PL-2305 USB-to-Printer Cable
Windows 8 Installation Guide

Introduction

The PL-2305 USB-to-Printer cable provides a bi-directional bridge between the USB host system and IEEE-1284 parallel port printers. The PL-2305 chip is designed to be a flexible, high performance, and low-cost single-chip solution for USB cables as well as USB ready peripheral manufacturers.
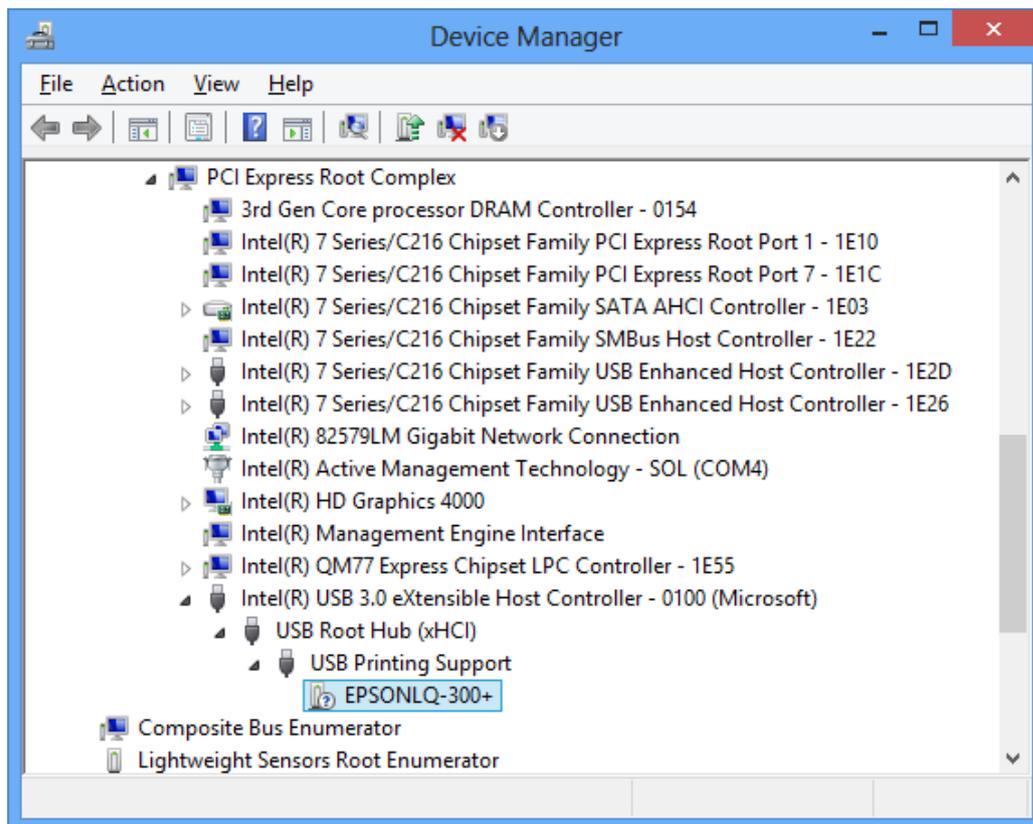

This document will show you how to install the PL-2305 cable with a printer device in Windows 8. Run "**WINVER**" to check the build version of Windows 8.
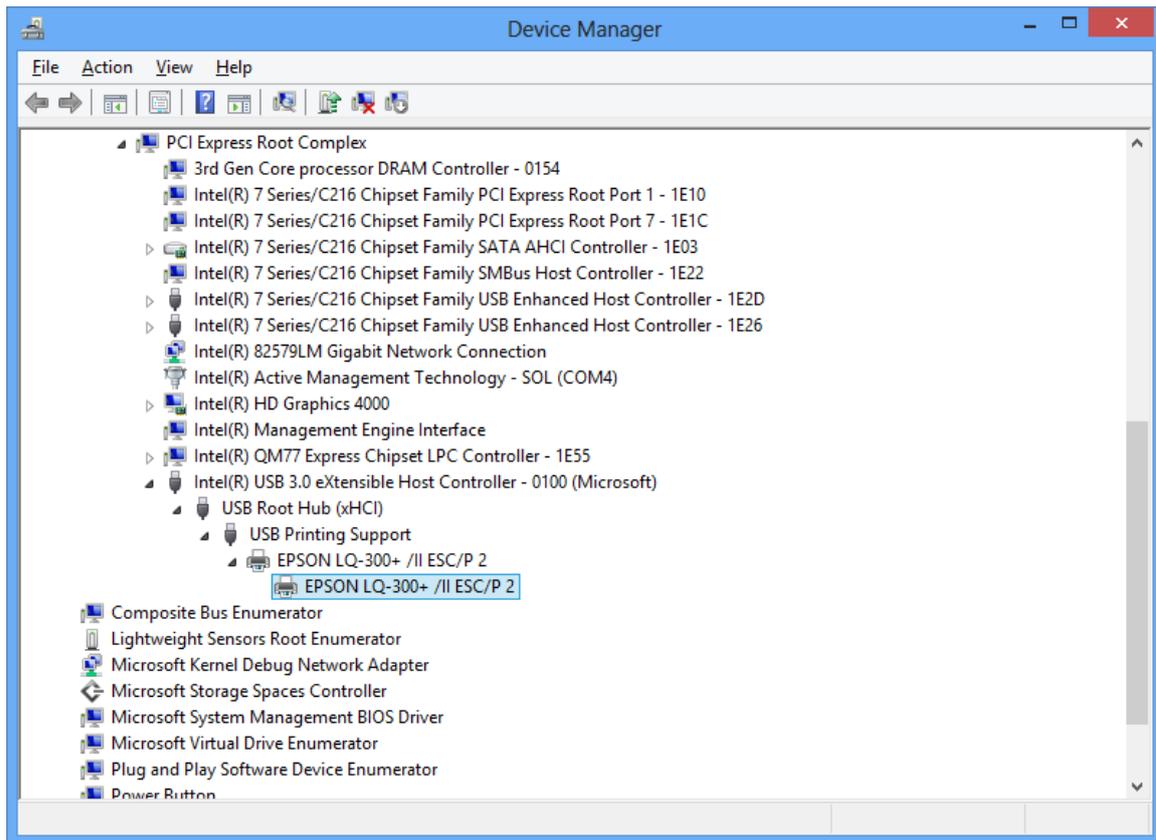
Windows OS Installation

The following steps will show how to install the EPSON LQ-300+ printer device attached to the PL-2305 cable under Windows 8 operating system:
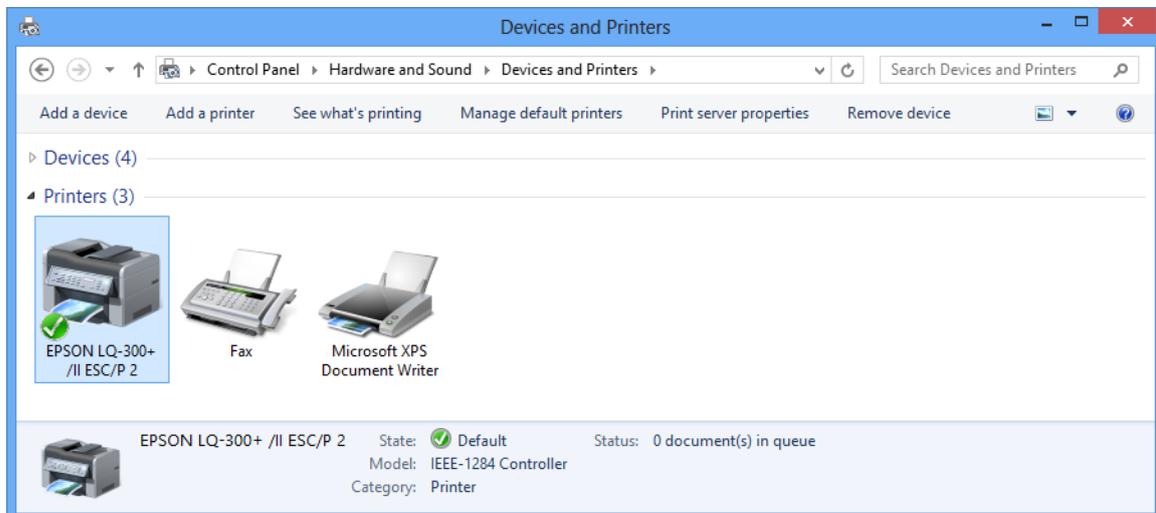
1. Attached the IEEE-1284 parallel printer device to the PL-2305 cable. Power on the printer and then plug the PL-2305 cable to the USB port of the computer.

2. Windows will first detect the PL-2305 cable device as a "USB Printing Support" device shown under Device Manager-USB controllers. Windows will next detect the attached printer device but Windows 8 may not include the printer device drivers.
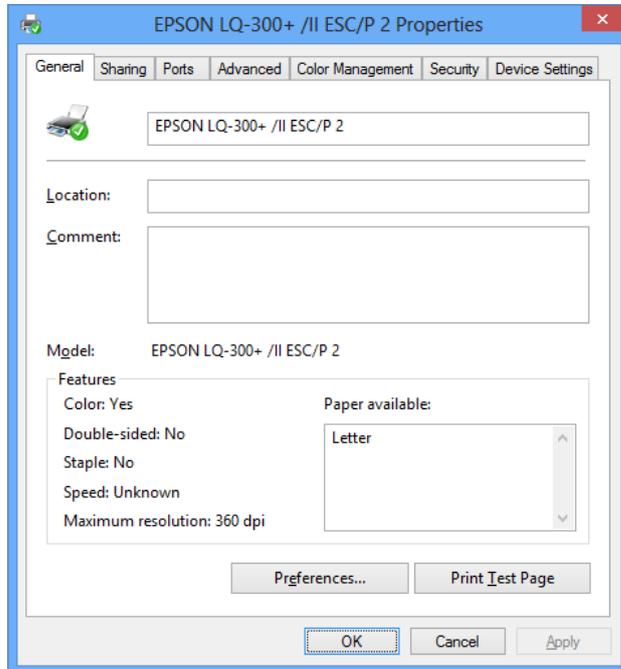

3. If your PC is connected to the Internet, Windows will try to search online for the printer driver and automatically installs it. If not, you will need to right-click on the printer device and run Update Driver (Internet connection required) to download the printer driver. If Windows Update could not find the printer device driver, you may need to contact the printer manufacturer or go to the printer manufacturer website to download the compatible printer device driver for Windows 8.
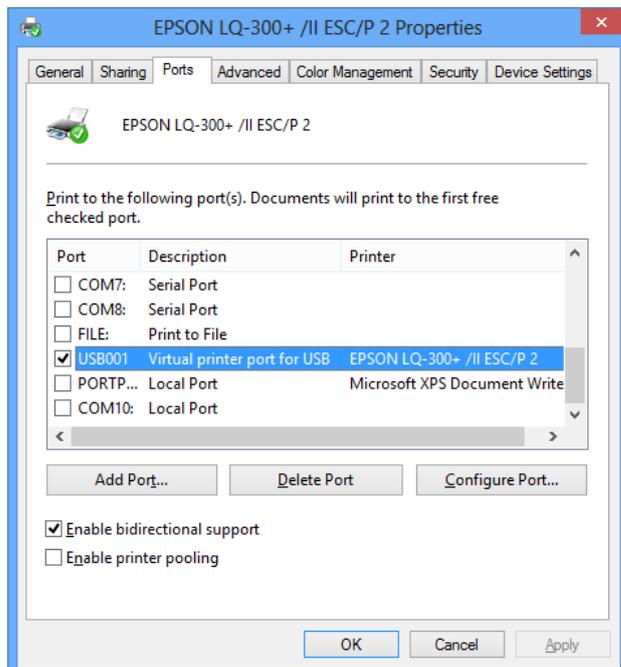
4. Once the printer device driver is properly installed, go to Control Panel "View devices and printers" to check the installed printer device. Right-click on the printer device and click Printer Properties for more settings.

5.   Click the Print Test Page button under General tab folder to test your printer. Make sure your printer and paper are setup properly.

6.   You can also check the Virtual printer port settings (USB001) by clicking on the Ports tab folder under the Printer device Properties.

7. When printing documents, you just click Print and select the printer attached to the PL2305. You can also set the printer as the default printer.