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StyleWriter: Why It Goes Off-line During Manual-Feed Printing

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TOPIC -----

This question is about manual-feed printing from the StyleWriter. The printer goes into an off-line state when the user selects OK after the "Please insert a piece of paper" dialog. Then the Macintosh displays the message, "The printer is not responding."

Why does this happen?

DISCUSSION -----

The printer goes off-line to accommodate those users feeding paper from the front of the printer. The StyleWriter doesn't have a paper sensor for the front-feed slot, so the printer takes itself off-line to allow the user to press the form feed button. The printer then pulls the paper into the paper path.

Since the printer can't tell if the user is feeding from the front or the rear, it takes itself off-line in all cases.

See the StyleWriter Owner's Guide for more explicit instruction on manual-feed printing.

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