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Subject: Re: Printing iTools window to PS file

Posted by [Maarten\[1\]](#) on Wed, 04 Jan 2006 14:24:17 GMT

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R.G. Stockwell wrote:

> I've got about 5 actual printers there, and 2 "virtual" printers which are just postscript  
> drivers that will print to file. It is a handy way of creating postscript files even if your  
> application does not allow it. I don't think I can help you with MacOS though.

If you can reach the print dialog, you can print to pdf or ps file from  
\_any\_ application on Mac OS X (the left-most button is actually a popup  
menu that allows you to select one of the various output options).  
However, since IDL allegedly uses the X-Window system, rather than the  
native system, I think you will not reach the standard print dialog. (I  
prefer to use a Mac, but I'm stuck with Linux at work, so I've never  
seen IDL under Mac OS X).

The PS header you showed suggests that the HP driver is acting up: the  
first two lines indicate a PCL wrapper around the postscript. You may  
want to remove those first two lines and try to convert again. Can you  
try to print to some "generic" postscript printer?

Maarten

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