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TOPIC -----

This article lists the Apple computers using an IDE hard disk and describes which hard disk utility program to use.

DISCUSSION -----

The internal hard disk, in some of Apple's computers, is an IDE drive, not a SCSI drive. This could cause compatibility problems for hard disk utility programs.

When formatting the IDE internal hard disk, be sure to use either Internal HD Format or Drive Setup. Drive Setup has replaced Internal HD Format, but you may be able to use Internal HD Format if your computer included it originally. If Internal HD Format does not work, use Drive Setup instead. Drive Setup 1.0.5 is available on online services.

Use the search string 'drive setup and ide', to find related articles: "Internal HD Format: Cannot See IDE Drives", "Apple Internal HD Format: Version History", "Drive Setup: Compatible With Which Computers?".

The following computers use an IDE hard disk:

Macintosh LC 580
Macintosh LC 630
Macintosh Quadra 630
Macintosh Performa 630
Power Macintosh 4400 Series
Power Macintosh 5200/75 LC
Power Macintosh 5260/100
Power Macintosh 5300/100 LC
Power Macintosh 5400 Series
Power Macintosh 6400 Series

Power Macintosh 5500 Series
Power Macintosh 6500 Series
Macintosh Performa 5200 Series
Macintosh Performa 6200 Series
Macintosh Performa 5300 Series
Macintosh Performa 6300 Series
Macintosh Performa 6400 Series
PowerBook 190 Series
PowerBook 1400 Series
PowerBook Duo 2300 Series
PowerBook 5300 Series

Note:

Although the PowerBook 150 also has an IDE drive, you must use Internal HD Format, NOT Drive Setup, with this computer.

These articles can help you locate the software update mentioned here:

- "Where To Find Apple Software Updates" -- Lists online services for free Apple software updates.
- "Obtaining Apple Product Support in the USA" -- Lists 800 numbers and online services for software updates, Apple support information, and a subset of the Apple Tech Info Library.

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