

SoundBlink Hack

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Requirements

SoundBlink Hack requires X–Master or TealMaster to run. X–Master is available from LinkeSoft’s website (<http://www.linkesoft.com>). For a generic explanation of what hacks are, please refer to <http://www.dseifert.com/hacks>.

Furthermore SoundBlink Hack requires a PalmOS device running PalmOS 4.x. For using the LED and vibrator feature, your device needs to have an alarm LED and an inbuilt vibrator. Please **DO NOT INSTALL** SoundBlink Hack on an unsupported device.

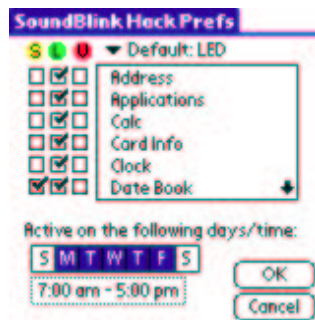
Usage

SoundBlink Hacks allows to control sounds on a simple level. Basically, it allows you to mute or redirect any sound from any application at a given time.

You can configure the behaviour of SoundBlink Hack by going to your extension manager (X–Master/Tealmaster), selecting SoundBlink Hack and tapping on “+” or “Configure”. This will bring up the preference screen (a screenshot is shown on the next page).

First, you should define a time period, like 7am to 5pm, and the days your settings should be active. During this time, you now can define what should happen if a certain application tries to play a sound. You can define any possible combination of “play the sound”, “blink with the LED” and “vibrate”. Outside this period of time, SoundBlink Hack will be inactive and only the sound will play.

At the top right corner you can also select the default behaviour:



Selecting an entry will ask you whether all applications should be set to this default. New installed applications will use the default, too.

You can use the checkboxes in front of each application to define a different behaviour. The first row (yellow symbol) defines whether this app should play the sound. The second row (green symbol) defines whether to blink with the LED and the final row (red symbol) tells the app to use the vibrator whenever a sound has to be played.

Please note that you might only use settings different from the default setting for 64 applications. This usually should be sufficient.

Example

Let's say your working hours are from Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm. During this time all sound should be muted except for the Date Book application. You would setup the time like shown above in the screenshot, setup a default behaviour (like "Silence" or "LED") and mark the "Sound" checkbox in front of "DateBook".

Warnings

Usually it is no problem to prevent sound from being played. All tested applications and games didn't mind except that because of the overhead of vibrating some games became a bit slower (if vibration was enabled). Nonetheless we would like to point out that we **strongly recommend** to make a complete **backup** of your Palm device and check whether these kind of applications (usually games) still work correctly. Plain applications that only make beep or play simple sounds should have no problem with being muted and using the LED and vibrator instead.

Support

In case of questions or problems, feel free to send a mail to support@79bmedia.com. You can also send us suggestions for improvements, though we probably won't have the time to implement them.

Questions regarding the source code (implementation, details, etc) can be send to techsupport@79bmedia.com.