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Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS: Using External Hard Drives (11/95)

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TOPIC -----

The Apple Color LaserWriter PS Internal Hard Disk Upgrade (M3875G/A) provides 240 MB of storage. What options are available for customers who need more than 240 MB of storage?

DISCUSSION -----

Apple provides an internal hard drive solution which uses hard drive mechanisms that have been thoroughly tested with the Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS. Apple engineering does not have the resources to test and qualify all of the different hard drives on the market. However, during their testing they found that the IBM hard drives selected for this printer work fine and satisfy the needs of a majority of customers. Customer's who need larger storage capabilities than those provided by the Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS Internal Hard Disk (M3875G/A) should use the external SCSI connection. Here is some information on connecting external hard drives to the Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS. This information is available in the User's Manual:

Using external hard disks from manufacturers other than Apple

IMPORTANT Some older model hard disk drives may not be compatible with the Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS

If you are considering connecting external hard disks to your printer, keep these points in mind:

- The printer requires SCSI 40 MB (or larger) hard disks
- The printer must be able to tell how much storage space is available on the disk. This is not possible with some hard disks from manufacturers other than Apple. You cannot use these disks with the printer.
- Some non-Apple disks have internal SCSI terminators. There should be no more than one terminator in addition to the one on the printer's controller board (one on the first device in the chain and one on the last device).
- The hard disk must be able to deliver at least 5 volts of termination power.

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