

DynaStrip 5.1.2

Release Notes

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1. What's new in DynaStrip 5.1?

1.1 Long File Name Support on Macintosh and Windows

The number of characters that can be used for job names has been increased to 127 characters, in addition to other file naming variables. Long file names allow for more flexibility and easier integration with workflow systems.

Long file names are now available for Job files, Layout files, Imported Marks files and Output files.

1.2 JDF Import

DynaStrip can use JDF stripping parameters generated by MIS or estimation software to initiate the creation of imposition layouts. DynaStrip's support for JDF Stripping is in line with the Interoperability Conformance Specifications (ICS) defined by CIP4 for MIS to prepress processes. Therefore, we can ensure compatibility with any MIS software that follows this same standard.

2. Requirements

2.1 Macintosh

Mac OS X (Panther 10.3.0+)
Power Mac G3 minimum (G4 600 MHz recommended)
256 MB of RAM minimum
3.0 GB of available disk space
800 x 600 or higher resolution VGA monitor

2.2 Windows

Microsoft Windows NT, 2000, XP or Vista*
Pentium III, 450MHz or greater processor
128 MB of RAM minimum (256 MB recommended)

- 65 MB of available disk space
- 800 x 600 or higher resolution VGA monitor
- * Adobe Acrobat® 4.0+ required for direct-layout PDF preview

3. Installation

3.1 Macintosh

Note: If you are using DynaStrip on OS X.4+, you may need to deactivate SpotLight on DynaStrip's working files folders.

New installation

- Start up the computer in OS X system.
- Run the installation. The workstation administrator's password will be required.
- The new software will be installed in "Applications:DynaStrip 5".

Upgrading from a previous version

All job components from 4.6 and lower (such as marks, output devices, plate definitions) are compatible with DynaStrip 5.1, so this release can be installed over an existing version. However it is recommended to keep a backup copy of the entire previous DynaStrip folder before upgrading. DynaStrip 5.1 will open previous jobs correctly, but it is always recommended to finalize previous jobs in their native environment.

- Start up the computer in OS X system.
- Copy the previous DynaStrip folder in "Applications" folder on the disk.
- Rename the new folder "DynaStrip 5".
- Run the installation. The workstation administrator's password will be required.
- The upgrade will be installed in "Applications:DynaStrip 5".

3.2 Windows

New installation

- Run the installation.
- The new software will be installed in "Program Files/Dynagram/DynaStrip5E".

Upgrading from a previous version

All job components from 4.6 and lower (such as marks, output devices, plate definitions) are compatible with DynaStrip 5.1, so this release can be installed over an existing version. However it is recommended to keep a backup copy of the entire previous DynaStrip folder before upgrading. DynaStrip 5.1 will open previous jobs correctly, but it is always recommended to finalize previous jobs in their native environment.

- Copy the previous DynaStrip folder in C:/Program Files/Dynagram (if not already there).
- Rename the folder "DynaStrip5E".
- Run the installation.
- The upgrade will be installed in "Program Files/Dynagram/DynaStrip5E".

4. OS X users and network

Macintosh OS X environment allows for multiple Users and profiles, and offers different ways to connect to servers. Please take into account the following issues before installing and using DynaStrip:

- Administrator's rights are required to install DynaStrip on a workstation.
- Users must have complete Read and Write accesses for all DynaStrip folders. To avoid sharing problems, DynaStrip should be installed in the Applications folder (the Installer's default). DynaStrip jobs must also be created in shared folders.
- Apple Xserve: DynaStrip has been designed to work on a standalone system. Some problems have been reported when utilized with Apple Xserve, a multi-user server environment where each file access from a user is authenticated by a password server. To avoid any network-related issue, it is thus recommended to de-activate the Xserve authentication option for DynaStrip's users.

5. Fixes in Release 5.1.0

Output

- 851 In PJTF output mode, a problem with the flat grouping when working with different number of webs in the same job has been resolved.
- 1533 In JDF output mode, the Cutting parameters coordinates are now expressed in relation to the sheet even when using a plate.

User Interface

- 1859 It is now possible to open a job by double clicking on it when there is a space in the file path.
- 2673 A build number has been added to the version number in the About dialog. The version would look similar to this: 5.1.0 (938) where 938 is the build number.
- 2604 Minor translation corrections in French, Spanish and German version.

6. Fixes in Release 5.1.1

Imported Marks

- 3018 Imported marks are automatically updated at output to use new application filters.
- 2996 The path of the imported marks images is now retained if the image files are not found when opening the job.
- 3049 The raster preview of EPS imported marks has been fixed.

Output

- 3027 The printing function when using "Printer" destination has been fixed.

Special Characters (Macintosh only)

- 3024 A problem with special characters when using the Save As function has been fixed.
- 3065 A problem when using an imported mark defined with special characters in a previous version of DynaStrip has been fixed.

7. Fixes in Release 5.1.2

Filters

- 901 Raster mode has been improved for better support of certain EPS files.
- 2127 InDesign filter for Postscript (PS) files has been improved to support CS3.
- 3142 The color and size detection has been improved for certain EPS files.
- 3150 Illustrator filter for PS files has been improved to support CS3.

Import Job Layout

- 3067 Improvement to the jobs opening and import layout processes. Now DynaStrip only opens the right file type.

Installation

- 3045 A new version of the Rainbow driver is now installed (Rainbow driver v. 2.4.0)

Light Table

- 1804 The import of Preps templates containing linear marks has been improved.
- 3039 Bleed resolution in the presence of move offset applied on pages has been fixed.
- 3068 A problem with the Revert option has been corrected.
- 3125 The previewing of the Page/Mark adjustment in the context of a long file name job has been fixed.

Marks

- 823 A problem related with the position of the register mark when the mark is repositioned and the anchor point is not the center has been fixed.
- 3056 A problem when using an Imported mark on Windows network without mapping the network drive locally has been fixed.

Output

- 877 Better support of inheritance and references in PDF files.
- 3085 Enhanced warning messages at output when no source document is present in document list.
- 3136- 3137 A problem with pages adjustments, when saving a job from a previous version has been fixed.

Special Characters

- 3042 JDF output has been improved to respect the UTF-8 encoding standard.
- 3071 A problem when inserting and removing sheets in the context of a long file name job has been fixed.

Splash Screen

- 2902 Correction to a message displayed in the splash screen when using a dongle that does not support the current DynaStrip version.

8. Known Limitation with Long File Names

- 3028 DynaStrip job name field is now extended to a maximum of 127 characters. However, the AFP version 2.2 protocol (File service for Macintosh used by all Windows servers and MAC OS 9 Server) still have a limitation of 31 characters. Users working on this type of network

should keep their DynaStrip job name limited to 12 characters to allow for the addition of suffixes in their file names. For more information access the following URL:
<http://technet2.microsoft.com/windowsserver/en/library/c7053dbe-598a-4fec-bda8-0e135fdb745e1033.mspx?mfr=true>