

iMac Software Install CD

User Information and Instructions

This CD contains the files necessary to install the Macintosh System Software, application programs, hardware drivers, and important ReadMe files regarding your iMac. This CD is most helpful when your iMac is behaving strangely after a system freeze or forced restart. Improper use of this CD could result in damage to your iMac and/or decreased performance. Read all directions carefully for best results.

Erasing the Hard Drive

WARNING! This step will erase all data on your hard drive. Do this **ONLY** after backing up any files you want to keep. You will also need to install the system software after erasing the hard drive. See the section titled “**Installing the Operating System**” for instructions on reinstalling system software.

Step 1: Back-up all documents and files you want to keep.

Step 2: Insert the **iMac Install CD**.

Step 3: Restart the computer and hold down ‘**C**’ key until you see the happy face.

Step 4: After computer has finished restarting, open the **Utilities** folder from the **iMac Install CD**.

Step 5: Double-click the **Drive Setup** icon.

Step 6: Under the menu, select **Initialization Options**: check “**Zero All Data**” and click the **OK** button.

Step 7: Click “**Initialize**” and click **OK** on the warning screen.

Step 8: After initialization is successful, you will need to reinstall the system software in order use your iMac again. To learn how to install the system software, refer to the next section.

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Installing the Operating System

Use this task to install the Macintosh Operating System on your iMac.

Step 1: Double-click the **Install CD** icon.

Step 2: Double-click the **“Install Mac OS”** icon.

Step 3: Read and accept all license agreements.

Step 4: Select the hard drive you wish to install on (if you have not partitioned your hard drive, there will only be one option).

Step 5: Select other software that you wish to install and click **Next**.

Step 6: After software is finished installing, restart computer as prompted.

Hard Drive Maintenance

Occasionally, your iMac may behave strangely after a program freezes or after the computer is improperly shut down. To correct this problem, you need to run a program called Disk First Aid from the iMac Install CD.

Step 1: Insert the **iMac Install CD**

Step 2: Restart the computer and hold down the **‘C’** key until you see the happy face.

Step 3: After the computer has finished starting up, open the **‘Utilities’** folder from the **iMac Install CD**. Double-click the **Disk First Aid** icon

Step 4: Select the **iMac hard drive** icon from the window and click the **‘Repair’** button.

Step 5: Close **Disk First Aid** and restart the computer as normal after the hard drive is repaired.

Installing other Software

The iMac Install CD includes additional games, software drivers and utilities. You can use these drivers for printers, zip drives and other accessories.

Step 1: Double-click the **Software Installers** folder on the **iMac Install CD**

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Step 2: Select the software that you want to install. Each folder will have an installer file for the accompanying software.

Step 3: Follow on-screen instructions for each program to finish individual installations.

Step 4: Eject the **iMac Install CD**. Restart computer if necessary.

Electronic Documentation

The iMac Install CD also contains information regarding your iMac and useful hints on how to take care of it. To read these files, follow the directions below.

Step 1: Double-click the **iMac Install CD** icon on your desktop

Step 2: Double-click the **ReadMe** file you wish to read.

Step 3: Close the file after reading all relevant information.