PC Compatibility Card: CDR101 error reading CD-ROM Discs (10/96)

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TOPIC --

I have a PC Compatibility Card in my Power Macintosh computer. I have installed
the DOS/Windows drivers for the CD-ROM, but I can only access CD-ROM discs when
I am using the Mac OS. When I try to access a CD-ROM disc, I get a message,
"CDR101: Not ready reading drive E:, why?

DISCUSSION ---

CDROM.SYS is the MS-DOS driver allowing the PC Compatibility Cards to access
Apple CD-ROM drives. CDROM.SYS requires the proper loading of the Apple CD-ROM
extension in the Mac OS, when the Mac OS is starting up. Here are some reason
why you may be getting the CDR101: Not ready reading drive E: message.

1) You may be using a third-party CD-ROM drive that uses its own CD-ROM
extension instead of the Apple CD-ROM extension. Check the CD-ROM drive
manufacturer to see if it is compatible with the Apple CD-ROM extension. If it
is not compatible, you will not be able to use the CD-ROM drive when you are in
the DOS/Windows environment.

2) You may be using CD-ROM acceleration software with an Apple CD-ROM drive
that replaces the Apple CD-ROM extension. If this is the case, you need to use
the Extension manager to switch between the Apple CD-ROM extension and the
third-party CD-ROM extension at startup, when you plan on using the PC
Compatibility Card.

3) You may be using Apple CD-ROM version 5.1.1 or 5.1.2. With these versions of
Apple CD-ROM, the PC/Windows environment is unable to read CD-ROM discs if a
CD-ROM is not in the drive at startup. The document titled "DOS Compatible:
CD-ROM Needs to be in Drive at Startup" explains this issue. To resolve this
issue, install Apple CD-ROM 5.1.6 or greater.

4) The CD-ROM you are trying to use may not be a format that the PC
Compatibility Card can read. The following formats are supported:

ISO 9660
Audio
Hybrid (dual-format Mac/PC) CD-ROM discs*.

* NOTE:

Requires Apple CD-ROM 5.1.5 or later.

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