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## Macintosh: HP150 Connectivity

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You can pass ASCII files between a Macintosh computer and a Hewlett-Packard HP150. To do this, you need a software package named "Reflection" from Walker, Richer, and Quinn, Inc. Although Reflection can do binary file transfer, the HP150 binary files are not usable on the Macintosh without a translator.

There are two physical methods for connecting Macintosh and HP150. First, a null modem cable can be used for a direct connect between the two computers. Reflection supports both Kermit and Xmodem. Reflection, running on both the Macintosh and the HP150, can transfer files in either direction.

The second method requires an Hewlett-Packard minicomputer, like an HP3000. Both Macintosh and HP150 then connect through Reflection to the HP minicomputer. The Macintosh and HP150 use the HP minicomputer as a central location for holding the files being transferred.

Note: The HP150 is not quite an MS-DOS machine. The operating system is a Hewlett-Packard design. The 3.5-inch disk drive is not formatted like MS-DOS, OS/2, or Macintosh.

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