PowerBook 200 & 2300 Series: Docking/Undocking Procedures 10/95

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TOPIC --

This article explains the different scenarios under which it is safe to dock,
undock, and sleep a PowerBook 200 or 2300 series computer connected to a Duo
Dock, Duo Dock II, Duo Dock Plus, MiniDock, or Duo Floppy Adapter.

DISCUSSION ---

The only time that hardware or data is at risk when connecting externals to a
PowerBook 200 or 2300 series computer is if the computer is turned on and awake
while the externals are being connected. If you work with the rule that the
PowerBook is always off or sleeping when externals are connected, you should be
safe in any situation. The following is a more specific synopsis of the
different docking scenarios.

Duo Dock (includes all Duo Dock products)

The PowerBook computer must be off when docking to a Duo Dock. If docking is
attempted while the PowerBook computer is asleep, the dock will eject the
PowerBook computer. The PowerBook computer will crash if it is on when trying to
Dock.

The PowerBook computer will not sleep when docked to a Duo Dock.

Pressing the eject button on the Duo Dock while the PowerBook computer is on
will issue the Shutdown procedure and then eject the PowerBook computer.

You can physically lock the Duo Dock so that the computer cannot be removed. If
you attempt to eject the computer, a dialog box explains that you must unlock
the docking station before the Duo can be ejected.

MiniDock

The PowerBook computer can be connected to the MiniDock in sleep mode as long as
there is not an external monitor or SCSI device attached.

The PowerBook computer can sleep when docked to a MiniDock as long as there is
not an external monitor attached. If there is an external monitor attached, you
will get the message the PowerBook computer cannot sleep.

The MiniDock can be removed when the PowerBook computer is off or sleeping.

Duo Floppy Adapter

The PowerBook computer can be connected to the Duo Floppy Adapter in sleep mode.

The PowerBook computer can sleep when docked to a Duo Floppy Adapter.

The Duo Floppy Adapter can be removed when the PowerBook computer is off or sleeping.

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