Clearing Dried ink using Isopropanol Cleaning Solvent:

This printer cleaning technique requires Isopropanol Cleaning Solvent and a piece of cloth – 10cm long by 1.5cm wide by 2mm thick. This technique is excellent for softening dried ink under the print head that can cause blockages. Please see below the technique for Epson 2100, 1290, 1270 and 1160. If you have a different printer please call us on 01204 592071 so we can recommend which instructions to follow.

Epson 2100:

- Turn the printer off.
- Switch the gray leaver at the back of the printer to the CD position (there is a picture of a CD) this raises the ink head.
- Facing the printer, so the ink head is on the right hand side, you will see a small white lever that comes out of the bottom of the printer on the left hand side of the print head. This stops the ink head from moving to the left. Push this lever down you can now manually move the print head.
- Soak the cloth in Isopropanol Cleaning Solvent.
- Place the soaked cloth on the left hand side of the printer so it lies on the bottom where there is a sponge-like material. Make sure the cloth is a flat as possible.
- Manually move the print head over the cloth
- Switch the grey lever at the back to the paper position so the ink head lowers down onto the cloth.
- Preferably, leave the printer in this state overnight.
- In the morning, raise the head (put the grey lever in the CD position) and move it to the right of the printer. Then return the grey lever to the paper position
- Remove the cloth it should be completely saturated with ink and dried ink deposits.
- Turn the printer on and perform a nozzle check.
- If the nozzle check is not complete after no more than 2 head cleans please call 01204 592071

Epson 1290/1270:

- (Performed while the printer is turned on)
- Switch the Blue lever on the right hand side of the printer to the + position, this raises the ink head.
- Soak the cloth in Isopropanol Cleaning Solvent.
- Place the soaked cloth on the left hand side of the printer so it lies on the bottom where there is a square of felt-like material. This position is where you normally change your ink cartridges.
- Press the yellow so the printer head moves over the soaked cloth
- Switch the blue lever at the back to the 0 position so the ink head lowers down onto the cloth.
- Preferably, leave the printer in this state overnight.
- In the morning, raise the head (put the blue lever in the + position) and move it to the right of the printer by pressing the yellow button.
- Remove the cloth. And return the purple lever to the 0 position.
- Turn the printer on and perform a nozzle check.

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Epson 1160:

- (Performed while the printer is turned on)
- Switch the purple lever on the right hand side of the printer to the + position, this raises the ink head.
- Soak the cloth in Isopropanol Cleaning Solvent.
- Place the soaked cloth on the left hand side of the printer so it lies on the bottom where there is a square of felt-like material. This position is where you normally change your ink cartridges.
- Press on hold the middle button for 3 to 5 seconds so the printer head moves over the soaked cloth
- Switch the purple lever at the back to the 0 position so the ink head lowers down onto the cloth.
- Preferably, leave the printer in this state overnight.
- In the morning, raise the head (put the purple lever in the + position) and move it to the right of the printer by pressing the middle button.
- Remove the cloth. And return the purple lever to the 0 position.
- Turn the printer on and perform a nozzle check.
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