Quick Setup

Here's how to set up your new EPSON Stylus[®] COLOR 1520 printer ...

Unpack the Printer

Remove any packing material from the printer, as described on the Notice Sheet in the box. Save all the packaging so you can use it if you need to transport the printer later. You'll find these items inside:



Place the printer flat on a stable desk near a grounded outlet. Leave plenty of room in back for the cables and for a stack of continuous paper, if you use it. Leave enough room in front for the paper support and output tray you'll install in the next step.

Do NOT put the printer:

- In an area with high temperature or humidity
- In direct sunlight or dusty conditions
- Near sources of heat or electromagnetic interference, such as loudspeakers or cordless telephone base units

Also, be sure to follow the Safety Instructions in the Introduction of your *User's Guide*.





2. Press the two notches at the back of the output tray onto the metal posts inside the printer.



Then flip down the legs on the underside of the output tray so it sits up on the paper support.

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Plug In the Printer

1. First make sure the power is off. Check the O Operate button; it's off when its surface is even with the button guards on each side.

Operate

Caution:

Do not plug the printer into an outlet controlled by a wall switch or timer, or on the same circuit as a large appliance. This may disrupt the power, which can erase the printer's memory and damage the power supply.



2. Plug the power cord into a properly grounded outlet. To protect the printer from power surges, you may want to use a surge protector.

Install the Ink Cartridges

- 1. Press the Operate button to turn on the printer. The Operate and Ink Out lights come on and the ink cartridge holders move to the installation position. The Pause light begins flashing.
- 2. Open the cover. The Cover Open light comes on.







Caution:

You must completely remove the yellow portion of the tape seal or you will permanently damage the ink cartridge. Don't remove the tape seal from the bottom or ink will leak.



Warning: If ink gets on your hands, wash them thoroughly with soap

and water. If ink gets in your eyes, flush them immediately with water.

3. Open the ink cartridge packages. Completely remove the disposable yellow portion of the tape seal on top. Don't remove the white portion.



4. Pull up the ink cartridge clamps.



5. Lower the ink cartridges into their holders with the labels face up and the arrows pointing toward the back of the printer.





Caution:

Never turn off the printer when the Pause light is flashing. However, if the Pause light is still flashing after 10 minutes and the printer is not moving or making noise, you may turn off the printer. 6. Push down the clamps until they lock in place.



- Press the Alt button to return the print heads to their home position and charge the advanced ink delivery system.
 Charging takes up to 7 minutes, with the Pause light flashing until it's finished; then the Pause light stays on.
 Don't turn off the printer or interrupt this important process or you'll use up more ink than necessary.
- 8. Close the printer cover. Then press the Pause button to turn off the Pause light.

Load the Paper

To test the printer operation, load about 10 sheets of letter-size plain paper in the built-in sheet feeder as described here.

1. Make sure the paper release lever is set to the single sheet position (the \Box appears beneath the lever handle).





Note:

For instructions on loading other types of paper or using the other paper feeders, see your *User's Guide*. 2. Lock the output tray in an upright position on the two upper posts.



3. Slide the **right** edge guide all the way **left** until it stops. Then slide the left edge guide to match the approximate width of your paper.



4. Move the center support midway between the two edge guides.

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5. Slide out the rear paper support guide until it stops.



- 6. Fan a stack of paper and then even the edges.
- 7. Load the stack with the printable surface face down and slide it all the way into the feeder. Press the stack against the right edge guide.



- 8. Slide the left edge guide against the left side of the paper. Then slide the rear paper support guide against the end of the paper.
- 9. Lower the output tray.





Caution:

Never turn off the printer while it's printing test pages. Always press the Pause button and eject any loaded paper first.

Test the Printer

- 1. Turn off the printer and wait until the Operate light turns off.
- 2. While holding down the Load/Eject button, turn on the printer. Then release the Load/Eject button.
- 3. The first page prints on the first and last lines to measure the page length. The next sheet prints a multicolor nozzle check pattern and character samples at 360 dpi (dots per inch).

Press the Pause button after the second page prints to stop the test.

4. Press the Load/Eject button to eject any loaded pages. Then turn off the printer.

If you have any problems with the test, see Chapter 7 in your *User's Guide* for more information.

Connect the Printer to Your Computer

You can connect your EPSON Stylus COLOR 1520 printer to either an IBM[®] compatible PC or an Apple[®] Macintosh[®]. You'll need a shielded parallel cable to connect directly to a PC or an Apple System Peripheral-8 serial cable to connect directly to a Macintosh. (For a complete list of system requirements, see the Introduction in your *User's Guide*.)

To connect your printer to a network interface you must first install an optional interface card. See Appendix A of your *User's Guide* for instructions.

Connecting to a PC

- 1. Turn off the printer and your computer.
- 2. Connect the cable to the printer's parallel interface; then squeeze the wire clips together until they lock in place. (If your cable has a ground wire, connect it now.)





3. Connect the other end of the cable to your computer's parallel port and secure it as necessary. (See your computer documentation for details.)

Connecting to a Macintosh

- 1. Turn off the printer and your Macintosh.
- 2. Connect one end of the cable to the serial connector on the back of the printer.



3. Connect the other end of the cable to either the printer port \square or the modem port \bigotimes on your Macintosh.



Note:

The printer is assigned to parallel port LPT1 when you install the software; if you want to use a different port, see your Windows[®] documentation for instructions.



Note:

If you're using a PowerBook® with a combination printer/modem port, connect the printer to that port. In the PowerBook setup, set the port to Normal. See your PowerBook documentation for more information.

If your Macintosh has a built-in modem, use the printer port.





Install the Printer Software

Now you need to install the printer software so you can control printing from your computer.

Installing on a PC

You can install the printer software for Windows[®] 95, Windows 3.1, or Windows NT^{m} 3.51/4.0 from the EPSON printer software CD-ROM. If you don't have a CD-ROM drive, you can create diskettes from the CD-ROM using another computer.

The installation instructions are slightly different for each Windows version. See the sections below for your operating system.

Windows 95 Plug-and-Play

- 1. Turn on your printer, then turn on your computer.
- 2. At the New Hardware Found screen, make sure your printer name is displayed and the Driver from disk provided by hardware manufacturer button is selected. Then click OK. (If you don't see the New Hardware Found screen, see "While Running Windows 95" below.)
- 3. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM or diskette.
- 4. Type D:\ or A:\ (or the correct drive letter) and click OK.
- 5. At the next screen, keep or change the printer model name. Then select Yes (No is the default) to use the printer as the Windows default printer. Click Finish.
- 6. Follow the instructions on the screen. Your printer software icons appear in an EPSON folder and a printer icon appears in the Printers folder.



Note:

You'll also find diskettes for the EPSON Plot! utility and AutoCAD[®] in your printer box. (These utilities are also on the CD-ROM.) You don't need to install these utilities unless you need to. See page 1 of the Introduction to your *User's Guide* for details.



Note:

To make diskette versions of the printer software on the CD-ROM, run the MAKE_FD.EXE program on the CD-ROM and follow the instructions on the screen.

While Running Windows 95

If you couldn't use the plug-and-play method:

- 1. Make sure Windows 95 is running and the printer is on. Exit any open application programs.
- 2. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM or diskette.

If you inserted the CD-ROM and Windows 95 is set up to start CD-ROM software automatically, click Install at the first screen and go to step 5.

- 3. Double-click the My Computer icon, then double-click your CD-ROM or diskette drive icon.
- 4. If you clicked the CD-ROM drive icon, click Install at the first screen. If you clicked the diskette drive icon, double-click the Setup icon.
- 5. Select Epson Stylus COLOR 1520 in the Printer Model tab and click OK.
- 6. Follow the instructions on the screen. Your printer software icons appear in an EPSON folder and a printer icon appears in the Printers folder.

Windows 3.1

- 1. Make sure Program Manager is running and the printer is on. Exit any open application programs.
- 2. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM or diskette.
- 3. From the File menu, select Run.
- 4. Type D:\SETUP or A:\SETUP (or substitute the correct drive letter) and click OK.
- 5. Highlight Epson Stylus COLOR 1520 and click OK.
- 6. Follow the instructions on the screen. Your printer software icons appear in an EPSON program group and your printer is set as the Windows default printer.



Windows NT 4.0

The instructions below tell you how to install the printer software on all the Windows NT 4.0 computers that are connected remotely to the printer via an optional network interface card.

If you'll be connecting the printer directly to a print server and sharing access to it on the network, see your Windows NT 4.0 documentation for printer software installation and connection instructions.

- 1. Turn off your printer.
- 2. Turn on your computer and log onto Windows NT 4.0 with the appropriate access privileges. Exit any open application programs.
- 3. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM.
- 4. Double-click the My Computer icon. Then double-click your CD-ROM drive icon.
- 5. Click the SETUP icon.
- 6. Select Epson Stylus COLOR 1520 in the Printer Model tab and click OK.
- 7. Follow the instructions on screen. A printer icon for your printer now appears in the Printers folder.
- 8. Follow the steps in Chapter 4 of your *User's Guide* to set up your printer for network use.

To make diskette versions of the printer software on the CD-ROM, run the MAKE_FD.EXE program on the CD and follow the instructions on the screen.

Windows NT 3.51

The instructions below tell you how to install the printer software on all the Windows NT 3.51 computers that are connected remotely to the printer via an optional network interface card.

If you'll be connecting the printer directly to a print server and sharing access to it on the network, see your Windows NT 3.51 documentation for printer software installation and connection instructions.

- 1. Make sure Program Manager is running and the printer is on. Exit any open application programs.
- 2. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM.
- 3. From the File menu, select Run.
- 4. Type D:\SETUP (or substitute the correct drive letter) and click OK.
- 5. Select Epson Stylus COLOR 1520 in the Printer Model tab and click OK.
- 6. Follow the instructions on the screen. Your printer is set as the Windows default printer.
- 7. Follow the steps in Chapter 4 of your *User's Guide* to set up your printer for network use.

To make diskette versions of the printer software on the CD-ROM, run the MAKE_FD.EXE program on the CD-ROM and follow the instructions on screen.



Note:

If your Macintosh doesn't have a CD-ROM drive, you can make diskettes from the CD-ROM using another Macintosh. See "Making Macintosh Diskettes from the CD-ROM" on page 15 for instructions.

Installing on a Macintosh

- 1. Turn on your Macintosh and turn off any virus protection programs you may have. (See your virus protection documentation for instructions.)
- 2. When your Macintosh has finished starting up, turn on your printer.
- 3. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM and double-click the Installer icon.
- 4. Click Continue to display the Installer Script dialog box.
- 5. Click Install and follow the instructions on the screen to copy the software to your hard disk. After the files are copied, a message tells you that installation is complete.
- 6. Click Restart to restart your Macintosh.

If you connected your printer to a serial interface on your Macintosh, follow the steps in the next section to select the printer in the Chooser.

If you connected your printer to an AppleTalk network with an optional interface card, see "Network Printing on a Macintosh" in Chapter 4 of your *User's Guide* for instructions on setting up your printer on the network.

Selecting Your Printer

After you install the software, you need to select your printer in the Chooser.

- 1. Open the Chooser in the Apple menu.
- 2. Click the EPSON Stylus(EX) icon.
- 3. Click the icon for the port where you connected your printer. (On a PowerBook with a combination printer/modem port, select the modem port icon.)
- 4. Click On if you want to turn on background printing so you can use your Macintosh while you print. (Keep in mind that background printing is slower and may slow down your system while you print.)

- 5. If you chose the printer port in step 3, click Inactive to turn off AppleTalk.
- 6. Close the Chooser.

Making Macintosh Diskettes from the CD-ROM

Before making diskettes from the CD-ROM, name the formatted diskettes you'll use Disk1 and Disk2 (using a capital "D" and no space before the number). If they're not named correctly, the diskettes won't be able to install your software.

- 1. Turn on the Macintosh and turn off any virus protection programs you may have. (See your virus protection documentation for instructions.)
- 2. Insert the EPSON printer software CD-ROM in the CD-ROM drive.
- 3. Double-click the CD-ROM icon on the desktop. (You must double-click the icon even if a window opens when you insert the CD-ROM.) The new window contains the Disk1 and Disk2 folder icons.
- 4. Double-click the Disk1 folder icon to open the folder.
- 5. Insert the diskette you named Disk1 in a diskette drive. You see the Disk1 diskette icon on the desktop.
- 6. Select all the icons in the CD-ROM Disk1 folder and drag them to the Disk1 diskette icon on the desktop.
- 7. When the icons are copied, eject the diskette and repeat steps 4 through 6 for the CD-ROM folder and diskette you named Disk2.
- Eject Disk2. Then install the printer software on your Macintosh using the diskettes. See "Installing on a Macintosh" on page 14 for instructions.



See Your EPSON Documentation

Your EPSON Stylus COLOR 1520 User's Guide tells you how to:

- D print everything from a memo to a back lit display
- use your printer software to fine-tune your printouts D
- keep your printer working at its best D
- solve any problems you may have D

You can also access EPSON's convenient online help from the printer software to get quick information while you're printing.

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