

## Ultrasonic Humidifiers and Computer Equipment (11/94)

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TOPIC -----

The inside of my computer is coated by something other than dust. The only source of contamination seems to be my cool mist humidifier.

Is there any information regarding ultrasonic humidifiers and their effects when placed close to computers? Specifically, can the mineral mist be attracted to the electrical components inside a Macintosh or LaserWriter?

DISCUSSION -----

Dust in general is not good for computers: it causes heat build up and gets between the various connectors, particularly the SIMMs which can cause errors or other operational problems.

An ultrasonic humidifier should not cause any more damage than common dust.

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