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TOPIC -----

We have Macintosh computers (PowerBook 170 and IICx) running System 7. They won't retain default settings, such as changes to Views (like font size) or the Trash warning. After a restart or shut down, the settings return to default. Zapping the PRAM doesn't help.

DISCUSSION -----

It sounds like you might have a corrupted Finder Preferences file, found by following this path:

System Folder
Preferences
Finder Preferences

Try the following procedure:

- Throw the Finder Preferences file away.
- Restart your computer. (This will automatically create a new Finder Preferences file.)

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