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## PowerBook: Backlight Control CDEV (5/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article describes Backlight Control version 1.0.

DISCUSSION -----

Backlight Control is a control panel that monitors the mouse activity, the keyboard activity, and the charger status of the PowerBook. It turns the backlight off when the mouse has been idle for a certain amount of time (user specified) and you are working from the battery. As soon as you move the mouse, click the mouse, start typing, or plug in your power adapter the backlight comes back on.

The Control Panel interface allows you to:

- Turn on or off the Backlight feature
- Select the idle timeout
- Check for a power adapter or not
- Monitor the keyboard or not

Backlight Control should work on any PowerBook with backlighting. Newer PowerBooks and Duos ship with system software that has this same functionality.

Version 1.0 changes only the version number and icons. Version 1.0a3 adds mouse click detection and should work on all backlit portables.

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