

LaserWriter: Workaround to The Namer Utility Naming Problem

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TOPIC -----

I'm having problems naming a LaserWriter Plus using The Namer 2.1 utility.

I'm trying to name the printer "2040/1825 EUC LW+", but The Namer creates a name of "2040/1825 EUC LW+ ". Notice the space AFTER the + character.

What is in this name that causes this to happen? I am sure that I did not type the space when using the Namer.

DISCUSSION -----

The Namer utility, including version 7.0, appears to add a trailing space to some printer names. We have been unable to determine what causes the space to be added.

Here is an alternate method for renaming the printer:

The printer name is stored as a string in the persistent parameters of all LaserWriters. This string can be changed by the following PostScript program:

serverdict begin 0 exitserver
statusdict begin (NEWNAME) setprintername

In your case, replace "NEWNAME" with "2040/1825 EUC LW+". This program can download to the LaserWriter in batch or interactive mode. Note that the brackets are required. Make sure you have selected the correct LaserWriter using the Chooser before downloading this program (so you don't rename the wrong LaserWriter). The name can be up to 31 characters and should consist entirely of printing characters--the "@" and ":" cannot be used.

This problem has been cured in version 7.4 of the LaserWriter Utility. Copyright 1989 Apple Computer, Inc.

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