

## **Increasing Battery Performance**

If you find yourself in a situation where you need to increase battery performance, you can try some or all of these tips depending on the style of OS in use:

### **Mac OS X:**

- Add as many items as possible to the Dock for quicker launch times; include frequently accessed servers.
- Disable the following items:
  1. Speakable Items (Speech System Preferences)
  2. Web Sharing and File Sharing (Sharing System Preferences)
  3. Animation in the Dock (Dock System Preferences)
- Set your Display System Preferences to thousands of colors rather than millions.
- Be sure your global view settings do not enable the option to calculate folder sizes.
- Remove any media, such as CD or DVD, so the Finder is not accessing them and causing the discs to spin.
- If you have enough memory, leave applications open rather than quitting them.
- Learn and use your keyboard shortcuts instead of the menus.
- Log out before you put the computer to sleep.
- Disconnect from the network and allow a little time to pass, before going to sleep. That way the computer will know the network is gone.

### **Mac OS X - Classic:**

- Modify the Classic System Preferences so Classic will go to sleep after a period of time if no Classic applications are running.
- When you are not using a Classic application, quit it but don't shut down Classic. Launching Classic itself can be draining on a battery.
- Launch Chooser and disable AppleTalk.
- Boot using Mac OS 9.x and disable:
  1. Virtual Memory
  2. Remembered Items (Apple Menu Options Control Panel). Be sure to delete the items in these folders and the Servers folder.