

Re: Selecting correct Hz for new monitor

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"Sam Goldwasser" <sam@saul.cis.upenn.edu> wrote in message
news:6wsm8ezpfd.fsf@saul.cis.upenn.edu...
> "James Sweet" <jamessweet@hotmail.com> writes:
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>> "Wizard of Ozz" <easytoremember123@email.com> wrote in message
>> news:fbcc7457.0410152037.4f1da73e@posting.google.com...
>>> I'm using Windows 98 and I just bought a new monitor, a Samsung
>>> SyncMaster 793s 17" screen. My old one was a Samsung Syncmaster 3 14"
>>> screen.
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>>> When I went to change the monitor type on the Active Desktop list of
>>> monitors, it obviously didn't have the newer 793s, so I tried to pick
>>> a standardized monitor type from the list (at the top of the list it
>>> says "standard monitor types").
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>>> I'm stuck between 2 options:
>>> Super VGA 1024x768
>>> Super VGA 1024x768 at 75 Hz
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>>> How can I tell which one I should pick? Also, does it matter if I
>>> continue to use the monitor with the setting wrongly selected for the
>>> older Syncmaster 3? What does this setting change, anyhow?
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>>> I should also note that the CD that came with the monitor only
>>> provided drivers for Win2000 and up to Win XP, but not for Win 95/98.
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>> Look up what modes the new monitor supports and pick something close,
the
>> selection simply changes the resolutions and refresh rates available,
hiding
>> those not supported by a particular model. Personally I would just
choose
>> something generic, set it to the resolution I wanted, and then bump up
the
>> refresh rate one notch at a time until either the picture looks
distorted or
>> the monitor shuts down, and then back it off one.

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- > *Or the monitor blows up.*
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- > *Most monitors should be smart enough to shut down if an improper refresh*
- > *rate is fed to it but not all.*
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- > *However, it's very likely that any modern monitor should be able to*
- support
- > *1024x768 at 78 Hz.*
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Well IMO if the monitor blows up from setting the refresh too high then it's not worth having in the first place. Decent 17" monitors are a dime a dozen, took me a month to get \$20 for one.