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LaserWriter: How To Eliminate Image Ghosts (7/95)

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TOPIC -----

When printing an image followed by a large black area on a LaserWriter, a "ghost" of the image sometime appears in the black area. This article describes a way to correct this ghosting effect on the Apple LaserWriter, LaserWriter Plus, or Laserwriter II printers.

DISCUSSION -----

The ghosting image anomaly is not unique to the Apple LaserWriter, LaserWriter Plus, or LaserWriter II printers; it is common to most laser printers and represents a problem with current laser-imaging technology. The ghosting may appear more pronounced with Apple equipment because many Apple applications use graphics AND text, rather than text only.

To work around the problem, print two or three copies of the document. When multiple copies of a page are printed, the organic coating on the imaging drum becomes more sensitive and is not as susceptible to the residual charges that cause ghosting.

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