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Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS: Paper Specifications (8/95)

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TOPIC -----

What weight of paper can be used in the Color LaserWriter 12/600? What type of paper can be used in the Color LaserWriter 12/600?

DISCUSSION -----

There are two different ratings for paper weight. "Book" or "Offset" paper is measured on a system based on weight per thousand sheets. This is the type of paper used by printing companies and most often used with letterhead. "Bond" or "Stock" is measured on paper content. The paper specifications on the 12/600 are listed in "Bond" measurements (16 to 28 pounds). The equivalent offset paper would measure about 40 to 80 pounds. You should use the multi-purpose tray for weights over 24 pound Bond or 70 pound Book.

The Color LaserWriter is designed only for Plain Paper use. Plain paper is copier paper or paper designed for laser use. For better looking output than that achieved by using plain copier paper, a number of high quality "laser" papers like Legacy, Nekoosa, and Hammermill are available at office supply or graphic arts stores. These papers offer a higher reflectance and thus brighter colors.

Rag content or linen paper will cause problems when printed on the Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS. The bottom portions of printed pages will have vertical streaks of white. Subsequent printouts will have the toner from the previous printed page. This is a result of the fibers of the paper being pulled off the paper onto the fuser rollers. Once on the fuser, they still have particles of toner attached and will leave colored marks on later pages.

NOTE:

Do not use coated Ink Jet paper as it has a clay coating that melts and jams in the fuser region -- a problem that will require service attention and possibly a new fuser.

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