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Subject: Re: Problem: !D.Y\_SIZE in PS portrait  
Posted by [rivers](#) on Thu, 12 Oct 1995 07:00:00 GMT  
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You need to set the size and offset.

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(You'll want to look at the documentation on the PS device, the yoffset can be confusing and I may have got it wrong).

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These are the parameters I use for portrait mode with PostScript. Of course, they're for American 8.5x11 inch paper, and would need to be modified for European A4 paper.

```
DEVICE, /PORTRAIT, /INCHES, XOFFSET=0.75, YOFFSET=0.75,    $
XSIZE=7.0, YSIZE=9.5
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It's only slightly different from Mark's suggestion.

Bill

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