

Floppy Disk Failure: Possible Causes (11/94)

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TOPIC -----

Our office has experienced what seems to be a high failure rate with diskettes. In what ways can disks be damaged and what can be done to prevent further problems?

DISCUSSION -----

Disk wear results mostly from time in use. Abnormal disk wear is usually caused by unclean environments or misaligned or dirty mechanisms. Cigarette smoke, hair (human or pet), and dust all contribute to disk failure.

You might want to invest in a head-cleaning device. Check the industry periodicals for reviews and pick the least abrasive one.

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