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Posted by [Rod Lincoln](#) on Tue, 11 Nov 2008 06:44:50 GMT

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Posted by [Erling](#) on Tue, 11 Nov 2008 09:49:54 GMT

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I have Wavelab Essential 6 for Windows and I believe it's about the same system in different Wavelabs when burning a CD.

Have you marked "Enable CD-Text Burning" in "CD text for the disk itself" in the CD-Text Editor?

If you're using Windows, you can also try Plextors own burning programs for Plextor burners, the free "Plextools Professional LE" or " PTP XL" to write the text, as far as I remember.

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Hi Rod,

Confirm which firmware you are using on the drive.

I think you can do this in Wavelabs CD info page. If not then use Nero's info Tool to do it.

<ftp://ftp6.nero.com/tools/InfoTool.zip>

If your firmware is lower than version 1.07 then you should update it.

http://www.plextor.com/english/support/downloads/Premium_107.exe

If that doesn't work then make sure you are using the most recent WL4 update.

ftp://ftp.steinberg.net/Download/WaveLab/4.0.1.B/Pc/WaveLab_401b_Patch.zip

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CD Text and Track/artist/album info that displays on a computer are two different things. The latter is generated by CDDB, or freedb which is an internet database that compiles song and artist info. When a disc is loaded in a computer, the host program (iTunes for instance) will look for Track info, by comparing the data of the disc just loaded with profiles of discs already in the database.

It compares things like number and length of tracks. If you have a disc that you want profiled in the database, enter all the info in your host program, then "submit track names" under advanced in iTunes. This will mean that anytime that disc is inserted by anyone, anywhere into a computer connected to the web, all the track/artist/album info will be available to the user.

CD text usually contains similar info to CDDB, but it is displayed on hardware units, like dedicated set top disc players and car stereos. It normally would not display on a computer.

I think...

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Posted by [Erling](#) on Wed, 12 Nov 2008 09:31:02 GMT

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Hope some of these things will help you and good luck.

By the way, Plextool is a really strong product to both burn and afterwards control the quality of the Plextor burnings. I know Brian T was one of the first here to use that burner with Plextools. He wrote much about it here, so much that I bought the burner too. Do you still have the CD with the software, following with the Plexwriter Premium buying?

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Hmm... Nero player have no problems to show the CD-text information...hmmm

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>Read the post by Ted Gerber at the bottom of this thread. It appears that
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Subject: Re: Plextor CD writer...can't CD text to work, any answers?
Posted by [Rod Lincoln](#) on Wed, 12 Nov 2008 15:08:33 GMT
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Read the post by Ted Gerber at the bottom of this thread. It appears that windows media player, and maybe itunes also, gets the track info from Cddb or fredb instead of CD text.

Rod

Erling <erling.lovik@lyse.net> wrote:

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>I've just tested an audioCD burned with Wavelab Essential 6 on one of
>my other computers, with an Optiarc AD-7200S burner. Now it's playing
>on the computer with Plextor/Plextools in Plextools. The CD-text are
>showing up everything from the CD that was written in Wavelab on the
>other computer. These things are not showing up at all in Windows
>Media Player, as far as I can find out.

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>Someone who knows how to get CD-text to show up in Win MediaPlayer?

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>Erling

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>On 12 Nov 2008 09:40:12 +1000, "Rod Lincoln"

><rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com> wrote:

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>>So you have a Plextor Premium on a pc with Wavelab, and you have no problem
>>burning CD's with text?

>>Erling <erling.lovik@lyse.net> wrote:

>>>I have had the same burner for years and have no problems at all.

>>>Burned projects in Wavelab Essential and Essential 6 and tested the
>>>CD's with Plectools for problems. CD text have allways showed up. In
>>>Plectools you can also see what features the Plector burner have. It
>>>will show up if the cd-text can be burned. If not, I think the burner
>>>have a problem.
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>>>Erling
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>>>On 12 Nov 2008 08:00:33 +1000, "Rod Lincoln"
>>><rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com> wrote:
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>>>>Hi Chris, It's the Plexwriter Premium. That's all I can find in the way
>>>of
>>>>model information. Under model number, it says "Premium" I got it in
>>>2003,
>>>>so it's not newer version 2, it's the older one.
>>>>Rod
>>>>Chris Ludwig <chrisl@adkproaudio.com> wrote:
>>>>>HI Rod,
>>>>>Whats the exact model of the drive?
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>>>>>Chris
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>>>>>Rod Lincoln wrote:
>>>>>> I'm completing a project that I'm mixing and also mastering. I'm trying
>>>>>to
>>>>>> put CD text on the CD but I can't get it to work. I've got a Plector
>>>Plexwriter
>>>>>> Premium. It says it's CD text capable. I'm using wavelab 4.0 and have
>>>>typed
>>>>>> in the CD text.
>>>>>> When I burn the CD there's no text. Also, when I click on the infor
>>for
>>>>the
>>>>>> Plector the "allows CD text" box is not checked, and it won't allow
>>me
>>>>to
>>>>>> check it. I noticed that (after doing some google searching) that
>>>when
>>>>I
>>>>>> try to rip a commercial CD that has CD text (checked it with another
>>computer)
>>>>>> it won't display the text. Has anyone here had this experience with
>>Plectors
>>>>>> or have any knowledge about this in general? Does it have anything
>>to
>>>>do

>>>>> with CDDB?
>>>>> Thanks
>>>>> Rod
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