

Add Selected Tracks to iPod and Backup v1.1

AppleScript for iTunes

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This script will copy the selected tracks to iPod and also copy them to a designated backup playlist. Then, if you ever need to erase the iPod (or otherwise lose any tracks on it), you can easily restore it with the tracks from the backup playlist.

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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:

Select the tracks you wish to copy to iPod and run the script from iTunes' Scripts Menu. The selected tracks will be copied to your iPod and copied to a backup playlist named "iPod Tracks".

Notes:

- The default name for the designated backup playlist is "iPod Tracks". You can change the default name by editing the script in Script Editor. At the beginning of the script you will see:

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property backup_playlist : "iPod Tracks"
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Change the text between the quotation marks to whatever you wish (the script computes and adds the date and time later). Be sure to "Save" your changes.

- If a track already exists on the iPod or in the backup playlist, it will not be copied again.

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Information and download link for this script is located at:

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

Version History:

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- updated routines, account for multiple mounted iPods
- removed old routine that appended date to backup playlist name

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- initial release

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

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