



HP Universal Print Driver Series version 3.0

Overview

By providing real-time print job and print device information, HP Universal Print Driver (UPD) empowers end users to resolve issues themselves and place fewer calls to the help desk. This creates the potential for improved printer uptime, increased productivity, and reduced help desk staffing expenses. HP UPD virtually eliminates the need for IT staff to manage individual print drivers and makes printing easy for users by providing one driver and one interface for all networked HP printers. In addition, the driver automatically supports new HP LaserJet printers and MFPs, eliminating the need to deploy new drivers when equipment is upgraded or when the enterprise's printing environment expands. With UPD, there's no need to install separate drivers for each print device, so access is easy and productivity improves.

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Key Features

- New return on investment tools to help determine the potential savings in customer environments
- Expanded support to PCL6 devices for color and business Inkjet printers
- Enhanced support for Active Directory Services to manage access to printers and control color access using existing or new group policies to control access by time of day, application and user
- New "Traditional Mode" acts like a standalone printer and enables users to print without going through the UPD interface
- HP Managed Print Policies: an intuitive, easy-to-use tool that enables IT staff to establish print policies in order to restrict access to devices or color and restrict feature changes
- HP Managed Printers Lists (MPLs), easy-to-create lists that can include printer information imported from HP Web Jetadmin, as well as print shares from HP Print Server Appliance or Novell print shares
- Automated MPL generation tool that is easy to export and update in real-time without IT staff interventions
- New end user job and device status allows the end user to be aware of their print job throughout the print process as well as any printer issues that may impact printing

Pricing

Free.

Availability

UPD 3.0 is expected to be available on Nov. 1, 2006 and can be downloaded at www.hp.com/go/universalprintdriver.

For access to Managed Print Policies and Managed Printer Lists, download Managed Print Administrator at www.hp.com/go/MPA.

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