

FirstPROOF v2.1.2 Release Notes

The 2.1.2 release of FirstPROOF is a minor update containing a number of bugs fixes and small improvements.

1. Changes and Fixes To FirstPROOF:

1. The speed of loading/saving the data in the Color Manager has been substantially improved. Previously, working with large numbers of colors (e.g. Pantone Tables) caused it to load/save very slowly whenever the table was modified.

2. Changes and Fixes To FirstPROOF PGB:

1. The (base) RIP Port number can now be set for RIP Inputs by 'opening' up the "Advanced/More" section in FirstPROOFs "Configure RIP Input" dialog. If the (base) port number is changed here, then the two socket inputs in the Harlequin RIP that are produced by "HMR Config Installer.ps" need modifying accordingly. This allows targeting of multiple RIPs on a single machine, or simply using a specific pair of (adjacent) socket ports.
2. The "NumSeparations" field in Harlequin PGBs is now updated when separations are deleted.
3. The "HMR BootFile Installer.ps" code has been updated to work with ScriptWorks 5.3r0b and work around an issue in ScriptWorks v6 SP4.

3. Changes and Fixes To FirstPROOF TIFF:

1. Sub directories of TIFF Input & Output Folders are now scanned. This allows for workflows where TIFF files are put into a sub-directory which is named after the job. e.g. "D:\Nexus\job_1234\test_001c.tif" etc... The 'filename' "job_1234\test_001c.tif" is what is passed to the TIFF File Name Filter, which can then extract the job name/number and other information. Note that to match the directory separator, a '\' must be used on the PC (which will need escaping, so use '\\') and a ':' on the Mac.
2. Some issues in unpublished extensions to the TIFF File Name Filter have been fixed. Specifically, sub-modifiers now work correctly (e.g. %j="job_%4n").
3. TIFF File Name Filter options have been extended to include '%t' (Text). This allows for variable text extraction, where all the modifier restrictions and sub-modifiers can be used. The text is subsequently ignored (except any sub- modifiers are not ignored).

4. Changes and Fixes To FirstPROOF PLUS:

1. The "NumSeparations" field in Harlequin PGBs is now updated when separations are merged.
2. The down-sampling of reduced views when the new Dot Gain Tool is enabled has been substantially improved (~60% speedup). It was considered a little too slow before, whereas now it is considered fast (although slower than when the tool is disabled, but given the extra work it has to do, it is now as expected).

5. Mac/PC Changes and Fixes:

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