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TOPIC -----

I have a Power Macintosh 9500/200 computer, and I need to initialize the hard drive. I thought this computer required Drive Setup, but I could only find Apple HD SC Setup in the Disk Tools folder on the system software CD-ROM disc. Can I use HD SC Setup to reinitialize my hard drive? If not, where is Drive Setup?

DISCUSSION -----

No, you should not use Apple HD SC Setup to initialize the hard drive in your Power Macintosh 9500/200. Apple HD SC Setup was not intended to be included with your computer. Instead, Drive Setup is the supported disk utility for use with all PCI-based Power Macintosh computers, including the Power Macintosh 9500/200. If you have already used HD SC Setup, it should not cause any problems with your computer. However, Apple recommends that you reinitialize the hard drive using Drive Setup.

Drive Setup is included with your computer, but it is on a floppy disk called Drive Setup Software rather than on the Apple Macintosh CD System Software 7.5.3 (Version 5.0). Additionally, in order to properly use Drive Setup, you must use Drive Setup and then run the Drive Setup Updater utility program, which corrects an issue that could prevent your computer from starting up properly.

On the system software CD disc, there is a Read Me file titled, "Where is Drive Setup". This file describes this issue in detail and provides the necessary steps for using Drive Setup.

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