

Re: Print Job Redirecting

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The physical print devices are associated with the "Port" objects, not the "Printer" objects. If you add a check mark to the Enable printer Pooling on the Ports tab of the "Printer"'s Properties, you can add a second "port" and thus physical print device (physical printer) to the same "Printer" object.

It's not something I've actually experimented with, but try this:

1. pause the Printer
2. in the Ports tab, add a check mark to the Enable printer pooling check mark
3. add a check mark to the Port that is associated with the other physical printer device; click Apply
4. remove the check mark from the Port that is associated with the original physical printer device
5. remove the check mark from Enable printer pooling; click Apply
6. remove the Pause Printer check mark

For this to work, both physical printers would need to be the same make and model, or at least "compatible" in the sense of understanding the same printer language because the spool files typically contain instructions etc. that are specific to the printer language. For example, if the first printer is an HP LaserJet printer and the second one is also an HP LaserJet printer of the same vintage or later, this technique may work. But, if one is an HP LaserJet printer and the other is an HP Deskjet printer, you will most likely get garbage printed.

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It's perfectly useless to know the right answer to the wrong question.

"Ron" <Ron@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:6A807ED5-D45A-42BB-8521-244C782084F7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

After I have sent a print job to printer 1 and it doesn't print, can I redirect the jobs to printer 2 from the spooler?

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