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TOPIC -----

Will the new Macintosh PowerBook Fax/Data Modem support data communication and file transfer with the AppleFax Modem? If it does, at what baud rate?

DISCUSSION -----

The Macintosh PowerBook Fax/Data Modem will not communicate with the old AppleFax Modem in standard data communication mode. The Macintosh PowerBook Fax/Data Modem is capable of sending facsimiles to the AppleFax Modem.

Page 92 of the "AppleFax Modem User's Guide" states the following:

"If you want, you can use a communications application as long as you're communicating with another AppleFax Modem. A communications application lets you transmit Macintosh files, type messages back and forth, and use the modem commands described in Appendix B."

The manual goes on to say (on page 92) what communications parameters the AppleFax Modem requires to successfully use a 9600-baud modem.

This means that the AppleFax Modem will allow you to transmit Macintosh files (text files, MacPaint files, PICT files, and so on) to another Macintosh at 9600 baud as long as both modems are AppleFax modems. It isn't necessary for both AppleFax Modems to use the same communication software as long they support the same transfer protocol.

The AppleFax Modem does support a subset of the Hayes "AT" command set. For more information on this, look in Appendix B, which starts on page 137.

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