Quick Setup Guide

Read the "Safety Sheet" first to ensure that you use this printer safely. Read this "Quick Setup Guide" before you set up the printer. 

Before you can use the printer, you must complete the hardware setup and install the driver.

- Identify the operating system on your computer (Windows® 95/98/Me, Windows NT® 4.0, Windows® 2000 or Macintosh® OS versions 8.5.1, 8.6, 9.0 and 9.0.4).
- An interface cable is not a standard accessory. Please purchase the appropriate interface cable for the interface you intend to use (Parallel, USB or Network).
- Follow the instructions in this guide for your operating system and interface.

Carton components

Carton components may differ from one country to another. 

Save all packing materials and the printer carton. They should be saved for re-use when shipping the printer.

You can get a variety of information from this CD-ROM.

What is included on the CD-ROM

You can easily access user support web page.

Brother Solutions Center

You can view the videos before getting started.

Maintenance Tutorial

See the maintenance videos for this printer.

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Make Disk Sets (For Windows® only)

If you do not have a CD-ROM drive, copy the contents of the CD-ROM to floppy disks.

For all users

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For Windows® users only

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2 Select the language you want.
3 Click the Initial Setup icon.
4 You can view the Initial Setup instructions.

For Macintosh® with Network users only

1 Insert the CD-ROM into the CD-ROM drive.
2 Double-click the Initial Setup icon.
3 Select the language you want.
4 You can view the Initial Setup instructions.

Step 2 Remove the protective parts.

For Windows® users only

1 Remove the protective part from the paper exit of the printer.
2 Open the top cover of the printer.
3 Remove the protective part from the printer.
4 Close the top cover of the printer.

For Macintosh® with Network users only

1 Pull out the paper cassette, and then remove the protective part from the cassette.
2 Re-install the paper cassette into the printer.

Step 3 Install the toner cartridge.

For Windows® users only

1 Open the top cover of the printer.
2 Unpack the toner cartridge.
3 Bend the tab up and down several times at a 45˚ angle.
4 Install the toner cartridge firmly into the printer.
5 Close the top cover of the printer.

For Macintosh® with Network users only

1 Install the toner cartridge firmly into the printer.
2 Close the top cover of the printer.

Step 4 Load paper in the paper cassette.

For Windows® users only

1 Pull the paper cassette completely out of the printer.
2 While pressing the paper guide release lever, slide the adjusters to fit the paper size.
3 Load paper into the paper cassette.
4 Re-install the paper cassette into the printer.

For Macintosh® with Network users only

1 Load paper into the paper cassette. Check that the paper is flat in the tray and below the maximum paper mark.
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3 Note: For Legal size paper, press the universal guide release button and pull out the back of the paper cassette.
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Continue to the reverse side.
Step 5  Print a test page.

1. Make sure that the printer power switch is off. Connect the AC power cord to the printer. Do NOT connect the interface cable.
2. Plug the AC power cord into an AC outlet. Turn the power switch on.
3. After the printer has finished warming up, the READY message appears.
4. Press the Go switch. The printer prints a test page. Check that the test page has printed correctly.

Note: When you have ready to set the Control Panel message language, refer to the Control Panel section at the bottom of this sheet.

Follow the instructions for your interface cable and operating system.

For Parallel interface cable users (For Windows® users only)

Step 6  Connect the printer to your PC & Install the printer driver.

1. Click "Connect the interface cable and install the printer driver / utilities."
2. Select the parallel interface cable.
3. Turn the printer power switch off.
4. Connect the interface cable to your PC, and then connect it to the printer.
5. Turn the printer power switch on.

Note: If "Add New Hardware Wizard" appears, click the Cancel button.

For USB interface cable users (For Windows® users only)

Step 6  Install the driver & Connect the printer to your PC.

1. Click "Connect the interface cable and install the printer driver / utilities."
2. Select the USB cable. Follow the on-screen instructions.
3. Click the Next button.
4. Connect the USB interface cable to your PC, and then connect it to the printer.
5. Turn the printer power switch on.

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For Macintosh® users

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For Network users

If you want to connect your printer using a Network cable, refer to the Quick Network Setup Guide. After the administrator has made the required settings, install the driver referring to the "Installing the Driver for Network users" section of the Quick Network Setup Guide.

Data LED  Orange
On  Data remains in the printer buffer.
Processing  Receiving or processing data.
Off  No remaining data.

Switches
Go  Exit from the control panel menu, reprint settings and clear error messages.
Pause / Continue printing.
Job Cancel  Stop and cancel the printer operation in progress.
Reprint  Select the reprint menu.
+  Move forward and backward though menus.
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Set  Select the control panel menu.
Menu  Set the selected menus and the settings.
Back  Go back one level in the menu structure.

Language Setting (Default is English)
1. Select the SETUP mode by pressing the * switch, and then press the Set switch.
2. Check that the LANGUAGE message appears, and then press the Set switch.
3. Choose your language by pressing the # or * switch, and then press the Set switch. An asterisk mark (*) appears at the end of the display.

(You can return to the READY status by pressing the Go switch.)

Note: 1. A real time clock is built into this printer. Set the time referring to Chapter 3 of the User’s Guide on the CD-ROM. You need to set the time before you can use the log management and reprint functions.
2. Please enhance the RAMDISK size when you want to use the reprint functions without the optional HDD or CompactFlash.
3. See RAM expansion in Chapter 4 of the User’s Guide.

Control Panel

For more information, see "CONTROL PANEL", in Chapter 3 of the User’s Guide on the supplied CD-ROM.

Step 7  (For Windows® 2000 users only) Set up your PC printer port.

1. After your PC has restarted, click Start, Setting and Printers.
2. Select the Brother HL-2460 series (copy2) icon.
3. Click the File menu, and then select Set as Default printer. The setup is now complete.

For USB interface cable users (For Windows® users only)

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