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Newton MessagePad: How to Avoid Scratching the Touchpad (11/93)

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How do I avoid scratching the Newton MessagePad's touchpad?

DISCUSSION -----

The Newton MessagePad's touchpad (or screen) can be scratched quite easily. Here are some useful tips you can use to avoid scratching the touchpad.

- Only use the pen that was included with the Newton or other plastic-tipped pens designed for use with touch-sensitive screens, on the Newton's touchpad.
- Only clean the touchpad with a clean, soft, dry cloth. A chamois cloth works well.
- Do NOT use any solvent or cleaner on your Newton's touchpad!
- Clean your Newton's touchpad and pen often.
- Cover the touchpad when you're not using it to avoid the buildup of dust.
- If the touchpad has been exposed to dust for any length of time, clean it and your pen before writing.
- If, while writing, you discover that the pen seems to 'feel' different, IMMEDIATELY stop writing and clean both the touchpad and the pen. Debris on either device can cause the pen to 'feel' different when writing and scratch the touchpad.

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