

Re: How can a Macintosh open a scanned Word doc from a PC?

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As I said earlier, Word cannot edit graphics. PDF is a graphics format – a picture of the document! If you want a scanned document to be editable you must use OCR software to convert graphics to text.

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Marilyn wrote:

We are both using Microsoft Office 2000. The document I scanned was a Word doc that my boss wanted to edit. I scanned it as a pdf file then emailed it, but he couldn't open it so I resaved the pdf file as a Word doc, and emailed it again. When he clicked on the document he opened on his Mac the entire text was in a "box", just like the pdf file. When I scan the document I can't save it in a Word format to email to him. I didn't go into the permissions directory, but I will try that next.

"CyberTaz" wrote:

When it comes to Word files there is [almost] no difference between Mac & PC docs. Unless they're using a **very** old version of Word the file formats are identical, although what's been done *_in_* the doc can create compatibility issues in either direction. The problem, however, is most likely related to one or more of the following:

- 1– "What" you are actually sending to the boss,
- 2– "How" you are sending it to the boss,
- 3– Whether the boss has write permissions in the stored directory

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However, you don't provide enough info to make any further determination. If you supply complete details – including versions – perhaps it can be resolved here. We need to know exactly what happens from the time the files "come in" (including how they "come in" – email, snail mail, carrier pigeon?) to the time your boss tries to edit them.

Regards |:>)
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On 5/30/07 5:51 PM, in article
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<Marilyn@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I can open the Mac docs when they come into the office and save them as Word docs, but my boss can only open and not edit the Word docs I send him. Is it because of the differences between a MAC and a PC?
Marilyn