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TOPIC -----

This article describes why an NT-1 is needed for an BRI (Basic Rate Interface) ISDN connection, and where to get one.

DISCUSSION -----

Apple's QuickTime Conferencing ISDN Kit does NOT contain an NT-1 (Network Terminal Adaptor) which terminates the ISDN line at the users end, and powers the ISDN line from the Network Interface box to the ISDN device. An NT-1 is needed for a BRI ISDN connection which has two B channels and one D channel.

Users will need to purchase an NT-1. Their cost may run in the \$150 to \$400 range depending on features, like Caller ID and so on. A basic NT-1, without Caller ID, will do the job as well as the best model.

An NT-1 is easily obtainable. Your local telephone provider may offer to sell you one, or you can purchase one from the following companies:

Companies	Phone Number	Model Name
Quicomm	1-800-244-3688	NT-1 Network Terminator
Intellicom	1-800-884-ISDN	Various models
PicturePhone Direct	1-800-810-9966	Tone Commander NT1U-220TC

NOTE: Because an ISDN line needs power and would be unusable in the event of a power outage, a user might also consider connecting the NT-1 to a UPS (Uninterruptable Power Supply).

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