Introduction

The StyleWriter 1200 is a high-resolution ink-jet printer. There are some differences between the StyleWriter 1200 and the StyleWriter II.
Hardware Differences

• The two out-feed rollers at the front of the printer have only one rubber roller each, vs. two on StyleWriter II.

• The sheet feeder has changed to be compatible with the new paper feeding scheme that the vendor has implemented across the product line.

• The plastic cover of the controller and feed rollers has been changed to match the paper feeder.

• The wheel on the carriage was removed.
Software Differences

• Some simplifications have been made to the controller board, and the ROM has been upgraded to incorporate the additional print modes, auto-power on/off, and a new self-test page.

• Two additional print modes have been added to the StyleWriter 1200: Fine and Smooth. Fine mode uses 360 dpi resolution and Smooth uses a 720 dpi horizontal by 360 dpi vertical resolution.

• The printhead is automatically primed prior to the printing of the self-test page.

• The Watermark feature allows the user to specify an image to appear in the background of each page being printed.
Paper Sizes

The Executive size has been added to the StyleWriter 1200. The printer offers four paper sizes:

• Letter (8.5" x 11")
• Legal (8.5" x 14")
• A4 (210 mm x 297 mm)
• Executive (7.25 mm x 10.5 mm)
Envelope Sizes

The number 6 envelope size has been added to the StyleWriter 1200. The printer offers two envelope sizes:

- Number 6 (6.5" x 3.625"")
- Number 10 (9.5" x 4.125"
Test Page

Turn on the printer and hold down the online key for at least 6 seconds or until the test page prints.
The test page shows the ROM revision and a test pattern.

Use the test pattern to determine if the ink jets are functioning properly. If lines appear broken, proceed to the “Printing” topic in the Troubleshooting chapter.
Specifications
StyleWriter 1200

Apple Service Source
## Specifications

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<td><strong>Print Methods</strong></td>
<td>Serial bubble jet ink–on–demand</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Print Head</strong></td>
<td>1 by 64 nozzles</td>
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<td><strong>Print Head Life</strong></td>
<td>Approximately 500 pages (normal mode)</td>
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Graphics

**Resolution**

Best: 720 x 360 dpi (best mode, black and white, edge smoothing)
360 x 360 dpi (grayscale)
Normal: 360 x 360 dpi
Draft: 180 x 180 dpi
Specifications

Paper Handling

Paper

Size: LTR, LGL, A4, Executive
Weight: 16–24 lb.
Capacity: 100 sheets (A4, LTR)

Envelopes

Size: Number 6 or 10
Capacity: 10 envelopes

Transparencies

Coated transparencies, or most inkjet transparencies
## Ink Cartridges

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<th><strong>Type</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Ink Color</strong></td>
<td>Black</td>
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<td><strong>Ink Amount</strong></td>
<td>Approximately 28 g (per cartridge)</td>
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<td><strong>Life</strong></td>
<td>Approximately 500 pages</td>
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Environmental Specifications

Acoustic Noise Level: Approximately 40 dB (reference level)

Temperature: 59–86°F (15–30°C)

Humidity: 10–80% (no condensation)
Specifications

Electrical

**Power Source**
- U.S./Japan: 120 VAC, 60 Hz, 1.0 A
- Europe/Australia: 210–240 VAC, 50 Hz, 0.5 A

**Power Consumption**
- 48 W maximum
## Physical

### Dimensions
- Height: 7 in. (180 mm)
- Width: 13.6 in. (345 mm)
- Depth: 7.4 in. (200 mm)

### Weight
- Approximately 6.6 lb. (3 kg)
General

The Symptom Charts included in this chapter will help you diagnose specific symptoms related to your product. Because cures are listed on the charts in the order of most likely solution, try the first cure first. Verify whether or not the product continues to exhibit the symptom. If the symptom persists, try the next cure. (Note: If you have replaced a module, reinstall the original module before you proceed to the next cure.)

If you are not sure what the problem is, or if the Symptom Charts do not resolve the problem, refer to the Flowchart for the product family.

For additional assistance, contact Apple Technical Support.
Symptom Charts

Preliminary Checks

| Computer cannot find printer | 1 Verify that StyleWriter 1200 driver is installed. |
|                             | 2 Verify that Chooser and Control Panel settings are correct. |
|                             | 3 Verify that serial cable is connected. |
|                             | 4 Replace serial cable. |
| No lights or movement       | 1 Verify that printer is turned on and plugged into wall socket. |
|                             | 2 Replace fuse. |
| Print quality problems      | 1 Verify that paper is correct weight. |
|                             | 2 Purge ink cartridge. |
|                             | 3 Replace ink cartridge. |
|                             | 4 Replace printer. |
Mechanical problems

1. Verify that paper is correct weight.
2. Clear paper jam.
3. Verify that cut sheet feeder aligns with printer.
4. Replace printer.
**Status Light**

No status lights
1. Replace fuse.
2. Verify that operation cable is securely connected to logic board.
3. Replace printer.

Error light on
1. Printer is out of paper; add paper.
2. Check for paper jam; remove jam and then press power switch.
3. Check for carriage jam.
4. Replace printer.
**Printing**

**No printing**
1. Verify that interface cable between printer and computer is tightly connected.
2. Make sure printer is selected in Chooser.
3. Purge ink cartridge.
4. Replace ink cartridge.
5. Verify that right-margin sensor is seated correctly.
6. Replace printer.

**Garbled printing**
1. Verify that interface cable between printer and computer is tightly connected.
2. Purge ink cartridge.
3. Replace ink cartridge.
4. Replace printer.
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<td>Overprinting</td>
<td>Verify that program being used is set for correct line spacing and line length.</td>
<td>Verify that correct printer driver is installed.</td>
<td>Replace printer.</td>
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<td>Image too light or too dark</td>
<td>Purge ink cartridge.</td>
<td>Use 16–24 lb. cotton bond paper.</td>
<td>Replace ink cartridge.</td>
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<td>Verify that forms thickness lever is set correctly (up for standard paper and down for envelopes, transparencies, labels, and heavy paper).</td>
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<td>White lines in printing</td>
<td>Purge ink cartridge.</td>
<td>Replace ink cartridge.</td>
<td>Replace printer.</td>
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<td>Problem</td>
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| Page prints off center; images are out of place | 1. Use 16–24 lb. cotton bond paper.  
2. Verify that sheet feeder holds no more than 50 sheets.  
3. Verify that paper is inserted properly.  
4. Verify that margins in document and paper size in Page Setup are set correctly.  
5. Replace printer. |
| Ink appears on back of paper | 1. Clean platen with soft, dry cloth.  
2. Clean platen rollers.  
3. Replace printer. |
| Image wavy, splotchy, or distorted | 1. Purge ink cartridge.  
2. Replace ink cartridge.  
3. Replace printer. |
# Carrier Movement

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<td>Erratic carrier motion</td>
<td>Replace printer.</td>
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<td>Power light is on; carrier does not move</td>
<td>1. Make sure carrier area is clear of obstructions. 2. Replace printer.</td>
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<td>Printer does not perform self-test; ready light is on</td>
<td>Replace printer.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carrier grinds, hums loudly, or locks</td>
<td>1. Verify that right-margin sensor is seated correctly. 2. Replace printer.</td>
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# Paper Feed

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| No paper feed | 1 Verify that cut sheet feeder aligns with printer.  
2 Release paper pressure plate on cut sheet feeder.  
3 Make sure paper path is clear of obstructions.  
4 Replace printer. |
| Grinding during paper feed | 1 Make sure paper path is clear of obstructions.  
2 Verify that forms thickness lever is set correctly (up for standard paper and down for envelopes, transparencies, labels, and heavy paper).  
3 Verify that cut sheet feeder aligns with printer.  
4 Replace printer. |
| Paper feed difficulties: binding, tearing | 1 Verify that forms thickness lever is set correctly (up for standard paper and down for envelopes, transparencies, labels, and heavy paper).  
2 Make sure paper path is clear of obstructions. |
3 Verify that paper is inserted properly.
4 Use 16–24 lb. cotton bond paper.
5 Verify that cut sheet feeder aligns with printer.
6 Replace printer.

**Envelope feed problems**
1 When printing envelopes: (a) adjust paper thickness lever; (b) do not run cut sheets and envelopes in same print job; (c) reset paper thickness lever when finished printing envelopes.
2 Replace printer.
## Miscellaneous

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<td>Operations panel buttons don’t work</td>
<td>Verify that operations panel cable is securely connected to logic board and operations panel.</td>
<td>Replace printer.</td>
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<td>Software-specific problem</td>
<td>Verify that software is known-good.</td>
<td>Verify that software is compatible with TrueType fonts. (Check your software application manual.)</td>
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Take Apart
StyleWriter 1200
No preliminary steps are required before you begin this procedure.

**Caution:** Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.

**Caution:** Do not use excessive force to release a latch or tab.

**Note:** This procedure covers the removal of all the covers on the printer.
Front Access Cover

1. **Note**: The front access cover is held in place by two arms that function as hinges. Plastic tabs at the end of the arms fit into knobs on the inside of the upper case.

   Open the front access cover.

2. Press the end of each arm inward and free the arm tabs from the upper case.

3. Lift off the front access cover.
Upper Case

Release the right side latch and lift the upper case a short distance. Repeat for the left side latch and remove the case.
Output Tray Assembly

Pull out the tray until the two tabs rest against the stops. Press down and remove the tray.
Rear Cover

1. Press out the two latches on the bottom of the printer and press up on the rear cover.
2. Release the two latches on the top of the printer.
3. Lift up and remove the rear cover.
Cut Sheet Feeder Cover

1. Press in the front latch and release the side latch.
2. Pull back and remove the cover.
Paper Support

1. Pull out the paper support until it rests against the stops.
2. Push the support forward and disconnect the latches.
3. Slide out the paper support.
Bottom Cover

1. Using a screwdriver, push out the two front latches.

2. Pull up and remove the bottom cover.
Replacement Note: Make sure the bottom cover circular tabs are fit into the proper position in the printer frame.
Replacement Note: Make sure the latch on the upper case engages the on/off button on the logic board.
Take Apart Cut Sheet Feeder - 11

Cut Sheet Feeder

Before you begin, remove the covers.

**Caution:** Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.

**Caution:** Do not get the ink on your hands or clothes. Although the ink is water soluble, it contains dyes that will stain.
1 Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove the two screws that secure the cut sheet feeder to the printer.

2 Press in the latch and remove the cut sheet feeder.

3 **Replacement Note:** Make sure the alignment pins on the cut sheet feeder are aligned with the printer frame.
Take Apart Roller and Spring - 13

Roller and Spring

Before you begin, remove the front cover.

**Caution**: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.
1. Push the roller forward slightly.
2. Carefully lift up and remove the roller and spring.
Cut Sheet Feeder Roller

Before you begin, remove the following:
• Covers
• Cut sheet feeder

Caution: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.
1 **Caution:** When the roller is removed, the feeder gear is loose. Remove the roller slowly so that the gear will not fly off.

Press in the two latches on the cut sheet feeder roller and push out the roller.

2 Remove the gear.

3 Lift up on one end of the roller and remove the other end from the mounting hole.
Replacement Note: Align the notch on the upper gear with the upper line on the cut sheet feeder. Align the notch on the lower gear with the lower line on the cut sheet feeder.
Carriage Assembly

Before you begin, remove the following:
• Covers
• Cut sheet feeder

Caution: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.

Caution: To prevent the print nozzles from clogging, do not touch or wipe them.
1. Disconnect connector CNH from the logic board.
2 Remove the plastic ribbon cable and cable holder.

**Replacement Note:** Make sure the ribbon cable holes are mounted on the two tabs on the inside of the ribbon cable holder.
3 Press in the two latches.
4 Push up and remove the carriage release clip.
Carefully remove the shaft clips from each side of the carriage assembly.
6 Move the carriage to the far right and disconnect the carriage from the carriage guide.

Caution: Do not remove or loosen the two screws on top of the carriage guide. Loosening or removing these screws will cause the carriage to go out of alignment.
Using a flat-blade screwdriver, carefully press in the idler roller and disconnect the carriage belt.
8 Hold the carriage assembly and push back the carriage shaft.

9 Slide out the carriage shaft.
Carriage Motor

Before you begin, remove the following:
• Covers
• Cut sheet feeder

Caution: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.
Take Apart

1. Disconnect connectors CNH and CNCR from the main board.
2 Using a flat-blade screwdriver, press in the idler roller and disconnect the carriage belt.
3 Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove the two mounting screws.

4 Lift up and pull out the carriage motor.
Eject Roller

Before you begin, remove the covers.

Caution: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.
Grasp one end of the roller, press it firmly to the side, and snap the roller out of the mounting holes.
Fuse

Before you begin, remove the following:
• Covers
• Cut sheet feeder

Caution: Review the ESD precautions in Bulletins/Safety.
Remove the fuse cover and replace the fuse.
Additional Procedures
StyleWriter 1200
Ink Cartridge Cleaning

No preliminary steps are required before you begin this procedure.

**Caution:** Do not get the printer’s ink on your hands or clothes. Although the ink is water soluble, it contains dyes that will stain.

**Caution:** To prevent the print nozzles from clogging, do not touch or wipe them. The print nozzles are on the bottom of the ink cartridge.
Note: Use the Cleaning option to correct blurred characters, horizontal white streaks, and missing dots caused by clogged ink nozzles.
1. Make sure the StyleWriter 1200 printing software is installed.

2. Using the Chooser, select StyleWriter 1200.

3. Make sure the correct printer port is selected.

4. Close the Chooser.
5. Open any document and select the print option or choose Print Window from the File menu.
6 Click the Options button in the Print dialog box.
Select the “Clean ink cartridge before printing” option and click OK.
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