

Press Release

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MCE Technologies Announces CD-RW/DVD-ROM Combo Drive upgrade for PowerBook G4 (Titanium) 400 & 500MHz Models

Irvine, CA – MCE Technologies, LLC, an Apple Developer, today announced an internal CD-RW/DVD-ROM drive upgrade for the PowerBook G4 (Titanium) 400MHz and 500MHz models. The MCE PowerBook G4 Combo Drive upgrade is designed to replace the original CD-RW-only or DVD-only drive that shipped inside those PowerBooks. Customers may ship their PowerBooks directly to MCE or they may have the upgrade done at an Authorized Upgrade Center. MCE will begin accepting PowerBooks for upgrade on June 3, 2002.

"The MCE PowerBook G4 Combo Drive upgrade enables customers to burn CD's AND play DVD's on their PowerBook G4 without the added weight and hassle of extra hardware and cables to drag around." said Arnie Ramirez, President, MCE Technologies. "It also brings them up to par with the currently shipping PowerBook G4 models which ship standard with a combo drive."

The MCE PowerBook G4 Combo Drive upgrade is a slot-loading CD-RW/DVD-ROM mechanism that replaces the original CD-RW-only or DVD-only drive that shipped with the 400 and 500MHz PowerBook G4 Titanium. The drive writes to CD-R media at 8x speed, to CD-RW media at 8x speed, reads CD-ROM discs at 24X speed and reads DVD-ROM discs at 8x speed. The drive is bootable, and is compatible with both Mac OS 9 and Mac OS X as well as Apple's iTunes, Disc Burner, and DVD Player software. The MCE PowerBook G4 Combo Drive is also certified by Dantz Development as compatible with Retrospect.

The MCE PowerBook G4 Combo Drive has a retail price of \$299. Customers may arrange for the upgrade via world wide web or by calling MCE Technologies directly. Turnaround time is expected to be one to two business days. Repair and upgrade shops interested in becoming an Authorized Upgrade Center for this product should contact us either by phone or send an e-mail to dealersales@mcetech.com

MCE Technologies, LLC designs and markets a wide range of Apple Macintosh - related products and solutions to distributors, dealers, and end-users domestically and internationally. For additional information please contact MCE Technologies, LLC, 30 Hughes, Suite 203, Irvine, California, 92618; telephone (949) 458-0800, fax (949) 458-1803, or on the Internet at http://www.mcetech.com.

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