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TOPIC -----

I am confused by the instructions in the LaserWriter Select 360 PostScript Fax Card User's Guide for importing text files into fax phonebook. What is the proper format for both the Macintosh and MS-DOS text files?

DISCUSSION -----

MS-DOS Text File Format

The proper format for importing text files into the fax phonebook is:

"NAME", "COMPANY", "NUMBER", "RESOLUTION", "FAXPASSWORD"
"Naomi Heldman", "Apple Computer", "123-555-1212", "F", ""

The first line has the field names. This is required, as is the quotation marks as indicated above. There is a space after every comma, both in the field name line and in the actual data line. Empty fields should have open and close quotation marks, with no spaces between them.

The valid entries for "RESOLUTION" are "S" for STANDARD, "F" for FINE, and "P" for POSTSCRIPT.

Macintosh Text File Format

The proper format for importing text files into the fax phonebook is:

NAME<TAB>COMPANY<TAB>NUMBER<TAB>RESOLUTION<TAB>FAXPASSWORD

Example: Naomi Heldman<TAB>Apple Computer<TAB>123-555-1212<TAB>N<TAB>

Note: The tab character is Decimal 09 (Hex \$09)

There is no field name line, and that the field data is separated by TABS.

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Also, there are no quotation marks and any blank fields should simply be a tab.

The valid entries for "RESOLUTION" are "N" for NORMAL, and "P" for POSTSCRIPT.

Also, if there are a few duplicate entries in the phone book, they should be eliminated. The more records there are, the slower the FAX phone book operates.

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