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TOPIC ---

I recently installed System 7.5 Update 2.0, and I noticed that there are newer
versions of Disk First Aid, Drive Setup, and Apple HD SC Setup in the Apple
Extras folder. Do I need to update my old Disk Tools disk with the newer
versions of these utilities? If so, do I need both Drive Setup and Apple HD SC
Setup?

DISCUSSION --

Apple does not officially support updating a Disk Tools disk with the utilities
installed with System 7.5 Update 2.0. There are a couple of reasons for this:

- On some older Disk Tools disks (any that shipped before the release of Drive
Setup, such as the original System 7.5 Disk Tools disk), there is not enough
room for the System Folder, Drive Setup 1.0.4, and Disk First Aid 7.2.2.

- The System Folders included with Disk Tools disks are significantly modified
to fit on a 1.4 MB floppy disk. Because every existing modified System Folder
isn't tested with every existing CPU and the newer versions of the utilities,
you shouldn't assume that the newer utilities will run reliably from an existing
Disk Tools disk.

Macintosh computers that ship with System 7.5.3 installed from the factory will
include a Disk Tools disk or CD-ROM disc containing the latest versions of the
utilities.

If you need to repair a volume with Disk First Aid or format or initialize a
volume with Drive Setup or Apple HD SC Setup, you should start up from another
volume (such as a second hard drive, CD, or removeable cartridge drive) running
System 7.5.x (not necessarily System 7.5.3) and then run the desired utility.
The utility does not have to be on the startup volume, but it cannot be on the
volume that needs to be repaired, formatted, or initialized.

If you have a Power Macintosh system (including the PowerBook 500 with PPC upgrade, but excluding the Power Macintosh processor card) or any Macintosh that originially shipped with an IDE hard drive (such as the Macintosh Performa and LC 630CD and 580 series, the PowerBook 150, and the PowerBook 190), you should use Drive Setup. Otherwise, use Apple HD SC Setup.

Note: The following computers are in the Macintosh 630CD family: LC 630, Quadra 630, Performa 630, Performa 635, Performa 636, Performa 637, Performa 638, and Performa 640.

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