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## System 7.5: Additional Find File Search Criteria (2/95)

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TOPIC -----

Are there any other search criteria available in the Find File dialog box other than what shows up? I'm looking for a way to find invisible files without using a special disk utility

DISCUSSION -----

This article describes the four additional undocumented search options available with the System 7.5 desktop Find command.

The System 7.5 desktop Find command (Command-F) lets you search for a variety of file attributes. There are four additional search options available under the first pop up menu selection in the Find File dialog box. Hold down the Option key while selecting the "name" pop up and you will see these additional selections:

Contents  
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Find files containing a specific string or phrase (up to 30 characters)

Name/Icon Lock  
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Find all locked/unlocked files.

Custom Icon  
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Find all files that either do or do not have a custom icon.

Visibility  
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Find all visible/invisible files.

These additional search criteria are "undocumented features" of Find File. As such, their use is not officially supported.

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