Portable StyleWriter: How to Charge the Batteries (2/95)

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TOPIC --

Is there a special method for charging the Portable StyleWriter battery? Putting
it into the Portable StyleWriter battery compartment and connecting the printer
to the AC adapter does not seem to charge it no matter how long I leave it
plugged in.

DISCUSSION ---

Follow these steps to place the Portable StyleWriter into battery charging
mode:

1) Ensure that the power adapter is plugged into a wall outlet and into
   the printer.

2) Check that the battery switch is in the "1" position (versus the "0"
   position) on the back of the printer.

3) Turn on the printer with the Power button while holding down the On Line
   button.

4) When the first beep sounds, release the Power button.

5) When the second beep sounds, release the On Line button.

The POWER LED begins flashing, indicating that the printer has entered the
battery charging mode.

The battery charging voltage is 14.8 volts DC. The printer controller checks the
battery voltage every two minutes during the charging process, which normally
takes about 10 hours. When the charging is complete the printer automatically
stops charging and turns itself off. If the battery voltage is less than 6 volts
DC at any time during the charging process, the battery is either
over-discharged or defective, at which time the controller alternately flashes
the POWER and ERROR LEDs to indicate a charging problem. The POWER LED flashes
when the battery needs recharging.

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