

HP 2500C/C+/CM

Professional Series Color Printer

Windows® 2000

User's Guide

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This guide describes how to use the new PCL 3 printer software (version 3.1) for HP 2500C Series printers in the Windows 2000 environment. This printer software does not include the Toolbox program, links to HP web sites, and internet registration for the printer.

Note: Information pertaining to NT 4.0 in the HP 2500C Series User's Guide and Network Guide applies to Windows 2000 unless stated otherwise. Please use this guide in conjunction with both documents.

Using this Guide

This guide includes the following sections:

- **Install the Printer Software**—Describes how to install the version 3.1 printer software.
- **Uninstall the Printer Software**—Describes how to uninstall the printer software and Microsoft mini driver.
- **Use the Printer Software**—Outlines the steps to change print settings and options.
- **Network Configuration**—Lists the supported network printer connections, and additional information for configuring the printer to print on the network.
- **Print with Special Features and Options**—Describes the smart software features and options to help you print professional-looking documents.
- **Maintain the Printer**—Lists the steps to run the maintenance utilities from the printer software.
- **For Latest Information**—<http://www.hp.com/go/hp2500>

Install the Printer Software

Before you install the printer software in Windows 2000, ensure that your computer has at least 64 MB of RAM (recommended).

Installing from the Windows® 2000 CD

1. Start Microsoft Windows and ensure that no other application is running.
2. Insert the Windows® 2000 CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. Select **Start**, **Settings**, followed by **Printers**.

4. Double-click on the **Add Printer** icon, and follow the instructions on the screen.
5. When prompted to select the printer model, click **Have Disk...** and select the printer driver INF file in the CD (\winnt\<language>).
6. Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the installation.

Note: If you have downloaded the printer driver from the HP website, follow the website instructions to install the driver.

Uninstall the Printer Software

Uninstalling Printer Software

1. Double-click on the “pruninst.exe” file in the Windows® 2000 CD (\winnt\<language>) to run the uninstaller program.
2. Select the **HP 2500C Series Printer**, and click **Uninstall**.
3. Click **Yes** to confirm uninstallation.

Uninstalling Mini Driver (optional)

If you had upgraded your NT 4.0 operating system to Windows 2000, the Microsoft mini driver “HP 2500C Series” will automatically replace any previously installed HP 2500C Series printer software. You can either retain or uninstall this mini driver after installing the version 3.1 printer software.

1. Select **Start, Settings**, followed by **Printers**.
2. Right-click on the **HP 2500C Series** icon, and select **Delete**.
3. Click **Yes** to confirm uninstallation.

Use the Printer Software

Selecting Your Printer

1. Select **Start, Settings**, followed by **Printers**.
2. Right-click on the **HP 2500C Series Printer** icon.
3. Select **Set as Default Printer**.

Changing Print Settings

Change Print Settings Temporarily from a Software Application

1. From the **File** menu, click **Print**, then click **Properties**. (This is the most common method; the actual steps can vary.)
2. Change the settings in the printer driver tabs accordingly.

Change Default Print Settings

1. Select **Start**, **Settings**, followed by **Printers**.
2. Right-click on the **HP 2500C Series Printer** icon, and choose **Printing Preferences**.
3. Change the settings in the printer driver tabs accordingly.

Network Configuration

Supported Network Printer Connections

Printing through an HP JetDirect Print Server

1. Client-Server Printing

Server	Client		
	Windows 2000	Windows NT 4.0	Windows 95/98
Windows 2000	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows NT 4.0	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows 95/98	Not recommended	Not recommended	Yes
Novell Netware 4.11, 5.0	Yes	Yes	Yes

2. Peer-to-Peer Printing

- Windows 95
- Windows 98
- Windows NT 4.0
- Windows 2000

Printing through a PC

Server	Client		
	Windows 2000	Windows NT 4.0	Windows 95/98
Windows 2000	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows NT 4.0	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows 95/98	No	No	Yes
Novell Netware 4.11, 5.0	Yes	Yes	Yes

Configuring to Print on the Network

The options described in the HP 2500C Series Network Guide (section 6) are applicable to Windows 2000. Please note the following additional information:

Using the Windows® 2000 CD

Instead of the Starter CD, use the Windows® 2000 CD to install the HP 2500C Series printer software. Please refer to the section on [Installing from the Windows® 2000 CD](#).

Installing HP JetAdmin

If you encounter a setup error (Error 401) when installing HP JetAdmin on Windows 2000, click **OK** to proceed with the installation. The error does not affect the performance of the JetAdmin software.

Using the Add Printer Wizard to install printer software on the PC client

1. Select **Start, Settings**, followed by **Printers**.
2. Double-click on **Add Printer**, and click **Next**.
3. Select **Network Printer**.
4. When prompted to locate your printer, type in the network path or queue name of the shared printer, for example, `\\ComputerName\PrinterName`. If you do not know the name, click **Next** to browse for your network printer.
5. Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the printer installation.

Configuring the PC to share the printer on the network

1. From the **Printers** folder, right-click on the **HP 2500C Series Printer** icon, and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Sharing** tab, select **Shared as** and specify a shared name for this printer, for example, HP 2500C.
3. Click **OK**.
4. If sharing fails on Windows 2000, double-click on the **Network and Dial-up Connections** icon in the **Control Panel**.
5. Double-click on the **Local Area Connection** icon, and select **Properties**.
6. Ensure the checkbox for "File and Printer Sharing for Microsoft Networks" is checked.
7. Click **OK** and restart Windows.
8. Repeat steps 1 to 3 to share the printer.

The HP 2500C Series PCL 3 printer software has built-in smart software features and options to help you print exciting and outstanding documents easily. You can select these features from the **Effects** tab in the print settings. Refer to the section on [Changing Print Settings](#).

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Allows you to automatically enlarge or reduce your printout.

Handout

Enables you to print 2, 4, 6, 8, 9 or 16 pages of your document onto a single sheet of paper.

Tiling

Allows you to enlarge your page and print sections of that page onto several sheets of paper to form a large poster. You may also use this feature to print a C or A-2 size document on 2 pieces of 11" x 17" or A3 size media by choosing the 1 x 2 option.

Booklet

Enables you to print 2 pages onto a single larger sheet and reorder the page sequencing so that the printouts can be folded in half to form a booklet.

Manual Duplex

Allows you to print on both sides of a page.

Page Border

Allows you to print a border around each page of your document for cropping or marking purposes.

Watermark

Allows you to create light-colored text that appears on the background of the document's main text. When you print, the text appears faintly on the printout like the watermarks found on elegant stationery.

Mirror Image

Allows you to print a laterally inverted image of your page.

For more information on printing using these special features and options, see the online help for the HP 2500C Series printer software.

Maintaining the Printer

You can run the utilities for maintaining the HP 2500C Series printer from the printer's Control Panel, or from the printer software.

From the Printer Software

1. Select **Start, Settings**, followed by **Printers**.
2. Right-click on the **HP 2500C Series Printer** icon, and choose **Printing Preferences**.
3. Click on the **Basics** tab, followed by the **Services** button.
4. Select the utility required, and follow the instructions on the screen.

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