

# Medeli SP4200 Using Yamaha Styles

This is advice from Medeli, including my responses, but I haven't succeeded in getting it to work even a little bit. If you know how, feel free to enlighten me.

I've made a few corrections without changing the message.

## Me

The User Manual for the SP4200 describes loading styles, and if I put Yamaha styles in the STYLE folder, they can be listed via the UI but can't be stored (FileErr).

Do they need to be prepared somehow? Is that what Grand Suite is for?

Do you know if anyone is selling styles for specifically the SP4200 (or any other Medeli keyboard that's compatible)? I haven't found any.

## Medeli

- Open the style of Yamaha by Cakewalk (free, <https://www.cakewalk.com/>)
- Save the \*.sty file as \*.mid file.
- Open the \*.mid file by Pootute.
- Change \*.mid file to \*.sty.
- Save this \*.sty in STYLE folder.

Now, this style will be played by SP4200.

## Me

Sorry to say I can't get this to work.

I can't load Yamaha styles into Cakewalk. Do I need anything extra beyond the free version of Cakewalk by Bandlab?

Also, I'm told CASM information will disappear when saving to a MIDI file.

So maybe your steps need to be updated.

## Medeli

Change \*.sty file of Yamaha to \*.mid file and try opening it by Cakewalk.

## Me

Could you please provide a new and verified step-by-step guide? This one doesn't work, even with your added note.

If I rename a Yamaha style to .mid and open it in Cakewalk and then save it to .mid again all CASM information is lost (according to someone else that tried the same thing).

Why do I need to open it in Cakewalk in the first place? What should I do in Cakewalk except save the file?

What should I do in Pootute? Open the style or Edit it?

When I try to Edit it says "N" for all tracks, so the style is not compatible.

For instance, what Yamaha instrument styles (same number of intros, same amount of fills etc) are compatible with the SP4200 (and other Medeli instruments)?

## Medeli

CASM parameters are specific to the Yamaha rhythms, the non-MIDI part of the parameters. The components of a Yamaha rhythm can be divided into: MIDI + CASM module + OTS, etc., where CASM and OTS are non-MIDI parameters.

If you use the SP4200 to play Yamaha rhythms (have the same number of intro, main, fill, ending), the rhythms played will only sound similar. Because the sound banks are different, the effects are different, and the CASM protocol is Yamaha specific and non-MIDI standard, which the SP4200 can't respond to. If you need to respond to CASM messages, you will have to buy a Yamaha product.

I'm sorry that I can't solve your problems.

### **Note:**

The new product of Medeli (AKX10), the app (Grand Suite 2) can change the Yamaha's style to AKX10's style directly, but CASM information can't be changed too.

The download link: <https://www.medeli.com.hk/download>

You can try it.