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TOPIC ---

I'm using a 20MB SCSI hard drive with my LaserWriter IINTX. There didn't
seem to be any problems, and the Laser Installer software recognized the
hard drive as being online to the LaserWriter IINTX.

Then I installed all my Laser fonts to the hard disk, but when I ran the
Laser Installer software, it did not recognize any of the fonts installed
to the hard disk. It did not even recognize that a hard disk was connected
(although the Laser did start up with the hard drive attached, and the
drive-active light was on).

The software only gave a readout of the internal laser fonts -- not those
installed on the hard disk.

1) How do I ensure that the hard drive is correctly connected and available
   as a font resource?

2) Can I install screen fonts on the hard drive, or only printer fonts?

3) Do I remove all printer (and screen) fonts from the System Folder on my
   Macintosh after they are installed to the LaserWriter IINTX hard
   disk?

4) My hard drive crashed, and my System Folder was corrupted
   while I was installing screen fonts to the system file using Font/DA
   Mover. What might have caused this? Is there a limit to the number of
   screen fonts that I can have installed to the system file? Is there a
   limit to the number of items that I can have in any folder?

5) Where do I get more complete information on the installation and support

of this environment?

DISCUSSION --

It sounds like the problem was either with what fonts were installed or the
process you used to install them.

1) When you run the LaserWriter Font Utility, if the drive is recognized
   and does format, then the drive is connected properly and operational.

2) No, you can't install screen fonts.

3) You will need the screen fonts on the workstation. Downloadable fonts
   on the workstation are unnecessary, but do not harm anything.

4) There is no theoretical limit to the number of screen fonts you could
   install in your System file, but you would eventually run out of RAM or
   disk space. The limit of files per folder is 64,000.

5) The LaserWriter IINTX manual shows how to make the connections properly
   and format the disk. If these processes work, the drive is operational.

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