

# Q&A for . . .

## Printing Overview

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**Q: So we don't have an exact WYSIWYG on printing? The screen may not match the print?**

A: Correct. It is something that you need to manage. Pen Tables or Print Styles may effect the output.

**Q: I use the fdotprinter.pltcfg to print. The only problem I have is the print scale and position; it doesn't show the dgn scale.**

A: There isn't much you can do about this with the system printers. It does not allow to set the paper sizes. There is an option that can be turned on to allow defining the paper size on the print dialog. From there the default settings can be over written.

**Q: Are the raster settings able to be set in the Print Style?**

A: Yes. The raster options are available in the Print Styles.

**Q: So we are not able to use different print styles in one pset? Like one for the plans and one for the keysheet with a pdf on it?**

A: Yes you can use different print styles. You cannot however use different Print Drivers (PLTCFG files).

**Q: Can you use logical names when defining the references to search for borders?**

A: Yes. It lets you type logical names, file names, or regular expressions to identify one or more references. This limits the search to a subset of the attached reference files.

**Q: When I added a new paper size and save. Reloaded in the print dialog, it doesn't show the new paper size.**

A: As demonstrated, when you add a new "Paper Size", save the PLTCFG file and then select File > Reload Printer Driver Configuration to see the new size.

**Q: Sometimes I get a sheet showing up multiple times and one has the word "compressed" after the name.**

A: We would have to investigate that file individually but depending on your preferences you may get a print definition for each model in a file.

**Q: Any issues using the same .pltcfg file for all sheets?**

A: You will need to make sure that all files in a PSET can be printed with the same PLTCFG because only one can be used at a time in Print Organizer.

**Q: Are you using SS3 now?**

A: I'm using FDOTSS2 on MicroStation SS3 and GEOPAK SS2.

**Q: In Print Organizer is there a way to speed up cross sections when printing over a 100 sheets in a 500 sheet set?]**

A: You will want to use the XS.tbl or use no pen table.

**Q: I created print styles in the PrintPreparation.dgnlib, the styles show up in the print dialog's "apply print style" area, but they do not show up in the print organizer, did I use the wrong dgnlib?**

A: Recommend creating your own dgnlib for custom print styles. However if seeing in print dialog it should have shown up in Print Organizer.

**Q: Will FDOTSS3 require a priority build for MicroStation and GEOPAK or can we use the latest available?**

A: The requirements for FDOTSS3 have not been finalized at this time but we do not expect that a priority build will be required.

**Q: Once a PSet is created and you have to go back and edit a file does the PSet reflect that change?**

A: Not necessarily. To make sure, open another file (preferably without sheets in it) to force MS to re-read the files.