Mac OS 7.6: About the System Folder Read Me (1/97)

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This article is the About the System Folder ReadMe folder.

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Mac OS 7.6
What's Inside the System Folder?

About this document

If you're curious about the contents of the System Folder, this document
provides a brief description of what's inside.

Depending on the type of computer you have, the contents of the System Folder
may vary. You might also have items that were added by third-party
applications.

Finder: Displays the desktop area, where you work with files and disks, and
keeps track of your files.

Apple Menu Items folder: When you place an item (folder, application, or
document) in this folder, it appears in the Apple (🍎) menu. To create submenus,
you can place folders inside of folders.

Clipboard: Temporarily stores the last item you cut or copied from a document.

Control Panels folder: Contains individual control panels. You use control
panels to adjust your computer's settings. See the "About the Control Panels"
document in the Apple Extras folder for more information.

Control Strip Modules folder: Contains modules used by the Control Strip.

Editors: Contains OpenDoc part editors. Editors provide functionality to OpenDoc
parts, but you don't work with editors directly. To use an editor to create a
document, double-click the editor's stationery icon. Your stationery icons are
probably located in the Stationery folder on your hard disk.

Extensions folder: Contains individual extensions that modify the operation of
your computer. Unlike a control panel, an extension works automatically, without

your intervention. See the "About the Extensions Folder" document in the Apple Extras folder for more information.

Fonts folder: Contains font suitcases or individual font files. You can place up to 128 suitcase or font files in this folder. PostScript fonts are not included in the 128 file limit. Font suitcases can hold any number of font files, up to a limit of 16 MB.

Launcher Items folder: Contains files, folders, and applications that appear in the Launcher window.

Macsbug: A debugger used by programmers to help diagnose problems with programs, extensions, and so on. Unless you're programming, you don't need Macsbug.

Preferences folder: Contains preferences files created by individual applications. A preference file determines application settings.

PrintMonitor Documents folder: Stores information waiting to be printed.

Scrapbook: Stores items placed in the Scrapbook. (The Scrapbook is available in the Apple menu.)

Shutdown Items folder: Contains applications or scripts that run automatically when you shut down your computer. You can add or remove items from this folder.

Startup Items folder: Contains applications or scripts that run automatically when you start your computer. You can add or remove items from this folder.

System file: Contains some system-wide resources, such as sounds and keyboard layouts.

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