

floato™ Photo Balloon



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**Celebrate your
special occasions
with Personalized
Photo Balloons**

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Retirement • Wedding
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Just Because**



Floato™ is a foil balloon that has been coated on one side with an ink-jet receptive material so the balloon can be printed onto directly with an inkjet printer. The balloon is assembled into a patented structure that guides the balloon through the printer. Either 5 or 20 assembled **Floato™** balloons are vacuum-packed into a poly bag for protection while in transit.

Anagram recommends the use of 2 Printer Models with Floato™. In fact, Anagram assumes no responsibility for results when any printer model other than those recommended are used.

IMPORTANT! Floato™ CANNOT be printed with a laserjet printer. The heat produced by a laserjet printer will damage the **Floato™** balloon!

32279-73 is intended to be printed with the **Canon Pixma Pro-100** inkjet printer and is supplied in a trade package, packed 5 to a vacuum-bag.

32279-76 is intended to be printed with the **Epson Stylus Pro 4900** inkjet printer and is supplied in a trade package, packed 20 to a vacuum-bag. This Epson printer is a more expensive, professional-grade machine and requires additional set-up.

To print **Floato™ 32279-73** with the **Canon Pixma Pro-100 inkjet** printer and the free **Floato™** App



1) Connect the printer and apply these basic settings in PRINTER PREFERENCES (see last three pages of this document for direction):

- **IMPORTANT!** In PRINT UTILITIES choose:
 - "Prevent Paper Abrasion"
 - Reset "Ink Drying Wait Time" as directed
 - **IMPORTANT! Repeat this procedure each time the printer is turned on for printing Floato™**

2) Download the App free-of-charge

- Apple and Windows version both available
- Install on computer as directed
- Printing is done from the computer – not from the website

3) When ready to print **Floato™** cut open the plastic bag

- Be careful not to cut into the product itself
- Remove only the balloon(s) you plan to print
 - Leaving balloons in the bag until ready for printing will keep them protected from dirt and stains



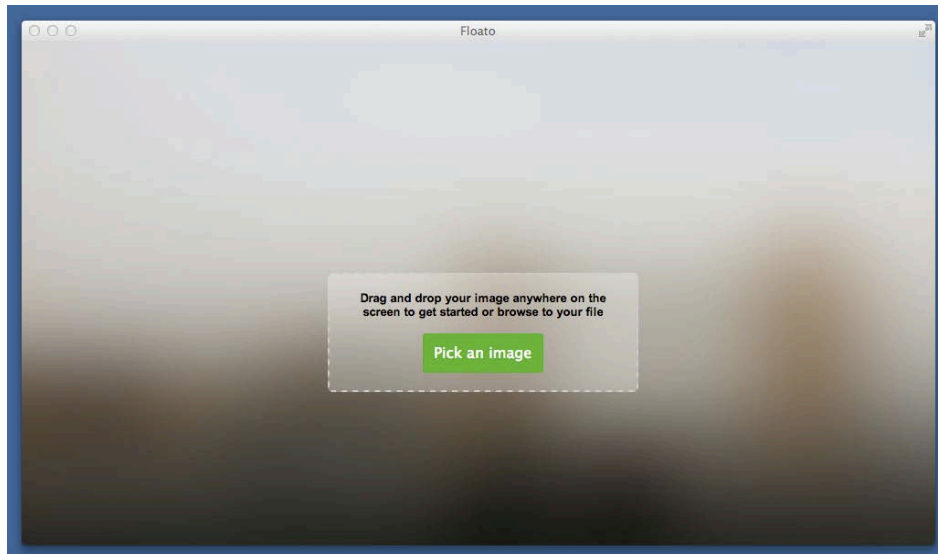
4) To Print **Floato™**

- Place balloon into printer with arrows pointing downwards towards the printer and **blank printable surface facing you** – so that the blank BALLOON side is printed when in the printer

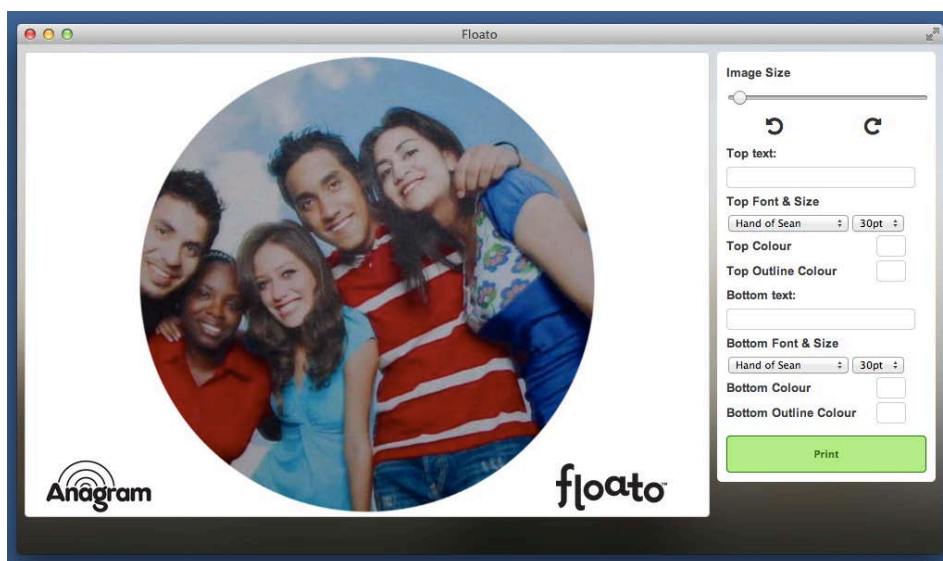


- **WARNING:**
 - Before printing the first balloon of the day print the reverse paper side of a **Floato™** first with the arrows pointing downward (you won't hurt the balloon) or use throw-away paper instead
 - This is important - the inkjet heads may be clogged when not used for several hours (same with a new printer) and this will clear the heads
 - You can then insert and print a balloon in the normal way

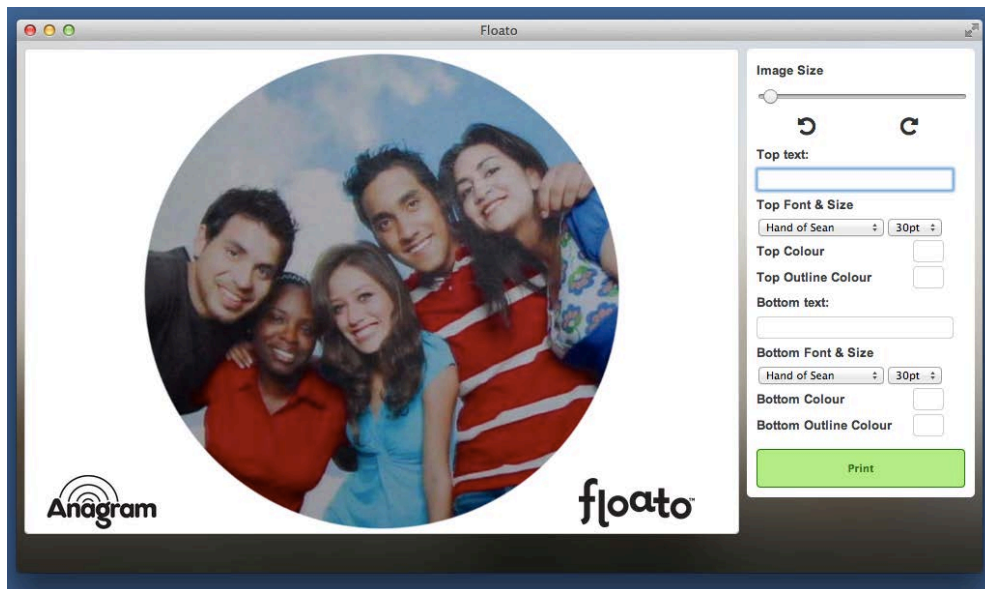
5) Click on the App



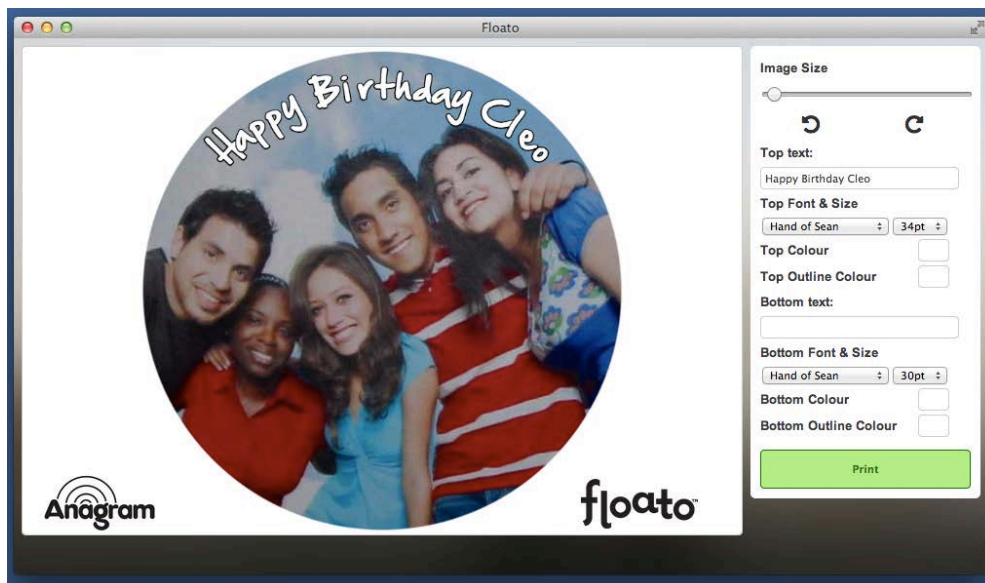
- "Drag" your photo (jpg) or "open" into the display window



- Adjust the size of the image with the bar at the top right and placement by dragging within the “circle”



- Type your message in the “Top Text” and “Bottom Text” boxes
 - Choose from 5 different fonts



- Choose the color of the text and its outline by clicking on the “color picker” – top and bottom text can be different fonts and/or colors
 - The colors can be replicated in either box by using the arrows



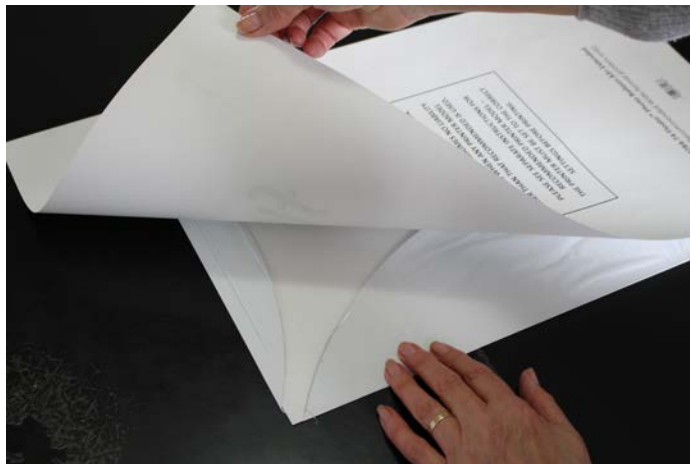
- Click “Print” – the big green bar at bottom right
- When the Print Window appears, **select correct printer and check settings** (save these specific settings for repeat use):
 - Paper Size is **A3+ 13” x 19” (329mm x 483mm)**
 - Paper Type is **Matte (or Other) Photo Paper**
 - Print Quality is **Standard** (High can also be used)



6) Remove the balloon from the printer tray after the printing is complete

7) Remove the balloon form the paper carrier assembly

- Slowly and gently peel the top sheet from the folded balloon



- Slowly unfold the balloon “flaps” from the carrier paper and slowly peel the paper from the balloon



8) **Floato™** is ready for helium and a ribbon!

If you need any additional direction or specific help, please contact your distributor, or Anagram directly, at the contact information below:

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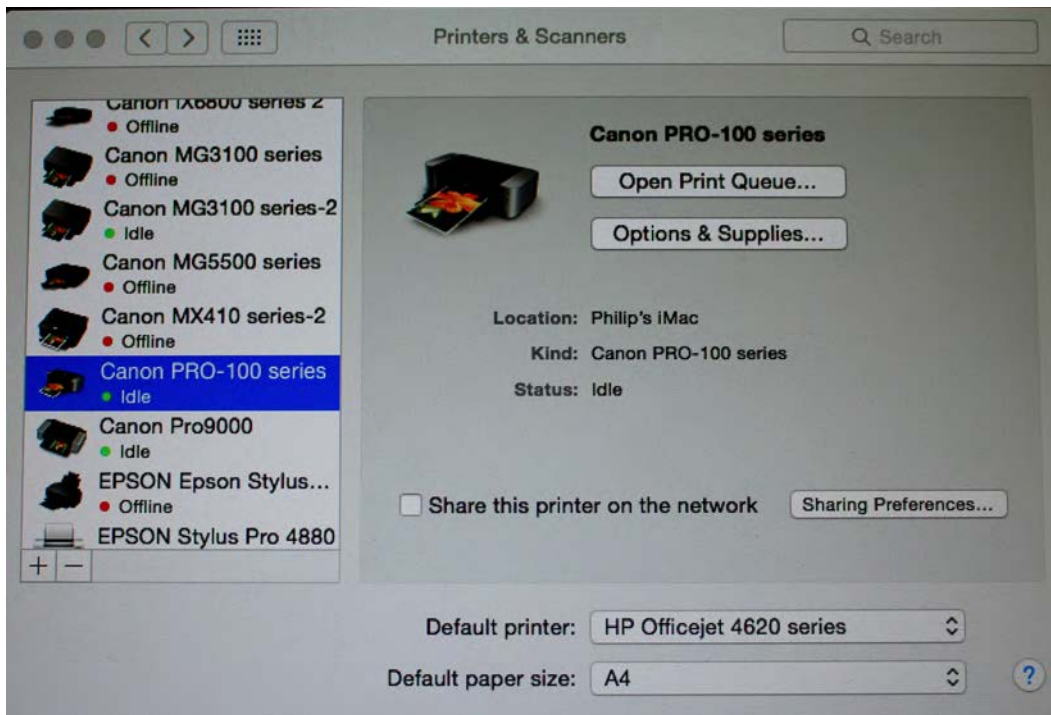
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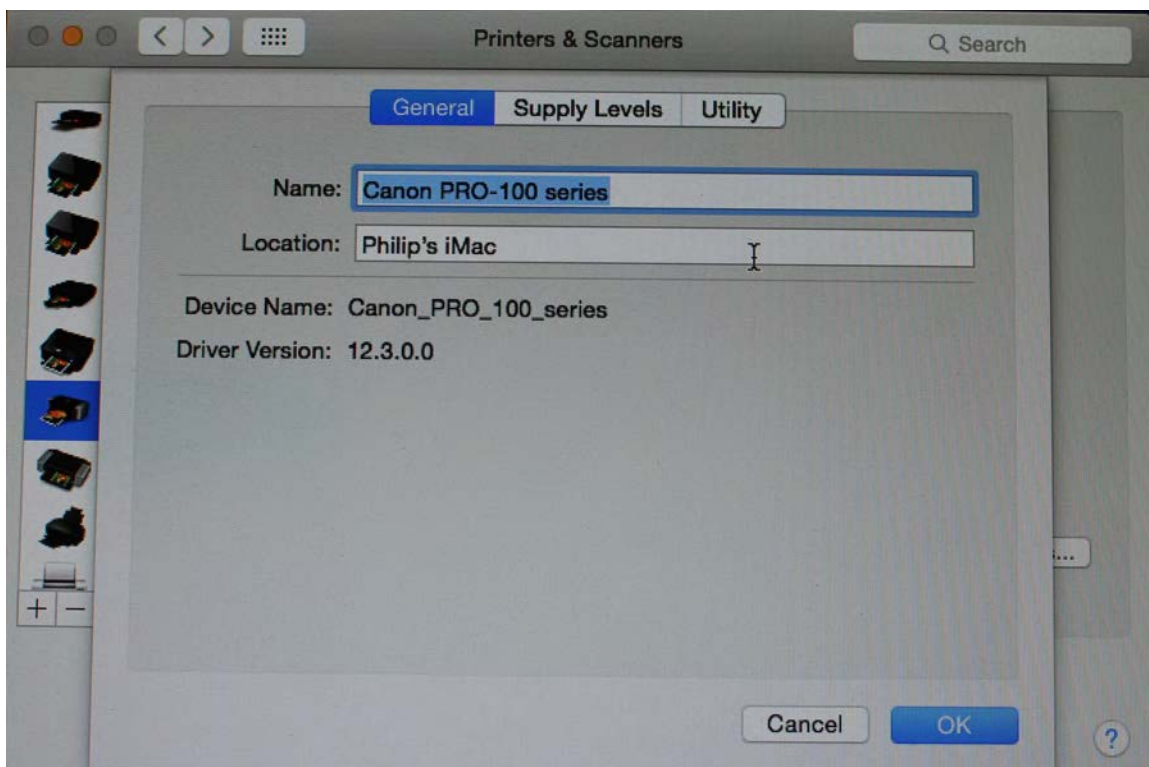
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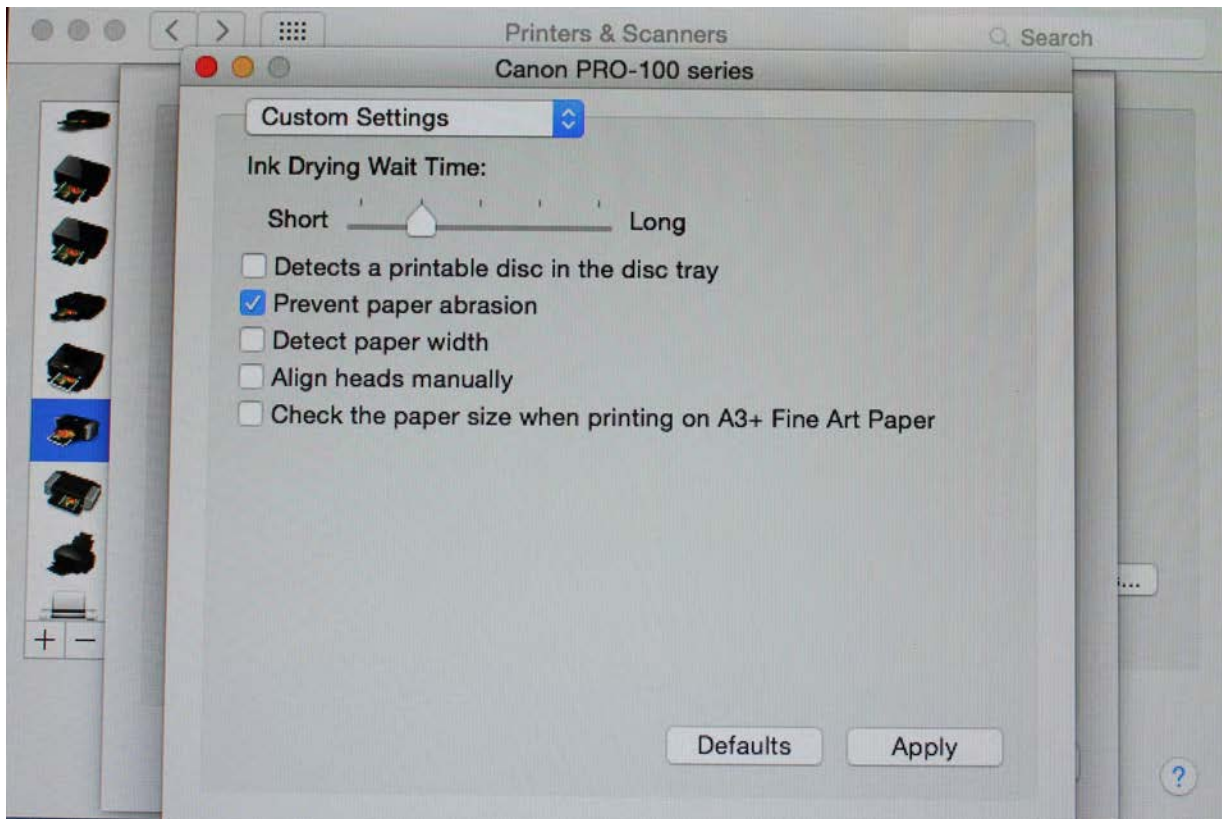
Simple Guide to “Prevent Paper Abrasion” Setting

APPLE: In printers and scanners select “Options and Supplies” then select “Utility.”

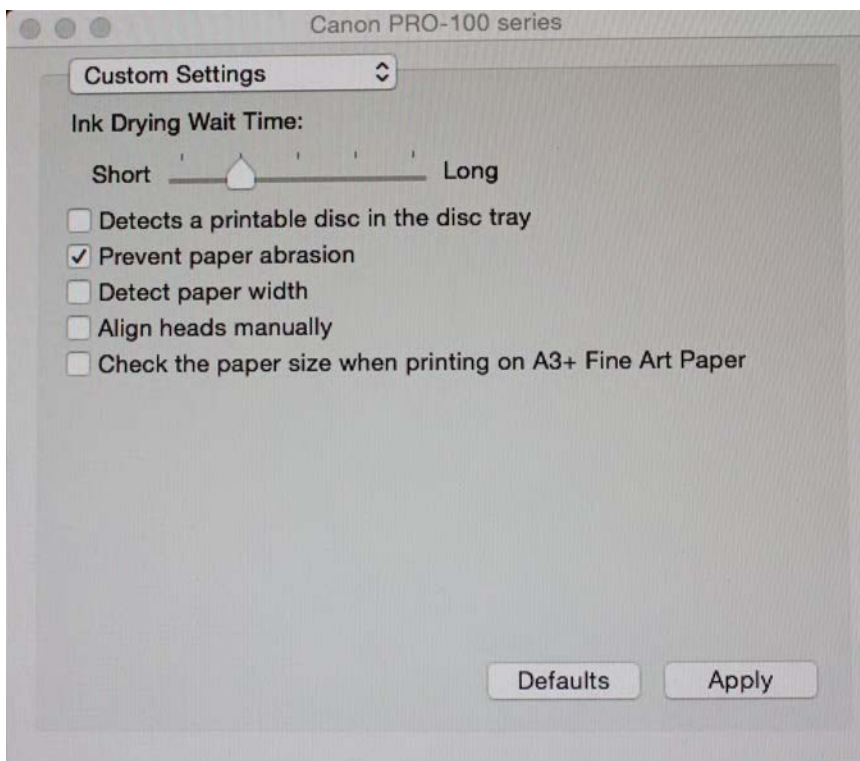


Next open “Printer Utility” and select “Custom Settings”





Tick “Prevent Paper Abrasion” only
and reduce “Ink Drying” Time 1 notch toward “Short”



Apply / OK

Canon Desktop Printers

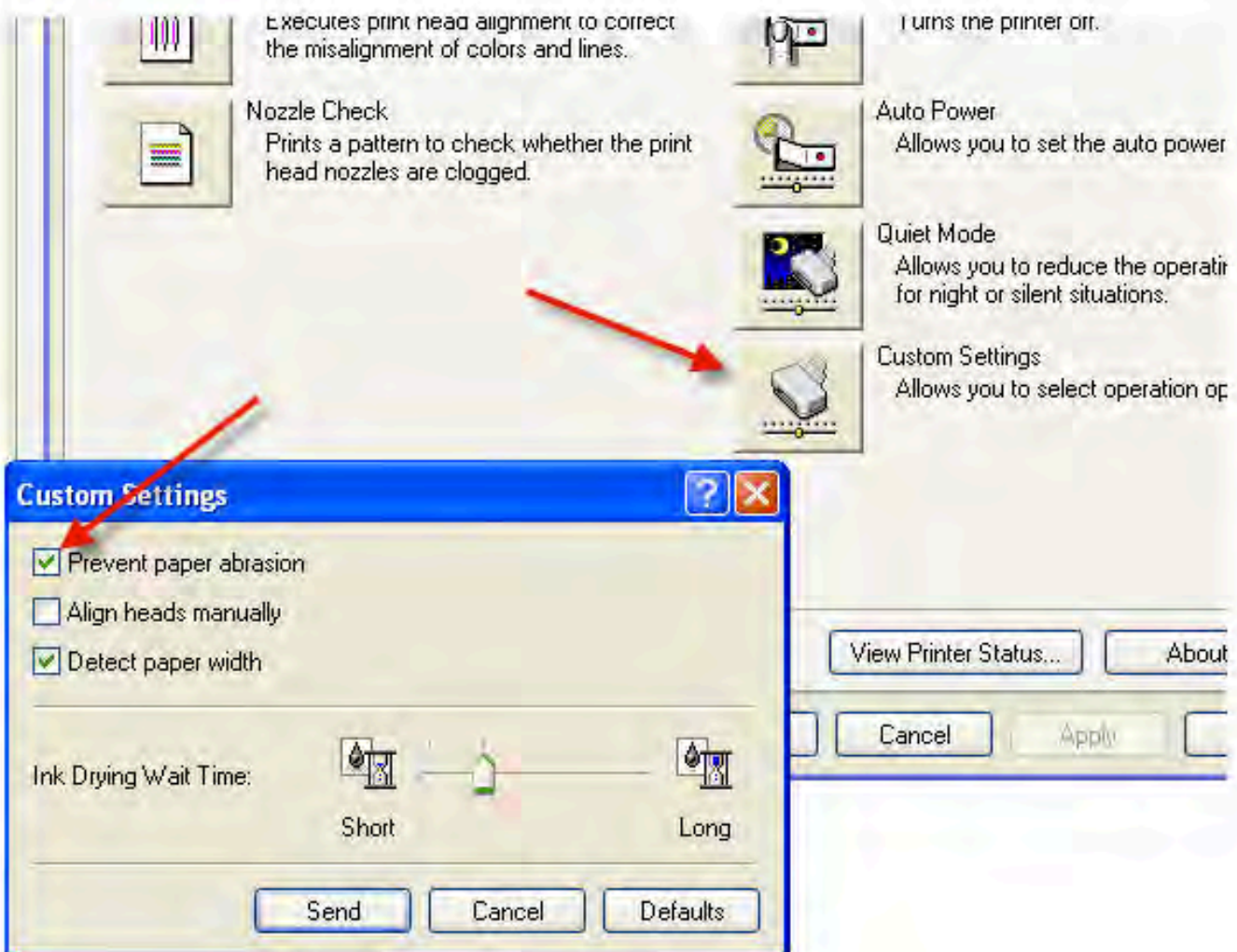
Canon desktop printers have a Prevent Paper Abrasion to minimize head strikes with thick paper.

On a PC go to the printer preferences.

Locate the Maintenance Tab

Locate and click the CUSTOM SETTINGS button

On the next menu click the PREVENT PAPER ABRASION check box.



And reduce "Ink Drying" Time 1 notch toward "Short"