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Macintosh: Troubleshooting Random Sound Problems

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TOPIC -----

I'm getting a random monkey alert sound on my Macintosh even though the alarm is off and the regular beep sound is selected in the Control Panel. I have no special sound INITs or CDEVs.

DISCUSSION -----

The sounds selected for the beep are loaded into RAM during startup. It's possible that your System Folder may be corrupted and is pointing to another beep sound.

Try starting up from a locked System disk and let it sit for a while to see if it does random beeps. If this doesn't fix things, trash and reinstall the System Folder. If the problem still persists when you start from the floppy, then you may have a hardware failure.

You also mentioned no special CDEVs and INITs being used. Were you referring to sound-type INITs? Other INITs that have some time/delay activation might also cause similar symptoms: SuperClock, screen savers, and spelling checker CDEVs to name a few.

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