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## System Mover: What Does It Script (9/96)

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### TOPIC -----

We are a Service Provider for several schools in the area. We are repairing Power Macintosh 5200 and 5300 LC computers under the Repair Extension Program. We have just finished running the System Mover Script from the "Macintosh 5xxx/6xxx System 7.5 v2.0 Update Service CD" and we now have the new System Software 7.5.3 System Folder.

Can you tell us what this script actually does to install the new System Folder?

### DISCUSSION -----

Below is a copy of the text from the "About System Mover Script" Read Me included with the Script Mover applet on the Macintosh 5xxx/6xxx System 7.5 v2.0 Update Service CD.

The System Mover Script is designed for Power Macintosh 5200 and 5300 LC Series computers only. If you run this script on a Performa 52xx/62xx/53xx/63xx series computer, some of the bundled software solutions may not run correctly since some resources are missing in the new system folder. Use the CD that came with the Performa to restore System Software and then install System 7.5 Update 2.0.

#### About the System Mover Script

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The object of this AppleScript is to aid in a drag copy of a model System Folder to a volume or partition. An existing System Folder on the volume will be replaced, but not before saving any user preferences, fonts, and other non-Apple installed Extensions and Control Panels.

The expected running environment is a machine booted from a CD-ROM containing a model System Folder (designed for the model of the Macintosh and named "System Folder (7.5.3)" ) and this Droplet. If more than one disk volume or partition is found with a System Folder, the user is queried for which volume is to receive the new System Folder. An alternate way of invoking this application is by dropping the System Folder to be replaced onto the Applet.

This AppleScript Applet will first create a special folder called "System Folder (disabled)" on the volume receiving the new System Folder. Several folders within the existing System Folder are examined for non-Apple Extensions, Control Panels, etc. These non-Apple files are moved to the special folder. Folders examined also includes Apple Menu Items, Control Strip Modules, and the "... (disabled)" folders for Control Panels, Extensions, and System Extension.

Other folders where users modifications may have been made are also moved, intact, to the special folder. These folders are Preferences, Fonts, Launcher Items, Startup Items, Shutdown Items, PowerTalk Data, and Claris, if present. The user Scrapbook File is also moved to the special folder.

After all non-Apple software has been saved in the special folder, the existing System Folder is deleted. A new System folder is copied from the startup drive and then folders containing user preferences are restored from the special folder. Extensions, Control Panels, and Apple Menu Items are left in the special folder for the user to restore selectively, at a later time. The Applet beeps 3 times when everything has completed.

To view or modify the source for this AppleScript, double-click the Applet while holding down the Control key. When the Splash screen appears, select Edit Script from the Edit Menu, and the Script Editor will launch and open the Applet.

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