

MkPlayList

MkPlaylist allows the creation of Windows Media Player or Tao Playlists (the Tao is a media player that is no longer sold). Directories or individual music files can be selected for inclusion in the playlist.

When MkPlaylist starts up, it builds, in the left pane, the directory structure of all directories under the default music directory that contain music files. Selecting one of these directories (by clicking on it with the mouse) moves it, and all its subdirectories, to the right pane for inclusion in the playlist. Selecting a directory or file in the right pane removes it from the playlist. Clicking on a plus sign (+) next to a directory expands it to show subdirectories and files.

The menu options are:

1. File->Open Playlist - opens an existing playlist and populates the right pane with it.
2. File->Create Playlist - creates a new playlist from the information in the right pane.
3. File->Open TAO Playlist - opens an existing TAO media player playlist and populates the right pane with it.
4. File->Create TAO Playlist - creates a new TAO media player playlist from the information in the right pane.
5. File->Open Music - Sets the directory for the music (displayed in the left pane).
6. Options - Sets the default directories for music and playlists, the valid extensions for music files and the default name for a new playlist.
7. Cancel - This only appears during a lengthy operation (like filling the music pane) and allows the operation to be canceled.
8. Help - Accesses the help file.

The following options can be set from the Options! menu item:

1. Playlist location: This is the default directory where playlists are read from or written to. It can be overridden in the open/create dialogs.
2. Music location: This is the default directory which is read to fill the left pane. It can be overridden by using the File->Open Music dialog.
3. Default playlist name: This is the default name used for a new playlist. It can be overridden in the File->Create Playlist dialog.

4. Valid Music Exts: These are the valid extensions that identify a music file. Only directories that contain music files will be shown in the left pane. You can specify multiple extensions separated by either commas or semicolons. E.G. wma, mp3