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System 7: TrueType and the Original LaserWriter

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TOPIC -----

When I try to print to an original LaserWriter using the TrueType fonts under System 7.0, I get a PostScript error, but Adobe Fonts print fine.

DISCUSSION -----

The bottom line is that the TrueType rasterizer CANNOT be downloaded to the original LaserWriter which has ROM version 1.0 (PostScript version 23.0). Thus, it CANNOT print TrueType fonts. The TrueType rasterizer can only be downloaded to LaserWriters with PostScript version 38.0 or ABOVE. PostScript version 38.0 or 47.0 ROMs are LaserWriter Plus ROMs which can be installed on an original LaserWriter, making it a LaserWriter Plus.

In terms of which LaserWriter driver to use, version 6.1 or greater is required to print TrueType.

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