Replacing Ink Cartridges

When the printer’s Ink check light is flashing, this indicates that the ink is low and you need to obtain a replacement ink cartridge. When the Ink check light remains on, this indicates that there is no more ink and you need to replace the empty ink cartridge. The LCD panel also displays İNK LOV or İNK OUT.

Note:
Even if only one ink cartridge is empty, the printer cannot continue to print.

Epson recommends the use of genuine Epson ink cartridges. Other products not manufactured by Epson may cause damage to your printer not covered by Epson’s warranties. For detailed information on ink cartridges, see “Ink cartridges” on page 361.

To check the product codes of ink cartridges, see “Consumable Products” on page 368.

To replace an ink cartridge, follow the steps below.

Caution:
Leave the old ink cartridge installed in the printer until you are ready to replace it with a new one.

1. Make sure the printer is on. Find out which cartridge needs to be replaced, as indicated by the steady or flashing the Ink check light and the target ink icon.
2. Open the ink compartment cover by pushing it.

3. Raise the ink levers to the released position.
4. Carefully pull the empty cartridge straight out of the printer.

![Image of printer with cartridge removed]

**Warning:**
If ink gets on your hands, wash them thoroughly with soap and water. If ink gets into your eyes, flush them immediately with water.

**Caution:**
Do not shake cartridges (that have been installed previously) with too much force.

5. Make sure the replacement ink cartridge is the correct color, and remove it from the package. Shake the ink cartridge well before installing it for best results.

![Image of ink cartridge being shaken]
Note:
A protection system is provided to prevent improper cartridge insertion. If you cannot insert the ink cartridge smoothly, the type of cartridge may be incorrect. Check the package and product code.

6. Hold the ink cartridge with the arrow mark facing up and pointing to the rear of the printer, and then insert it into the slot. Do not force the cartridge in further by hand.

Note:
- If the Ink check light remains on, this indicates the ink cartridge may not be installed correctly. Remove the ink cartridge and then reinsert it as described above.

- If you install an ink cartridge in the wrong slot, the ink icon of the slot that you installed wrong ink cartridge blinks on the LCD. Make sure that the correct ink cartridge is installed in the correct slot.
7. Lower the ink lever to the secured position.

8. Close the ink compartment cover. The printer returns to the previous status.
Converting the Black Ink Cartridges

You can change the black ink according to your purpose. You can choose either Matte Black or Photo Black.

⚠️ **Caution:**
To avoid interrupting a black ink change, observe the following conditions:

- Do not turn off the printer.
- Do not open the front cover.
- Do not move the paper lever to the released position.
- Do not remove the ink cartridges.
- Do not remove the maintenance tank.
- Do not unplug the power cord.

**Note:**
- If an electrical power failure occurs during this operation, turn the printer on again. You can continue your procedure at the breakpoint.
- The Black Ink Conversion Kit is required when changing the black ink. Also, the black ink cartridge (either Matte or Photo that you want to convert) is required. To check the product code, see “Consumable Products” on page 368.
- If the maintenance tank icon tells that the maintenance tank is full or near full on the LCD, you need to replace the maintenance tank. See “Replacing the Maintenance Tank” on page 295.

To change the black ink, follow the steps below.

1. Make sure that **READY** appears on the LCD panel.
2. Press the Menu ▶ button to enter the Menu mode.

3. Press the Paper Feed ▼ button or Paper Feed ▲ button to select MAINTENANCE, and then press the Menu ▶ button.

4. Press the Paper Feed ▼ button or Paper Feed ▲ button to display BK INK CHANGE, and then press the Menu ▶ button.

5. Press the Enter ← button to execute.

6. Make sure OPEN THE RIGHT COVER appears on the LCD, and then open the right ink compartment cover.
7. Make sure **RAISE THE RIGHT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD, and then raise the ink lever on the right ink compartment.

![Diagram of RAISE THE RIGHT INK LEVER](image1)

8. Make sure **OPEN THE LEFT COVER** appears on the LCD, and then open the left ink compartment cover.

![Diagram of OPEN THE LEFT COVER](image2)

9. Make sure **RAISE THE LEFT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD, and then raise the ink lever on the left ink compartment.

![Diagram of RAISE THE LEFT INK LEVER](image3)
10. Make sure **REMOVE ALL FOUR INK CARTRIDGES ON THE RIGHT SIDE** appears on the LCD, and then remove all four ink cartridges from the right ink compartment.

11. Make sure **INSTALL C/M/Y CONVERSION CARTRIDGES** appears on the LCD, and then insert three conversion cartridges in the slots on the right ink compartment.
Note:
If CONVERSION CRTG LIFE. REPLACE CONVERSION CRTG WITH A NEW ONE. appears on the LCD, press the Pause button. Remove the old conversion cartridge(s) from the right ink compartment, and then insert the new conversion cartridge(s). Finally, go to step 4 to start again.

12. Make sure LOWER THE RIGHT INK LEVER appears on the LCD, and then lower the ink lever on the right ink compartment.
13. The printer starts draining ink, and **DRAINING INK XXX%** appears on the LCD. Wait until draining is complete.

14. When draining is complete, **RAISE THE RIGHT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD. Raise the ink lever on the right ink compartment.

15. Make sure **REMOVE C/M/Y CONVERSION CARTRIDGES** appears on the LCD, and then remove the conversion cartridges from the slots on the right ink compartment.
16. Make sure **INSTALL ALL FOUR INK CARTRIDGES ON THE RIGHT SIDE** appears on the LCD, and then insert the cartridges in their specified slots.

17. Make sure **LOWER THE RIGHT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD, and then lower the ink lever on the right ink compartment.

Make sure **LOWER THE LEFT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD, and then lower the ink lever on the left ink compartment.

18. Make sure **RAISE THE RIGHT INK LEVER** appears on the LCD, and then raise the ink lever on the right ink compartment.
Make sure RAISE THE LEFT INK LEVER appears on the LCD, and then raise the ink lever on the left ink compartment.

19. The printer starts charging ink. After a while, ink lever messages appear on the LCD. When a message appears on the LCD, raise or lower the ink levers accordingly.

Note:
Because ink charging after black ink conversion consumes a large quantity of ink, you may need to replace the ink cartridges soon.

20. When LOWER THE RIGHT INK LEVER AND CLOSE THE COVER appears on the LCD, lower the right ink lever and close the cover. Then, when LOWER THE LEFT INK LEVER AND CLOSE THE COVER appears on the LCD, lower the left ink lever and close the cover.

The ink charging is completed.

**Updating the printer driver information**

After the replacement operation, update the driver information using the steps below.