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TOPIC -----

I have a Macintosh II and a Macintosh IICx. From them, I print to a Linotype RIP30 and a LaserWriter IINTX. I put numerous outline fonts in the System folder of each Macintosh to give each full-font capability.

Is there a way to store all of the outline fonts at the server, instead of on each Macintosh? If there isn't, could I attach a hard drive to the LaserWriter II? Could I also attach a hard drive to the RIP30?

DISCUSSION -----

Although it seems reasonable at first glance, you cannot install fonts on the Print Server for everyone to use.

The Print Server acts more like a "dumb" printer than anything else. That is, it looks like an Apple printer with LocalTalk functions only. It knows nothing of any special capabilities the printer may have, beyond what the LaserWriter or ImageWriter drivers tell it. Because of this, the Print Server doesn't have the ability to store any PostScript fonts.

You can install a hard drive on the LaserWriter IINTX to get the same effect. As for the Linotype printer, see your Linotype-Hell representative.

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