## Why are there 3 audio modes for Hercules DJ Console: 5.1 (Standard), DJ (Advanced) and ASIO?

The main difference between Standard (5.1), Advanced (DJ) and ASIO modes is the headphone output management:

- In Standard/5.1 mode, the headphones use playback channels 1 and 2, which means that the user hears over the headphones what is being played on the front speakers.
- In Advanced/DJ mode, the headphones use playback channels 3 and 4, for the DJ to:
  - Play audio for the audience in stereo on channels 1 and 2.
  - Get a headphone pre-listening (on channels 3 and 4) of the audio mix being prepared.

The other additional function Advanced mode in the Talkover function (cf point 13)

• ASIO is a driver setting created by Steinberg. With some music software applications, channels 1 and 2 are duplicated in ASIO mode on the headphone output, as is the case in 5.1 mode. Most software that supports ASIO will also have a WDM setting.

Whatever the mode, the audio file formats are the same (WAV, WMA, MP3...).