

How long can artist names and titles be?

DDEX does not impose an upper limit.

But senders of messages are advised that recipients databases may well impose a limit and, thus should only send long names and titles if necessary. Artificially long titles, including multiple subtitles as part of the `TitleText` have been reported – which cause DSPs that target devices with a limited screen size (such as mobile phones) significant problems.

To support such DSPs, labels are encouraged to separate out the `TitleText` from any `SubTitle` and let the DSP decide on how to assemble the title for its users.

```
<Title>
  <TitleText>Several Species of Small Furry Animals Gathered Together in a
  Cave and Grooving with a Pict</TitleText>
  <SubTitle>New York Late Night Club Mix</SubTitle>
  <SubTitle>with Guitars and Triangle</SubTitle>
  <SubTitle>January 2013 Version</SubTitle>
</Title>
```

If the label wants to suggest how to combine these into a single string it should add a `DisplayTitle` as follows:

```
<DisplayTitle>
  <TitleText>
    Several Species of Small Furry Animals Gathered Together in a Cave and
    Grooving with a Pict (January 2013 New York Late Night Club Mix with
    Guitars and Triangle)
  </TitleText>
</DisplayTitle>
```