

# MA3 Pro Plugins - MIDI Encoders - v1.5.3

**Supports MA3 versions: 1.9 and above**

**This folder contains:**

- `README.pdf` (The file you are reading right now)
- `grandMA3` (A root folder of a MA3 USB drive)

## Installation/Update Instructions

- **Part 1:** Prepare the plugin files
  - Either create a **MA3 USB Drive** (Recommended)
  - OR
  - Copy the files directly to your **Internal** MA3 plugin library
- **Part 2:** Import the plugin to your show
- **Part 3:** Install/Update

## Part 1 - Prepare The Plugin Files

### Create an MA3 USB drive (Recommended)

#### Option 1 : If you DON'T have a MA3 USB drive

All you need to do it copy the `grandMA3` folder to the root of a USB drive.

- NOTE: The USB drive doesn't not have to be formatted prior to this step. It is ok if it contain other folders.

#### Option 2 : If You Already Have a MA3 USB drive

Either copy the whole `grandMA3` folder to the USB drive's root. (If prompted that the folder exists, choose "Merge")

**OR**

Copy the `` folder (provided in the plugin's zip file) from:

```
grandMA3/gma3_library/datapools/plugins/Pro Plugins
```

And Paste it in USB drive under the `plugins` folder, as such:

```
grandMA3/gma3_library/datapools/plugins/Pro Plugins
```

**NOTE:** Do NOT put the plugin's XML and LUA files directly in the `plugins` folder. They must be under:

```
plugins/Pro Plugins/MIDI Encoders - v1.5.3/MA3 1.x
```

### Copy The Files To Your MA3 Plugin Library (Internal Drive)

Inside the provided `grandMA3` you can find the `Pro Plugins` folder, here:

```
grandMA3/gma3_library/datapools/plugins/Pro Plugins
```

#### on Mac

Copy the Pro Plugins folder to your `plugins` folder, as such:

```
/Users/[your user]/MALightingTechnology/gma3_library/datapools/plugins/Pro Plugins
```

*If a Pro Plugins folder already exists, then choose "Merge"*

#### on Windows

Copy the Pro Plugins folder to your `plugins` folder, as such:

```
C:\ProgramData\MALightingTechnology\gma3_library\datapools\plugins\Pro Plugins
```

*If a Pro Plugins folder already exists, then choose "Merge"*

## Part 2 - Import The Plugin To Your Show

- Open MA3 software (in the appropriate version)
- Create a "Plugins Pool" Window
- Right-click (Edit) an empty plugin slot
  - **Version Update Note:** If this is a version update, then use an empty plugin object. DO NOT replace the old plugin with the new one.
- In the "Edit UserPlugin" window, click "Import" (At the bottom)
- Make sure that:
  - If you copied the plugin files to your **Internal** plugin library, then the top right dropdown shows "Internal"
  - If you copied the plugin files to your **USB Drive** plugin library, then the top right dropdown shows your "[USB Drive's Name]"
- Find the appropriate plugin's row:
  - Type in "Pro Plugins" in the "Filter" input box.
  - Make the "Name" column wider so you can see the plugin's version
  - Select the row with the name:
    - `MA3 [your version] - Pro Plugins - MIDI Encoders - v1.5.3`
    - If the MA3 version you are using is not in the list, then select the closest version (lower than yours)
- Click "Import"
- You can close the "Edit UserPlugin"
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## Part 3 - Install/Update

The plugin installation is per show file.

### Install

If you've never installed this plugin in your showfile:

- Click the imported plugin object
- Choose "Install"

## Version Update

If you already installed some older version in your show file:

- Click the new version's plugin object
- Choose "Install"
- Choose "IMPORT"
- (The old plugin object will be deleted)

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Enjoy,

Looking forward to hearing from you.

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