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TOPIC -----

I am trying to connect a DataFrame XP to a LaserWriter IINTX. It's not working. I noticed that the "Winter Solstice" manual states that some third-party drive won't work if they cannot state their size. Is the DataFrame one of these drives?

DISCUSSION -----

SuperMac Technology reports that the newer DataFrame 20 and XP-30, -60, and -100, all work on the LaserWriter IINTX. These drives have been shipping since March 1, 1989 and have built-in fans and no vents on the top of the housing. Earlier drives don't work, because they don't have embedded SCSI controllers that are able to pass all the parameters from the HDA to the LaserWriter IINTX, which the LaserWriter IINTX requires.

Additionally, Adobe has tested and confirmed that the following drives work with the LaserWriter IINTX:

Seagate ST225N Rodime 650 series (RO651, RO652, RO751, RO752) Quantum Q200 series (Q250, Q280) MiniScribe 8425-SCSI MiniScribe 80515

Generally, we have found that only drives using embedded SCSI controllers are compatible. For more information on this topic, see the November 15, 1988, issue of "MacWeek."

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