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If you:

- create a MacTerminal document,

- save it, then
- use a text editor other than MacTerminal itself to make changes to the document,

then MacTerminal may refuse to open the document, saying that the document has been modified by another application.

Here's the reason. All present versions of MacTerminal store text in the data fork of the file, and information on carriage returns in its resource fork. When MacTerminal opens the file, it compares what the resource fork states where the carriage returns should be located with where they actually exist in the data fork. If the information differs, the file will not open.

This is a known problem that will most likely be eliminated in a future version of MacTerminal. Until then, there are two workarounds:

- edit MacTerminal documents only with MacTerminal, or
- edit MacTerminal documents with another application or desk accessory, using Copy and Paste to move the information to and from MacTerminal.

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