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TOPIC -----------------------------------------------------------

Is it really necessary to use the Installer application to put a new System
on a Macintosh?  What's wrong with just dragging over a good System Folder
from another computer?

DISCUSSION ------------------------------------------------------

Drag copying System Folders is not an acceptable method of replacing System
files.  You must use the Installer to get a complete and successful
installation of all necessary visible and invisible System files.  There
are hooks and patches to the ROM that can be part of the System only if the
Installer is used.

If you have a System that was installed by drag-copying, we suggest that
you trash it and install a fresh System Folder using the Installer program.

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