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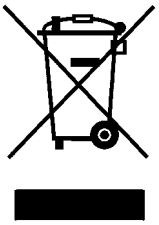
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Introduction

We are pleased to send you the latest revision of *Darwin for InDesign* software. These release notes highlight the new features, fixed problems, limitations and known problems of release version 1.5 build 55 of *Darwin for InDesign* software. Where appropriate, they refer you to the *Darwin for InDesign* version 1.5 User Guide (part number 731-00407B-EN) for more information. Changes made after the User Guide was published are described in detail in these release notes.

About Darwin

Darwin for InDesign is a variable information (VI) authoring tool that plugs in to the *Adobe InDesign* CS2 software. *Darwin for InDesign* enables you to design, author, and manage full-color VI documents in which all elements—text, graphics, charts, barcodes, colors, layouts, backgrounds, and even entire pages—are dynamic. Native to *Mac* OS X, the *Darwin* aqua-based user interface provides you with a familiar working environment. The software efficiently handles large databases, allowing you to create extensive personalized marketing and promotional campaigns for increased return on investment. Output formats include Creo Variable Print Specification; *Optimized PostScript*. *Xerox VIPP*, PPML and PPML/VDX.

System Requirements

This section lists the system requirements for *Darwin for InDesign*.

- Power *Macintosh* G3 or later
- 256 MB available memory
- *Mac* OS X v10.3 or 10.4
- The correct Creo PPD (depending on the printer to which you are printing)
- *Adobe InDesign* CS2 software
- 500 MB disk space

Accessing the Latest Version of Darwin

For the latest version of the *Darwin for InDesign* software, please see the *Darwin for InDesign* Web pages at **http://www.creopod.com/darwin**.

What Is in These Release Notes

The release notes include the following sections:

New Features—describes new menu commands, options, windows, or dialog boxes that were added to the Darwin software.

Problems Fixed—lists problems that have been fixed since the last release.

Limitations—lists the limitations in this *Darwin for InDesign* release.

Known Problems—lists problems that are not yet resolved.

New Features

This section lists new features unique to this release of Darwin:

General

Darwin now provides:

- Use of barcodes
- Color rule
- Edit profile—open to the *Darwin* desktop
- Add trailing zero
- Use of thousands separator
- Auto fitting
  - Text
  - Image
- Use of user-defined color in charts
- Import of PDF files into the library
- APR for VI & fixed elements

Output Types for Jobs

The following output types are available:

- For *Darwin* Pro users—VIPP, *Optimized PostScript*, PPML, and PPML/VDX.
- For *Darwin* Desktop users—*Optimized PostScript* and a choice of one of the above options available to *Darwin* Pro users. Desktop users can switch output formats up to five times before selecting their preferred output format.



Note: When working with either PPML or PPML/VDX, the output contains multiple files located in a folder. As a rule, for every 500 records a PDF file is created with the relevant variable elements.

Preflight

Preflight enables you to determine whether any field data is too long for its text box, or if the length of the field data will cause text to be hidden within a text box. Preflight is situated on the *Darwin* CoPilot panel.

Bleed and Crop Marks

Darwin now supports bleed and crop marks—this version of *Darwin* has some limitations, see page 6.

VDX files on Kodak NexStation

When defining the output format as PPML/VDX, and sending to print, two files are created; a VDX file which contains a description of pages and the location of the elements, and a PDF file that contains the elements.

To RIP VDX files on the NexStation:

1. Create a shared folder in a convenient location on the NexStation. Make sure you choose a location with enough free space to hold the print job resources.
2. Save the folder as **DarwinVirtualDrive.**
3. Copy the PDF file into the shared folder.
4. Submit the VDX file to print via a hot folder.

The RIP locates the files placed in the **DarwinVirtualDrive** folder.

Problems Fixed

This section lists known problems that were fixed in this release.

Synchronization

There are no longer synchronization problems between *Darwin* and the *Darwin* CoPilot.

Import/Export

Import/Export now works correctly.

Suppress Empty Line

Empty text lines are now suppressed in print and preview.

Import Pages

Pages can now be imported using the **Import** button in the pages.

VI Element Properties

- Use thousands separator works in this version.
- Add trailing zeros works in this version.
- You can select and delete VI fields and rules from *InDesign* by clicking inside the appropriate field, and pressing the DELETE key.
- Overlap of data label in chart—fixed.
- "Fatal error" when printing to file from *Mac* OS X v10.4—fixed.

Limitations

This section lists the limitations in the *Darwin for InDesign* software.

Long File Names

Do not use *InDesign* layouts with file names that contain more than 32 characters.

Bleed and Crop Marks

When resending a job with bleed and crop marks to print, the job inherits the bleed and crop mark settings that were applied the first time it was sent to print.

Workarounds:

- Make a minor modification to the job, save and then send to print.
- Save the job with a different name, and then send to print.
- Delete the previously printed job from the Resource Center in the color server.

PPML/VDX

- When working with PPML/VDX jobs, avoid working with a database that exceeds 40,000 records.
- When sending PPML/VDX jobs to print, *Darwin* automatically selects a custom page size.

  Workaround:

  - Open the job in the color server queue, and manually change the page size to the required size.

Working with Large Databases

When working with databases that contain over 25,000 records, we recommend printing in sets, by selecting the **In sets of** check box in the Print dialog box, and specifying the number of records per set.

Running Darwin for InDesign

You cannot run *Darwin for InDesign* and *Darwin* for *QuarkXPress* simultaneously.

Charts

You cannot create charts with more than 10 fields.

InDesign Features

- The **Package** feature in *InDesign* does not work with *Darwin* files.

The following *InDesign* features are not supported for fixed for VI elements in this version:

- Transparency
- Shadow
- Feather
- **Change case** options in the **Type** menu —Use **All Cap**s and **Small** only
- Caps on the toolbar

Known Problems

This section lists known problems in *Darwin for InDesign* software. They may be outstanding issues from a previous release or new problems. When a problem listed here is resolved, the solution is described in the *Problems Fixed* section of the release notes for the next version of *Darwin for InDesign* software.



Note: The latest released versions of *Darwin for InDesign* can be found at www.creopod.com/darwin.

Facing Pages

In cases where a VI element straddles facing pages, the element is only printed on the first of the two pages.

Duplicating Jobs

Duplicating jobs may cause *InDesign* to fail.

Text Fitting

Text fitting for text with the **Type on a Path** tool does not work.

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