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Introduction

These release notes highlight the new features, fixed problems, limitations and known problems of release version 2.0 of Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) software. Where appropriate, they refer you to the Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) version 2.0 User Guide for more information. Changes made after the User Guide was published are described in detail in these release notes.

About Darwin

Darwin for Adobe InDesign (Macintosh) is a variable information (VI) authoring tool that plugs in to the Adobe InDesign CS3 software. Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) 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. Darwin for InDesign is compatible with Power PC and Intel Mac platforms. 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 (Macintosh).

- Power Macintosh G4 or later, or Intel-based Macintosh
- 512 MB available memory
- Mac OS X v10.3 or 10.4
- The correct PPD (depending on the printer to which you are printing)
- Adobe InDesign CS3 software
- 500 MB disk space

Accessing the Latest Version of Darwin

For the latest version of the Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) software, please see the Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) Web pages at http://www.graphics/kodak.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 (Macintosh) release.

Known Problems—lists problems that are not yet resolved.

New Features

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

Rule Results

Lookup By Page

If you have different layouts, each containing, for example, information about a different country, the Lookup By Page rule enables you to refer customers to the layout that contains only the information that will interest them. For example, to refer customers to information about France, name the layout “France” and specify that the Lookup By rule refers to information about France only.

You can apply a lookup by rule to a whole document or to a specific page in a document. Click the **Based on field** list, and select a data field to apply to the contents of a document.

- To apply the rule to the whole document, type the name of the document in the data field of the data file—for example, document_name.
- To apply the rule to a specific page in a document, type the name of the document including the name of the layout in the data field of the data file—for example, document_name.indd-L1.

Layer

A layer rule enables you to apply a rule to a layer in your document. For example, you can specify a different location of an image or an image rule on the layout.

The following rule options are available:

- Show Layer—This result indicates that the selected layer is displayed.
- Hide Layer—This result indicates that the selected layer is hidden.

To assign a rule to a layer: In the InDesign file, select an element in the layer you want to assign to the rule, and click the rule in the **Fields and Rules** area.

New Barcode Type

Darwin now supports the following additional barcode types:

- Codeabar
- Barcode 11
- Barcode Extended 39
- Barcode Extended 93
- Barcode FIN
- Barcode MSI
- Barcode Standard 39
- Barcode Standard 93

VDX Resource Path

During output Darwin creates two files. A PDF file that contains all the elements in the job, and a PPML/VDX file that contains references to the elements in the PDF file.

When selecting this option, specify a URI path in the VDX Path box in which to save these resource files. This path is added to the PPML/VDX file.

There are two types of paths:

- PC—use when selecting PPML/VDX when working on NexPress.
- Mac—use when previewing PPML/VDX when working on a Macintosh computer.

Problems Fixed

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

Charts

You can now create charts with more than 10 fields.

Limitations

This section lists the limitations in the Darwin for InDesign (Macintosh) 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

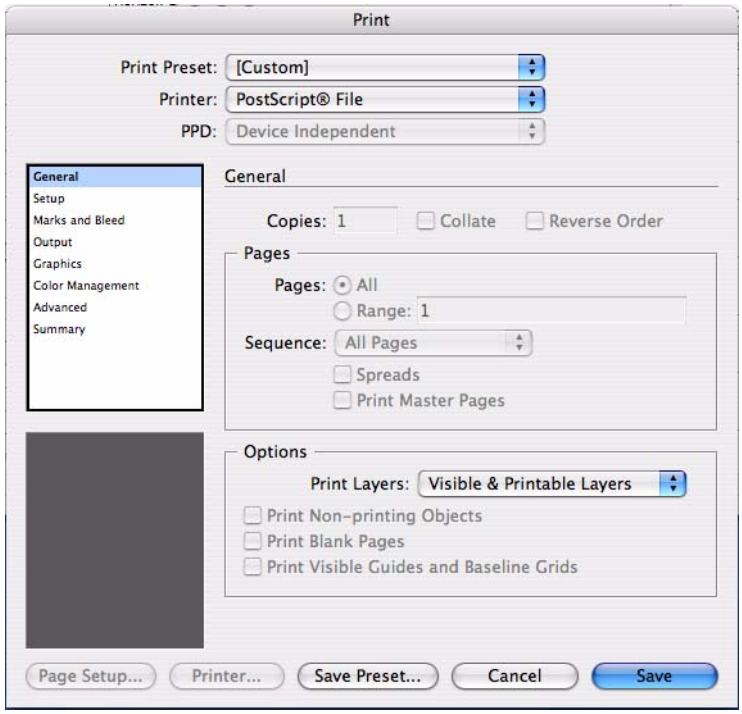
- When sending PPML/VDX jobs to print, Darwin automatically selects a custom page size.

  Workaround:

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

- When sending PPML or PPML/VDX files to print, Darwin supports print to file only.

  To print PPML or PPML/VDX files (to file), select **Postscript file** in the InDesign Print window.



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 (Macintosh) and Darwin for QuarkXPress simultaneously.

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 (Macintosh) 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 (Macintosh) software.

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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