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SUMMARY

- The installation program begins by checking over the Internet to see whether a newer version of the program than the one you have is available
- It also allows you to exclude from the installation plug-in varieties that you do not need (except in the case of Melodyne essential RTAS, which only comes in RTAS format)
- Melodyne can be activated on a computer-by-computer basis (on up to two computers simultaneously) or via iLok (one license for one iLok dongle). iLok is not available for Melodyne essential RTAS
- The activation is carried out with the aid of an activation assistant that is launched automatically whenever Melodyne finds no activation on a computer
- If your computer is not connected to the Internet, communication with the Celemony server is conducted by means of files that you upload and download from a computer that is connected to the Internet
- The activation procedure presupposes that you possess a myCelemony account in which your serial number is registered. If you purchased Melodyne online, you will already have set up such an account; if you purchased your Melodyne in a box, you will open an account in the course of the activation
- After successfully activating a computer, you can deactivate it, thereby freeing up one activation that you can credit to your myCelemony account for use on another computer

About this introduction

The installation and activation of Melodyne editor, Melodyne assistant and Melodyne essential RTAS proceeds in an identical fashion, so this introduction applies to all three applications. The only difference between them in this respect is that Melodyne essential RTAS offers no iLok activation option. In what follows, therefore, we will refer to the application simply as Melodyne, be it in your case Melodyne editor, Melodyne assistant or Melodyne essential RTAS.

Computer-by-computer activation or iLok

Melodyne is generally activated on a particular computer using a challenge/response procedure; the activation is therefore tied to the computer upon which the

procedure is performed. One Melodyne license allows you to activate up to two computers and run the program upon them simultaneously. You can, however, deactivate either of these computers and thereby free up an activation, with a view perhaps to transferring your entire production environment to a third computer. You can also reactivate a computer you have previously deactivated, should you wish to do so - provided, of course, your myCelemony account contains a spare activation.

Melodyne editor and Melodyne assistant (not Melodyne essential RTAS!) can, as an alternative to the computer-by-computer system outlined above, be activated using an iLok license management dongle. If you opt for this method, you are no longer entitled to claim computer-by-computer activations from myCelemony. Instead, a license for Melodyne will be transferred to your iLok account, which you will then be able to download to your dongle from the iLok web site (www.ilok.com). Once this has been done, you will be able to activate and run Melodyne on any computer you like - provided the iLok dongle is connected to one of its USB ports at the time.

The essential points to note about iLok activation are these:

- iLok can be used as an alternative to (not: as well as) computer-by-computer activation
- After choosing the iLok activation method, you cannot go back to the computer-by-computer activation method
- You get only a single Melodyne license with the iLok activation method - not two activations, as with the computer-by-computer activation method
- If you are selling the software, you cannot perform the license transfer from your iLok dongle to that of the purchaser yourself; for this, you must contact our support

Melodyne from the box: installation and activation

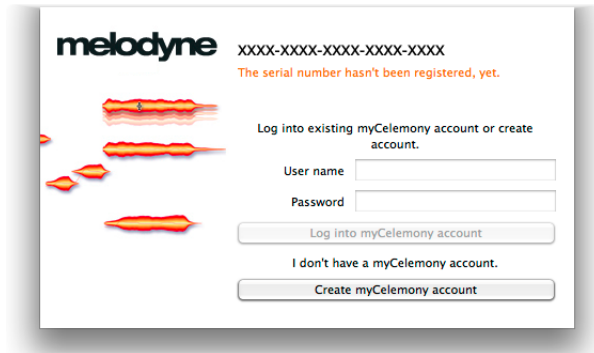
Insert the CD and launch the installation program. This begins by checking the Internet to see whether a newer version of the application than the one on the disk is available. If so, you should download and install the newer version. Since Melodyne is permanently being improved, this will ensure that you have access to the latest and best set of functions. It is not necessary to install the older version from the CD first, as the installation program you download contains all the components required to run the software.

The installation wizard then guides you step by step through the installation. In the case of Melodyne editor and Melodyne assistant, you have the option of excluding from the installation plug-in varieties that you don't need. If you aren't sure which you need, choose the default option and install all of them. The stand-alone version of the software is always installed except in the case of Melodyne essential RTAS, which only comes in an RTAS plug-in version and therefore requires no decisions to be taken in the course of the installation.

If the installation program finds Melodyne plugin, Melodyne editor, Melodyne assistant or Melodyne essential on the hard disk of your computer, this will be removed in the course of the installation. There can only ever be one of the aforementioned editions of Melodyne in the plug-in folder of your host at a time, as for reasons of compatibility they all use the same 'Plugin ID', which can make it impossible on occasion for your host to distinguish between them. By uninstalling the other edition, the risk of your host becoming confused and using the older software by mistake is avoided.

Once the installation process is complete, quit the installation program and launch Melodyne. Since the software has not yet been activated, you will see a message to this effect and the Activation Assistant will open.

The Activation Assistant begins by displaying a form, so that you can enter your serial number. You will find this on the first page of your printed user manual. Enter the number and click Continue. The Activation Assistant will then check to see whether the computer is connected to the Internet and will try to contact the Celemony server. If no Internet connection is available you will be offered the option of continuing the activation offline - the procedure for doing this is described below. If you are connected to the Internet, the activation assistant will display this page:



If you already have a myCelemony account, enter your user name and password to log in, whereupon Melodyne will be activated automatically and you can close the Activation Assistant and begin working with Melodyne right away.

If you do not yet have a myCelemony account, click the 'Create myCelemony Account' button. Your browser will display a form into which you can enter your personal details and select certain options. Enter the requisite information along with a user name and a password. (Make a note of these somewhere safe, as you are likely to need them later). When you have finished filling in the form, click Continue Activation and your account will be created.

Congratulations! You now have a myCelemony account and the server should already have activated your new edition of Melodyne. If requested, enter your administrator password to consent to the activation being stored on your hard disk. Once this has been done, you can close the Activation Assistant and start using Melodyne at once.

Melodyne as a download: installation and activation

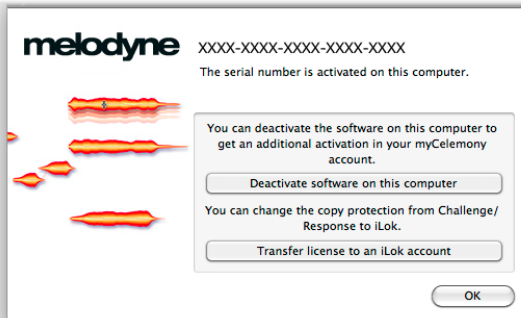
Follow the procedure outlined in the installation section above, complete the installation, and launch Melodyne.

Since you created a myCelemony account when you purchased Melodyne and received a personalized installation program at that time, your serial number has already been registered and the Activation Assistant informed. You don't need to type it in. Just click the Continue button in the activation assistant to download an activation from your account and enter your administrator password if requested to do so in order to consent to the activation being stored on your hard

disk. That's all there is to it! Melodyne is now activated and ready for use. If your computer is not connected to the Internet, please follow the procedure for offline activation described below.

Transferring license to an iLok

If Melodyne is activated on your computer, the Activation Assistant displays this page, which you can also reach at any time from Melodyne's Help menu.



Along with the information that Melodyne is activated, you see two buttons offering different options: the deactivation of your computer (see below) and transfer of the license to an iLok account. As already explained, this does not apply to Melodyne essential RTAS, which does not support iLok. If you wish to activate Melodyne editor or Melodyne assistant by iLok, click the 'Transfer License to an iLok Account' button. In your browser, a page of your myCelemony account will be displayed containing further information permitting you to transfer your license to your iLok account. If your computer has no access to the Internet, please follow the procedure outlined below for offline activation.

To spare yourself and our support team time, please make sure you enter the correct name of your iLok account or the license could be sent to the wrong iLok account or end up in digital Nirvana. What is required is the User ID you use to log in at www.ilok.com - not the name of your iLok dongle. Once the license has been transferred to your iLok account, you must log in at www.ilok.com and download the license to your iLok dongle. Thereafter, just insert this in one of the USB ports of the computer you wish to use.

Deactivation and crediting your account with an activation

Select 'License' from Melodyne's Help menu to open the status page of the activation assistant. As long as you are using the computer-by-computer activation system and have not switched to the iLok system, you will see an option allowing you to deactivate your computer.

Deactivate means in this context transferring the activation of your computer back to your myCelemony account. You can do this simply by clicking the button. The result is that you are no longer able to run Melodyne on the computer affected but one activation is credited to your myCelemony account. You are most likely to want to do this when you are selling a computer and buying a new one. By deactivating Melodyne on the old computer, you free up one activation that you can credit to your account for use on your new computer. So don't forget to deactivate Melodyne before you format the hard disk or throw your old computer out; otherwise you will lose one of your two activation rights.

You can always later, if you wish, reactivate Melodyne on a computer you have previously deactivated. Always assuming you are connected to the Internet and your myCelemony account contains a spare activation, just click the button 'Request Activation Again' that appears in the window of the Activation Assistant after the deactivation. When you do so, an activation will be transferred from your myCelemony account to your computer and you can use Melodyne once more on the computer concerned. If your computer has no access to the Internet, you can perform the activation or deactivation offline, as described in the following section.

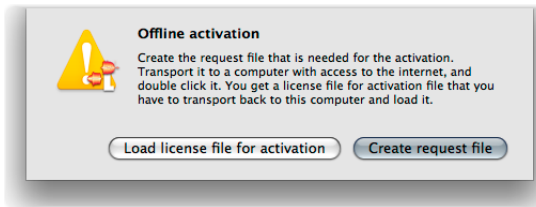
Offline: if your computer has no Internet access

Even if the computer you use for music has no access to the Internet, you can still perform all the same tasks as those described above but by following a slightly different procedure. Although we call these procedures 'offline' procedures, they do assume that you at least have access to the Internet via another computer and can therefore exchange information with the myCelemony server through it. The principle is simple: when the Activation Assistant can find no Internet connection, it provides you with the data the server requires in the form of an HTML file. This file is stored on your hard disk. You just need to transfer it (using some portable storage medium such as a USB flash drive) to a computer that is connected to the Internet. Then double-click on the HTML file and your browser will connect to the myCelemony server and upload the data. In return, you will receive a file from the server the precise nature of which depends upon the action you are seeking to

perform. This you must transfer back to your music computer and load. Here is an overview of the various actions and the files associated:

- *Activation:* you receive from the Activation Assistant an HTML file with an activation request (“MelodyneActivationRequest.html”). When you double-click on this file from a computer that is connected to the Internet, after creating a myCelemony account (if you don't already have one) you will receive a license file (“Melodyne <Name>.license”) that you can load into the Activation Assistant in order to activate Melodyne. As an alternative, you can transfer the license to your iLok account, if that is the system you prefer. In this case, you will not need the license file from the server.
- *Transfer of the license to an iLok account:* you can cause the license to be transferred from your myCelemony account to an iLok account at any time - even (as described above) immediately after creating your myCelemony account.
- *Deactivation of a computer:* when you deactivate a computer, you free up an activation and receive an HTML file (“MelodyneDeactivationRequest.html”) which can use to credit this to your myCelemony account. When you double-click on this file on a computer that is connected to the Internet, the right to one additional activation is credited to your account. Do not forget to do this, as otherwise you will have deactivated your computer, thereby in principle freeing up the right to activate another, only to throw it away!
- *Reactivating a computer:* the reactivation follows much the same procedure as the original activation: you receive an HTML request file (“MelodyneActivationRequest.html”) upon which you must double-click from a computer that is connected to the Internet. From your myCelemony account you will receive in return a license file (“Melodyne <Name>.license”) that you must then load into the activation assistant to reactivate Melodyne.

To load the license file for the activation or deactivation that you received from the myCelemony server and complete the procedure, you must start Melodyne once again. Since Melodyne is not activated, the activation assistant will launch automatically. Now follow again the procedure for activation or deactivation. Since no Internet connection is present, the activation assistant will display the same dialog as before, only this time, instead of creating a request file (which you have already done), select ‘Load license file for activation’.



Now, using the file selection dialog, navigate to the license file you received from the myCelemony server and load it. This completes the activation/reactivation process and Melodyne is ready to use.