

Re: Unable to print over the network from my XP laptop

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My results are a bit different – not right, but perhaps a bit better than yours.

I first installed my Canon printer as a USB-connected printer on my XP laptop. Ergo, the drivers are correct.

I then set it up as a USB-connected printer on my Win 98 Internet Connection Sharing system, and I turned print sharing on and assigned the share name "CANON".

Back at the laptop, I then added a network printer, \\MSI\CANON, using the Canon drivers.

Do this work? Sort of...

I cannot get the printer to show as "ready", but I can print to it. When printing begins, there's a commentary error message that then goes away.

To improve the response time, I used a DOS command window to run this command:

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"net use \\MSI\CANON /persistent:yes"
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It works, but still not quite right.

"Martin Healy" <MartinHealy@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:AB455706-1817-4927-859B-A14249B4CDDA@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

> I can't print from the printer attached to my Windows 98 machine using my XP

> computer. I can successfully browse for the printer under

\\Martin\LEXMARK

> when adding the printer in XP. When I select Next in Add Printer Wizard

> after browsing to the correct print queue name above, an error message is

> displayed as "The server for the 'Lexmark Z52 Series ColorFine' printer does

> not have the correct printer driver installed etc". As a result, I then

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> clicked OK to continue and selected the built-in XP Lexmark Z52 driver from
> the manufacturer's list. Next the Default Printer page appears in the Add
> Printer Wizard requesting me to use this printer as the default printer.
> After choosing YES and selecting Next to this, the final Add Printer page
> appears stating: "You have successfully completed the Add Printer Wizard
etc".
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> However, when I attempt to print a test page from my XP system over the
> network, it displays the following message: "Test page failed to print.
Would
> you like to use the print troubleshooter for assistance? operation could
not
> be completed".
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> The status of my Lexmark on Martin network printer shows up as 'Ready' in
> Add Printer wizard and has a pipe attached, indicating a network printer.
If
> I print locally from my Windows 98 machine, I can see the document queue
and
> the document being processed from my XP system by double clicking on the
> printer icon. In other words I can see the test page being printed on my
98
> machine from my XP computer. Also, the Documents would show 1 on my XP
> printer icon. It's strange that I can see pages being printed locally
over
> the network and that I can't print over the network using my XP computer.
> Incidentally, Lexmark represents the share name of my printer and Martin
> represents the name of the Windows 98 machine.
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> Also, I can view all shared resources on my Windows 98 machine over the
> network from my XP laptop. Furthermore, I can access shared folders on
the
> 98 machine and I can successfully ping the 98 machine from my XP laptop.
> From the point of troubleshooting, I eliminated a potential VSERVER.vxd
> conflict message when adding the File and Printer Service in Microsoft
> Networks in Windows 98 by extracting a new copy of this file to the
> C:\Windows\System Directory. This corrected that problem but did not
resolve
> my existing print issue. I would also like to remind you that I was able
to
> print over the network in the past from my XP laptop without ever having
to
> select the built-in XP driver for that printer. I'm using the same
printer
> driver for my Lexmark Z52 on my 98 machine as I did in the past when it
last
> worked. I still have a copy of this print test page from last December.
The
> driver name showed up as UNIDRV.DLL on my XP test page when it last
worked.

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- > I have done virtually everything as this stage to solve this remote printing
- > issue. There is no real simple solution to this problem as I have found out
- > over the last 3 weeks. It's only since I carried out a reinstallation on my
- > 98 machine a couple months ago, that this problem has arisen. I find it is
- > very strange because I have a perfectly working network connection and I'm
- > using the built-in XP driver on my XP laptop when connecting to the 98
- > printer over the network.
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- > This inability to print over the network from my XP laptop is a major
- > drawback because it also means that I can't use this network printer for
- > incoming faxes.
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- > The only thing left for me to do now after correcting the VSERVER issue on
- > the 98 machine is to uninstall and reinstall the LAN connection components
- > on
- > my XP laptop etc. TCP/IP, WLAN protocols, File & Printer sharing etc in
- > Network properties which could be problematic in its own way. Please
- > note, I
- > can print locally from my printer and I can access shared folders on the
- > 98
- > machine from my XP laptop but I just can't print over the network using
- > the
- > printer attached to the 98 machine.
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- > Could you please tell me if there is any technical online chat (SIP)
- > facility available in relation to this issue as this problem is ongoing
- > for a
- > long time now. I don't think the manufacturer of my XP laptop will assist
- > me
- > with this problem as the 98 machine is from a different manufacturer. At
- > this stage, I feel the problem lies on the XP side rather than from the 98
- > machine. This is why I have posted the problem here rather than the
- > Windows
- > 98 community site. Recent windows updates or patches on my XP laptop may
- > have lead to this problem. It's is not a Lexmark issue either as it
- > worked
- > before using this printer and I have carried out the exact same procedure
- > in
- > setting up the network printer as in the past. Finally it is not a
- > printer
- > driver issue as well since I'm using the built-in Lexmark Z52 XP driver on
- > my
- > XP system while adding the printer – even though I succeeded without this
- > driver in the past by just using the UNIDRV.DLL driver on the 98 side.
- > The
- > printer port settings are also correct as it shows up as \\Martin\Lexmark
- > in
- > XP and LPT1 in 98.

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> Once again, I would appreciate any suggestions that may fix this problem
if
> at all possible.
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> Thanks

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