



Memory Upgrade for Apple PowerBook G4 17 Installation Guide



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IMPORTANT: Like most electrical components inside computers, memory is susceptible to damage by static electricity. NEVER handle memory or computer parts if you have any static electricity buildup. Before working with sensitive electronics, touch a large metal object to ground yourself. If you have an antistatic grounding strap, use it while working with your computer.

Overview

The memory modules for the PowerBook G4 are easy to install, but the steps in this guide should be followed exactly. Be sure to read this entire instruction guide before you begin.

TO INSTALL NEW MEMORY MODULES IN YOUR APPLE POWERBOOK G4:

1. Shut down your computer. Disconnect the power adapter, phone cord, and any other cables connected to the computer. Turn the computer over (See Figure 1) and remove the battery by using the following steps. (NOTE: Please follow all ESD requirements.)
 - a. Orient the computer so that the side with the line of screws on it is away from you.
 - b. Use your thumbs to push both battery release tabs (see Figure 1) away, so that the edge of the battery lifts up.
 - c. Lift the battery out of the computer.
2. Using a Phillips size 00 screwdriver, unscrew and remove the 3 identical Phillips screws from the memory door (see Figure 2).
3. Lift the memory door up enough to allow it to slide toward you, pulling it away from the casing (see Figure 3).
3. Your computer may already have one or two memory cards installed. You may use one or two; if you wish to remove a memory card, release the tabs on each side of the module at the same time. (These tabs lock the module in place; releasing them will cause the memory card to "pop" up.) Pull the chip directly out from its connector. If a second card is installed and you wish to remove it, do so in the same manner. See Figure 4.
4. Insert the new memory card into one of the slots at a 30-degree angle.
5. Press down on the memory card to lock it into place.
6. Replace the memory door and screw it into place. (NOTE: To avoid damage, be careful not to overtighten the screws.)
7. Replace the battery.
8. Reconnect the power adapter and any other cables that were attached.



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

After installing additional memory, do the following:

1. Start up your computer.
2. When you see the Mac OS desktop, choose Apple > About This Mac. (NOTE: The total memory number shown includes the amount of memory that came originally installed on your computer, plus the new memory you added.)

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