Submission Specifications

Apple ProRes 422 (HQ)

VIDEO SPECIFICATIONS				
Standard	Resolution	Frame Rates	Color Space	
HD	1920 x 1080	29.97i / 29.97p /25i / 25p / 24p / 23.98p	ITU-R BT.709	
	1280 x 720	29.97p / 25p / 24p / 23.98p		
SD	720 x 480	29.97i	ITU-R BT.601	
	720 x 576	25i / 25p		

AUDIO SPECIFICATIONS		
Stereo	5.1 Audio (+LT/RT)	
Audio Codec: Linear PCM Format: Big Endian or Little Endian Sample Depth: 16-bit or 24-bit Sample Size: 48kHz Audio must be stereo paired	Audio Track 1: Ch.1 Left (Front) Audio Track 2: Ch.2 Right (Front) Audio Track 3: Ch.3 Center Audio Track 4: Ch.4 LFE Audio Track 5: Ch.5 Left Surround Audio Track 6: Ch.6 Right Surround Audio Track 7: Ch.7 & 8 Left Total / Right Total (Stereo Pair)	

FILM AND TELEVISION ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

No Advertising, release date, physical product tags (i.e. DVD, album, concerts, promotions). Must be a clean and true feature/video. No Commercial blacks longer than 3 seconds. No Bumpers. No URLs)

Trailer Notes

- No MPAA ratings card
- o Cannot have more active pixels, and must be the same aspect ratio as the feature.
- No Release Date tagging or voice over
- No Physical Product tagging
- If trailer is a continuous clip from the feature, it must have duration between 30 seconds and 5 minutes
- o If trailer is edited (traditional trailer), there is no time limit on duration.
- o No URLs
- o No DVD references, images or voice over
- No Nudity / Profanity

COMMON REASONS FOR IMMEDIATE REJECTION

- Apple ProRes 422, Apple ProRes 422 (LT), H.264 and MP4 are NOT acceptable codecs. Video codec must be "Apple ProRes 422 (HQ)" in a QuickTime container (**.mov).
- If both the L and R audio are identical, it is DUAL CHANNEL MONO and will fail. Audio must be in STEREO.
- Videos that have a 23.98 frame rate with repeated frames, dropped frames and/or interlacing are not acceptable. Videos with a 23.98 frame rate must be fully progressive.
- Audio with a sample rate of 44.1kHz is NOT supported. It must be 48 kHz, even for editorial audio replacements.
- The AAC audio codec is NOT supported. It must be the Linear PCM codec.
- **4:1 CADENCE** is a failure point for Long Form content. It must be fixed to be either fully progressive 23.98fps or 3:2 interlaced 29.97fps video before submission.
- Poor audio/video sync is not acceptable. Audio/video must be properly SYNCED on all video content.

This is a list of the most common quality control issues, but videos may be failed for reasons not stated above

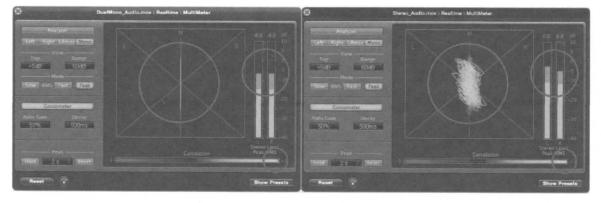
DUAL CHANNEL MONO EXPLAINED

Dual mono occurs when both the Left and Right channels are identical to each other.

Audio should be checked on an audiometer as QuickTime will falsely define anything with two audio channels as "stereo."

DUAL MONO

STEREO



Wave Form is a straight vertical line Right and Left Levels are uniform Correlation Meter is static at +1 Wave Form branches out to left and right Right and Left Levels are dynamic Correlation Meter is dynamic between 0 and +1

If you are using Final Cut 7, make sure that you are stereo pairing your audio track before exporting. (Select your audio tracks then Modify ---> stereo pair).

Your tracks should have icons like this (notice the 4 green arrows)



If the source audio is MONO to begin with, nothing will be able to make it true stereo.