

REPRINTED FROM JULY 1985 ATUNC NEWSLETTER

## SOS DRIVERS

Everyone must sooner or later modify their SOS.DRIVER file on their boot disk. The use of the Systems Configuration Program (SCP) in System Utilities is fairly long and detailed subject, that is more appropriately addressed in the A/// manuals than in an article here. There seems to be a common fear that one will destroy the SOS.DRIVER file and not be able to regenerate it.

With a disk that is not copyprotected it is easy to make a copy of the disk and make the change on the copy. However if the original is copyprotected, then there is an easy way to provide yourself with insurance. Boot your System Utilities disk. Format a blank disk. Copy the SOS.DRIVER file from your copyprotected disk onto your newly formatted disk and put this disk away.

Now you can go into the SCP and rework the various drivers on the copyprotected disk. It is generally a good rule to remove all drivers that you do not need. If you mess up the SOS.DRIVER file, the worst you do is copy it from you backup disk onto the copyprotected disk.

SOS.DRIVERS seems to be a source of alot of mystery and consternation. If you have some questions on them, let us know and maybe we can find someone who will write an article on them.

-Rod Whitten