

## TeleVoce Riplt & RingIt™ -- User Guide (1/08)

This version of Riplt and RingIt has all the features you need to assign ring tones for Skype contacts and most importantly SEND ringtones to friends who also use the software. After you establish a ringtone sending and/or exchanging relationship with your friends, that becomes the control for the ringtones.

Links to software downloads can be found at [http://www.televoce.com/riplit\\_land.php](http://www.televoce.com/riplit_land.php). This software works with all Skype compatible Windows platforms and solely uses the Skype API commands. Unzip the install EXE and launch from any file location.

**NOTE: Microsoft .NET Framework is required. See notes below.**

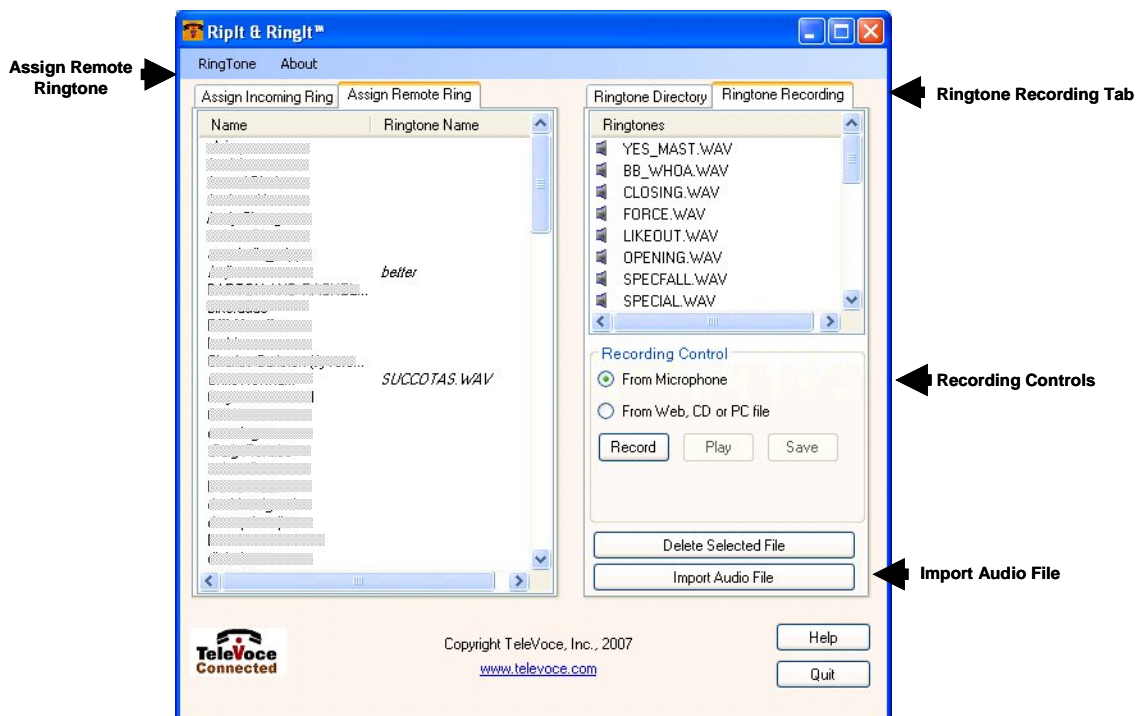
### Quick Use Notes

1. Import audio tones (samples may be included)
2. Assign ring tone to individual contacts
3. Select and send ring tones to your contacts who also install app

The contact list will fill when launched, but you must first allow it to connect to Skype as with any other app. Select Skype to always allow connection. (If you do not allow to always connect, the app will ask each time it launches and you must click on two permissions each time it starts.) To use the software you must create or import some audio files to use as ring tones. (Note below about creating.)

### Collect Ringtone Files

When installed and running, first import some audio files to use as ring tones or record your own using the microphone. To import files click on the “Ringtone Recording” tab and press “Import Audio File” which will allow multiple files or a single file to be imported to the ringtone list. (The download will include some samples.) An Internet search will find many audio clip libraries to use. You can use any WAV or MP3 file. We highly recommend that files be less than 200kb — especially if you are going to send to your friends. The file plays back to back with no dead time, so if you want a pause it must be in the file. (Theoretically, there is no limit on the file size.)



## Recording with Riplt & Ringlt.

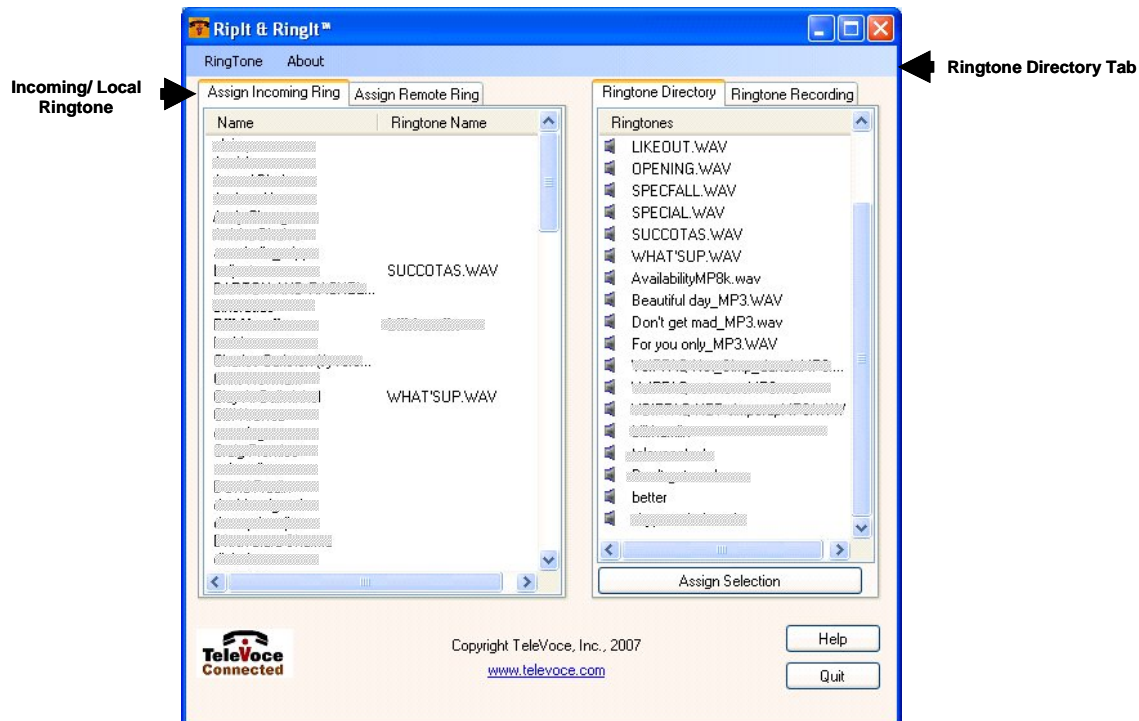
To start click on the “Ringtone Recording” tab. You can use the panel to record on microphone. Select “From Microphone” and press “Record.” Press “Stop” when completed. You can “Play” and “Save” if you are satisfied or record again. Save allows you to assign a name to the file and it will be added to the ringtone list. (Files are in MP3 format.) You may also record any audio on most PCs from this application by selecting the internal option for recording.

## Editing Ringtone Files

If you need to edit or modify ringtone files you will need to use an external application. A good free editor of audio files is Audacity <http://audacity.sourceforge.net/download/>. You can record and edit with this tool. The Windows Sound Recorder also can be used. It has a much simpler interface and file conversion capability.

## Assigning Ringtones

After importing or recording and saving audio files you can set any audio file to be the ring tone for any entry on the Skype contact list. Select the “Ringtone Directory” tab. Click on the ringtone name and the contact name, and then press “Assign Selection.” You can play any ringtone in the directory by clicking on the speaker icon next to the file name.



To set a local ring for incoming calls select the tab “Assign Incoming Ring.” When a local ring is set for the first time an IM invitation is sent to that contact to get Riplt and Ringlt to enjoy the same capability. If you receive a file from a friend, it over-writes any local ring that was assigned and enters the contacts name (in bold) where the ringtone name was shown. The ringtone can be changed anytime but only when your friend sends a new ringtone for you.

To send a ringtone your friend must also have Riplt & Ringlt. For sending ringtones to your contacts, select “Assign Remote Ring.” The software can handle any number of files in queue and files of any size. The real world challenge is that the Skype data transfer is limited, so we do not recommend large files—and especially to not send multiple large files. This file handling can become cumbersome when contacts are not online and the software has to wait until each party is available. By sending to available friends who are online the process is more efficient.

When an audio file is assigned to be sent to a contact, the contact name is shown in italics along with the file to be sent. When sending files you may observe symbols at the end of the file name tracking progress. When the file has been sent the text will be in bold. The only way to “remove” a sent file is to write over with another file. Now you can enjoy ring tones with a new purpose and add new dimensions to calling.

Our applications are continually reviewed for improvements, so we welcome any comments about design, features and user experience.

Let 'er Rip!

### **Installing Microsoft .NET Framework**

Ript & RingIt requires Windows to include .NET Framework, a Microsoft optional software module. If your PC has this software it will be found under C:/Windows/Microsoft .NET, and it will also be listed under Add/Remove programs on the Control Panel. We recommend at least version 2.0, but version 1.0 is sufficient. The current revision is 3.5.

Auto-install option: During the install process the application checks for .NET Framework. If it is not installed the installation program will automatically install the .NET Framework from Microsoft servers. Depending on your Internet connection and PC resources available this process can be very slow due to the large file size up to 200MB. The installation will stop at that step and wait for .NET to be installed in the background before allowing the Ript & RingIt installation to proceed.

Manual install option: If the .NET Framework auto-installation is inconvenient or you wish to select which version to install, you can stop the Ript & RingIt installation. Initiate the .NET Framework installation by selecting Windows Update on the All Programs menu. Microsoft will scan your PC and list available updates for you PC. Select .NET Framework at least version 2.0 and any other upgrades you wish. After completing the .NET Framework installation, then you can restart the Ript & RingIt installation. This can result in a smaller file download and reduced disk space compared to the automatic process which will update to version 3.0 .NET Framework.

### **Creating Audio Files**

Audio clips may be found online, you can record media that you own and you can record your own clips using the PC microphone. (For online content search ringtones, movie or TV clips and similar searches.) If you wish to edit files, the open source Audacity program (<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/download/>) can be helpful. Simple editing can be done with the Windows Sound Recorder.

Converting files to MP3 will make the audio file size much smaller for sending to friends. You can record and edit files in a WAV format and then convert to MP3 for use with Ript & RingIt. The Sound Recorder provided in Windows can do this easily. (Start Menu/All Programs/Accessories/Entertainment/Sound Recorder) Open the audio file desired. Select “Save As” and click on Format, Change. This opens another window to allow the file to be saved in a variety of formats. Select MPEG Layer 3 (MP3). The attributes function allows a wide range of options, but it will be easier if you simply select Radio or CD Quality as the name of the conversion mode. You will find that the resulting file when saved is dramatically reduced in size.