About Parallel Port Help

This help file contains the procedure for installing the lomega Zip Parallel Port/Jaz Traveller driver under the Windows NT operating system. It also contains information on using the Parallel Port Optimizer included in your lomega ToolsNT software package to enhance the performance of your Zip or Jaz drive through the computer's parallel port.

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Zip Parallel Port/ Jaz Traveller Driver Installation

Driver Installation under Windows NT 4.0:

- 1. Click Start, point to Settings, then click Control Panel.
- 2. Double click SCSI Adapters.
- 3. Select the Drivers tab and click the Add button.
- Click Have Disk and insert the Windows NT Install diskette (Disk 2) into the computer's floppy drive.
- 1. Click Browse and select the drive letter for the floppy drive.
- 1. Select the Parallel folder and click Open, then click OK.
- 2. Highlight Iomega Zip Parallel Port/Jaz Traveller and click Next to continue.
- 3. Click OK for Windows NT to install the necessary adapter drivers on your system.
- 1. Click OK to exit. Note that you need to reboot your system for the new driver to take effect.

Driver Installation under Windows 3.51:

- 1. From the Windows NT Main icon double-click on the Windows NT Setup icon.
- 2. From the Setup window choose the Options pulldown menu, select Add/Remove SCSI adapter, then click Add.
- 3. Scroll down the adapter list box and click on Other.
- 1. Insert the Windows NT Install diskette (Disk 2) into the computer's floppy drive.
- 1. Select the drive letter for the floppy drive and the Parallel folder, then click OK.
- 2. Highlight lomega Zip Parallel Port/ Jaz Traveller and click OK.
- 5. Click Install. Windows NT will automatically copy the driver files and add the driver to the list of adapters found by the operating system.
- 6. Reboot your computer to configure the driver for your system.

Using the Parallel Port Optimizer

lomega ToolsNT includes a Parallel Port optimizer that can automatically configure your lomega software to use the fastest transfer mode for your Zip or Jaz drive. To use the Optimizer tool, double click on the "Parallel Port Optimizer" icon in your lomega ToolsNT Windows group.

The parallel port model of the Zip drive and Jaz Traveller support three modes of data transfer, which have different transfer speeds. When installed, the Zip Parallel Port/Jaz Traveller driver uses the most compatible, but slowest, transfer mode to ensure the broadest base of compatibility. If your computer has a bi-directional parallel port, the driver can be set to use a mode which provides higher data transfer speeds.

The fastest mode supported by the parallel port Zip drive and Jaz Traveller requires a special "Enhanced Parallel Port" (EPP) chip set to be present on the host computer. Because of the variety of EPP chip sets, and because there are some chip sets that mimic a true EPP chip but do not support EPP transfers, not all systems with "EPP" can support this mode for your Zip drive or Jaz Traveller.