

# **AlphaTheta**

**rekordbox CloudDirectPlay Operation Guide**



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# About this manual

This manual explains about rekordbox CloudDirectPlay. Read “rekordbox Introduction” and “Instruction Manual” for instructions on rekordbox in general.  
[rekordbox.com/en/download/#manual](https://rekordbox.com/en/download/#manual)

- In this manual, the name of buttons and menus displayed on rekordbox are indicated with brackets (e.g. [BPM], [Collection] window).
- Please note that depending on the operating system version, web browser settings, etc., operation may differ from the procedures described in this manual.
- Please note that the language on the rekordbox screen described in this manual may differ from the language on your screen.
- Please note that the specifications, design, etc. of rekordbox may be modified without notice and may differ from the descriptions in this manual.

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# Introduction

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## About CloudDirectPlay

When using CloudDirectPlay, you can download a music file uploaded to the cloud storage to supported DJ equipment, and then you can play it.

To upload a music file to cloud storage, use the Cloud Library Sync function. By using a cloud storage for uploading music files, you can download and play them on your PC/Mac, mobile devices, or compatible DJ equipment.

For Cloud Library Sync, refer to Cloud Library Sync Operation Guide.

[rekordbox.com/manual/](https://rekordbox.com/manual/)

For an overview, refer to the Features page on [rekordbox.com](https://rekordbox.com).

For CloudDirectPlay compatible DJ equipment, refer to the FAQ.

[rekordbox.com/en/support/faq/clouddirect-7/#faq-q700150](https://rekordbox.com/en/support/faq/clouddirect-7/#faq-q700150)

### ■ rekordbox version

To use CloudDirectPlay, install the latest version of rekordbox.

### ■ Subscription

CloudDirectPlay is available with any plan including with Free Plan. For details about plans, refer to the Plan page on [rekordbox.com](https://rekordbox.com).

[rekordbox.com/en/plan/](https://rekordbox.com/en/plan/)

### ■ Cloud storage service

CloudDirectPlay uses a cloud storage service used for Cloud Library Sync.

CloudDirectPlay supports Dropbox and Google Drive™. (As of March 2025)

For more details, refer to Cloud Library Sync Operation Guide.

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### ■ Internet speed

The time required for library synchronization and music file download varies greatly depending on the strength of your Internet connection. With CloudDirectPlay an Internet speed of 20 Mbps or higher is recommended for download.

## ■ Individual use

With CloudDirectPlay individuals can use the same library on multiple PC/Mac, mobile devices, and DJ equipment but multiple people cannot share the same library.

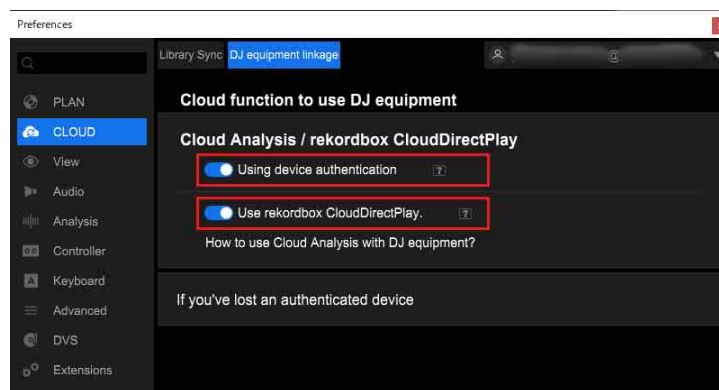
# rekordbox (Mac/Windows)

Use CloudDirectPlay with rekordbox for Mac/Windows.

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## Using CloudDirectPlay

- 1 On rekordbox for Mac/Windows, open the [Preferences] window and click the [Cloud] category.
- 2 Click the [Library Sync] tab.  
Check that [Sync library to another device] of [Cloud Library Sync] is turned on.
- 3 Click the [DJ equipment linkage] tab.
- 4 Turn on [Using device authentication] and [Use rekordbox CloudDirectPlay] of [Cloud Analysis / rekordbox CloudDirectPlay].



On the cloud server, the library conversion will begin.

### Note

- The library conversion may take time according to the number of music files in the library.
- If a library conversion error occurs, [Use rekordbox CloudDirectPlay] will be automatically turned off. If the library conversion error occurs repeatedly, please contact the support from rekordbox.com.
- When [Use rekordbox CloudDirectPlay] is turned off, the authentication of all devices in the same account will be canceled.
- When [Use rekordbox CloudDirectPlay] is tuned off and then back on, the library conversion will begin again.


# About an authenticated device for CloudDirectPlay

To download and play music files on DJ equipment supporting CloudDirectPlay, an authenticated device (USB storage device or SD memory card) is required. Connect the device to your PC/Mac and click the authentication button to use the device as an authenticated device for CloudDirectPlay.

## To authenticate the device

- 1 Click the authentication button on the right of the device name in [Devices] of Media Browser.



When the device has been authenticated, the authentication button will change to  (authenticated icon).

## To cancel the device authentication

Click  again to cancel the authentication.

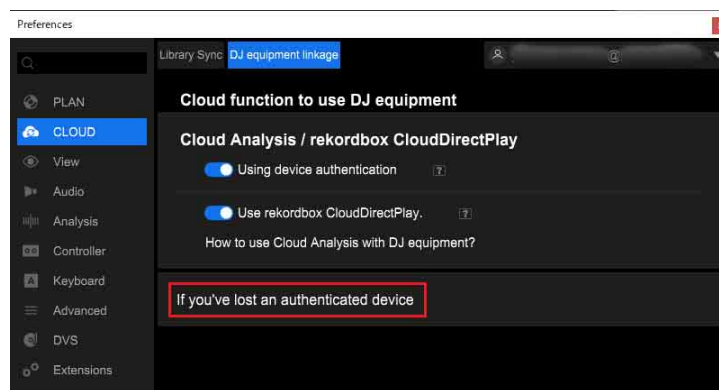
### Note

- If you have multiple accounts: Switch the account to the account that authenticated the device, then cancel the authentication.
- If the account belongs to someone else: Cancel the authentication with connecting the device to the PC/Mac of that account or cancel the authentication on the website from the PC/Mac of that account.

# Canceling the device authentication on the website

You can cancel the authentication on the website, such as if you lose your device.

- 1 On rekordbox for Mac/Windows, open the [Preferences] window and click the [Cloud] category.
- 2 Click the [DJ equipment linkage] tab.
- 3 Turn on [If you've lost an authenticated device].





The website appears on the browser. Cancel the authorization on the website.

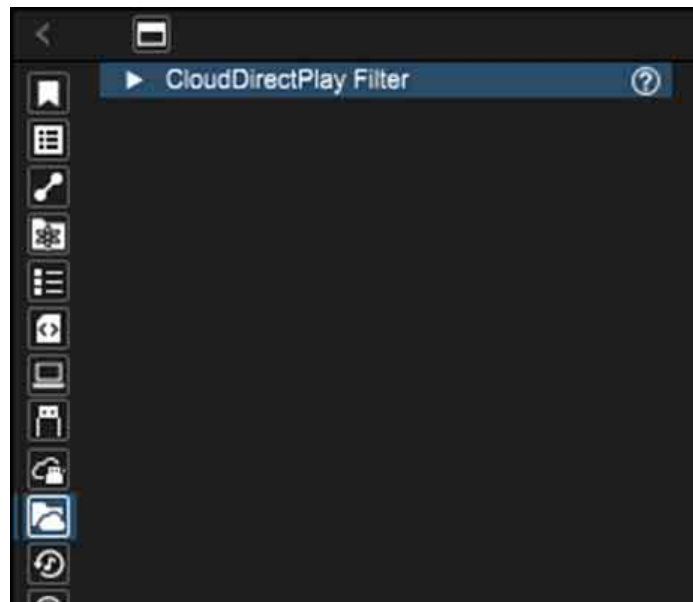
## Note

- You cannot cancel the authorization with another account. It is necessary to switch the account before the cancelation.

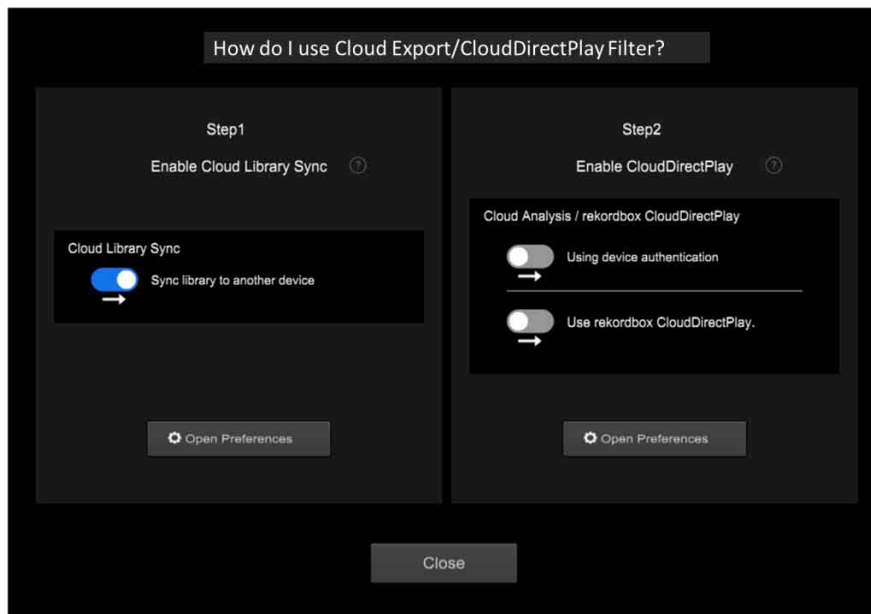


# Preparing for using CloudDirectPlay Filter

- 1 Click the [CloudDirectPlay Filter] icon in Media Browser.  
When using it for the first time, if the necessary settings are not enabled, the  button will be displayed.  
Click the  button to display the guide for the settings.



- 2 Enable [Step1] and [Step2] according to the on-screen display.




The CloudDirectPlay Filter will be available.

## Note

- To use the CloudDirectPlay Filter, the Cloud Option or a Creative/Professional Plan is required.

# Setting display of playlists using CloudDirectPlay Filter

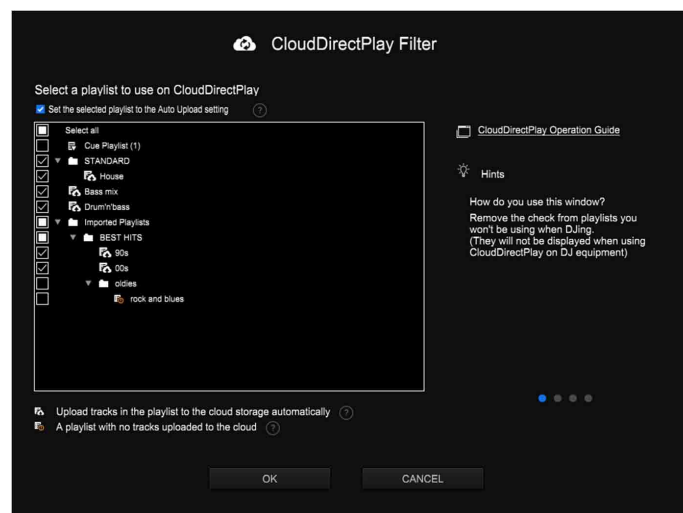
- 1 Click the  button of [CloudDirectPlay Filter].



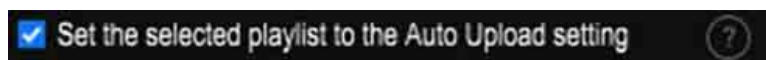
The [CloudDirectPlay Filter] screen will appear, and you will be able to select playlists.

On the [CloudDirectPlay Filter] screen, playlists in rekordbox are displayed in the tree view.

- 2 Check the playlist or folder to use with CloudDirectPlay on the [CloudDirectPlay Filter] screen.



By turning off the checkbox of each playlist or folder, you can hide unnecessary playlists or folders when using CloudDirectPlay.



When you turn on the [Set the selected playlist to the Auto Upload setting] checkbox, the Auto Upload function will automatically upload the selected playlist to the cloud storage, and you can use music files included in the playlist on CloudDirectPlay.

- 3 Click the [OK] button.  
The playlist selection screen will close, and the settings will be applied.

## Hint

- For [Auto Upload], refer to the Cloud Library Sync Operation Guide.  
[rekordbox.com/en/download/#manual](https://rekordbox.com/en/download/#manual)
- If none of the music files in a playlist have been uploaded to the cloud storage, that playlist will not be displayed on CloudDirectPlay compatible equipment.

# Compatible DJ equipment

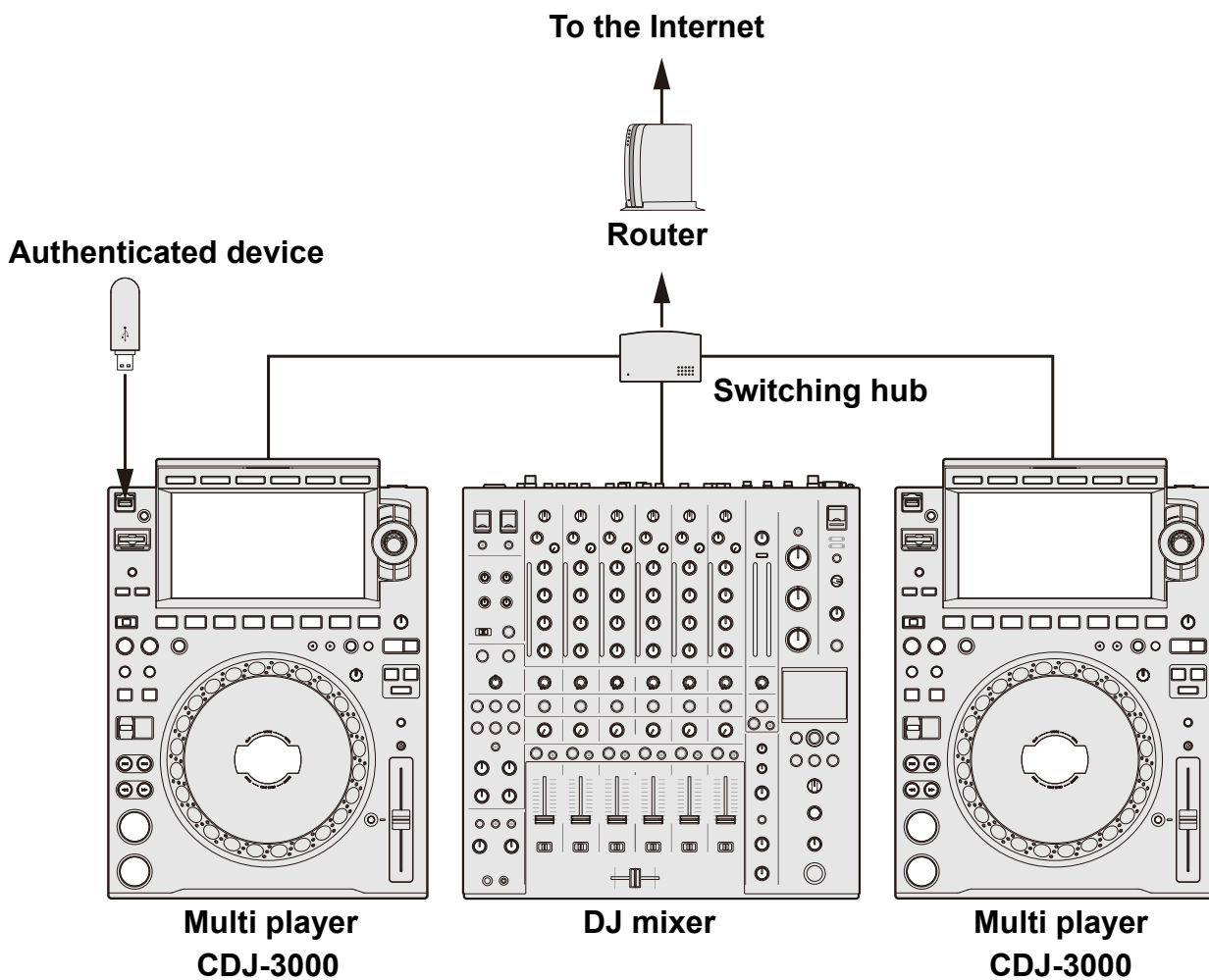
## Using CloudDirectPlay compatible DJ equipment

To use CloudDirectPlay on DJ equipment, connect the PRO DJ LINK network to the Internet and use the device authenticated on rekordbox. For the authenticated device, see “About an authenticated device for CloudDirectPlay” (page 7).

For CloudDirectPlay compatible DJ equipment, refer to the FAQ.

[rekordbox.com/en/support/faq/clouddirect-7/#faq-q600150](https://rekordbox.com/en/support/faq/clouddirect-7/#faq-q600150)

The illustrations and operating procedures in this chapter are examples of the CDJ-3000.

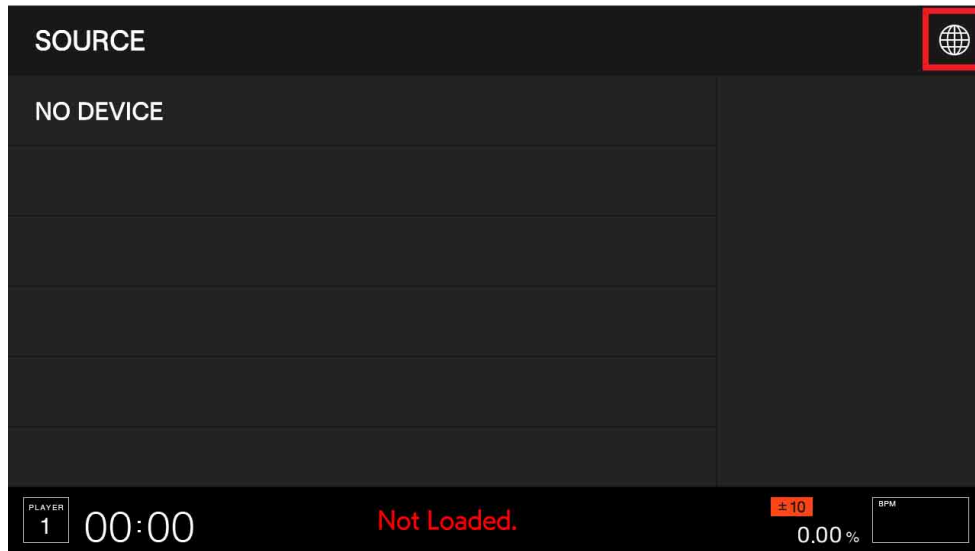



### Note

- To use multiple PRO DJ LINK networks in a large place, use a network router for each PRO DJ LINK network and divide the area.

# Checking the Internet connection

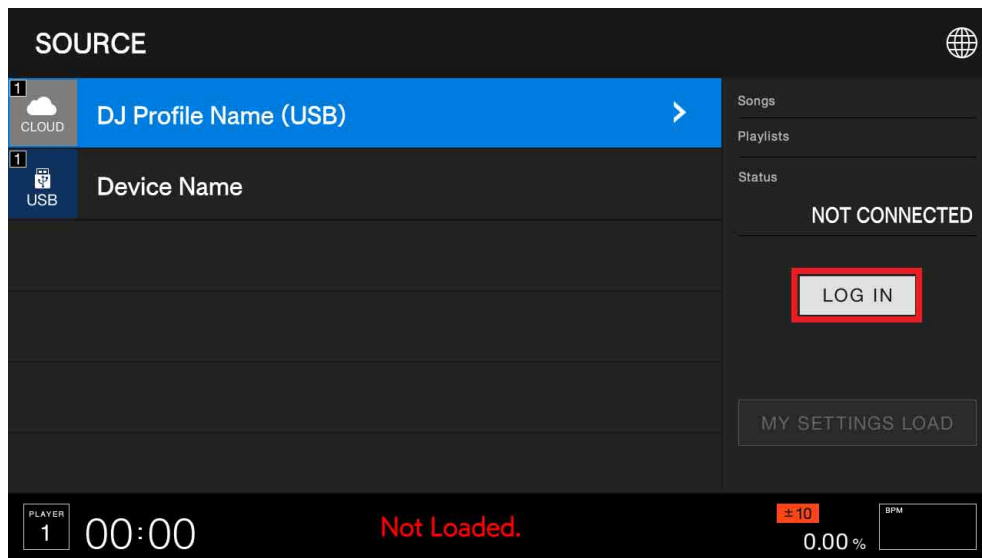
When CloudDirectPlay is available, the Internet connection icon is displayed on the [SOURCE] display as shown below.



If the Internet connection icon is grayed out as , CloudDirectPlay is not available. Check the Internet connection.

# Logging in to CloudDirectPlay

- 1 Insert the device authenticated for CloudDirectPlay to DJ equipment.  
When a valid authenticated device is inserted, it will be added as a source on the [SOURCE] display.
- 2 Click [LOG IN] in the information area of the [SOURCE] display.



CloudDirectPlay will be available.

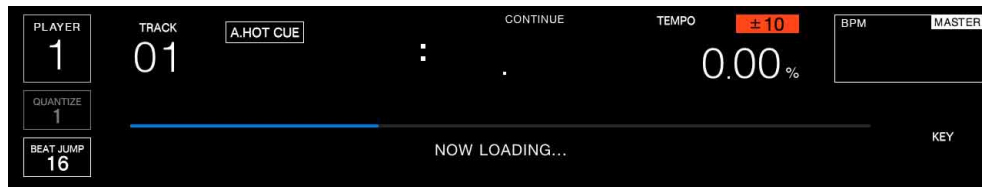
## **To log out of CloudDirectPlay**

To cancel CloudDirectPlay, click [LOG OUT] in the information area of the [SOURCE] display.

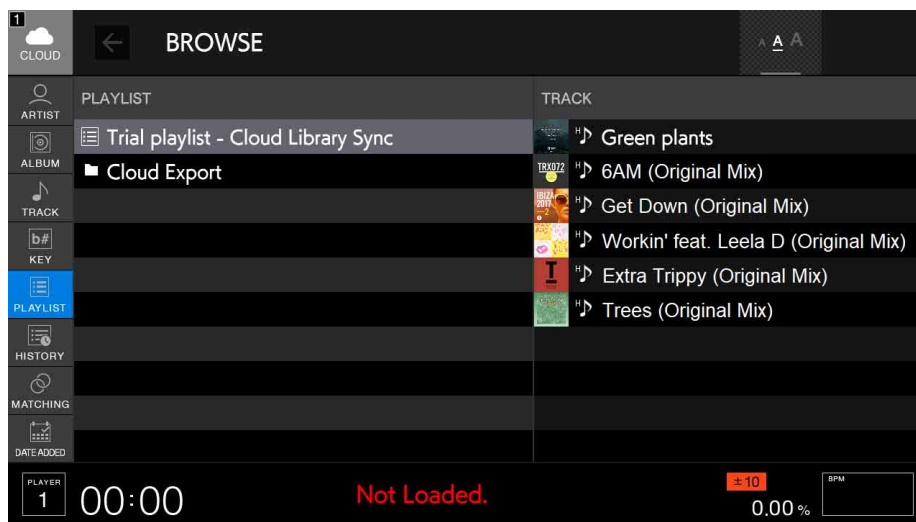
## Using music files of CloudDirectPlay

When you select an item of CloudDirectPlay on the [SOURCE] display, you can use music files uploaded on the cloud from the browse screen.

To download a music file to DJ equipment, it takes time according to the Internet speed. The download progress is displayed at the bottom of the screen.



After downloading the file, the following will be displayed on the DJ equipment. The screen shows an example when selecting PLAYLIST while using Cloud Export in Free Plan.



For details on Cloud Export, refer to Cloud Library Sync Operation Guide.  
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### Note

- Some of the playback functions can be used only with music files being loaded from CloudDirectPlay.  
CUE  
HOT CUE
- The following functions cannot be used because a music file is downloaded one by one from the TRACK list.  
TRACK SEARCH  
PLAYMODE(CONTINUE)

## Compatible DJ equipment

- Following functions cannot be used on CloudDirectPlay.  
TOUCH PREVIEW  
HOT CUE BANK  
INTELLIGENT PLAYLIST
- While using CloudDirectPlay, track information changed on other CloudDirectPlay or Cloud Library Sync with the same account cannot be reflected. To update with changes, log out from CloudDirecPlay, and then log in again.



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## Troubleshooting

Before making inquiries about operations or technical issues, refer to troubleshooting below, or check the [FAQ] for each DJ equipment/rekordbox.

### **Music files cannot be displayed or loaded.**

On the supported DJ equipment, the music files may not be displayed on the screen or may not be loaded. There are possible causes as follows.

#### **■ Cloud Sync is incomplete**

If the Cloud Library Sync between rekordbox for Mac/Windows or rekordbox for iOS/Android and the library in the cloud has not finished, the music file will not be displayed on the browse screen. Wait for the sync to finish, then the music file should display.

#### **■ The music file has not been uploaded to cloud storage**

Only music files that you have uploaded to cloud storage will be displayed on the browse screen.

If the upload is not complete, the music file cannot be loaded.

Upload the music files you want to use to cloud storage beforehand, then use them once the upload is complete.

You can upload with rekordbox for Mac/Windows or rekordbox for iOS/Android.

## ■ Impact of cloud storage maintenance or failure

When cloud storage is undergoing maintenance or experiencing problems, music files cannot be loaded. Try again when the cloud storage is back online.

You can check the status of these issues on the cloud storage service websites below.

<https://status.dropbox.com/>

<https://www.google.com>

## The USB storage device or SD memory card does not have enough space.

When using CloudDirectPlay, rekordbox temporarily stores audio files downloaded from Dropbox onto a USB storage device or SD memory card. So, the required free space depends on the number and size of the downloaded files.

The approximate size of an audio file for one track is shown below. It varies depending on the length of the track and the file format though.

- MP3 format: 12 MB (6-minute track at 320 kbps bit rate)
- WAV format: 66 MB (6-minute track with CD quality)

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