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TOPIC ---

How many SCSI drivers does the Macintosh Plus support according to Apple's specifications? Are there any restrictions on the type or nature of those drivers?

DISCUSSION --

There are no "published" specifications regarding how many SCSI drivers the Macintosh Plus can have loaded into memory at one time. A typical SCSI driver uses about 5K of memory. If you attached seven SCSI devices, you would use around 35K of memory for their drivers. This 35K or even 50K does not pose a problem. The real problem you have with the Macintosh Plus and SCSI devices is the electrical limitation. Four to five devices is probably the maximum that you can put on the SCSI bus due to the load placed on the SCSI bus by the SCSI devices.

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