

## Modern Printing Made Simple

Smarter. More Secure. Ready for the Future.



Microsoft's latest printing innovations, including **Windows Protected Print Mode** and **Microsoft Universal Print**, are designed to make Windows printing more secure and easier to manage. Together, they streamline print environments, help minimize security risks and give organizations better visibility and control over their devices.



### Windows Protected Print Mode

#### A New Level of Print Security

Windows Protected Print Mode (WPP) is Microsoft's latest way to protect your business from printer related security risks. It enhances security by eliminating the need for third-party drivers.

#### Key Benefits:

- **Simplify Printing** – Since no third party print drivers are required, organizations benefit from faster setup and a more secure printing environment.
- **Consistent Experience** – Ensures predictable, high-quality printing across different devices and manufacturers.
- **Built into Windows** – Security is part of the operating system.
- **Compatible** – WPP works with Sharp's color and monochrome printers and MFPs, and includes enhanced finishing capabilities when coupled with the Sharp Print Support App (PSA).

For business owners and IT administrators, this means **peace of mind** and a safer print environment without added effort.



### Microsoft Universal Print

#### Cloud Printing Without the Complexity

Microsoft Universal Print is a cloud-based printing solution that removes the need for traditional localized print servers and complicated software. Sharp printers are compatible with Microsoft Universal Print.

#### What this means for your business:

- **Print from anywhere** – Employees can securely print whether they're in the office or working remotely.
- **No print servers to manage** – Less hardware, fewer IT headaches and reduced costs.
- **Simple setup** – Sharp printers are easy to add and manage through Microsoft. No need to install separate drivers.
- **Better control** – Decide who can print and where. Manage your entire fleet through your Microsoft 365 Management console.
- **Built for growth** – Easily add users or locations without added complexity.
- **Better security** – Users can securely release documents at a chosen device following authentication.

Microsoft Universal Print helps businesses simplify printing while supporting flexible, modern workstyles.

## How to Prepare for Microsoft's New Print Solutions

You don't need to be technical to get ready—just a smart plan. Preparing now helps avoid rushed upgrades, security gaps and unexpected costs later.

### Evaluate Your Current Environment

- Confirm printer compatibility with WPP and Microsoft Universal Print.
- Verify your network can support secure, cloud based printing.

### Plan a Smooth Transition to Microsoft Universal Print and WPP

- Start with a pilot group to test functionality and address any issues early.
- Deploy in phases to reduce disruption and ensure a seamless rollout.

### Enable Users with Training and Support

- Educate end users on how to access printers and manage print jobs.
- Equip IT teams with guidance on setup, permissions and troubleshooting.



## How Sharp Helps Support the Implementation of These Solutions

Sharp printers are designed to work seamlessly with Microsoft's modern print technologies—helping your business transition smoothly and confidently.

### Sharp works with Windows Protected Print Mode:

The Sharp Print Support App (Sharp PSA) provides the specific feature set, such as finishing, media or color modes, within the WPP, a secure, driverless environment.

### Sharp works with Microsoft Universal Print in two simple ways:

- Newer Sharp MFPs can connect directly to Microsoft Universal Print.
- Older or non ready printers can still work using a small connector installed on a PC.

### With Sharp, you get:

- **Universal Print ready printers** – Many Sharp devices connect directly to Microsoft's cloud printing platform.
- **Support for older devices** – A Microsoft Universal Print connector, which provides centralized management and driverless deployment, is available for older or non-ready models.
- **Extended print functionality** – The Sharp PSA delivers the rich features that lived in traditional print drivers, such as finishing and secure printing.
- **Security focused design** – Printing is aligned with Microsoft's latest protection standards.
- **Expert guidance** – Sharp helps assess, plan and implement the right solution for your business.



Microsoft Universal Print



## Print Smarter. Print More Securely. Print with Confidence.

Sharp and Microsoft make modern printing simple—so you can focus on running your business, not managing technology.



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