

Using MPEG-2 Files in TrialDirector

TrialDirector® Version 5.1 supports the use of MPEG-2 video files, provided that the end-user has a proper MPEG-2 codec loaded onto their computer. inData's DepoView® DVD (used for delivering synced deposition videos) includes a proper MPEG-2 codec right on the disc. Therefore, a TrialDirector user who receives a video deposition on a DepoView DVD disc can install the codec on their computer and work with MPEG-2 files.

Using DepoView DVDs with TrialDirector

Follow the instructions below to import the synchronized transcripts and attached exhibits into TrialDirector.

1. Insert the DepoView DVD into your DVD drive. Run the **InstallCodec.exe** program from the root of the DepoView DVD. You only need to run this once on each PC. Installation of the audio/video codec pack is necessary to ensure that the DVD-Video can be played back accurately in TrialDirector.
2. Open TrialDirector and navigate to the **Transcript Manager** tab.
3. Select the **Transcripts > Import Transcripts From > TrialDirector Case File** menu option.
4. Browse to the **Import** folder on the DepoView DVD and select the .CMS file. Complete the Import Wizard and make sure to index the transcript.
5. Once the .CMS file is imported, you can open the synchronized digital video transcript for review.
6. When opening a Digital Video Transcript imported from a DepoView DVD for the first time, there is a brief pause while the video reference on the DVD is updated. Once the DVT is opened the video and transcript can be played back in synchronization.
7. If the DepoView DVD includes any attached exhibits, they can be imported via Document Manager using the .OLL file within the Import folder. Once you import any attached exhibits, they can be linked and synchronized to a location within the transcript. Use the **Attach Synchronized Exhibit** feature within Transcript Manager to synchronize exhibits to a location within the transcript.

Known Issue:

The following message is displayed when attempting to use the Segment Editor with clips created with DepoView DVDs: *Unsupported multimedia format (*.VOB)*. Future versions of TrialDirector will address this issue. Use the classic clip editing tools below the Multimedia Manager to edit clips created from DepoView DVDs.

Tips and Tricks:

Copy the contents of the DepoView DVD to a local or network hard disk location. Copying the DepoView DVD to a hard disk will improve the seek times to access video playback. It will also ensure that the video is always available and the user does not need to swap DVD disks.

Make sure to use the Modify Multimedia Locations wizard within Transcript Manager to remap the locations of the DepoView DVD if you decide to copy to a local or network hard disk location.