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TOPIC -----

I want to use AppleShare PC 2.0 with a LocalTalk PC Card to provide print services to a LaserWriter, while continuing to use TOPS to provide file services. Can I?

On a related note, can AppleShare PC use memory above the 640K barrier? Are there any official plans to make it available in the future?

DISCUSSION -----

TOPS doesn't plan to provide access to the AppleShare driver from TOPS, now or in the foreseeable future. Therefore, you must continue to have both the TOPS card and LocalTalk PC Card installed in your system to gain access to both services. This information was provided by TOPS Technical Support.

If you need print services only, you might consider TOPS NetPrint. It is a software package that enables DOS users to print directly to the LaserWriters or other PostScript-compatible printers from within their DOS applications. NetPrint lets DOS users print the full IBM character set, all LaserWriter fonts, and any downloadable fonts.

AppleShare will not load into expanded memory. AppleShare PC 2.0 uses differing amounts of memory based on the options installed, as outlined below:

File and Print Services: 117 - 126K
File Services only: 91 - 100K
Print Services only: 62 - 71K
AppleTalk and MLI driver(s) only: 49 - 58K
MLI driver(s) only: 13 - 22K

Add 57K to make the DA memory resident Add 6 - 15K per additional MLI driver

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