SuperParker™ and Travel Tips

SuperParker[™] is a utility that parks the heads of the DataFrame[™] for travel. Parking a disk retracts the heads a safe distance from the disk's surface, greatly reducing the chance that damage or loss of data will occur in transit.

How to use SuperParker™:

Simply double-click on the icon SuperParker. The program will retract the head and give you the following message:

SuperParker™

n drives parked.

Please Power down Then press 'Boing!'

Turn off your DataFrame(s) before press 'Boing!'.

'Boing' will shut down the Mac with the head of the DataFrame(s) parked.

When you reach your destination...

When you start the Mac after travel, the DataFrame will take slightly longer to boot and display the DeskTop, because the drive is recalibrating to its former position.

In the case of multiple drives attatched to the same Mac, you may have to shut down once more after booting.

SuperParker will also attempt to park the heads of all other SCSI devices attached and working. Serial drives from other manufacturers, such as Apple's HD 20, will be unaffected.

Tips on transporting your DataFrame:

The DataFrame usually fits in the top section of most carrying cases designed for the Mac Plus. It will not fit into the original Apple carrying cases.

By using the same care that you give your Mac during transport, you should not experience problems moving the drive, provided that you run SuperParker first.

Shipping and Airplanes...

If you plan to ship a DataFrame, or check it as baggage on an airplane, use the original box and packing materials. This packaging was designed expressly to protect the DataFrame in transit.

Most American airport X-Ray machines will not harm the data on the hard disk. Use caution when travelling in foreign airports: if in doubt, have the drive manually inspected. The DataFrame has dual 110/220 voltage capability. To configure the DataFrame for 220 V, contact your dealer or SuperMac Tech Support at 415-964-8884. A plug adapter completes the changeover.