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ImageWriter: MacWrite Form Feed Feature

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The Finder 4.1 update disk includes Imagewriter code that was revised and released in March 1985. When MacWrite starts to print documents with the "no breaks between pages option", MacWrite assumes that the pinch rollers are at the starting edge of the paper. The paper is rolled backward from this standard starting position whenever there is information in the top half-inch of the page, as is the case with labels, or when the "no breaks between pages " option is in effect. When the starting edge of the paper is rolled backward, this starting edge may slip out from between the pinch rollers and the platen; the edge of the paper may then cause a jam when it's moved forward as printing continues.

The Finder 4.1 disk, therefore, includes special new Imagewriter code that sends a form feed to the Imagewriter before MacWrite begins to print. This puts extra paper beyond the pinch rollers so that the Imagewriter can back up the paper without losing of control of it.

To avoid the form feed, either don't enter information in the top half-inch of the page or don't select "no breaks between pages", selecting "normal pages" instead.

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