

LESSON 37

COPY WINDOWS CD ROM DISK CAB FILES TO YOUR HARD DRIVE

From time to time we make changes in our Windows 95 or 95 program that require us to insert the Windows CD-ROM disk. Here's how to keep those files on your hard drive so they are always available when you need them.

Hold down the Shift key and insert the Windows CD-ROM disk into the CD-ROM drive. Holding down the shift key keeps your CD-ROM from starting the CD-ROM disk. Double-click on My Computer and note the drive letter assigned to your CD-ROM drive. Close the My Computer window by clicking on the X in the upper right-hand corner of that windows.

Now click on Start. Click on Programs and select the MS-DOS Prompt icon. If you are using Windows 95, from the DOS window type MD C:\WIN and press Enter. If you are using Windows 98 type MD C:\WIN98 and press Enter. You are now ready to copy the CAB or driver files from your Windows 98 CD-ROM disk to your hard drive.

Again for Windows 95 Type XCOPY32 E:\WIN95 C:\WIN95 /S (where E: represents your CD-ROM drive letter. Use whatever letter you found when you opened My Computer. If you are using Windows 98 substitute 98 for 95. When the copy process is finished and you are back at a DOS prompt just type EXIT and press the Enter key to return to Windows.

Whenever Windows asks for the Windows CD-ROM disk, just type in the path C:\WIN95 or C:\WIN98 and the files Windows looks for will be located on your hard drive. No need to go looking for the Windows CD-ROM disk.

Now that wasn't so hard, was it?

