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Macintosh LC 520: Power Controls and Energy Conservation (6/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article discusses the power controls on the Macintosh LC 520 computer system.

DISCUSSION -----

Powering On and Off

Like the Macintosh Color Classic, the Macintosh LC 520 supports both power on and power off from the keyboard. When you first unpack the system, and the power switch on the rear is turned on, the system does not start up. You must also press the power key on the keyboard. After that, you'll power-on and -off the system from the keyboard.

The master switch on the back can be left on -- unless the system will be turned off for an extended length of time, or if the logic board is to be removed.

IMPORTANT: Before removing the logic board, turn off the rear power switch, otherwise power will remain active on the board, resulting in danger of a short.

Energy Saving

An energy-saving feature allows users to set the length of time that the Macintosh can be idle before power to the screen is shut off. This feature is activated through the Screen control panel.

When the screen is powered down, total system energy consumption is reduced by approximately 50%. Power to the screen is restored when either the mouse button or a key is pressed. This feature allows the Macintosh LC 520 to meet the EPA's Energy Star conservation standards.

One Outlet Is Enough

Because of its all-in-one design, the Macintosh LC 520 needs only one AC outlet -- for the computer, display, CD-ROM player, disk drives, and loudspeakers.

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