

Xpand!™ Plug-in

Dear Digidesign Customer,

Welcome to Digidesign's Xpand!™ virtual workstation, developed with the musician, arranger, and music producer in mind. All Pro Tools users creating music at home or in professional environments, including songwriters, TV/Film composers, DJs, electronic music producers, and other creative users will benefit from this universally usable virtual instrument.

Thanks to input from our network of thousands of professionals and people like you, we have been improving and expanding our software product family. Our aim is to supply a rich feature set, maximum flexibility, and more power. We hope this product serves you well.

Xpand! requires Pro Tools 7.0 or higher— Xpand! is compatible with all Pro Tools systems running Pro Tools 7.x software and higher.

Installation and Operation—For software installation and operating instructions, refer to the *Xpand! Plug-in Guide* included on this CD. For additional information about plug-ins and their operation, refer to your *Pro Tools Reference Guide* and *DigiRack Plug-ins Guide*.

Copy Protection—The Xpand! plug-in is not copy-protected and does not need to be authorized.

On-Going Development—Naturally, on-going software development for all Digidesign products continues in high gear. We are already working on new features, so the software will be getting even better. In other words, we will be there for you down the road, with new enhancements and improvements, to further increase your range of options. At Digidesign, your ideas for future improvements and products are of vital importance to us. Please e-mail your comments or suggestions to plugprod@digidesign.com or send a letter to the Plug-in Products Manager at our headquarters in Daly City, California.

On behalf of everyone at Digidesign, we wish you many years of creative productivity with your system, and we thank you again for choosing our products.

What's New in Xpand! 1.0.1

Xpand! 1.0.1 includes the following new or enhanced features:

- Improved audio and MIDI performance in general. (Issue #73416)
- Drawing performance has been improved on both platforms. (Issue #72871)
- Fixed a bug that caused the Xpand! Smart Display to turn gray under some circumstances. (Issue #72393)
- Fixed an issue where FX1 edit 2 control is not mapped correctly on the 002/command|8 pagetable. (Issue #72306)
- Fixed an issue where the UI sometimes freezes causing mouse clicks not being recognized correctly. (Issue #72904)
- Fixed an issue where too many instances (more than 10) of Xpand! could cause redraw problems or might crash Windows XP. (Issues #72871 and #73028)

Known Issues

The following section documents known issues you may encounter in using Xpand! with Pro Tools, along with workarounds if they exist.

The First Time Xpand! Is Instantiated in a Session, It Takes a Few Seconds to Show Up And Draw (Issue #74205)

The initial instantiation of Xpand! takes a few seconds, but after that it should draw and refresh very quickly.

The Keyboard Shortcut for Auto-Enabling Controls Does Not Work (Issues #71312 and #71313)

The keyboard shortcuts Control+Option+Command (Macintosh) and Control+Start+Alt (Windows) do not work in Xpand!. If you need to arm controls for automation, please use the “auto” button in the plug-ins header window and choose the control from the list.

Xpand! Will Lose Its MIDI Node if One Instance of the Plug-in Is Dragged Onto and Replaces Another Instance of Xpand! in the Same Channel Strip (Issue #72116)

If two instances of Xpand! are instantiated on the same channel, then one is dragged down onto the one below it, the moved instance (that replaces the one it was dragged onto) loses the MIDI node assignment it originally had. The way to correct this is to deactivate and reactivate Xpand! and the MIDI node is restored.

Pro Tools|HD May Crash While Quitting if Xpand! is Instantiated in the Session, the AV Option Has Been Installed, and AV Hardware Is Not Present (Mac OS X Only) (Issue #74203)

If you have the AV Option installed but do not have the AV hardware connected, you may experience a crash on quit if Xpand! is used in the session. To avoid this, connect the AV hardware or remove the file “AVX2PluginHost.dylib” from the following location: Library/Application Support/Digidesign/Video Engine/AVX2/AVX2PluginHost.dylib

If the Content File Is Missing, Pro Tools May Exit When Instantiating Xpand! (Issue #73878)

If the .dat file which contains the content for Xpand! is missing or has moved, the plug-in will display a warning that it cannot find the content in the first part window. If you ignore this message, Pro Tools may unexpectedly quit. To replace the content, please close Pro Tools and run the Xpand! Installer again.

The Xpand! Content Must Be Installed on the System Drive (Issue #73078)

Please leave the installation path shown in the Select Destination Location dialog unchanged. This ensures a smooth installation of all parts of Xpand!.

There Is a Preset (Setting File) That Contains a Foreign Character That Will Cause an Error During Installation on Non-English Operating Systems (Issue #72877)

The preset “33 Maah!” will not install correctly on a non-english operating system and then will not load when Xpand! is instantiated. To correct this issue, manually go into the Xpand! settings folder and rename the setting file without using foreign characters.