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TOPIC -----

Why do I have a different Print dialog box when using certain applications such as Adobe Pagemaker? There are print options that I would like to invoke but they don't appear in the dialog box. Is there a way to force my applications to use the Apple version of the printer driver?

DISCUSSION -----

As you have suggested, certain applications use custom printer drivers. These drivers use their own dialogs to set print options. To customize print jobs from applications that use custom printer drivers, consult the accompanying documentation.

For Adobe and many other third party applications, holding down the option key while selecting the Print menu item signals the application to use the Apple version of the printer driver rather than the application's custom printer driver.

Some fax software, such as that from Global Village, recognizes the option key being held down when selecting the Print menu item. In that case, the fax software is invoked rather than the Apple printer driver. Contact the software publisher for information on working around this issue.

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