

# Re: Screen Saver During Playback

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I'm unaware of any unique power management features within WMP – I do not believe you would be able to manage this internally in WMP.

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"Skier7667" <[Skier7667@xx](mailto:Skier7667@xx)> wrote in message  
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Hi zachd,

Well, the problem I'm having is that if I am watching streaming content, XP Media Center is dimming my display, hence the video is gone. The content keeps play, I can hear the audio. What I have to keep on doing is either moving my mouse slightly or depressing the volume +/- button on my Microsoft Media Center Remote. Then the video comes back on. This keeps on happening every 20 minutes. The only way around it seems to turn off power management for the monitor. That is a burden, since then after watching, I would have to turn it back on again each time.

What I don't understand is that the PC is not really inactive – there is video playing which is using CPU cycles and there is audio as well. I can't find any setting within Media Player that will allow it to play without this interruption. I did find the check box that allows the screen player to be turned On or Off during video playback and it was "Unchecked" – so the video is not interrupted by the screen saver.

Is there a setting I'm missing here to allow the video to continue to

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display on the monitor without having to diable "Power Management" for the monitor each time?

Thanks,

Roger

"zachd [ms]" wrote:

WMP's Tools:Options . You only get one global checkbox here, though, there's no specific audio/video option.

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Hi Anger,

Where is this option to allow the screen saver to activate  
duing  
playback  
if  
listening to music. Mine is coming on while watching a  
video stream in  
Media  
Player and it wasn't before. I believe something might have  
changed.

Please let me know!

Thanks,

Roger

"Anger" wrote:

This option to Allow Sreen Saver during  
playback is nice if I'm  
listening  
to  
music but if I'm watching a movie I don't  
want my screen saver to  
start.  
I

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don't know if this is the right way of going  
about this but maybe  
someone  
out  
there might know someone who can get this  
changed or modified to  
exclude  
the  
screensaver during the playing of movies  
and allowing it during music.  
I  
am  
using Windows Media Player Version:  
10.00.00.4036.  
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Anger