



# D:Scribe Transcription Systems August 2008



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## AUDIO TRANSCRIPTION SYSTEMS

## **D:Scribe - Standalone**



D:Scribe transcription systems consist of two products -D:Scribe Standalone is a package of PC transcription software together with a 3 pedal foot-controller, for simple, fast and effective transcription of pre-recorded audio files.

D:Scribe Client & Server software can be used where you are recording using multiple Net-Logs and you want a database system to store, retrieve and transcribe audio.

## **D:Scribe Standalone**



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D:Scribe Standalone is the perfect transcription package to use for quick, simple voice-to-text conversion which can be used either with its own text editor, or which can "float" on top of another application, such as MS Word™.

D:Scribe Standalone has all the transcription features of the full Client & Server version, but doesn't have the management database structure for multiple clients.

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D:Scribe Standalone "On-Top" Screen.

## DS-UP2 D:Scribe Standalone V1.0 to V2.0 Upgrade Features

The V2.0 software has a host of new features, including dongle based licencing and the following:

- DVD/VOB playback with a Video Panel to the left of transcript space.
- New trackbar allows start and stop marks.
- CD Ripper can optionally rip in WMA format.
- Support for USB footpedal.
- Start Bar caption can optionally display Play Position, Recorded Time or Time Remaining
- Play Speed fast, normal, slow with constant pitch and many more features.



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The audio controls for D:Scribe Standalone are the same as for the Client & Server version. A foot-pedal is supplied as standard with this package which controls the Play/Pause, Forward & Rewind buttons.

The online spell-checker is available and 12 user defined function keys can be used to enter repetitive material such as names, places and recurring events. The recorded time & date (if transcribing Net-Log audio files) and the current time & date are also available.

Whilst transcribing, the date and time can be edited to show the actual recorded time, to allow transcription events to tie in with the time of recording. A positional Mark can also be added as a reference, either anywhere within the file, or to mark temporarily where you've got up to with a transcription in case of interruption.

Finished transcripts can be simply emailed by clicking the on-screen email button, which runs your standard email client to send the text file.

D:Scribe Standalone operates with all MS Windows Media Player<sup>™</sup> standard file types : broadcast .wav, .wav, .aif, .aifc, .aiff, .asf, .asx, .wax, .wma, .wmv, .wvx, .wmp, .wmx, .avi, .mpeg, .mpg, .m1v, .mp2, .mp3, .mpa, .mpe, .mpv2, .m3u and .wma. Transcriptions can be made directly from audio CDs (CDA) provided the CD-ROM is fast enough.

MPEG, AVI and WMV video formats are also supported, allowing you to watch and transcribe video footage from an in-built video window.

## **Built-in Recorder**

D:Scribe Standalone has a built-in audio recording screen, capable of recording to compressed MP3 or linear WAV files from any of the recordings sources of your soundcard including Line-In and Microphone.

The recording screen can be used to record audio files using manual start and stop, autostart recordings using levels (VOX), and also auto-split recordings ranging from 30 seconds to 1 hour each.

#### **Transfer Audio CDs**

D:Scribe Standalone has a built-in audio CD ripping capability. This allows pre-recorded audio CDs to be transferred to your PC as compressed MP3 or linear WAV files for playback and transcription.

## **D:Scribe - Client & Server**

**D:Scribe Client & Server** 



D:Scribe Client and Server is a database system which can be used to categorise, transcribe and then file audio recordings with their transcripts. Applications include transcriptions for police interviews, law courts, solicitors offices & council meetings.

D:Scribe Client and Server operates seamlessly with the Sonifex Net-Log audio logger. Audio recorded on one or more Net-Logs can be archived to a defined server IP address where audio files can be stored and logged. The audio files automatically appear in the database structure of D:Scribe Server with the recorded time and date available. Additionally, recording and archiving on the Net-Logs can be controlled from D:Scribe Server.

## Organisational Efficiency -Link Audio & Text Files Automatically

D:Scribe Client and Server is a software suite which runs under Microsoft SQL2000<sup>™</sup> on MS Windows 2000 Server™.

It provides an environment where pre-recorded audio files can be categorised, searched and then transcribed and is ideal for environments where you have multiple channels of audio recordings which need to be transcribed by many people on a network.

Recordings are stored in the D:Scribe Server software where they are categorised and made available to the attached Clients. Audio files are automatically linked to the transcriptions allowing you to systematically arrange and classify the stored information.

## Foot-Controlled Playback & Function Key Text Insertion

Standard audio controls for transcription include Play, Pause, (Fast) Forward and Rewind by defined amounts. Holding the Rewind and Fast-Forward buttons makes

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[G Hoffman]: Yes, it is.

[A Abrahams]: But that contradicts your original witness statement made a lew hours after the accident when you described the accused? Why is that?

[G Hoffman]: At the time I wasn't sure. It was only later that I realised that I really didn't know and couldn't say for sure.

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D:Scribe Client Transcription Screen.



DS-FPS3 D:Scribe Foot-Pedal.

them decrement and increment faster depending on your settings. Previous and Next buttons allow you to go to the previous and next recordings respectively, which is useful where a long session has been captured over a number of recordings. There are also volume & playback speed controls. The Play/ Pause, Forward & Rewind buttons can be controlled with the optional DS-FPS3 or DS-FPU3 foot-pedals.

The transcription window has a spell checker and 12 user defined function keys

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D:Scribe Client User Defined Function Keys.

can be used to enter repetitive material such as names, places and recurring events. The recorded time & date and the current time & date are also available.

D:Scribe Server contains auto-archive and auto-delete facilities so that you can define how long recorded audio files & scripts are stored on the server, e.g. files can be automatically removed after 30 days, eliminating an administration task.

D:Scribe



## D:Scribe - Client & Server & Mentor Time Server

## Quick & Simple Searching For Audio or Text From Your Desktop

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The D:Scribe Client allows you to search for recorded audio by recorded Net-Log, recorded channel (which could be a particular microphone in a court, a channel on a recorded radio frequency, or a particular meeting room) or by recorded time and date. Once you find the audio that you wish to transcribe, you can take "ownership" of it (which will notify other Clients that you are working on it, if they try and transcribe it). You can then use either the software controls, or the optional footpedal, to begin transcription, in a dedicated text window. Once transcription is finished, the text is available and is linked to the audio file. It can then easily be referenced, emailed or exported. You can globally search transcriptions for text, refining the audio files that you search, by Net-Log, recording day, channel, time and date, or script status (new, audio only, text only, audio & text, or open).

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D:Scribe Client Search Screen.

## **Technical Specification**

Minimum System Require	ements
D:Scribe Server:	Pentium 3 800MHz, 512Mb RAM. Disk space required depends on how long archived audio is kept (and bitrates used) MS Windows 2000™, XP Pro™ MS SQL 2000™
D:Scribe Client:	Pentium 3 800MHz, 256Mb RAM Windows 2000™, XP Pro™
D:Scribe Standalone:	Pentium 3 800MHz, 128Mb RAM Windows 2000™, XP Home™, XP Pro™
Equipment Type D:Scribe	Client & Server
DS-SVR:	D:Scribe Server licence (note this needs MS SQL 2000 <sup>™</sup> to operate)
DS-CL01:	D:Scribe Client licence - 1 client licence
DS-CL05:	D:Scribe Client licence - 5 client licence
DS-CL10:	D:Scribe Client licence - 10 client licence
DS-CL25:	D:Scribe Client licence - 25 client licence
DS-FPS3:	D:Scribe foot-pedal, 3 pedal version with 9 pin serial connector
DS-FPU3:	D:Scribe foot-pedal, 3 pedal version with USB connector
Equipment Type D:Scribe	Standalone
DS-STS3:	D:Scribe Standalone with DS-FPS3 foot-pedal, 3 pedal version with 9 pin serial connecto
DS-STU3:	D:Scribe Standalone with DS-FPU3 foot-pedal, 3 pedal version with USB connector
DS-ST01	D:Scribe Standalone licence - 1 user licence
DS-ST05	D:Scribe Standalone licence - 5 user licence
DS-ST25	D:Scribe Standalone licence - 25 user licence
DS-ST100	D:Scribe Standalone licence - 100 user licence

## Licencing and Dongles

D:Scribe uses USB dongles to unlock the full features and functionality of the software. The software can be used for demonstration and evaluation purposes without a dongle, but with limited functionality. When using D:Scribe software without a dongle, a screen reminding you of the limited functionality will be shown periodically. See our website at www.sonifex.co.uk/dscribe for further details regarding the D:Scribe software.



D:Scribe Standalone Dongle.

#### **Mentor Time-Server**

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The Mentor Time-Server is software which runs on a Windows 95/98/2000/XP or Windows NT Server PC and synchronises a number of Windows 95/98/2000/XP, or NT Workstation client machines, or Net-Logs to its time.

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<u>System Source Log</u>	
Clock Source Status:	GPS, Locked
Current Time	Current Date
11:55:57	Wed 21 Jun 2006
GMT Time	GMT Date
10:55:57	Wed 21 Jun 2006
50 19 Seria	al Input Connected

Mentor Time Software Server Screen.

#### Equipment Type Mentor

MTS-5	Mentor Time-Server 5 client licence
MTS-25	Mentor Time-Server 25 client licence
MTS-100	Mentor Time-Server 100 client licence
MTS-500	Mentor Time-Server 500 client licence
GPS-1	Mentor GPS Receiver

## **GPS-1 Mentor GPS Receiver**

The "line of site" GPS-1 antenna receives an accurate time signal and converts it to RS232 data which Mentor Server can read and distribute to the clients.



GPS-1 Mentor GPS receiver, connects to PC RS232.



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