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Getting Started

Introduction

Congratulations and welcome to Drum File. Drum File is a powerful new integrated MIDI librarian/translator program for the Apple Macintosh and the E-mu SP-12 Sampling Drum Machine.

With Drum File you can create and edit an unlimited number of sound libraries, sound files, and documents. Fast MIDI data transfers releases you from the bondage of painfully slow storage mediums, and gives your SP-12 quick access to your entire sample library. Once in the Macintosh, serious Drum Files can link with mass storage devices, like hard disks, for nearly unlimited sample storage. Drum File's extensive Translation functions open up worlds of sampled sounds by maintaining compatibility with Sound Lab and Sound Designer sound file formats.

Drum File puts you in control of even the largest of SP-12 sample collections with the ease and elegance you would expect from a Macintosh application.

About the Manual

To use this manual you need to be familiar with both the SP-12 and the Macintosh. We assume you have a grasp of their particular terminologies and operating techniques, but if you have any doubts, go back and read the SP-12 owner's manual and *Macintosh*, the owner's guide before proceeding. To accommodate different levels of expertise, the manual is broken down as follows:

- "Getting Started" covers preliminaries about what you need and how to begin.
- "A Quick Tour Of Drum File" gives you a quick tour through Drum File, introducing most of Drum File's windows, features, and functions.
- "Using Drum File" provides operational descriptions of all Drum File accomplishments.
- "Drum File Reference" presents in greater detail all Drum File windows, commands, and functions.

The Equipment You Need

System Requirements:

- E-mu SP-12 Sampling Drum Machine
- 512K Macintosh or Macintosh Plus
- Macintosh MDI Interface (with two MIDI interconnect cables)

SP-12 Requirements:

- Turbo RAM upgrade
- SP-12 ROM update 2.4 or higher (Contact E-mu Systems for information on upgrading your SP-12 ROM)

Owner Registration

Blank Software realizes your Drum File purchase may represent a major investment in music software. To honor that investment, your purchase of Drum File entitles you to:

- Free Drum File program back-up disk
- Free customer service support.
- Drum File software updates.

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PREPAID OWNER REGISTRATION CARD.

We can provide service and support only to registered Drum File owners.

Drum File Program Back up

We suggest that you make a back up of your Drum File program disk *immediately* and run the program from the backup copy. This will prevent unnecessary wear of your program master disk.

When you run the program from your copies, Drum File will ask you to momentarily insert the master disk to confirm its signature before continuing with the program. You will not need the original again unless you turn off or reset the Macintosh.

A Quick Tour of Drum File