Stylewriter: How to set Up as a Network Printer (12/94)

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TOPIC ---

How do I share a StyleWriter or StyleWriter II over a network? How do I print
to a shared StyleWriter or StyleWriter II?

DISCUSSION --

Overview

Using the StyleWriter II printer driver (which includes GrayShare), you can
share your StyleWriter or StyleWriter II with up to 21 additional computers over
an AppleTalk network. There is no limit on how many people choose the printer in
the Chooser, but only 21 people can print to the printer at a time. Anyone who
wants to print to the shared printer needs to install the StyleWriter II printer
driver. In order to print to a networked printer from a Macintosh using System
6, you must have System 6.0.7 or 6.0.8 installed, and use MultiFinder.

You still retain control of the printer after sharing it because the StyleWriter
is connected to your computer. You can turn sharing on or off at any time. You
can also use the Print Monitor program to view a list of pending print jobs and
delete any jobs from that list.

Note: The Macintosh connected to the shared printer slows
      down when other users print to the shared printer because your
      computer is actually being used as a spooler. The information is
      sent from the remote computer to yours, then from your computer to
      the printer.

The StyleWriter printer can only use GrayShare if you use the StyleWriter II
software instead of the original StyleWriter software. A GrayShare update disk
is available through online services Apple publishes software updates on.

Sharing a Printer

To share a StyleWriter or StyleWriter II with others, follow these steps:

1) In order to share a printer, you must be connected to an AppleTalk
   network of some type.

LocalTalk Connection

       The LocalTalk connector goes into the printer port. The peripheral 8
       cable (serial cable) connects the printer to the Macintosh. It needs
       to go into the modem port.

       Ethernet or Token Ring Connection

       Since both Ethernet and Token Ring connections don't require you to
       use a serial port on your Macintosh, you can use either the printer
       or modem port to connect the printer to your Macintosh.

2) Open the Chooser and select the StyleWriter II icon.
   A list of available printers displays.

3) Click the icon of the port to which your printer is connected. If
   you are using the printer port to connect your Macintosh to the
   network, you must connect your StyleWriter or StyleWriter II to
   the modem port.

4) Click the Setup button to open the StyleWriter II Sharing Setup
   dialog box.

5) Place an X in the "Share this Printer" checkbox. You have the option
   of naming your printer and entering a password. If you type a password
   for the printer, only users who know the password can use the printer
   from their computers.

   If you want a record of what is printed on your printer, place
   an X in the "Keep Log of Printer Usage" checkbox.

6) Click "OK" to close the StyleWriter II Sharing Setup dialog box
   and close the Chooser window.

Your printer is now available to others on the network.

Printing to a Shared Printer

To print to a shared printer, follow these steps:

1) Open the Chooser and select the StyleWriter II icon. A list of
   available printers and communications ports will be displayed.

2) Click the name of the shared printer that you want to use.
   If the printer requires a password, a dialog box appears in which you must
   type the password.

3) Optionally, you may click the Get Info button to see whether any
   fonts in your system are unavailable on the shared printer. If your
   documents contain such fonts, printing will be slower, because the
   fonts must be downloaded to the printer.

4) Close the Chooser

You are now ready to print to the shared printer.

These articles can help you locate software updates mentioned here:

• Where To Find Apple Software Updates
  Lists online services for "free" Apple software updates

• Obtaining Apple Product Support in the USA
  Lists 800 numbers and online services for software updates, Apple
  support information, and a subset of the Apple Tech. Info. Library

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