

Printer Driver 16.86 is released!



Version 16.86 of the Black Ice Printer Driver now includes an option to upload documents through HTTP or HTTPS using the industry-standard **HTTP Basic Authentication**. Additionally, the standard PDF printer driver now can **create Searchable PDFs** when printing non-searchable faxes or TIFF files to PDF. When used together these features allow users to create a searchable PDF file and upload it to the web in **a single click**!

The new HTTP Basic Authentication method for uploading documents to the web provides a **simple**, and **universal way** to **authenticate** the users when they upload documents to a website; saving time and resources.

With the new HTTP Basic Authentication, web developers and Administrators are no longer required to inspect request parameters or to authenticate the user on the website "manually" from code-behind. The HTTP Basic Authentication is a website-level authentication method, that is managed by the Web Server service, such as IIS (Internet Information Services), and does not require cookies, session identifiers, or login pages, yet, it supports authenticating both local and domain users on the computer.

Now all Black Ice Printer Drivers with PDF output include the new "Searchable Compact PDF - OCR (*.pdf)" file format. This output allows users to convert any document, even scanned images, to a searchable PDF document with a single click. This feature is designed for customers who are using the Printer Driver to convert faxes or TIFF documents to PDF.

For Developers and OEM customers, the new Black Ice Printer Driver RTK (*Resource Toolkit*) comes with **new project and solution files for Visual Studio 2022, 2019, 2017** for every RTK sample, and the C#, VB.NET, and MSI install samples.

The complete list of improvements in the latest Printer Driver includes the following:

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- Added "Searchable Compact PDF OCR" file format that lets one create searchable PDF files from non-searchable documents, to the PDF and ColorPlus Printer Drivers (#14919)
- Fix for printing documents that are smaller than letter size to the "Searchable Compact PDF OCR (*.pdf)" file format (#14927)
- Added HTTP Basic Authentication method for the Upload to HTTP feature (#14488)
- The Email Log, Debug Log and SharePoint Log will be automatically configured for the USERPROFILE folder in Printer Manager (#12686, #12687, #12684)
- Stability improvement for starting applications that have a path that is longer 130 characters (#14934, #14935)

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- Added option to automatically remove blank pages from the printed document (#14183)
- Fix for using the "Print page(s) inverted" feature with printer redirection (#14894)
- Fix for using the "Print page(s) inverted" feature with image file formats other than TIFF (#14908)
- Fixed broken PDF output when using the "Use filename from page content" option (#14902)
- Fixed incorrect error message in the Printer Manager if the license is invalid (#14914)

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