Comparative Performance Evaluation: HP Neverstop Laser 1000a vs. Epson EcoTank Printers

Test Purpose

Keypoint Intelligence - Buyers Lab was commissioned by HP Inc. to test and evaluate the HP Neverstop Laser 1000a against the Epson EcoTank M1100 and Epson EcoTank M1140 printers. The following media types were used during testing: Hammermill Copy Letter (20-lb. bond), Georgia Pacific Spectrum Letter (24-lb. bond), and Finch Copy Letter (20-lb. bond).

Lab Test Results

RELIABILITY

Demand for high reliability from an imaging device has always been at the forefront of concerns for buyers. A reliable device ensures maximized productivity and minimal-to-no downtime. Buyers Lab technicians ran each machine for roughly 25,000 impressions over the course of the 20-day reliability assessment using a variety of media types and recorded each misfeed or service call. Print jobs included a mixture of single-, three-, and four-page jobs with 50% of the volume in simplex and 50% in duplex. Each of the jobs was printed with one-set, ten-sets and twenty-sets, and each job was submitted manually by lab staff. Each of the devices tested are representative of their respective MFP models, as they share the same engine (see Supporting Test Data for a list of comparable MFP models per device).

Overall, the HP Neverstop Laser 1000a experienced five misfeeds throughout testing, none of which required service to resolve. The Epson EcoTank M1100 experienced a total of eight misfeeds throughout testing as well, while the Epson EcoTank M1140 experienced 16 misfeeds by the end of testing. None of the Epson misfeeds required service to resolve, either.

Keypoint Intelligence - Buyers Lab March 2020 hands-on study commissioned by HP comparing the HP Neverstop Laser 1000a printer to the Epson EcoTank M1100 and the Epson EcoTank M1140 printers. For details, please see: www.keypointintelligence.com/HPNeverstopReliability.
Executive Summary

Overall performance from each device was sub-optimal, due to the number of misfeeds compared to the number of pages run. Nonetheless, the HP Neverstop Laser 1000a still experienced fewer misfeeds than the two Epson EcoTank models tested.

Supporting Test Data

TEST TARGETS

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