

System 7: Memory Errors in PrintMonitor

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TOPIC -----

When trying to print in the background, PrintMonitor delivered the following message: "Not enough memory to print. PrintMonitor will try to print again when more memory is available." The document was saved in the PrintMonitor queue and never printed.

I've encountered this problem on Macintosh II and Macintosh SE computers with 2MB to 8MB of RAM installed. I turned off virtual memory. I printed from various applications, including the Finder.

DISCUSSION -----

In low-memory situations this is a valid error message; for instance, if PrintMonitor needs more memory allocated to it, or if there is not enough available RAM to launch PrintMonitor. But if the suggested memory size for PrintMonitor is adequate, and there is plenty of RAM for PrintMonitor to expand, this error message indicates there is a problem with the PrintMonitor application.

When trying to print in the background under System 7, a "Not enough memory" error might indicate a damaged PrintMonitor application. When this occurs, install a new copy of PrintMonitor from the Install 1 disk. Either install this file using the Installer program, or simply drag it over. The waiting print jobs will print as soon as you install the new PrintMonitor.

You may also want to run Disk First Aid, but this isn't always necessary. To avoid this kind of damage to PrintMonitor in the future, upgrade your system software with the System 7 Tune-Up. Revised LaserWriter drivers in the Tune-Up prevent PrintMonitor from getting damaged as it occasionally did before. The current version of System 7 Tune-Up is 1.1.1.

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