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MacCheck: Common Warnings Reported (8/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article describes the common warnings reported by MacCheck, as well as steps you can take to correct any problems.

DISCUSSION -----

File System Test Reports Volume Is Busy

MacCheck should be the only application running while it performs the file system test. The results are not valid if other applications, extensions (including File Sharing), or Control Panels are running at the same time as MacCheck's file system test.

File System Test Can't Test This Kind of Volume

MacCheck only tests for file system and System file corruption on volumes that are not locked. In other words, MacCheck only tests volumes that you can repair. MacCheck considers CD-ROM drives and file server volumes locked.

Bad File Creation Dates

The "Additional Systems Info" log lists all files with bad creation file dates (a creation date later than the last modification date). This usually means that some time in the past the system clock was not set up correctly. This warning is not fatal, and since it is time consuming to reset file dates, you may not wish to repair these files. Apple's ResEdit application and some third-party applications allow you to reset file dates.

MacCheck Gives a Log Full Warning

You have too many files with bad creation dates, or too many aliases that are unresolved. For example, if you double-click on the alias, the Finder gives you a "Document/file cannot be found" error. MacCheck may not be able to record all of the standard profile information into the Additional System Info log. If you have a large number of fonts or applications, MacCheck may not be able to record all of the application and font information in the "Application and Font Info" log.

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