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About Search Results Printer

Search Results Printer is an Adobe Reader plug-in enabling a user to print all the pages which matched a search request to the system's default printer. The user can optionally ask for confirmation that he wishes to print the pages.

In addition, a "Search & Print" option enables a custom search and print to be performed.

System Requirements

Search Results Printer works with Adobe Reader versions 2.1 and later.

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Search Results Printer Menu Items

Search Results Printer adds several menu items to Acrobat:

Help > About Plug-ins > Search Results Printer

Selecting this displays information about the version of Search Results Printer that you are running.

Help > Plug-in Help > Search Results Printer

Clicking on this menu item opens this guide.

Advanced > Search Results Printer

or

Advanced > Search Results Printer > Print

(Note that this is under the “Plug-ins” menu in Acrobat 5 and earlier versions.)

Selecting this menu item will print all the pages which matched your last Acrobat Search request. See “Printing” on page 5 for more details.

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Advanced > Search Results Printer > Search & Print...

(Note that this is under the “Plug-ins” menu in Acrobat 5 and earlier versions.)

See “Search & Print” on page 6 for details of how to set this feature up — it does not appear unless it has been set up.

Selecting this menu item will display a box asking for a search term. Once the search has been performed, it will print all the pages which matched the search.

Edit > Preferences > Search Results Printer

Clicking on this displays the preferences dialogue. (Note that this menu item is found under the File menu in Acrobat 3.)

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Printing

To print all pages that matched the last search you performed, click on the Plug-ins > Search Results Printer menu item. This will print all the pages that matched the last search to the system's default printer. If 'Query on Print' is true (see "Preferences" on page 9), you will be asked to confirm the number of pages to print.

Whilst printing is in progress a 'Cancel' dialogue will be displayed. Clicking on this will enable you to stop printing *after* the current page has been printed.

Note: this menu item will only be enabled when you have performed a search and clicked on 'View' in the Search Results dialogue.

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Search & Print

The “Search & Print” option will only appear in the menu if it has been set up in Search Results Printer’s initialisation file, srchpr.ini, found in the Acrobat plug-ins directory.

This option enables a simple custom search dialogue to appear which will appear with a custom title, then load a specific index, perform the search on the text entered, and print the results. To configure this option, a “search” section must be added to the srchpr.ini file. e.g.

```
[search]  
index=c:\accounts\invoices\index.pdx  
prompt=Invoice number  
fieldType=int  
fieldWidth=8  
searchPrefix=  
searchSuffix=  
autoPrint=1  
printPages=2
```

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Index (optional). If specified, the index will be loaded before the search is performed.

Prompt (optional). If specified, the search dialogue will have the specified text as the window title. If not specified, the title will be “Search”.

fieldType (optional). If specified, the user will be forced to enter the required type of data — either a string (any characters) if “str” is specified as the type, or a number (any digits) if “int” is specified as the type.

fieldWidth (optional). If specified, the user will be forced to enter the required number of characters before the search can be carried out.

searchPrefix & searchSuffix (optional). These two values specify additional strings used to wrap around the user-entered text for the search. For example if searchPrefix is “INV” and searchSuffix is “X” and the user enters “123456” the text used to search will be “INV123456X”.

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autoPrint. Set autoPrint=1 if you want printing to commence automatically (as if the Search Results Printer > Print menu item had been clicked).

printPages. If not set, the user will be prompted about printing as usual. If set to a number, e.g. printPages=5, Search Results Printer will print any search hit with up to that number of page hits without query, but ask the user to confirm if there are more pages.

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Preferences

Clicking on the Preferences > Search Results Printer menu item displays the preferences dialogue.

Query on Print

The 'Query on Print' preference asks Search Results Printer to count the number of pages to be printed and confirm that the user wants to print them before starting to print.

To set or unset this preference click in the check box and then click OK.

Print Whole Document

The 'Print Whole Document' preference asks Search Results Printer to print the whole of each document that is found when a search has been made, rather than just printing the individual pages found.

To set or unset this preference click in the check box and then click OK.

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Credits

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