Text Files: The Lost Tabs Problem

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If, when saving files as text only (for transfer to MS-DOS applications, for example), you lose tabs, consider the following. Most Macintosh word processing applications save the tabs in the files. Most MS-DOS word processing applications replace tabs with space runs. This is why the MS-DOS files appear to keep their formatting.

Apple File Exchange replaces tabs n spaces if that option is selected in the Macintosh-to-MS-DOS section of the standard text file translator. Copyright 1989 Apple Computer, Inc.

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