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LaserWriter: How to Upgrade Drivers on an AppleTalk Network

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TOPIC -----

All LaserWriter drivers must be exactly the same on an AppleTalk network in order to prevent printer reinitialization every time someone prints. On the other hand, you can use any version printer driver with any version of System 6.x.x software. So if five people were running SEs with System 6.0.4 and LaserWriter driver 6.0, and a sixth machine running under System 6.0.5 (a IIfx, for example), the sixth machine could still run LaserWriter driver 6.0. (It's less hassle to make one adjustment than five.) Right?

Is there an enhanced functionality to LaserWriter driver 6.0.1, so that to get the absolutely best results, it would be best to upgrade the 6.0.4 SEs over to LaserWriter driver 6.0.1?

DISCUSSION -----

Yes. You are correct in your first paragraph above, and if there is a new LaserWriter/Laser Prep file introduced you should be able to upgrade to that driver with no other system upgrade, unless it was so specified.

There was an upgraded Print Monitor with the 6.x drivers. Version 1.3 was distributed with the System 6.0.5 suite of diskettes while version 1.2 was distributed with the System 6.0.4 suite of diskettes. The 1.3 version would probably contain the enhancements necessary for use with any of the current printer drivers.

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