

MAC LESSON #99

BOOTING INTO SAFE MODE

For years I've talked about booting a PC into Safe Mode when things go wrong and the PC refuses to boot up.

Mac OS 9 allowed us to hold down the Shift key at startup to turn off the extensions, which are what we would call Drivers in the PC world.

The Mac version of the Safe Mode comes in real handy if you've just installed some new program or software product and on restart your Mac is D.O.A. It also comes in handy if when you start your Mac and one of your fonts is corrupted or something you have designated as a new Logon item starts to gum up the works. The Safe Boot allows you to start your Mac and remove or uninstall a rogue program. Here's how it's done.

Press the Shift key as the Mac starts up, and hold it down from the Startup chime until you see the words "Safe Boot" in red letters on the login screen. That's it. It's that easy.

