



HP Universal Print Driver for Windows version 4.0

Overview

By providing real-time print job and device information, the award-winning HP Universal Print Driver for Windows (UPD) empowers end users to resolve issues themselves and place fewer calls to the help desk to improve printer uptime, increase productivity and reduce help desk staffing expenses. Recipient of the Technological Innovation Award by Industry Analyst, Inc.,⁽¹⁾ the 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 virtually all networked HP printers.

Key features

- New plug-and-play capability allows UPD to work with both networked and direct-connected HP devices
- Operates in two modes to offer greater flexibility and accommodate the changing needs of the end-user. Ideal for mobile users, “Dynamic Mode” allows users to find or specify an HP printer on a network, while “Traditional Mode” is best for office use that installs and operates as a product-specific driver.
- New single-click print setting for common print jobs to provide a printing shortcut for users
- Compatible with Windows Vista™ and other Vista-certified products
- End user job and device status feature enables users to be aware of their print job status and any issues that may have impacted printing throughout the print process
- UPD takes advantage of intelligence built into Original HP printing supplies, enabling the printing system to provide supplies status information and providing an easy way to shop for replacement supplies
- UPD Driver automatically supports new HP LaserJet devices, eliminating the need to deploy new drivers when equipment is upgraded or the printing environment is expanded
- ROI Tools help calculate the potential savings in customer environments
- Manage printing environment with HP Managed Print Administration software or HP templates for Microsoft’s Active Directory Services
- HP Managed Print Policies, an intuitive, easy-to-use tool that enables IT staff to establish print policies to deliver status alerts, restrict access to specific devices, color or features
- HP Managed Printers Lists, easy-to-create lists that locate printers by location or device features. Managed Printer Lists may be imported from HP Web Jetadmin or from Novell print shares
- Supports PCL6, PCL5 and HP postscript 2 and 3 emulation devices for LaserJet and business inkjet printers

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Pricing and availability

HP UPD 4.0 is available on April 15, 2007 as a no charge download from www.hp.com/go/UPD.

For access to HP Managed Print Administration or Active Directory templates, go to www.hp.com/go/MPA.

⁽¹⁾ The Technological Innovation Award by Industry Analyst, Inc. was granted to the HP Universal Print Driver in December 2006. Industry Analyst, Inc. IATSD's test lab reviews dozens of hardware and software solutions each year and identified a product, service or solution that they feel is truly innovative and worthy of recognition. Tests and analyses that led to this recognition were not funded by HP.

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