



Pro Tip: Single Cartridge Mode

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Cheri's Notes



- This week, we will explore an essential feature in select HP printers known as Single Cartridge Mode. It's a handy feature for uninterrupted printing during emergencies. We'll cover its functionality, how to exit the mode, and supported models.

What is Single Cartridge Mode?

- **Definition:** Single Cartridge Mode allows the printer to operate with only one cartridge installed (black or color).
- This method works with **select two cartridge HP printers**.
- **Purpose:**
 - Ensures uninterrupted printing if one cartridge runs out.
 - Ideal for emergencies or when replacement cartridges are unavailable.

How Single Cartridge Mode Works

- **The customer can take out either the black or tricolor ink cartridge that is empty.**
- When an HP printer detects that only one cartridge is installed, it automatically enters Single Cartridge Mode.
- The printer then adjusts its printing process to compensate for the missing color or black cartridge, allowing for continued functionality with limited output options.
- The printer uses only the installed cartridge for printing.
- Printing quality may vary depending on the type of cartridge:
 - Black-only cartridge: Prints in grayscale.
 - Color-only cartridge: Prints in a mix of available colors.

How to Exit Single Cartridge Mode



To restore full functionality, the user would need to install both a black and a color cartridge.



Once both cartridges are installed, the printer will automatically detect them and exit Single Cartridge Mode.

Which HP printers can do single cartridge mode?

HP DeskJet Series

- Models like the DeskJet 2600, 2700, 3700, and 4200.

HP Envy/Envy Inspire Series

- Models like the 6155e and 6555e
- 7255e and 7955e

HP OfficeJet Models with Two Cartridges:

- HP OfficeJet 3830 Series
- HP OfficeJet 5255 / 5258
- HP OfficeJet 4650 Series
- HP OfficeJet 5200 Series
- HP OfficeJet 5700 Series
- HP Officejet 200/250