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## Opening MS-DOS documents using Macintosh PC Exchange (7/93)

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### TOPIC -----

This article describes how to designate a specific Macintosh application for opening MS-DOS documents by the extension following its file name.

### DISCUSSION -----

Double-clicking an MS-DOS or Windows file like you would a Macintosh file at the Finder level usually doesn't result in the file opening. This is because the document doesn't know which Macintosh application to use. By using the PC Exchange control panel you can assign certain MS-DOS files to certain applications. This is done in the PC Exchange control panel window.

- 1) Open the PC Exchange control panel located in the Control Panel folder in your System Folder.
- 2) Click on Add.
- 3) Type in a period and the three letter extension, for example .TXT.
- 4) Select which Macintosh application is to be assigned that file type.

So that all members of a Network are consistent, make a master list of assignments on one Macintosh and place a copy of the PC Exchange Preferences folder in the Preferences folder of each licensed user of Macintosh PC Exchange.

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