

# Re: printer cartridge replacement reality

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On Wed, 24 Aug 2005 17:08:48 -0700, Jim Thompson  
<[thegreatone@xxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:thegreatone@xxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

>On Wed, 24 Aug 2005 16:58:40 -0700, "Joel Kolstad"

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>>"Robert Baer" <[robertbaer@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:robertbaer@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message

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>>> Questions:

>>> What is the story concerning HP printers in general?

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>>Depends on the model. Some of the newer models use "chipped" cartridges with

>>unique IDs, and once the printers decides that they're empty, it'll refuse to

>>use them again. However, the printer itself remembers the cartridge IDs and I

>>seem to recall it only remembers something like the last two you've used, so

>>it's easy to fool by keeping a set of three cartridges around and rotating

>>their usage (a good idea anyway). Alternatively, you can find on the 'net

>>which pins on the cartridge to cover up so as to foil reading the ID

>>completely, and -- happily -- HP decided that it was better to just keep

>>printing anyway in such cases rather than refusing to print at all.

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>>> Can one use hundreds of cartridges until the printer *\*really\** wears out?

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>>I believe so. I have a DeskJet 6127 that just keeps on printing even though

>>it's been whining at me that there's "0% black ink left!" for many months now

>>(I've refilled it twice...).

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>>In terms of user-unfriendliness towards refilling, I think that Epson is the

>>worst, HP is in the middle, and Canon is the friendliest. For <\$120, a Canon

>>ip6000d is one heck of a deal (auto duplexing, two paper trays, built in

>>memory card reader & color LCD, etc.), the cartridges are translucent and -- I

>>believe, haven't done it myself yet -- easy to refill.

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>>---Joel Kolstad

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>Must be nice to have so little work that you have time on your hands

>to waste on questionable-quality refill kits.

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>Me, I just log into OfficeMax.com, make a few clicks, and a new  
>cartridge appears at my door the next day, no shipping charges.  
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>If I used a refill kit it would save me about 5 minutes of income and  
>take me 15 minutes to do the task. Hardly worth the effort.  
>  
> ...Jim Thompson

Reminds me, I'm down to less than 250 sheets of paper... click, click,  
delivery tomorrow ;-)

...Jim Thompson

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I love to cook with wine. Sometimes I even put it in the food.

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