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TOPIC -----

I have connected a LaserWriter Pro 810 to a MS-DOS computer running Windows for Workgroups. When I try to use Ethernet to print, it will not print. The printer does work printing from a Macintosh using EtherTalk. Can I print using Ethernet on the PC?

DISCUSSION ------

You cannot use the ethernet port on the printer when printing from Windows for Workgroups. The printer has to be physically connected to a computer using either the serial or parallel port. This problem is related to the way Windows for Workgroups operates. The problem is not just a LaserWriter Pro 810 problem, it pertains to any printer that has Ethernet capabilities.

Workaround

Farallon, a third-party company, provides a solution using PhoneNet Talk PC. Farallon's software supports their LocalTalk card and other popular DOS Ethernet boards. For additional information on this product, please contact Farallon.

The Tech Info Library article titled "Locating Vendor Information" can help you search for a particular vendor's address and phone number.

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