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HyperCard: Laser Video Control? (12/95)

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TOPIC -----

This article describes Laser Video Disc players and availability of XCMDs for controlling LaserDisc Players from HyperCard.

DISCUSSION -----

Most laser video is provided on 12-inch LaserDiscs. Many of the industrial-grade LaserDisc players provide serial connections. Control of the 12-inch LaserDisc players is provided via XCMDs for HyperCard. We are unaware of any industrial-grade LaserDisc player that supports the 5-inch CD-V format.

Depending on the source, CD-V may mean only the 5-inch format, or CD-V may mean 5-inch, 8-inch, and 12-inch formats. To support all three video formats, use Voyager Company's The Box to control a Pioneer 1030 or Pioneer 3030. The 1030 and 3030, which are called "combination players", support CD audio, 5-inch CD-V, 8-inch LaserDisc/CD-V, and 12-inch LaserDisc/CD-V. The Box comes with HyperCard XCMDs for controlling these two disc players, among others.

Of the disc players on the Voyager list that we have, the Pioneer 1030 and 3030 are the only LaserDisc players that support multiple disc sizes. Voyager has been adding to the list of supported disc players. Check with them to see if a particular combination player is currently supported.

The Tech Info Library article titled "Locating Vendor Information" can help you search for a Voyager's address and phone number.

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