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Paul wrote:

> when I want to delete (in winXP) files in queue for printing, I have
> to wait for a long time before they are deleted. Even for small text
> files.
> What is wrong? Thanks
> Paul

Hi Paul,

Create a new notepad document and open it, next copy and paste this into it.

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@echo off
net stop "print spooler"
del /q "%SystemRoot%\system32\spool\PRINTERS\*.*)"
net start "print spooler"
ping localhost -n 5 > nul
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Close the document and rename it to this

Kill Print Job.bat

I got this batch file from an "MVP" sometime ago, sorry but I can't remember which one but the credit goes to him.

The next time the printer's queue takes forever to delete try double clicking this batch file. It works for me.

P.S. You may get some responses from people that tell you to update your printer's drivers, that won't help, this problem seems to be a minor bug in XP and has nothing to do with the drivers.

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Mike Pawlak

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