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TOPIC -----

The back of the PC Exchange box says that it "Works with 3.5-inch and 5.25-inch floppy disks formatted using MS-DOS, Windows, and OS/2." Also "Formats 360K or 1.2MB MS-DOS disks on any Macintosh with a third-party 5.25-inch external floppy disk drive."

Does Macintosh PC Exchange work with 5.25-inch PC drives? We've been told repeatedly that it doesn't work with any 5.25-inch drive, including the Apple 5.25-inch drive.

DISCUSSION -----

Macintosh PC Exchange works with external 5.25-inch low- and high-density drives from these third-party manufacturers:

- Peripheral Land, Inc.
- Dayna Communications
- Kennect Technology

For Macintosh PC Exchange to work properly, you must install the third-party software (that is, driver) that comes with those drives.

Macintosh PC Exchange doesn't work with the "old" Apple 5.25-inch drive (customers will continue to have to use Apple File Exchange), nor with any 5.25-inch Macintosh LC (really, Apple II) drives.

This information should supersede all other information you've seen reported on the compatibility of Macintosh PC Exchange with 5.25 PC drives.

Note that there's one little-known problem when using Macintosh PC

Exchange with Dayna Communications' DOS Mounter. High-density disks aren't supported with the currently shipping version of Macintosh PC Exchange, version 1.0.2. This incompatibility will be fixed in a future version of Macintosh PC Exchange.

To locate a vendor's address and phone numbers, use the vendor name as a search string.

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