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1.0 Introduction

Congratulations with the purchase of this high-quality Eminent product! This product has undergone extensive testing by Eminent's technical experts. Should you experience any problems with this product, you are covered by a five-year Eminent warranty. Please keep this manual and the receipt in a safe place.

Register your product now on www.eminent-online.com and receive product updates!

1.1 Functions and features

The Eminent Third Party Apps is the place to search for Apps for your Eminent HD Media Player!

No difficulties with installing these Apps: Use your computer and just click your favorite App. By clicking an App, the App will be installed on your Eminent Third Party Apps account. Once installed, you can use your Media Player to play the installed Apps. This way, many Apps will be within your reach.

By default, there are many Apps available for your HD Media Player. By using the Eminent Third Party Apps, you can even create your own Apps and share these Apps with other users of the Eminent Third Party Apps. The more Apps people create, the more Apps will become available in the Eminent Third Party Apps.

Note: The number of available Apps can vary. The Apps are provided by third parties. The functioning of the available Apps solely depends on these third parties. If a third party decides to make changes to a certain App or decides to stop supporting Apps, Eminent cannot guarantee the continued functioning of the Apps!

1.2 Eminent Open Source Forum

Eminent Europe B.V. has a large community forum where visitors can help each other with problems and issues. It is not a replacement for our support desk, but is intended to be a great place to learn about new developments and to help out users.

The Eminent Open Source Forum can be found at:

<http://opensource.eminent-online.com>

1.3 Support

When experiencing issues which cannot be solved using the Eminent Open Source Forum, you can contact the Eminent Helpdesk by e-mail:

You can fill out the contact form on the Eminent website. This form can be found at:

www.eminent-online.com/contact

1.4 Developer account

If you wish to develop Apps for the Eminent Third Party Apps, Eminent can change your user account into a Developer account which has more privileges. As developer accounts have access to system resources to introduce system-wide Apps, we might require to see your own developed work prior to elevating your accounts' privileges. If you do not agree, Developer accounts will not be supplied. Potential developers can contact us using the Open Source Forum or by e-mail using: support@eminent-online.com with subject: 'Developers Account Eminent Third Party Apps'.

2.0 First use

Before you can use the Eminent Third Party Apps, your Media Player needs to have internet access. The Media Player needs to be able to use the on-board Apps without problems. For example: The YouTube XL function needs to function without any problem.

The use of HD streams require a fast internet connection with at least 8Mbit downstream. Please check the speed of your internet connection, or contact your Internet Service Provider for more details.

2.1 Registering an account

Before you can use the Eminent Third Party Apps functionality, you need to register for an account (confirmation is needed). You can create an account using your computer. You can create an account at any time.

1. Open your computer's web browser: For Example: Internet Explorer, Firefox or Safari.
2. Type 'http://thirdparty.eminent-online.com' in the address bar of the web browser and press the 'Enter' key on your keyboard.
3. Click 'Create new account'.
4. Select your language.
5. Enter a valid e-mail address.
6. Enter your desired password.
7. Confirm your desired password.
8. Read the (disclaimer) text beneath 'Conditions'.
9. Once you have read the text, you need to mark the checkbox 'I agree with...'.
10. Click on 'Create an account'. You will be notified of creation of the account. A confirmation e-mail will be sent to the e-mail address you have entered.
11. Check your e-mail for the account confirmation.
12. Click on the link in the confirmation e-mail to confirm the account creation.

2.2 Registering your player

1. Make sure your Media Player has started, and has internet connectivity.
2. Make sure you are in the main menu and select 'Apps'. Press the 'OK' button on the remote control.
3. A screen with icons appears.
4. Use the remote control to select the '3rd Party Apps' icon and press the 'OK' button on the remote control.
5. Select '3rd Party Apps' and press the 'OK' button on the remote control.
6. Use the remote control to select your preferred language and press the 'OK' button on the remote control.
7. Pre-registration should now start.
8. A confirmation message appears which indicates pre-registration has succeeded.
9. Press the 'OK' button on the remote control to return to the previous screen.

2.3 Adding the Media Player to your account

Now the Media Player has been pre-registered, the Media Player can be added to your account.

1. Open your computer's web browser: For Example: Internet Explorer, Firefox or Safari.
2. Type 'http://thirdparty.eminent-online.com' in the address bar of the web browser and press the 'Enter' key on your keyboard.

3. Enter your login details (username and password) and click the 'Sign In' button.
4. The main page appears. You are now logged in to your account where Apps can be managed.
5. Click on 'My Media Players' in the top right corner of the web page.
6. At the 'Action' field, the text: 'Register this Media Player' is shown.
7. Click on 'Register this Media Player' to register your Media Player to your account.
8. A confirmation message appears. Click 'Back' to return to the previous screen.

The initial setup is now complete. If you want to quickly add an App, please proceed with chapter 2.5

2.4 Folders and subfolders

Apps can be grouped together and placed into folders as you please. You can also create subfolders up to two levels. The first step to do so, is by creating a folder, by following the steps below.

1. Click on 'My Apps' in the top right corner of the web page.
2. Your App list will appear. At first usage this list will appear empty.
3. Click 'Add Folder'.
4. Enter the name for your folder at the 'Name' field. For example 'Streaming Radio'.
5. Choose a (sub) folder to store the folder in. If subfolders are not available, select 'Root Folder'.
6. If needed, you can enable PIN protection (also see chapter 3.3) for this specific folder and all Apps or subfolders within this folder. Enable the 'Secured with PIN code' checkbox to do so.
7. Click on 'Create' after which the folder will be created.
8. The created folder will be placed on the first page of your App list.

You can now use the 'Streaming Radio' as a target folder when subscribing Apps from the 'Search through available Apps' list.

Due to system limitations, folders can not be re-positioned up/down the App list. Folders will always be positioned at the top of the list.

2.5 Adding an App to your account

Now your player has been linked to your account, you can start to add available Apps. Use the following steps to add an App to your Media Player:

1. Click 'My Apps' in the top right corner of the web page.
2. Your App list will appear. This list will be empty at first besides any folders you have already created.
3. Click 'Search through available Apps' at the top of your App list.

4. A list of available Apps will be shown on the screen.
5. Search for Apps you want to add and place a mark at 'Subscribe'. You also need to place a mark at the 'Disclaimer'. Each App has it's own disclaimer.
6. Select the folder you want to store the App in at 'Folder to store in'.
7. Adult-rated Apps have two disclaimers. Each disclaimer needs to be marked.
8. Click the 'Subscribe' button to add the selected Apps to your account.
9. A confirmation appears which indicates the added Apps can no be used on your Media Player.
10. Click 'Back' to return to the previous screen.

Any Apps which have not been added to the chosen folder can be unsubscribed and be added again to the correct folder.

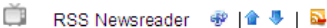
By using the 'App Online' icon on your television, the added Apps can be used.

Note: The App has more advanced functions like sorting your Apps and pin protection. These functions will be explained in chapter 3.

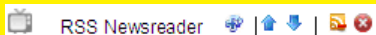
3.0 Advanced functions

3.1 Sorting Apps

Apps can be sorted to your liking. You will need to be logged into the Eminent Third Party Apps using your computer. Use the following steps to sort your Apps:

1. Click 'My Apps' in the top right corner of the web page.
2. Your App list will appear.
3. Use the mouse indicator to select an App.
4. A number of icons will be shown besides the Apps. Use the mouse indicator to view the explanation of the icons. Also see the following image:
5. 

Note: If you have developers privileges, more icons may appear

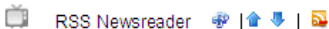


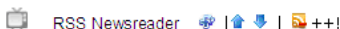
6. The icon on the left can be used to rate an App, and will be explained in section 3.2.
7. The second and third icon will change the position of the App on-screen. When positioning Apps using your computer, the Apps will also be shown accordingly on your television.
8. The fourth icon can be used to unsubscribe an App.
9. If an App is owned & created by yourself (developer privileges), the fifth icon will remove it completely from the Eminent Third Party Apps and from your list.

Deleting Apps which have been created by yourself are also not visible anymore for other Eminent Third Party Apps users.

10. Folders can not be moved. Folders can only be edited or deleted.

3.2 Rating Apps

1. Click on 'My Apps' in the top right corner of the web page.
2. Your App list will appear.
3. A number of icons will appear besides the Apps:

4. To give an App a '++' rate, click the left icon.
5. A '++!' indication will appear on the right side, which indicates your have rated the App.



6. Please note you cannot un-rate the App, so please only rate Apps after reviewing them for some time.

3.3 Pin security

Your folders and Apps can be secured by using a PIN code. This PIN code is a 'global' code and once set, this PIN code will be used for all secured Apps & folders. In order to use the PIN code:

1. Click 'Profile' in the top right corner of the web page.
2. Your profile will appear.
3. Click the 'Modify' button at 'Personal Details'.
4. Enter or change the PIN code at the 'PIN' field.
5. Click 'Save' to save the PIN code and to return to the main menu.

If a folder or App is secured and this folder or App is opened on your television, the PIN code needs to be filled in. If this question appears, press the 'OK' button to enter the PIN code.

The PIN code security can used:

- When adding a subscription to an App
- When creating a new App*
- When creating a new folder, or editing an existing one.
- When adding or editing a stream

**Developer rights are required to create new system-wide Apps. Your own Apps/Streams/folders are only visible in your own players which are registered on this specific account.*

3.4 Adding custom streams

The Eminent Third Party Apps has an 'Add a Stream' option which allows you to quickly add suited Video/Audio streams or URLS, and turn them into 'Apps' which can easily be added to your App List.

If you want to add a stream, you need to make sure a valid URL-Address has been used. If not, the App will not function. An invalid stream will result in a blue screen with an error notification. (URL's are not a simple Web-Address. An URL is an exact address which is used by the specific website).

Retrieving the correct stream (Address) requires some internet streaming knowledge.

If you experience any issues, or you do not know how to retrieve the correct URL, you can refer to the Eminent Open Source forum for possible solutions or support from other users.

3.4.1 Using a .PLS file to add a radio stream

There are countless sources where streams can be found. For Example: By using 'Shoutcast'. Shoutcast uses so called .PLS files. By editing .PLS files, valid stream addresses and URL's can be retrieved. We will explain how to retrieve a stream address using .PLS files which can be found using Shoutcast and how to add this stream address to your own stream.

1. Open your computer's web browser (For example: Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Safari).
2. Fill in the following: 'www.shoutcast.com' and press the 'Enter' key on your keyboard.
3. The Shoutcast page will be shown.
4. Click 'Radiogenre' a the left side of the screen. For example: Click 'Pop'.
5. Now choose a subgenre. For example: 'Top 40' and click 'Top 40' using the left mouse button.
6. Available radio stations will be shown at the right side of the screen.
7. Right-click the name of a radio station (For example: Jack FM – All hit Radio) and choose 'Save as'.
8. Choose a location where you want to save the file (.PLS) to (For Example: Your desktop) and click 'Save'.
9. Go to your desktop and right-click the saved .PLS file and choose 'Open with wordpad' after which the .PLS file will be opened.
10. You will see a text summary with at least one web address. For example: You will see: <http://80.237.210.91:80> (write down this address or copy this address).
11. Login to the Eminent Third Party Apps using your web browser.
12. Click 'My Apps' at top right corner of the web page.
13. Click 'Add a Stream'.
14. At 'Name' you can fill out the name of the station. You may also fill out a random name.

15. 'SWF location' remains empty.
16. At 'Stream location' you can fill out the web address you have written down, or you can copy the web address to this rule.
17. Click 'Save'. You have now added a 'stream'.
18. The added stream is now visible at the App list.
19. If you want to play the added stream, go to the '3rd Party Apps' icon using your Media Player. Attention: When playing a radio stream, the screen of your television will remain totally black. Only sound is hearable.

Streams which have been added by yourself can not be placed in folders or subfolders. Streams which have been created by yourself will always be placed in de root of the 'My Apps' page!

** You can also use another text editor to open a .PLS file. Since most Windows computers have wordpad installed by default, Wordpad has been chosen as an example.*

3.4.2 Adding a video stream

It is also possible to add a video stream. Use the following steps to add a video stream. In the following example we are using the website: FreetuxTV WebTV Manager.

1. Open your computer's web browser (For example: Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Safari).
2. Fill out the following: 'http://freetuxtv.eric-beuque.com/webtv-manager/site/index' and press the 'Enter' key on your keyboard.
3. You will see a number at 'WebTV'. Also, several languages are selectable. If the number is '5' shown, it means 5 video streams are available at the specific language. Click this number.
4. The available video streams will be shown.
5. Select the link or web address at the name of the stream and write down this address or copy this address. You can also click 'View details' for more information.
6. Re-open your web browser and login to the Eminent Third Party Apps.
7. Click 'My Apps' at the top right corner of the web page.
8. Click 'Add a Stream'.
9. At 'Name' you can fill out the name of the video stream. You may also fill out a random name.
10. 'SWF location' remains empty.
11. At 'Stream location' you can fill out the web address you have written down, or you can copy the web address to this rule.
12. Click 'Save'. You have now added a 'stream'.
13. The added stream is now visible at the App list.
14. If you want to play the added stream, go to the '3rd Party Apps' icon using your Media Player.

Streams which have been added by yourself can not be placed in folders or subfolders. Streams which have been created by yourself will always be placed in the root of the 'My Apps' page!

Note: It is possible not all video streams are working. If so, try to use another video stream!