

# Updating to NeXTSTEP Release 2.2a

This booklet shows you how to update NeXTSTEP™ Release 2.2 software to Release 2.2a. Release 2.2a fixes a software problem that causes floppy disk operations (especially those involving DOS-formatted disks) to be unreliable on some computers. “NeXT Technical Alert 92-2” describes this problem in detail.

You update your software with a floppy disk called Update 2.2a. The floppy disk contains an Installer package that installs new system software files onto your hard disk.

**Caution:** If your computer is connected to a network that has a system administrator, check with that person before following these instructions. The system administrator may have special instructions for updating the computers in your location.

These instructions assume you’re familiar with the basics of using a NeXT™ computer, (including opening files and folders and other tasks you perform in the Workspace Manager™), the basics of working with NeXT applications, and the other skills you learned in the manuals that came with your computer.

In order to complete the instructions in this booklet, make sure that:

- You have a NeXTstation™, NeXTstation Color, or NeXTcube™ computer equipped with a 25-megahertz 68040 processor.

**Caution:** Don’t update to Release 2.2a if you have a NeXTstation Turbo, NeXTstation Turbo Color or NeXTcube Turbo computer.

- Your computer has Release 2.2 software installed on its hard disk.

You can check the software version number by choosing the Info Panel command from the Workspace Manager™ Info menu.

- Your computer’s startup device is a hard disk that’s directly connected to your computer, rather than a device that’s available to it over a network.
- You have an internal 2.88 megabyte floppy disk drive.
- You know how to log in as the **root** user on your computer.

If you don’t normally log in to your computer, you need to use the Preferences application to give me a password and then log out in order to log in as **root**. For more information about Preferences, see Chapter 10 in the *NeXT User’s Reference*.



- You know how to use the Installer application.

If you don't know how to use Installer, see Chapter 14 in the *NeXT User's Reference*.

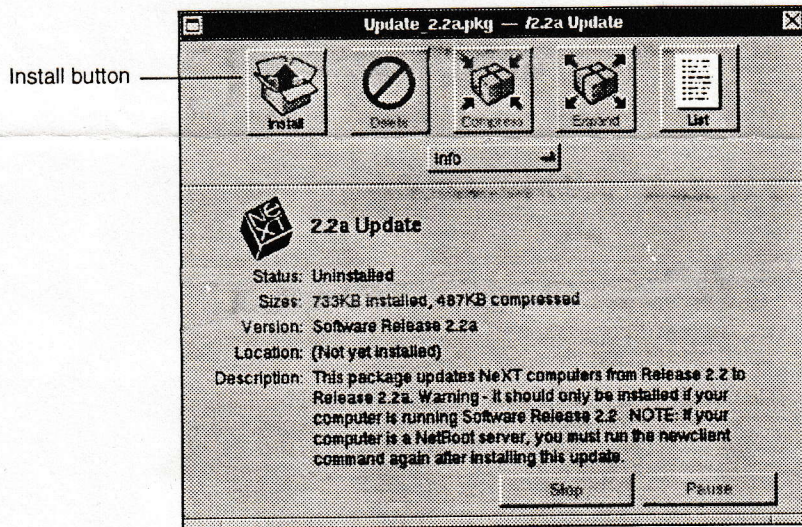
## Installing the file package

1. Log in as root.

You can't complete these instructions by becoming superuser in a Terminal window; you must actually log in as the root user in the login window. Check with your system administrator if you don't know the root password.

2. Insert the Update 2.2a floppy disk into your floppy disk drive.
3. Click the floppy disk icon.
4. Double-click **Update\_2.2a.pkg**.

Since **Update\_2.2a.pkg** is an Installer package, the Installer application starts up. The Installer window displays information about the package.





5. Click Install.
6. Click Install in the Confirm panel.
7. If you see a panel informing you that some files already exist and will be overwritten, click Continue.

The Installer window displays information about the progress of the installation. Installation takes about a minute.

8. When the installation is complete, restart your computer.

If the computer you're updating is a NetBoot server, you'll need to use the **newclient** command to specify your NetBoot clients after restarting the computer. See the *Network and System Administration* guide for details about setting up a NetBoot server.

If you're a system administrator responsible for a number of computers, contact NeXTedge<sup>sm</sup> Technical Support for information about how to update many computers at the same time.