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TOPIC ---

I bought an AppleCD 300 drive to use with my Performa 450. The Apple dealer
sold me a SCSI cable to connect the two and everything seems to work fine.
However, the CD manual says I need a terminator connected to the CD-ROM drive.
Is this true?

DISCUSSION --

With the proper cables, you need a terminator on the beginning of the SCSI
chain, as well as one on the end. The internal hard drive is the beginning of
the chain, so it's already terminated. Whatever is the last (or only) external
device should be terminated. Failure to do so could possibly cause data
integrity issues.

In other words, you should get a terminator for your CD-ROM drive. It may be
working fine now, but at some point a CD may not mount successfully, or you
may experience errors reading from the drive.

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