Making a Silverlining Startup Disk

This section explains how to make a blank floppy disk into a Silverlining Startup Disk for your Macintosh model. The Silverlining Startup Disk that you create must contain these essential files:

• Minimal System: A stripped down version of a System file with just enough resources to perform basic functions. Copy this file from the Disk Tools Disk or Macintosh CD that came with your computer (see the Appendix in the La Cie Storage Utilities User's Guide or Silverlining User's Guide for details).

• System Enabler: A file containing resources required by a specific Macintosh model. Copy the correct System Enabler (or Minimal System Enabler, if available) for your Macintosh from the Disk Tools Disk or Macintosh CD that came with your computer (see the Appendix in the La Cie Storage Utilities User's Guide or Silverlining User's Guide for details). Note that some Macintosh models don't require this file.

• Special mini-Finder: An ultra-compact Finder designed to open SilverLauncher at startup. Copy this file from the Silverlining Starter Kit disk or La Cie Storage Utilities disk.

• SilverLauncher: An application that lets you open Silverlining or Disk First Aid, or restart or shut down the Macintosh. Copy this file from the Silverlining Starter Kit disk or La Cie Storage Utilities disk.

• Silverlining: The drive management application used to set up, modify and troubleshoot your drive.   Copy this file from the Silverlining Starter Kit disk or La Cie Storage Utilities disk.

• Disk First Aid: An application used to verify each volume of a drive and in many cases fix the problems it detects. Copy this file from the Silverlining Starter Kit disk or La Cie Storage Utilities disk.

IMPORTANT: Always use your Silverlining Startup Disk to run Silverlining!!!
You need to start up from your Silverlining Startup Disk every time you run Silverlining. Although you can run Silverlining from a SCSI drive, you are more likely to encounter problems when you do this. By running the Silverlining from a floppy drive, the program is isolated from the SCSI bus. Also, you will be able to make changes to any partition on any SCSI drive.

To make a Silverlining Startup Disk for your Macintosh model:
In summary, these steps describe how to copy a minimal System file and System Enabler (when required) from the Disk Tools Disk to your drive and copy them, along with Silverlining, SilverLauncher, a special mini-Finder, and Disk First Aid to a blank floppy disk. If you followed the steps in the Getting Started brochure, you can skip this section.

1.
Lock the Disk Tools Disk (Utilities Disk for a Performa) and insert it into the Macintosh.
Most Macintosh computers include a Disk Tools Disk with the minimal system software for emergency startups. If your computer came with a Macintosh CD, you need to create a Disk Tools Disk from a disk image. See the Appendix in the La Cie Storage Utilities User's Guide or Silverlining User's Guide for details.

2.
Open the System Folder on the Disk Tools Disk by double-clicking the System Folder icon.

3.
Hold down the Option key and drag the System icon to the desktop. Hold down the Option key and drag the System Enabler icon (or Minimal System Enabler icon, if available) to the desktop.
This step copies the files to your Desktop. Note that your Macintosh model may not require a System Enabler so it may not be on the Disk Tools Disk.

4.
Eject the Disk Tools Disk by dragging its icon to the Trash.

5.
OPTIONAL: If your new drive is not mounted, insert the Silverlining Starter

Kit diskette or La Cie Storage Utilities diskette and drag the disk icon to your primary drive.
This will copy the contents of the entire floppy disk to your drive. Eject the disk.

6.
Open the New Drive icon by double-clicking it. Open the Silverlining Starter Kit folder by double-clicking it.

7.
Insert a freshly initialized 1.4 MB floppy disk. Name the disk "Silverlining Startup Disk."
An 800K floppy can be used for System 6.

8.
Select the four icons shown in the Silverlining Starter Kit folder and drag them to the blank disk icon. Select the System and System Enabler icons and drag them to the blank disk icon.
You don't need to copy any other files to the floppy disk at this time.

9.
Eject your Silverlining Startup Disk and affix the supplied label.
Make a backup copy of the disk and store the original in a safe place.

10.
Drag the System and System Enabler icons from the desktop to the trash and empty the trash.