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TOPIC -----

Macintosh TV users may find that they cannot receive television signals from their cable system. The solution is to get the revised TV Set Up control panel.

DISCUSSION -----

Background

About 30 percent of the cable systems in the United States use Harmonically Related Carrier frequency, which is different from air-transmitted television signals and from the remaining 70 percent of cable systems. HRC reduces interference when many channels are transmitted over cable. Most television receivers that are labeled "cable-ready" are compatible with HRC.

Macintosh TV, however, cannot receive an HRC signal -- because each channel's frequency is shifted down by 1.25 MHz from the standard channel frequencies recognized by Macintosh TV.

Solution: A New Control Panel

A revised TV Set Up control panel that allows Macintosh TV to pick up the HRC frequency will be available starting November 30, 1993. Here's where to get it:

- From authorized Apple resellers (who may charge a downloading fee).
- From the Apple Assistance Center.
- From AppleLink. Here's the path: Software Sampler Apple SW Updates

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Macintosh
Supplemental System Software
TV Setup (1.0.1).

This new control panel also fixes a problem that would sometimes cause the screen to darken after returning from TV mode.

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