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## Color StyleWriter Pro: Using Ink Refill Kits (1/95)

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TOPIC -----

I want to purchase black ink in bulk from a third-party company to refill my Color StyleWriter Pro black ink cartridge. Is the same ink formulation used in the StyleWriter II and Color StyleWriter Pro? Will I void the warranty refilling my cartridges?

DISCUSSION -----

The ink formulation used in the Color StyleWriter Pro and the StyleWriter II is proprietary. The manufacturer has spent millions of dollars on research and development to overcome problems that can develop with ink-jet technology including clogged nozzles, ink overspray, evaporation, slow firing rate, water fastness, drying time, and so forth. The manufacturer of the ink will not provide detailed information regarding the composition of the inks other than they are both based on the same principal ingredients including water, glycerin, water soluble dye, and a solvent. Although the principal ingredients are similar their formulation and supplemental ingredients vary. For instance, the ink used in the Color StyleWriter Pro has been enhanced to speed up drying time and to improve the water fastness characteristics.

The use of non-Apple or non-Canon ink cartridges in either printer voids the warranty if problems occur as a result of their use. There have been numerous cases where Color StyleWriter Pro customers have experienced clogged print nozzles or poor quality printing after refilling their ink cartridges.

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