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Macintosh Display Card 8•24: Benefits of ROM Upgrade

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TOPIC -----

Can customers who have the older version of the Macintosh Display Card 8•24 upgrade to the new card for use with the new Macintosh 21" Color Display and the new 16" Color Display?

DISCUSSION -----

The upgrade is primarily for PAL timing capabilities. The original Macintosh Display Card 8•24 is capable of driving the Macintosh 21" Color Display, so there is no need to upgrade the ROM simply to use the Macintosh 21" Color Display.

The ROM Upgrade is needed to support the new 16" Color Display. The original 8•24 Display card does not support the 16" Color Display Apple announced in January 1992.

The ROM upgrade has another benefit: the ability to choose between 9300K (traditional Macintosh Standard White Point) and 6500K (Graphics Industry Standard White Point). If you need to choose the white point of your 21" Color Display, you can upgrade your card by purchasing the Service Upgrade kit (P/N 076-0548) through your service provider.
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