# FM Radio v1.1.5 Release Notes

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This ReadMe includes helpful installation and operation instructions for the FM Radio v1.1.5. Be sure to read the FM Radio Manual for complete instructions.

## Software Installation Tips

FM Radio software includes two files: the FM Radio application and the FM Radio control strip module. The FM Radio application can be placed anywhere on your hard drive. The control strip module, however, must be placed in the "Control Strip Modules" folder that you may find in your System Folder. If you don't find this folder, it means that your system does not support the control strip feature, and you can ignore the control strip module altogether. The FM Radio application will work fine without the control strip module. Note that you must restart after installing the control strip module in order for it to operate.

## Hardware Installation Warnings

- Be sure to shut down and power off the Macintosh before connecting the FM Radio. Otherwise you can damage the ADB port or motherboard.
- Always connect the FM Radio directly to the Macintosh ADB port. Do not connect the unit to the keyboard or screen.

# Signal Reception Tips

The FM Radio has a built-in antenna that is not removable, nor can you upgrade it. This means that in order for you to improve the reception, you are limited to manipulating the antenna or moving the radio to different locations. Some suggestions for improving your reception:

- 1) Wrap the antenna around a power cable (one in use, of course)
- 2) Attach the antenna to the biggest metal object you can find
- 3) Relocate the radio and antenna to the highest point you can

While it is possible to "strip" the antenna to attach it to a longer/better antenna, this will void your warranty, so we don't recommend it.

# Hardware Compatibility

The FM Radio was designed to use with desktop Macintosh models. The radio can only be powered by the ADB bus-you cannot attach an external power source to the FM Radio. La Cie Limited does not guarantee that the FM radio will work with Macintosh PowerBook models. The reasons for this are varied, but the main reason is that PowerBooks generate

intermittent/marginal power source from the ADB bus. This can cause a problem with the FM Radio, which requires a stable power source for clarity and amplification.

### **Operation Tips**

- If the sound volume is low or mute, open the Macintosh Sound control panel, choose the volume setting, and make sure the volume is turned up. To avoid sound resource conflicts, quit the FM Radio application before opening the Sound control panel, and close the Sound control panel before reopening FM Radio.
- If you are experiencing compatibility problems with your Macintosh, go to our website to download the latest version of the FM Radio application.

### Version History

What's new in version 1.1.5

This version corrects an ADB problem when several devices use the same initial address.

#### What's new in version 1.1.4

This version fixes a bug that made the application crash on the initial sound settings dialog on Macs equipped with older ROMs.

#### What's new in version 1.1.3

This version corrects on some Macs (Quadra 950) the sound input level to avoid noise when sound is cut on the FM Radio.

#### What's new in version 1.1b1

Renamed strip module to 'FM Radio Module'

Fixed a problem with system 751 (840AV) where system does not return the standard value for Microphone input.

Further checks if sound hardware is available (i.e. microphone port exists) on old macs to avoid a bunch of dialogs with error messages.

#### What's new in version 1.1d3

Fixed some inaccurate help balloons strings in the prefs dialog (scan step) Removed French info string for the control strip.

#### What's new in version 1.1d2

- Fixed some problems with the sound playthrough part on LC475, Quadra 605, Quadra 650, \*
- In the station menu when you do not select a station it reverts to the initial choice (before zapping).
- The preference file has been renamed from 'FM Prefs' to 'FM Radio Prefs' to avoid mismatch with other products that could have the same initials like FileMaker.

- Changed the display to reflect features that have been removed for the new Radio: second microphone input, quality indicator.

What's new in version 1.1

- This version supports the new FM Radio (version 10)
- It also introduces a new method of playing sound through without installing either Quicktime or the SoundManager extensions.
- This version is multilanguage (English, French, German). The user can select his language in the preferences dialog. Also the application tries to determine the language depending on the system during the first launch.
- Since installation is simplified, there will be no installer.

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