Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7

What's new guide for Fiery Command WorkStation Package 6.7



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Overview of Fiery Command WorkStation

Fiery® Command WorkStation®, the print job management interface for Fiery servers, makes printing more productive and powerful. It centralizes job management, connects to all Fiery servers on the network, and improves productivity. The intuitive interface simplifies job management, regardless of the user's level of experience.

Full cross-platform Apple® macOS® and Microsoft® Windows® support provides a consistent look and feel, plus the same functionality across computing platforms. A fully functional remote connection to a Fiery server provides the same quality results for server administration as with a local connection. Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 supports Fiery servers running FS150/FS150 Pro and above, Fiery Central 2.9 and above, and Fiery XF 7 and above.



Download version 6.7 of Command WorkStation at www.efi.com/CWS.

High-speed inkjet printer users should contact their printer manufacturer for information on how to upgrade to the latest version of Fiery Command WorkStation available to them.

About this release

Version 6.7 introduces a wealth of new productivity, management, color & imaging, and connection functions that make Fiery Command WorkStation more efficient than ever before.

Fiery Command WorkStation Package 6.7

Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 is part of the Fiery Command WorkStation Package. The download and installation process for this package is handled by the Fiery Software Manager.

The package includes:

Fiery Command WorkStation

Centralizes job management by controlling any Fiery Driven TM cutsheet, wide, superwide, or high-speed inkjet printers on the network for improved real-time productivity.

Fiery Command WorkStation Package 6.7 includes the following optional makeready software for cutsheet printer users: Fiery Impose, Fiery Compose, and Fiery JobMasterTM. Prepress software options include: Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition, Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package¹, Fiery ColorRight Package¹, Fiery Automation Package¹, and Fiery Productivity Package.

Fiery Hot Folders - cutsheet and high-speed inkjet only

Automates repetitive tasks for job submission processes on cutsheet printers, saving time and reducing print errors with a simple drag-and-drop operation.



¹ Only available for Fiery FS400/FS400 Pro servers and higher.



Fiery Software Uninstaller - macOS only

Easily removes Fiery applications (Fiery Command WorkStation Package, Fiery Color Profiler Suite, Fiery Remote Scan, Fiery FreeForm Create™, EFI ColorGuard Desktop, and EFI™ Cloud Connector), printers, and associated print drivers/files on macOS clients.

Fiery workflow software in Fiery Software Manager

In addition to the Command WorkStation Package, the Fiery Software Manager also facilitates the installation of the following Fiery applications:

Fiery FreeForm Create - cutsheet and high-speed inkjet

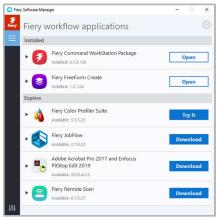
Create personalized jobs using Fiery FreeForm VDP technology. Easily add variable elements such as text, images, and barcodes to existing files.

Fiery Remote Scan - cutsheet only

This application allows users to retrieve scan jobs and automatically synchronize scan mailboxes on supported Fiery servers with a user's desktop computer.

Fiery JobFlow - Windows only

Fiery JobFlow[™] enables prepress workflow automation for streamlined job processing and printing. Start with the free Fiery JobFlow Base to manage workflows including PDF conversion, Fiery Preflight¹, image enhancement²,



Fiery Software Manager

document imposition³; plus flexible options for job submission, archiving, and output. Upgrade to the paid Fiery JobFlow version to add more intelligence with rules-based workflows; advanced preflight and PDF editing, powered by Enfocus PitStop technology; and cloud-based JobFlow approval processes for maximum efficiency.

Fiery Color Profiler Suite

This software provides integrated color management functions and quality control for print systems. It extends the color capabilities of Fiery Driven printers with the most advanced color management tools available for profile creation, inspection, editing, and color quality assurance. Modular functions ensure color accuracy and consistency across design, print production, and office applications for all types of substrates — while increasing productivity and return on investment.

Adobe Acrobat Pro 2017 and Enfocus PitStop Edit 2019 kit

To use Fiery Impose, Compose, and JobMaster makeready applications with Adobe® Acrobat® Pro and Enfocus PitStop Edit; you need an activated license installed on the same computer. As of Fiery Command WorkStation version 6.5.0.292 and above, you can use your own software subscription for Adobe Acrobat DC with Fiery makeready applications. Alternatively, you can purchase the EFI Adobe Acrobat Pro 2017 and Enfocus PitStop Edit 2019 software option kit from your Fiery reseller or the EFITM eStore.

Fiery Integration Package - Windows client only, for cutsheet

The Fiery Integration Package includes Fiery JDF and Fiery API. The Windows application can update both Windows and Linux-based Fiery servers. Users must select "Show additional features" in Fiery Software Manager Preferences to see the Fiery Integration Package and download it.



¹ Requires Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition, Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package, or the Fiery Automation Package

² Requires Fiery Image Enhance Visual Editor

³ Requires Fiery Impose



Specifications for Fiery Command WorkStation Package

Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 and Fiery Hot Folders can connect to:

Fiery servers running Fiery system software:

- FS150/FS150 Pro, FS200/FS200 Pro, FS300/FS300 Pro, FS350/350 Pro, and FS400/FS400 Pro
- Fiery Central 2.9 and above
- Fiery XF 7 and above

For client computers, the requirements to install Fiery Command WorkStation and Fiery Hot Folders are:

macOS clients:

- macOS 10.14 and newer
- 4 GB of RAM or more recommended
- 7 GB of available hard drive space
- Minimum display resolution:
 - For cutsheet users: 1280 x 1024
 - For wide and superwide users: 1600 x 900

Windows clients:

- Microsoft Windows 10, 64-bit, and newer
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016 64-bit
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019
- Intel[®] Core™ i3 processor or above
- 4 GB or more of RAM
- 16 GB of available hard drive space
- Minimum display resolution:
 - o For cutsheet users: 1280 x 1024
 - o For wide and superwide users: 1600 x 900

Learn how to downgrade from version 6.x to version 5.8 at http://fiery.efi.com/cws58-reinstall-help.





New features overview

Continuing the tradition of delivering new value to Fiery users, version 6.7 delivers a range of new features in all Fiery innovation areas including productivity, color & imaging, management, and connection.

New features in this release:

- More ways to find jobs and easier ways to set files up for print
- Faster ways to get spot colors and images right first time
- Tools and functions for even better workflow automation
- New connections to Fiery products and resources

New features in Fiery Command WorkStation Package 6.7

Productivity	Color & Imaging	Management	Connection
 Job search across all servers* Faster installation of monthly updates* Enhanced job import for Fiery XF*** 	- Fiery ImageViewer¹ • Raster Preview controls in ImageViewer • Measure tool and ruler • Show document and substrate sizes - Fiery Spot Pro² • Spot color optimization report • Optimize all colors • Usability improvements • Variations for multiple spot colors** • Additional variation swatches**	 Tags enhancements Fiery Hot Folders support for FreeForm Plus files Fiery XF SMSA expiration notifications*** 	 Fiery Central connectivity Fiery XF documentation in Help menu***

- * Feature for all users of Fiery Command WorkStation including cutsheet, wide and superwide, and high-speed inkjet. Note that some high-speed inkjet features are printer specific.
- ** Feature only available for high-speed inkjet printer users. Note that some high-speed inkjet features are printer specific.
- *** Feature only available for wide to superwide printer users.

Note: Features vary by print engine model. Please refer to the individual product datasheet or feature matrix to find out exactly which features are available.

² Available as part of Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition, Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package, and Fiery ColorRight Package



¹ Available as part of Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition, Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package, Fiery ColorRight Package, and Fiery Productivity Package



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Job search across all servers

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Operators can now more easily locate Fiery print jobs anywhere in a print shop. With Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7, they can search for jobs across all connected Fiery servers. Accessed from the simple search function, jobs can be found based on the following criteria:

Copies

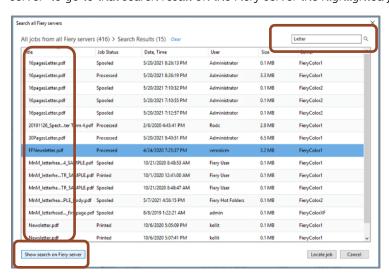
- Title
- Job Status
- Date, Time
- User
- Size



Workflow

Server

Users can sort the resulting list by any of the columns in the search window. Double-click a job to exit the search window, and automatically highlight that job on the relevant Fiery server. Choose "Show search results on Fiery server" to go to that search result on the Fiery server the highlighted job is on.



Job search window showing results across multiple connected Fiery servers

In the search window, users can clear the search box to start a fresh search across all connected servers.

The "Search all Fiery servers" feature could also be used to show all jobs submitted by a particular user, or how many jobs are processed and ready to print across all Fiery servers.

Watch the video to learn more.

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Workspace

Search all Fiery servers

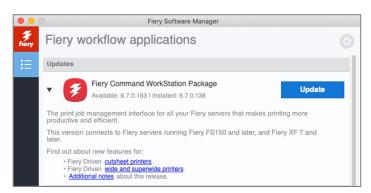
Printer





Faster installation of monthly updates

Fiery Command WorkStation monthly updates now install faster on Microsoft® Windows® platforms on both Fiery servers and client computers. The new "incremental" installers only need to install changed components making monthly updates install faster than before. This allows print production to restart more quickly after updates are performed. Full Command WorkStation installations are now only needed when going up a full version, for example, version 6.6.xxx to version 6.7.xxx.



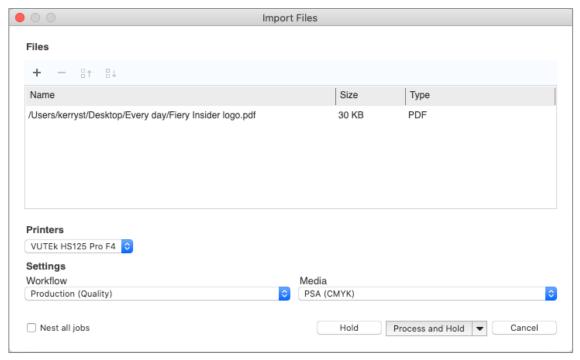
Fiery Software Manager showing a monthly incremental update





Enhanced job import for Fiery XF

To import jobs more quickly onto Fiery XF servers, we've improved the Import Files dialog box. Now, it only shows the options needed to send a job to the correct printer and workflow, with the correct media selected. This change reduces clicks, and potentially reduces errors when importing print jobs.



Enhanced job import dialog box for Fiery XF





Color & Imaging

Fiery ImageViewer enhancements

Page level controls in ImageViewer

With the integration of Raster Preview controls in ImageViewer, users now have a single interface for adjusting color and performing simple page-level edits in RIPped files. This greatly improves efficiency and usability.

New functions in ImageViewer include:

- Reorder pages in thumbnail view
- Display thumbnails as sheet surfaces
- Delete pages
- Duplicate pages
- Select all pages
- Move pages between documents (cut/copy/paste, drag and drop)



Users can preview VDP jobs as record sets, though reorder/delete/duplicate page functions are not available.





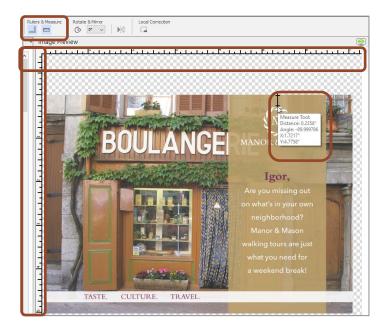
Users with a license for one of the Fiery Graphic Arts Packages¹ can access this unified interface by right-clicking on a job and selecting either Preview or ImageViewer.

1. Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition, Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package, Fiery ColorRight Package, or Fiery Productivity Package

Measure tool and ruler

ImageViewer now provides an option to show a ruler on the X and Y axis of the Image Preview pane. Users can configure the ruler to show different units.

A new measure tool allows users to measure the distance between two specific points on the page. This is especially useful for high-speed inkjet customers when setting image shift or offsets.



Show document and substrate sizes

Hovering over the Page Information pane now shows page (Document (high-speed inkjet only)) and substrate (Media) sizes.



Example for high-speed inkjet Fiery servers

Example for cutsheet Fiery servers

Watch the video to learn more.

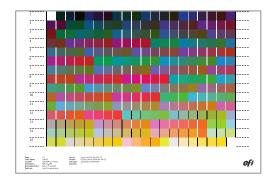




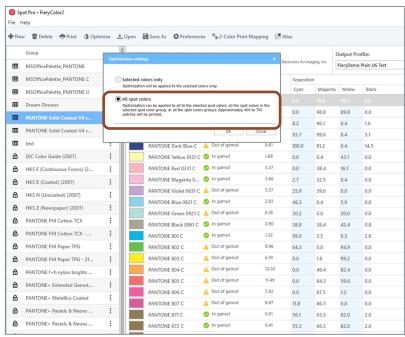
Fiery Spot Pro enhancements

Optimize all colors

It's now easy to optimize any set of spot colors for a specific profile, using a subset of swatches. For example, now users can choose to optimize one or more spot color groups, or all spot colors, in just one step. This saves time and makes it easier to ensure that spot colors are optimized for a desired profile and media.



Optimization chart



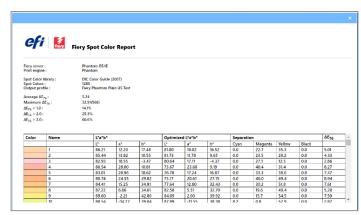
New options in Fiery Spot Pro enable optimization for more colors

Spot color optimization report improvements

The new, expanded Spot Pro spot color optimization report provides additional detail, both about individual colors and at the group level.

New details include:

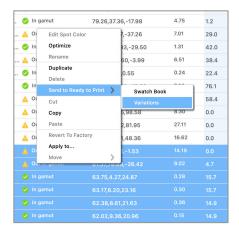
- Average and maximum estimated delta E (dE) values across the group of optimized spot colors
- Percentage of colors that fall within 1, 2, or 3 dE
- A breakdown of L*a*b values, optimized L*a*b values, and dE values, for each optimized color



View more details about optimized spot colors







Variations for multiple spot colors

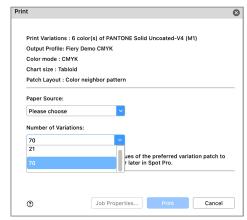
The variations feature in Spot Pro allows users to visually select a better match to a desired spot color. With it, users can view and select variations for any number of colors within one or more groups. Operators can also choose to print variations for multiple colors on the same sheet.

Available for Fiery servers driving high-speed inkjet printers

Additional variation swatches

Users now can choose to print up to 70 different patches for spot color variations. This provides a broader visual range of colors to choose from to match a desired spot color, and is ideal for users who prefer a visual approach to color matching.

Available for Fiery servers driving high-speed inkjet printers



Choose up 70 patches when printing variations

Usability improvements

Color accuracy (whether a color is in or out of a printer's gamut) is now separate from the dE column. This allows users to more quickly see the gamut status of a specific color at a glance.

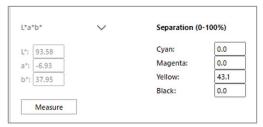


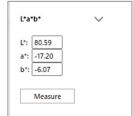
The new color accuracy column





L*a*b editing controls are now also easier. Now, there's a single L*a*b value to edit for custom colors. And for colors in default libraries, L*a*b values are locked and not editable (though they can be edited if the color is copied to a new group).





Locked L*a*b values for colors in default libraries

Single set of L*a*b values for custom colors

Watch the video to learn more.

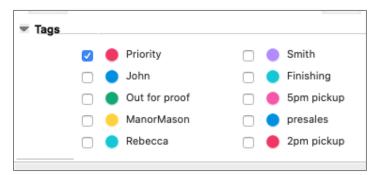




Management

Job Tags enhancements

The assignment of tags to jobs can now be automated. Tags can now be applied to jobs within the Job Properties dialog box, and therefore saved as part of a Server Preset. Selecting a Server Preset with tags included as part of a Fiery Hot Folder, Virtual Printer, or within Fiery JobFlow, and when importing jobs, means that jobs will arrive at a Fiery server with a tag or tags automatically applied. Tags "connect" Fiery print jobs to non-Fiery parts of production, processes, people, customers, etc. or any other custom attribute useful to a job's journey through production.



Tags applied to a job in Job Properties



Tags column added to the Job List

Tag information is now visible in a dedicated column within the Job List. Once a user adds the column, they can sort the list in ascending or descending alphanumeric order. Where multiple tags are assigned to a job, they are displayed and listed in the order they were applied to a job.

This feature is only available for Fiery servers running cutsheet printers.

Watch the video to learn more.



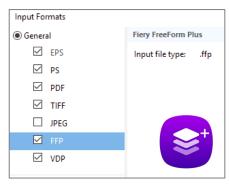


Fiery Hot Folders support for Fiery FreeForm Plus files

Customers with FS400 and newer servers, using Fiery FreeForm Create, generate <u>Fiery FreeForm Plus</u> files. Now they can submit those files directly to the Fiery server from FreeForm Create, or save them as a standalone file package (.ffp).

They can also now use these standalone .ffp packages with Fiery Hot Folders to automate FreeForm Create job submission to the Fiery server. This makes applying attributes like Server Presets or imposition templates fast and efficient.

Watch the video to learn more.

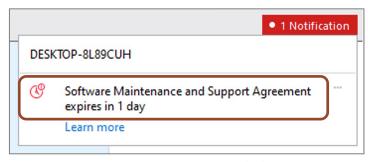


Fiery FreeForm Plus (.ffp) file format available in Fiery Hot Folders

Fiery XF Software Maintenance & Support Agreement expiration notifications

Users now see notifications before the expiration of their Fiery XF Software Maintenance & Support Agreement (SMSA). Notifications are shown at 90, 60, 30, 15, 10, and 1 day prior to SMSA expiration for that server.

This feature is only available for Fiery servers running wide to superwide printers.



Notification showing an upcoming Fiery XF SMSA expiration





Connection

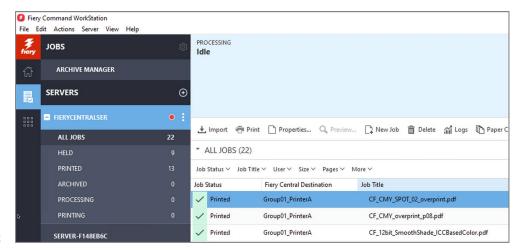
Fiery Central connectivity

Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 can now connect to Fiery Central servers running version 2.9 software and above. This means that Fiery Central users can take advantage of the latest Fiery Command WorkStation functionalities and connect to Fiery servers running newer Fiery system software — all from the same client.

Notes: Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 supports one printer group on a Fiery Central server. If a Fiery Central server has more than one printer group, only the first group will be available in Command WorkStation.

Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 does not support the creation of signed printer drivers for printer groups.

For further information about configuring Fiery Central with Command WorkStation 6.7 contact FieryCentralSupport@efi.com.



Fiery Command WorkStation 6.7 connected to a Fiery Central server

Fiery XF documentation in Help menu

Users can now access help documents for Fiery XF from the Fiery Command WorkStation Help menu. Version 7.2.3 and above documentation, including Customer Release Notes and Fiery Command WorkStation help, are all in the same convenient location. The contents are relevant to the Fiery XF server and Command WorkStation versions, and are available in all supported languages. Help documents for cutsheet printers are already available from Fiery Command WorkStation 6.5 and above.

This feature is new for wide and superwide Fiery users.



Fiery XF help documents shown in a web browser





Modified or removed functions

Fiery Compose to JobMaster upgrade option no longer displayed on License Activation page

The end-of-sale Fiery Compose to JobMaster upgrade LAC (License Activation Code) option has been removed from the client License Activation page. Users will no longer see the option in the list of available LAC types for activation. If a user already has the Compose to JobMaster upgrade LAC option, they can still activate it. At this point, it will be displayed as an activated option.

Fiery Impose and Compose dongle trade-in program extended

Fiery Command WorkStation version 6.6 and 6.7 no longer support dongle-based licenses. It instead supports LAC software-based licenses for Fiery Impose, Fiery Compose, or Fiery SeeQuence Suite (Fiery Impose-Compose). Users will need to replace the dongle-based license with an LAC license to continue using these Fiery products with Fiery Command WorkStation 6.6 and above to take advantage of the latest features.

EFI has extended the dongle trade-in program to October 31, 2021, to help users switch over to the LAC software-based licensing.

The first step is to visit <u>efi.com/FieryDongleTradeIn</u> and fill out a request form. After, an email will be sent within 3 business days with a 45-day term license to use during processing. The product dongle will need to be mailed to an EFI return location within 10 days of receiving the temporary product license. Once EFI receives and verifies the dongle, we'll send an email with a 1-year term license. Before users trade in the dongle, it is important to verify that their Fiery server supports Fiery Command WorkStation 6.6 or 6.7 (check the <u>supported printers list</u>).

Keep the dongle-based license with previous versions of Command WorkStation

If a user wants to continue using their Fiery product without replacing the dongle, they can do so with Fiery Command WorkStation 6.5 or previous versions.

No warning for incompatible Fiery Impose and Compose dongle-based licenses for Mac users

As of Command WorkStation 6.6 and above, only License Activation Code licenses are supported for Fiery Impose, Compose, and SeeQuence Suite. Dongle-based licenses are not supported. Windows machines will warn users not to install Command WorkStation 6.7 if they want to continue using their Fiery product dongle license, but Mac users will not see this warning in the Fiery Software Manager for Command WorkStation 6.7.





Additional resources

Use this list of sales, training, and technical resources to help you broaden your knowledge of Fiery Command WorkStation, plus related products and applications.

Fiery Command WorkStation main webpage	efi.com/cws
Fiery Command WorkStation download	fiery.efi.com/cws
Fiery Impose 30-day free trial request	efi.com/impose
Fiery JobMaster 30-day free trial request	efi.com/jobmaster
Fiery Compose 30-day free trial request	efi.com/compose
Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition 30-day	efi.com/gappe
free trial request (FS200 Pro/FS300 Pro/FS350 Pro external Fiery servers)	
Fiery Graphic Arts Pro Package 30-day free trial request	efi.com/gapro
(FS400 Pro and above external Fiery servers)	
Fiery ColorRight Package 30-day free trial request	efi.com/colorright
(FS400 Pro and above embedded Fiery servers)	
Fiery Automation Package 30-day free trial request	efi.com/fieryautomation
(FS400 Pro and above embedded Fiery servers)	
Fiery JobFlow 30-day free trial request	efi.com/jobflow
Fiery makeready solutions comparison (Fiery Impose,	fiery.efi.com/makeready-comparison
Compose, and JobMaster)	
Fiery FreeForm Create page (download Fiery FreeForm	efi.com/freeformcreate
Kit, access product information and demo videos)	
Training resources at Learning@EFI	<u>learning.efi.com</u>
EFI Communities	https://communities.efi.com/
Fiery Command WorkStation Help documentation	http://help.efi.com/cwspackage/index.html

