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TOPIC -----

I have a QuickTake 150 and a Color LaserWriter 12/600 PS. My printer prints color images fine except when I try to print my QuickTake files, they appear to have a reddish tint.

DISCUSSION -----

The Quicktake software and the application Photoflash are both programs that work in the Red, Green, Blue (RGB) mode. This is called additive color. A printer operates in Cyan, Mangenta, Yellow, Black (CMYK) which is subractive color. The difference being that a monitor emits light (a lightsource) where as a piece of paper reflects light (from exisiting light). Ink on paper is colored by light reflecting off the paper back up through the toner. That is why paper types can change the color printed on it.

To fix this, use the adjust colors function in Photoflash to increase the blue and green slider bars. Some image editing programs have built in "color balancing" filters which do the same thing. Sharpening the image and keeping the image set to "millions of colors" will also help.

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