

iBook Care and Handling



Care, Use, and Safety Information

Read this important iBook safety and maintenance information.

Cleaning Your iBook

Follow these general rules when cleaning the outside of your computer and its components:

- Shut down your iBook, disconnect the power adapter and modem cable, and remove the battery.
- Use a damp, soft, lint-free cloth to clean the computer's exterior. Avoid getting moisture in any openings. Do not spray liquid directly on the computer.
- Don't use aerosol sprays, solvents, or abrasives.

Cleaning Your iBook Display

To clean your iBook screen, do the following:

- Shut down your iBook, disconnect the power adapter and modem cable, and remove the battery.
- Dampen a clean, soft, lint-free cloth or paper with water only and wipe the screen. Do not spray liquid directly on the screen.

Carrying Your iBook

If you carry your iBook in a bag or briefcase, make sure that there are no loose items (such as paper clips or coins) that could accidentally get inside the computer through an opening such as the optical drive slot.

Storing Your iBook

If you are going to store your iBook for an extended period of time, do one of the following to prevent your iBook battery from becoming completely depleted:

- Keep the power adapter connected.
- Fully charge your iBook battery before storing the computer.
- Fully charge and then remove your iBook battery when storing your computer (especially important when storing your computer for longer than 5 months).

Safety Instructions for Setting Up and Using Your Computer

Plugging In the Power Adapter

Always leave space around your power adapter. Do not use this equipment in a location where airflow around the power adapter or computer is confined. Always disconnect the power adapter and remove the battery before opening the computer to perform procedures such as installing memory or removing the hard disk.

Warning: Use only the power adapter that came with your iBook computer. Adapters for other electronic devices (including other iBook models and other portable computers) may look similar, but they may affect your computer's performance or damage it.

Using Your iBook

When using your iBook or when charging the battery, it is normal for the bottom of the case to get warm. For prolonged use, place your iBook on a flat, stable surface. The bottom of the iBook case functions as a cooling surface that transfers heat from inside the computer to the cooler air outside. The bottom of the case is raised slightly to allow airflow that keeps the unit within normal operating temperatures. In addition, the computer vents warm air from the back of the case.

Warning: Do not place your iBook on a pillow or other soft material when it is on, as the material may block the airflow vents, in particular the rear

Connecting a Phone Line to the Internal Modem

Always disconnect the phone cord before opening the computer to perform procedures such as installing memory or removing the hard disk.

Warning: Do not connect a digital telephone line to the modem, because the wrong type of line could damage the modem.

vents, and cause the computer to overheat. Never place anything over your keyboard before closing the display. This can cause your computer to cycle on and off which may create excessive heat and drain your battery. Never turn on your computer unless all of its internal and external parts are in place. Operating the computer when it is open or missing parts can be dangerous and can damage your computer.

General Safety Instructions

For your own safety and that of your equipment, always take the following precautions.

Disconnect the power plug (by pulling the plug, not the cord), remove the battery, and disconnect the phone cord if any of the following conditions exists:

- . You want to remove any parts.
- . The power cord or plug becomes frayed or otherwise damaged.
- . You spill something into the case.
- . Your computer is exposed to rain or any other excess moisture.
- . Your computer has been dropped or the case has been otherwise damaged.
- . You suspect that your computer needs service or repair.
- . You want to clean the case (use only the recommended procedure described earlier).

Important: The only way to disconnect power completely is to unplug the power cord and phone cord, and remove the battery. Make sure at least one end of the power cord is within easy reach so that you can unplug the computer when you need to.

Warning: Your AC cord came equipped with a three-wire grounding plug (a plug that has a third grounding pin). This plug will fit only a grounded AC outlet. If you are unable to insert the plug into an outlet because the outlet is not grounded, use the AC plug that came with your adapter, or contact a licensed electrician to replace the outlet with a properly grounded outlet. Do not defeat the purpose of the grounding plug.

Be sure that you always do the following:

- . Keep your computer away from sources of liquids, such as drinks, washbasins, bathtubs, shower stalls, and so on.
- . Protect your computer from dampness or wet weather, such as rain, snow, and so on.
- . Read all the installation instructions carefully before you plug your computer into a wall socket.
- . Keep these instructions handy for reference by you and others.
- . Follow all instructions and warnings dealing with your system.

Important: Electrical equipment may be hazardous if misused. Operation of this product, or similar products, must always be supervised by an adult. Do not allow children access to the interior of any electrical product and do not permit them to handle any cables.

Warning: Never push objects of any kind into this product through the openings in the case. Doing so may be dangerous and may result in fire or electric shock.

Avoid Hearing Damage

Warning: Permanent hearing loss may occur if earbuds or headphones are used at high volume. You can adapt over time to a higher volume of sound, which may sound normal but can be damaging to your hearing. Set your iBook volume to a safe level before that happens. If you experience ringing in your ears, reduce the volume or discontinue use of earbuds or headphones with your iBook.

Battery

Warning: There is risk of explosion if the battery is replaced by an incorrect type. Dispose of used batteries according to your local environmental guidelines. Don't puncture or incinerate the battery.

Apple and the Environment

Apple Computer recognizes its responsibility to minimize the environmental impacts of its operations and products. For more information, visit www.apple.com/about/environment.

Connectors and Ports

Never force a connector into a port. If the connector and port don't join with reasonable ease, they probably don't match. Make sure that the connector matches the port and that you have positioned the connector correctly in relation to the port.

When removing the connector from the port remove it by pulling on the connector, not the cable. Some types of connectors have a release clip that releases the connection. It's important to release these types of latches before removing the connector from the port. Failure to release this retention latch or abruptly pulling on the cord, could cause damage to the connector or the computer.

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