

HP Driver Configuration Utility (DCU) Release Notes

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Version

HP Driver Configuration Utility Version – v1.720.1.33255

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Supersedes

DCU Version	Release Date	New Features	Required UPD version for new configurable options
v1.720.1.33255	May 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">New media type added (Plain Paper, Thick and Plain Paper, Light/Recycled)Localization strings added for new media type and watermark.	UPD 7.2.0 and later
v1.710.1.33248	May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Computer name watermark added	UPD 7.1.0 and later
v1.700.1.33226	September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Add “color Themes” into DCU for the customer can use Photo(sRGB) as default	UPD 7.0.0 and later

v1.690.1.33195	December 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preset the filename/username for printed documents in DCU in the HP UPD cfm file via DCU and lock it, so users cannot alter it. • Expand positioning in Group Dynamic Watermarks • Preset Tab Printing in DCU without the requirement for bidi communications. Only supported on the HP LaserJet MFP E725xx, E825xx, E778xx, and E876xx printers 	UPD 6.9.0 and later
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v1.680.1.33156	June 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Import image file as watermark or overlay data in print driver EMF spooling option 	UPD 6.8.0 and later
DCU Version	Release Date	New Features	Required UPD version for new configurable options
1.670.1.33111	March 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added ability to preconfigure Lock the "Job Storage Mode" to "Personal Job" and lock the "Make Job Private/Secure" option to "Pin to Print" by enabling and locking "PIN to Print Only" in the Device Settings tab of DCU 	UPD 6.7.0 and later
1.665.1.33078	September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LineWidth Correction feature added to fix PDF-XChange issue Serverless (Embedded) Job Accounting feature added 	UPD 6.6.5 and later
1.660.1.32830	March 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	UPD 6.6.0 and later
1.650.1.32821	September 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added additional color settings and print quality support for ink devices Removed Status Notification Pop-ups (SNPs) 	UPD 6.5.0 and later
1.640.1.32746	April 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added support for Optional Output Bin, Staple, Punch, V-fold, C-fold, and Booklet Maker settings Added support for new print quality settings Added support for Group Watermarks 	UPD 6.4.1 and later
1.630.1.32422	October 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resolve issue where username watermark is blank in DCU tool in Chinese OS 	UPD 6.3.0 or Later
1.620.1.31951	February 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DynamicWatermarks - Document Name & Page Numbers 	UPD v6.2.0 or Later
1.610.1.31195	November 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date and TimeWatermark Enforceminimum password length for Secure Encrypted Print (SEP) 	UPD v6.1.0 or Later
1.600.1.29595	December 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	UPD v6.0.0 or Later
1.590.1.27940	August 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated help contents 	UPD 5.9.0 or Later
1.580.1.24870	January 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lock watermark 	UPD 5.8.0 or Later
1.570.1.22754	September 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No New Features 	UPD 5.7.0 or Later
1.565.1.21758	June 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Device Support New HP logo 	UPD 5.6.5 or Later

1.56.2.2	December 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added support for Windows®8 Added New Media size (L size) support Enable Separator page configuration Help text string changes for User Interface DCU input dialogue box requesting new shortcut name should be selected-active allowing keyboard input with all UPD versions. DCU startup warning message updated for all UPD versions. 	UPD v5.6.0 or Later
1.0.4.102	June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define Trays 1-10 as Installed or Not Installed 	UPD v5.5.0 or Later
DCU Version	Release Date	New Features	Required UPD version for new configurable options
1.0.4.100	December 2011	Job Storage Mode, PIN to Print adds setting "Request PIN (while printing)" for every new print job	UPD v5.4 or Later
1.0.0.50	July 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define device type COLOR for UPD Job storage configuration for Secure Encrypted Print with Personal job and stored job option. "Job Retention Mode" setting changed to "Job Storage Mode"; new help text added. Raster Compression 	UPD v5.3 or Later
1.0.0.40	November 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockable watermark 	UPD v5.2 or Later
1.0.0.39	August 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help About shows DCU version; 1.0.0.39 localized version release (Aug 2008) 	UPD v5.0; 5.1 or Later
1.0.0.38	July 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add/Delete default short cuts 	UPD v5.0 or Later
1.0.0.29	November 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Printer Auto Configuration 	UPD v4.7 or Later
1.0.0.26	March 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Configure Status Notification Popup (enable/disable) 	UPD v4.5 or Later

Driver Configuration Utility is bundled with PARK tool available on www.hp.com/go/upd

NOTE: DCU version can also be checked from the file properties of hpbfcgui.dll

Description

The HP Driver Configuration Utility (DCU) is a small Windows application used to edit the configuration file associated with a particular driver. The configuration file defines the default printer settings for the driver applied at the time of installation. The settings defined within the DCU take effect when the printer is installed.

The HP Driver Configuration Utility (DCU) does not perform the tasks of installation or driver deployment. Rather, DCU is a file editor used to define the installation defaults such as duplex enabled, print in grayscale, etc. The settings are saved to a driver configuration file which is utilized to establish the newly installed printer's default settings at the time of installation from any of the UPD's supported installation methods (install.exe, Microsoft's Add Printer Wizard, PrintUI, etc.).

Please reference the HP Universal Print Driver System Administrator's Guide and the HP Driver Configuration Utility documentation for full details installing and using the utility.

DCU is available for download in the HP Printer Administrator Resource Kit (PARK) from www.hp.com/go/upd

Update recommendation

Recommended/Advised – Includes new enhancements, features, and/or minor bug fixes. HP recommends all customers to update.

Product Models

DCU supports the HP Universal Print Driver (UPD) 6.9.0 and model-specific printer drivers, which have a CFG file in the driver package.

Devices Supported

Refer to the specifications tab at www.hp.com/go/upd for a list of devices, which are supported by the HP UPD.

DCU is designed for the HP V3 UPD and does not support newer discrete (printer specific version 8.x.y.z) drivers for Windows 7 and later operating systems.

Operating Systems

- Microsoft Windows 7 SP1*
- Microsoft Windows 8 / 8.1
- Windows 10
- Windows 11
- Microsoft Windows Server 2008R2 SP1
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 / 2012R2
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019
- Microsoft Windows Server 2022

*Microsoft has ended mainstream support for this operating system.

NOTE: DCU is a 32-bit application but will run on 64-bit operating systems

Languages

The Driver configuration utility (DCU) is available in the following 35 languages:

Arabic	Finnish	Latvian	Slovak
Bulgarian	French	Lithuanian	Slovenian
Catalan	German	Norwegian	Spanish
Croatian	Greek	Polish	Swedish
Czech	Hebrew	Portuguese (Brazilian)	Thai
Danish	Hungarian	Romanian	Traditional Chinese
Dutch	Italian	Russian	Turkish
English	Japanese	Serbian (Latin)	Ukrainian
Estonian	Korean	Simplified Chinese	

Enhancements/New Features

- Add “color Themes” into DCU for that the customer can use Photo(sRGB) as default

Fixes/Key Issues Resolved

- PARK DCU Staple selection for Japanese incorrectly localized

Deprecated Features

- N/A

Issues and Workarounds

- N/A

NOTE: Do not pre-configure Personal Job Locked for the HP MFP S900 series devices. Personal Job is not supported on these devices.

Installation instructions

No installation is necessary. Copy the contents of the Driver Configuration Utility directory to the desired directory on the hard drive of the client computer where HP UPD and/or device-specific printer drivers will be preconfigured.

Usage

For usage instructions, please see the Driver Configuration Support Guide included with the utility.

A training video for this utility is available on YouTube. Use the following link to access this training:
<http://youtu.be/4jx1jBXrVUU>

CFG/CFM File support

From UPD 5.1 onwards, the UPD supports hpcpu*.cfg and hpcpu*.cfm files only.

NOTE: UPD 5.0 or Older uses *.cf_ file instead of *.cfg file.

Which configuration file can be used with HP UPD?

Configuration File Name	Supported UPD version
C:\Windows\system\..\3\hpcpu*.cfm Step 1 – Copy the hpcpu*.cfm file to above directory Step 2 – Install the UPD	UPD 4.x or Later
Install.exe /gcfm"C:\Windows\system\..\3\hpcpu*.cfm" Install.exe /gcfm"C:\temp\duplex.cfm"	UPD 5.2 or Later
hpcpu*.cfg WARNING: Using the *.cfg file will break WHQL (Not recommended)	UPD 5.1 or Later

NOTE: HP recommends using *.cfm files.