

MS-DOS COMPATIBLE PRINTERS

- To print from MS-DOS, your printer must connect via parallel port.
- Your printer must also emulate PCL 4, 5 or 6.
- GDI printers will not work.

Inkjets - Do not select a USB printer unless the printer can be connected via parallel port, too!

Inkjet multi-function - (printer, scanner, fax...) - Most multi-function printers are **NOT compatible** including HP Officejets, Canon, Epson, and Xerox. Some Brothers devices (MFC 7000, 7150c, 7160c, 7200FC) and one Okidata (OkiOffice 84) are advertised to work (contact the manufactures.) Be careful not to select a USB printer unless it also allows for connecting via parallel port, too.

Network printers - Will work if the the printer port can be captured through the Windows network. StarCaster prints to LPT1. The printer must also support emulation of PCL 4, 5 or 6.

Lasers and laser multi-function (printer, scanner, fax...) - Do not select a USB printer unless the printer can connect via parallel port, too! Samsung model numbers that end in "50" will also work.

Dot matrix - Most models are compatible.

USB printers - Will NOT work unless the printer can be connected via parallel port, too.

You can contact the manufacturer by phone or the web:

Manufacturer	Contact Information
Brother	Printers 800-276-7746 www.brother.com Multi-Function 800-284-4329
Canon	1-800-OKCANON www.usa.canon.com
Epson	1-800-GOEPSON www.epson.com
HP	1-800-752-0900 www.hp.com
Lexmark	1-800-LEXMARK www.lexmark.com
Okidata	1-800-OKIDATA www.okidata.com
Samsung	1-800-726-7864 www.samsungusa.com
Xerox	1-800-ASKXEROX www.xerox.com 1-800-TEAMXRX

On the phone, ask for printers that connect via a parallel port. Be sure to ask if the printer is MS-DOS compatible.

On the web, look for the "Port Connectivity" or "Supported Ports" specifications. Your printer must be able to connect via "parallel port" (or sometimes written as "bidirectional parallel".) Also, look for emulation of PCL 4, 5 or 6.

Some printers that offer USB and Parallel connectivity **do NOT include** the parallel printer cable with the printer purchase.