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AppleCD SC: Using It With an Apple II

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The AppleCD SC drive can be used with any Apple II that contains an Apple II SCSI Card with at least a revision C ROM. The recommended position is at the end of the SCSI chain. The drive must have a unique priority number on the SCSI bus. With the appropriate driver, you can access a compact disc that uses either audio, ProDOS, or High Sierra format.

The AppleCD SC's accessory kit contains a version of CD Remote software for both the Apple IIe and Apple IIGS.

- To play an audio CD from an Apple IIGS, copy the file CD.AUDIO from the Apple II disk (supplied with the AppleCD SC) to the DESK.ACCS folder on the Apple IIGS startup disk.
- On the Apple IIe, run the Apple IIe CD Remote program (included with the AppleCD SC drive).

A compact disc pressed in ProDOS format will be recognized by either ProDOS 8 or ProDOS 16, and used accordingly. ProDOS 8 retains its 32MB limitation, so compact discs are likely to be partitioned if they are intended to be used on an Apple IIe. ProDOS 16 is not limited to 32MB volume sizes.

Once a High Sierra driver is placed within the System Folder under ProDOS 16, the Apple IIGS will recognize a High Sierra disc as a storage device.

Because the Apple IIe doesn't support ProDOS 16, it can't take advantage of the Driver folder structure within the System Folder. Apple will supply interested developers with the High Sierra driver, which must then be incorporated into each application that supports High Sierra formatted discs on the Apple IIe.

The eject button on the AppleCD SC operates on all types of compact discs used on an Apple II. As usual, if an application expects the volume to be on-line and the disc is ejected, ProDOS will ask the user to insert the disc.

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