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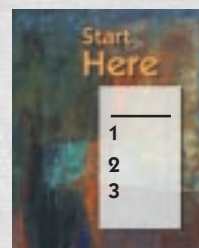
To get up and running with your

EPSON Stylus® COLOR 850,

you'll need to:

1

Set up the
printer



2

Install the
software that
runs your printer



3

Print a color
image (optional)



If you need help as you set up your printer, see
"Troubleshooting" in your *User's Guide*.

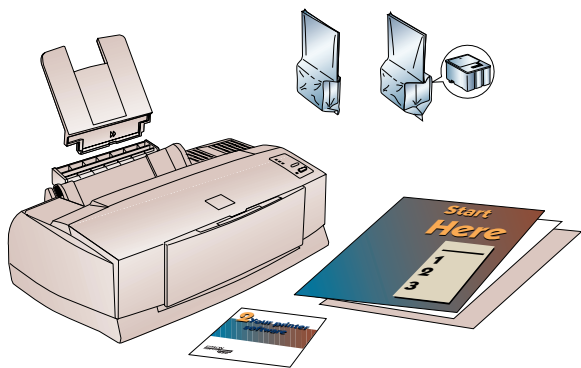
1 Set up the printer

1 Unpack the printer

Remove any packing material from the printer. See the Notice Sheet in the box for details.

Make sure you've got all these items:

- the printer
- the paper support
- one color and one black ink cartridge package
- the CD-ROM package called "Your printer software"
- the EPSON® Media Pack containing sample ink jet paper
- a facsimile of a print sample you can create
- your *User's Guide* package
- a cable to connect the printer (not supplied)

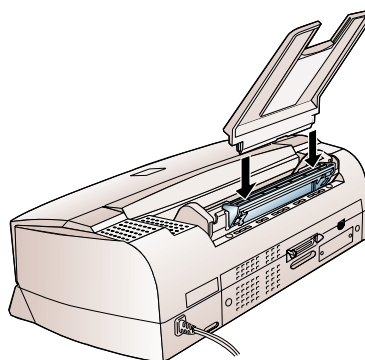


Note:

To connect your printer to a PC, you need a shielded, twisted-pair parallel cable (6 to 10 feet long). To connect it to a Macintosh®, you'll need an Apple® System Peripheral-8 cable (Belkin brand recommended). If you're connecting to a network, see Appendix A and B in your *User's Guide* for instructions.

2 Put on the paper support

Insert the paper support in the top slot on the back of the printer until it is securely seated.



Caution:

Place the printer near the computer, but avoid areas

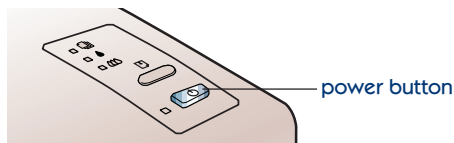
- with high temperature or humidity
- in direct sunlight or dusty conditions
- near sources of heat or electromagnetic interference.

Follow all the Safety Instructions in the Introduction of your *User's Guide*.

Open to continue ►►

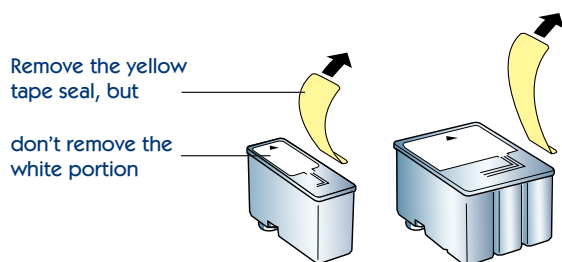
3 Install the ink cartridges

1. Make sure the printer is turned off (the  power button should be up). Then plug the printer's power cord into a grounded outlet.



Caution:

- ▶ Always use the  power button to turn the printer on or off. Never use an external switch—such as a power strip switch—to turn off the printer.
 - ▶ Don't use an outlet that can be turned off by a wall switch or timer, or one that uses the same circuit as a large appliance. This may disrupt the power, which can erase memory or even damage the printer's power supply.
2. Open the ink cartridge packages that came with your printer. Then remove **only** the yellow part of the tape seal on the top of each one. **Don't pull off the white portion or try to remove the clear seal underneath the cartridge.**



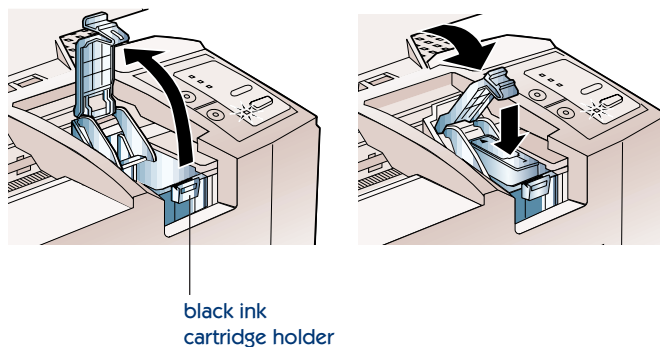
Caution:

- ▶ To ensure the print heads charge correctly, install the ink cartridges that came with your printer.
- ▶ You must remove the yellow tape from the top of the cartridge or you will permanently damage it. It's okay if the tape doesn't tear off completely along the dotted line.

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. Press the  power button to turn on the printer. The  power light flashes and the  black and  color ink out lights come on. The black ink cartridge holder moves into loading position.
4. Open the printer cover and lift up the black ink cartridge clamp.
5. Place the black ink cartridge in the holder with the arrow on the top label facing the back of the printer. Then close the clamp, making sure it clicks into place.



Caution:

If the ink cartridge holder moves back to the right before you install the cartridge, don't try moving it back by hand. Press the  black cleaning button and hold it down for 3 seconds to move the holder back into position.

6. Now press the  color cleaning button to move the color ink cartridge holder into loading position.
7. Repeat steps 4 and 5 to install the color ink cartridge. Then press the  load/eject button to begin charging the ink delivery system.

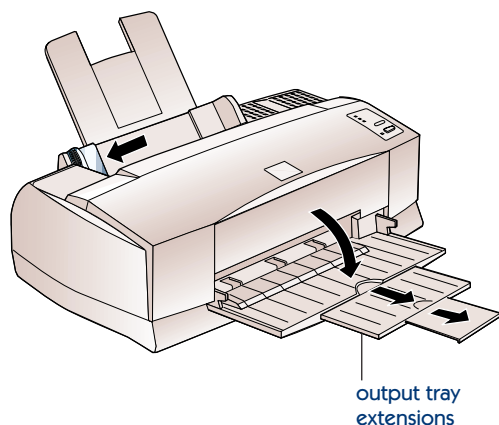
Charging takes up to 4 minutes. The  power light flashes and the printer makes various sounds until it's finished. Don't turn off the printer or interrupt the charging process or it will start over, using more ink than necessary.

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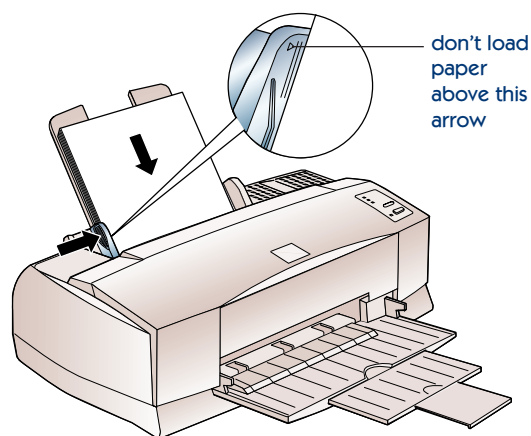
Never turn off the printer when the  power light is flashing, unless the printer hasn't moved or made any noise for more than 10 minutes.

4 Load paper

1. Open the output tray extensions and slide the left edge guide all the way to the left.



2. Load a stack of plain paper with the printable side up and place it against the right edge guide. Then slide the left edge guide to the paper's left edge, making sure the stack is not higher than the arrow mark on the guide.

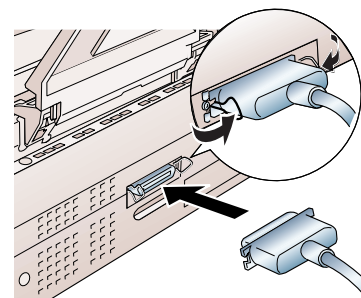


5 Connect the printer to your computer

If you're using an optional interface card in your printer, see Appendix A of your *User's Guide* for instructions on installing it and connecting it to a network.

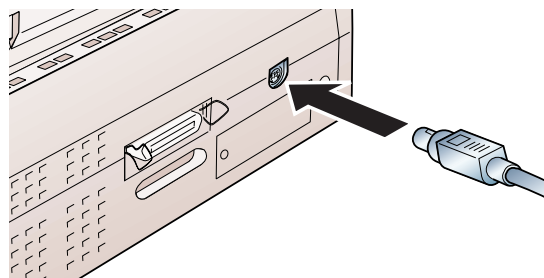
Connecting to a PC

1. Turn off the printer and computer.
2. Connect the cable to the printer's parallel interface, then fasten the wire clips to lock it in place.
3. Connect the other end of the cable to your computer's main parallel port (LPT1) and secure it as necessary.



Connecting to a Macintosh

1. Turn off the printer and Macintosh.
2. Connect the cable to the printer's serial connector.



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

Note:

If you're using a PowerBook® with a combination printer/modem port, use that port and set it to Normal. If your Macintosh has an internal modem, use the printer port.

2 Install the software that runs your printer

Now locate the CD-ROM labeled “Your printer software” and follow the installation instructions included with it.

If your computer is running Windows® 3.1 or Windows NT™ 4.0, see Appendix B of your *User’s Guide* for software installation instructions.

If you don’t have a CD-ROM drive, you can order printer software diskettes from EPSON; see the diskette order form in your *User’s Guide* package.

In addition to the software that runs your printer, you’ll find two creative software programs on your CD-ROM: Brøderbund® The Print Shop® PressWriter™ (Windows 95, Windows NT 4.0, and Macintosh 7.5.5 or later only) and Kai’s Photo Soap® SE (Windows 95 and Windows NT 4.0 only).



3 Print a color image

Now that you’ve set up your printer and installed the printer software, you’re ready to print. To print a sample image, follow the steps here to use Brøderbund The Print Shop PressWriter, if you installed it with your other software. See the enclosed print sample facsimile for a preview of the image you’ll be printing.

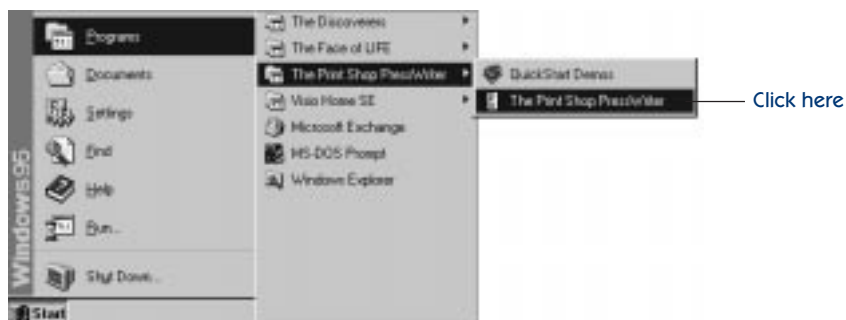
Before you begin, locate the **EPSON Media Pack** and pull out one of the sheets of Photo Quality Glossy Paper. Then load it with the shiny side face up as described inside this card.

Note:

These steps give Windows 95 print instructions for PressWriter, but you can use these same basic steps to print with other applications on other operating systems. Just remember to select the **Print** option in your application to change your printer settings.



1. Make sure your printer and computer are turned on and the EPSON printer software CD-ROM is in the drive.
2. Click **Start**, point to **Programs**, then point to **The Print Shop PressWriter** program folder and click the program icon.



3. To open the image file, click the **Open Saved Work** button. (In other programs, you click **File** in the menu bar at the top of the screen, then select **Open** to open an image file.)
4. Click the arrow in the **Look in** list at the top of the Open window and select your CD-ROM drive. Then double-click the **Assets** folder, click the **car.psp** file, and click **Open**. In a moment, the color image appears in the PressWriter window.
5. Click **File** in the menu bar and select **Print** to select your printer settings. You see the Print dialog box shown below.
6. Click **Properties**. (In some programs, you click **Setup**, then click **Properties** at the next screen.)



7. You see the printer settings dialog box. Change the following settings to print the sample color image:

1. Click the **Main** tab to display the basic settings.

2. Then click the arrow in the **Media Type** box and select **Photo Paper** from the list that appears.

(Whatever type of paper you load, always make sure the **Media Type** option is set correctly for your paper. See Chapter 2 of your *User's Guide* for details.)



3. If you want to print at 720 dpi, leave the **Quality/Speed** slider at the **Speed** setting. Move it to the **Quality** setting if you want to print at 1440 dpi.

8. Click the **OK** button to close this dialog box and return to the Print dialog box.
9. Click **OK** again to start printing. A window may appear on your screen showing the progress of your print job. This feature, called the Despooler or Progress Meter (depending on your operating system), is described in Chapter 1 of your *User's Guide*.

In 7 to 10 minutes, the image is printed in full color on your printer.