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LaserWriter Driver Differences: Version 8.0 and 8.1.1 (10/93)

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TOPIC ---

What are the differences between LaserWriter driver v8.0 and v8.1.1?

DISCUSSION --

Here's a summary of the differences between versions 8.0 and 8.1.1 of the
LaserWriter driver:

NEW FEATURES:

Improved Tray Handling

When installed, the user may select the optional 500-sheet paper cassette
as the "default" paper source. This was a much-requested feature from
users. This feature is found in the "Configure" dialog during printer Setup
from the Chooser.

Precision Bitmap Alignment

The driver now scales bitmaps in accordance with the resolution of the
output device: 4% reduction as usual for 300 dpi printers, 10% for 400 dpi,
and so on.

Consolidated PPDs

Multiple PPD files for different memory configurations are replaced by a
single PPD file containing specifications for different page sizes. For
example, we used to have 3 PPD files for the LaserWriter IIg v2010.113
(4MB, 5MB and 8MB) - with v8.1.1, we have one.

Improved Color Matching

The driver will use the ColorSync System Profile, if installed on the host,
instead of the Apple 13" colorspace profile built into the driver.

BUG FIXES

There are various bug fixes in LaserWriter 8.1.1 that address both driver
and 3rd party application issues. Apple is suggesting that users of

LaserWriter driver 8.0 upgrade to LaserWriter driver 8.1.1 mainly because
of these bug fixes, and also for the additional features.
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