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TOPIC -----

This article describes the Control Strip software included on the Power Macintosh 7500 and 8500 computers and also installed by the AppleVision 1710 AV Display software.

For information on the Control Strip software on PowerBook computers see the TIL article "PowerBook: Control Strip Software".

DISCUSSION -----

The Control Strip that ships with System 7.5.2 on the Power Macintosh 7500 and 8500 is only supported on these computers. The AppleVision 1710 AV Display also includes the Control Strip software, but only includes modules for controlling the monitor.

The Control Strip by default appears at the bottom left portion of your screen, but can be moved easily to fit your needs. To do this, hold down the option key while dragging the sizing tab.

The location of each function (known as "modules") can be changed within the strip by option-click dragging the module you wish to move to a different position. The strip can be easily re-sized by dragging the sizing tab on the end of the strip.

Modules that appear within the Control Strip are stored in the Control Strip Modules folder of the System Folder. These modules cannot be modified but some applications or developers may provide Control Strip Modules which can be installed in the Control Strip Modules folder. It is important to note that all modules in this folder may not appear in the Control Strip depending on the features of the computer you are using.

The following modules are included in the Control Strip with System 7.5.2 on the Power Macintosh 7500 and 8500 computers:

- AppleTalk Switch

Allows user to switch AppleTalk on or off without going to the Chooser and without restarting.

- File Sharing

Allows user to switch file sharing on or off and change the sharing setup. A red "X" through the File Sharing folder icon usually means AppleTalk was not loaded during startup. To start AppleTalk, select "AppleTalk: Active on restart" in the Chooser and restart the computer.

NOTE: Changing file sharing settings on the Control Strip will only create a temporary change and therefore will return to its original setting once the computer has been restarted. To make the setting permanent, it is necessary to make changes using the Sharing Setup control panel.

- Sound Volume

Allows you to adjust the volume setting of the computer.

- Video Mirroring

Allows you to switch the video mirroring feature on or off. Video mirroring is only available when a television or other NTSC device is receiving video from a Power Macintosh 8500 with 4 MB of VRAM.

The following modules are included in the Control Strip with System 7.5.2 and the AppleVision 1710 AV Display software:

- Monitor Bit Depth

Allows you to adjust the color depth of the monitor.

- Monitor Resolution

Allows you to adjust the resolution on a multiple-scan capable display.

It is also possible to get a description of each module in the Control Strip through Balloon Help. To do this, pull down the Help Menu, choose Show Balloons, and point to the modules one at a time.

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