Power Mac 7200, 7500, 8500, 9500: Reset/Interrupt Switch (9/95)

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TOPIC ---

My Power Macintosh 7200 has locked up (the screen is frozen), and it appears
that the only way to reset the computer is to disconnect the power cable from
the back of the computer. Do I have any alternatives?

DISCUSSION ---

There are several methods for interrupting or resetting your computer.

Interrupting your computer
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Interrupts are used by Macintosh software programmers when writing applications
and debugging them. An interrupt produces a blank dialog box on the Macintosh
screen. Programmers can then type codes to obtain the response or information
they require from the Macintosh.

You can interrupt your computer by pressing the keyboard shortcut
Command-Power.

Resetting your computer
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Resetting the computer is the same as disconnecting and reconnecting the power
from the back of the computer.

You can reset your computer in one of two ways:

Keyboard shortcut

Pressing the keyboard shortcut Command-Control-Power restarts your computer.

Power button

Pressing the Power button on the front panel of your computer shuts your
computer down.

If you press the Power button during startup, before all the extensions and the
Finder load, your computer will shut down immediately. If you press the Power
button after the desktop appears, the computer shuts down by first closing any
open applications and then performing a shutdown. This is the same as choosing
"Shutdown" from the Special menu.

When these steps do not work
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If these steps fail, it may be necessary to disconnect the power from your
Macintosh. You can turn off the power to your computer at your surge suppressor,
power strip, or by removing the power cable from the back of your computer or at
the outlet.

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