

## Apple Modem Tool 1.5: Third-party Modem Compatibility

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TOPIC -----

Recently, I installed the version of Apple Modem Tool 1.5 which was included in the Newton Connection Kit 1.0. After installation, I wasn't able to use a third-party modem to connect my Macintosh to another computer. When I try to connect, I get the message "The connection settings are invalid. Please reset your modem..."

Why is this?

DISCUSSION -----

Apple Modem Tool 1.5 that is distributed with the Newton Connection Kit 1.0, is compatible with other modems than Apple and Hayes-compatible modems. This version of Apple Modem Tool 1.5, however, doesn't ship with a list of other modems' command strings; it only offers the choice of Hayes-Compatible, Custom, and a group of different Apple modems.

The workaround is to create a custom configuration for your modem. To do so, follow these steps:

- 1) Choose Connection from the Settings Menu.
- 2) In the lower-left corner of the Connection Settings dialog are the Modem Settings options. Scroll down the list and select Custom.
- 3) Enter your "Custom Modem Configuration" (Refer to your modem user manual or contact the manufacturer of the modem should you need help in determining the proper command string to use.)

Your modem should now operate properly.

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