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- To include Scanner driver 2.0 information.

TOPIC -----

Is there any trick for getting an Apple Scanner to work with a Macintosh IIfx? I keep getting a "scanner not found" message. The Macintosh IIfx terminator is installed in the scanner's second SCSI port.

Do I need a second terminator when using with a Macintosh IIfx? Does it need to be an fx-type?

DISCUSSION -----

The Macintosh IIfx is very picky about its termination. At no time should there be more than two terminators in the entire SCSI chain -- one on each end, or in the case of only one internal SCSI hard drive, a single terminator installed internally. All terminators used with the Macintosh IIfx must either true IIfx-compatible or "augmented" by the IIfx SCSI Filter (used only with internal hard drives).

In addition, older Apple Scanners had some additional capacitors installed on the logic board, which may garble the SCSI signals when connected to faster Macintosh computers. Install the Scanner driver version 2.0 to correct this problem.

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