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R280 Photo Printer
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Quick Guide
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Introduction

After you have set up your Epson Stylus® Photo R280 Series as described on the Start Here sheet, turn here to:

■ Load paper
■ Get the basic steps for printing from your computer
■ Print true BorderFree® frame-ready prints on select 4 × 6, 5 × 7, 8 × 10, and letter-size papers
■ Print on ink jet-printable CDs and DVDs
■ Perform routine maintenance
■ Solve simple problems

For additional instructions, see the on-screen User’s Guide by selecting the icon for it on your desktop.

Please follow these guidelines as you read your R280 Series instructions:

Warning:
Warnings must be followed carefully to avoid bodily injury.

Caution:
Cautions must be observed to avoid damage to your equipment.

Note:
Notes contain important information about your R280 Series.

Tip:
Tips contain hints for better printing.
Loading Paper

You can load up to 120 sheets of plain paper, 100 sheets of matte paper, and 20 sheets of most other photo papers (see page 5 for a list). Load transfer paper and adhesive sheets one sheet at a time.

1. Open the paper support and pull out the extension. Then open the front tray and pull out the extensions.

2. Slide the edge guide left.

3. Insert the paper, glossy or printable side up, against the right side. Then slide the edge guide against the paper.

Letter-size paper

4 × 6-inch paper
Always load paper short edge first, even for landscape printing. Load letterhead or pre-printed paper top edge first, facing up. Make sure the paper stack fits under the ▶ arrow mark inside the left edge guide.

**Note:**
The type of paper you choose affects the way your printout looks. If you are just printing a rough draft of an image, plain paper is fine. However, for the best results, you’ll want to use one of Epson’s special ink jet papers designed for your printer. For example, your photos will look great printed on Epson Premium Photo Paper Glossy (see below for more information).

For instructions on loading envelopes, see your on-screen *User’s Guide*.

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### Using Special Papers

Epson offers a wide array of high quality papers, making it easy to maximize the impact of your photos, presentations, and creative projects.

You can purchase genuine Epson ink and paper at Epson Supplies Central℠ at [www.epson.com/ink3](http://www.epson.com/ink3) (U.S. sales) or [www.epson.ca](http://www.epson.ca) (Canadian sales). You can also purchase supplies from an Epson authorized reseller. To find the nearest one, call 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766).

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Basic Printing

This section describes the basic steps for printing a photo or document stored on your Windows® or Macintosh® computer, and printing directly on an ink jet-printable CD or DVD. For detailed instructions on printing, see the on-screen User’s Guide.

Before you start, make sure you’ve installed your printer software and connected the printer to your computer as described on the Start Here sheet.

Tip: It’s a good idea to check for updates to your Epson Stylus Photo R280 Series software. See “Checking for Software Updates” on page 22 for instructions.

Printing in Windows

1. Load paper (see page 4).
2. Open a photo or document in a printing program.
3. Open the File menu and select Print. You see a window like this one:

![Print window](image)

Select EPSON Stylus Photo R280 Series

Click here to open your printer software
4. Make sure EPSON Stylus Photo R280 Series is selected, then click the Preferences or Properties button.

   (If you see a Setup, Printer, or Options button, click it. Then click Preferences or Properties on the next screen.)

5. On the Main tab, select the basic print settings. Make sure you choose the correct paper Type setting for your paper (see page 11).

   **Tip:**
   For the best quality printing, select PhotoEnhance™ (also known as Auto Photo Correction). This automatically adjusts brightness, contrast, and saturation to best effect and uses a sophisticated face recognition technology to optimize image tones in portraits. If your photo includes a face with an intentional color cast, such as a bronze statue, you may want to turn off PhotoEnhance to retain the special color effects.

6. If you want to reduce or enlarge your printout or print double-sided, click the Page Layout tab and select settings as necessary.

7. For more printing options, click the Advanced tab.

   **Note:**
   For more information about print settings, or instructions on saving them as a group so you can reuse them later, click ? or Help.
8. Click OK to save your settings, then click OK or Print to start printing. This window appears and shows the progress of your print job.

Printing with a Macintosh

1. Load paper (see page 4).
2. Open a photo or document in a printing program.
3. Select Page Setup from the File menu. Make the following settings:

   ![Page Setup window]

   - Select Stylus Photo R280
   - Select your Paper Size*
   - Select your document or image orientation

   * For borderless printing, choose a Sheet Feeder - Borderless option in the Paper Size list for your paper size (US Letter, 8 x 10 in, 4 x 6 in, or 5 x 7 in).

4. Click OK to close the Page Setup window.
5. Select Print from the File menu. You see a window like this one:

6. Choose Print Settings from the pop-up menu and select the following settings as necessary:

Note: In certain programs, you may need to select Advanced before you can select Print Settings. For more information about printer settings, click the ? button.

7. Choose any other printing options you may need from the pop-up menu. See the on-screen User’s Guide for details.

8. Click the Advanced button to change additional settings.

Note: For more information on advanced settings, or instructions on saving them as a group so you can reuse them later, click ?.

9. Click Print.
10. To monitor the progress of your print job, click the printer icon when it appears in the dock on the bottom of your desktop.

If you're using OS X 10.2.x, click the Print Center icon instead, then double-click Stylus Photo R280 in the Printer List window.

11. When you're finished, close the printer window or Print Center.

**Selecting the Correct Paper Type**

Select the correct Type (see page 8) or Media Type (see page 10) setting in your printer software. This tells the R280 Series what you're printing on, so the ink coverage can be adjusted accordingly.

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## Printing Borderless Photos

You can print your photos with no margins, extending the image all the way to the edges of the page. Be sure to select these settings when printing borderless photos:

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### Tip:
The **PhotoEnhance** option is automatically selected when printing on certain photo papers. See page 8 for more information on PhotoEnhance.

For detailed instructions on printing borderless photos and a list of borderless paper types and sizes, see the on-screen *User’s Guide.*
Printing on CDs and DVDs

Your printer includes a special tray that lets you print customized text, graphics, and photos directly on an ink jet-printable CD or DVD. The Epson Print CD software makes it easy to import your own photos, add text, and modify your designs with a variety of special effects. For detailed instructions on printing, see the on-screen User’s Guide. You can print on both regular 12-cm and 8-cm mini CDs and DVDs.

Caution:
Use only one ink jet-printable CD or DVD at a time. Thermal-printable and regular CDs and DVDs should not be used with this printer; otherwise the ink may smear.

Do not turn the printer on or off with a CD or DVD inserted.

Make sure the data, music, or video is burned on your ink jet-printable CDs or DVDs before you print. Otherwise, dirt or scratches on the surface may cause errors when you burn the data.

Before you insert a CD or DVD, make sure the printer is turned on. Otherwise, the disc may not be positioned correctly. Then follow these steps:

1. Open the front cover.

2. Lift the front tray up with both hands, then pull it out of the paper position (lower notches).

3. Set the front tray in the CD/DVD position (upper notches).

4. Place the CD or DVD on the CD/DVD tray with the white or printable side face-up. Make sure the disc lies flat in the tray.

Caution:
Before you position the CD or DVD, make sure that no dust or dirt is on the CD/DVD tray, as this may damage the disc’s data side.

Be sure to use the CD/DVD tray provided with this printer. If you use another CD/DVD tray, your CD or DVD may not print correctly.
To print on a small CD or DVD (8-cm), place the small CD/DVD adapter on the tray first, then place the CD or DVD inside the adapter.

**Caution:**
Make sure you always use the small CD/DVD adapter when you print on 8-cm CDs or DVDs and that the CD or DVD and adapter lie flat on the tray; otherwise the printer may be damaged.

5. Firmly insert the CD/DVD tray along the base of the front tray until it meets resistance. Continue sliding the tray into the printer until the arrows on the CD/DVD tray and the front tray are aligned.

**Caution:**
Make sure both sides of the CD/DVD tray slide into the brackets on the front tray. Do not insert the CD/DVD tray while the printer is printing; otherwise, your printer may be damaged or the surface of the CD or DVD may become dirty or scratched.

6. To design and print with Epson Print CD, follow the detailed instructions in the on-screen *User's Guide*.

**Caution:**
Be sure to place the front tray in the paper (lower) position when you’re done printing on CDs and DVDs.
Maintaining Your Printer

Follow the instructions in this chapter for checking and cleaning the print head nozzles and replacing ink cartridges.

Tip:
To keep your Epson product looking like new, make sure you don’t place anything on top of the cover or use it as a writing surface. If you need to clean the cover, use only a soft, nonabrasive microfiber-type cloth.

Checking the Print Head Nozzles

If your printouts are faint or have gaps in them, some of the nozzles in the print head may be clogged or ink may be running low in one or more of the ink cartridges. Follow the steps below to check the print head nozzles.

1. Turn off the printer and make sure the front tray is in the paper position.

2. Load letter-size paper in the sheet feeder.

3. Hold down the paper button as you press the power button. Hold down both buttons until the power light begins to flash, then release the power button.

4. When the nozzle check pattern starts to print, release the paper button. Check the nozzle check pattern that prints to see if there are gaps in the lines.

5. If there are no gaps, the print head is clean and you can continue printing. If there are gaps or the pattern is faint, clean the print head (see page 16).
Cleaning the Print Head

If print quality has declined and the nozzle check pattern indicates clogged nozzles, you can clean the print head.

**Note:**
Print head cleaning uses ink, so clean it only if necessary.

If the red \( \text{H} \) ink light comes on or flashes, you cannot clean the print head. In this case, replace the appropriate ink cartridge first (see page 18).

1. Make sure the printer is on and the \( \text{H} \) ink light is off.
2. Hold down the \( \text{H} \) ink button for at least 3 seconds until the \( \text{P} \) power light starts flashing, then release it. The printer runs a head cleaning cycle, which takes about one minute.

**Caution:**
Never turn off the R280 Series during a cleaning cycle or you may damage it.

3. When the \( \text{P} \) power light stops flashing, run a nozzle check (as described on page 15) to verify that the print head is clean.
4. If there are still gaps or lines, or the test patterns are faint, run another cleaning cycle and check the nozzles again.

**Note:**
If print quality has not improved after repeating this procedure about four times, turn the printer off and wait for at least six hours. Then run the nozzle check again and repeat the head cleaning if necessary.

If you do not use your printer often, it is a good idea to print a few pages at least once a month to maintain good print quality.
Checking the Ink Cartridge Status

When the red ink light starts flashing, one or more cartridges are low on ink and will need to be replaced soon. When the red ink light stays on, you need to replace the cartridge(s).

You can also check the ink level using Status Monitor (see the on-screen User’s Guide).

Caution:
You cannot print when an ink cartridge is expended, even if other cartridges are not expended. Leave the expended cartridge(s) installed until you have obtained a replacement, or the ink remaining in the print head nozzle may dry out.

A window may appear on your computer screen if you try to print when ink is low. On a Windows computer that is connected to the Internet, you may see a screen asking if you want to receive ink offers and other updates from Epson. Click Accept or Decline to continue.

Note:
To disable checking for ink offers or updates from Epson, see the instructions in your on-screen User’s Guide.

Purchasing Epson Ink Cartridges

You can purchase genuine Epson ink and paper at Epson Supplies Central at www.epson.com/ink3 (U.S. sales) or www.epson.ca (Canadian sales). You can also purchase supplies from an Epson authorized reseller. To find the nearest one, call 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766).

Epson offers two different capacity cartridges for each color in your R280 Series.

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Try the High Capacity 77 cartridges available at http://www.epson.com/highcapacity (U.S. sales) or http://www.epson.ca (Canadian sales), or the 77 color multipack at your local reseller.
You may use any combination of cartridge sizes. (If you’ve installed a 78 black cartridge, you can still use a 77 magenta cartridge, for example.)
We recommend that you use genuine Epson cartridges and do not refill them. The use of other products may affect your print quality and could result in printer damage.
For best printing results, use up a cartridge within six months of opening the package.
Cartridge yields vary considerably based on images printed, print settings, paper type, frequency of use, and temperature. For print quality, a small amount of ink remains in the cartridge after the “replace cartridge” indicator comes on. The printer ships with full cartridges and part of the ink from the first cartridges is used for priming the printer.

Replacing Ink Cartridges
Make sure you have a new ink cartridge before you begin. You must install new cartridges immediately after removing the old ones.
Caution:
Do not open ink cartridge packages until you are ready to install the ink. Cartridges are vacuum packed to maintain reliability.

1. Make sure the CD/DVD tray is not inserted in the printer, and make sure the front tray is in the paper (lower) position.
2. Make sure the printer is on and the power light is on but not flashing.
3. Open the printer cover.
4. Press and release the ink button. The power light begins to flash and the print head moves to the position to indicate which cartridge is low or expended.

Note:
If an ink cartridge is low, you may continue to use it until it is expended. To confirm the status of each ink cartridge, see your on-screen User's Guide.
Caution:
Do not move the print head by hand; this may damage your printer. Always press and release the Δ ink button to move it. Be careful not to touch the white flat cable inside the printer.

5. Press the Δ ink button again.

- If another cartridge is low or expended, it moves to the antha position. Press the Δ ink button again to see if any more cartridges are low or expended.
- If no other cartridges are low or expended, the print head moves to the replacement position.

6. Open the cartridge cover.
7. Remove the new ink cartridge from the package.

**Caution:**
Be careful not to break the hooks on the front of the ink cartridge when you remove it from the package.

Do not touch the green chip on the front of the cartridge. This can damage the ink cartridge.

Always install an ink cartridge immediately after removing the old cartridge. If the cartridge is not installed promptly, the print head may dry out and be unable to print.

8. Remove the yellow tape from the bottom of the ink cartridge.

**Caution:**
Do not remove any other labels or seals, or ink will leak.

9. Squeeze the tab on the cartridge and lift it up. Dispose of it carefully. Do not take the used cartridge apart or try to refill it.

**Warning:**
If ink gets on your hands, wash them thoroughly with soap and water. If ink gets into your eyes, flush them immediately with water. Keep ink cartridges out of the reach of children.
10. Insert the new ink cartridge into the holder and push it down until it clicks into place.

11. Once you replace all the cartridges that need replacing, close the cartridge cover and push it down until it clicks into place.

12. Close the printer cover.

13. Press the Ink button to begin charging the ink. This takes about one and a half minutes. When it's finished, the power light stops flashing and remains on, and the ink light goes out.

Caution:
Never turn off the R280 Series while the power light is flashing or you'll waste ink.

Wait until ink charging is complete before setting the front tray in the CD/DVD position.
Solving Problems

If you have a problem with your printer, check the lights on the control panel to diagnose the cause. You can also check “Problems and Solutions” on page 23 for basic troubleshooting suggestions, or see your on-screen User’s Guide for more detailed help.

Checking for Software Updates

Periodically, it’s a good idea to check Epson’s support website for free updates to your Epson Stylus Photo R280 Series software. Open your on-screen User’s Guide and select Download the Latest Software or visit Epson’s support website at epson.com/support.

With Windows, you can select Driver Update on the Maintenance tab in the printer settings window. You can also click Start or , select Programs or All Programs, select EPSON, and click EPSON Stylus Photo R280 Series Driver Update.

Error Indicators

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<td>If you’re printing on paper, your paper ran out. Load more paper and press the paper button to resume printing. If you’re printing on a CD or DVD, the CD/DVD tray is not inserted. Follow the instructions beginning on page 13 to insert the tray, then press the paper button.</td>
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<td>Red ink light flashes and Green P power light is on</td>
<td>One of the cartridges is nearly expended. Check the message that appears on your screen to determine which cartridge is nearly expended or follow the instructions in “Checking the Ink Cartridge Status” on page 17. Make sure you have a replacement cartridge.</td>
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### Problems and Solutions

Check the solutions below if you’re having trouble using your R280 Series.

#### Printing Problems

- Make sure your paper is loaded short edge first and is positioned against the right side with the edge guide against its left side. Don’t load paper above the arrow mark inside the edge guide.
- Make sure the paper size settings are correct for the paper you loaded.
- Load paper with the printable side facing the front of the printer.
- Make sure the front tray is in the correct position for paper or CD/DVD printing.

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<td>If you’re printing on paper, it is jammed in the printer. Press the 🟢 paper button to eject the paper. If that doesn’t work, turn off the printer, open the cover, and pull the paper out from the front, including any torn pieces. Then turn on the printer, reload paper, and press the 🟢 paper button. If you’re printing on a CD or DVD, the CD/DVD tray has not ejected. Pull out the tray and press the 🟢 paper button.</td>
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<td>Red 🔴 ink light and green 🟢 power light are on</td>
<td>One of the cartridges is expended or not installed. Make sure you have a replacement cartridge, then follow the steps in “Replacing Ink Cartridges” on page 18 to install it. If you have just installed a new cartridge, it may be incompatible with the printer or incorrectly installed. Reinstall it or replace it with the correct cartridge, as described on page 18.</td>
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<td>Green 🟢 power light is off; red 🟥 paper out and 🔴 ink lights flash</td>
<td>Paper may be blocking movement of the print head. Turn off the printer, then open the cover and remove any jammed paper or other foreign objects. Turn the printer back on again. If the lights are still on, contact Epson as described in “Where To Get Help” on page 25.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Red 🟥 paper out and red 🔴 ink lights flash alternately and green 🟢 power light is off</td>
<td>The printer may have an internal error. Turn off the printer, wait a few seconds, and turn it on again. If the lights are still flashing, contact Epson as described in “Where To Get Help” on page 25.</td>
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Paper Feeding Problems

■ If paper doesn’t feed, remove it from the sheet feeder. Flip through the stack to separate the sheets a little. Then reload the paper against the right side, and slide the edge guide against the paper (but not too tightly).
■ Do not load too many sheets at once—up to 20 sheets of photo paper and 120 sheets of plain paper. Load other special papers one sheet at a time.
■ Use new, smooth, high-quality paper, loaded printable side up. Make sure the paper is not curled, creased, wrinkled, too thin, or too old.
■ If the paper is stuck inside the printer, turn the printer off and open the printer cover, then remove all of the paper inside, including any torn pieces. Close the printer cover. If paper remains near the sheet feeder, gently pull it out. Then turn the printer back on and carefully reload paper.

Print Quality Problems

If you have any problems with the print quality, try these solutions:
■ Load the paper printable side up (usually the whiter, brighter, or glossy side).
■ Make sure your paper isn’t damp or curled.
■ Use a support sheet with special paper or load your paper one sheet at a time. Remove sheets from the front tray so not too many collect at a time.
■ Make sure the type of paper you loaded matches the paper size and paper type settings in your printer software (see page 11).
■ For the best print quality, use Epson papers (see page 5) and genuine Epson ink cartridges (see page 18).
■ If you notice light or dark bands across your printouts or they are too faint, you may need to clean the print head. This unclogs the nozzles so they can deliver ink properly. Run a nozzle check as described on page 15 to see if the print head needs cleaning.
■ Clean the print head as described on page 16.
■ If you notice jagged vertical lines, you may need to align the print head. See your on-screen User’s Guide for instructions.
■ The ink cartridges may be low on ink (see page 18 for instructions on checking and replacing an ink cartridge).
Where To Get Help

Epson Technical Support

Internet Support
Visit Epson's support website at epson.com/support and select your product for solutions to common problems. You can download drivers and documentation, get FAQs and troubleshooting advice, or e-mail Epson with your questions.

Speak to a Support Representative
Before you call Epson for support, please have the following information ready:

- Product name (Epson Stylus Photo R280 Series)
- Product serial number (located on the label in back)
- Proof of purchase (such as a store receipt) and date of purchase
- Computer configuration
- Description of the problem

Then call:

- U.S.: (562) 276-7282, 6 AM to 8 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, and 7 AM to 4 PM Saturday.
- Canada: (905) 709-2567, 6 AM to 6 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday.

Toll or long distance charges may apply.

Purchase Supplies and Accessories
You can purchase genuine Epson ink and paper at Epson Supplies Central at www.epson.com/ink3 (U.S. sales) or www.epson.ca (Canadian sales). You can also purchase supplies from an Epson authorized reseller. To find the nearest one, call 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766).

Other Software Technical Support
ArcSoft PhotoImpression™: (510) 440-9901, web: www.arcsoft.com
Important Safety Instructions

Before using your Epson Stylus Photo R280 Series, read and follow these safety instructions:

- Be sure to follow all warnings and instructions marked on the R280 Series.
- Use only the type of power source indicated on the R280 Series label.
- Use only the power cord that comes with the R280 Series. Use of another cord may cause fires or shock. Do not use the cord with any other equipment.
- Place the R280 Series near a wall outlet where the plug can be easily unplugged.
- Do not let the power cord become damaged or frayed.
- If you use an extension cord with the R280 Series, make sure the total ampere rating of the devices plugged into the extension cord does not exceed the cord’s ampere rating. Also, make sure the total ampere rating of all devices plugged into the wall outlet does not exceed the wall outlet’s ampere rating.
- Avoid locations that are subject to rapid changes in heat or humidity, shocks or vibrations, or dust.
- Leave enough room around the R280 Series for sufficient ventilation. Do not block or cover openings in the R280 Series case or insert objects through the slots.
- Do not place the R280 Series near a radiator or heating vent or in direct sunlight.
- Place the R280 Series on a flat, stable surface that extends beyond its base in all directions. It will not operate properly if it is tilted or at an angle.
- Make sure the back of the R280 Series is at least 4 inches (10 cm) away from the wall.
- Do not spill liquid on the R280 Series.
- Except as specifically explained in your documentation, do not attempt to service the R280 Series yourself.
- Unplug the R280 Series and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions: if the power cord or plug is damaged; if liquid has entered the product; if the product has been dropped or the case damaged; if the product does not operate normally or exhibits a distinct change in performance. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions.
- When storing or transporting the R280 Series, do not tilt it, stand it on its side, or turn it upside down; otherwise ink may leak from the cartridges.
**Ink Cartridge Safety Instructions**

- Keep ink cartridges out of the reach of children and do not drink the ink.
- Be careful when you handle used ink cartridges; there may be ink remaining around the ink supply port. If ink gets on your skin, wash it off with soap and water. If it gets in your eyes, flush them immediately with water.
- Do not put your hand inside the R280 Series or touch any cartridges during printing.
- Install a new ink cartridge immediately after removing an expended one. Leaving cartridges uninstalled can dry out the print head and may prevent the R280 Series from printing.
- If you remove an ink cartridge for later use, protect the ink supply area from dirt and dust and store it in the same environment as the R280 Series. Note that there is a valve in the ink supply port, making covers or plugs unnecessary, but care is needed to prevent the ink from staining items that the cartridge touches. Do not touch the ink cartridge ink supply port or surrounding area.

**Declaration of Conformity**

According to 47CFR, Part 2 and 15 for: Class B Personal Computers and Peripherals; and/or CPU Boards and Power Supplies used with Class B Personal Computers:

We: Epson America, Inc.
Located at: MS 3-13
3840 Kilroy Airport Way
Long Beach, CA 90806
Telephone: (562) 290-5254

Declare under sole responsibility that the product identified herein, complies with 47CFR Part 2 and 15 of the FCC rules as a Class B digital device. Each product marketed is identical to the representative unit tested and found to be compliant with the standards. Records maintained continue to reflect the equipment being produced can be expected to be within the variation accepted, due to quantity production and testing on a statistical basis as required by 47CFR §2.909. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
1. this device may not cause harmful interference, and
2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Trade Name: Epson
Type of Product: Ink Jet Printer
Model: B412A
FCC Compliance Statement

For United States Users

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio or television reception. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio and television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

■ Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
■ Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
■ Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
■ Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

WARNING

The connection of a non-shielded equipment interface cable to this equipment will invalidate the FCC Certification of this device and may cause interference levels which exceed the limits established by the FCC for this equipment. It is the responsibility of the user to obtain and use a shielded equipment interface cable with this device. If this equipment has more than one interface connector, do not leave cables connected to unused interfaces. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment.

For Canadian Users

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