

# Fix Broken Tracks v1.0

AppleScript for iTunes  
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This script attempts to merge the data of so called "dead tracks" (iTunes tracks designated with (!)) with the real track that you have re-added to your iTunes Library.

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## Installation:

If you installed the files from the downloaded disk image by dragging them to the "Installer", then the AppleScript and this Read Me document have already been installed in your *[user name] > Library > iTunes > Scripts* folder. The script will appear in iTunes' Script menu, where you can activate it by clicking on its name.

**To manually install, if necessary:** 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:

Add the tracks that are missing back into iTunes (presumably from their new location). Select the missing and newly added tracks in iTunes. Run the script.

The script will examine the selected tracks, searching for duplicates. If the script determines that two tracks are duplicates of each other, it will copy all of the tag/meta-data it can to the new file. If there is a possible problem when copying data, it will prompt for confirmation.

The System Beep is made when the script is finished.

## The script is not perfect!

- 1) If you've changed the Name of the track (ID3 tag) then it won't be able to find its duplicate.
- 2) The script **does not remove the missing tracks** from your iTunes Library. you must manually do this yourself. I have made every attempt to ensure that data is not inadvertently lost and that errors are kept to a minimum. Even so, **use this script at your own risk!**

## Helpful Links:

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- Doug's AppleScripts for iTunes
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**Information and download link for this script is located at:**

<http://www.dougscripits.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=fixbrokenttracks>

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**If you have any trouble with this script, please email me. Note, however, that I am not its author.**

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