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Non-Apple Printers: Printing from Performa (6/93)

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TOPIC ---

What is the best way to connect my Citizen GSX-140 printer to a Macintosh
Performa?

DISCUSSION ---

If your printer is Macintosh compatible, the only software necessary for
communication from your Macintosh Performa to your Citizen printer is the
printer driver. The printer driver gives your computer specific information
about the piece of hardware that is connected. Once you have a printer driver
installed, and your Performa can communicate with your printer, any System 7
compatible application program may be used to construct documents and print
them.

If your printer is not Macintosh compatible, and has a standard Centronics
parallel port, the Apple Print Pack is your solution. The Print Pack includes
special software printer drivers to allow Epson FX and Epson LQ emulation, as
well as Kodak Diconix/Canon BJ10EX drivers for compatible ink jet printers. It
also includes a special printer cable that allows a Macintosh to connect with
virtually any printer having a standard Centronics parallel port.

Before you make a purchasing decision, it will be necessary to contact
Citizen, and determine some specifications:

1) Is the Citizen MS-DOS-compatible, Windows-compatible, Macintosh-
   compatible?

2) Does the Citizen utilize dot matrix, ink jet, or laserjet technology?

3) Does the Citizen employ a standard Centronics parallel port?

4) Does Citizen have a printer driver available for the Macintosh?

By answering these questions, you can determine which course of action
(Citizen printer driver or Apple Print Pack) is the best solution for you.
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