

SNA•ps Print and StyleWriter With Custom Form (9/93)

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TOPIC -----

My customer prints a custom form from SNA•ps Print to a StyleWriter II. The custom form has the same width but is 1/3 smaller in length than a standard sheet of paper.

When the StyleWriter II finishes the print job (printing is not a problem), the PrintMonitor sends this error message: "you introduced a paper size smaller than the paper you have selected in page setup ...".

What can I do to bypass this error message?

DISCUSSION -----

It is possible to use ResEdit on the StyleWriter II driver to change a Page Set-up entry to a different name, and resize the page width and length. We did this with a the most current version of StyleWriter II driver (1.2) and made "My Custom Size" which was 7 inches wide and 7 inches long. We then chose that page set-up for SNA•ps Print and placed 8 inch paper (accounting for margins) in the paper tray of the StyleWriter II and let it print a 5250 screen. It printed just fine.

SNA•ps Print used the dimensions of the "custom" page size and there was no PrintMonitor error.

Now keep in mind that a Customer's form size will not become part of the standard StyleWriter drivers released from Apple in the future, but this does allow a quick solution to your customer's problem. Any new releases of StyleWriter software would need this ResEdit fix.

Below are the instructions for how to use ResEdit to make this change. Be sure to measure the customer's forms in inches (sorry not cm) and multiply by 120 and enter those numbers in ResEdit. Be sure to match up the Page Set-up bin numbers for New name like "Bank Forms" and then there size in the Width and Length Bins.

ResEdit Instructions

As far as changing the StyleWriter II driver to have custom paper size capability, the easiest and best way is through ResEdit. All you have to do is modify the StyleWriter II PREC id=3 resource directly for any of the paper sizes you want. You would have to change the paper name, and the paper height and width (the values are the dimensions in inches X 120) corresponding to the "button" you want changed -- they use the term button in the PRC 3 template even though it is a pop-up menu item.

As examples: For #10 Envelope, the height is 495 and the width is 1140. For the DL envelope, the height is 520 the width is 1040. Copyright 1993, Apple Computer, Inc.

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