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PowerBook 500 Series: Priority of Dual Battery Charging (4/95)

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TOPIC -----

What is the use/charging priority of the two batteries used in the PowerBook 500 series computer?

DISCUSSION -----

The PowerBook 500 series computer has 2 battery bays that are each capable of holding a single PowerBook Intelligent Battery. The PowerBook will charge the battery in the left bay completely before charging the battery in the right bay.

Once a battery is completely charged, the charging circuit for that battery goes into a maintenance stage. This maintenance stage will ensure that the battery's charge stays 'topped off' thus preventing any self-discharging that may occur.

If the computer has 2 batteries installed (one in the left bay and one in the right bay), the unit will draw power from the battery in the left bay first.

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