

PLAYER MANUAL



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1. The Player

The Player consists out of 2 different displays. The display shows:

• Time elepsed Track time Loudness

Artist Bars per minute/ Meter

• Title Beats per minute

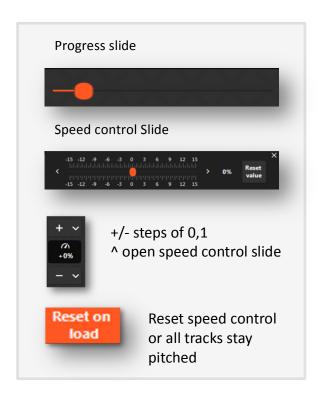


Crossfade

The track starts to play as soon as you start the player. It automatically crossfades to the next song.

In the **Menu** you can adjust the **Crossfade** to a hard stop after the track ends. The track will not start automatically.

The Player



With the *Progress slide* you can slide to the part of the track that you want to repeat or skip to the part you want to hear.

The Speed control slide makes it easier to change the speed of the track. The reset value will bring you back to 0.

2. Playlist

The playlist area has 2 funtions:

- 1. **Current playlist**: It's the list of tracks that are played in the sequence of the list.
- 2. Create User Playlist: It's the list you can save as a user playlist



Current playlist:

You can change the sequence by:

- A. Drag 'n drop a track from the search list
- B. Drag 'n drop a tracks from lower on the list to higher on the list
- C. Select a track and play (it starts to play directly)
- D. Select a track and play next (it starts to play as soon as the previous track finishes)
- E. Shuffle the playlist

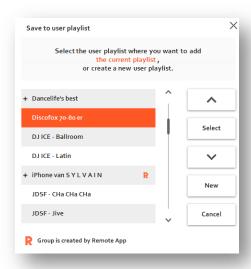


Create User playlist:

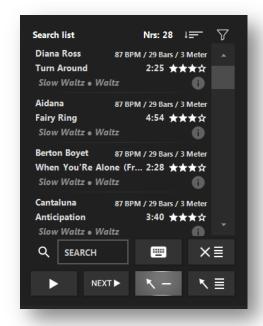
By adding tracks to the playlist you can make a playlist which you can save by clicking the save list button. A pop up appears, here you can manage the User playlists.

Enter a name to your playlist or select an existing playlist to add the tracks

A track is added in the same way by clicking the save track to list button.



3. Search list

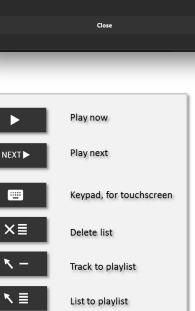


The main features of the search list area are:

- a. Search tracks
- b. Sort search result
- c. Filter search result
- d. Preview playlists

Search Tracks

Searching can be done on title or artist. When typing it will give you suggestions on the artist. The result on your search can be filtered or sorted.



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Sort search result

The search result can be sorted by Title (a - z or z - a) same counts for Artist. The tracks can also be sorted by Speed, in Bars or Beats per minute. Sort by rating is an easy way to get the most popular results high on the list. A rating is given to the tracks in 2 ways:

- 1. **Popularity**: playdata rates the track by most played. The more it is play the higher the rate.
- Personal rating: every track can be rated by you. How to rate your track will be explained @ track rating.

Filter search result

In order to get the best result, a filter can be used. Filter possibilities are:

- Speed (Beats or Bars)
- Dance
- Era (60's, 70's, 80's etc.)
- Genre
- Music type (original or strict tempo)
- Language

The filter is mainly used for large search results or to filter out tracks from a large playlist. It will stay in place until it is removed. It makes it easy to search with the same filter in multiple playlists. Previewing a playlist is made easy by the filter and the sorting possibilities.

Directly from the search list to the player or putting a track ready to play is possible with the play now and play next button. When the search list is sorted and/or filtered it is ready to be used at the playlist area. Click list to playlist.

@Track Level

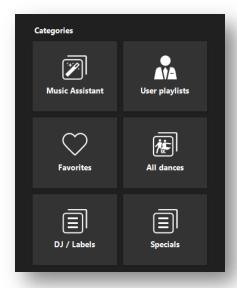
When clicking on the info icon: (1) at the tracks name, a pop up will apear, here you see extra info on the track. At the bottom of the pop up click this icon. Then another pop up apears. Here you rate the tracks.

- A. **Personal Rating:** You can leave your personal evaluation of the music title here.
- B. **Dance Level:** If a music title is suitable for beginners or advanced dancers, enter the dance level with a color here.
 - Clicking this icon, you can send us a message regarding the track.
- C. Dance tag: If a track was tagged with the wrong dance, please give your opinion about what the dance should be.



4. Categories

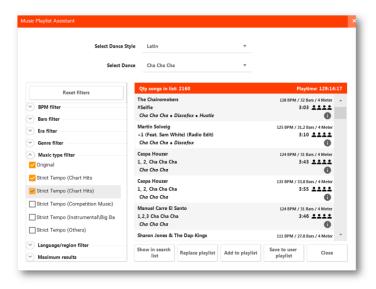
Catergories is the source to your music. All playlists containing the tracks are located here. Every category has its own speciality.



The categories are:

- 1. Music Assistant (playlist creator)
- 2. User playlists Share playlists
- 3. Favorites
- 4. All Dances
- 5. DJ / Labels
- 6. Specials

All categories have their own unique playlists.

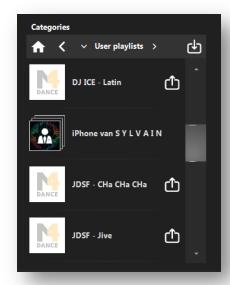


Then click on the location where you want to have it.

Music Assistant

The music assistant is a playlist creator. Use the filter to create a playlist for your lesson or for your dance evening. The filter contains:

- Speed (Beats or Bars)
- Dance
- Era (60's, 70's, 80's etc.)
- Genre
- Music type
- Language
- Maximum results



User playlist:

All your playlists, made on the system or via the remote app, are located under *User playlists*. It contains:

- Playlists
- Group of playlists
- Remote made playlists
- Share playlist (with other users) export
- Share playlist import

Through the Remote App, your smartphone or tablet can be used to make playlists. In this way all teachers or users of the system can be connected.

Sharing a playlist

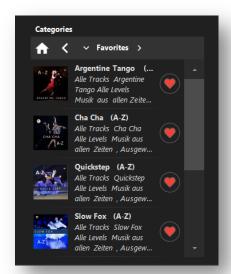
- You can send a playlist to another user by clicking on the share icon.
- It opens your windows explorer, save it your desktop and attach it to your email as an attachment.



Importing the Files

- Save the files in the attachment of an e-mail to desktop, so you can find them easily.
- b. In the program click on USER PLAYLISTS.
- c. The click on 1. The download icon, then click on 2. It opens your windows explorer. Select the files (one by one) from your desktop and save them in the program. You can now find them under User playlists.

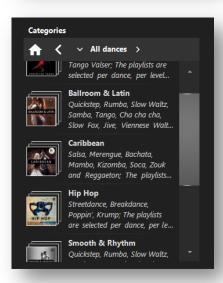




Favorites

Favorites is a shortcut to the most used playlists. A tip is to add all dances under the favorites. In this way you are able to reach a track from a specific dance within 2 clicks.

By clicking on the *love button* a playlist is available under favorites.

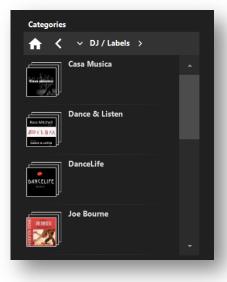


All Dance

All tracks are tagged with a dance, at "All dances" you will find the tracks categorized per dance style and per dance.

Every dance has a playlist containing all tracks, all dance are also conveniently divided into playlists per target group. Beginners, intermediate and advanced as well as per age category.

The target group playlists are updated automatically by playdate so you will see the most played tracks.

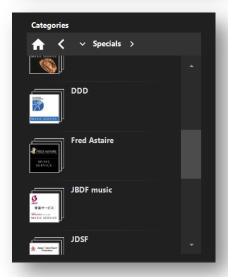


DJ/Labels

DJ's / Labels contain playlists of Dance Sport DJ's and Labels of Dance music producers.

Mainly the labels have playlists of previously released albums.

DJ's made playlists to special events or have a special theme.

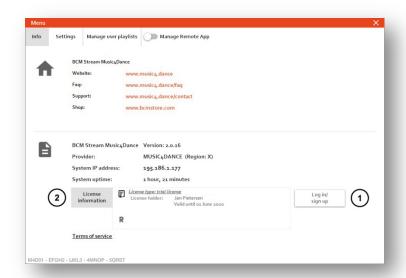


Specials

At Specials the playlists have a theme:

- a. **Charts**: the famous Charts are checked on the danceable tracks; Billboard, UK top 40, Offizielle Deutsche Charts.
- b. **Theme playlists**: Christmas, Wedding playlists, Valentine, Party Dances etc. All playlists have an automatically updated playlists.
- c. Franchise or Dance teachers organisations can have their own music service, with playlists generated by playdata of their own members.

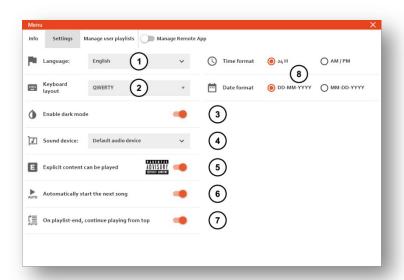
5. Menu

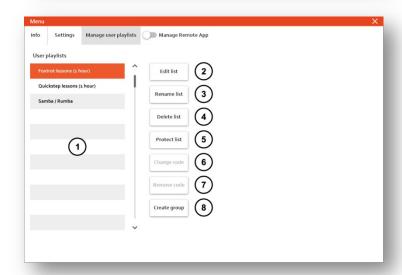


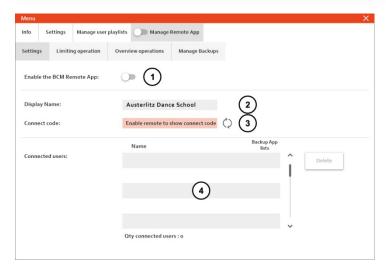
Info:

The All system info, how you are connected, hardware code and your uptime.

- Licence info: info regarding your license
- 2. **Login/Sign up**: Login area, renewal or sign up







Settings:

The setting of the system:

- 1. Select Language
- 2. Keyboard selection
- 3. Dark modus on/off
- 4. Sound Device selection
- 5. Explicit content yes/no
- 6. Cross fade yes/no
- 7. Repeat playlist yes/no

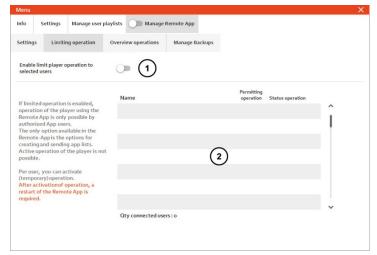
Manage user playlists

- Overview of User playlists
- 2. Edit list: select list and edit
- 3. Rename list
- 4. Delete list
- 5. Protect list: only you can edit list
- 6. Change code
- 7. Remove code
- 8. Create group: combine your playlists in a group

Manage remote app:

Settings

- 1. Activate remote app
- Name of player (example: ballroom 1)
- 3. Code to enter in remote app
- 4. Overview of who is connected
- 5. Backup App playlists



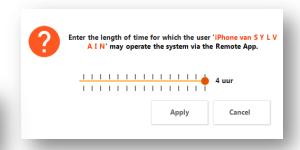
Limiting operations:

Everybody who is connected through the Remote App can operate the player.

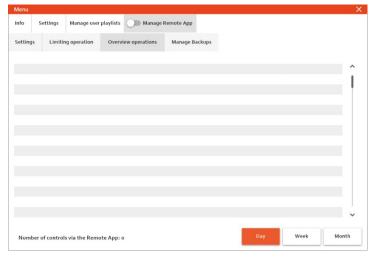
It can happen, if a teacher is at home making playlists, that he/she accidentally changes the music at the studio. To prevent this from happening you can enable the limiter (1).

- (2) If *limit* is enabled, the teacher must sign up when using the player with the remote App to disable the limit.
- A. Click on icon next to menu
- B. Click on his/her name
- C. Enter time to operate system





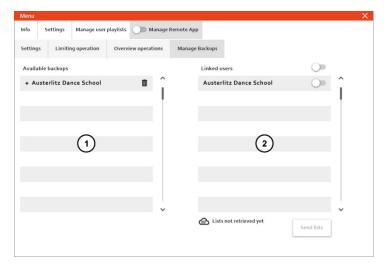
The limit will automatically be enabled again after this time elapsed.



Overview operations:

This is an overview of who uses the system with the remote App. All actions are logged.

Who accidently touched the player is visible.



Manage Backups

Backups are made automatically when @ manage remote/
settings the backup is enabled.
To retrieve the backups, go to (1), select the User who's lists are lost and enable back. When restarting the remote app, the list appears again in the app.

6. Remote App

The M4D Remote App is your remote control to the player of the music4dance platform. It works from anywhere in the world (as long as you have an internet connection). It is available on iOS and Android. You can download the app from the *App Store* or *Google Play Store*. It contains:

- a. Add Player
- b. Active Playlist
- c. Load Playlist
- d. Create Playlist

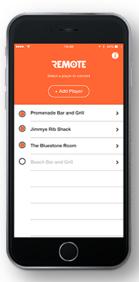


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a. Add player

When opening the BCM Remote App the screen shows you the " + Add player" button. The first step is to connect the player to the App on your smartphone or tablet.

- 1. Press the " + Add player" button
- Enter the "Connect code" you'll find it at: Menu > Settings > Remote app > Users
- 3. Tab on the name of the player in the Remote App and you're connected!



b. Active Playlist

Once selected the Player in the Remote App you'll see the Active Playlist.

- Remote Control: The tracks in this playlist can be started, stopped, paused or skipped to the next song.
- Quick search: the magnifying glass to search for songs, this song will be set to play next.
- Change order of sequence: The 3 dots next to each song reveals a menu to remove, play, move up, move down.
- **Pre-listening**: The 3 dots next to each song reveals a menu also to pre-listen.



c. Load playlist

On this page you'll find the categories, like you see on the Computer where you are connected to. You can select the playlists from: (This page is <u>not</u> available when Limit operation is enabled)

- Users playlists: are the playlists on the connected player (computer) at User playlists.
- Favorites: are the playlists on the connected player (computer)
 Favorites
- All Dances: are the playlists on the connected player (computer) All Dances
- DJ/Labels: are the playlists on the connected player (computer)
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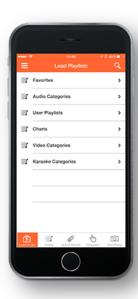
Click the icon behind the name of the playlist, a menu opens with 2 options:

- 1. Add playlist to current playlist
- 2. Replace current playlist

Load "My personal Lists" (made on Smartphone)

To send a playlist made on your smartphone to the player can be done in 2 ways:

- 1. **Load My personal Lists**: Go to *Create Playlist*, go to My personal lists, choose the playlist, tap on it, then tap on icon , a menu opens, choose "Load personal list in player". This playlist will **not** be available on the player.
- 2. **Send My personal list to** *Users playlist:* Go to *Create Playlist,* go to My personal lists, choose the playlist, tap on it, then tap on icon , a menu opens, choose "Send to player as Users playlist". The playlist will now appear in *User playlists*, every User can now use this playlist.



d. Create Playlists

Create your playlist on this page. Here you'll find:

- My personal Lists: Playlists made on your
- User lists: are the playlists on the connected player (computer) at User playlists
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- DJ/Labels: are the playlists on the connected player (computer) DJ/Labels
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There are 2 ways to create a playlist:

- A. Search song, add to personal list, create list
- B. Create list, search song, add to personal list

My Favourites: Tracks that you've liked

Your playlists: all your playlists made on this smartphone

A. Search song, add to personal list, create list

- Use magnifying glass to search for songs
- The 3 dots next to each song reveals a menu; add to personal list
- Another menu opens; new personal playlist

B. Create list, search song, add to personal list

- Click on the "+" to create list.
- Searching for tracks can be done by using the magnifying glass to search for songs or you can use the premade playlists that you'll find at Load playlists.
- Click on the 3 dots next to each song, it reveals a menu to add the track to personal playlist; it opens a menu with all your playlists, select the name of the new playlist.

When you're done:

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