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TOPIC -----

When I have Macintosh PC Exchange installed (or DOS mounter, AccessPC, and so on), Apple File Exchange (AFE) or MacLink Plus PC don't recognize DOS disks as DOS disks. Because Macintosh PC Exchange makes a PC disk appear as a Macintosh disk, AFE thinks it's a Macintosh disk and won't display the MS-DOS menus.

DISCUSSION -----

This is how we would expect AFE and Macintosh PC Exchange to behave.

The workaround for AFE is as follows:

- 1) Insert the MS-DOS disk.
- 2) From the "Mac to Mac" menu, select the "Other translations..." menu item.
- 3) Select the translator you want to use.
- 4) Make sure the "Add" radio button is selected and click "OK".
- 5) Repeat the process for all of the translators you want to use.

This will add the translator(s) to the "Mac to Mac" menu. Now all you have to do is select the translator(s) so it's checked in the menu and you will be able to use it.

Alternatively, you can disable Macintosh PC Exchange during the session with Apple File Exchange or MacLink Plus PC.

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