

Apple Audio Mastering Tools Read Me

This installer installs the following tools that you can use to properly master audio files for iTunes: Master for iTunes Droplet, AURoundTripAAC, afclip, Audio to WAVE Droplet and Audio to WAVE 96k Droplet. The following summaries include more information about each of these audio mastering tools and where they will be installed.

Master for iTunes Droplet

This droplet automates the creation of iTunes Plus format AAC encoded files for auditioning purposes.

The droplet is installed in: `/Applications/Utilities`

AURoundTripAAC

This Audio Unit allows you to compare audio encoded using iTunes Plus AAC against a source audio file. It also includes clip and peak detection, as well as a simple listening test environment. It can be used in any Audio Unit host application, such as Logic or AU Lab.

The Audio Unit is installed in: `/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components`

afclip

You can use the command-line tool afclip to check any file for clipping. This tool works by examining an audio file and identifying areas where clipping has occurred. For more information about this tool, run `afclip -h` from the command line.

This tool is installed in: `/usr/local/bin`

Audio to WAVE Droplet / Audio to WAVE 96k Droplet

These droplets automate the creation of WAVE files from audio files in other formats.

The droplets are installed in: `/Applications/Utilities`

WAVE files created from AAC files with these droplets should be used for auditioning and comparison purposes only. The deliverable for Mastered for iTunes is the 24 bit PCM file.

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