using its "Make a *kind* Version" convert feature. However, this script provides additional options.

Select a track in iTunes after setting its Start and Stop times as you like, then select this script from iTunes Script Menu and follow the prompts. You will be asked to select an encoder; after the operation is complete, your default encoder will be restored.

For best results, re-encode from a lossless file type (WAV, AIFF, or Apple Lossless) to a "lossy" file type (AAC or MP3). Choosing to re-encode a file using the file's current encoding could result in slight audio degradation; for example, re-encoding as an MP3. Results, therefore, may be a matter of taste. At the very least, do not re-encode at a higher bit-rate than the original.

Helpful Links:

Information and download link for this script is located at:
http://dougscripts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=copymp3startstop

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

v2.2 dec 12 2015
- handles situations when selected track has no local file
- cancels gracefully if non-copyable protected track is selected
- provides option to copy new track to current (non-library/non-CD) playlist

v2.1 april 27 2015
- maintenance release

v2.0 may 14 2012
- maintenance release
- universal binary

v1.1 december 22 04
- works around iTunes 4.7 selection bug
- allows the selection of an encoder on the fly

v1.0 mar 27 03
- initial release

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