Device Navigator Reference Manual v1.1

for Windows and Mac

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Main information

1.1 Plugin Overview

Device Navigator allows you to navigate through the devices in a track. Clicking on the list selects the device and places focus on it, scrolling to make it visible if necessary. This makes it easier to navigate through tracks with a large number of devices.

In addition to navigation, it offers the ability to activate or deactivate each device from the list, individually or all at once. Each device has a Lock switch to exclude it from the global activation/deactivation. This makes it possible to activate or deactivate only the desired devices with a single action.

The devices displayed correspond to the selected track. The list changes automatically when changing tracks. However, it is also possible to display the devices of a specific track even when changing tracks in the project.

Multiple instances of Device Navigator can be used at the same time. By manually selecting different tracks in each instance, you can navigate through devices on different tracks. Clicking on the list selects the corresponding track and device, making the track visible and placing focus on the device.

Note that the Lock switches are temporary. When changing tracks they return to their default position.

1.2 System Requirements

- Live Version: 11 / 12 with Max for Live
- Operating System: Windows, Mac

1.3 Installation Instructions

Unzip the ZIP file and copy the plugin amxd file to your User Library folder. There are two ways to find where your User Library is located:

Go to Preferences – Library – Location of User Library



Or [right-click] on the User Library in the Browser – Show in Explorer



1.4 Additional installation on Mac

The device uses an external Max component. To install on Mac, the following steps must be followed.

Copy the file <u>11 live.tools.mxo</u> to the folder:

/users/<your user>/Documents/Max 9/Library/

Open the Terminal utility and type the following line, replacing <your user> with your operating system username.

xattr -d -r com.apple.quarantine "/users/<your user>/Documents/Max 9/Library/"

Note that after entering the above command and pressing enter, the terminal does not display any message.

Versions prior to Live 12.2 use Max for Live 8. In those versions of Live, externals should be copied to the Max 8 folder instead of Max 9.

11 live.tools.mxo is an external Max components created by 11 olsen. On his website you will find very interesting material for the development of Max devices.

https://www.11 olsen.de/

More information about the use of external components of Max and Mac security in the following link.

https://cycling74.com/articles/using-unsigned-max-externals-on-mac-os-10-15-catalina

Controls

2.1 Rack Controls

On the device rack is the button to show/hide the floating window. This button can be mapped, allowing you to assign a keyboard key to show and hide the floating window.

An icon is displayed at the bottom of the device rack. Clicking on the icon shows the version of the device. When a new device update is available, a message will be displayed indicanting it.

2.2 Floating Window Controls

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The floating window can be moved by clicking on the top bar and dragging, just like any other program window.

At the top right are controls for resizing the window, docking it on top of other windows so it's always visible, and closing it.



Mode

At the bottom left is the mode selector.

In automatic mode (A) shows the devices of the selected track. In manual mode (M) a dropdown menu is displayed to select the track whose devices are displayed.

If you want to use manual mode on the master track or return tracks, first select the track and then activate manual mode.

Track Selection Track 1

In automatic mode, it displays the currently selected track. In manual mode, it becomes a dropdown menu that allows you to manually select the track.



The 'All On' and 'All Off' buttons activate or deactivate all devices at the same time. Their action on each device depends on the state of the Lock switches.

2.3 **Device List Controls**

Activation/Deactivation

The activator switch works the same way as the one on each device. Activating or deactivating the device at the source also changes this control.



Lock Switch

When this switch is activated, the 'All Off' and 'All On' buttons will not act on the device. The value of this switch is temporary, it returns to its default position when changing tracks.