Do I need to connect speakers to my Hercules DJ devices?

As indicated in the user manual, speakers are required to be connected directly to the Hercules DJ Device. This is because the bundled DJ software has been pre-configured to use the unit’s integrated audio interface, which was designed and optimized for this purpose.

However, you might find inconvenient to have to disconnect and reconnect speakers you are already using with your computer or home entertainment system. Thankfully, there are a few solutions to counter this problem and allow your speakers to be used by both your computer (for movies, games, etc) and your DJ Console when you wish to mix.

**Speakers Auxiliary (AUX) input**

Beside the main input, most speakers systems available today also include a secondary input (often indicated as **AUX, Line In, or 🎵**), which can be used to connect another audio source such as an MP3 player or…your DJ audio interface.

If this is the case with your speakers, simply connect the main output of the DJ device to the speaker’s auxiliary input using the appropriate cable.

**A note regarding 5.1 speaker systems:**

These systems are not the best choice for DJing, but for better results, be sure to have them configured to work with a **stereo source**. Consult the user manual for more details about your system specific features and configuration.
**Audio switch box**

If your speakers do not include an auxiliary input, then the next best solution is to use an **audio switch** or **splitter box**, which allows multiple audio sources to be connected to one output.

Various inexpensive models are available from audio/video or electronic stores.