What Does Sleeper Do?

Sleeper is a control panel for desktop Macintoshes and Power Macintoshes that puts your system to sleep, thus saving energy and reducing noise levels in your work area.   Sleeper can dim the screen, power down Energy Star compliant monitors, and spin down disk drives after periods of inactivity.   It can also perform these functions on demand via a hotkey, and can optionally password protect your Macintosh and shut down your computer when it is idle

leeper has been designed to be unintrusive and as frugal with resources as possible.   It doesn't tie up the processor when awake or sleeping and uses only a small amount of memory.

Installation

Sleeper will run on any Performa, Macintosh, Power Macintosh, or compatible computer running System 7.0 or higher, including Mac OS 8.   The screen dimmer requires a color-capable Macintosh, and the disk sleep feature works with both SCSI and IDE hard disks.   The Energy Star function requires that your Macintosh be Energy Star compliant (this includes all Quadra and later models).   The Energy Star feature will not work on the Color Classic or LC 5x0 series

Macintoshes that use the "Screen" control panel to control Energy Star functions.

To install Sleeper:

1)
Drag the Sleeper control panel onto your System folder icon.   Answer "OK" when asked if you want it put into the Control Panels folder.

2)
Restart your Macintosh.

3)
Open the Control Panels folder from the Apple menu.   Double-click on Sleeper and set up its options as detailed in this manual.

The Sleeper control panel contains five tabs, one for each major function.   To configure a feature, click on the appropriate tab in the control panel.   Once you've turned on a feature, a check mark will appear next to the name on the tab so you can tell at a glance how Sleeper is configured.   Specific details about each tab are presented in the chapters which follow.

Problems and Questions

Please read the accompanying Read Me file for special instructions regarding Syquest and ZIP disks, Quadra AV Macintoshes, and other system or software specific behaviors.

If you have any problems with Sleeper, please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions section of this documentation for hints on resolving common difficulties.   If you still cannot resolve the problem, please contact us at one of the addresses given in the Shareware Registration and Support chapter.