

#: 81372 S7/Apple ///
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Sb: UniDisk 3.5
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To: All Uni-Folks

All UniDisk 3.5 Users:

Do not set a recording file in Access /// or any other comm. program to point to a file on a UniDisk. In order to get the UniDisk to run on the ///, very time-sensitive code is used. It's so time sensitive it has to disable interrupts during the time it's sending info. to the drive.

If you try typing into the type-ahead buffer during an IO to or from the UniDisk about 1 out of 10 characters will be lost and not placed into the type-ahead buffer.

This presents a much bigger problem if you try to send a recording file to the UniDisk. Because the .RS232 driver collects it's characters via interrupts, just like the keyboard, certain characters are lost.

This can be a big problem if the data that is lost is a controlling byte to the driver. In these instances it is possible to have the driver hang-up.

Because of this, please don't use the UniDisk as a recording file. Try using the internal drive as the recording spot.

- Bob Consorti -

#: 81481 S7/Apple ///
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Sb: #81360-ACCESS ///
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To: Frank W. Moore 74666,3660

Frank, Got the driver for the Unidisk from On Three. Page 28 of their manual states:

The drivers for the UniDisk 3.5 have to disable interrupts during the very loading a file to or from the Unidisk 3.5, you may sometimes lose a character that you type. There is no way around this.

Sorry about the sloppy typing. Schroeder