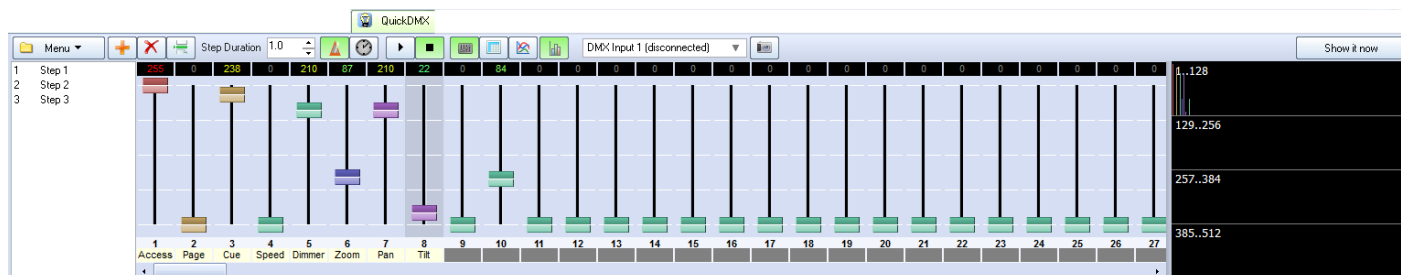


# QuickDMX

The QuickDMX tool allows you to quickly create DMX scenes or complete DMX sequences. Simply click on the **QuickDMX** tab at the bottom of the screen and you will see the **QuickDMX** tool. (Note that you will not see the **QuickDMX** feature until you have DMX Output enabled using the [DMX Settings](#) dialog box.)



As shown, you simply add as many steps as you want in the sequence, moving the sliders at each step, indicate the step duration, and then either **Show it now**, or drag and drop the sequence to a cue for playback later.

## Adding steps to create a sequence

Although the **QuickDMX** tool can be used to output a single channel or channels continually (thus forming a DMX “scene” and requiring only a single Step), typically the **QuickDMX** tool is used to make sequences. To create a sequence, you must first add as many steps as you want in the sequence. For example, if you want to have a four-step sequence, simply click on the **+** button until you see four steps.

## Controlling the speed of the sequence

The speed of the sequence is controlled by the **Step duration** control and by the **Beats** and **Time** buttons to the right of the **Step duration** control. Typically beam sequences are performed to the beat of the music and typically with each step within the sequence remaining on only for a single beat. If this is desired, see the picture above (which is also the default configuration). If you want each step to last two beats, you can increase the Step duration control to 2.0. If you want each step to last for 4 seconds, increase the Step duration control to 4 and click on the **Time** button (indicated by a Clock icon – this indicates time instead of beats).

## Stepping through the sequence manually

You can review the output of each step by simply clicking the left mouse button on the desired Step. For example, if you want to see what the output looks like at Step 2, simply click on the word Step 2. The step number is made bold in the list.

## Displaying the static or sequenced DMX momentarily

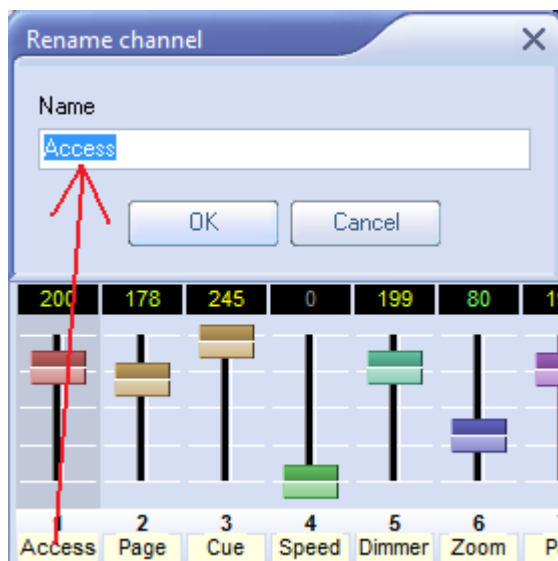
To send the output of the QuickDMX tool to the DMX output device, simply click on the **Show it now** button. If the **Play** button is pressed in the QuickDMX window, the DMX sequence will be output to the device. If the **Stop** button is pressed, only the selected step will be output.

## Saving the QuickDMX to a cue

You can save the **QuickDMX** sequence to a cue for permanent storage or for use later. Simply drag and drop the preview window (or the **QuickDMX** tab itself) to a cue.

## Changing the name of DMX channels

You can give each channel a different name by clicking the right mouse button on the label below the slider, and entering a name.



## Changing the color and control type

You can change the color of each slider by right-clicking on the slider itself, and then choosing a color in the menu. If you have a DMX fixture that uses six channels, you can make the six sliders that control that fixture all the same color, thus helping you to identify which sliders correspond to the fixture.

You can also designate a channel as requiring stepped change or smooth change. For example, certain lighting fixtures have control channels which require absolute values to be presented, while other channels that control the pan, tilt, and brightness would desire a smooth change. This too can be

specified.

Channel 7

☒ Use "stepped change"  
Use "smooth change"

☒ Default rule  
HTP (high takes precedent)  
LTP (last takes precedent)

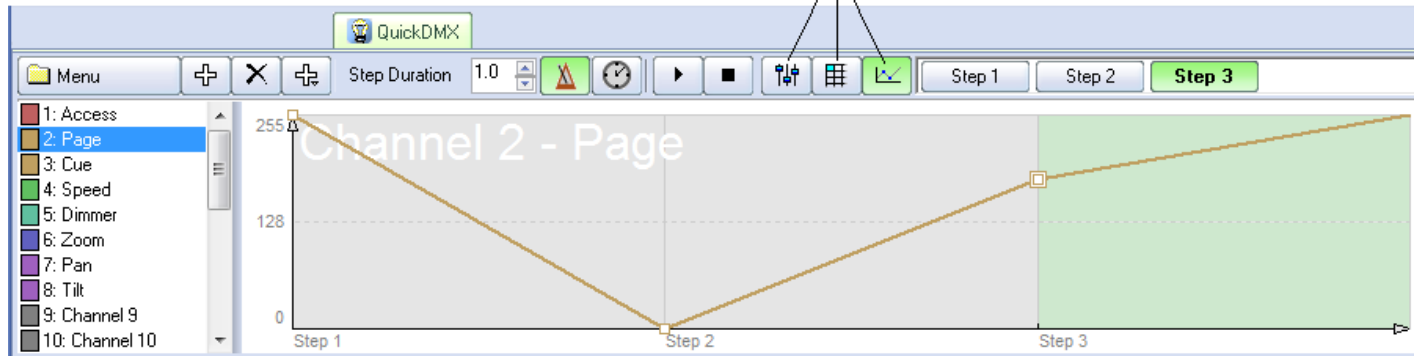
☒ 8 bit channel  
As 16 hi  
As 16 lo

Disable channel  
Disable and clear channel  
Set all channels to 0  
Set all channels to 255

## Changing how channels are viewed

You can view the DMX either as sliders (as shown above), or as a spreadsheet format, or as a waveform, showing how the channel values will change at each step.

Use these buttons to change the view mode



## See Also

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