# MIDI-CI Property Exchange MaxSysex8Streams Resource

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#### **PREFACE**

Property Exchange is part of the MIDI-CI specifications first released in 2018. Property Exchange is a method for sending JSON over SysEx between two devices to get and set device properties. Each MIDI device is unique and provides an experience different from another device. Property Exchange allows you to discover and use almost any device in a consistent way. This document describes the Property Data for these Resources. For information on how to transmit and receive Property Data over SysEx please see the MIDI-CI [MMA02] and Common Rules for MIDI-CI Property Exchange [MMA03].

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Background

Property Exchange is part of the MIDI Capability Inquiry (MIDI-CI) [MMA02] specification and MIDI 2.0. Property Exchange is a method for getting and setting various data, called Resources, between two Devices. Resources are exchanged inside two payload fields of System Exclusive Messages defined by MIDI-CI, the Header Data field and Property Data field. This document defines only the contents of the Header Data and Property Data fields. For information on how to transmit and receive these Resource payloads inside MIDI-CI System Exclusive messages, see the MIDI Capability Inquiry specification [MMA02] and Common Rules for MIDI-CI Property Exchange specification [MMA03].

This document defines the MaxSysex8Streams Resource which uses Property Exchange to discover how many simultaneous System Exclusive 8 messages are supported by a Device when using the MIDI 2.0 Protocol. See [MMA04] Universal MIDI Packet Format and MIDI 2.0 Protocol.

#### 1.2 Related Documents

- [MMA01] The Complete MIDI 1.0 Detailed Specification, Document Version 96.1, Third Edition, Association of Musical Electronics Industry, <a href="http://www.amei.or.jp/">http://www.amei.or.jp/</a>, and MIDI Manufacturers Association, <a href="https://www.midi.org/">https://www.midi.org/</a>.
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  Association of Musical Electronics Industry, http://www.amei.or.jp/, and MIDI
  Manufacturers Association, <a href="https://www.midi.org/">https://www.midi.org/</a>.
- [MMA05] Property Exchange MIDI-CI Foundational Resources: DeviceInfo, ChannelList, JSONSchema, Version 1.0, Association of Musical Electronics Industry, http://www.amei.or.jp/, and MIDI Manufacturers Association, <a href="https://www.midi.org/">https://www.midi.org/</a>.

### 1.3 Terminology

**Device:** An entity, whether hardware or software, which can send and/or receive MIDI messages.

**MIDI-CI:** [MMA02] MIDI Capability Inquiry, a specification published by MMA and AMEI.

**Property:** A JSON key:value pair used by Property Exchange.

**Property Data:** A set of one or more Properties in a Device which are accessible by Property Exchange. Contained in the Property Data field of a MIDI-CI Property Exchange message.

**Property Exchange:** an AMEI/MMA specification which is the basis for this specification, in which one Device may access Property Data from another Device.

**Property Exchange Device:** A Device which implements Property Exchange.

**Property Key:** the key in a JSON key:value pair used by Property Exchange.

**Property Value:** the value in a JSON key:value pair used by Property Exchange.

Resource: A defined Property Data with an associated inquiry for accessing the Property Data.

**Simple Property Resource:** A Resource that defines only a single Property which includes only a Property Value, without the Property Key, in the Property Data.

**Universal MIDI Packet:** The data format of the Universal MIDI Packet, a data container for MIDI 1.0 Protocol messages and all MIDI 2.0 Protocol messages. See [MMA04] Universal MIDI Packet Format and MIDI 2.0 Protocol.

# 1.4 Reserved Words and Specification Conformance

In this document, the following words are used solely to distinguish what is required to conform to this specification, what is recommended but not required for conformance, and what is permitted but not required for conformance:

**Table 1 Words Relating to Specification Conformance** 

Word	Reserved For	Relation to Spec Conformance
shall	Statements of requirement	Mandatory. A conformant implementation conforms to all 'shall' statements.
should	Statements of recommendation	Recommended but not mandatory. An implementation that does not conform to some or all 'should' statements is still conformant, providing all 'shall' statements are conformed to.
may	Statements of permission	Optional. An implementation that does not conform to some or all 'may' statements is still conformant, providing all 'shall' statements are conformed to.

By contrast, in this document, the following words are never used for specification conformance statements; they are used solely for descriptive and explanatory purposes:

**Table 2 Words Not Relating to Specification Conformance** 

Word	Reserved For	Notes
must	Statements of unavoidability	Describes an action to be taken that, while not required (or at least not directly required) by this specification, is unavoidable.  Not used for statements of conformance requirement (see 'shall' above).
will	Statements of fact	Describes a condition that as a question of fact is necessarily going to be true, or an action that as a question of fact is necessarily going to occur, but not as a requirement (or at least not as a direct requirement) of this specification.  Not used for statements of conformance requirements (see 'shall' above).
can	Statements of capability	Describes a condition or action that a system element is capable of possessing or taking.  Not used for statements of conformance permission (see 'may' above).
might	Statements of possibility	Describes a condition or action that a system element is capable of electing to possess or take.  Not used for statements of conformance permission (see 'may' above).

# 2. MaxSysex8Streams Resource

#### 2.1 Introduction

"MaxSysex8Streams" is a Simple Property Resource which is used to discover the number of simultaneous System Exclusive 8 Stream IDs a Receiver is able to support.

The Universal MIDI Packet Format and MIDI 2.0 Protocol Specification [MMA04] defines that multiple, simultaneous System Exclusive 8 messages may be sent. The individual Universal MIDI Packets that comprise a single System Exclusive 8 message all share a Stream ID. When multiple, simultaneous System Exclusive 8 messages are interleaved, each message has a unique Stream ID.

A Device may not be able to receive more than one System Exclusive 8 message at a time. The Universal MIDI Packet Format and MIDI 2.0 Protocol Specification defines that a Device shall not send multiple, simultaneous System Exclusive 8 messages before using a MIDI-CI Property Exchange inquiry to discover that the Receiver is capable of supporting more than one Stream ID at a time.

# 2.2 Initiator Requests Data from a Responder Using an Inquiry: Get Property Data

An Initiator may request the "MaxSysex8Streams" Resource from a Responder using an Inquiry: Get Property Data message.

#### **Initiator Sends Inquiry: Get Property Data Message**

Header Data	{"resource":"MaxSysex8Streams"}
Property Data	none

#### Responder Sends Reply to Get Property Data Message

Header Data	{"status":200}	
Property Data	8	

# 2.3 "ResourceList" Integration for MaxSysex8Streams

Example minimal entry in ResourceList:

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	Property Data	[ {"resource": "MaxSysex8Streams"}
		]

Example full version with default settings:

```
Property Data
                   [
                        "resource": "MaxSysex8Streams",
                        "canGet": true,
                        "canSet": "none",
                        "canSubscribe": false,
                        "requireResId": false,
                        "schema": {
                           "title": "Max SysEx 8 Streams",
                           "type": "integer",
                           "minimum": 0,
                           "maximum": 255,
                        "description": "The number of simultaneous SysEx8 Stream
                         IDs supported.\n0 = Receiver does not support any System
                         Exclusive 8 messages.\n1 = Receiver does not support
                         multiple, simultaneous System Exclusive 8 messages.\n2 -
                         255 = The number of simultaneous System Exclusive 8 Stream
                         IDs supported"
                     }
```

#### **Revision History**

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Nov. 17, 2020	1.01	Initial Version

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