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Macintosh SE/30: Using DIP (tall) SIMMs

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TOPIC -----

Can I use DIP (tall) SIMM strips inside the Macintosh SE/30?

DISCUSSION -----

Like the Macintosh IIX, the Macintosh SE/30 contains two banks of SIMM sockets, Bank A and Bank B. Each bank holds four SIMM strips. Due to space restrictions inside the case, Bank B can only use the PLCC/SOJ (low-profile) SIMM strips.

WARNING

If you use DIP (tall) SIMM strips you will have problems with the logic board touching the lower case. This may cause the logic board to short out. DO NOT USE TALL SIMM STRIPS IN BANK B.

The following are valid memory configurations:

- 1MB - Bank A 4 256K SIMMs
Bank B Empty
- 2MB - Bank A 4 256K SIMMs
Bank B 4 256K SIMMs low-profile
- 4MB - Bank A 4 1MB SIMMs
Bank B Empty
- 5MB - Bank A 4 1MB SIMMs
Bank B 4 256K SIMMs low-profile

8MB - Bank A 4 1MB SIMMs
Bank B 4 1MB SIMMs low-profile
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