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TOPIC -----

I need a product that restricts access to a LaserWriter.

I know there is a hardware device that acts as a spooler and provides LaserWriter accounts for tracking printing, but I can't find any information on it. Do you know of this product? The main objective is to limit access to a LaserWriter. I know of the solution to change the type of LaserWriter via a PostScript code and then alter the LaserWriter file as well. If you know of any other software or hardware products, please let me know.

DISCUSSION -----

We were unable to find one product that would fulfill all of your needs. However, what you want to do can be accomplished by using three products together.

Shiva offers zone security: putting the LaserWriter in its own zone with restricted access solves part of the problem.

Farallon's Traffic Watch allows the user to calculate traffic volume and source for a particular node.

Apple's print server software gives the user a page count for each job.

This is a less than perfect solution, but it does give you the results needed.

For more information, search under: "Farallon" and "Shiva"

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