

Apple SuperDrive (FDHD): Dust Shield Enhancement

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TOPIC -----

I heard that there is an add-on shield for the Apple SuperDrive (FDHD). What is this shield for and how can I order it?

DISCUSSION -----

On January 15, 1992, a Service Notice was issued announcing a dust shield enhancement to the Apple SuperDrive. This shield is designed to provide additional protection to the drive from contamination caused by airborne dust particles.

All replacement drives shipped since March 20, 1992, include the shield as part of the assembly (part number 661-0474). Dust-shielded drives do not fit in Macintosh Plus, Macintosh LC, Macintosh Portable, or Macintosh PowerBook computers. Therefore, the shields must be removed before the drives are installed in these systems.

Apple felt that some customers, especially those who operate their systems in dusty environments, may want the added protection this shield offers. To this end, Apple made a package of five shields (part number 676-0439) available at a nominal cost. Note, though, that the installation of these shields is not an Apple-reimburseable procedure. Copyright 1992, Apple Computer, Inc.

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