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TOPIC ---

If I want to use a SyQuest type removable cartridge drive with my Macintosh
running System 7.5, do I need to install the software for the drive? I
understand that PC Exchange enables me to mount cartridges on the fly.

DISCUSSION --

PC Exchange (PCX) 2.0.2 will allow you to mount removable media, such as SyQuest
cartridges, on the fly negating the need to install separate software.

Step 1
To enable this, you must open the PCX control panel and select Options.

Step 2
Once selected, a list of connected devices will be present, clicking on your
cartridge drive will place a check mark next to it indicating that the driver
for that device will be loaded at restart.

Step 3
Restart your computer and you now have the ability to insert cartridges on the
fly.

The Eject Disk command is unavailable when working with removable media devices.
To unmount and eject a removable media cartridge, drag the device's icon to the
Trash. Once the device has spun down and the red light goes out, you can
manually eject the cartridge from the drive. To access a removable media
cartridge that has been ejected, simply reinsert the cartridge in the drive.

When initializing and formatting Bernoulli and SyQuest cartridges on a
PC-compatible computer, use the disk setup and partitioning software that came
with the SCSI controller card installed in your PC or that came with your
Bernoulli or SyQuest device. Do not use the MS-DOS Fdisk command to initialize

a removable media cartridge. In addition, you should use the MS-DOS Format
command to format the disk before you copy DOS files to a newly initialized
removable media cartridge on a PC.

When you initialize a removable media cartridge on a PC-compatible computer, you
must fully partition, initialize, and erase the cartridge using the software
that came with your SCSI controller card or removable media device. If you do
not, PC Exchange may not recognize the new DOS-format partitions on that
cartridge.

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