



# FINDING SERIAL NUMBERS

Serial numbers are usually labeled **S/N**, or sometimes **Serial No.** The following lists of equipment tell you where you are most likely to find its serial number.

**General Information** covers some basic rules of finding serial numbers on common equipment. **Specific Brands and Models** provides more detailed information on finding serial numbers on the BOE's more widely-used equipment. These lists are not complete, and you may have to do some additional searching to find the serial number, but this should help you find the needed information.

## General Information

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| Other Macs (not iMacs)            | On the back panel, near the cable ports.   |
| PC CPUs (computer "box")          | On the back panel, near the cable ports.   |
| Keyboards                         | On bottom.   |
| Monitors                          | Look for a small serial number label on the sides and back. If your monitor controls are inside a small door below the screen, check in there as well.   |
| Printers                          | <p>These serial numbers can be the most difficult to find. If you do not find the serial number on the back panel among the cable ports, or any other outside surfaces, you may have to open the printer to find it.</p> <p>On the Lexmark Optra SC, for example, you have to open the top front door and look for the serial number on the right side of the photoconductor casing.</p> |
| Imation Super-Drives<br>(w/iMacs) | On bottom.   |

## Specific Brands and Models

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| iMacs                 | On the bottom of the right-hand side you will see a hatch where the cables connect to the iMac. Open this hatch and you should see a serial number label inside. If it's not there, check on bottom. |
| IBM PC 300GL computer | The model number is found on a lavender label on front of the CPU. Just below that label you will find two numbers. The serial number is labeled <b>S/N</b> .  |
| All IBM Equipment     | Serial numbers on <i>all</i> IBM equipment begin with the digits <b>23</b> . This should help you tell the serial number from other numbers you may find.  |
| Dell Optiplex GX1     | (Mostly found in high school ATS set-ups.) The serial number is five-character alphanumeric code found on a barcode on back of the CPU.  |
| Lexmark Printers      | All Lexmark printer serial numbers begin with the digits <b>11</b> .   |
| NCS Scanners          | Remove the bottom output bin. On the scanner where the bin attaches you will see the serial number. Starts with the digits <b>99</b> .   |
| NEC Monitors          | On bottom.   |