

"Backtimed" items

Question:

There is the problem with one channel of the four channels.

The XXX channel uses the same daily schedule and item(content). 24:00:00 Hard Fixed time on it.

The problem is an item(content) of 11:56:30 today. But next day it is 11:55:45 as time print.

There are scheduled the same time(content) for the change.

They want always playing the same item at the same time.

There is an error which stops once a month.

24:00:00 the new date for the item does not play. Mode is AUTO.

Halt Windows or Aircast program is not stopped.

The item has "Normal" timing, so it plays after the preceding item.

Answer:

There is no fixed time set on it. Either set a fixed time (Soft/Hard timing), or use "Backtimed" setting so it is played directly before the 24:00:00 item.

"Backtimed" items must placed immediately before a "Soft" or "Hard" fixed time item.

You can place multiple Backtimed items before a fixed time items, to build a "backtimed" chain.

The playlist will start the Backtimed items so that they end exactly at the fixed time of the fixed time items.

Example:

Item 1: Duration 02:00, Backtimed

Item 2: Duration 03:30, Backtimed

Item 3: Hard fixed time at 12:00:00

Then the automation will start Item 1 at 11:54:30, and Item 2 at 11:56:30.

You can "propagate" the fixed time further up the playlist, so to say.

A common use case is placing advertising blocks immediately before the top of the hour (news opener).

Hope this helps.