

USB Printer Installation on Windows 7

Generally, USB printers are automatically installed when they are connected to the machine.

If the printer is not installed automatically when connected to Windows 7 machines follow the procedure below:

1. Ensure the printer is connected to machine and is switched on.
2. Click the Start button and select Device and Printers:
3. Click Add printer:
4. Click Add a local printer:
5. Select appropriate port depending on the printer (usually either USBnnn (Virtual printer port for USB)(USBnnn=USB001,USB002,etc.) for USB device or LPT for parallel device) and click Next:
6. Wait for Windows to retrieve the list of printers.
7. Select Manufacturer - in this example, select Dell and check for the V525 printer in the Printers list. If V525 is there skip to point 17. If not, select Have Disk and click Next:
8. Click on the Browse button
9. if you have CD for the printer, point to the CD path or alternatively you can copy the entire content of CD to C:\Zurich\PrintDrivers folder
10. if you do not have a CD for the printer, download the software from the printer manufacturers site and store (unzip it) to the C:\Zurich\PrintDrivers folder.
11. Search for inf file which controls the printer driver you are trying to install:
12. Under that folder you may see folders with different names i.e.: Scanner, Fax, StatusMonitor, Printer. Select the Printer folder.
13. You can also see a single folder underneath the printer folder. Click on that.

14. Finally you will see a group of folders with names like i386, x64, etc. You will also see a file with an .inf extension. Select inf file.
15. In our example of V525 (CD was copied to C:\Zurich\PrintDrivers folder) inf file is stored in GDI folder within PrintDrivers folders. Once you click on the GDI folder, .inf file gets filled in in this case DKADGQ40.inf). Click Open:
16. Confirm the path by clicking Ok:
17. Select printer from the list, in this case Dell V520 Series and click Next:
18. If the driver was already loaded earlier, you will see a pop up during installation. (If not, skip to point 19).Select Replace the current driver and click Next:
19. At this point you can either accept the name given to the printer by the Wizard, or give it a unique name of your choice. Then click Next:
20. The Wizard begins loading the drivers for the printer.
21. Select Do not share this printer and click Next:
22. Test page can be printed to verify the installation was successful.
23. Click Finish.