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LaserWriter Pro: Configuring Paper Trays (4/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article discusses paper handling on the LaserWriter Pro printer series.

DISCUSSION -----

Paper Input Sources

The LaserWriter Pro allows for up to four paper input sources attached to the printer at any one time. These input sources include:

- Multipurpose tray
- 75-Envelope tray
- 250 Sheet-Feeder tray
- 500 Sheet-Feeder tray

The 250 Sheet-Feeder comes standard with the printer. This is also the default paper tray.

Setting Up The Driver

Use the LaserWriter Pro Installation diskette to install the driver on your Macintosh. You must use the 7.2 driver to take advantage of Multi-bin printing.

Once the additional options (trays) have been installed on the printer the driver must be prepped to see the additional input sources. The procedure for setting up the driver is:

- 1) Choose the Chooser from the Apple menu.
- 2) Select the LaserWriter icon.
- 3) Select a LaserWriter Pro printer for printing.
- 4) Click Setup. This will prep the LaserWriter driver for all input sources installed.

NOTE: The Setup button in the Chooser is located next to the background printing radio button. The button will either read

Setup (if you are setting up the printer for the first time) or Review.

Tray Switching

The Tray Switching option allows you to control what happens when a multiple-bin printer (such as the LaserWriter Pro 600 or 630 with the optional second tray installed) runs out of paper during a print job. You can set the printer to continue printing from the next available paper tray, or to stop printing and return an Out of Paper message when the tray being used runs out of paper during a print job.

With tray switching turned on, the LaserWriter Pro 600 and 630 printers can print up to 350 pages at a time using the 250 sheet cassette and the 100 sheet multipurpose tray. With the optional 500 sheet feeder installed, tray switching works only between the 250 sheet cassette and the 500 sheet feeder. This allows printing of up to 750 pages at one time.

The output tray holds a maximum of 250 sheets. You must empty it if you have a print run greater than 250 pages. The paper output tray can be emptied on-the-fly without stopping the printer.

When using the 7.2 driver you have the option of printing from any of the four paper input sources; however there is some limitation with the bin selection. The LaserWriter driver version 7.2 gives you the option of printing the first page from any of the four input sources and then the remaining portion of the document must be printed from one and only one of the four input sources. The limitation is that the user may choose to print the first page from one input tray and the remaining portion of the document must be printed from one and only one of the paper input sources.

See the LaserWriter Pro User's Guide under "Printing documents" for more information on printing options.

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