



# Tech Info Library

## PowerBook: About PC Card Modem Files Read Me (1/96)

Revised: 5/2/97  
Security: Everyone

PowerBook: About PC Card Modem Files Read Me (1/96)

=====  
Article Created: 4 January 1996  
Article Reviewed/Created: 1 May 1997

TOPIC -----

This Readme file is pre-installed on the hard drives of most Macintosh PowerBook computers which have the capability of using PC Card modems.

DISCUSSION -----

=====  
ABOUT PC CARD MODEM FILES  
=====

The PC Card Modem Files folder contains modem connection files for various PC Card modems that will work with several application programs. If your modem file is not included, please contact your communications software manufacturer to see if your modem is supported.

Using a PC Card Modem

=====  
Follow these steps as a guideline for setting up communications programs to use the Communications Toolbox.

Note: The files listed below were designed to work with the United States phone system. These files may or may not work properly outside of the United States.

To select the correct modem file for your PC Card modem, follow these steps:

Step 1

-----

Insert your PC Card modem.

Step 2

-----

Click the Edit Local Setup button.

Step 3

-----

Select the port that your PC Card modem is in. You should see either upper or lower PC Card slot listed. If you don't, make sure your modem is properly inserted. The upper and lower PC Card slots will appear in the dialog box only when a PC Card modem is inserted.

Step 4

-----

Choose your modem from the Modem Type pop-up menu. If your PC Card modem is not listed, try Generic PC Card Modem or Hayes Basic. If that doesn't work, you may need to create a new modem type.

Using Apple Remote Access with a PC Card Modem

=====

Apple Remote Access (ARA) uses modem files (sometimes called connection scripts or CCLs) to get the best performance from some modems. Follow these steps to select your modem file:

Step 1

-----

Insert your PC Card modem.

Step 2

-----

Open the ARA application program.

Step 3

-----

Open Remote Access Setup.

Step 4

-----

Choose your modem from the Modem pop-up menu. If your PC Card modem is not listed, check in the ARA Connection Files folder. If the file for your modem appears, drag it to the Extensions folder (inside the System Folder). If the file for your modem is not listed, try using an existing modem file from the pop-up menu (such as a different model from the same manufacturer). If this doesn't help, you may need to get a connection script from your PC Card manufacturer.

Step 5

-----

Choose the port that your PC Card modem is in. You should see either upper or lower PC Card slot listed. If you don't, make sure your modem is properly inserted. If you insert the PC Card modem in the other slot, you need to reselect the modem port before you can use ARA.

Using AppleLink with a PC Card Modem

=====

To use AppleLink with a PC Card modem, follow these steps after you have installed the AppleLink software:

Step 1

-----

Insert your PC Card modem.

Step 2

-----

Open the AppleLink Connection Files folder (inside the PC Card Modem Files folder in the Apple Extras folder on your hard disk).

Step 3

-----

Drag the icon for the PC Card Modem (USA) file to the Connection Files folder (inside the AppleLink folder). If a dialog box appears advising you that older files with the same name already exist, click OK.

Step 4

-----

Open the AppleLink application program.

Step 5

-----

Choose Set Up Connection from the Network menu.

Step 6

-----

Choose CommToolbox from the Connection Port pop-up menu.

Step 7

-----

Choose Serial Tool from the Method pop-up menu.

Step 8

-----

Select the Upper Slot or Lower Slot icon in the Current Port window. The modem must be inserted to display its icon in the window. You must always insert the modem in the same slot, or you'll need to set up the modem again for the other slot.

Step 9

-----

Choose PC Card Modem (USA) from the Connection File pop-up menu.

Article Change History:

01 May 1997 - Removed out dated on line references.

Copyright 1996, Apple Computer, Inc.

Tech Info Library Article Number:19156