

Settings.Menu

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Chapter 1

Settings.Menu

1.1 Menu: Settings

Change Drawing Pens...

Change colours of track items.

Auto Redraw

Auto redraw track after editing.

Rescale Tiles

Rescale tiles when view changed.

Place Surfaces with Tiles

Place selected surface under dropped tiles.

Confirm Delete

All deletions require confirmation.

Info Palette

Toggle information palette display status.

Surface Palette

Toggle surface palette display status.

Load Settings...

Load saved editor settings.

Save Settings

Save editor settings as default.

Save Settings As...

Save editor settings under a specified name.

Quick Help...

Quick reference to track creation.

Help...

On-line help (Requires "amigaguide.library").

1.2 Settings/Change Drawing Pens...

This option brings up a panel which allows you to pick a colour for most things that are displayed on the track. For example you can pick the colour of the grid and the boundary lines etc.

Just select the item in the list which you want to change the colour of (the current colour will be selected in the palette). Then pick the new colour you want to use, repeat this operation for as many items as you wish and select 'Ok' when you have finished. The track will be redrawn with the new colour selections.

The settings chosen will be saved with the track so that it will appear the same when it is reloaded back into the editor.

1.3 Settings/Auto Redraw

If this option is ticked then the whole screen will be redrawn whenever an operation occurs that may leave the display untidy.

If you are doing many successive edits like deletions then areas of the display will start to become erased, this option redraws the display to stop you noticing after every deletion, but there is a price to pay for this as it takes a bit of time to redraw everything, especially on complicated tracks. So you can disable this option to speed editing up and refresh the display when you need to by pressing the 'ESC' key or using the 'Redraw' option on the View menu.

1.4 Settings/Rescale Tiles

If this option is ticked when selecting a view % from the view menu the current tile set will be scaled to the percentage specified. This can take some time to calculate and may involve reloading the tile set first. Therefore if this option is not ticked, then when you select a viewing percentage the tiles will not be rescaled but a smaller section of the tiles will be drawn instead of the full 64 by 64 tile. The latter setting is quicker if you are changing the tracks viewing scale frequently but will not produce an accurate image of the tiles.

1.5 Settings/Place Surfaces with Tiles

If the option is ticked, when you Drop a tile onto the track, the default surface selected will also be placed across the area the tile (or tiles in in Range mode) covers.

1.6 Settings/Confirm Delete

If this option is ticked then a requester will appear asking you to confirm any deletions you attempt to make. This will help avoid accidental deletions but should probably be turned off if you are deleting many items as this will not ask for user confirmation before the delete commences.

1.7 Settings/Info Palette

This will open and close the Info Palette that is located at the top of the track area, turn this off if you need to see an area of the track that it covers. The info palette does provide useful information on the currently selected mode of operation, current tile selected, track coords and positioning gadget, and selected surface.

1.8 Settings/Surface Palette

This will open and close the Surface Palette, which allows you to change the current selected surface whilst editing a track. The list can also be used as a reference for what the surface number and symbols actually refer too.

1.9 Settings/Load Settings...

This allows you to load a previously saved set of preferences for the editor.

1.10 Settings/Save Settings

This allows you to save the current editor settings as the default settings that are used every time you load the editor.

1.11 Settings/Save Settings As...

This allows you to save the current editor settings for latter use under any name you specify or as default settings to use every time you load the editor.

1.12 Settings/Quick Help...

Displays basic information needed to start editing tracks quickly, without reading to much. Also it does not use AmigaGuide just in case you do not have it. (Though unlikely right?)

1.13 Settings/Help...

On-line help for the editor that you are reading now!
(Don't you just hate people who say that?)