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## MacX: Isn't OSF Compliant

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TOPIC -----

Is MacX OSF compliant, as opposed to complying, to the International UNIX standards?

A 1989 Tech Info article, "A/UX: X Windows Questions and Answers," states that Integrated Computer Solutions offers an OSF compliant X Window by providing a MOTIF Window Manager. Is this still the case?

DISCUSSION -----

MacX isn't OSF compliant. It's based on X11 Release 4 Window System Protocols; it has nothing to do with OSF or UNIX International's UNIX standards. OSF (Open Software Foundation) and UNIX International are two major UNIX organizations trying to set their standards for the UNIX industry; they aren't particularly discussing X Windows. The X Consortium is the one that defines and sets all the standards for X Window system. Apple is a member of all three organizations.

MOTIF is an X Window Manager, developed by OSF. (It follows X protocols of course.) The product is sometimes called MOTIF/OSF, since it's an OSF product. ICS (Integrated Computer Solutions) is a company that ported in the MOTIF Window Manager for A/UX.

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