

Step-by-Step Instructions

(PRINT this set of instructions to follow every time you refill your cartridge)

Canon PG 240 and 240XL Black Pigment



Items Needed: Black Pigment Ink, Syringe with Needle Tip, Thumb Drill, Paper Towels, Gloves, Review Hints and Tips, and Check List.

Syringe: Attach needle tip to the syringe tightly. Unscrew lid on ink bottle. Puncture silver seal with needle tip making a small hole in the center of seal. Using the correct color pull the correct amount of ink into the syringe. Rinse syringe and needle tip after every use and before using syringe with another color. Rinse syringe and needle tip with water until the water runs clear.

Note: After refilling, your printer will read the cartridge as empty. You may have to hold down the paper-feed button for 5 seconds to override the ink level counter. Each time the cartridge is removed from the printer an "empty cartridge" message appears and blinking amber light will come on, on the printer. Holding the paper feed button down for 5 sec. will allow you to override the counter.

1. Put the cartridge on some paper towels in an area where you can tolerate a spill.
2. Peel off the top label.

3. You will see a very small vent hole in the middle of the cartridge. This hole is too small for a needle to go through. With the thumb drill, drill the hole larger.
4. Insert the black pigment ink using the syringe inside the fill-hole. S-l-o-w-l-y dispense up to 15ml of the black pigment ink into fill-hole. If ink begins to “bubble” out of the fill-hole, remove the bottle tip. Bubbling occurs when a cartridge is either over-filled or if the ink is being inserted too quickly. Wait several minutes and then try to slowly insert more ink. If ink begins to bubble out the fill-hole or leak from the printhead, you have plenty of ink in the cartridge. Holding the bottle upside down it is 5ml from the top to the first marker line and then 3ml each marker line.
5. Without the cartridge “printhead” touching the paper towels, place the refilled cartridge upright upon folded paper towels and tilt the cartridge at a slight angle. If the printhead on the cartridge is touching the paper towel, it could create a wicking effect that would pull the ink from your refilled cartridge. It is necessary for the cartridge to sit for at least 20 minutes after refilling because there may be some minor leakage from the cartridge. Never put a leaking cartridge back into your printer.
6. Do not plug fill-hole. If fill-hole is plugged, a slight vacuum is created. This can result in interrupted print or no print. Leave the cartridge vent hole open.
7. Check the ink flow by gently pressing a dry paper towel against the printhead. You should see a line or dot of black ink. If not, gently press a warm, wet paper towel against the printhead until the black is visible.
8. When black is visible on paper towel, place cartridge back into the printer and run 1 to 2 print tests.

Or print 2 pages at this test site

http://www.freeink4life.com/black_print_test.html Black Ink Test

http://www.freeink4life.com/color_print_test.html Color Ink Test

For best results, leave cartridge in printer for 8 hours after refilling so the ink can saturate the entire sponge (Allows ink to flow to the printhead).

PLEASE NOTE: If you have tried printing with your cartridge completely out of ink, you may have damaged the printhead. Inkjet printers work by heating a

resistor inside the printhead which heats the ink before it is sprayed onto the paper. If there is no ink to keep the resistors cool, you stand the chance of frying them. In your worst case you will need to buy a new cartridge.

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