AppleScan: Can't Run from Read-only Server

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TOPIC -------------------------------------------------------------

I'm trying to set up a scanner operation to work remotely. How can I keep
AppleScan on a read-only server and make it accessible to those logging on
from a scanner at a remote site? (Both are running System 7.)

AppleScan is being "shared" from a Macintosh with "read only" status.
Unfortunately, AppleScan needs to write a file when it is launched. An
alias doesn't seem to work, because it still launches from the server.


DISCUSSION --------------------------------------------------------

Because  AppleScan creates temporary work files in the folder where it is
located, there is no way to make it work in a "read-only" situation.  The
application would need to be re-written with read-only file server
operation in mind. The temporary files would need to be written to another
location that is not read-only.  In AppleScan, there is no method for
designating where the temporary files will be written.

An alias does nothing to improve the situation because it
simply points to the original application.

Two possible workarounds:

- Download the application from the server to the remote site and then
  execute the application at the remote site.

- Place the AppleScan software in a read-write location on the server.
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