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iSeries Access for Web: Printing Made Easy Through Your Browser

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iSeries Access for Web Overview

iSeries Access for Web is software that runs on the iSeries server. It provides access to various iSeries functions through a browser and provides an application user-centric, web-based view of iSeries or AS/400 applications and information.

iSeries Access for Web functions include:

- **Printers** - printer output, shared printers, and output queues
- **Messages** - user messages, message queues, send messages
- **Jobs** - work with jobs and server jobs
- **5250 Emulation**
- **Database** - run SQL statements, work with tables, upload data
- **Files** - work with files in the IFS or in shared folders, upload files to the IFS or a Netserver share.
- **Command** - run iSeries commands from the browser.

iSeries Access for Web Overview

To get more information on iSeries Access for Web request a copy of or attend

Session 53LA-56LA: OPEN LAB:iSeries Access for Web and WebSphere Host Publisher

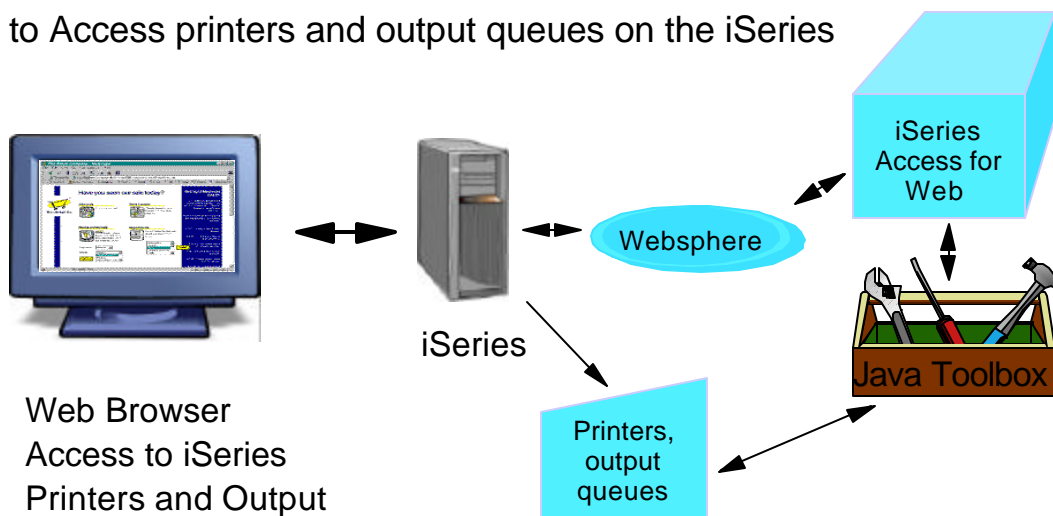
or

Visit the iSeries Access for Web Home Page.

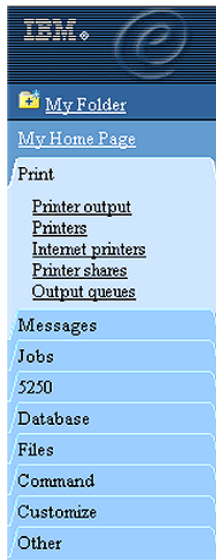
<http://www.ibm.com/servers/eserver/series/access/web>

iSeries Access for Web Print Overview

iSeries Access for Web uses the IBM Toolbox for Java to Access printers and output queues on the iSeries



Access for Web - Print Functions Available



iSeries Access for Web has many end user functions for printing and print management!

- Printer output - preview, manage output
- Printers - view and manage printers and output
- Internet printers - view and manage printer output
- Printer shares - view printers and manage output
- Output queues - view and manage queues and output

Notes: Print Support

iSeries Access for Web provides a simple web type interface to work with print related objects on the iSeries. The Print objects may be accessed through the "Print" tab or the url "http://<yourServer>/webaccess/iWAMain?tab=print". The Print tab contains five links: Printer Output, Printers, Internet Printers, Printer Shares and Output Queues. Access to these objects can be restricted by customizing the policies of the Print function. On selection of the Print tab, the user is presented with links to each of the options available on the expanded Print tab and a short description of the function each option performs. You can access the print objects by selecting them on the description page or by selecting one of the options on the Print tab itself.

Printer Output - The default policy settings for Printer Output, presents the user with a list of all of the spooled files which exist on the system for the signed on user. The list of spooled files includes important information about the spooled file such as file name, creation date and time, pages per copy and status. A list of actions that may be performed on the spooled file is also provided. The attributes displayed and the spooled file actions allowed, are customizable through the Preferences option on the Customize tab. The actions which may be performed on a spooled file include the ability to Hold, Release and cause the spooled file to be printed next. You may also preview the spooled file in GIF, TIFF, PCL or AFP formats. There are two ways to preview AFP formatted spooled files. You may use the AFP viewer plugin or the AFP Viewer program shipped with Client Access Express. The AFP Viewer program can also be used to view SCS spooled files. Most types of spooled files may be viewed in GIF, TIFF and PCL formats.

Printers - The default policy settings for the Printers list, provides the user with the basic view of all the printers which exist on the system. The list of printers includes attributes of the printer such as name, description and current status. It also provides a list of actions that may be performed on the printer. The type of printer view ie Basic or Advanced and the attributes displayed and the actions allowed, are customizable through the Preferences option on the Customize tab. The actions which may be performed on a printer using the advanced view Vary on and Vary off the printer device, Hold and Release the output queue associated with the printer and Hold, Release, Start and Stop the writer job associated with the printer. If the writer job has a message waiting on it, you

may also view and answer the message.

Internet Printers - The default policy settings for the Internet Printers list, provides the user with a list of all the Internet printers which have been configured on the system. The list of printers includes attributes of the printer such as name, output queue, url, data type, printer file and authentication method. You may select the linked name of the output queue to see a list of all spooled files that reside on the output queue and if the internet printer is a defined printer device, you may click on the linked name to list and work with the printer.

Printer Shares - The default policy settings for the Printer Shares list, provides the user with a list of all the Printer Shares which have been configured on the system. The list of printer shares includes attributes of the printer share such as name, output queue, printer driver, data type, number of users and description. You may select the linked name of the output queue to see a list of all spooled files that reside on the output queue and if the share is a defined printer device, you may click on the linked name to list and work with the printer.

Output Queues - The default policy settings for the Output Queues list, provides the user with a list of all the output queues which have been configured on the system. The list of output queues includes attributes of the output queue such as name, status, number of files and writer name. A list of actions that may be performed on the output queue is also provided. The attributes displayed and the output queue actions allowed, are customizable through the Preferences option on the Customize tab. The actions which may be performed on an output queue include Hold and Release. You may also select the linked name of the output queue to see a list of all spooled files that reside on the output queue.

Printer Output

Printer Output

- Display spooled files for the signed on user for all output queues
- Use navigation to navigate list
- List shows spooled file attributes - pages per copy, number of copies

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Printer Output" with the URL "iSeries Access for Web" and the user "jrbauer". The page displays "Printer Output for jrbauer" with a table of spooled files. The table has the following columns: File Name, User Data, Creation Date/Time, Pages Per Copy, Copies, and Status. The data rows are as follows:

File Name	User Data	Creation Date/Time	Pages Per Copy	Copies	Status
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/19/02 4:00 PM	6	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:23 AM	1	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:25 AM	4	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:25 AM	6	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:27 AM	2	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:27 AM	1	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	2	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	1	1	Ready
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	1	1	Ready

Notes: Printer Output

The following information may be displayed for each spooled file. The columns to display can be configured in preferences.

File name

The file name that was specified by the user program when the spooled file was created, or the name of the printer file used to create this spooled file.

User data

The user-specified data which describe this file.

Creation date and time

The date and time when the file was created.

Pages per copy

The total number of pages or records in the file (pages for print, records for diskette).

Copies

The number of copies remaining to print for files to be processed by a printer writer.

Status

The current status of the spooled file. If the status is MSGW (Message Waiting), a link will allow you to display and reply to the message.

Action

The actions that can be performed on the spooled file. The actions displayed are dependent on the status of the spooled file. Supported actions:

- Hold
- Release
- Print Next
- Delete
- PDF

Preview

The spooled file's contents may be previewed in the following formats:

- GIF
- TIFF
- PCL
- AFP Viewer

User

The name of the user who owns the spooled file.

Job name

The name of the job that produced the spooled file.

Job number

The number of the job that produced this spooled file.

File number

The file number for this spooled file.

Output queue

The name of the output queue that contains the spooled file.

Priority

The output priority assigned to the file. The values range from 1 (highest) to 9 (lowest).

Form type

The type of the forms which should be loaded on the printer.

Printer

The name of the printer specified for this file.

Managing Printer Output

- View status
- Hold/Release
- Print Next
- Delete
- Actions based on current state and writer availability
- Render as PDF!

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Printer Output" with the URL "Local intranet". The page content is "iSeries Access for Web" and "Printer Output for jrbaauer". Below the title is a table with the following columns: File Name, User Data, Creation Date/Time, Pages Per Copy, Copies, Status, and Action. The table contains 10 rows of data, each representing a spooled file. A red arrow points to the "Action" column header.

File Name	User Data	Creation Date/Time	Pages Per Copy	Copies	Status	Action
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/19/02 4:00 PM	6	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:23 AM	1	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:25 AM	4	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:25 AM	6	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:27 AM	2	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:27 AM	1	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	2	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	1	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF
QPJOBLOG	QZDASOINIT	9/20/02 9:31 AM	1	1	Ready	Hold Print Next Delete PDF

Previewing Printer Output

Preview SCS and AFP spooled files in several formats:

- GIF
- TIFF
- PCL
- AFP
 - AFP Plugin
 - AFP Viewer

Preview	User	Job Name	Job Number	File Number	Output Queue	Priority
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	1	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	2	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	3	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	4	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	5	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	6	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	7	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	8	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	
GIF TIFF PCL AFP Viewer	JRBAUER	QPRJOB	067291	9	QUSRSYS/QEZJOBLOG	

Notes: Preview formats

iSeries Access for Web supports four different formats for previewing spooled file data. Each of these formats has its advantages and disadvantages:

PCL

- HP PCL
- Can be rendered and viewed using a PCL Plugin. One is www.swiftview.com - plugin available for HP-UX, Solaris2.4, Windows 95/98/NT, Linux. Supports PCL, HPGL, TIFF, JPEG, and other formats.
- Can be downloaded to a workstation and sent directly to a PCL printer.

AFP

- AFP data is sent from iSeries to the PC browser.
- AFP Viewer shipped with Client Access Express may be used to view and print AFP and SCS output.
- AFP Plugin may be used with Internet Explorer or Netscape to view and print AFP output

TIFF

- AFP and SCS can be viewed as TIFF.
- Requires a plug-in or external viewer. Microsoft Imaging preview will display TIFF images.
- Higher quality than GIF Images
- Typically much larger than GIF Images

GIF

- You can view AFP and SCS as GIFs (V5R1) or PNGs (V5R2) with your standard browser.
- PNG images are normally smaller (in Kb) than TIFF.
- PNG images are normally retrieved faster than TIFF.
- Displayed one page at a time

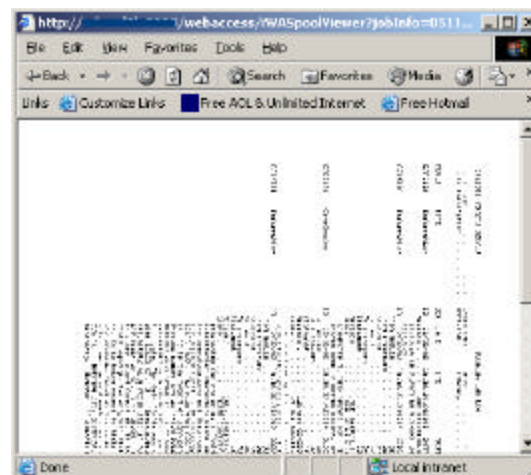
Preview as GIF

- Rendered as PNG images inside HTML
- Displayed one page at a time
- Use page navigation to navigate between pages
- Zoom in and out
- Improved resolution for V5R2



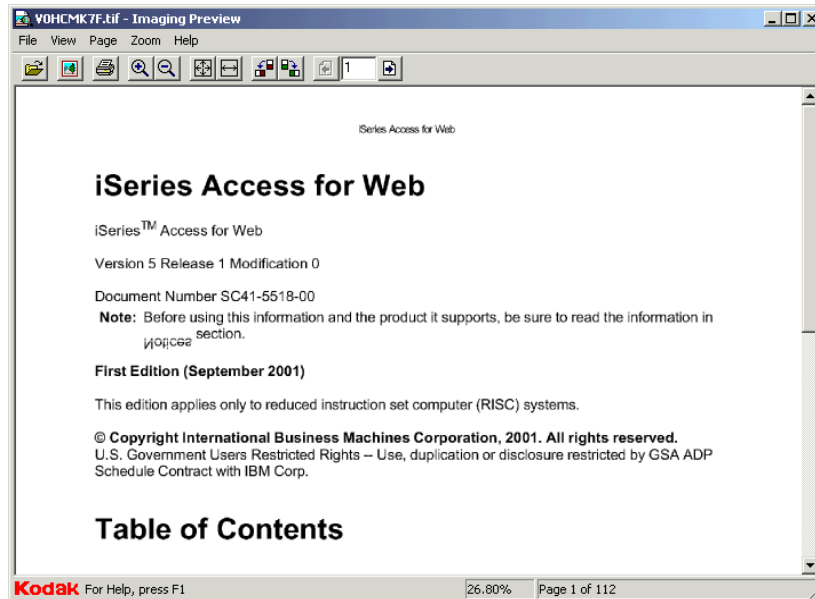
Printer Friendly Format

- Rotated to correct orientation for printing
- Removed navigation
- Print from the browser



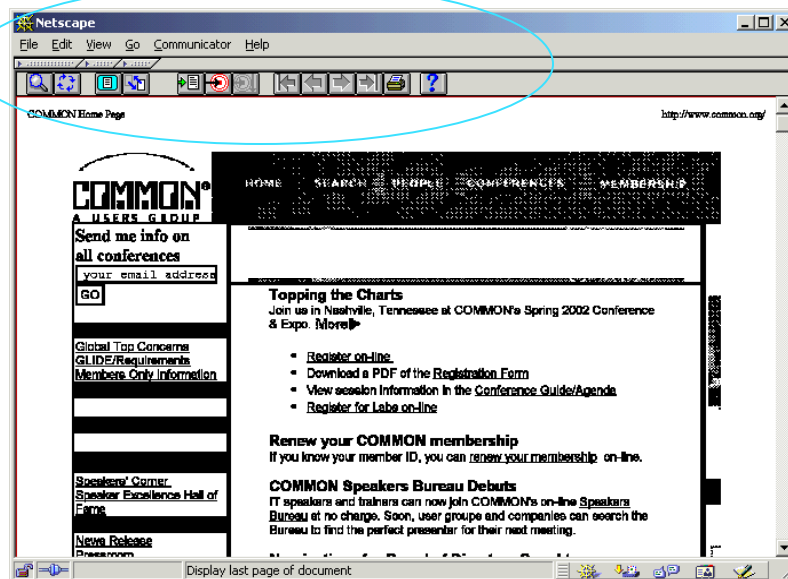
Preview as TIFF

- **Graphic format**
- **Supported by external viewers and programs**
- **Print from viewer**



The AFP Plugin

- View AFP output in your browser
- Available for download from IBM Printing Systems
- Works with Netscape and Internet Explorer
- AFP data only
- Print directly from the plugin to AFP and non-AFP printers



Notes: The AFP Plugin

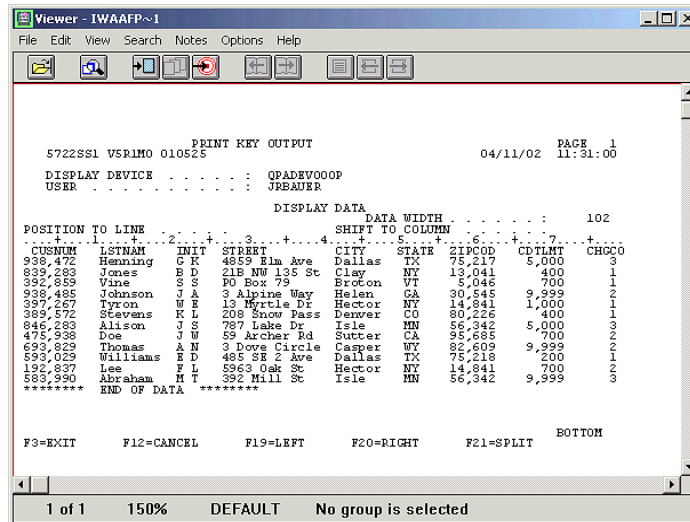
The AFP Viewer plug-in lets you view AFP documents from a Web browser. For example, you can download AFP files from your iSeries and view them, or you can view files that are in AFP format on the Web. With the AFP Viewer plug-in, you can print to any of your local printers.

Version 2.0.2.8 (24 Jan 2002) of the AFP Viewer plug-in runs under Windows 95/98, Windows NT, and Windows 2000 and requires Netscape Navigator (Version 3.01 or later) or Microsoft Internet Explorer (Version 3.01, Level 4.70.1215 or later).

Visit the AFP Plugin page at: <http://www.printers.ibm.com/R5PSC.NSF/Web/ipviewer> for more information

The Client Access Express/iSeries Access AFP Viewer

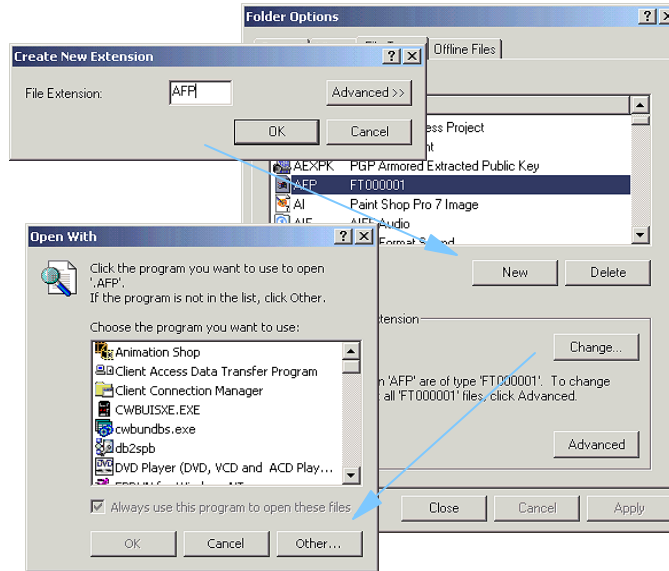
- AFP Viewer is shipped with Client Access Express (iSeries Access for Windows (5722-XE1))
- View and Print SCS and AFP data from your Windows PC
- Works well as an external application in Netscape and IE



Setting up the AFP Viewer for Internet Explorer

Associate the file extensions 'AFP' and 'SCS' with the Client Access Express AFP Viewer

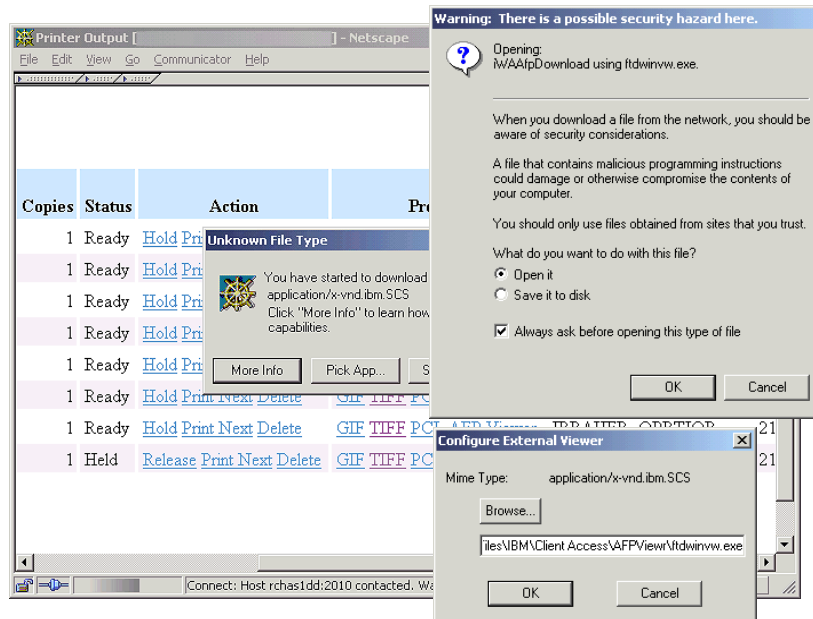
Folder options -> File Types is located on the Tools menu of the Windows Control Panel



Using the AFP Viewer with Netscape

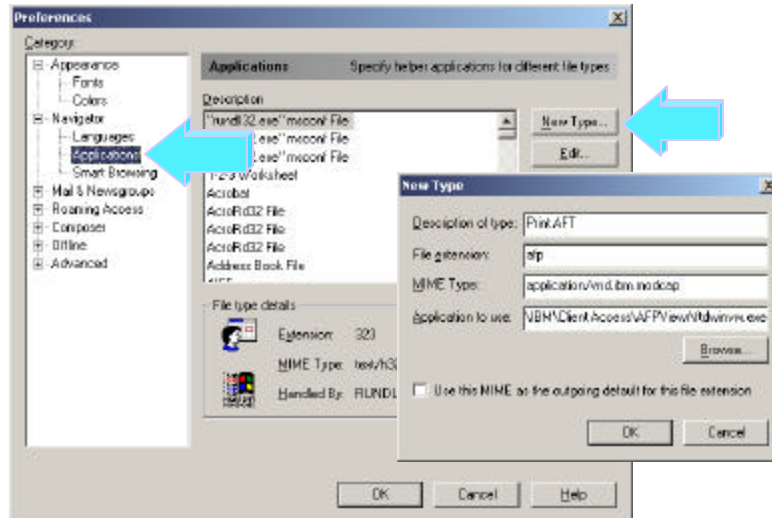
Configure the Client Access Express AFP Viewer as the registered viewer for AFP and SCS data in Netscape

Use application: ftdwinvw.exe



Configuring Netscape for AFP Viewer

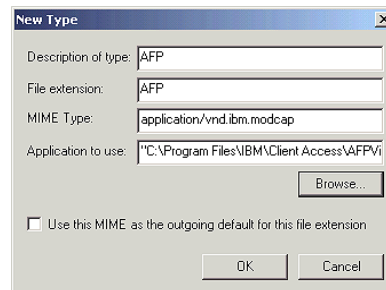
- Netscape 4.x
 - ▶ select "Edit",
 - ▶ "Preferences",
 - ▶ "Application",
 - ▶ "New Type"
- ▶ Netscape 7
 - ▶ select "Edit",
 - ▶ "Preferences",
 - ▶ "Helper Applications",
 - ▶ "New Type"



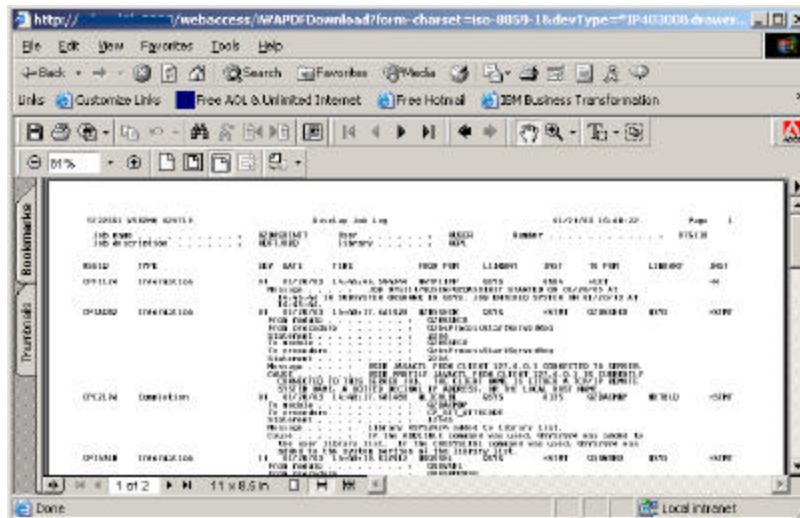
Notes: Setting up the AFP Viewer with Netscape

Directions for using the AFP Viewer that ships with Client Access Express for Windows (5722-XE1)

1. Client Access Express for Windows (5722-XE1) is installed on your iSeries in folder /QIBM/ProdData/CA400/Express/Install/Image/. Map a network drive to your iSeries and get to this folder. Run the Setup.exe program contained in this folder.
2. Pick the 'Custom Install' option, then select **AFP Workbench Viewer**. You may also want to install the **Printer Drivers** (AFP Printer Driver and SCS printer Driver) too. Your AFP Viewer is now installed on your PC
3. Now you need to associate the AFP Viewer with the AFP and SCS mime types. Start Netscape, then select 'Edit' --> Preferences from toolbar. Then select 'Applications',
4. Now create a 'New Type' to use with AFP output:
 - Description: Print AFP (or whatever name you wish)
 - Set File Extension = afp
 - Set Mime Type = application/vnd.ibm.modcap
 - Application to use: = "C:\Program Files\IBM\Client Access\AFPView\ftdwinvw.exe"
 Now you are ready to view AFP output.
5. Set up to print SCS output with the AFP viewer.
 - Description: Print SCS (or whatever name you wish)
 - Set File Extension = scs
 - Set Mime Type = application/x-vnd.ibm.scs
 - Application to use: = "C:\Program Files\IBM\Client Access\AFPView\ftdwinvw.exe"
 Now you are ready to print SCS output .

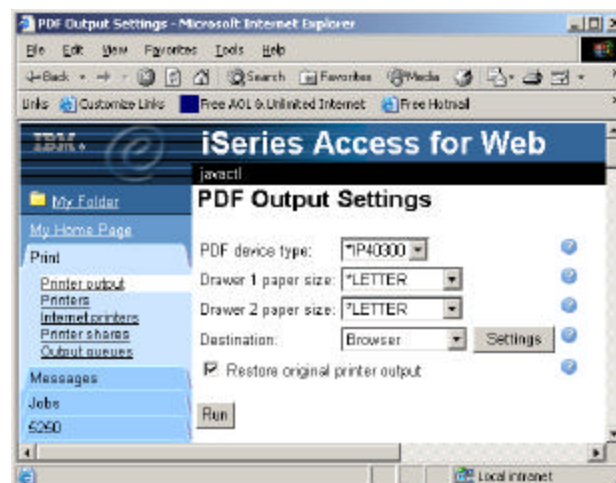


PDF Output



PDF Output

- Select device type
- Select paper size
 - default by browser locale
- Select destination
 - browser
 - mail as attachment
 - personal folder
- Output is removed from the output queue if "Restore original printer output" is not checked



PDF Support

- Utilizes either
 - IBM Infoprint Server (5722-IP1) if installed or
 - Built in iText support
- View printer output as PDF
 - Requires PDF viewer such as Adobe Acrobat Reader
 - PDF generated by Infoprint Server has higher functionality
 - ▶ iText generated PDF is image only
- Mail as attachment
 - Send PDF result as attachment to a list of email addresses
 - Status sent to own email address
 - Works well with large output files
 - ▶ Runs in background - no need to wait
- Send to personal folder
 - Send to user's own or other users' folders
 - Status sent to user's own folder
 - Works well with large output files
 - ▶ Runs in background - no need to wait!
- "Restore original printer output" setting
 - places spooled file back on the output queue after being displayed
 - output is deleted from the output queue if this setting is not checked

Printers

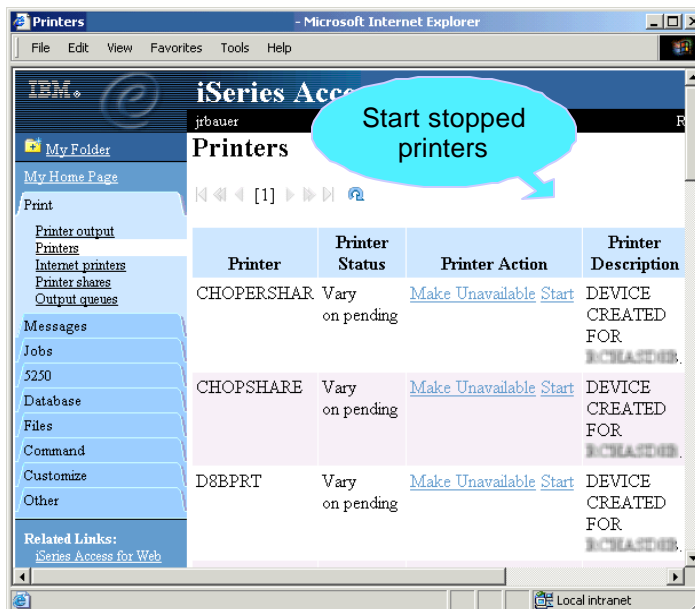
Notes: Printers

The Printers function in iSeries Access for Web has robust, user-oriented capabilities for accessing and managing printers on the iSeries server. A list of capabilities are as follows:

- List and manage printers on your iSeries server.
- View printer and status information.
- Vary on and vary off the printer device.
- List, preview and manage printer output for a printer from the printer list.
- View and answer messages waiting on the writer job.
- Manage the writer job associated with the printer using hold, release, start and stop functions.

Printers

- View system printers
- Check printer status
- Perform Actions
 - Start
 - Stop
 - Make Available
 - Hold
 - Make Unavailable
- Basic and Advanced View



Notes: Basic Printer Information

Select the Printers link to see a list of all printers defined on the system. You can customize your printer view to be either a Basic or an Advanced view. The Basic view allows for high level control of printer function, while the Advanced view allows the individual control of printers, writers, and output queues. The Basic view may contain the following information:

Printer

The name of the printer.

Printer Status

The status of the printer device.

Printer Action

The actions that can be performed to control printer function. The actions displayed are dependent on the status of the printer and its associated resources. Supported actions:

- Make available
- Make unavailable
- Start
- Stop
- Hold
- Release

Printer Description

The text describing the printer.

Output Queue

The output queue "attached" to the printer.

Output Queue Status

The status of the output queue.

Writer

The name of the writer that is started to the printer.

Current File

The name of the file that the writer is printing.

Current User

The name of the user that created the file that is currently printing.

Current File User Data

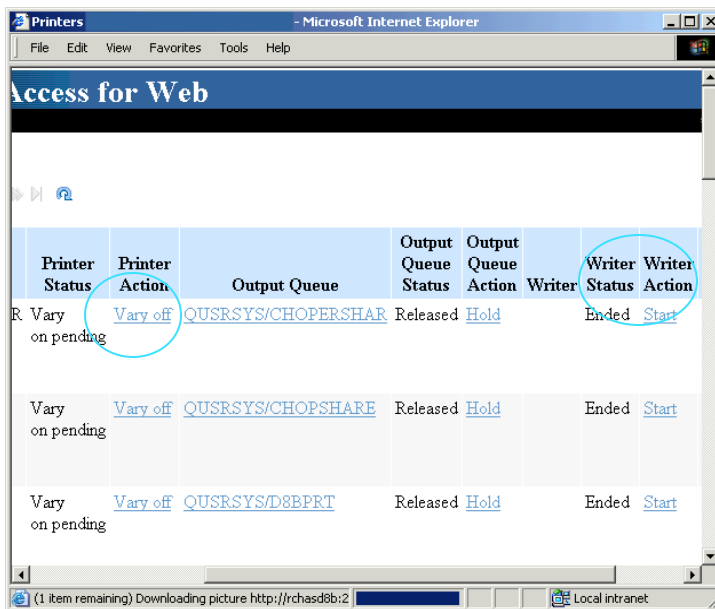
The user-specified data that describes the file being printed.

Current File Form Type

The form type being used by the file being printed.

Advanced View of Printers

- More advanced options
- Enabled in preferences
- Work with print writers
- Vary On/Vary Off printers
- View queue status



Notes: Advanced Printer Information

By changing your preferences (covered later), more advanced print information and options may be displayed. In addition to Basic view information, the Advanced view may contain the following information:

Printer Action

The actions that can be performed to control the printer device. The actions displayed are dependent on the status of the printer. The printer action column supports the following actions:

- Vary on
- Vary off

Output Queue Action

The actions that can be performed to control the output queue. The actions are:

- Hold
- Release

Writer Status

The status of the writer that is associated with this printer.

Writer Action

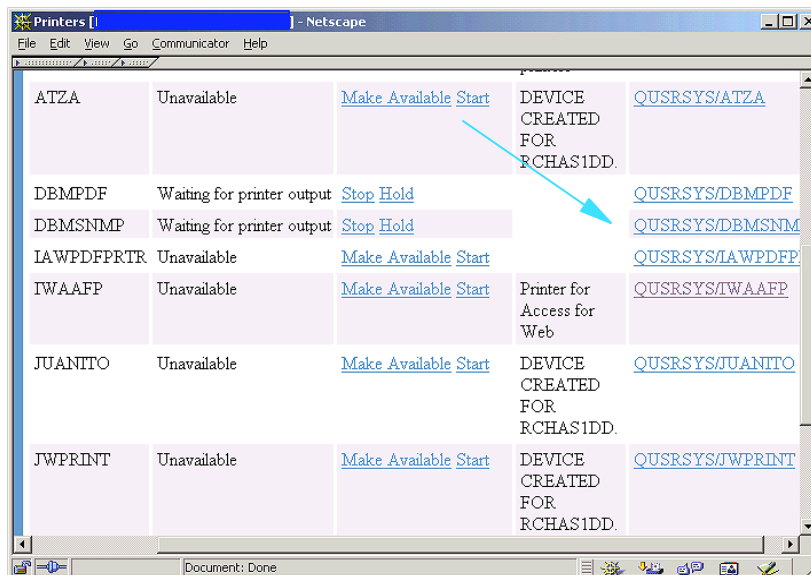
The actions that can be performed to control the writer. The actions displayed are dependent on the current status of the writer. The writer action column supports the following actions:

- Start
- Stop
- Hold
- Release

Access Attached Output Queues

List output for a printer

Click on the output queue associated with a printer to list the output in the queue

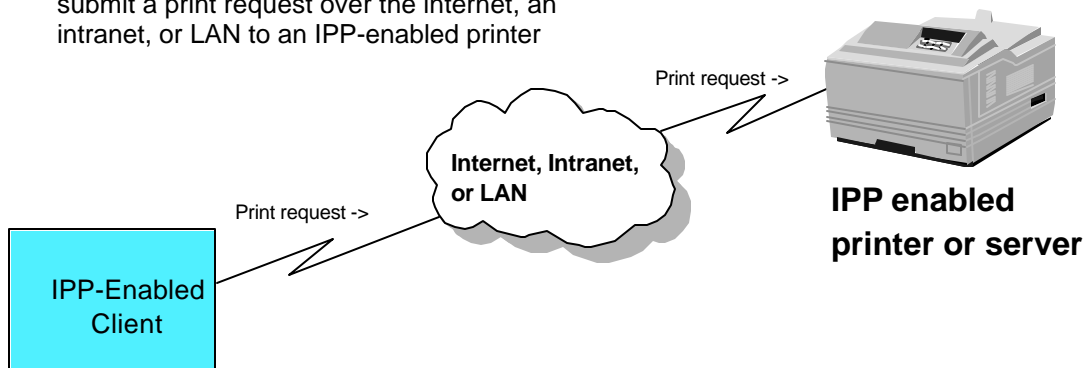


Internet Print Protocol (IPP)

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◆ IPP

- ▶ Client-server protocol
- ▶ Industry standard, expected to replace LPR/LPD
- ▶ Allows an IPP-enabled client to submit a print request over the internet, an intranet, or LAN to an IPP-enabled printer

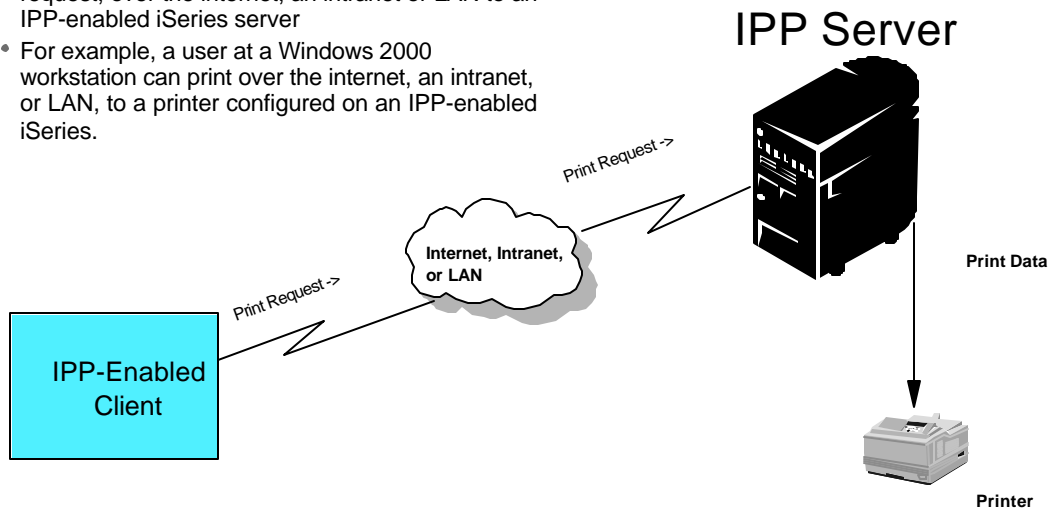


Notes: Internet Print Protocol (IPP)

- IPP is a client-server protocol that allows a client to submit a print request to an IPP-enabled printer or to an IPP-enabled server, such as an iSeries.
- The request can be submitted over the internet, intranet or LAN.
- HTTP/1.1 protocol is used to transport the IPP data.
- IPP is a versatile printing method, supported by a variety of IPP-enabled printers, IPP-enabled clients, and IPP-enabled servers
- IPP provides excellent security by providing for a secured connection (SSL, TLS) and authentication
 - ▶ only if the server or printer implementation supports it
 - ▶ most network printers currently do not support this

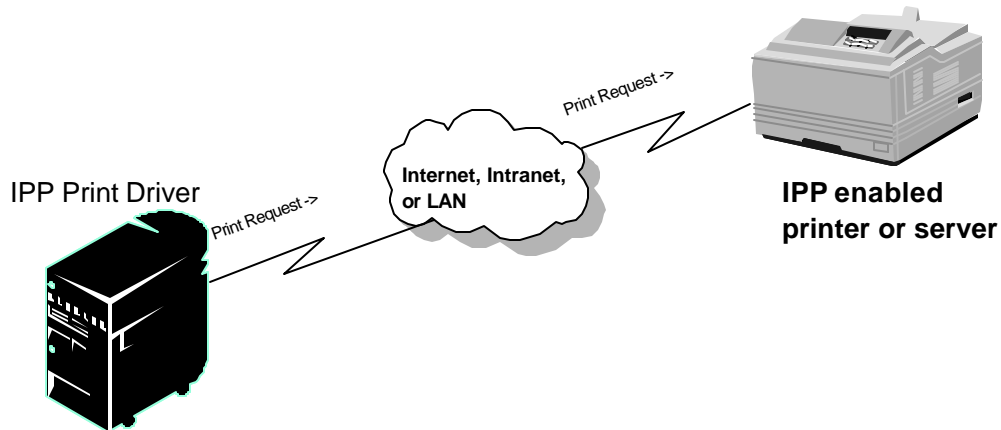
IPP Support for V5R1

- An IPP-enabled client is able to submit a print request, over the internet, an intranet or LAN to an IPP-enabled iSeries server
- For example, a user at a Windows 2000 workstation can print over the internet, an intranet, or LAN, to a printer configured on an IPP-enabled iSeries.



IPP Support for V5R2

- New printer driver - *IBMIPPDRV
- Print from iSeries to an IPP printer or server
- New parameters on CRTDEVPRN and CHGDEVPRN commands for IPP



IPP References

- iSeries Printer Device Programming (SC41-5713-05)
<http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/series/v5r2/ic2924/books/c4157135.pdf>
- Printing Documents Over The Internet Using The Internet Printing Protocol
<http://www.printers.ibm.com/R5PSC.NSF/Web/ipservwebipp>
- Internet Printing Protocol Overview
<http://www.printers.ibm.com/R5PSC.NSF/Web/ippoverview>
- Internet Printing Protocol (IPP) At A Glance
<http://www.printers.ibm.com/R5PSC.NSF/Web/ippspotlight>
- Internet Printing Protocol, Sponsored By The PWG <http://www.pwg.org/ipp/index.html>
- IPP Documents <http://www.ietf.org/ids.by.wg/ipp.html>

iSeries Access for Web and IPP

- iSeries Access for Web displays the list of internet printer shares defined on the iSeries (iSeries as IPP server)
 - ▶ list output in the queue
 - ▶ control and display printer output
- iSeries printers that are configured to print to an IPP printer (iSeries as IPP client) are listed with the "Printers" link
 - ▶ all iSeries printers are listed
 - ▶ IPP printers are not uniquely identified

Internet Printers

The screenshot shows the 'Internet Printers' web interface in Microsoft Internet Explorer. The main page displays a table with columns for 'Internet Printer', 'Output Queue', and 'Printer URL'. A separate window shows a detailed view of the printer list with columns for 'Printer Data Type', 'Printer File', and 'Authentication Method'.

Printer Data Type	Printer File	Authentication Method
Auto-select	QPNPSPRTF	Basic
Advanced function printing	QPNPSPRTF	None
Auto-select	QPNPSPRTF	Basic
SNA Character String	QPNPSPRTF	None
Auto-select	QPNPSPRTF	None
Auto-select	QPNPSPRTF	Basic

Internet Printer	Output Queue	Printer URL
Rod'sIPP	QUSRSYS/CHOPER	http://10.10.10.10:631/app/printers/Rod'sIPP
IDENTD8B-INTERPRT	QUSRSYS/IDENTD8B-INTERPRT	http://10.10.10.10:631/app/printers/IDENTD8B-INTERPRT
PRJPIPP	QUSRSYS/PRJP	http://10.10.10.10:631/app/printers/PRJPIPP

A blue arrow points from the 'Printer URL' column header to the URL for 'PRJPIPP' in the table above.

Notes: Internet Printers

Select the Internet printers link to see a list of the internet printer shares configured on the system. The list includes the following attributes:

Internet printer

The name of the Internet printer share. If the Internet printer share is a defined printer device, you may click on the linked name to list and work with the printer.

Output queue

The output queue associated with the Internet printer share. You may select the linked name of an output queue to see a list of all spooled files that reside on that output queue.

URL

The URL used to access the Internet printer share.

Printer data type

The type of data expected by the Internet printer share.

Printer file

The printer file associated with the Internet printer share.

Authentication method

The authentication method used for the Internet printer share.

Printer Shares

Printer Shares

Click on Share name to display the associated printer

Share	Output Queue	Printer Driver	Spooled File Data Type	Users	Share Description
CHOPER	QUSRSYS/CHOPER		Auto-select	0	DEVICE CREATED FOR B:CHAS00B
RENATASHARE	QUSRSYS/RENATA		Auto-select	0	Renata E.R. TieLine 877-2896 Guadalajara Testing
SHARED8B	QUSRSYS/SHARED8B		Auto-select	2	DEVICE CREATED FOR B:CHAS00B
SPMTPPRT	QUSRSYS/QPADEV0004		Auto-select	0	Device created for B:CHAS00B

Notes: Printer Shares

Select the Printer shares link to see a list of the shared printers configured on the system. The list of printer shares includes the following attributes:

Share

The name of the printer share. If the share is a defined printer device, you may click on the linked name to list and work with the printer.

Output queue

The output queue associated with the printer being shared. You may select the linked name of an output queue to see a list of the spooled files that reside on that output queue.

Printer driver

The name of the printer driver that clients should use for this print share.

Spooled file data type

The type of the spooled files created for this printer share.

Users

The number of users currently accessing the share.

Share description

The text describing the printer share.

Output Queues

Output Queues

- List output queues for current "filter"
- Click on output queue to display a list of spooled files
- View status
- Change status
- View number of spooled files on the queue
- View associated writer



Notes: Output Queues

The Output queues function shows a list of all the output queues configured on the system. The list of output queues include the following attributes:

Output queue

The name of the output queue. The name of the output queue is a link to take the user to a list of the spooled files on the output queue.

Status

The status of the output queue.

Action

The actions that can be performed to control the output queue. The actions are:

- Hold
- Release

Files

The number of spooled files on the output queue.

Writer

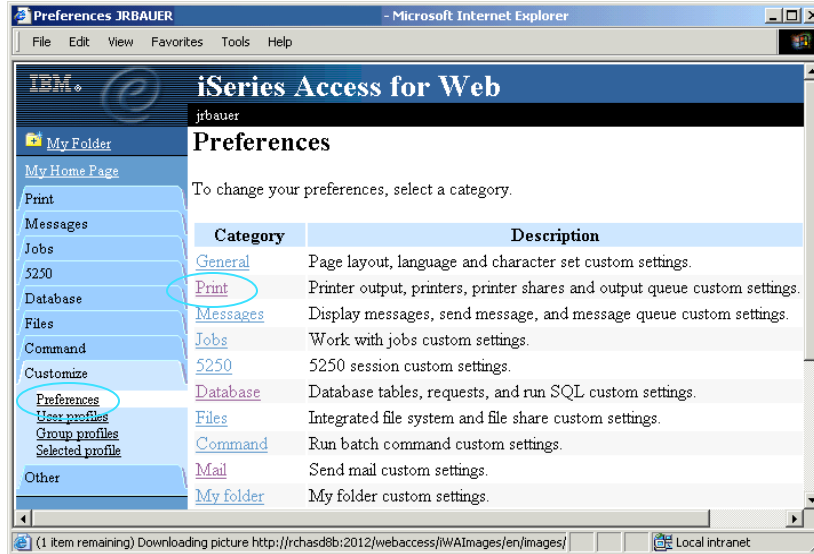
The name of the spool writer that produces output from this output queue.

Preferences and Customization

Finding Printer Preferences

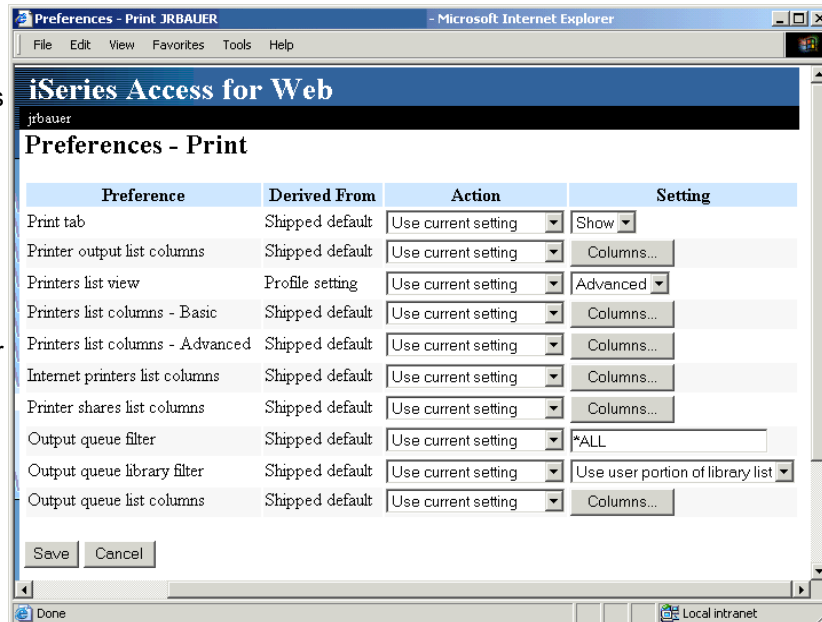
Preferences are user customizable options

Select the Print link under preferences to change Print preferences



Print Preferences

- Show/Hide tab
- Configure list columns
 - Output
 - Printers
 - Internet Printers
 - Shares
 - Output queues
- Set Advanced/Basic printer view
- Set output queue filter
- Output queue library filter

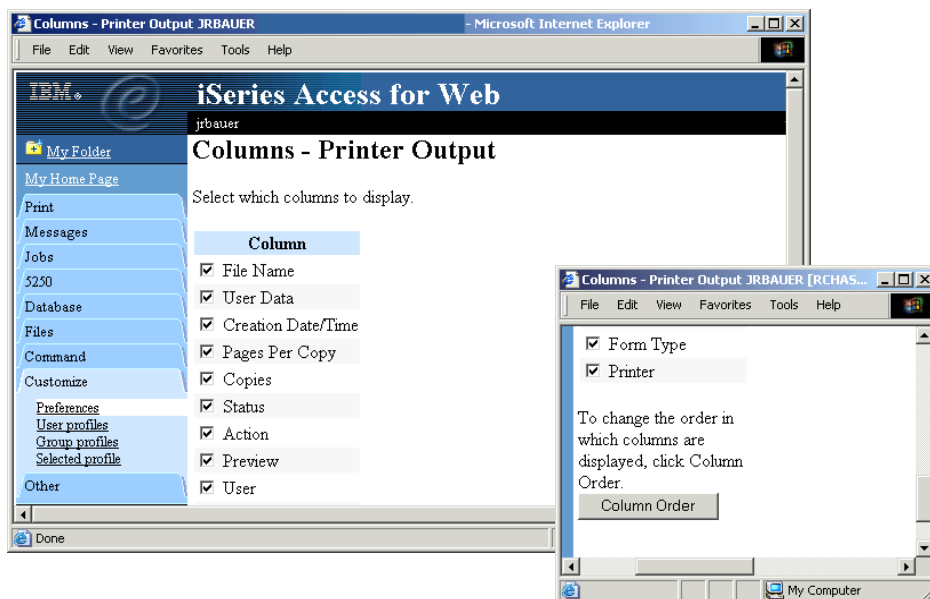


Notes: Output Queue Filters

The output queues displayed when the output queues function is used may be changed by using filters. There are two filters available:

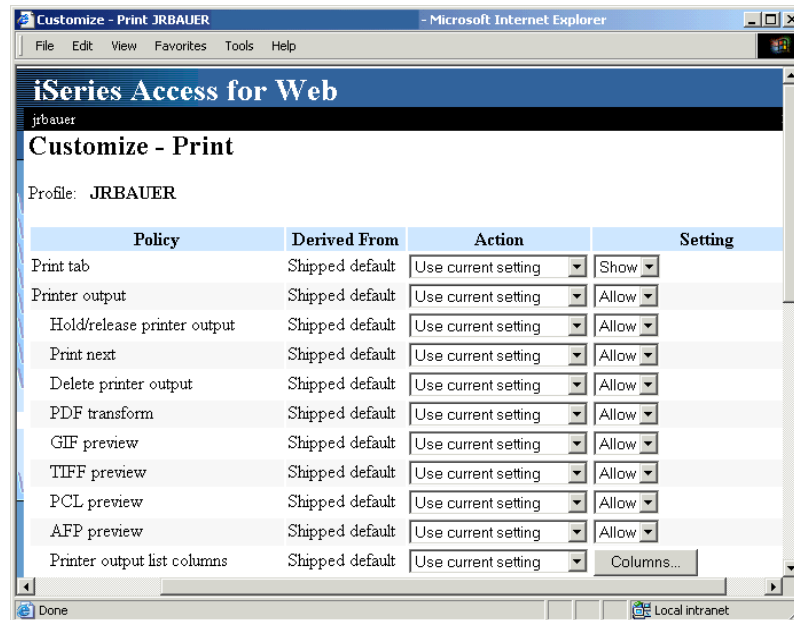
- Output queue filter - filter based on the output queue name. The default value is *ALL. Using *ALL displays all the output queues. To display only output queues with a specific name, specify the name. Wildcards may also be used. For example, specifying "WEB*" as a filter would show all queues that begin with "WEB".
- Output queue library filter - filter based on library specification. There are several options:
 - Use user portion of library list (default)
 - Use all libraries
 - Use all user libraries
 - Use current library
 - Use library list

Change Printer Output Columns



Customization - Policies

- Administrative function
- Allow/Deny access to print functions
- Very granular
- Override user preferences
- User or group level



Notes: Customizations

iSeries Access for Web provides a Customize function for administrators to set policies for user and group profiles. These policies allow administrators to control what functions a user can perform and how certain information will be presented. When a function is restricted, its navigation bar content will be removed. Restricting a function also restricts access to the corresponding servlet. This means the function is also restricted if a user tries to access the servlet directly via its URL. When an administrator sets policies for a user or group, they take effect immediately.

Who can administer other users and groups

Administrators with *SECADM special authority in their iSeries user profile are automatically authorized to administer iSeries Access for Web settings for other users and groups. These administrators, in turn, have authority to grant other user profiles permission to the iSeries Access for Web administration functions. This is accomplished by setting the "Grant administrator privileges" policy for that user. Refer to the Administration policies table in the iSeries Access for Web Policies section for additional information on this policy. In either case, the administrator can only update policy settings for iSeries profiles that they have authority to.

How Policy Settings for a User are Determined

It is important for administrators to know how policy settings for an individual user will be determined. The following sequence of checks are made when a policy related decision needs to be made for the logged on user:

1. If the policy setting is specific to the user profile, it will be enforced.
2. If the policy setting is not specific to the user profile, group profiles that the user is a member of are checked. If the policy has been set for any of these group profiles, it will be enforced.
3. If the policy setting is not found in any of the user's group profiles, a special group, *PUBLIC is checked. If the policy has been set in the *PUBLIC group profile, it will be enforced.
4. If the policy setting is not found in the user's profile, any group profiles, or the *PUBLIC group profile, the shipped default policy setting will be used.

Other Printing Options

Infoprint Server for iSeries (5722-IP1)

- Converts any standard iSeries output file to PDF
- Provides automatic e-mail of any iSeries output file using PDF
- PDF files can be routed to iSeries output queues for printing on PDF-capable printers
- PDF files can also be routed to the iSeries integrated file system for "downstream" electronic access
- Provide ability to segment an iSeries output file by logical group and create individual PDF files for each segment
- Provide a user exit to facilitate customization and ID lookup for the e-mail process
- Provide real text, high-fidelity PDF output, enabling search, navigation, and superior performance through the output
- Transform PCL print files into AFP
- Transform PostScript Level 3™ print files into AFP
- Transform PDF print files into AFP
- Convert applications formatted using iSeries page definitions to AFP (Note that Infoprint Designer for iSeries uses page definitions for page formatting)
- Convert standard AFP print files to fully encapsulated AFP files, meaning externally referenced resources such as fonts, page segments, and overlays are built in
- Index AFP print files for use with Web browsers and archival
- Convert standard Internet image file formats — GIF, TIFF, and JPEG — to iSeries (AFP) image format

Notes: Infoprint Server for iSeries

Infoprint Server for iSeries integrates PDF support into the OS/400® output architecture. The PDF subsystem enables the production of PDF from any standard OS/400 output format — SCS, AFP™, IPDS™, even OfficeVision/400™ format. PDF transformation creates text-based, non-image ASCII PDF. This ability to create full text PDF files delivers document fidelity while preserving the ability to navigate through the document or report. Text-based PDF is far smaller than PDF created as full-page image. This means superior network and user performance characteristics. PDF files can be written to the Integrated File System (IFS), iSeries output queues, or passed to the automatic e-mail function.

Web-ready AFP output - A key strength of the AFP architecture is the division of documents into logical components. The AFP print file may only contain application data while overlay, image, and font resources are stored externally. This works well for printing when the iSeries is in control but limits the ability to distribute AFP data electronically. Infoprint Server resolves this problem by enabling the creation of portable, or Web-ready, AFP data. This is accomplished by embedding the external resources within the distribution file. Infoprint Server also adds the ability to index the AFP data enabling easy navigation through the document or report. At the receiving end, there is a downloadable AFP plug-in for Web browsers that resolves this Web-ready output file for viewing.

Networked printing - A core focus of Infoprint Server is applying the substantial print management capabilities of iSeries servers to the proliferation of output pages and printers in today's typical enterprise networks. Client, network, and even ERP applications are generating documents and reports in ASCII data streams — PostScript®, PDF, and PCL — that are designed for personal and workgroup applications. While printing personal applications on personal printers works satisfactorily, printing business applications on network-attached printers can create both financial and management problems. ASCII data streams lack the capabilities of iSeries servers to manage print jobs effectively page by page to the printer with full error recovery. Using many slow-speed network printers generally creates higher total printing costs than when the printing volume is consolidated on faster, more cost-effective printers, and provides no central point of control.

Infoprint Server provides the bridge to iSeries print management and iSeries-attached printers. Infoprint Server transforms use the integrated, iSeries transform infrastructure to convert PostScript, PDF, and PCL documents and reports to AFP. You simply route a target file to the iSeries and the print data stream will be automatically detected and the appropriate transform applied. Additionally, the PostScript and PDF to AFP transforms have been jointly developed by IBM and Adobe®, combining excellence and experience in both datastreams. The iSeries printing architecture is built around AFP, an architecture designed for high volumes and reliable delivery. The iSeries can apply its IPDS interactive dialog with the printer and superior printing management function to the task of printing the job. The control and management is assured regardless of whether printers are direct-attached or network-attached.

For more information on the Infoprint Server, visit: <http://www.printers.ibm.com/R5PSC.NSF/Web/ipserv400Home>

Summary

iSeries Access for Web Print:

- Is part of the iSeries Access for Web product
- Runs completely on the iSeries Server
- Can be accessed via a Web Browser
- Preview and print output in several formats
- Manage printers
- Work with Internet printer shares
- Work with printer shares
- Manage output queues
- Fully Customizable
- Infoprint Server


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