Instructions for the Musescore-HMN program

The current version can convert the Standard Notation to Hamburg Music Notation. Inputs in HMN are not yet possible.

When Musescore is started, the program can be used according to the rules and instructions of Musescore.

The present version is a beta version for HMN. Some things still have to be corrected and improved.

How to convert the standard notation to HMN notation.

Menu Tools -> Toggle Hamburg Music Notation.

This way you can switch between normal and HMN.

The display can also show the HMN numbers for the notes.

Menu Edit -> Settings -> Score -> Hamburg Music Notation, there click on the box at "Show HMN Notenames". Click again to reset the display.

The HMN note names:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Α	В	0
С	cis,des	d	dis,es	е	f	fis,ges	g	gis,as	а	ais,b	h

The sheet music can be printed or exported as pdf-file.

Display HMN mode

At the beginning of the piece is the octave, notated as Cx, x=1 to 9, and the note "c" is then on the first line. The key is indicated as conventional with crosses and Bs. But these have no effect on the notes; the position of the notes on the lines and the type of note head determine the pitch.

Detailed explanations on the website of "hamburgmusicnotation".

ANNEX

1. known errors

The octave of the notes is given at the beginning of a piece, e.g. C4.

When the clef changes afterwards (especially to bass clef), the notes are entered to match the octave of the new clef. But any change in the octave is not displayed.

To display the changed octave is not easy to program. But then you should enter the notes in the octave displayed at the beginning of the piece.

Note: A change of clef within a piece is rather rare, so the error is not often encountered.

2. things to improve

Longer musical passages cannot be moved in HMN mode. The notes are then not visible.

In HMN mode, the music track cannot be played.

This is very desirable.

Toggling HMN and back only works for the whole piece, not for marked parts of it.

3. desirable

A very desirable function is the possibility to write directly in HMN mode.