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Apple IIGS Incompatibilities: Communications software

The Apple IIGS is designed to be used with the vast majority of Apple IIe hardware and software. However, there are some design differences that will cause some products to be incompatible with the Apple IIGS.

A number of communications packages written for the Apple IIe bypassed the firmware available for the system. Those software programs that write directly to the IIe hardware cannot be used on the Apple IIGS, since the serial ports are now controlled by a 8530 Serial Communications Chip, rather than a 6551. Most currently available communications packages, including Access II, version 1.1, do not work on an Apple IIGS.

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