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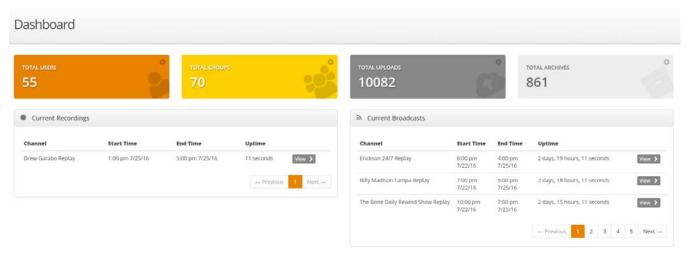


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1. Dashboard

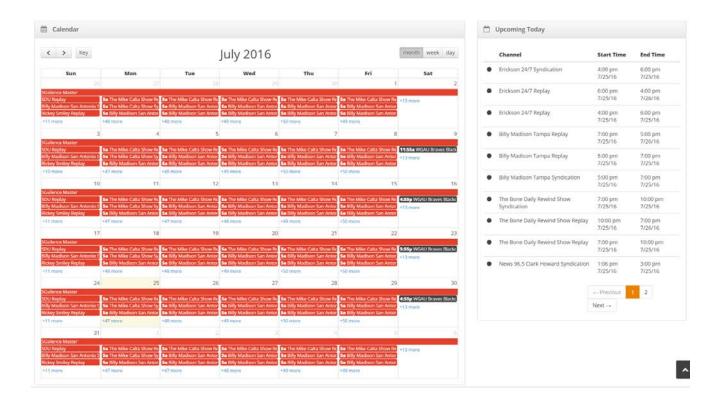


This is the main landing page for the SGrecast system. Here you can gain a brief overview of current statistics and scheduled channels for your system.

1.1. Current Recordings/Broadcasts

Directly under the statistics you will find all current recordings and broadcasts running on your SGrecast system. Each currently running record and broadcast will be displayed in these sections with their scheduled start and end time as well as their current uptime. To view more specific details about a currently running record/broadcast, you can select the grey "View" icon to the right of each channel.

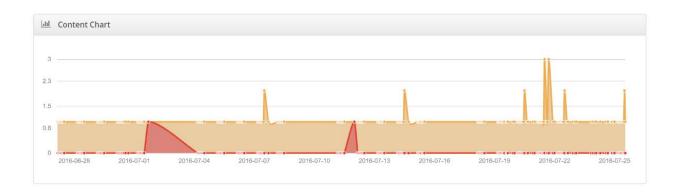
1.2. Calendar



Beneath the current recordings/broadcasts you will find the calendar and upcoming channels for the current day. The calendar displays all scheduled recordings and broadcasts on your SGrecast system. Recordings are displayed in red and broadcasts are shown in grey. This calendar gives users a visualization of their scheduled segments. Click on an event to view more details about its scheduled time and description.

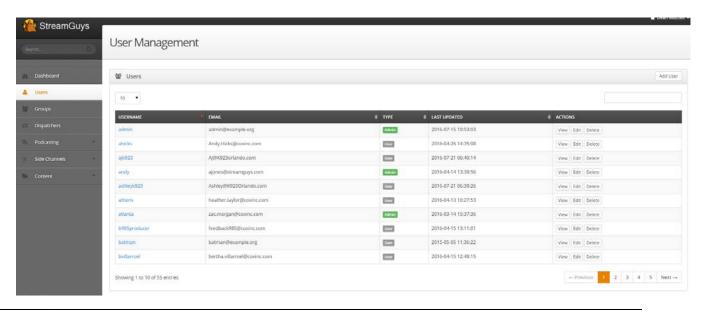
The 'Upcoming Today' section displays all recordings and broadcasts scheduled for the current date to give the user an overview of what sidechannels are coming up.

1.3 Content Chart



Under the calendar you will find the content chart, which displays the number of uploads and archives over the past few weeks. Uploads are displayed in red and archives are displayed in orange. This chart is meant to give users a visualization of how many recordings are being archived compared to how many files are being uploaded on their SGrecast system.

2. Users



Users include all accounts that have been created on your SGrecast system. There are two types of users: admin and user. Admin level accounts have access to more functionalities of the system than users; such as managing users, groups, servers, and formats. User level accounts have access to the core functionalities of the system; such as setting up sidechannels, creating podcasts, and uploading content. The main difference between admin and user level accounts is that admins have access to all content on the SGrecast system, whereas users only have access to content that is within their group(s).

Note: Only admin level users have access to the users tab on your SGrecast system.

2.1 Adding a User

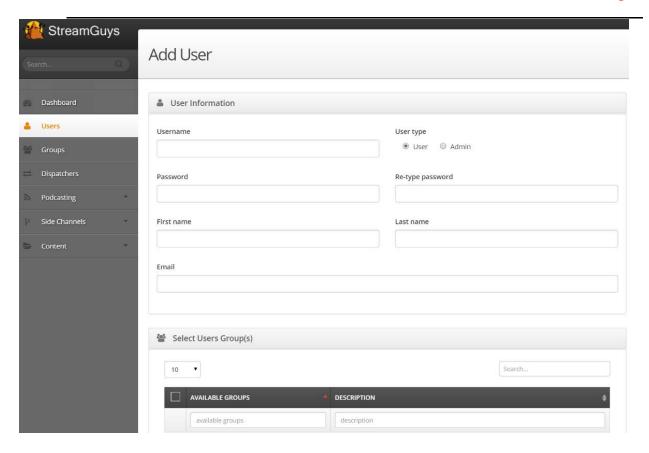
To add a new user to your SGrecast system:

1. Select **Users** from the menu on the left. This page will display a table of all current users with access to your system.

In the fifth column from the left, you will see 'Actions' where you can view, edit, or delete a particular user. 'View' will give you more specific details about a particular user such as their associated group(s) and content. 'Edit' will allow you to edit the details of a user such as their username, password and associated group(s). 'Delete' will delete a user from the SGrecast system.

Note: Deleting a user will not delete their associated group(s) or content, it will only delete the user.

2. Click Add User in the right hand corner of the table.



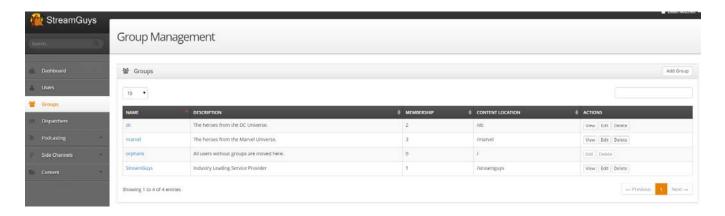
3. On this page you will enter in the account information for your new user. The username and password fields are the credentials for your new user to access your SGrecast system. Here you will also specify what type of user this is, either admin or user. To read about the difference between admin and user level accounts, refer to the 'Users' section on the previous page.

Every user on the SGrecast system may belong to one or more groups. Groups exist to associate content with specific users.

★ For example, if a user belongs to the 'StreamGuys' group, that user will have access to all content (i.e. sidechannels, archives, uploads, etc.) that is associated with the group 'StreamGuys'.

Users do not have access to content that is outside of their group(s). If you would like your user to have limited access to the content on your SGrecast system, you can assign them the type 'User' and select their associated group(s).

3. Groups



As noted before, groups exist to associate your SGrecast content with specific users. If you want to have content only accessible to certain users, you can assign that content to the particular group associated with those users. Groups are especially useful if you have multiple markets accessing your system that you want to keep separate from one another.

Note: Only admin level users have access to the groups tab on your SGrecast system.

3.1 Adding a Group

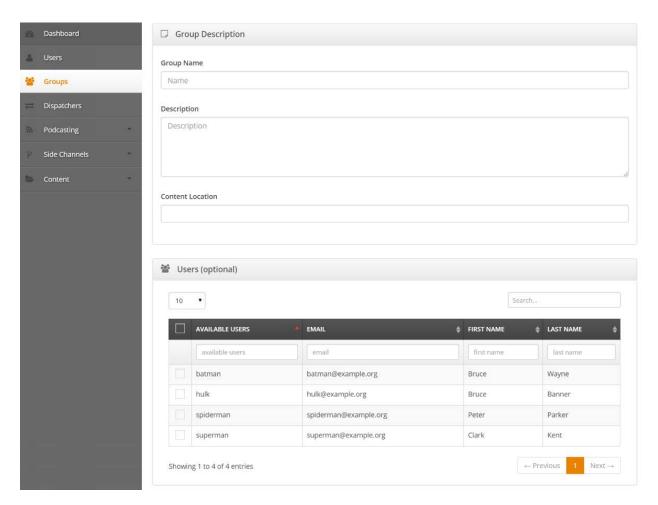
To add a new group to your SGrecast system:

1. Select **Groups** from the menu on the left. This page will display a table of all current groups on your system.

2. In the fifth column from the left, you will see 'Actions' where you can view, edit, or delete a particular group. 'View' will give you more specific details about a particular group such as its associated users and content. 'Edit' will allow you to edit the details of a group such as its name and associated users. 'Delete' will delete a group from the SGrecast system.

Note: Deleting a group will not delete its associated users or content, it will only delete the group.

3. Click Add Group in the right hand corner of the table.

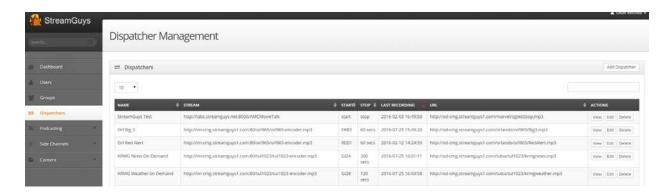


- 4. On this page you will enter in the information for your new group. The group will be referenced and displayed by its name and description throughout the system. Here you will also specify the content location of the group which is where the group's content will be saved.
- ★ For example, if you are creating a group named 'Marvel', you can enter its content location as '/marvel'. This will store all content created and uploaded with the 'Marvel' group in a new directory called 'marvel' on your SGrecast file system.
- ★ If you wish to have subdirectories within your group, you can define them here as well. Entering a content location such as '/marvel/heroes' will create a subdirectory within marvel called 'heroes' on your SGrecast file system.

Lastly, you can select which users you would like associated with your new group. This is optional and can be edited later at any given time.

4. Dispatchers

Dispatchers are recordings set to listen to a live stream encoder. They are most useful for recordings that may not have definite start and end times, since dispatchers can start and end when the encoder sends specific metadata values.

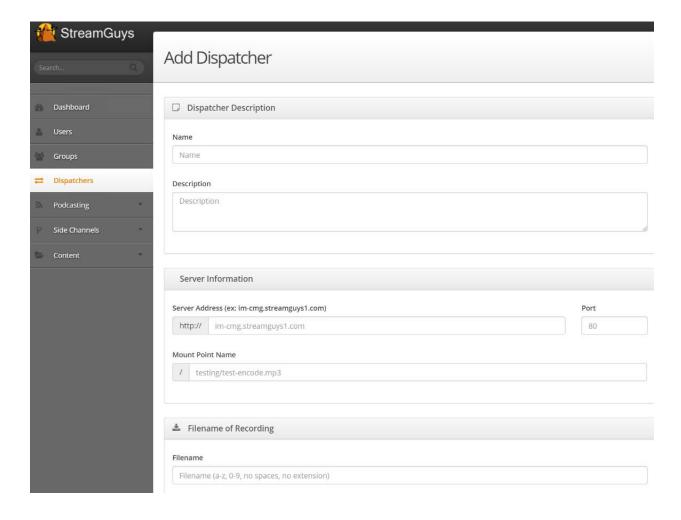


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4.1 Adding a Dispatcher

To set up a new dispatcher on your SGrecast system:

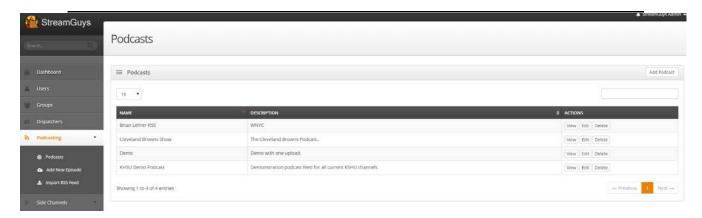
Select Dispatchers from the menu on the left. If you are an admin level user, this page
will display a table of all dispatchers on your system. If you are a regular user, this page
will display a table of all dispatchers associated with your group(s). Click Add Dispatcher
in the right hand corner of the table.



- 2. Here you will specify the details of your new dispatcher. For the 'Server Information', enter the address, port number, and mount point name your dispatcher will be streaming from.
- 3. The 'Filename of Recording' is exactly that, the filename of the recording to be saved on your SGrecast file system. Since it is a filename, it must follow standard file format with no spaces or special characters.
- 4. The 'Record Start Trigger' has two fields: 'Cut ID' and 'Category ID'. The live stream encoder sends metadata values that include a cut ID and category ID. When these values are present, your dispatcher will take action. The 'Record Stop Trigger' has two options: 'Duration' and 'Specific IDs'. If 'Duration' is selected, enter the amount of time the stream should be recorded once the 'Record Start Triggers' are received.
- 5. If 'Specific IDs' is selected, enter the 'Cut ID' value that will trigger the end of the recording.
- 6. Lastly, select the group(s) that your dispatcher will be associated with. All users in the group(s) selected will be able to view, edit, and delete your dispatcher.

5. Podcasts

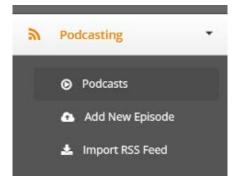
Users can create iTunes compatible podcast feeds through the SGrecast system directly from their recorded or uploaded content. A podcast feed is a URL to an RSS (rich site summary) in XML format. SGrecast allows users to create podcast RSS feeds from their recorded dispatchers, sidechannels, and uploaded files. These podcast feeds can then be submitted to iTunes as well as other third-party services such as Feedburner, Sticher, etc.



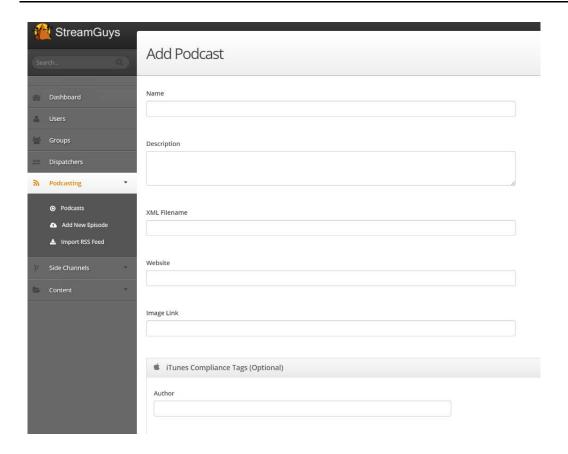
5.1 Adding a Podcast

To create a new podcast on your SGrecast system:

1. Select Podcasting > Podcasts from the menu on the left.



If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all podcasts on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all podcasts associated with your group(s). Click 'Add Podcast' in the right hand corner of the table.



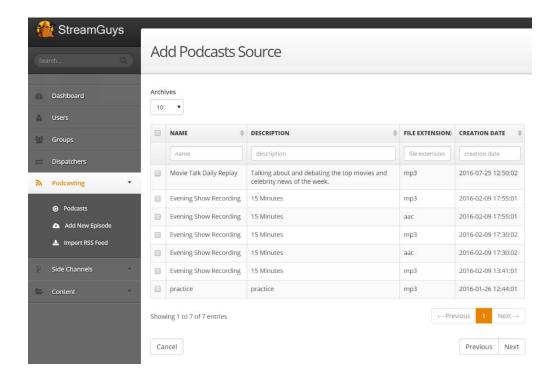
- 2. On this page you will enter in the information of your podcast. These fields will be displayed in your RSS feed and interpreted through iTunes if you choose to publish your podcast to the iTunes Store. Therefore the 'Name', 'Description', 'Website', and 'Image Link' should be the title, description, link to the podcast's hosting website, and image for your podcast. The 'XML Filename' is the filename for your podcast feed to be saved on your SGrecast file system.
- 3. The iTunes Compliance Tags are optional fields for the SGrecast system. However, if you wish to publish your podcast to the iTunes Store these fields are required. The 'Author' is the author of your podcast. The 'Owner' is whoever owns the rights to your podcast. The 'iTunes Category' is the category you would like your podcast to be displayed under in the iTunes Store. Because iTunes operates sites worldwide, it is critical to select the language of your podcast under 'Language'. The 'iTunes Explicit' tag indicates whether

or not your podcast contains explicit material. 'iTunes Directory Block' is used to prevent your podcast from appearing in the iTunes podcast directory.

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- 4. Custom parameters are for appending specific tags to your podcast episode URLs. These are optional fields and are mostly used with third-party advertisers. 'Enable EpisodeID' appends the unique episode ID for each episode in your podcast to its enclosure URL. To add a new custom parameter other than the 'Collection ID' and 'Genre', select 'Add New Parameter'. Here you will enter the key and value for your custom parameter.
- ★ For example, if you would like to append a custom parameter such as a subgenre of 'country' you would enter 'subgenre' as the key and 'country' as the value. All of your podcast episode URLs will now have subgenre=country as an appended parameter.
- 5. Next, select the type of content you would like to put into your podcast. Uploads are any audio files uploaded to your SGrecast system, archives are any audio files recorded to your system, sidechannels are scheduled recordings to your system, and dispatchers are recordings to your system through a live stream encoder.

6. Under 'Group Information' select the group(s) you would like your podcast assigned to. This is important because the group(s) you select here will affect the content you will choose from on the following page. You will only be able to choose from content that is associated with the group(s) you select.



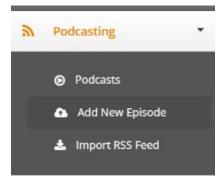
7. On the following page, you will select the specific content for your podcast. If you chose 'Archives' as the content type on the previous page, you will see a list of archives on this page to select from. The content you select here will be added to your podcast in the form of episodes. If you selected sidechannels or dispatchers as your content type, the recorded archives from those sources will be your podcast episodes. When you have selected all of your desired podcast content, you may click **Next** to finish.

5.2 Adding an Episode to a Podcast

This feature is a useful shortcut for users who have content outside of the SGrecast that they would like to add to a podcast without going through the process of editing their podcast to add each new episode.

To upload a new episode to a podcast:

1. Select Podcasting > Add New Episode from the menu on the left.

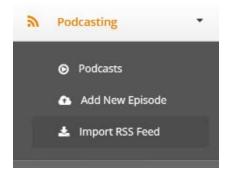


2. Here you will enter in the 'Name' and 'Description' of your episode and select the file you wish to upload. This file will be uploaded to your SGrecast system as a new upload as well as an episode to the podcast(s) of your choosing.

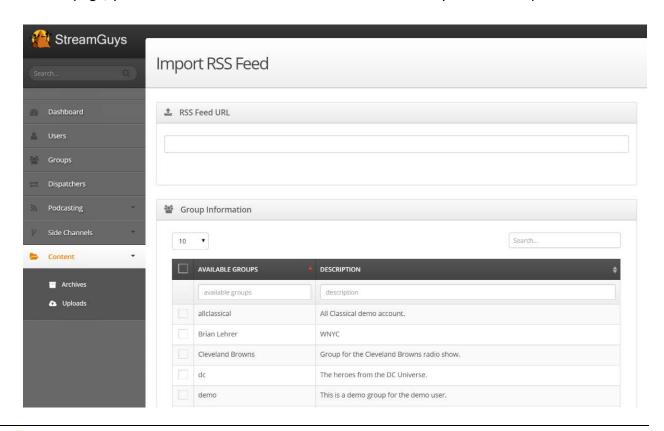
5.3 Importing a Podcast Feed

To import an external podcast feed you may have created through a different system:

1. Select Podcasting > Import RSS Feed from the menu on the left.



On this page, you will see the field 'RSS Feed URL' for the link to your external podcast feed.

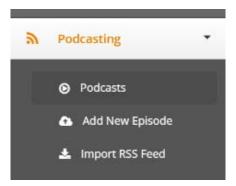


2. The podcast that you import will create a new podcast with all of its episodes added as new uploads on your SGrecast system. This tool makes migrating to SGrecast from an external podcasting service quick and simple. Select the group(s) you would like your new podcast to be associated with and click Submit to import your podcast.

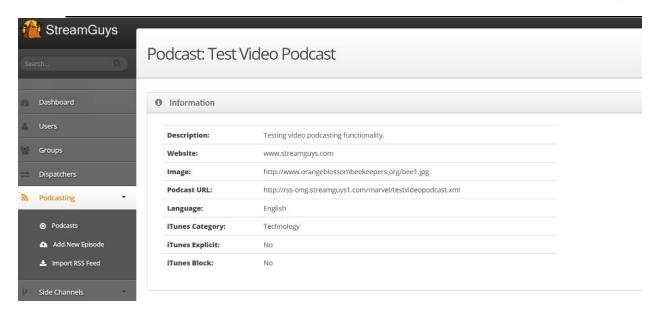
5.4 Submitting a Podcast to iTunes

Before submitting your podcast to iTunes, you need to find your podcast feed URL. You can view this by:

1. Selecting Podcasting > Podcasts from the menu on the left.



If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all podcasts on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all podcasts associated with your group(s). In the third column from the left labeled 'Actions' you will see options to 'View', 'Edit', and 'Delete'. Click the 'View' icon for the podcast you want to submit to iTunes.

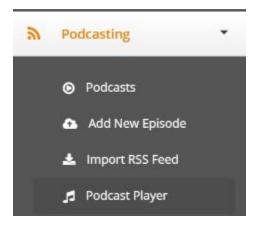


- 2. On this page you will see detailed information about your podcast; including all uploads, archives, channels, and dispatchers that it contains. The podcast feed URL you will need to submit to iTunes is under the 'Information' section labeled 'Podcast URL'.
- 3. Next, go to iTunes Connect at the following link: https://itunesconnect.apple.com/
- 4. Here you will input your Apple ID that is activated in iTunes; this is required in order to submit a podcast to iTunes. Once you have logged in, you will see an option to **Submit a podcast**. Click this icon and you will be prompted for an RSS Feed URL. Copy and paste the 'Podcast URL' from your SGrecast system into this field. If the feed passes through validation, you will have the option to submit to iTunes. The time it takes for a podcast to be submitted varies, but usually no more than 72 hours. Once your podcast has been successfully submitted, you can see it in the iTunes Store.
- ★ If your podcast does not pass validation through iTunes for missing specific fields, you can edit those fields through your SGrecast system by selecting Podcasting > Podcasts and clicking 'Edit' under 'Actions' for that podcast.

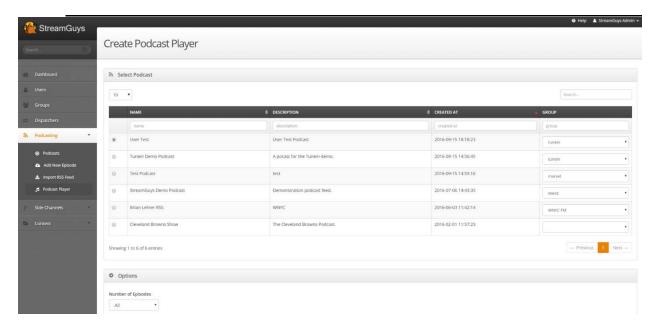
5.5 Creating a Podcast Player

You can create a playlist of your podcast content to embed on your website with the Podcast Player.

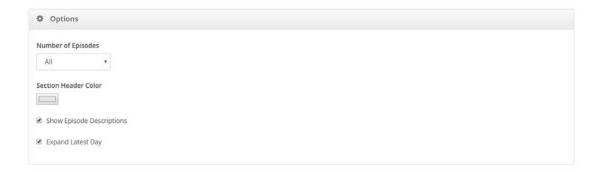
1. Selecting Podcasting > Podcast Player from the menu on the left.



If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all podcasts on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all podcasts associated with your group(s).

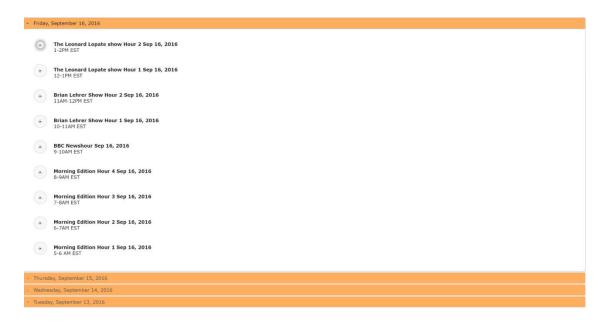


- 2. On this page, select the podcast you would like to create a playlist with. If your podcast belongs to multiple groups, select the particular group you want the podcast to pull content from in the fourth column from the left labeled 'Group'.
- Next, you have the options to set the number of episodes in the playlist, the color of each section header, whether or not to enable episode descriptions and expand the latest date by default. The Podcast Player will automatically add new episodes when they are recorded.



4. To preview your playlist with the current settings, click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the page. This will open a new window with a preview of your current podcast player.





As you will see, the playlist organizes content by its creation date. Each episode has a playable icon to its left. If the playlist needs changes, you can alter the necessary settings and click 'Preview' again to see the updated result in a new window.

- 5. Once you have the desired settings for your podcast player, click **Submit**. On the following page, you have the option to either embed the script for the player or embed the player as an iFrame.
- 6. To embed the script, copy the code displayed below. Paste the first block of code into the header of your HTML file and paste the second block of code into the body tags.

7. To embed the player as an iFrame, copy the following script onto your page where you would like the player to display. You can specify your desired height and width of the player in the iFrame tags.



6. Sidechannels

Sidechannels are the features that allow users to record and broadcast content on predefined schedules. There are five types of sidechannels users can create through the SGrecast system.

Recording a live stream is the most commonly used sidechannel in the SGrecast system. Recording a live stream creates an archive of the recorded audio file on your SGrecast system; which you can download, rebroadcast, or redistribute if you wish.

Recording a live stream & retransmitting involves recording a live stream and then broadcasting that recording out to your Icecast servers. Recording & retransmitting is similar to recording a live stream in that it creates an archive on your SGrecast system, but it also allows you to set predefined schedules for your broadcast of that recording.

Streaming live from an uploaded file allows you to broadcast a file you uploaded to your SGrecast system to your Icecast servers.

Streaming live from an archived file is similar to streaming from an uploaded file. This sidechannel gives you the ability to broadcast a file that was previously recorded to your SGrecast system.

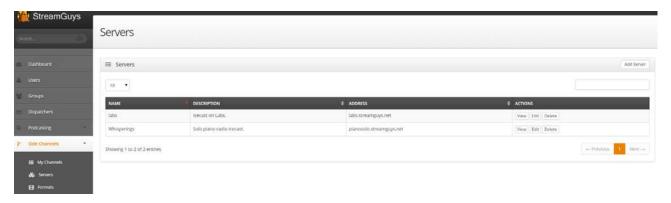
Syndicating a live stream to another mount involves live syndication, which is when you want to encode a live stream into a new bitrate or format. Before creating sidechannels on your SGrecast system, you will need to create the servers you will be recording from and/or broadcasting to as well as the formats you will be using.

6.1 Adding a Server

To add a new server to your SGrecast system:

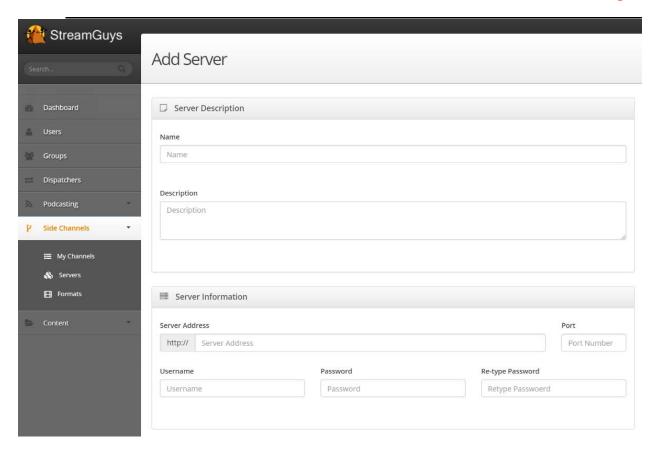
1. Select Side Channels > Servers from the menu on the left.





Note: Only admin level users have access to the servers on your SGrecast system.

If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all servers on your system. Click 'Add Server' in the right hand corner of the table.

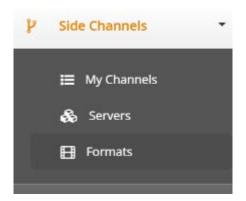


- 2. Here you will enter the information for your server. The 'Server Information' is for the details specific to your server, including its address, port number, and login credentials (if any). Credentials are only required if the server is intended for broadcasting. Recording servers do not require credentials in order to successfully record. Credentials' username may be restricted to a minimum of 4 characters in length.
- ★ For example, if your server is located at http://example.streamguys.net:8000 you would enter 'example.streamguys.net 'for the 'Server Address' and '8000' for the 'Port'.
- 3. Lastly, you will select the group(s) your server will belong to. Any user who is associated with the group(s) you select will have access to this server when creating sidechannels.

6.2 Adding a Format

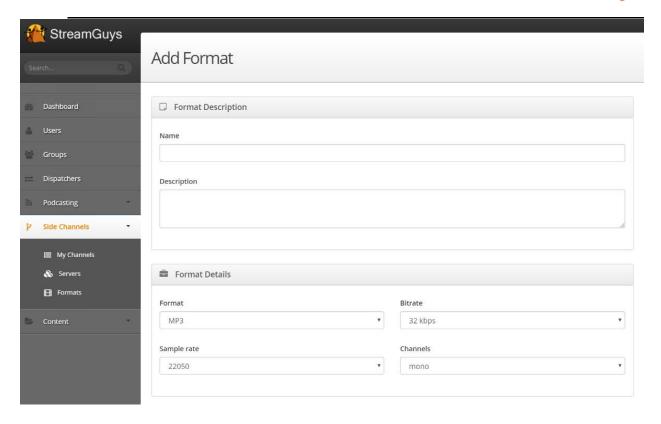
To add a new format to your SGrecast system:

1. Select Side Channels > Formats from the menu on the left.





Note: Only admin level users have access to the formats on your SGrecast system. If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all formats on your system. Click 'Add Format' in the right hand corner of the table.



- 2. On this page you will enter the details of your format. The SGrecast system currently supports MP3 and AAC formats.
- ★ AAC (Advanced Audio Coding) and MP3 (MPEG-1 Audio Layer 3) are two of the most common formats used for online audio distribution and are widely compatible with different devices. AAC is typically used to record broadcasts that will later be rebroadcasted because it has higher quality sound. MP3 is typically used to record broadcasts that will later be podcasted because it is more compatible with various devices than AAC. One is not necessarily better than the other, you should select the format that will be the most compatible with your devices and best fit your needs.

3. Next you will select the 'Bitrate' of your format. Typically, the higher the bitrate the higher the audio quality. However, higher bitrate files also take up more space on your system since they are larger than lower bitrate files. 'Sample rate' is the number of samples of audio carried per second, measured in Hz. 'Channels' is the number of channels (signals) used. You can select either mono which uses one or stereo which uses more than one.

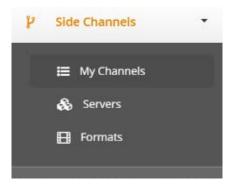
Note: If you are unsure how to specify the details of your format, feel free to consult with us and we can help you determine the best format for your recording and/or broadcasting channels.

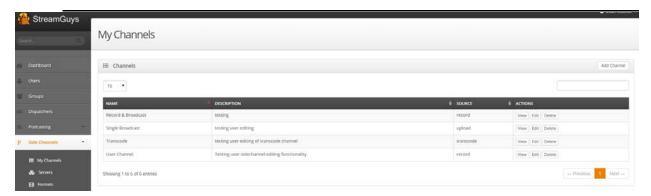
4. Lastly, you will select the group(s) your format will belong to. Any user who is associated with the group(s) you select will have access to this format when creating sidechannels.

6.3 Recording a Live Stream

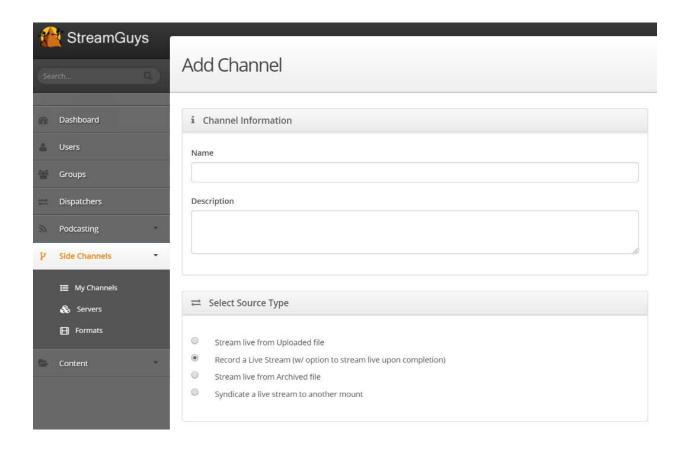
To create a sidechannel for **recording a live stream:**

1. Select Side Channels > My Channels from the menu on the left.

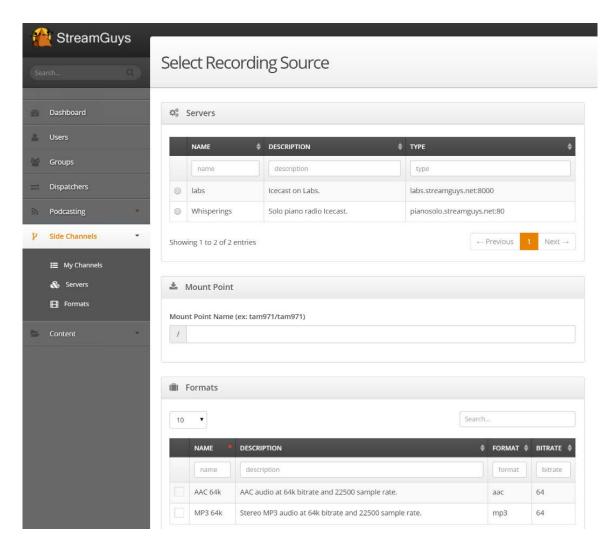




If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels associated with your group(s). Click 'Add Channel' in the right hand corner of the table.



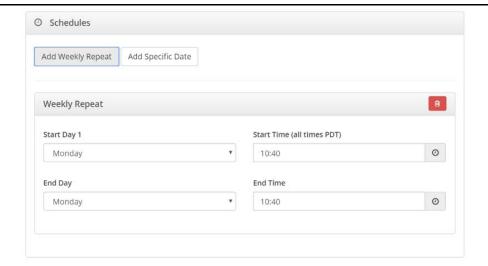
- 2. This is the first page for creating a sidechannel. Here you will enter the name and description of your sidechannel and select its source type. The 'Name' and 'Description' fields will be the same name and description fields for any archives that are created from this sidechannel unless you edit them at a later time.
- 3. In 'Select Source Type' you will select **Record a Live Stream (w/ option to stream live upon completion)**. Next, you will select the group(s) this sidechannel will belong to. Once you are finished entering the details for this page, click **Next**.



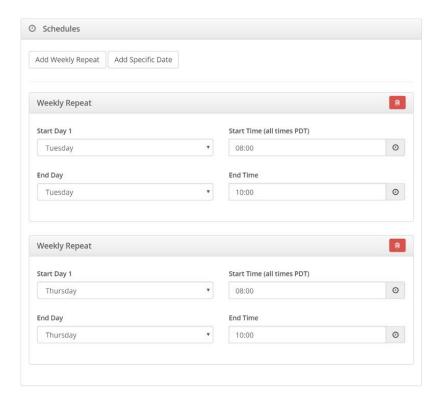
- 4. On this next page you will enter the details for your recording source. Select the server which you would like to record a live stream from. The 'Mount Point' is the mount name of your live stream on the selected server.
- ★ For example, if your live stream is mounted on the server example.streamguys.net:8000 as 'news', you would select the server with the address 'example.streamguys.net:8000' and enter 'news' as the mount point name.
- 5. Next, you will select the format(s) to record your live stream in. If you are unsure which format to select for recording, refer to the 'Formats' section of this guide. You may select more than one format. If you choose more than one format, an archive of the recording will be created for each format.
- ★ For example, if you select both AAC 64k and MP3 64k as formats, two archives will be created for this recording (one in AAC and one in MP3). You can distinguish the two archives by their file extensions which will be .aac for AAC and .mp3 for MP3.

6.4 Creating a Schedule

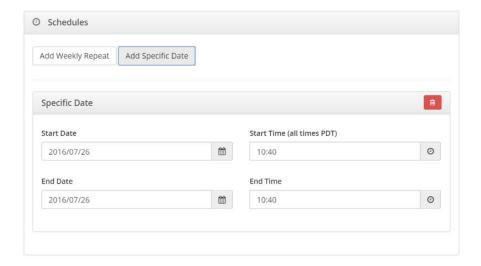
Once you have selected the format(s) to record your live stream, you will enter in the schedule for your live stream to be recorded. There are two types of schedules: repeat and specific. If your recording happens on a regular weekly basis, you will want to select 'Add Weekly Repeat' in the 'Schedules' section.



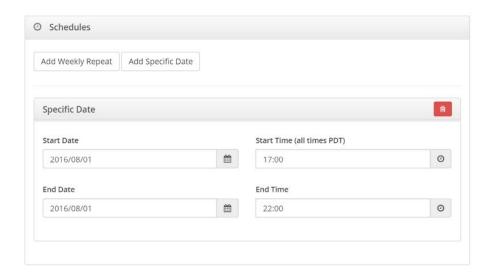
★ For example, if you have a live stream that occurs every Tuesday/Thursday from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM you will select the 'Add Weekly Repeat' icon twice and fill the schedules out for those times.



If your recording occurs once on a specific date, you will schedule a specific date recording. This type of schedule is used primarily for special events and one time recordings. You will want to select 'Add Specific Date' in the 'Schedules' section.

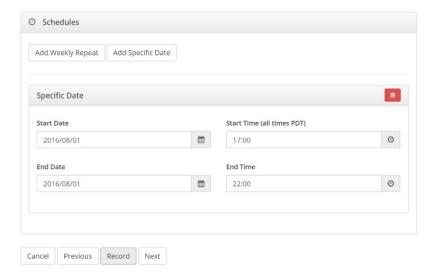


★ For example, if you have a live stream occurring for a special segment on August 1st, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM, you will click the 'Add Specific Date' icon and fill out the schedule for that date.



Note: All times in the SGrecast system are in military times, so please set your schedules accordingly (i.e. 5:00 PM is equal to 17:00 in military time).

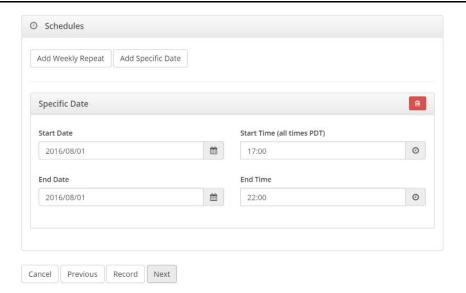
You may set as many recording schedules as you need, there is no limit. If you have a program or broadcast that occurs Monday through Friday at 8:00 PM, you can set up five different repeat schedules. This will set the sidechannel to record every Monday through Friday at 8:00 PM going forward until the sidechannel is altered or removed. Once you have configured the recording times, click the Record button to submit since this is a record only type sidechannel.



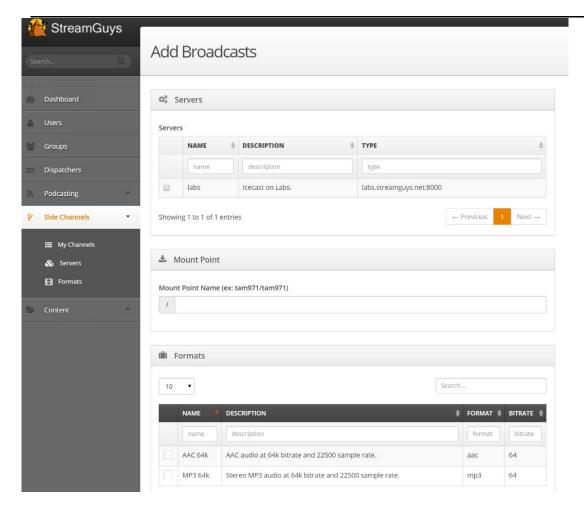
6.5 Recording a Live Stream & Retransmitting

To create a sidechannel for recording a live stream & retransmitting:

1. Follow the same steps above for **recording a live stream**. The only difference is that after configuring your recording times, you will click the **Next** button to setup your broadcast schedules since this is a record and retransmit sidechannel.

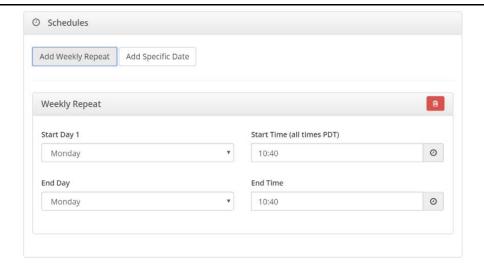


- 2. This next page will be where you enter the details for your rebroadcast of your live stream after it is recorded. The 'Add Broadcasts' page is very similar to the 'Select Recording Source' page except you are now setting up servers, formats, and schedules to broadcast the previously recorded file.
- 3. The 'Servers' on this page are specifically setup to be broadcast enabled. You may select as many servers as you wish to broadcast your previously recorded live stream to. This enables you to make one recording and then send it to multiple servers. The 'Mount Point' is the mount name that will show on your server you are broadcasting to.

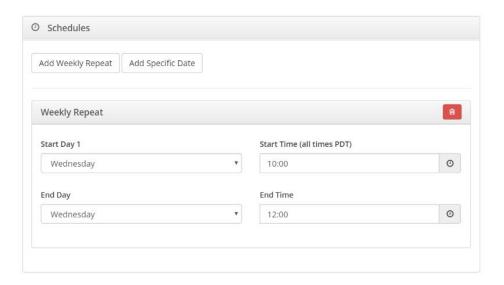


- 4. Next, you will select the format(s) to broadcast your recording in. If you are unsure which format to select for broadcasting, refer to the 'Formats' section of this guide. You may select more than one format.
- 5. Lastly, you will set the schedules for your broadcasting channel. Similar to how you set your recording schedules, there are two types of schedules: repeat and specific. If your broadcast happens on a regular weekly basis, you will want to select 'Add Weekly Repeat' in the 'Schedules' section.

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★ For example, if you want to rebroadcast your recorded live stream every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM you will select the 'Add Weekly Repeat' icon and fill the schedule out for that time. If your show happens daily from 10am to 12pm noon and you wish to rebroadcast that show during the empty time between shows, you might use a rebroadcast schedule like Monday 12:00 to Tuesday 10:00, modifying accordingly for the subsequent days.

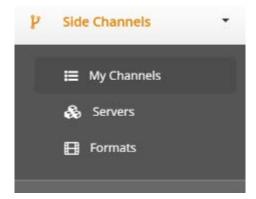


If want to rebroadcast on a specific date, you will schedule a specific date recording. This type of schedule is used primarily for special events and one time broadcasts. You will want to select 'Add Specific Date' in the 'Schedules' section.

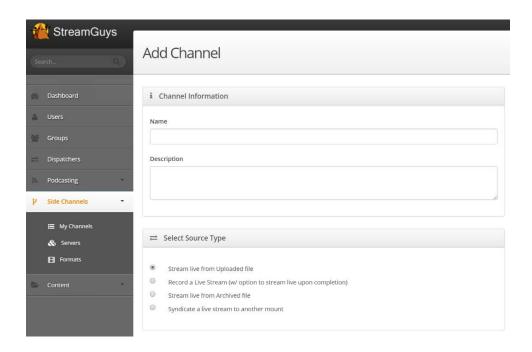
6.6 Streaming Live from an Uploaded File

To create a sidechannel for streaming live from an uploaded file:

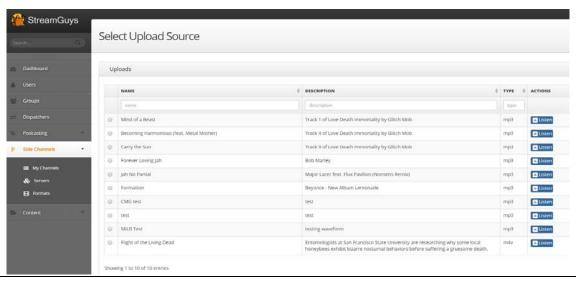
1. Select Side Channels > My Channels from the menu on the left.



If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels associated with your group(s). Click Add Channel in the right hand corner of the table.

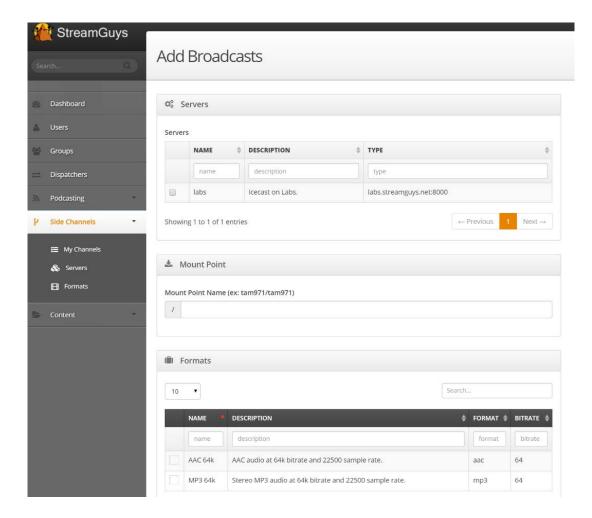


2. This is the first page for creating a sidechannel. Here you will enter the name and description of your sidechannel and select its source type. In 'Select Source Type' you will select Stream live from Uploaded file. Next, you will select the group(s) this sidechannel will belong to. Once you are finished entering the details for this page, click Next.





3. This page is where you will select the uploaded file you want to broadcast. Once you have chosen your upload source click **Next**.



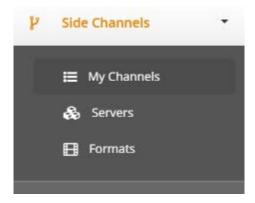
- 4. This next page will be where you enter the details for the broadcast of your uploaded file. The 'Servers' on this page are specifically setup to be broadcast enabled. You may select as many servers as you wish to broadcast your uploaded file to. The 'Mount Point' is the mount name that will show on your server you are broadcasting to.
- 5. Next, you will select the format(s) to broadcast your uploaded file in. If you are unsure which format to select for broadcasting, refer to the 'Formats' section of this guide. You may select more than one format.

- 6. Lastly, you will set the schedules for your broadcasting channel. There are two types of schedules: repeat and specific. If your broadcast happens on a regular weekly basis, you will want to select 'Add Weekly Repeat' in the 'Schedules' section. If want to broadcast on a specific date, you will want to select 'Add Specific Date' in the 'Schedules' section. You may setup as many broadcasting schedules as you need, there is no limit. If you are unsure how to setup a schedule, refer to the section above **Creating a Schedule**.
- 7. Once you are finished configuring your broadcast schedules, click **Create** to submit your sidechannel.

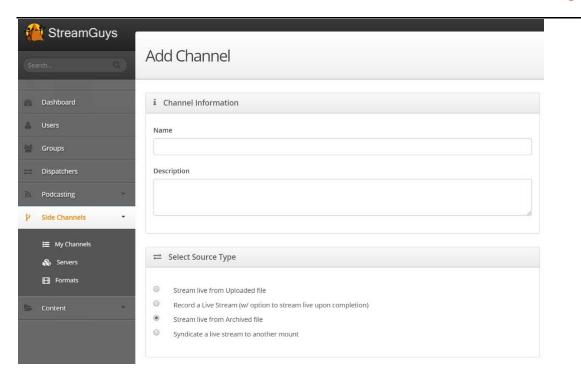
6.7 Streaming Live from an Archived File

To create a sidechannel for **streaming live from an archived file:**

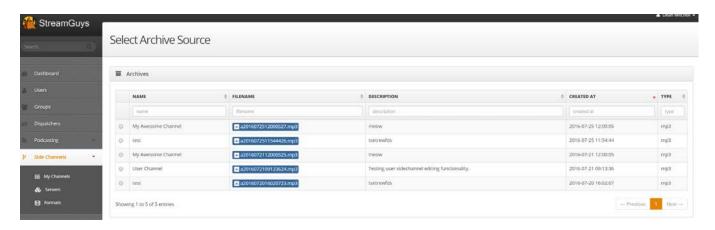
1. Select Side Channels > My Channels from the menu on the left.



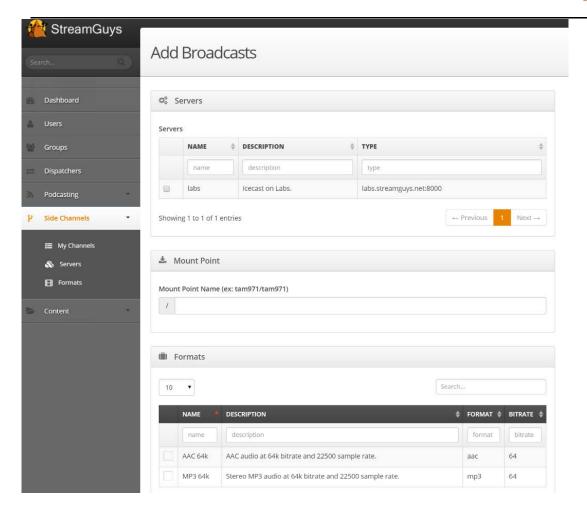
If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels associated with your group(s). Click 'Add Channel' in the right hand corner of the table.



2. This is the first page for creating a sidechannel. Here you will enter the name and description of your sidechannel and select its source type. In 'Select Source Type' you will select Stream live from Archived file. Next, you will select the group(s) this sidechannel will belong to. Once you are finished entering the details for this page, click Next.



3. This page is where you will select the archived file you want to broadcast. Once you have chosen your archive source click Next.



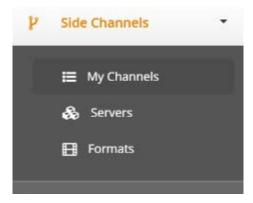
- 4. This next page will be where you enter the details for the broadcast of your archived file. The 'Servers' on this page are specifically setup to be broadcast enabled. You may select as many servers as you wish to broadcast your archived file to. The 'Mount Point' is the mount name that will show on your server you are broadcasting to.
- 5. Next, you will select the format(s) to broadcast your archived file in. If you are unsure which format to select for broadcasting, refer to the 'Formats' section of this guide. You may select more than one format.

- 6. Lastly, you will set the schedules for your broadcasting channel. There are two types of schedules: repeat and specific. If your broadcast happens on a regular weekly basis, you will want to select 'Add Weekly Repeat' in the 'Schedules' section. If want to broadcast on a specific date, you will want to select 'Add Specific Date' in the 'Schedules' section. You may setup as many broadcasting schedules as you need, there is no limit. If you are unsure how to setup a schedule, refer to the section above **Creating a Schedule**.
- 7. Once you are finished configuring your broadcast schedules, click **Create** to submit your sidechannel.

6.8 Syndicate a Live Stream to Another Mount

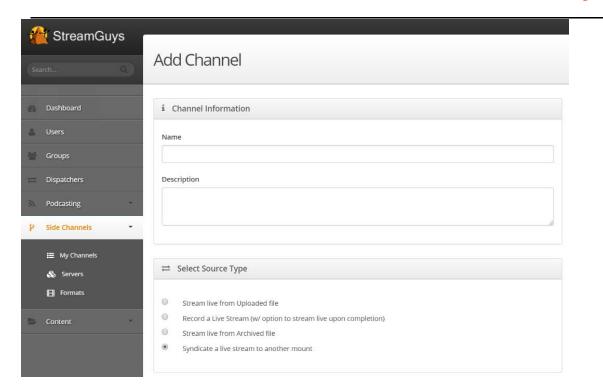
To create a sidechannel for **syndicating a life stream to another mount:**

1. Select Side Channels > My Channels from the menu on the left.

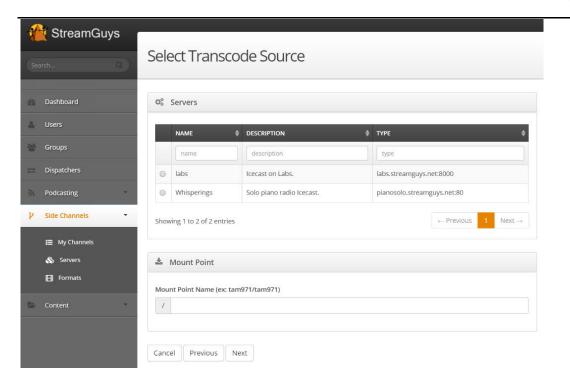


If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all sidechannels associated with your group(s). Click Add Channel in the right hand corner of the table.

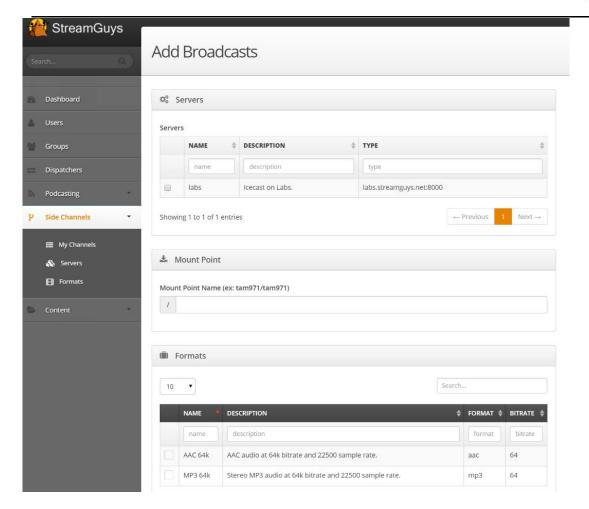
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2. This is the first page for creating a sidechannel. Here you will enter the name and description of your sidechannel and select its source type. In 'Select Source Type' you will select Syndicate a live stream to another mount. Next, you will select the group(s) this sidechannel will belong to. Once you are finished entering the details for this page, click Next.



 This page is where you declare which stream is recorded for live syndication. Select the server which you would like to record a live stream from. The 'Mount Point' is the mount name of your live stream on the selected server. Once you have selected your stream, click Next.



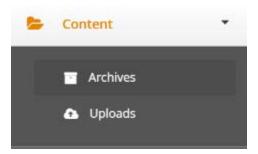
- 4. This next page will be where you enter the select which servers/mounts the syndicated broadcast will go and during what time. The 'Servers' on this page are specifically setup to be broadcast enabled.
- 5. Next, you will select the format(s) for the syndicated broadcast. If you are unsure which format to select for broadcasting, refer to the 'Formats' section of this guide. You may select more than one format.

- 6. Lastly, you will set the schedules for your syndicated broadcast. There are two types of schedules: repeat and specific. If your broadcast happens on a regular weekly basis, you will want to select 'Add Weekly Repeat' in the 'Schedules' section. If want to broadcast on a specific date, you will want to select 'Add Specific Date' in the 'Schedules' section. You may setup as many broadcasting schedules as you need, there is no limit. If you are unsure how to setup a schedule, refer to the section above **Creating a Schedule**.
- 7. Once you are finished configuring your broadcast schedules, click **Create** to submit your sidechannel.

7. Archives

There are two types of content in the SGrecast system: archives and uploads. An archive is anything created by a sidechannel. When a sidechannel records from a live stream, an archive is automatically created in the system. This archive will only be available to the users associated with the group(s) that the sidechannel belongs to.

To access archives on your SGrecast system select **Content > Archives** from the menu on the left.



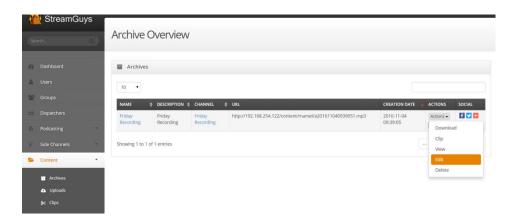


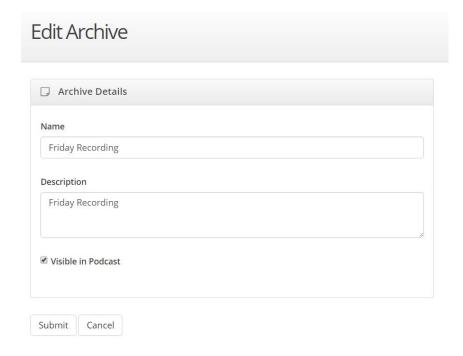
If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all archived files on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all archived files associated with your group(s). The third column from the left 'Channel' is the name of the sidechannel that recorded the archive from a live stream. The fourth column from the left 'URL' is the location of the archived file on your SGrecast system. In the sixth column from the left 'Actions', users have the option to download, clip, view, edit or delete a specific archive.

In the case that an archive records silence or includes audio that you do not wish to publish in your podcast, you can hide an archive from the podcasts that it belongs to.

To hide an archive from a podcast feed:

1. Find the archive you want to hide, and select the **Edit** option under the 'Actions' dropdown on the far right of the specific archive.





- 2. On the 'Edit Archive' page, you can edit the name and description fields as well as hide the archive from being visible in podcasts if it belongs to any.
- 3. Once you are finished editing your archive, click Submit

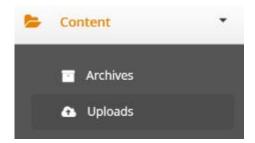
8. Uploads

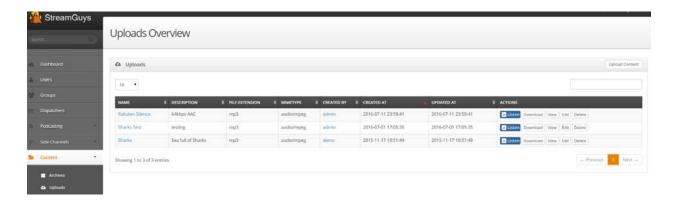
As mentioned before, there are two types of content in the SGrecast system: archives and uploads. To learn about archives, please refer to the **Archive** section above. Uploads are files you can add to the SGrecast system and then use as sources for broadcasts and/or podcasts. If you ever want to add a program recorded outside of your SGrecast system, you can use the upload feature. In addition, uploads work well if you want to edit an archived file before rebroadcasting it. You can do this by downloading the archived file, making your desired edits, and uploading the newly edited archive.

8.1 Uploading a File

To upload a file to your SGrecast system:

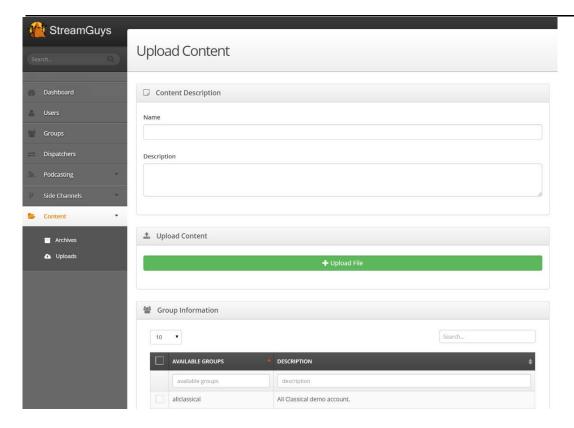
1. Select Content > Uploads from the menu on the left.





If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all uploaded files on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all uploaded files associated with your group(s). Click 'Upload Content' in the right hand corner of the table.

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2. This next page will be where you enter in the details of your new upload. The 'Name' and 'Description' will be how your upload appears throughout your SGrecast system. In the 'Upload Content' section, select a file from your local file system to upload to the system.

Note: The SGrecast system has a predefined maximum file size. Please consult with us if you need this size to be increased.

- 3. Next, you will select the group(s) this upload will belong to. All users associated with the selected group(s) will have access to this upload. After you are finished entering the details for this page, click **Submit**.
- 4. Once you have uploaded a file to your SGrecast system, you will see it on the main 'Uploads Overview' page. Uploads can be used as broadcast sources for sidechannels as well as episodes in podcasts.

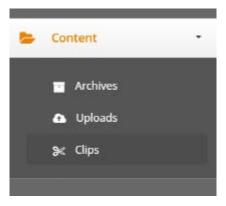
9. Waveform Editor

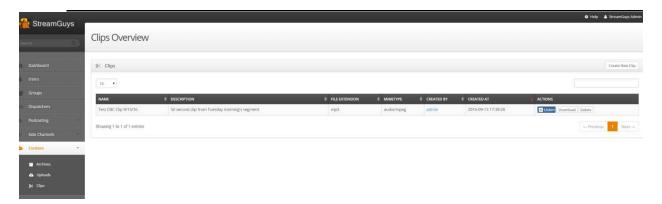
You can create clips from your archived and uploaded content through the waveform editor of the SGrecast system. This can be useful if your recorded content has unwanted beginning and/or trailing segments of silence that you wish to remove or if you wish to highlight a particular segment of your content for distribution.

9.1 Create a Clip

To create a clip from content:

1. Select Content > Clips from the menu on the left.

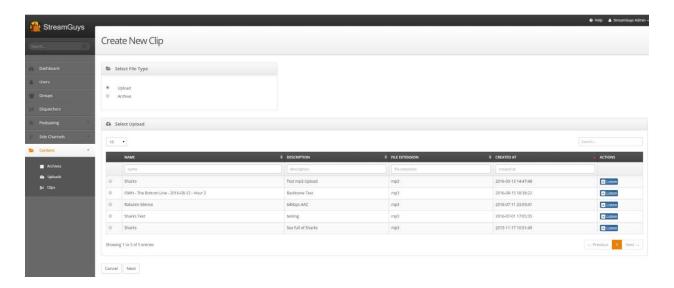




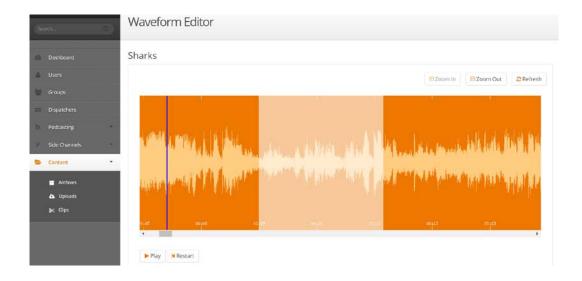
If you are an admin level user, this page will display a table of all clips created on your system. If you are a regular user, this page will display a table of all clips that you have created. Click 'Create Clip' in the right hand corner of the table. Clips are available for playback and download in the far right column of the table labeled 'Actions'.

2. This next page will be where you select the source file to create a clip from. Select 'Archive' if you would like to make a clip from a recorded file or select 'Upload' to clip a file that was previously uploaded to the system. Select the specific file to clip and click 'Next'.

Note: The SGrecast waveform editor currently only supports MP3 audio files.



3. The next page will produce a loading image while the audio waveform is generated. Depending on the size of your chosen audio file, this can take a few moments. Larger files will take longer to produce audio waveform images.



4. Once the audio waveform is generated, you will see a page similar to this with the waveform image of your chosen audio file. To play your audio file, click the Play button to the right of the menu or press the space bar.

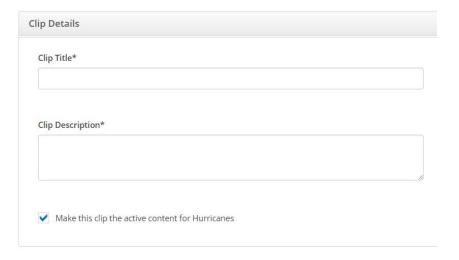


- 5. To pause your audio file, click the Pause button to the right of the menu or press the space bar.
- 6. To restart your audio file to its beginning, click the **Restart** button to the right of the **Play/Pause** button.
- 7. To view a longer audio waveform image with shorter time intervals, click the **Zoom In** button.
- 8. To view a shorter audio waveform image with longer time intervals, click the **Zoom Out** button.
- 9. To reload the audio waveform image, click the Refresh button.
- 10. Click around the audio waveform image to move the blue marker and seek throughout the file.
- 11. The highlighted square over the waveform marks your clip segment. Drag and resize this square to mark your desired clip. The 'Start' and 'End' times refer to the beginning and end of the current clip. As you drag/resize the square, you will notice how the 'Start' and 'End' times update.
- ★ For example, to create a 30 second clip starting at 10 seconds and ending at 40 seconds drag the highlighted square until the 'Start' shows '0:10' and resize the right edge until the 'End' shows '0:40'.
 - 12. Click Preview to preview the current clip segment.





If the preview isn't quite right, you can modify your clip by dragging/resizing the highlighted square over the waveform and clicking **Preview** again. You can do this as many times as necessary until your clip is exactly how you want it.

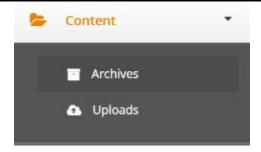


- 13. Once you are satisfied with your audio clip, enter in a title and description for your new clip.
- 14. Check 'Make this clip the active content' if you would like your new clip to be the active content source of the original file. Once you are finished entering in your clip details, click Create Clip to finish.

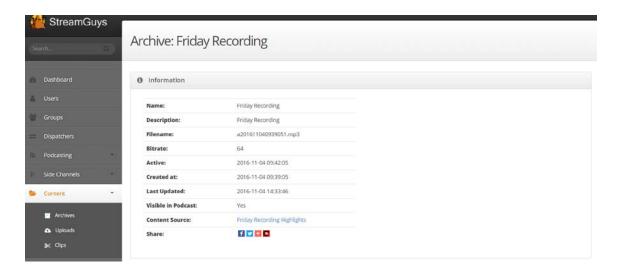
Note: Checking 'Make this clip the active content' will not remove the original file. If checked, your new clip will be the source of content for the original file in podcasts and sidechannels. You can reset the active content source back to the original file at any time.

9.2 Active Content Source

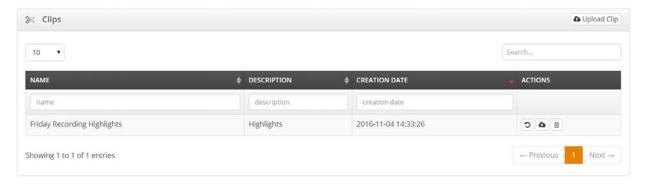
Clips can be set as the active content source of their original parent files. Archives/Uploads can have multiple associated clips. To view associated clips of specific content, go to 'View' that particular file. For archives, select **Content** > **Archives** from the menu on the left.



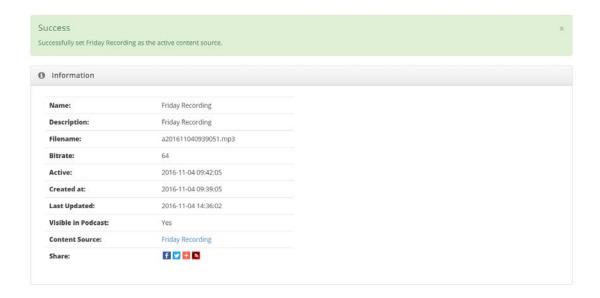
Next, select View under the 'Actions' column on the far right of the specific archive.



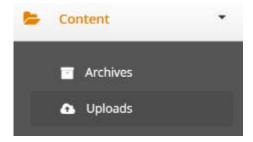
The 'Content Source' towards the bottom of the archive information displays the currently active source of content. This is the source that will be used if your archive belongs to a podcast and/or sidechannel. Below the archive information, all associated clips are displayed. These are clips that were created from this archive.



★ For example, the active content source for this archive is the clip titled Friday Recording Highlights'. To reset this archive back to its original content source, click the undo icon under 'Actions' for '30 Second Highlight'.



To view associated clips of a specific upload, the process is very similar. Select **Content > Uploads** from the menu on the left.

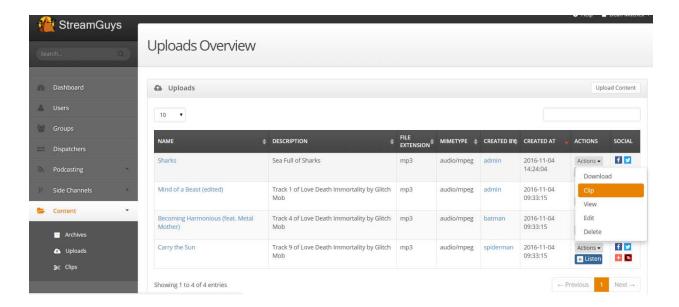


Next, select View under the 'Actions' column on the far right of the specific upload.



The 'Content Source' towards the bottom of the upload information displays the currently active source of content. This is the source that will be used if your upload belongs to a podcast and/or sidechannel. Below the upload information, all associated clips are displayed. This specific upload has not had any clips created yet.

To create a clip of this upload, go back to the 'Uploads Overview' page. Select Content > Uploads from the menu on the left.



Select the Clip option under the 'Actions' dropdown on the far right of the specific upload. This will load this upload into the waveform editor for clipping.

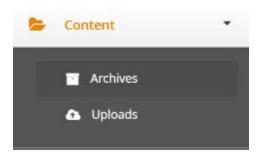


Refer back to the previous section 'Create a Clip' for instructions on using the waveform editor to create new clips.

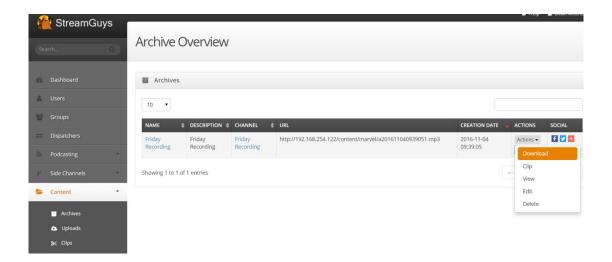
The SGrecast also supports editing content offline in a desktop application and re-uploading it to the system. This scenario is useful for making advanced post processing edits that are not available through the SGrecast waveform editor such as fading audio in/out, dynamic compression, etc.

To edit an archive offline:

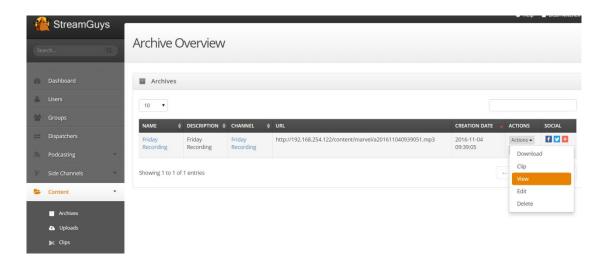
1. Select Content > Archives from the menu on the left.



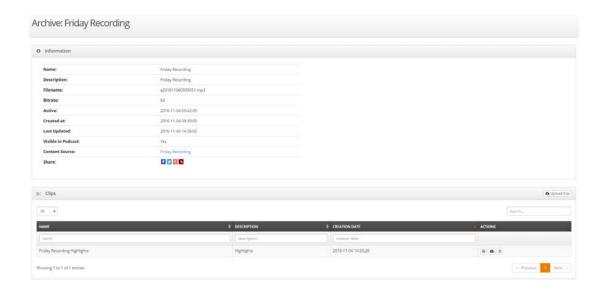
2. Find the archive you want to edit, and select the **Download** option under the 'Actions' dropdown on the far right of the specific archive.



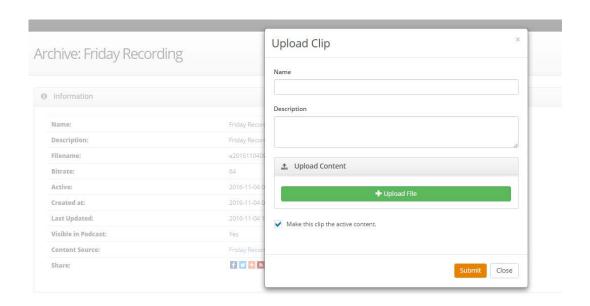
- 3. After the archive downloads to your local system, you can edit it in your offline editor software.
- 4. When you are ready to re-upload your edited file to the SGrecast system, go back to the 'Archive Overview' page where you initially downloaded the content.
- 5. Select the View option under the 'Actions' dropdown on the far right of the archive you edited.



6. Select Upload Clip in the right hand corner of the 'Clips' section.



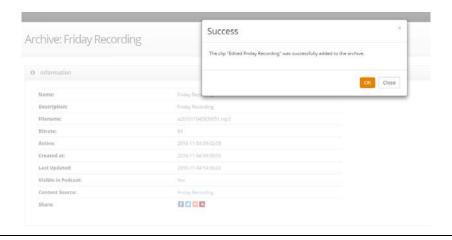




7. This will open a pop-up form to upload your edited file. Enter in a title and description for your new clip and upload the edited file from your local file system. Keep 'Make this clip the active content' checked if you want this edited file to be the active content of the archive.

Note: Checking 'Make this clip the active content' will not remove the original archive. If checked, your new clip will be the source of content for the archive in podcasts and sidechannels. You can reset the active content source back to the original archive at any time.

8. Click Submit to upload your newly edited clip.



10. Summary

We understand this is a lot of information to digest. The SGrecast system has a lot of functionality designed to provide you with the power to automate the recording, broadcasting, and podcasting of your live content. We are available 24/7 to assist you, so feel free to reach out to us.

For Support and Help, please use either of the following procedures for best response:

Ticketing System

Start by submitting a ticket to our support system, here

You will need to register as a user the first time you use the support system. After you are registered, you can simply email support@streamguys.com

To check the status of a ticket, please click here.

By Phone

Speak with our Support Team:

■ Toll free: (877) 287-2983 x3

■ International: (707) 667-9479 x3