HP Color LaserJet 2600n - Calibrating the printer



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Environmental differences or aging print cartridges might cause fluctuations in image density. The printer accounts for this with image stabilization control. The printer automatically calibrates at various times to maintain the highest level of print quality. Also request a calibration by using the HP Toolbox.

The printer does not interrupt a print job to calibrate. It waits until the job is complete before calibrating or cleaning. While the printer is calibrating, it pauses printing for the time that is required to complete the calibration.

**Calibrate the printer at the control panel of the printer**

1. Press the (LEFT ARROW) or (RIGHT ARROW) button until the display reads **System setup** and then press (SELECT).
2. Press the (LEFT ARROW) or (RIGHT ARROW) button until the display reads **Print quality** and then press (SELECT).
3. Press the (LEFT ARROW) or (RIGHT ARROW) button until the display reads **Calibrate color** and then press (SELECT).
4. Press the (LEFT ARROW) or (RIGHT ARROW) button until the display reads **Calibrate now** and then press (SELECT).
5. Press the (SELECT) button to confirm **Calibrate now.**

**Calibrate the printer from the HP Toolbox**

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|  | **NOTE:**  | This procedure applies to Windows operating systems only. Macintosh users should calibrate the printer manually using the procedure above. |

1. Open the HP Toolbox in one of these ways:
	* Double-click the **HP Toolbox** icon on the desktop.
	* Click **Start** , **Programs** or **All Programs** , **HP** , **HP Color LaserJet 2600n** , and then **HP Color LaserJet 2600n Toolbox** from the Desktop to open the HP Toolbox.
2. Click the **Troubleshooting tab** and then **Troubleshooting Tools** (on the left side of the screen).
3. Click **Calibrate now** in the Calibration section.

**Configure the calibration options**

1. Click **Start** , **Programs** or **All Programs** , **HP** , **HP Color LaserJet 2600n** , and then **HP Color LaserJet 2600n Toolbox** from the Desktop to open the HP Toolbox.
2. Click the **Device Settings** button.
3. Select the **Settings** tab.
4. Select the desired **Color Calibration** from the drop-down menu. Color Calibration determines the amount of time following printer power-up before the printer calibrates. For example, if the **Immediately** is selected, the printer will calibrate as soon as the printer is turned on. If the **15 Minutes** is selected, the printer will calibrate 15 minutes after the printer is turned on. The following options are available for Color Calibration.
	* Never
	* Immediately
	* 5 Minutes
	* 15 Minutes
	* 30 Minutes
	* 60 Minutes
5. Select the desired **Calibration Timing** from the drop-down menu. Calibration Timing determines the time between calibrations when the printer is left in a powered-on state. For example, if **12 hours** is selected, the printer will calibrate every 12 hours. The following options are available for Calibration Timing:
	* Off
	* 12 hours
	* 24 hours
	* 48 hours
	* 96 hours
	* 168 hours