Performing a Test Print

You can print a nozzle check from the control panel and examine it to determine whether any nozzles are clogged or deflected. Then you can run a cleaning cycle if necessary.

1. Make sure the paper source and media type settings are correct for the type of paper loaded.
2. Confirm that the printer is ready to print, then press the A+B button on the control panel. The Maintenance menu is displayed.
3. Confirm that Nozzle Check is highlighted and press the OK button. A confirmation message is displayed.
4. Press OK to print a nozzle check pattern.
5. Examine the printed pattern.
   - If the pattern looks good, as shown below, the print head is clean.
   - If any dots or segments are missing or deflected, as shown below, follow the instructions on the control panel to run a cleaning cycle. Then print another nozzle check pattern to make sure the nozzles are clean.

Aligning the Print Head

Follow the steps below to align the print head using the printer’s control panel. Make sure the paper source and media type settings are correct for the type of paper loaded.

1. Confirm that the printer is ready to print. Press ◀ or ▶ on the control panel to highlight ▼ settings and press OK. The Maintenance menu is displayed.
2. Press ▼ to select Head Alignment, then press OK.
3. Press ▼ to select Auto (Bi-D), then press OK.
4. Press OK again to begin the head alignment. The printer automatically aligns the head as it prints the head alignment pattern. When alignment is complete, the Maintenance menu will be displayed.

Note: See the online User’s Guide for instructions on performing a manual head alignment.

Installing Software

Insert the software CD that came with your printer into your computer and follow the on-screen instructions.

Connecting to Your System

You can use USB and/or Ethernet network connections.

For a USB connection, make sure your system has the appropriate port and that you have a standard, shielded cable, 10 feet (3 m) long or less.

Note: Do not connect the printer until a software installation screen prompts you to do so.

To connect to a network hub or directly to your computer’s network interface, you need a standard RJ-45 CAT-6 network cable.

1. Plug the interface cable into the appropriate port on the printer.

2. Plug the other end of the cable into the appropriate port on your computer or network switch or hub.

Updating Your Printer Firmware

To keep your printer features and functionality up to date, you should check for a new version of firmware on the Epson support site and update your printer, if necessary.