

# Copy Smart Playlist to iPod

v1.0

## AppleScript for iTunes

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Copy the tracks of the selected iTunes Smart Playlist to their own segregated playlist on iPod. On subsequent runs, when the same iTunes Smart Playlist is selected, the corresponding iPod playlist will be deleted and then re-created. *Strangely, when tracks are copied this way (unlike with drag-and-drop or automatic updating), they do not populate iPod's main library, thus eliminating the chance of disturbing tracks in other iPod playlists when they are deleted.*

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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:

**Important:** your iPod must be set the "Manually manage songs and playlists"

Run the script. You will be asked to select a Smart Playlist. A new playlist will be created on iPod with the same name as your selected Smart Playlist (if one with this name already exists on iPod, it will first be deleted, along with the tracks it contains) The tracks from your selected Smart Playlist will be copied to the new iPod playlist.

### Bug or feature?

Strangely, when tracks are copied by AppleScript this way, they do not populate the iPod's main library (the one named whatever your iPod is named). Being segregated in their own own playlist makes it easier to manage these tracks; for example, no tracks need to be deleted from the iPod's main library, and thus none will be removed from other iPod playlists.

I'd appreciate your comments.

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### Information and download link for this script is located at:

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

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