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TOPIC -----

My Apple PC 5.25-inch floppy takes about a minute for an inserted 5.25-inch disk to be recognized by my Macintosh. Is this normal?

DISCUSSION -----

It depends on the amount of information on the MS-DOS diskette, but there are probably some other factors involved to bring the access time to a full minute. More than likely there are other INITs, CDEVs or applications (if you're running under MultiFinder) that are stealing CPU time away from Apple File Exchange. You can easily check this by starting up with a floppy under Finder-only and launching AFE.

Another possibility is that AFE is running out of memory. If you're running MultiFinder, try boosting the RAM allocation by 200K or so.

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