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TOPIC -----

When I start up my Macintosh Performa computer a red 'X' crosses out one of the little pictures that comes across the bottom of the screen. When it finally gets to the desktop I have no Launcher. What happened?

DISCUSSION -----

The picture that you see at the bottom of the screen with an 'X' through it is the Launcher Control Panel icon. The Launcher does not show up on the desktop because it has been disabled.

The red 'X' you're seeing is probably caused by one of the following situations:

- You have renamed the Applications folder.
- You have renamed the Documents folder.
- You have renamed BOTH the Applications folder and the Documents folder.
- There is a duplicate Launcher control panel in the System Folder.

To fix the problem do the following:

- Rename each folder to its original name or throw away the duplicate Launcher. Restart the computer. The red 'X' will go away and the Launcher will appear on the desktop.

MORE INFORMATION
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When your Macintosh Performa starts up, the Launcher searches for two folders on the hard drive: Applications and Documents. If it finds that either folder has been renamed, it places a red 'X' over its icon at startup to warn you of feature(s) you have disabled. (Note: This would be a black 'X' on Performa 200).

If either the Applications or the Documents folder is GONE from the hard drive (not renamed, but removed), then the Launcher icon will have no red 'X' at startup and will recreate the missing Applications/Documents folder(s) on the desktop.

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