



## **Rock Band 2 Authoring F.A.Q.**

### **WHAT AUDIO FILES DO I NEED TO SEND TO 101d?**

#### **Game Mix files**

In order to keep download times as low as possible, all files should be 16bit, 44.1k. Each stem level should peak no higher than -0.5dB.

1. K - Kick Drum: Mono
2. SN - Snare Drum: Stereo
3. CYM\* - Cymbal Mix: Stereo (Usually Overhead Mics/Room Mics plus any direct Tom Mics)  
\* The game can handle several Different types of Drum mixes, anything from a single stereo combined drum file up to stereo files for each of the 3 Drum files listed above.
4. BASS - Playable Bass Part: Mono (Stereo if using any Stereo Phase or Heavy Chorus effects)
5. GTR - Playable Guitar Part: Stereo
6. VOX - Playable Vocals Part: Stereo
7. TRKS - All Other Instruments and Backing Vocals: Stereo

#### **Additional reference files**

1. Reference Dryvox: Mono 16k (Lead Vocal File with no effects)  
\* This file is used for vocal weights reference.
2. Reference Mix: Stereo (all of the files mixed together)

### **HOW DOES CREATORS.ROCKBAND.COM HANDLE LABELS?**

Creators.rockband.com maintains a database of Label names. When someone submits a song with a Label name that's not on the list:

- We add that name to the list and
- We attach that name to the submitter's login; no one else can submit with that label after that.

## **WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PLAYTESTING AND PEER REVIEW?**

- Playtesting is where a song will endure the majority of testing by the community. This is the time that all parts of the song from charts, to animations, to lighting will be tested and any issues will be resolved by the author. Playtesting is also the time to submit your personal opinion on whether you agree with the "feel" of a chart or the look of the animations. Songs should continue to stay in playtesting until there are no significant issues reported by the community.

Once an author is satisfied with the results from playtesting a song can be moved to peer review. Peer Review is the final step before a song is published into the RBN store. When completing a Peer Review you want to watch for significant issues such as violations of authoring standards or prohibited content. In general once a song has reached peer review, minor issues should not prevent the song from passing, but you may feel free to contact the author and voice your opinions.

## **WHAT'S THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM LENGTH PER SONG?**

- The minimum song length is 30 seconds. The maximum song length is 10 minutes.

## **ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

- If you can't get your master recordings stemmed properly for Rock Band 2, we can mix the stems for you. (Your mix is printed, but not stemmed in the format listed above.)  
\*\$50
- If you only have your multitrack recordings, we can mix the song to sound like the album version and in the proper stem format. (Full mixing service.)  
\*\$250

*\*\*Pricing may vary depending on the quality of the multitrack recordings. Poor quality recordings will require significantly more work.*



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