

Copy From Start to Stop

v3.1

For macOS 10.15+/Music v1.0+
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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.

For macOS 10.15 and later only.

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Installation:

To make an AppleScript available in **the Music app's** Script menu, install it in the Music "Scripts" folder. This is located at *[user name] / Library / Music / Scripts /*. **Music** will look for AppleScripts in this folder.

*The user Library directory may be hidden by default. To make it visible, hold down the Option key on your keyboard and select **Go > Library** from the Finder.*

If the *[user name] / Library /* folder does not contain the "Music" folder or "Scripts" folder, then create them and put the script in the "Scripts" folder. AppleScripts will then appear in the Music app's Script menu and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking.

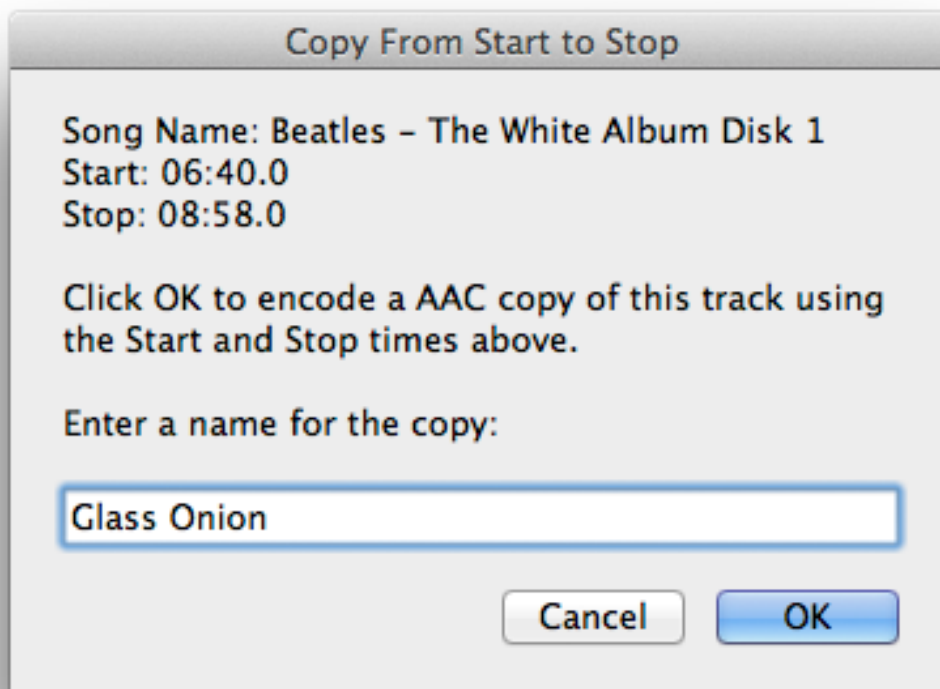
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How to use:

The Music app 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 the Music app after setting its Start and Stop times as you like, then select this script from the 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.



Because I am lazy, I am using the same screenshot from 2005.

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:

<https://dougscripits.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=mxcopymp3startstop>

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Version History:

v3.1 August 9, 2020

- Accommodations for macOS 11 Big Sur
- Performance, UI and security enhancements

v3.0 November 22, 2019

- Accommodations for macOS 10.15 Catalina
- Performance and security enhancements

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

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