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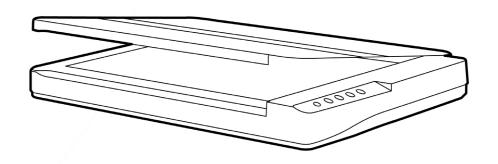
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### **I**NTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing us as your scanner supplier. Your new scanner will improve the professionalism of your day-to-day computing tasks by allowing you to input images and electronic text into your computer system.

Like all of our products, your new scanner is thoroughly tested and backed by our reputation for unsurpassed dependability and customer satisfaction. We hope you will continue to turn to us for additional quality products as your computing needs and interests grow.

### How to Use This Guide

This User's Guide provides instructions and illustrations on how to install and operate your scanner. This guide assumes the user is familiar with Microsoft Windows. If this is not the case, we suggest you learn more about Microsoft Windows by referring to your Microsoft Windows manual before using your scanner.

The Introduction section of this manual describes the box contents and minimum computer requirements to use this scanner. Before you start installing your scanner, check the box contents to make sure all parts are included. If any items are damaged or missing, please contact the vendor where you purchased your scanner or our customer service directly.

Chapter I describes how to install the scanner's software and connect the scanner to your computer. Note: The scanner connects to your computer through the Universal Serial Bus (USB). If your computer does not support USB technology, you will need to purchase a USB interface card to add USB capabilities to your computer, or buy and install USB connectors if your motherboard has USB capabilities. This guide assumes that your computer is USB-ready and has a free USB port.

Chapter II describes how to use your scanner.

Chapter III describes how to maintain and clean your scanner.

Chapter IV contains technical support information that can help you solve simple problems.

Appendix A contains the specifications of the scanner you purchased.

Appendix B contains our customer service, the limited warranty agreement and FCC statement concerning the product.

### **CONVENTIONS OF THIS GUIDE**

**Bold** —Represents commands or contents on your computer screen.

ALL CAPS —Important note or first use of an important term in a chapter.

Italic — Represents buttons on your scanner OR important notes.

### A Note about Icons

This guide uses the following icons to point out information that deserves special attention.



A procedure that must be followed carefully to prevent injury, or accidents.



Instructions that are important to remember and may prevent mistakes.





Optional tips for your reference.

### **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**



Before using this device, please read the following important information to eliminate or reduce any possibility of causing damage and personal injury.

- 1. Usage, the product is for indoor use in dry locations. Moisture condensation may occur inside this device and cause malfunction at these conditions:
  - when this device is moved directly from a cold to a warm location;
  - after a cold room is heated;
  - when this device is placed in a damp room.

To avoid the moisture condensation, you are recommended to follow the procedure:

- i. Seal this device in a plastic bag for it to adapt to room conditions.
- ii. Wait for 1-2 hours before removing this device from the bag.
- 2. Do use the AC adapter, power cable and USB cable provided with the scanner. Use of other AC adapter and cables may lead to malfunction.
- 3. Keep the space around the AC adapter and power cable clear in case you need to quickly unplug the AC adapter during emergencies.

- 4. Damaged wire could cause fire or electrical shock. Keep the power cord straight and without being twisted, bended, or scraped.
- 5. Unplug this device if you don't need to use it for a certain period of time, such as, during night or long weekend, to avoid any risks of causing fire.
- 6. Do not attempt to disassemble the scanner. There is danger of an electrical shock and opening your scanner will void your warranty.
- 7. Be sure not to bump or knock the scanner glass as it is fragile and could break.
- 8. Do not subject the scanner to excessive vibration. It may damage the internal components.

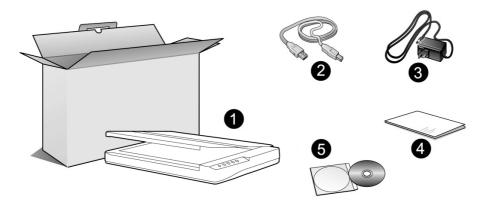
### MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS<sup>1</sup>

- 2.4 GHz CPU processor or higher [1]
  - [1] Windows Recommended: 2.8 GHz Intel® Core™ i5 Processor with 4 CPU Cores or higher
- 4 GB RAM minimum (Recommended: 8 GB or more, A3 size@1200 dpi scanning, allocated 20 GB Virtual Memory at minimum)
- 6 GB of hard-disk space for program installation
- Display dimensions of 1024x768 or greater
- Operating System: Windows 7 / 8 / 10 / 11

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Higher requirements might be needed when scanning or editing a large quantity of image data. The system requirements here are only a guideline, as in general the better the computer (motherboard, processor, hard disk, RAM, video graphic card), the better the results.

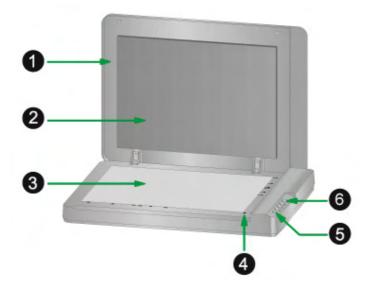
### **BOX CONTENTS<sup>2</sup>**



- 1. Scanner<sup>3</sup>
- 2. USB Cable
- 3. AC Adapter
- 4. Quick Guide
- 5. Setup/Application DVD-ROM

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Save the box and packing materials in case you need to transport this scanner in the future.  $^3$  The scanner illustration(s) in this manual may appear different than from the actual scanner itself.

### **SCANNER OVERVIEW**



- 1. DOCUMENT COVER— Helps keep the paper in place and protects the scanner glass.
- 2. DOCUMENT PAD— Keeps the paper in place and improves accuracy of image quality.
- 3. SCANNER GLASS— Where you put items for flatbed scanning.
- 4. REFERENCE MARK— Align your paper with this reference mark for flatbed scanning.
- 5. POWER BUTTON— Use this to turn the scanner ON or OFF.

POWER LED— Indicates the scanner status.

Light	Status
Blue	The scanner is turned on, ready to scan images.
Red	The scanner is in standby mode. Simply press any scanner button on the scanner panel and the scanner will return back to the normal status.
Off	The scanner is off, either because the power is not turned on, or because the power cord is not properly plugged into an AC power outlet.

6. SCANNER BUTTONS <sup>4</sup>—You may press any button to perform a predefined scanning task.

<sup>4</sup> The scanner illustration(s) in this manual may appear different than from the actual scanner itself.

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- 7. POWER RECEPTOR— Connects the scanner to a standard AC power outlet by the AC adapter included.
- 8. USB PORT— Connects the scanner to a USB port on your computer by the USB cable included.
- 9. USB HUB<sup>5</sup> Connects the scanner to a USB port on another USB scanner by the USB cable.

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

### CHAPTER I. INSTALLING THE SCANNER

Before installing your scanner, please verify that you have all of the proper components. A list of the package contents is provided in the "Box Contents" section of this guide.

### SOFTWARE INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

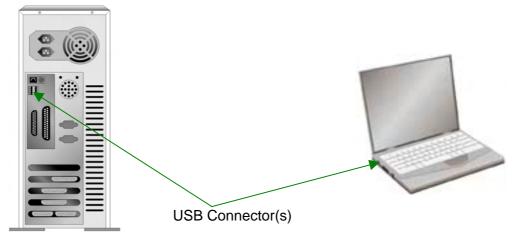
Your scanner comes with the scanner's driver and the task management software (Plustek DocAction). All of these software applications use approximately 6 GB of hard disk space after they are installed into your computer. To ensure ample room for the installation, as well as for scanning and saving images, a minimum of 6 GB of hard disk space is recommended.

The USB scanner can only operate under the Microsoft Windows 7 / 8 / 10 / 11 operating system.

### HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

This scanner connects to your computer through the Universal Serial Bus (USB) which supports HOT PLUG AND PLAY. To determine whether your computer is USB-capable, you must check the rear of your PC to locate a USB jack that looks like the picture below. If you are having trouble in locating the USB port on your computer, please refer to the hardware manual that came with your computer.

Upon examination, you should find one or two rectangular USB ports, which usually appear as shown below.



If you don't find such USB ports on your computer, then you need to purchase a certified USB interface card to add USB capabilities to your computer.

### INSTALLING AND SETTING UP THE SCANNER

Please follow the step-by-step procedures described below to install the Plustek scanner.

scanning task.

#### **Choose a Proper Site First!** Always place your scanner on a level, smooth and strong surface proceeding the scanner setup or any



**Attention** 

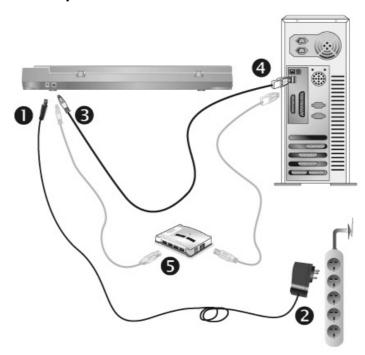
Tilted or uneven surface may cause paperfeeding errors, scanner damage or personal injury.

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Avoid using the scanner in a dusty environment. Dust particles and other foreign objects may damage the unit.

### **Step 1. Connecting the Scanner to Your Computer**

If your scanner does not have the USB hub function<sup>6</sup>, please follow the below connection steps:





**Attention** 

Please make sure the scanner is turned OFF before you plug or unplug the scanner power adapter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

- 1. Plug the AC adapter into the scanner's power receptor.
- 2. Plug the other end of the power cable into a standard AC power outlet.
- 3. Plug the square end of the included USB cable to the USB port at the rear of the scanner.
- 4. Plug the rectangular end of the USB cable to an available USB port on your computer.
- 5. If you plan to connect your scanner to a USB hub<sup>7</sup>, make sure that the hub is connected to the USB port in your computer. Next, connect the scanner to the USB hub.

### If your scanner has the USB hub function<sup>8</sup>, please follow the below connection steps:





Attention

Please make sure the scanner is turned OFF before you plug or unplug the scanner power adapter.

- 1. Plug the AC adapter into the scanner's power receptor.
- 2. Plug the other end of the power cable into a standard AC power outlet.
- 3. Plug the square end of the included USB cable to the USB port at the rear of the scanner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The USB hub is not included with the scanner. If using a hub, you are recommended to use a hub with its own external power adapter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

- 4. Plug the rectangular end of the USB cable to an available USB port on your computer.
- 5. If you plan to connect your scanner to a USB hub<sup>9</sup>, make sure that the hub is connected to the USB port in your computer. Next, connect the scanner to the USB hub
- 6. Plug the rectangular end of another USB cable to the USB hub at the rear of this scanner.
- 7. Plug the square end of another USB cable to the USB port of another scanner.

### Step 2. Installing the Software

- 1. Switch the scanner power on.
- If the USB components on your computer are functioning correctly, they will automatically detect the scanner causing the Add New Hardware Wizard or Found New Hardware Wizard to be launched.



If your computer is off when the scanner is connected, the "Add New Hardware Wizard" message will not be displayed until the computer is on and Windows starts.

#### 3. For Windows 7:

When the Setup/Application DVD is for several scanner models

a. Insert the Setup/Application DVD-ROM, included with your scanner, into your DVD-ROM drive. Click **Run install.exe** in the **AutoPlay** window.



- b. Click on the **Yes** button if the **User Account Control** dialog pops up. Follow the instructions in the pop-up installation message.
- c. In the Device Manager window, right-click on this scanner under Other devices and select Update Driver Software from the pop-up menu. Click Browse my computer for driver software in the window that appears, and click the Browse button.
- d. In the Browse For Folder window, select the folder or the DVD-ROM drive that contains this scanner's driver and click the OK button to return to the previous screen. Click the Next button and click Install this driver software anyway if the Windows Security window appears. Afterwards, please skip to procedure 5.

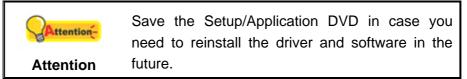
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The USB hub is not included with the scanner. If using a hub, you are recommended to use a hub with its own external power adapter.

#### When the Setup/Application DVD is for one scanner model

- Insert the Setup/Application DVD-ROM, included with your scanner, into your DVD-ROM drive. Click Run install.exe in the AutoPlay window.
- b. Click on the **Yes** button if the **User Account Control** dialog pops up. Afterwards, please skip to procedure 5.

#### 4. For Windows 8 / 10 / 11:

- a. Insert the Setup/Application DVD-ROM, included with your scanner, into your DVD-ROM drive. Click on the pop-up notification, then click **Run install.exe** in the pop-up window. If you miss the pop-up notification, please eject and reinsert the Setup/Application DVD-ROM.
- b. Click on the **Yes** button if the **User Account Control** dialog pops up. Afterwards, please skip to procedure 5.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to install all software that your new scanner requires. If the pop-up wizard window appears click Next, and click Install this driver software anyway in the Windows Security window then click Finish in the wizard window.
- 6. After the software is installed, close all open applications and click the **Finish** button to restart your computer.

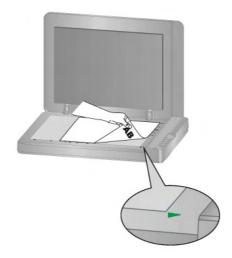


### Step 3. Testing the Scanner

The following describes how you can check if the scanner is properly functioning with your computer and the scanning software. Before testing your scanner, double check to make sure that all connections are securely fastened.

### To test the flatbed scanning:

1. Open the scanner's document cover. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark.



- 2. Gently close the document cover.
- 3. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the DocAction icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the DocAction icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 4. Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. In the Button Configuration window, choose from the dropdown list of Button Template to select "File Utility", and keep in mind the default saving folder show in the "Saving folder" dropdown list.
- 5. Press the **Scan** button on the scanner and the scanning starts immediately. You'll see a scanned image of the document in the default saving folder; your scanner is working properly.

### **INSTALLING ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE**

Your scanner is TWAIN compliant and functions with virtually all available TWAIN compatible software. If you purchase additional software to be used with your scanner, please make sure that it conforms to the TWAIN standard.

### CHAPTER II. SCANNING

Your scanner needs to be driven by certain type of software program. Since all documents or images (whether text or pictures) that are acquired from the scanner are treated by your computer as images, most scanning will probably be done from an image-editing program where you can view, edit, save and output the scanned images.

What about scanning text documents and editing them in a word processor? This is the role of Optical Character Recognition (OCR) software. OCR software converts the image files that are created from scanning text documents into text files that can be viewed, edited and saved by word processors.

The DocAction program, seamlessly integrating the operation of your scanner with your computer and other peripherals, provides a quick and convenient way to perform various scanning functions. With DocAction, you don't need to adjust settings every time you scan. Simply press any button on the scanner's front panel or click any scanning menu item of DocAction on the screen. The scanner starts to scan your paper documents and transfer them to your assigned destination. The destination can be a printer, your e-mail program, files on your disk drives, an image-editing program, etc.

Please refer to the online help of each program to guide you through any questions you may have while scanning within that program.

This chapter describes three important steps of scanner operations. Read them thoroughly and follow the instructions to ensure correct use and optimal scanner performance.

Step 1. Preparing Documents

Step 2. Placing Documents

Step 3. Scanning Documents

### **PREPARING DOCUMENTS**

Proper document preparation prior to the scan can prevent paper feed errors and damages to the scanner.

Checking Document Conditions

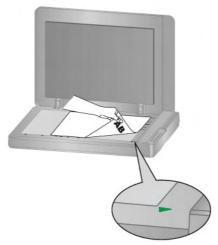
### **Checking Document Conditions**

Make sure the paper sizes of your documents are acceptable by the scanner. Refer to "Appendix A: Specifications" of this guide for more information.

### **PLACING DOCUMENTS**

### **Using the Flatbed**

- 1. Open the scanner's document cover.
- 2. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark.



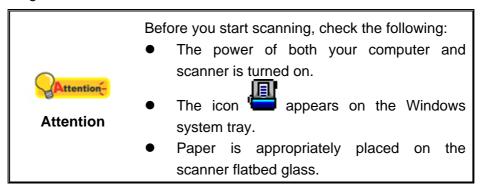
3. Gently close the document cover.

### **SCANNING DOCUMENTS**

There are 4 different ways to operate the scanner:

- 1. By acquiring images from the scanner through our TWAIN interface within any TWAIN-compliant application programs.
- 2. By scanning from the scan buttons on the scanner.
- 3. By scanning from DocAction's Execute menu on the screen.
- 4. By scanning from the icon in the left side of the DocAction window.

The TWAIN interface and DocAction software are automatically installed to your system along with the scanner driver.



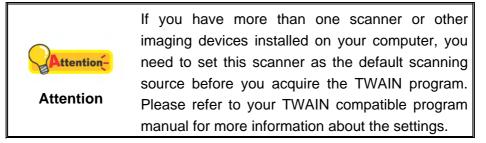
### Scanning via TWAIN Interface

The TWAIN program is a very important piece of software that comes with your scanner. This program acts as an interface between the scanner hardware and the image-editing software you are using to view and edit images. The TWAIN program allows you to adjust a number of settings to define the quality of the scanned image.

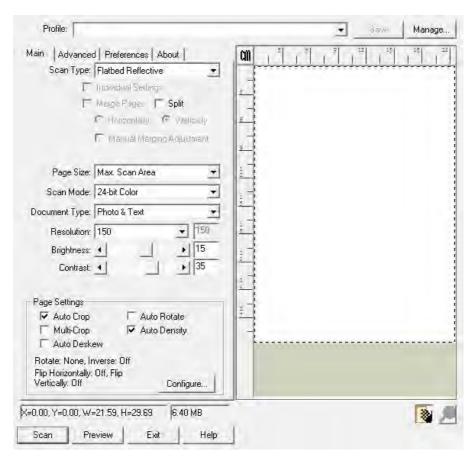
The following describes how you may use your TWAIN compatible program to scan via the TWAIN interface. When you get familiar with the scanning, you may alternatively use other TWAIN compatible scanning programs or image-editing applications to do your scanning projects.

### Scan within your TWAIN compatible program:

1. Launch your TWAIN compatible program.



- 2. Open the TWAIN window within your TWAIN compatible program. Please refer to your TWAIN compatible program manual for detailed information.
- 3. In the TWAIN window that opens, select **Flatbed Reflective** as the Scan Type.



- 4. Adjust the scanning settings.
- 5. Click the **Preview** button. The scanned image should appear in the Preview Window. To define the margins and crop out sections of the image you don't want scanned, use the mouse to click and drag the corners or sides of the scan area borders. Adjust the scan settings again if the preview image doesn't satisfy your needs.
- 6. Click the Scan button.
- 7. When the scan finishes, click the **Exit** button to close the TWAIN window. The scanned images are displayed in your TWAIN compatible program, and you may perform the image editing tasks.

Click the **Help** button within the TWAIN window for more information about the settings.

### Scanning from the Scanner's Panel or On-screen DocAction's Execute Menu

The settings for each button on the scanner's panel are configured through DocAction. DocAction offers you quick access to the most frequently-used scanning functions. They are especially useful when you need to repeatedly scan with the same settings and send images to the same destination.

Buttons on the scanner panel will be used in this guide to demonstrate the scanner operations. You may also use DocAction's on-screen Execute menu to perform the same scanning tasks.

#### **Configure Button Settings**

Before performing your first scan via scanner buttons, you are recommended to configure the button settings to your needs and preferences first. There are two ways to configure or view the button settings of DocAction:

- Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
- Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.

Within the "Button Configuration" window, you can find a row of icons running through the left side of the window. Each icon corresponds to a button on your scanner's panel (as well as DocAction's on-screen Execute menu). Clicking any icon on the left pane and its current button settings are displayed immediately on the right pane. You may adjust the settings as desired.

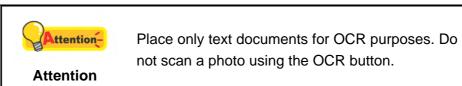
Click the **Help** button within the Button Configuration window for more information about the settings.

#### Scan from the Buttons

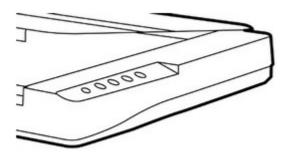
Scanning documents or images from this scanner is very easy. Follow the two steps described below:

1. Place the document or images onto the scanner. (Refer to "Chapter II. Scanning" of this guide for more information in placing paper on the flatbed glass properly.)





- 2. Do one of the following to start scanning:
  - Press the button from the scanner's panel.



• Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose Execute in the pop-up menu that opens. Click the desired button function item in the pop-up menu.



The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to the settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

### Scanning from the Icon in the Left Side of the DocAction Window

You can perform scanning task by double-clicking the icon in the left side of the DocAction window. Follow the steps described below:

1. Place the document or images onto the scanner.



- 2. Check current button settings by viewing the Button Configuration window. If needed, you may also modify settings to meet your current needs.
- 3. Double-clicking the desired icon in the left side of the DocAction window.



The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

### CHAPTER III. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Your scanner is designed to be maintenance-free. However, constant care and maintenance can keep your scanner working smoothly.

### **CLEANING THE SCANNER**

Paper powder, dust, ink and toner from paper being scanned may make the scanner glass dirty, which leads to poor image quality or document-feeding errors. How often to clean your scanner depends on the type of paper and number of pages being scanned.

Perform the following procedures to clean the scanner surface and scanner glass. Gently wipe locations described herein. Do not rub too hard.



- Before cleaning the scanner, turn off the scanner and disconnect the scanner's power cable and USB cable, and then wait a few minutes for the glass to cool to ambient temperature.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after cleaning the scanner.

### **Cleaning Materials**

Have the following cleaning materials ready to clean the scanner:

- soft, dry, lint-free cloth (or a cotton swab)
- non-abrasive cleaner—Isopropyl alcohol (95%). DO NOT use water.



**Attention** 

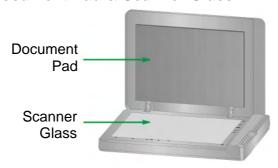
Alternatively you can use glass cleaner or neutral detergent for windows cleaning to clean the scanner glass.

Use of other cleaning materials could damage your scanner.

### Cleaning the Flatbed

- 1. Open the document cover.
- 2. Gently wipe the following areas with the cloth dampened with the cleaner.

### **Clean Document Pad & Scanner Glass:**



- 3. Wait for cleaned areas to dry completely.
- 4. Gently close the document cover.

### CALIBRATING THE SCANNER

Calibrate the scanner if colors appear in areas that should be white, or colors of the scanned image and the original vary a lot. This allows you to adjust and compensate for variations that can occur in the optical component over time by its nature.

The following describes how to calibrate the scanner:

- 1. Click Start > All Programs > Your scanner model name > Calibration Wizard. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your scanner model name, and then click on Calibration Wizard.)
- 2. Click **Next** from the Calibration Wizard that pops up.
- 3. Click Calibrate Now....
- 4. After the calibration is complete, click **OK** and then click **Finish**.

### **STANDBY MODE**

To save power consumption, the scanner will enter the standby mode after it is idle for a while. You may define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode.

- 1. From the Windows START menu, point to All Programs > Your Scanner Model Name, and then click Scanner Utility. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your Scanner Model Name, and then click on Scanner Utility.)
- 2. In the **Standby Mode** section of the Scanner Utility window that opens, click the button of your option. To automatically enter the Standby Mode (**Sleep**), click the button before **Sleep** and then click the up or down arrows to set a default time for the scanner to automatically enter the Standby Mode.



Information

You may define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

3. Click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.



- To completely shut down the scanner, press the power switch of the scanner.
- If the scanner will not be used for a long period of time, shut down the scanner and then disconnect the power cable from the power outlet.

Alternatively you may click **Default** to restore the default settings. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

### CHAPTER IV. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter problems with your scanner, please review the installation and scanning instructions contained in this guide.

Before you ask for customer service or repair, please refer to the information in this chapter and consult our FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) in which you can find useful self troubleshooting information. From the Windows START menu, point to All Programs > Your Scanner Model Name, and then click FAQ. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your scanner model name, and then click on FAQ.)

### **SCANNER CONNECTION**

The first step to take when troubleshooting connection problems with your scanner is to check all physical connections. The icon , located on the Windows system tray, indicates if the scanner software is properly launched and the scanner and computer are communicating with each other.

Appearance	Status
<u></u>	The program has been successfully launched and the scanner is connected with the computer, ready to scan images.
<b>2</b>	The scanner is not connected with the computer. Or, the scanner power is not switched on. Or, the scanner is in standby mode.
No Display	You have chosen to terminate the program, no matter the scanner is connected or disconnected with the computer.

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Image Sensor	CIS
Light Source	LED
Scan Modes	Color: 48-bit input, 24-bit output Grayscale: 16-bit input, 8-bit output B/W: 1-bit output
Scanning Area (W x L)	Max. 297 x 431.8 mm (11.69" x 17")
Daily Duty Scan ( Sheets )	2,500
Power Supply	AC Power: 24 V / 0.75 A
Interface	USB 2.0
Net Weight	4.32 Kgs (9.52 Lbs)
Dimensions (W x D x H)	589 x 407 x 68 mm (23.18" x 16.02" x 2.67")
Protocol	TWAIN Compliant

If your scanner model is xxxx"H", that means this model has the USB hub function.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Hardware specifications may change at any time without prior notice.

# APPENDIX B: CUSTOMER SERVICE AND WARRANTY

Visit our website <u>www.plustek.com</u> for more customer service information. To avoid delays, please have the following information available:

- Scanner name and model number
- Scanner serial number (located at the bottom of the scanner)
- Scanner DVD version and part number
- A detailed description of the problem
- Your computer manufacturer and its model number
- The speed of your CPU
- Your current operating system and BIOS (optional)
- Name of software package(s), version or release number and manufacturer of the software
- Other USB devices installed

# SERVICE & SUPPORT INFORMATION (FOR EU COUNTRY ONLY)

Where appropriate, the period of availability of spare parts and the possibilities of upgrading products information. Please ask local distributors and suppliers for spare parts information and product upgrade information.

Information requested by relevant Implementing Measure. Please ask local distributors and suppliers for the related information of Implementing Measure test report.

Do not dispose anything of products before you ask local distributors and suppliers to get correct information for decreases of environmental impact with right methods and procedures.

If you want to disposals the product and/or an accessory, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the contact information of nearest disposal manufactures.

If you have any maintenance inquiry, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the contact information of nearest maintenance center in order to extend the product usage life time.

If you want to maintain and clearance the product, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the right information of nearest stores.

### STATEMENT OF LIMITED WARRANTY

This Statement of Limited Warranty applies only to the options you originally purchase for your use, and not for resale, from an authorized reseller.

The manufacturer warranty includes all parts and labor, and is not valid without the receipt of original purchase. To obtain warranty service, you may contact the authorized dealer or distributor, or visit our website to check out the available service information, or send a request via E-mail for further help.

If you transfer this product to another user, warranty service is available to that user for the remainder of the warranty period. You should give your proof of purchase and this statement to that user.

We warrant that this machine will be in good working order and will conform to its functional descriptions in the documentation provided. Upon provision of proof of purchase, replacement parts assume the remaining warranty of the parts they replace.

Before presenting this product for warranty service, you must remove all programs, data and removable storage media. Products returned without guides and software will be replaced without guides and software.

This Limited Warranty service does not provide for carry-in exchange when the problem results from accident, disaster, vandalism, misuse, abuse, unsuitable environment, program modification, another machine or non-vendor modification for this product.

If this product is an optional feature, this Limited Warranty applies only when the feature is used in a machine for which it was designed.

If you have any questions about your Limited Warranty, contact the approved retailer from whom you bought the product or the manufacturer.

THIS LIMITED WARRANTY REPLACES ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABLITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. HOWEVER, SOME LAWS DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES. IF THESE LAWS APPLY, THEN ALL EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE WARRANTY PERIOD. NO OTHER WARRANTIES APPLY AFTER THAT PERIOD.

Some jurisdictions do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply.

Under no circumstances are we liable for any of the following:

- 1. Third party claims against you for losses or damages.
- 2. Loss of, or damage to, your records or data; or
- 3. Economic consequential damages (including lost profits or savings) or incidental damages, even if we are informed of their possibility.

Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitations of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

### FCC RADIO FREQUENCY STATEMENT

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular television reception (which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on), the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that which the receiver is connected.
- Shielded interconnect cables and shielded power cord which are supplied with this equipment must be employed with this equipment to ensure compliance with the pertinent RF emission limits governing this device.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help if the conditions persist.
- Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer or authorized service center could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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### 1 Introduction

TWAIN is a standard regulating communication between imaging devices (e.g., scanner) and software applications. This scanner is TWAIN compliant and functions with virtually all available TWAIN compatible software.

This help will guide you in scanning with our TWAIN program.

The following Help Topics are available:

- User Assistance
- Scanner Information
- TWAIN Interface -- Explains all settings and tools in the TWAIN window.
- How to Scan-- Gives you step-by-step instructions for scanning documents and images.

#### 1.1 User Assistance

### **Instant Descriptions "Tool Tips":**

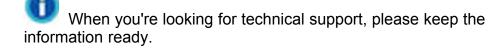
Rest the mouse pointer on any item within the window and a description of the item will instantly appear.

### **Help Button:**

Clicking on this button runs the online help which answers questions about this program.

### 1.2 Scanner Information

Clicking on the **About** tab displays some information about your scanner and related software.



### 2 The TWAIN Interface

The TWAIN program is a very important piece of software that comes with your scanner. This program acts as an interface between the scanner hardware and the image-editing software you are using to view and edit images. The TWAIN program allows you to adjust a number of settings to define the quality of the scanned image.

The TWAIN Interface allows you to make important adjustments before scanning. For example, you can scan in different modes: black and white, grayscale or color; increase or decrease the resolution (dots per inch of an image), and adjust the brightness and/or contrast.

The TWAIN interface consists of the following sections:

- Scan Profile
- Scan Settings
- Preview Window
- Scan Information
- Buttons

### 2.1 Scan Profile

A scan profile provides a set of scanning settings for often-used scan tasks, which achieves high efficiency when you want to scan several items with the same or similar settings.



Each scan profile consists of the settings you configure in the <u>Main</u> and <u>Advanced</u> scan settings tabs and <u>Auto Density</u>.

The following functions are available:

- To create a new profile
- To use an existing profile
- To edit an existing profile
- To delete unwanted profile
- To rename an existing profile
- To save an existing profile as a new one

### To create a new profile

If you usually scan images with the same settings, you can define a scan profile

to save the settings you have configured.

- 1. Place the document on the scanner glass.
- Configure the settings. Scan an image to make sure the current settings meet your needs.
- 3. Enter a name or description for this new profile in the white area beside the word **Profile**.
- 4. Click the **Save** button.

(To save your time in configuring the settings, alternatively you may select a scan profile whose settings are closest to your needs from the drop-down list of Profile.)

A new profile is now created! Next time when you want to scan similar documents and apply the same settings, you can just select this profile from the drop-down list and then click the **Scan** button.

### To use an existing profile

- 1. Place the document on the scanner glass.
- 2. Select a scan profile from the drop-down list of **Profile**. Scan settings defined under this profile are loaded and displayed on the TWAIN interface.
- 3. Click the **Scan** button.
- 4. The image(s) will be scanned with the preconfigured settings. No need to spend extra time in configuring the scan settings.

### To edit an existing profile

- 1. Place the document on the scanner glass.
- 2. From the drop-down list of **Profile**, select the scan profile you want to edit.
- 3. Configure the settings. Scan an image to make sure the current settings meet your needs.
- 4. Enter the original profile name in the white area beside the word **Profile**. Note: Do not select this original profile name from the drop-down list of Profile. Doing so will load the original settings to overwrite what you have just configured.
- 5. Click the Save button.

This scan profile is now updated with the new settings.

### **To Manage Existing Profiles**

Clicking the Manage button opens the <u>Profile Management</u> window where you can delete or rename existing profiles, as well as save existing profiles as new ones.

### 2.1.1 Profile Management



### To delete unwanted profile

- 1. Click the **Manage** button.
- 2. Within the Profile Management window that opens, select the profile you want to delete and then click the **Delete** button.
- 3. Click the **Close** button to exit this window.

### To rename an existing profile

- 1. Click the **Manage** button.
- 2. Within the Profile Management window that opens, select the profile you want to rename and then click the **Rename** button.
- 3. Type the new name in the "Profile Rename" dialog box and then click **OK** button.

4. Click the **Close** button to exit this window.

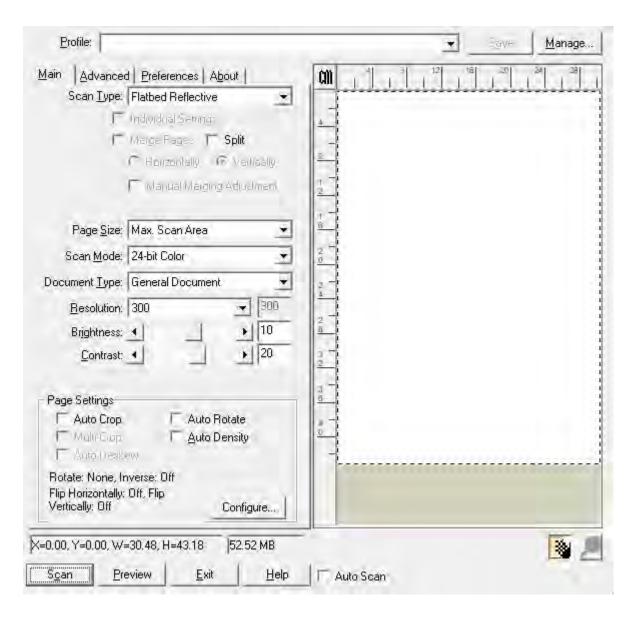
## To save an existing profile as a new one

- 1. Click the **Manage** button.
- 2. Within the Profile Management window that opens, select the profile you want to save as a new one and then click the **Save As** button.
- 3. Type the new name in the "Profile Save As" dialog box and then click **OK** button.
- 4. Click the **Close** button to exit this window.

## 2.2 Scan Settings

The following scan settings are available:

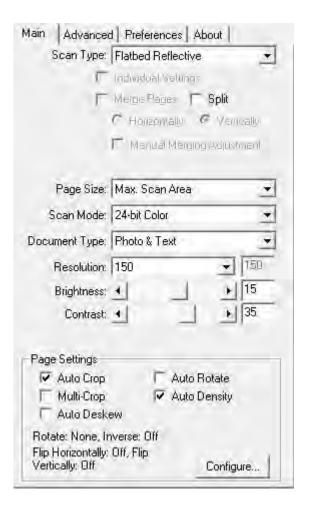
- Main Tab
- Advanced Tab
- Preferences Tab



Clicking anywhere on the above screenshot links you immediately to more detailed information of the selected setting.

#### 2.2.1 Main Tab

Main Tab contains some frequently used scanning settings.



Clicking anywhere on the above screenshot links you immediately to more detailed information of the selected function.

#### 2.2.1.1 Scan Type

Tells the scanner the method you will use to scan documents or images. The following options are available from the drop-down list:

• Flatbed Reflective-- Use this setting to scan normal sheets of paper or any non-transparent material directly from the scanner glass.

## 2.2.1.2 Split (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

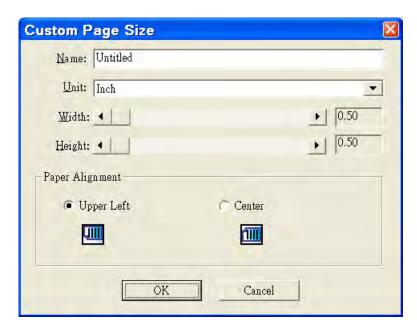
Tick the check box of **Split**, a scanned image will be split in two equal halves and each equal half is called a page.

Check the radio button of **Horizontally** and the scanned image can be split horizontally. Check the radio button of **Vertically** and the scanned image can be split vertically. You can make the selection of **Horizontally** or **Vertically** only when the function of **Split** is enabled.

#### 2.2.1.3 Page Size

Adjust this setting to tell the scanner the size of paper to scan, which is displayed on the <u>Preview Window</u> immediately.

Popular paper sizes have been preset in this TWAIN program. If you select **Custom...** from the drop-down list, a **Custom Page Size** dialog box opens and you may tailor the page size for documents frequently scanned.



#### Name:

Give a name to this customized page size. After you configure the page size and click the **OK** button, this name will appear in the **Page Size** drop-down list.

#### **Unit:**

Defines the measurement unit for the page size.

## Width, Height:

Specifies the exact width and height of the page area.

## **Paper Alignment:**

This setting tells the scanner how you place the document on the scanner glass.

When Flatbed Reflective is selected as the Scan Type:

- **Upper Left**: Place a document face down onto the scanner glass and align the document top with the arrow on the reference mark.
- **Center**: Align the center top of the document with the center of scanner glass's right side.

#### 2.2.1.4 Scan Mode

Tells the scanner what type of documents you are scanning. The following options are available from the drop-down list:

- Black & White-- scans in black and white and is suitable for scanning text.
- Grayscale-- scans in 256 shades of gray, giving black and white images depth and shadow.
- 24-bit Color-- scans in millions of colors (24-bit) but takes up a lot of memory.
- 256 Color (8-bit)-- scans in standard 256 colors. The image quality of its resulted image is inferior than that of "24-bit Color", but its data size is smaller. Choose this mode if you want to scan color documents but care more on the file size than image quality.
- Auto-- use this setting if you want the scanner to detect the scan mode automatically. (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

#### 2.2.1.5 Document Type

This function allows you to select the type of content on the scanned documents for better scanning results. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

 Custom-- Use this setting to process the scanned document when other image enhancement functions are adjusted. This option allows you to customize the image setting parameters for your current needs. If you select this option and don't modify any image setting, the previous image settings will be applied.

- Default-- Use this setting to process the scanned document by the default values.
- Photo-- Use this setting to process the document contains mostly
  photographs. This feature is not available when Black & White is selected as
  Scan Mode.
- Photo & Text-- Use this setting to process the document contains a mix of graphics and texts.
- Text-- Use this setting to process the document contains mostly texts. This setting is available only when Black & White is selected as Scan Mode.

For OpticPro A380 Plus, the following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Custom-- Use this setting to process the scanned document when other
  image enhancement functions are adjusted. This option allows you to
  customize the image setting parameters for your current needs. If you select
  this option and don't modify any image setting, the previous image settings
  will be applied.
- General Document-- Use this setting to scan general document.
- Special Document-- Use this setting to scan special document, ex. delicate artwork.
- Red Heading Document-- Use this setting to scan red heading document.

#### 2.2.1.6 Resolution

Resolution is measured in dots per inch (dpi). The higher the resolution, the more detailed the image and the more memory and drive space the image will use.

To conserve computer memory and still receive good image quality, we recommend the following settings.

Document to be scanned	Resolution (dpi)
Text (for printing)	300
Text (for faxing)	200
Text (for OCR)	300
Black and white or gray image	150
Color image or photo	100



- These values are only recommendations and should be raised if the resulting image is rough or you need to view fine details.
- To scan a large-size color image with a higher resolution (usually over 600 dpi) increases scan time and file size substantially and requires huge system resources. Therefore, a higher resolution for color scanning is recommended only when you scan a small area.

#### 2.2.1.7 Brightness

Raising the brightness increases the amount of white in an image, making it appear more washed out. Lowering the brightness may help you read light or faint text.

You may adjust the brightness either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which adds lightness or darkness to all colors in your image.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

#### **2.2.1.8 Contrast**

The higher the contrast, the sharper the image. The lower the contrast, the more blurry an image will be.

You may adjust the contrast either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which raises or lowers the differences between light and dark colors in your image.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

#### 2.2.1.9 Page Settings

## **Auto Crop**

Clicking this Auto Crop box will have the TWAIN program identify the dimensions of the image you scanned and crop around the edges. The crop shape will be a square or rectangle, in that it will not hug the edges of oddly-shaped images. This command can be useful when scanning smaller images such as photographs.

However, if you manually adjust the scan frame, the Auto Crop will be automatically cancelled.

**Multi-Crop** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

When you scan two or more small items at the same time using the flatbed scanner, you may tick this check box to perform multi-crop automatically. The program will identify each individual item and generate separate scanned image files. The scanned items must be placed separately and no two items are sticking together on the scanner glass. Place all small items on the scanner's flatbed with a slight gap between them for best scanning results.

#### **Auto Deskew**

If this box is ticked, the TWAIN program will automatically straighten the skewed image after auto crop is done.

However, if you manually adjust the scan frame, the auto crop is cancelled and therefore the image will not be auto deskewed.

If the placed image is too slanted (>10°), the Auto Deskew function will not recognize the skewed image(s).

#### **Auto Rotate**

Tick the check box of **Auto Rotate**, the document image you scanned will be automatically rotated and straightened.

## **Auto Density**

Checking this box automatically adjusts the <u>Histogram</u>, to make the scanned image clearer. It does this by increasing the difference between color tones.

Auto Density defines the lightest and darkest pixels in each channel as white and black and then redistributes the intermediate pixel values proportionately. In general, the Auto Density feature gives good results when a simple contrast adjustment is needed to enhance an image with an average distribution of pixel

values; however, this feature does not provide the more precise control that can be achieved by adjusting the Histogram controls manually.

Page Settings area, located at the lower part of the Main Settings tab, displays the current settings for image orientation and photo negative effect.

If the current settings don't meet your needs, click the **Configure** button to open a dialog box where you may adjust settings as desired.

On the upper part of the Page Settings dialog box are two viewers. The left viewer shows the original image. The effects for settings you change in this window appear on the right viewer immediately.

Results of rotating and flipping will only appear in the scan result, but not be shown on the prescanned image in the Preview Window.

#### **Rotate**

When you click **Rotate** from the menu box on the left, the available options are immediately shown on the right:

- No Rotation-- Clicking this button resets the image to its original orientation.
- **90° Right**-- Clicking this button turns the image clockwise by 90°.
- 180°-- Clicking this button turns the image by 180°.
- 90° Left-- Clicking this button turns the image counterclockwise by 90°.

## Flip

When you click **Flip** from the menu box on the left, the available options are immediately shown on the right:

- Flip Horizontally-- Each click on this button will flip your image around the central vertical axis to create a mirror image.
- Flip Vertically-- Each click on this button will flip your image around the central horizontal axis to create a mirror image.

#### Inverse

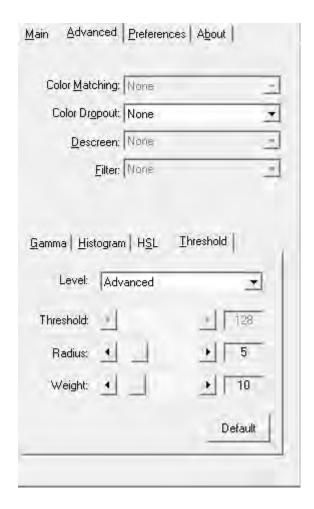
When you click **Inverse** from the menu box on the left, the available options are immediately shown on the right:

• Inverse-- Clicking this button will reverse the colors of the entire image. A black and white image will look similar to a photo negative. Inverting a color image will change each pixel to its complementary color.

#### 2.2.2 Advanced Tab

Advanced Tab provides some useful image enhancement tools for you to precisely tailor the image before the final scan. The effects of changes you make are shown in the <u>Preview Window</u> immediately.

There are 4 tabs at the lower section of Advanced Tab: Gamma, Histogram, HSL and Threshold. These items are intended for users who are familiar with image editing tools and how they affect images. If you are just learning how to scan, then we strongly recommend not using these features until you become familiar with your scanner and its terminology. Many image-editing programs already have these features. However, if the need arises to adjust the color level of your scanned images, then click on the appropriate tab and perform the adjustments. Note: Before adjusting the Gamma, Histogram and/or HSL, perform a PREVIEW so you can view the changes before you scan.



Clicking anywhere on the above screenshot links you immediately to more detailed information of the selected function.

#### 2.2.2.1 Color Matching

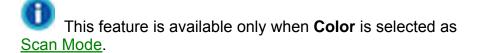
Different types of devices reproduce different ranges of colors (or color gamut). For example, you may have noticed the colors of the scanned image displayed on your monitor and on the paper printed from your printer are different.

Color Matching allows you to get consistent color between input and output devices (e.g., scanner, monitor, printer). It works by embedding a color profile to your image files. Each different device displays colors according to this profile and therefore results in consistent color appearance among all devices.

The following options are available from the drop-down list:

- None-- Apply no color matching profile.
- Color sRGB-- Provides a particular color matching technique to maintain the color consistency between your output and the original images.
- Custom...-- Select this option to apply your own ICC (International Color

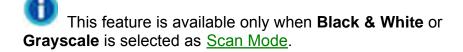
Consortium) profile.



#### 2.2.2.2 Color Dropout

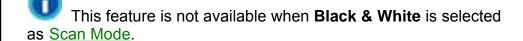
Color Dropout allows you to remove a color channel (Red, Green or Blue) while scanning.

For example, if your original document contains blue texts or a blue stamp (e.g., a bill or invoice) and you want to discard it from your image, you may select **Blue Channel** from the drop-down list.



#### 2.2.2.3 Descreen

Descreen applies filtering to images that contain moiré patterns (or herringbone). A moiré pattern is created from scanning pictures in magazines, or printed material that use color dithering. The descreen filter is not needed when scanning original photographs or black and white images and text, but is recommended when scanning any printed color graphics, such as a page from a magazine, in order to remove the unsightly interference patterns which may occur.



#### 2.2.2.4 Filter

Filters help you improve your scans by allowing you to sharpen images as well as remove excessive dots and distortion.

The following options are available from the drop-down list:

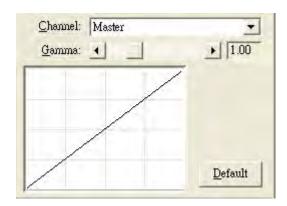
- None-- Applies no filter in the scanned image.
- Average-- Determines the medium depth of an image and averages adjacent pixels to make images appear softer.
- Blur-- Dulls the edges within an image and decreases the contrast by making dark edges lighter and light edges darker.
- Blur More-- Adds additional blurring.
- **Sharpen**-- Allows you to sharpen the edges within an image by making the edges in an image more distinct. The Sharpen filter also increases contrast by making dark edges darker and surrounding light edges lighter.
- Sharpen More-- Adds additional sharpening.
- **Unsharpen**-- Sharpens the edges in an image to remove the blurriness.

This setting is not available when **Black & White** is selected as <u>Scan Mode</u>.

The application of a filter can greatly reduce the scanning speed.

#### 2.2.2.5 Gamma

Image Gamma is used to adjust the colors in the image that will be scanned into the computer. Gamma values follow a smooth curve. By adjusting the gamma, you can change the tonal range of the selected color channel. Gamma values are primarily a measure of the brightness of a color. The larger the gamma value, the brighter the color becomes.



To adjust the image gamma:

- 1. Select the channel.
- 2. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, or click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

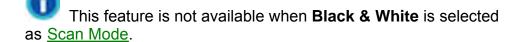
#### Gamma

Adjusting the gamma on the Master channel affects the tonal range for all colors equally.

Adjusting the gamma for the individual Red, Green or Blue channels only affects pixels containing that color.

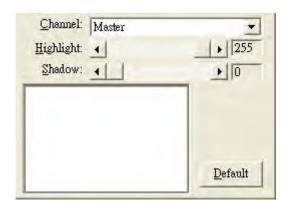
#### **Default**

Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.



#### 2.2.2.6 Histogram

If the colors in a scanned image appear garbled or unclear, the histogram can be used to make them more to your liking. A histogram shows how bright or dark colors in the image are, and can be used to adjust these levels.



When using the histogram, it is very helpful to preview the image. Changes made to the histogram will instantly be shown on the image in <u>Preview Window</u>, allowing you to immediately judge the effects of the changes.

A histogram is a graphic representation of the tonal distribution (the brightness and darkness levels) in an image. It plots the number of pixels (dots) at each brightness level. The histogram displays these levels in 4 different channels.

The x-axis of the histogram graph represents the color values from darkest (0) at the far left to the brightest (255) at the far right; the y-axis represents the total number of pixels at that value. A histogram for a dark image shows most of the pixels at the left side of the graph. A histogram for a bright image is more heavily weighted to the right side.

To adjust the histogram:

- 1. Select the channel.
- 2. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, or click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

## **Highlight:**

The highlight represents the high (bright) end of the color spectrum. If the highlight value of the Master channel is lowered to 245, all color values between 245 and 254 will be given the value of 255 (white).

Thus, lowering the highlight of the Master channel brightens the whole picture. Doing this also increases the color contrast because all the remaining pixels between the midtone and the highlight will be automatically redistributed over the midtone to 255 range. This redistribution serves to increase the difference between shades of color.

If the highlight for one of the Red, Green or Blue channels is adjusted then the results will only affect pixels of that color or containing combinations of that color (i.e. Yellow contains Green and Blue and would thus also be affected by

changes to one of these channels).

#### **Shadow:**

The shadow represents the low (dark) end of the color spectrum. If the shadow value on the Master channel is raised to 10, all color values between one and ten will be given the value of zero (black). Thus, raising the shadow darkens the entire image and raising the shadow in a specific color channels darkens pixels of that color. Raising the shadow also increases the color contrast of darker tones (the range between the midtone and the shadow).

#### Default

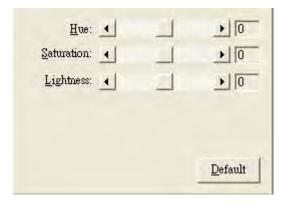
Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.



- Ticking the <u>Auto Density</u> checkbox will automatically adjust the histogram to give high quality images without needing to manually adjust the settings in the <u>Histogram</u> tab.
- This feature is not available when Black & White is selected as Scan Mode.

#### 2.2.2.7 HSL

This tab allows you to adjust the colors in an image.



You may adjust Hue, Saturation and Lightness respectively either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

#### Hue

Hue is the wavelength of a color. Altering the hue changes the base color of an image.

#### **Saturation**

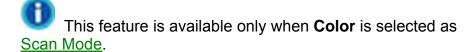
Saturation represents the pureness of a color. Altering the saturation makes the colors more intense or washed out.

## Lightness

Lightness defines the amount of white or black in a color. Altering the lightness affects the brightness of the image.

#### **Default**

Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.



#### 2.2.2.8 Channel

Along the top of the Gamma and Histogram tabs is the Color Channel selection. This can be useful in comparing color ranges between the color values, and in identifying methods when editing specific areas.

If the **Master** channel is selected, your change to the Gamma and Histogram values affect all 3 color channels evenly and keeps them balanced.

If an individual color (**Red**, **Green** or **Blue**) is selected, your change to the Gamma and Histogram values affect pixels containing that color.

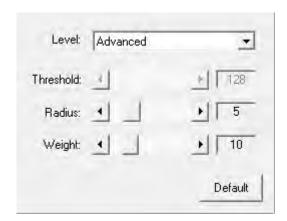


Master channel is the only active channel for gray images.

#### 2.2.2.9 Threshold

This setting is available only when Black & White is selected as Scan Mode.

Threshold sets the color level for converting an image to line art, which can adjust the quality of line art image or eliminate unwanted dots in the documents to improve OCR accuracy.



The following options are available from the drop-down list:

#### Basic

You may adjust the Threshold value either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left to decrease or increase the Threshold value.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

#### Advanced

You may adjust the Radius / Weight value either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left to decrease or increase the value.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

#### Auto

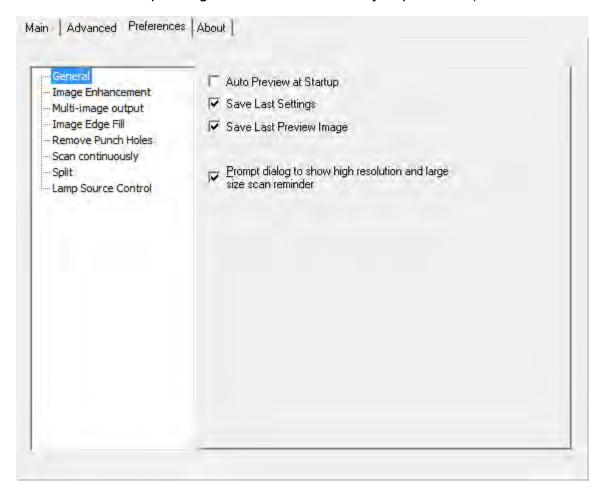
This option will have TWAIN automatically apply optimal threshold value to your scanned images.

#### **Default**

Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.

#### 2.2.3 Preferences Tab

Preferences Tab provides you with additional options to tailor the TWAIN interface to your liking. There is a list at the left section of Preferences Tab shows the following options: General, <a href="Image Enhancement">Image Enhancement</a>, <a href="Image Output">Multi-image output</a> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.), <a href="Image Edge Fill">Image Edge Fill</a>, <a href="Image Remove Punch Holes">Remove Punch Holes</a> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.), <a href="Scan continuously">Scan continuously</a>, <a href="Split">Split</a> and <a href="Lamp Source Control">Lamp Source Control</a> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.).



Tick on the checkbox of the item you want to apply to this program.

Clicking anywhere on the above screenshot links you immediately to more detailed information of the selected function.

#### 2.2.3.1 General

#### 2.2.3.1.1 Auto Preview at Startup

If this box is ticked, the TWAIN program will preview the image automatically each time it is launched. You can then adjust settings as necessary according to the preview image.

#### 2.2.3.1.2 Save Last Settings

If the box is ticked, all settings you have configured before the TWAIN program is closed will be saved and automatically displayed next time when the TWAIN program is launched.

#### 2.2.3.1.3 Save Last Preview Image

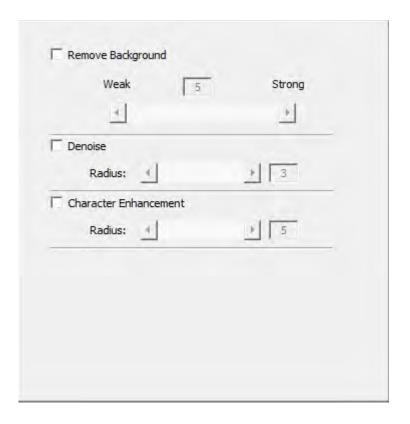
If the box is ticked, the last preview image before the TWAIN program is closed will be displayed in the Preview Window next time when the TWAIN program is launched.

#### 2.2.3.1.4 Prompt dialog to show high resolution and large size scan reminder

Tick this check box to show a warning dialog when users scan high resolution and large size documents.

#### 2.2.3.2 Image Enhancement

You may set the conditions to enhance the scanned images in this page.



## **Remove Background**

Tick this check box to remove the colored background of the scanned documents. This feature is used to adjust the remove condition of colored background. The higher the value, the greater the effect will be. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown above the scroll bar.

#### **Denoise**

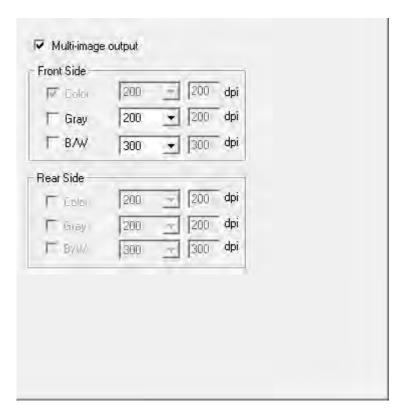
Tick this check box to remove noises from the scanned images. This feature is used to adjust the reduce condition of noises. The higher the value, the more noises will be reduced. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

#### **Character Enhancement**

Tick this check box to enhance text characters in the scanned documents. This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode. This feature is used to adjust the enhancement value of text characters. The higher the value, the sharper the text character will be. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

## 2.2.3.3 Multi-image output (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

Tick the check box if you want TWAIN to output multiple images after the scan process is finished. Depending on the scan settings, you may choose to output up to three multiple images in **Color**, **Grayscale** and **B/W** by only one scan.



If you select **Color** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check boxes of **Gray** and **B/W** to output color, grayscale and B/W images by only one scan.

If you select **Color** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check box of **Gray** to output color and grayscale images by only one scan.

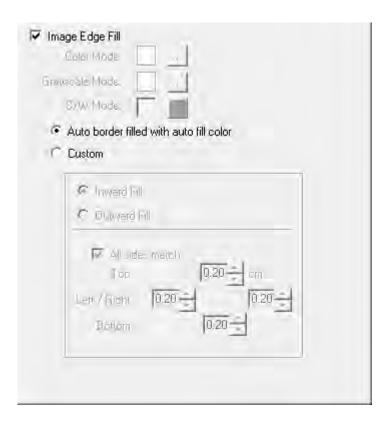
If you select **Gray** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check box of **B/W** to output grayscale and B/W images by only one scan.

If you select **B/W** as **Scan Mode**, only B/W image will be generated by one scan.

You may select the desired resolution from the dpi drop-down list. If you select **Custom** from the drop-down list, please set the resolution dpi.

#### 2.2.3.4 Image Edge Fill

Tick the check box of **Image Edge Fill**, the edge of scanned image would be filled.



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When you scan by the **Color Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the color you prefer for edge fill.

When you scan by the **Grayscale Mode**, clicking button would allow you to adjust the color you prefer for edge fill.

When you scan by the **BW mode**, you may click button for white edge fill or button for black edge fill.

#### Auto border filled with auto fill color

When the scanned document size is smaller than the selected page size, select this option to automatically detect the document edge in the scanned image and fill the background color around the document edge after the document is scanned.

#### Custom

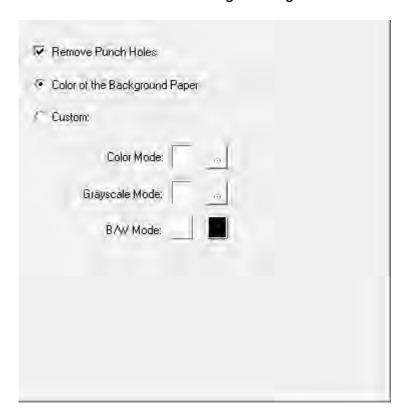
Select this option to configure custom options.

- **Inward Fill:** Select this option to fill the selected color inside the edge of the selected page size.
- Outward Fill: Select this option to fill the selected color outside the edge of the selected page size.

Tick the check box of **All sides match**, the widths of four sides would be set to be the same. You may adjust the width by clicking buttons. If you do not tick this check box, then you can adjust the width of each side individually.

## 2.2.3.5 Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

Tick the check box of **Remove Punch Holes**, the hole marks aligned along with the edge of the scanned document will be removed after auto crop is done. The function will work for the document with single background color.



### **Color of the Background Paper**

If you select this option, punch hole marks will be filled with the background color of the scanned document.

### **Custom**

If you select this option, punch hole marks will be filled with the selected color.

When you scan by the **Color Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the desired color to remove the punch hole marks.

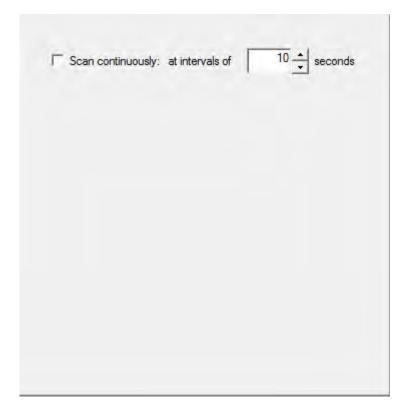
When you scan by the **Grayscale Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the desired color to remove the punch hole marks.

When you scan by the **B/W Mode**, punch hole marks will be filled with white color if you click button, or punch hole marks will be filled with black color if you click button.

#### 2.2.3.6 Scan continuously

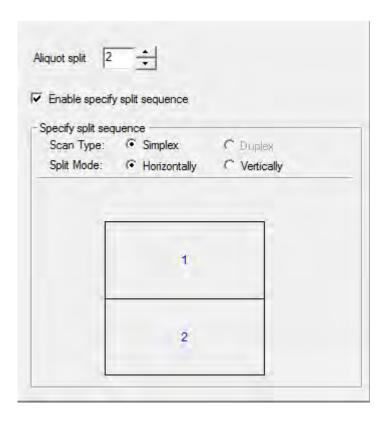
Check this option if you want to scan multiple pages successively to the same destination. After the document is scanned, a dialog will pop up asking you if you will put in more paper to continue scanning, or if you want to end the scan.

You may adjust the time interval by clicking in buttons.



## 2.2.3.7 Split (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

You may set the number by clicking the up or down arrows to split an image into several equal parts. Each equal part can be saved as an image.



#### **Enable specify split sequence**

Tick this check box to specify the image output order of each equal part.

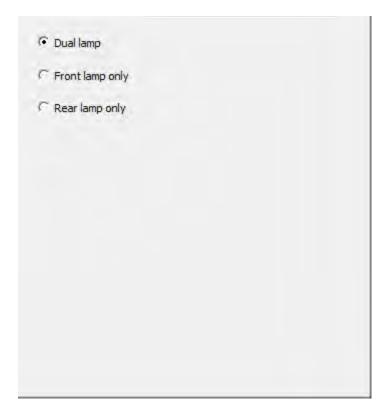
#### Specify split sequence

Select the options to specify the image output order. You can specify the horizontal and vertical output orders of images scanned in simplex mode. The numbers in the illustration figure show the current image output order of each equal part. To configure the desired output order, clicking on the number to clear the existing output order, and then clicking on each equal part to specify the output order.

## 2.2.3.8 Lamp Source Control (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

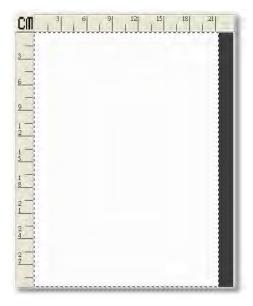
The following options are available:

- Dual lamp: turn on both the front lamp and the rear lamp.
- Front lamp only: only turn on the front lamp.
- Rear lamp only: only turn on the rear lamp.



## 2.3 Preview Window

The Preview Window is the large white area on the TWAIN window. Documents or images that are previewed will be displayed here. The previewed image gives you an idea of how a document or image will look after it is scanned.



Following are some important points about the Preview Window:

- 1. If you change any settings in the TWAIN window, the effects of the changes (except for <u>Flip</u>, <u>Rotate</u>, <u>Filter</u> and <u>Descreen</u>) will appear on the previewed image in the Preview Window.
- 2. The <u>scan area</u>, designated by the dotted box in the Preview Window, can be resized and moved, thus reducing the size and amount of memory used by smaller images.
- 3. You can use the <u>Magnifying Glass</u> to zoom the view of the prescanned image by clicking on the magnifying glass button and then clicking on the part of the image you wish to view in detail.

#### Ruler

Both vertical and horizontal rulers appear on the top and the left sides of the Preview Window. Clicking on the <u>Unit</u> button on the upper left corner of the Preview Window changes the measurement unit of the ruler.

### Unit

This button defines the measurement unit used in the Preview window and <u>Scan Information</u> Bar. Simply clicking this button to choose your preferred measurement unit: cm (centimeter), in (inch), px (pixel).

#### 2.3.1 Scan Area

It is preferable to scan the exact area of the document or image so the file size is the smallest possible and there are no large blank areas on the page.

The box composed of dotted lines located in the <u>Preview Window</u> of the TWAIN window defines the scan area. It is the image area that will be included in the final scan.

The Scan Area can be resized and moved.

- Move the pointer (if you have been using the <u>Magnifying Glass</u> button you need to click on the <u>Hand Tool</u> button to the left), onto one side of the scan area until the pointer turns into a double-headed arrow. Then, click the left mouse button, and while keeping it pressed, move your mouse. This resizes that side of the scan area. Release the mouse button when you are finished. This procedure can be repeated on all sides of the scan area.
- By moving the pointer into the scan area until it turns into a four-headed arrow you can move the entire scanning area without resizing it.

Reducing the scan area reduces the image size so images take up less memory and less space on your hard drive.

## 2.3.2 Magnifying Glass

Clicking on the magnifying glass button changes the cursor to a magnifying glass and lets you easily zoom into the prescanned image in the Preview Window.

Simply place the magnifying glass over the portion of the picture you wish to have a close-up view of and click the left mouse button. You can then view the enlarged detail of the image proportionally. To zoom out, right click the mouse button.

To stop zooming in and out of the image, click on the <u>Hand Tool</u> button next to the Magnifying Glass.

The magnifying glass only affects the view of the prescanned image in the preview area and does not affect the scanning process or the final scanned image.

In other words, zooming in on an image will not make the scanned image larger. Adjusting the size of an image must be done by scaling it in an image-editing application. Make sure to scan the image at a sufficiently high resolution when planning to enlarge it, so there are enough pixels to maintain image integrity after the scaling process.

#### 2.3.3 Hand Tool

Clicking on the hand tool button changes the cursor to a hand tool and you may use your mouse pointer to resize or move the scan area within the <a href="Preview Window">Preview Window</a>.

Purpose	Mouse Cursor Shape	How to
To move the image crop	Four- headed Arrow	Place the mouse pointer in the current crop. Hold down the mouse and move the selected frame to the desired position.
To adjust the scan area	Two-headed Arrow	Place the mouse pointer at the edge of any side of the frame. Drag the cursor inward or outward to reduce or expand the frame.

#### 2.4 Scan Information

X=1.68, Y=2.03, W=12.32, H=11.41 60.55 KB

This area contains the following information of the preview image:

- Scan Area Coordinates (X, Y): Shows the position of the <u>scan area</u> border in terms of X and Y coordinates.
- Scan Area Dimension (W, H): Shows the exact width and height of the

#### scan area.

Image Size: Shows the amount of memory used by the image. This
information is updated any time you change any <u>scan settings</u> or adjust the
<u>scan area</u>. The larger the image size, the longer it takes to actually scan the
image. Larger images, due to their memory requirements, will also take
longer for your image-editing applications to process when making any
corrections.

## 2.5 Preview

By clicking on the Preview button, you can scan the source document into the <u>Preview Window</u> within TWAIN interface. This allows you to modify the <u>scan area</u> (for smaller images such as photographs) and gives you a rough idea of what the scanned image will look like before you scan.

After you have prescanned a document or photo and it appears in the <u>Preview Window</u> you can adjust settings (except for <u>Rotate</u>, <u>Flip</u>, <u>Filter</u> and <u>Descreen</u>) and immediately view these new settings on the image in the Preview Window so you can judge the effects of the different settings before you finally scan.

#### 2.6 Scan

Clicking on this button accepts all current scanner settings and begins the scanning process.

#### **2.7** Exit

Click on this button to close the TWAIN interface.

# 2.8 Auto Scan (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

Tick this checkbox to allow the scanner perform scanning automatically every time when the cover is close. Before activating this option, please select desired scan button first.

### 3 How to Scan

The following describes how you may use Adobe Photoshop to perform your first scan. When you get familiar with the scanning, you may alternatively use other TWAIN compatible scanning program to do your scanning projects.

Step-by-step instructions for scanning documents and images will be provided in the following section:

• Step by step procedures

## 3.1 Step by Step Procedures

### 1. Using the Flatbed:

Open the scanner's document cover. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark. Gently close the document cover.

- 2. Click the Windows Start button to launch Adobe Photoshop.
- Within Adobe Photoshop, click File > Import > (Your scanner model name)-TWAIN.
- 4. In the TWAIN window that opens, select **Flatbed Reflective** as the Scan Type.

If the preview is not automatically performed, you may tick the checkbox of <u>Auto Preview at Startup</u> within the <u>Preferences Tab</u> if you want preview automatically starts next time when you open this TWAIN interface again.

- 5. Adjust the <u>scan settings</u>, especially those on the <u>Main Tab</u> (e.g., <u>page size</u>, <u>scan mode</u>, <u>resolution</u>).
- 6. Click the <u>Preview</u> button. The scanned image should appear in the <u>Preview Window</u>. To define the margins and crop out sections of the image you don't want scanned, use the mouse to click and drag the corners or sides of the scan area borders. Make adjustments to the preview image if needed.
- 7. Click on the Scan button.

8. When the scan finishes, click the <u>Exit</u> button to close the TWAIN window. The scanned images are displayed in Adobe Photoshop, and you may perform the image editing tasks.

#### 3.1.1 Scan by Profile

If you usually scan images with the same settings, you can complete your job in an efficient way by using the scan profile located on the top section of the TWAIN interface.

### 1. Using the Flatbed:

Open the scanner's document cover. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark. Gently close the document cover.

- 2. Click the Windows Start button to launch Adobe Photoshop.
- 3. Within Adobe Photoshop, click **File > Import > (Your scanner model name)-TWAIN**.
- 4. In the TWAIN window that opens, select a profile.
- 5. Click on the <u>Scan</u> button.
- 6. When the scan finishes, click the <u>Exit</u> button to close the TWAIN window. The scanned images are displayed in Adobe Photoshop, and you may perform the image editing tasks.

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## 1 Introduction

The DocAction program, seamlessly integrating the operation of your scanner with your computer and other peripherals, provides a quick and convenient way to perform various scanning functions.

With DocAction, you don't need to adjust settings every time you scan. Simply press any button on the scanner's panel or click any scanning menu item of DocAction on the screen. The scanner starts to scan your paper documents and transfer them to your assigned destination. The destination can be a printer, your Email program, files on your disk drives, an image-editing program, etc.

When DocAction is on, you will see the icon in your Windows system tray. Right-click on this icon will open a pop-up menu and allow you to:

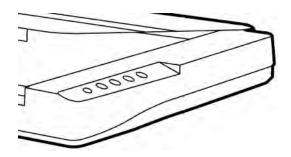
- <u>Configure button settings</u>. The settings for each single-touch button on the scanner's panel are configured through DocAction.
- Perform predefined scanning tasks in the same way as you press a button on the scanner panel.
- Access Scanner Utility where you may set up the standby mode and adjust the initial scanning position.
- View information about this program.

We will guide you through how to configure button settings and how to use scanner buttons to carry out your different scanning tasks. As for the Scanner Utility, please refer to "Chapter III. Care And Maintenance" of the Scanner User's Guide for more information.

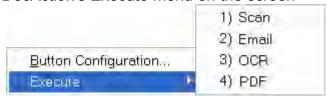
## 1.1 Operate the Scanner

DocAction offers you quick access to the most frequently-used scanning functions in two ways. They are especially useful when you need to repeatedly scan with the same settings and send images to the same destination.

Scan from the buttons on the scanner panel



Scan from DocAction's Execute menu on the screen.



Buttons on the scanner panel will be used in this guide to demonstrate the scanner operations. You may also use DocAction's on-screen Execute menu to perform the same scanning tasks.

In addition to the two fast scanning methods described above, this scanner offers you other ways to scan your paper documents or images. Choose an appropriate scanning method that meets your scanning need and preferences.

 By acquiring images from the scanner through our TWAIN interface within any TWAIN-compliant application programs

For more information, please refer to "Chapter II. Scanning" of the Scanner User's Guide.

## 1.2 Button Functions Overview

Each button on the scanner's panel corresponds to an on-screen scanning button in DocAction program.

The following button functions are available:

- **Scan**-- Allows you to customize this button as any of the available scanning functions (OCR, File, Scan, Copy, Email, PDF, FTP).
- **Email** Scans documents or images directly to your Email program and automatically creates a new message with the image files attached. A

copy is automatically saved on your disk drive too.

- OCR-- Scans text documents directly to a text editor or viewer, thus saving you the time usually needed for retyping. It converts the scanned images into an editable text file or a text-searchable pdf file.
- **PDF**-- Scans documents and recognizes letters on a page, then write them into a text-searchable pdf file. You may determine where they are saved and how their files are named to best meet your needs.

Except Scan button, all buttons are permanently assigned to a specific function and cannot be reassigned to a different function.

# 2 Button Configuration Window Overview

DocAction allows you to tailor each individual scanner button to meet your scanning needs of all time. There are two ways to configure or view the button settings of DocAction:

- Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
- Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.

Within the Button Configuration window, you can find a row of icons running through the left side of the window. Each icon corresponds to a single-touch button on your scanner's panel (as well as DocAction's on-screen Execute menu). If not all available buttons are displayed, drag the scrolling bar up and down to navigate through them. Clicking any icon on the left pane and its current button settings are displayed immediately on the right pane. You may adjust the settings as desired.

If the icon is not displayed on the system tray, from Windows Start menu, point to All Programs > (your scanner model name) and then click DocAction to reactivate the program. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your scanner model name, and then click on DocAction to reactivate the program.)

## 2.1 Scan Button Configurations

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:



## **Button Template**

Each available scanning function (Scan, Copy, OCR, File, Email, PDF, FTP) has been especially designed as an individual button template, which gives you great convenience and time-saving in configuring the settings to meet your needs. By simply selecting one function from the drop-down menu, you may turn this Scan button into your frequently-used scanning function.

## **Description**

After you select a desired function from the drop-down menu of Button Template and adjust the corresponding settings in this Button Configuration window, you may enter a brief description here as a personal memo.

#### Also see:

- File Button Settings
- Scan Button Settings
- Copy Button Settings
- FTP Button Settings
- Email Button Configurations
- OCR Button Configurations
- PDF Button Configurations

## 2.1.1 File Button Settings

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **File Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a File button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **File Saving Settings**

Determine how the scanned documents or images are saved to files.



## Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. (**Open Folder After Scanning**: Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the saving folder after scanning.) You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

#### File Name

Specifies the file name format to save scanned documents or images. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The current file name format is displayed in the gray rectangle. To change to a different format, click setup... to open the <u>File Name Setup</u> window.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

JPEG - Not available for B/W scan mode.

- TIFF Uncompressed
- TIFF Compressed
- PDF
- PNG
- Windows Bitmap

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the scan parameters without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking opens the <u>File Format Configuration</u> window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG, TIFF - Compressed and PDF file formats.

#### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- <u>Multi-image output</u> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:



How do I configure the File button?

#### 2.1.1.1 File Name Setup dialog box (for File Button Settings)

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

#### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access Control Panel of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have DocAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

### **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

Start with-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? DocAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box □ and have DocAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_20130126180032.jpg" in which the numeral 20130126180032 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

#### Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

# Display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix

Tick the check box to display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file

name prefix.

# Launch designated application after saving file

- Tick this check box 
   and you can click the Add button to add the application. The designated application will be launched after the scanned files are saved. For example, if you add an image-editing application, it will appear after scanning. After the scan is complete, this application program is started up automatically and displays all scanned images.
- Clear this check box □, the application won't be launched after saving files.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking Add. opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking \_\_\_\_\_\_ to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## 2.1.2 Scan Button Settings

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a Scan button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>Application and File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# **Application and File Saving Settings**



## Application

Specifies an application program to be launched and linked to the Scan button. After the scan is complete, this application program is started up automatically and displays all scanned images.

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format. Scanned images cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

For example, if you select file format as JPEG, PNG, BMP or TIFF (compressed or uncompressed), make sure you select an *image-editing* application (e.g., Adobe Photoshop); if you select PDF to save the scanned images, you are recommended to select Adobe Acrobat or Adobe Acrobat Reader that has been installed in your Windows.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking opens the "<u>Add/Modify Linked Application</u>" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking \_\_\_\_\_\_ opens the "<u>Add/Modify Linked Application</u>" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking \_\_\_\_\_ to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

After you select an application, the program icon will appear as the Scan button icon on the left pane of Button Configuration window.

#### Launch only

If this check box is ticked, clicking the Scan button will only start the linked application program. No scan is performed.

This option allows you to set up this button as a hot key to simply launch an application program without scanning action.

#### Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name format the scanned documents or images are saved.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- JPEG: Not available for B/W scan mode.
- TIFF Uncompressed
- TIFF Compressed
- PDF
- PNG
- Windows Bitmap

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the <a href="mailto:scan parameters">scan parameters</a> without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking opens the <u>File Format Configuration</u> window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG, TIFF - Compressed and PDF file formats.

#### Scan Parameters

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings

- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- <u>Multi-image output</u> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:

How do I configure the Scan button?

### 2.1.2.1 Add/Modify Linked Application dialog box

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then click or Modify... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# **Application**

Click to browse to the desired program folder and select the executable file (\*.exe) of the desired application program. The application is displayed here with its full file path and execution file name.

#### **Name**

Enter the name for the newly-added application program. The name can be short like a nickname or even in more words including complete software name and its vendor name; that is, write anything that can help you recognize this linked application.

This name will be displayed in the Application's drop-down menu in the Button Configuration window.

#### Memo

Optionally you may enter a short description here.

#### **Command Line**

Enter the command line and add %1 at the end of the command line to perform a specific task if you have such information for the selected application program. It is recommended that you leave this field blank if you will not use or are unsure of the command line.

#### 2.1.2.2 Save Setup dialog box (for Scan Button Settings)

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then click Save Setup. in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. (**Open Folder After Scanning**: Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the saving folder after scanning.) You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

### **File Name**

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

#### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access Control Panel of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

#### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have DocAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

#### **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with-**- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? DocAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box □ and have DocAction not only save the newlyscanned image to file according to your customized prefix and

numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_20130126100355.jpg" in which the numeral 20130126100355 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

## Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

### Display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix

Tick the check box to display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## 2.1.3 Copy Button Settings

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Copy Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a Copy button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>Printing Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Printing Settings**

Because all printers have their own printing characteristics and no two printers will give the exact same output (especially where colors and images are concerned), this Button Configuration window provides a number of options or settings, allowing you to adjust the scanning process to tailor the output to your particular printer. You will need to experiment with the settings to optimize the quality of the printed image.



#### Printer

All printers that are currently installed in Windows are displayed in the dropdown menu.

If needed, click Properties... to configure the printer.

## Copies

This setting decides the number of copies to be printed. Do one of the following:

- Enter the numeral in the edit box directly; or
- Click / to increase/decrease the number.

#### Center on Page

If the check box is ticked, the image will be centered in the printable area of the selected paper.

### Fit to Page

If this option is selected, the print size of the image will be re-scaled to fit within the printable area of the selected paper.

#### **Custom Ratio**

This options allows you to re-scale the print size of the image proportionally by doing one of the following:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left; or
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends; or

Enter the value in the edit box.

### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Multi-image output (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:

How do I configure the Copy button?

### 2.1.4 FTP Button Settings

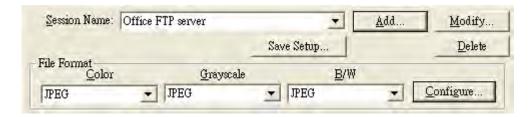
Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a FTP button.

The settings can be categorized into two:

<u>Session Name and File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and
<u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Session Name and File Saving Settings**



#### **Session Name**

List the **Session Name** you have added in the **FTP Connection Properties** dialog box. You may select the desired FTP session from the drop-down list.

More than one FTP session can be added to the drop-down list.

- Clicking opens the "<u>FTP Connection Properties</u>" window where you may add frequently-used FTP sessions to the list.
- Clicking opens the "FTP Connection Properties" window where you may modify the FTP settings for the current FTP session.
- Clicking 
   Delete to delete the current FTP session from the list.

## Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name formats the scanned documents or images are saved.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file format are available from the drop-down list

#### box:

- JPEG: Not available for B/W scan mode.
- TIFF Uncompressed
- TIFF Compressed
- PDF
- PNG
- Windows Bitmap

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the <a href="mailto:scan parameters">scan parameters</a> without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking opens the <u>File Format Configuration</u> window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG, TIFF - Compressed and PDF file formats.

### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill

- Multi-image output (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:

How do I configure the FTP button?

#### 2.1.4.1 **FTP Connection Properties dialog box**

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting FTP Utility from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then Add... Modify... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box. click

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

### **Session Name**

Enter an arbitrary name of the FTP connection, e.g. Office FTP server.

### Hostname

Enter the server name or IP address of the FTP server, e.g. ftp.office.com.

#### **Port**

Enter the number of Port connections for FTP transfers, e.g. 21.

## **Remote Directory**

Specify a directory on the remote host to determine where the scanned documents or images are saved.

# **Anonymous Connection**

Tick this check box to enable Anonymous connection. Otherwise, you have to enter the **Username** and the **Password** for the FTP connection.

### **Passive Mode**

Tick this check box to enable Passive Mode. This option may be necessary to pass firewalls with connection restrictions.

## Delete file after transfer complete

Tick this check box to delete the scan images saved in the specified Saving Folder after the upload transfer is completed.

#### 2.1.4.2 Save Setup dialog box (for FTP Button Settings)

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then click Save Setup in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

#### File Name

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

#### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access Control Panel of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

#### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have DocAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

### **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with--** Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? DocAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box ☐ and have DocAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_20130126100355.jpg" in which the numeral 20130126100355 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

### Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

### Display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix

Tick the check box to display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## 2.2 Email Button Configurations

Clicking the **Email** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# File Saving Settings



### Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu

DocAction will automatically assign the file name to save the images.

## Prompt for file saving name and folder

Tick this check box If you prefer to save each scanned image manually. After the scan of each page finishes, a Save dialog box appears on screen and you may select the folder and file name to save the scanned images individually. This option is useful if you want to save the images scanned in a batch to different folders or in different file naming patterns.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- JPEG: Not available for B/W scan mode.
- TIFF Uncompressed
- TIFF Compressed
- PDF
- PNG
- Windows Bitmap

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the scan parameters without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking opens the <u>File Format Configuration</u> window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG, TIFF - Compressed and PDF file formats.

#### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split

- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Multi-image output (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:

How do I configure the Email button?

#### **OCR Button Configurations** 2.3

Clicking the **OCR** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>OCR Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **OCR Settings**

Determine to use which OCR application and what settings (e.g., recognition language, page orientation, ...) to process the scanned images into text file, as well as which word processor to start up and display the OCR'd results.



## **OCR Application**

All documents that are scanned are treated by the computer as graphic images. Acting as an image-to-text converter, an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) application program recognizes letters on a page and write them into an editable text file or a text-searchable pdf file. After the scan and recognition process completes, a linked text editor or viewer automatically opens, enabling you to instantly view, correct, and edit the converted image as a text document.

The options available in the drop-down menu depends on the OCR application programs that you may have installed in your Windows. DocAction has been programmed to support the following famous OCR applications in the industry to give you the convenience of single-touch OCR button operation:

- ABBYY FineReader Sprint
- Plustek OCR

The availability of the programs may vary depending on the scanner model you purchase.

Major OCR settings of the selected OCR application are displayed at the bottom. Clicking opens a configuration window where you may check or modify the OCR settings (e.g., the file format to save the OCR result, the linked text editor or viewer, recognition language, etc.) as desired.

#### Launch designated application after exporting file

Ticking this check box allows you to launch designated application after exporting file and save the OCR result of the scanned image(s) after the scan completes.

### Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name format the scanned documents or images are saved.

#### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- <u>Multi-image output</u> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview

Default

#### Also see:

How do I configure the OCR button?

FineReader OCR Configuration

Plustek OCR Configuration

## 2.3.1 FineReader OCR Configuration

If you select FineReader as the OCR application, clicking configure. opens the FineReader OCR Configuration window. The items and parameters available in this window are explained as follows:

#### **File Format**

This setting determines the file format of the OCR'd result. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Plain Text (\*.txt)
- Rich Text Format (\*.rtf)
- MS Excel Document (\*.xlsx)
- Portable Document Format (\*.pdf)
- MS Word Document (\*.docx)
- Electronic Publication (\*.epub)

Some file formats may be unavailable on your screen. The availability of file formats depends on what OCR application programs supported by DocAction are installed on your system.

#### Send to

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format here. OCR'd result cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

## **Paper Setting**

You have two options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file.
- Generate one file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in one file.

## Convert to PDF/A

Tick this box to convert the PDF file format to PDF/A file format for long-term preservation of electronic documents.

## **Quality Setting**

If PDF is chosen as the file format, you may adjust the image quality either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 4. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take.

## **Document Language**

Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## **Show All Languages**

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

## 2.3.2 Plustek OCR Configuration

If you select Plustek OCR as the OCR application, clicking opens the Plustek OCR Configuration window. The items and parameters available in this window are explained as follows:

### **File Format**

This setting determines the file format of the OCR'd result. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Plain Text (\*.txt)
- Rich Text Format (\*.rtf)
- MS Excel Document (\*.xlsx)
- Portable Document Format (\*.pdf)
- MS Word Document (\*.docx)
- Electronic Publication (\*.epub)

Some file formats may be unavailable on your screen. The availability of file formats depends on what OCR application programs supported by DocAction are installed on your system.

### Send to

Select a target application to which you want to send the OCR'd results for viewing and post processing. Click Associated to have DocAction automatically linked an application that is associated with the file format you specified above. Click to browse to the desired program folder and select the executable file (\*.exe) of the desired application program. The application is displayed here with its full file path and execution file name.

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format here. OCR'd result cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

## **Paper Setting**

You have two options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file.
- Generate one file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in one file.

#### Convert to PDF/A

Tick this box to convert the PDF file format to PDF/A file format for long-term preservation of electronic documents.

## **Quality Setting**

If PDF is chosen as the file format, you may adjust the image quality either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 4. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take.

## **Document Language**

Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## **Show All Languages**

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

## 2.3.3 Save Setup dialog box (for OCR Button Configurations)

Within the Button Configuration window click the **OCR** icon on the left pane and then click Save Setup. in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# **Saving Folder**

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. (**Open Folder After Scanning**: Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the saving folder after scanning.) You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

#### File Name

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

#### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

#### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access Control Panel of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

#### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have DocAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

#### **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with**-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? DocAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box □ and have DocAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination

folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_20130126100355.jpg" in which the numeral 20130126100355 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

### Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **OCR** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

### Display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix

Tick the check box to display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **OCR** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

# 2.4 PDF Button Configurations

Clicking the **PDF** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## File Saving Settings

Determine how the scanned documents or images are saved to files.



### Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. (**Open Folder After Scanning**: Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the saving folder after scanning.) You can also directly enter the folder name in this field to create a new folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu

#### File Name

Specifies the file name format to save scanned documents or images. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The current file name format is displayed in the gray rectangle. To change to a different format, click Setup... to open the File Name Setup window.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- Searchable PDF
- PDF

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. You may simply change the <u>scan parameters</u>.

Clicking opens the <u>File Format Configuration</u> window where you may configure advanced settings for Searchable PDF and PDF file formats.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Split
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Document Type
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Filter
- Page Settings
- Continuous Scan
- Apply Color Matching (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Auto Density
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Multi-image output (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Punch Holes (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- Remove Background
- Denoise
- Character Enhancement
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:



How do I configure the PDF button?

#### 2.4.1 File Name Setup dialog box (for PDF Button Configurations)

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

## Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access Control Panel of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

#### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have DocAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

## **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

Start with-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? DocAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box □ and have DocAction not only save the newly-

scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_20130126180032.jpg" in which the numeral 20130126180032 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

### Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **PDF** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

## Display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix

Tick the check box to display the dialog after each scan to confirm file name prefix. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **PDF** button of DocAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

## Launch designated application after saving file

- Clear this check box □, the application won't be launched after saving files.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking opens the "<u>Add/Modify Linked Application</u>" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking \_\_\_\_\_\_ opens the "<u>Add/Modify Linked Application</u>" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking \_\_\_\_\_\_ to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

#### 2.4.2 File Format Configuration dialog box (for PDF Button Configurations)

Within the Button Configuration window click the **PDF** icon on the left pane and then click Configure. in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Keep the same image quality level for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the quality level for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of adjusting the quality level individually. If you prefer to manually adjust the image quality level for different modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Keep the same TIFF / PDF setting for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the TIFF / PDF setting for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of individually ticking or clearing the TIFF / PDF check box. If you prefer different settings for different scan modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Convert to PDF/A (Available for PDF format only)

Tick this box to convert the PDF file format to PDF/A file format for long-term preservation of electronic documents.

## **Setting**

Click the **Setting** button to configure **General** and **Security** settings.

## **Image Quality**

You can set the quality level individually for Color and Grayscale scan modes.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 100. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take. The smaller the image file, the lower quality the image has, but the less disk space it takes. The

balance of image quality and file size needs to be determined according to your own needs.

If TIFF / PDF is chosen as the file format, you have three options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one TIFF / PDF file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file; or
- Generate one TIFF / PDF file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in a file.
- Generate one TIFF/ PDF file for scanned pages once a blank page is scanned: generate a new file each time a blank page is encountered. You can use blank pages to split the file.

**Auto Mode** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

If PDF or TIFF is chosen as the file format, check this option to merge all the scanned images with the same file format into one file. If TIFF / PDF is chosen as the file format, **Generate one TIFF / PDF file for all pages** option must be selected at the same time to merge all the scanned images into one file.

#### 2.4.2.1 General (FineReader Configuration)

## **Quality Setting**

If PDF is chosen as the file format, you may adjust the image quality either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 4. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take.

## **Document Language**

Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## **Show All Languages**

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

#### 2.4.2.2 General (Plustek OCR Configuration)

## **Quality Setting**

If PDF is chosen as the file format, you may adjust the image quality either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 4. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take.

## **Document Language**

Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## Show All Languages

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

#### 2.4.2.3 Security

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Enable Security**

Ticking this check box to enable **Encryption Level** and **Passwords** options. If you prefer to save the PDF file without password security, leave this check box cleared.

## **Encryption Level**

The following options are available:

- •Low 40-bit RC4 (Acrobat 3.x, 4.x)
- •High 128-bit RC4 (Acrobat 5.x and above)

#### **Passwords**

#### Passwords required to open the document

Ticking this check box to enable **Disallow Users to** options. Enter the desired passwords in the **Password** column.

#### Password required to change permissions and/or passwords

Ticking this check box to enable **Disallow Users to** options. Enter the desired passwords in the **Password** column.

#### **Disallow Users to**

#### Print the document

Ticking this check box to disallow users to print the document.

#### Copy texts and images

Ticking this check box to disallow users to copy the texts and images.

#### Modify the document

Ticking this check box to disallow users to modify the document.

#### **Modify comments**

Ticking this check box to disallow users to modify comments.

## **Enhanced Permissions (128-bit)**

You may adjust the settings only when you set the **Encryption Level** at **High** 128-bit RC4 (Acrobat 5.x and above).

#### Allow printing in low resolution

Ticking this check box to allow users to print the document in low resolution.

#### Allow screen readers

Ticking this check box to allow users to read the document on screen.

#### Allow filling in form fields

Ticking this check box to allow users to fill in the form fields.

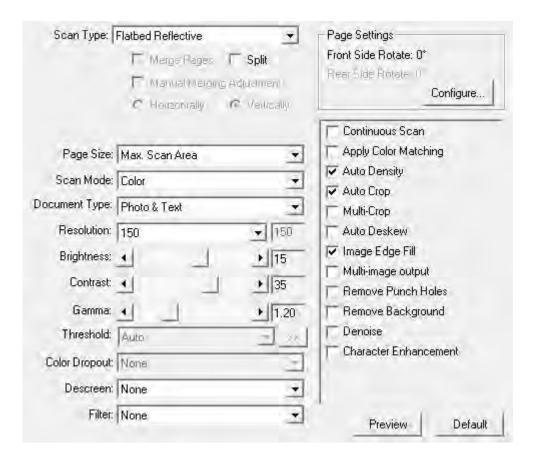
#### Allow changes to the assembly

Ticking this check box to allow users to change the assembly.

After all settings are done, click **OK** button to accept the settings and re-enter the passwords to confirm the settings, or click **Cancel** button to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

#### 2.5 Common Scan Parameters

The following describes the scan parameters available to every button setting window:



## Scan Type

Tells the scanner the method you will use to scan documents or images. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

• Flatbed Reflective-- Use this setting to scan normal sheets of paper or any non-transparent material directly from the scanner glass.

## Split

Tick the check box of **Split**, a scanned image will be split in two equal halves and each equal half is called a page.

Check the radio button of **Horizontally** and the scanned image can be split horizontally. Check the radio button of **Vertically** and the scanned image can be split vertically. You can make the selection of **Horizontally** or **Vertically** only when the function of **Split** is enabled.

## Page Size

Adjusts this setting to tell the scanner the size of paper to scan. Popular paper sizes have been preset in the drop-down menu. If you select **Custom...** from the drop-down list, a **Custom Page Size** dialog box opens and you may tailor

the page size for documents frequently scanned.

#### Name:

Give a name to this customized page size. After you configure the page size and click the **OK** button, this name will appear in the **Page Size** drop-down list.

#### **Unit:**

Defines the measurement unit for the page size.

#### Width, Height:

Specifies the exact width and height of the page area.

#### **Paper Alignment:**

This setting tells the scanner how you place the document into the scanner.

When **Flatbed Reflective** is selected as the Scan Type:

- **Upper Left**: Place a document face down onto the scanner glass and align the document top with the arrow on the reference mark.
- **Center**: Align the center top of the document with the center of scanner glass's right side.

This setting works well only if you always place the page in the same place on the scanner flatbed.

#### Scan Mode

Tells the scanner what type of documents you are scanning. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Black & White-- scans in black and white and is suitable for scanning text.
- **Grayscale**-- scans in 256 shades of gray, giving black and white images depth and shadow.
- Color-- scans in millions of colors (24-bit) but takes up a lot of memory.
- Auto-- use this setting if you want the scanner to detect the scan mode automatically. (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

## **Document Type**

This function allows you to select the type of content on the scanned documents for better scanning results. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

• **Custom**-- Use this setting to process the scanned document when other image enhancement functions are adjusted. This option allows you to

customize the image setting parameters for your current needs. If you select this option and don't modify any image setting, the previous image settings will be applied.

- Default-- Use this setting to process the scanned document by the default values.
- Photo-- Use this setting to process the document contains mostly
  photographs. This feature is not available when Black & White is selected as
  Scan Mode.
- Photo & Text-- Use this setting to process the document contains a mix of graphics and texts.
- **Text**-- Use this setting to process the document contains mostly texts. This setting is available only when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

#### Resolution

Resolution is measured in dots per inch (dpi). The higher the resolution, the more detailed the image and the more memory and drive space the image will use.

To conserve computer memory and still receive good image quality, we recommend the following settings.

Document to be scanned	Resolution (dpi)
Text (for printing)	300
Text (for faxing)	200
Text (for OCR)	300
Black and white or gray image	150
Color image or photo	100



- These values are only recommendations and should be raised if the resulting image is rough or you need to view fine details.
- To scan a large-size color image with a higher resolution (usually over 600 dpi) increases scan time and file size substantially and requires huge system resources. Therefore, a higher resolution for color scanning is recommended only when you scan a small area.

## **Brightness**

Raising the brightness increases the amount of white in an image, making it appear more washed out. Lowering the brightness may help you read light or

faint text.

You may adjust the brightness either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which adds lightness or darkness to all colors in your image.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

#### Contrast

The higher the contrast, the sharper the image. The lower the contrast, the more blurry an image will be.

You may adjust the contrast either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which raises or lowers the differences between light and dark colors in your image.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

#### Gamma

Image Gamma is used to adjust the colors in the image that will be scanned into the computer. Gamma values are primarily a measure of the brightness of a color. The larger the gamma value, the brighter the color becomes.

Do one of the following:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left; or
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

#### **Threshold**

Threshold sets the color level for converting an image to line art, which can adjust the quality of line art image or eliminate unwanted dots in the documents to improve OCR accuracy. This setting is available only when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode. Select the options from the drop-down list. Click to open a dialog box where you may adjust the settings.

You may adjust the Threshold / Radius / Weight value either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left to decrease or increase the value.
- Click the arrow signs on the right and left ends.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

## **Color Dropout**

Color Dropout allows you to remove a color channel (Red, Green or Blue) while scanning. This feature is available only when **Black & White** or **Grayscale** is selected as Scan Mode.

For example, if your original document contains blue texts or a blue stamp (e.g., a bill or invoice) and you want to discard it from your image, you may select **Blue Channel** from the drop-down list box

#### Descreen

Descreen applies filtering to images that contain moiré patterns (or herringbone). A moiré pattern is created from scanning pictures in magazines, or printed material that use color dithering. The descreen filter is not needed when scanning original photographs or black and white images and text, but is recommended when scanning any printed color graphics, such as a page from a magazine, in order to remove the unsightly interference patterns which may occur.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

#### **Filter**

Filters help you improve your scans by allowing you to sharpen images as well as remove excessive dots and distortion.

The following options are available from the drop-down list:

- None-- Applies no filter in the scanned image.
- Average-- Determines the medium depth of an image and averages adjacent pixels to make images appear softer.
- **Blur**-- Dulls the edges within an image and decreases the contrast by making dark edges lighter and light edges darker.
- Blur More-- Adds additional blurring.
- **Sharpen**-- Allows you to sharpen the edges within an image by making the edges in an image more distinct. The Sharpen filter also increases contrast by making dark edges darker and surrounding light edges lighter.
- Sharpen More-- Adds additional sharpening.
- **Unsharpen**-- Sharpens the edges in an image to remove the blurriness.

This setting is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Page Settings**

Clicking Configure... opens the Page Settings page.

#### **Auto Rotate**

Tick the check box of **Auto Rotate**, the document image you scanned will be automatically rotated and straightened.

- \_\_\_\_\_\_0°-- Clicking this button keeps the image at its original orientation.
- **90° Right**-- Clicking this button turns the image clockwise by 90°.
- **180°**-- Clicking this button turns the image by 180°.
- **90° Left**-- Clicking this button turns the image counterclockwise by 90°.

#### **Continuous Scan**

Check this option if you want to scan multiple pages successively to the same destination. After the document is scanned, a dialog will pop up asking you if you will put in more paper to continue scanning, or if you want to end the scan.

## **Apply Color Matching**

Different types of devices reproduce different ranges of colors (or color gamut). For example, you may have noticed the colors of the scanned image displayed on your monitor and on the paper printed from your printer are different.

Color Matching allows you to get consistent color between input and output devices (e.g., scanner, monitor, printer). It works by embedding a color profile to your image files. Each different device displays colors according to this profile and therefore results in consistent color appearance among all devices.

Ticking this check box if you want DocAction to apply the built-in color sRGB profile to the scanned images. This feature is available only when **Color** is selected as Scan Mode.

**Auto Density** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

Auto Density defines the lightest and darkest pixels in each channel as white and black and then redistributes the intermediate pixel values proportionately. Checking this box automatically adjusts the Histogram, to make the scanned

image clearer. It does this by increasing the difference between color tones.

In general, the Auto Density feature gives good results when a simple contrast adjustment is needed to enhance an image with an average distribution of pixel values.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Auto Crop**

Alternatively you may tick this check box to have DocAction automatically identify the dimensions of the image you scanned and crop around the edges. The crop shape will be a square or rectangle and it will not trace the edges of oddly-shaped images. This command can be useful when scanning smaller images such as photographs.

## **Multi-Crop**

When you scan two or more small items at the same time using the flatbed scanner, you may tick this check box to perform multi-crop automatically. The program will identify each individual item and generate separate scanned image files. The scanned items must be placed separately and no two items are sticking together on the scanner glass. Place all small items on the scanner's flatbed with a slight gap between them for best scanning results.

#### **Auto Deskew**

Tick this check box if you want DocAction to automatically straighten the skewed image after auto crop is done.

If the placed image is too slanted (>10°), the Auto Deskew function will not recognize the skewed image(s).

## **Image Edge Fill**

Tick the check box of **Image Edge Fill**, the edge of scanned image would be filled.

**Multi-image output** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

Tick the check box if you want DocAction to output multiple images after the scan process is finished. Depending on the scan settings, you may choose to output up to three multiple images in **Color**, **Grayscale** and **B/W** by only one scan.

**Remove Punch Holes** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

Tick the check box of **Remove Punch Holes**, the hole marks aligned along with the edge of the scanned document will be removed after auto crop is done. The function will work for the document with single background color.

## **Remove Background**

Tick this check box to remove the colored background of the scanned documents.

#### **Denoise**

Tick this check box to remove noises from the scanned images.

#### **Character Enhancement**

Tick this check box to enhance text characters in the scanned documents. This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Global Settings**

Click the **Global settings** button to configure settings of **Image Enhancement**, **Multi-image output** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.), **Image Edge Fill**, **Remove Punch Holes** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.), **Scan continuously** and **Split**.

#### **Image Enhancement**

You may set the conditions to enhance the scanned images in this page.

#### Remove Background

This feature is used to adjust the remove condition of colored background. The higher the value, the greater the effect will be. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown above the scroll bar.

#### Denoise

This feature is used to adjust the reduce condition of noises. The higher the value, the more noises will be reduced. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

#### Character Enhancement

This feature is used to adjust the enhancement value of text characters. The higher the value, the sharper the text character will be. Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, and the current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

**Multi-image output** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

If you select **Color** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check boxes of **Gray** and **B/W** to output color, grayscale and B/W images by only one scan.

If you select **Color** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check box of **Gray** to output color and grayscale images by only one scan.

If you select **Gray** as **Scan Mode**, you may tick the check box of **B/W** to output grayscale and B/W images by only one scan.

If you select **B/W** as **Scan Mode**, only B/W image will be generated by one scan.

You may select the desired resolution from the dpi drop-down list. If you select **Custom** from the drop-down list, please set the resolution dpi.

#### Image Edge Fill

When you scan by the **Color Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the color you prefer for edge fill.

When you scan by the **Grayscale Mode**, clicking button would allow you to adjust the color you prefer for edge fill.

When you scan by the **B/W mode**, you may click \_\_\_\_ button for white edge fill or button for black edge fill.

#### Auto border filled with auto fill color

When the scanned document size is smaller than the selected page size, select this option to automatically detect the document edge in the scanned image and fill the background color around the document edge after the document is scanned.

#### Custom

Select this option to configure custom options.

- **Inward Fill:** Select this option to fill the selected color inside the edge of the selected page size.
- Outward Fill: Select this option to fill the selected color outside the edge of the selected page size.

Tick the check box of **All sides match**, the widths of four sides would be set to be the same. You may adjust the width by clicking buttons. If you do not tick this check box, then you can adjust the width of each side individually.

**Remove Punch Holes** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

#### Color of the Background Paper

If you select this option, punch hole marks will be filled with the background color of the scanned document.

#### Custom

If you select this option, punch hole marks will be filled with the selected color. When you scan by the **Color Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the desired color to remove the punch hole marks.

When you scan by the **Grayscale Mode**, clicking button would allow you to choose the desired color to remove the punch hole marks.

When you scan by the **B/W Mode**, punch hole marks will be filled with white color if you click button, or punch hole marks will be filled with black color if you click button.

#### Scan continuously

You may adjust the time interval by clicking 🖹 buttons.

#### Split

You may set the number by clicking the up or down arrows to split an image into several equal parts. Each equal part can be saved as an image.

#### Enable specify split sequence

Tick this check box to specify the image output order of each equal part.

#### Specify split sequence

Select the options to specify the image output order. You can specify the horizontal and vertical output orders of images scanned in simplex mode. The numbers in the illustration figure show the current image output order of each equal part. To configure the desired output order, clicking on the number to clear the existing output order, and then clicking on each equal part to specify the output order.

#### **Preview**

By clicking on the Preview button, you can scan the source document into the preview window within DocAction interface. Documents or images that are previewed will be displayed here. The previewed image gives you an idea of how a document or image will look after it is scanned.

#### **Default**

Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.

## 2.6 File Format Configuration dialog box

Within the Button Configuration window click the **Scan** or **Email** icon on the left pane and then click configure. In the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Select **File Utility** or **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list and then click Configure. in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Keep the same image quality level for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the quality level for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of adjusting the quality level individually. If you prefer to manually adjust the image quality level for different modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Keep the same TIFF / PDF setting for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the TIFF / PDF setting for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of individually ticking or clearing the TIFF / PDF check box. If you prefer different settings for different scan modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Convert to PDF/A (Available for PDF format only)

Tick this box to convert the PDF file format to PDF/A file format for long-term preservation of electronic documents.

## **Image Quality**

For *JPEG* and *TIFF-Compressed* file formats, you can set the quality level individually for Color and Grayscale scan modes.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 100. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take. The smaller the image file, the lower quality the image has, but the less disk space it takes. The

balance of image quality and file size needs to be determined according to your own needs.

B/W images in TIFF-Compressed file format are always saved in Fax G4 format.

If TIFF / PDF is chosen as the file format, you have three options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one TIFF / PDF file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file; or
- Generate one TIFF / PDF file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in a file.
- Generate one TIFF/ PDF file for scanned pages once a blank page is scanned: generate a new file each time a blank page is encountered. You can use blank pages to split the file.

**Auto Mode** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

If PDF or TIFF is chosen as the file format, check this option to merge all the scanned images with the same file format into one file. If TIFF / PDF is chosen as the file format, **Generate one TIFF / PDF file for all pages** option must be selected at the same time to merge all the scanned images into one file.

## 3 Using the Scanner Buttons

## Conditions for buttons to work properly

The following conditions are required for the scanner buttons and DocAction to work properly.

- OCR: The OCR application program provided on our scanner CD-ROM must be installed on your computer.
- **Scan**: An application program must be selected to link with the Scan button.
- **Copy**: A printer must be connected and the printer driver has been correctly installed in Windows.
- **Email**: A MAPI-compliant mail program must be installed on your computer.
- **PDF**: The OCR application program provided on our scanner CD-ROM must be installed on your computer.
- FTP: A FTP server must be correctly configured to connect with your scanner and your computer.

## 3.1 Configure Button Settings

Before performing your first scan via scanner buttons, you are recommended to configure the button settings to your needs and preferences first.

Refer to the "Preparing Documents" section of the Scanner User's Guide to choose an appropriate method to scan your paper documents.

#### 3.1.1 Scan Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **Scan** icon in the left pane.
- 3. Select the desired function from the drop-down list of Button Template.
- 4. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- 5. Adjust particular settings related to that button function.
- 6. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

Scan Button Configurations

File Button Settings

Scan Button Settings

Copy Button Settings
 FTP Button Settings
 Email Button Configurations
 OCR Button Configurations
 PDF Button Configurations

#### 3.1.1.1 File

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **File Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your hard drives to select a desired saving folder.
- 3. If the current file naming format doesn't meet your needs, click configure it in the <u>File Name Setup</u> window.
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

File Button Settings

#### 3.1.1.2 Scan

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. You may have the Scan button to perform in either way of the following:
  - If you want to not only scan documents to files but also send them to a specified application to confirm the scan results right after the scan

#### completes:

Select an image-editing <u>application</u>, and then select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking to modify file format configurations.

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format. Scanned images cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

For example, if you select JPEG, PNG, BMP or TIFF (compressed or uncompressed), make sure you select an *image-editing* application (e.g., Adobe Photoshop); if you select PDF to save the scanned images, you are recommended to select Adobe Acrobat or Adobe Acrobat Reader that has been installed in your Windows.

- If you want to simply start up an application without doing any scan (i.e., make this Scan button as a hot key to launch a specified application):
   Tick the check box of "Launch only". You may select any application program installed in your computer.
- 3. Click Save Setup to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 4. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 5. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

**Scan Button Settings** 

3.1.1.2.1 Add, modify or delete the application

## To add an application

If the desired program is not found in the drop-down menu of Application, you may add it by following the steps described below:

1. Click \_\_\_\_\_\_ to open the "Add/Remove Linked Application" window.

- 2. Click and an Open dialog box appears. Browse to the desired program folder and select the executable file (\*.exe) of the desired application program, and then click **Open**.
- 3. The full file path and execution file name of the application are displayed in the Application field in Button Configuration window.
- 4. Enter the name for this application program to help you recognize it in the Application's drop-down menu.
- 5. Enter a short description in the Memo field.
- 6. Enter the command line to perform a specific task if you have such information for the selected application program. It is recommended that you leave this field blank if you will not use or are unsure of the command line.
- 7. Click to confirm settings, or click to give up all changes.

## To modify an existing application

If you feel you cannot distinguish the applications from their names displayed in the Application's drop-down menu or if you want to add/remove the command line, follow the steps described below:

- 1. Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window.
- 2. Select a program from the Application's drop-down menu.
- 3. Click double to open the "Add/Remove Linked Application" window.
- 4. Change the desired items.
- 5. Click to confirm settings, or click to give up all changes.

## To delete an existing application

Up to 10 applications can be added to the application's drop-down menu. To delete any existing application from the menu, follow the steps described below:

1. Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window.

- 2. Select a program from the Application's drop-down menu.
- 3. Click Delete

The selected application is removed from the drop-down menu immediately.

#### 3.1.1.3 Copy

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **Copy Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. If you are printing to a printer other than your default printer, select a correct printer from the drop-down menu.
- 3. Click Properties... to configure the printer.
- 4. Enter the number of copies you want to make. Alternatively you can click to increase/decrease the number.
- 5. Check the **Center on Page** option if you want to center the image in the printable area of the selected paper.
- 6. Scale the print size by clicking the **Fit to Page** (fit the image within the printable area of the selected paper) or **Custom Ratio** option.
- 7. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 8. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

The Copy button is only for making quick copies of documents or images. It does not save the scanned image to your computer and does not give you a preview of what the output will look like. For more control over the scanning and printing process, including previewing, resizing, color control, use an image editor to scan and print the document or image.

#### Also see:



#### 3.1.1.4 FTP

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. Select the <u>Session Name</u> from the drop-down list.
- 3. Click Save Setup to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

FTP Button Settings

#### 3.1.2 Email Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **Email** icon in the left pane.
- 3. Do one of the following to select how you want the scanned images saved to your disk drive:
  - Have DocAction automatically saves every scanned image: Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder.

DocAction will automatically assign the file name to save the images.

- Prompt for manually saving each scanned image:
   Tick the check box of "Prompt for file saving name and folder".
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> to save the scanned documents or images. Clicking to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click your adjustments and exit this window.

## **Select the Email program**

- 1. Right-click **Internet Explorer** icon on your Windows desktop and then click **Internet Properties** from the pop-up menu.
- 2. Click the **Programs** tab and then select a desired program from the **Email** drop-down menu.



- The Email button only works with MAPI-compliant Email programs (which currently include Microsoft Outlook, Microsoft Outlook Express, Microsoft Exchange, ...) that have already been installed on your computer. See your Email program's documentation for details.
- MAPI, the acronym for Messaging Application Programming Interface, is the standard interface for Email application programs.

#### Also see:

Email Button Configurations

#### 3.1.3 OCR Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose

#### **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.

- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **OCR** button in the left pane.
- 3. Select an OCR application to convert the scanned images into characters readable by your word processor or text viewer.
- 4. Clicking opens a configuration window for the selected OCR application.
- 5. Click Save Setup to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 6. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.

Due to the limits of current technology, the OCR process (for all programs) is rarely perfect in its attempts to recognize letters, but the accuracy can be improved based on the font of the document scanned, the size of the font, the scanning resolution, and the scanning brightness among other things. Therefore, you may need to adjust the scanner settings to improve the accuracy of OCR results.

7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

OCR Button Configurations

FineReader OCR Configuration

Plustek OCR Configuration

#### 3.1.4 PDF Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.

- Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **PDF** button in the left pane.
- 3. Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your hard drives to select a desired saving folder.
- 4. If the current file naming format doesn't meet your needs, click <u>Setup...</u> to configure it in the <u>File Name Setup</u> window.
- 5. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking to modify file format configurations.
- 6. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

#### Also see:

**PDF Button Configurations** 

#### 3.2 Scan from the Buttons

Scanning documents or images from this scanner is very easy. Follow the two steps described below:

 Place the document or images onto the scanner. (Refer to the Scanner User's Guide for more information in placing paper on the flatbed glass properly.)

Place only *text documents* for OCR purposes. Do not scan a photo using the OCR button.

- 2. Do one of the following to start scanning:
  - Press the button from the scanner's panel.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens. Click the desired button function item in the pop-up menu.

The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

When you scan and upload large amount files to the FTP server, you will see the icon in your Windows system tray. Right-click on this icon will open a pop-up menu and allow you to:

- View the file transferring status by clicking **Open** from the pop-up menu.
- Terminate the file transfer during the uploading process by clicking **Close** from the pop-up menu.

#### Also see:

**Configure Button Settings** 

## 3.3 How to create searchable PDF documents by DocAction program?

#### Scan from the PDF Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the PDF button on the left pane. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- 3. Select Searchable PDF from the drop-down list of File Format (Color,

Grayscale, B/W).



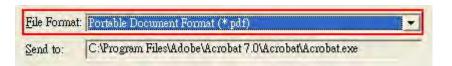
- 4. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 5. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings.
- 6. Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 7. Click PDF button function in the pop-up menu.

#### Scan from the OCR Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in the Windows system tray.
  - Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the OCR button on the left pane. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- Select an OCR application to convert the scanned images into characters readable by your word processor or text viewer.
   The availability of the programs may vary depending on the scanner model you purchase.
- 4. Clicking configure. opens a configuration window for the selected OCR application.



5. Select Portable Document Format (\*.pdf) from the drop-down list of File Format.



- 6. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings.
- 8. Right-click the icon in the Windows system tray, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 9. Click OCR button function in the pop-up menu.

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## 1 Introduction

The main functions of Scanner Utility are: <a href="scanner connection">scanner connection</a> checking, <a href="scanner model">scanner model</a> government (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase), <a href="standby-mode">standby-mode</a> control (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase), and <a href="counter-Utility">Counter Utility</a> (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase).

The Scanner Utility program checks to make sure that the scanner software is properly installed, and the connection between the scanner and computer is working.

Although we have designed the scanner lock to hold the scanning lamp in place during shipping, sometimes the refinement of the initial scanning position might be necessary (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase).

Furthermore, the program allows you to disable the standby mode, or define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase).

The **Counter Utility** automatically counts the number of sheets scanned by your scanner (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase).

## 2 Scanner Connection

The icon , located on the Windows system tray, indicates if the scanner software is properly launched and the scanner and computer are communicating with each other.



The program has been successfully launched and the scanner is connected with the computer, ready to scan images.



The scanner is not connected with the computer. Or, the scanner power is not switched on. Or, the scanner is in standby mode.

## No Display

You have chosen to terminate the program, no matter the scanner is connected or disconnected with the computer.

If the icon is not displayed on the system tray, from Windows **Start** menu, point to **All Programs > (your scanner** 

model name) and then click to reactivate the program. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the **Charm** bar. Click on the **Start** charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The **Apps** screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find **Your scanner model name**, and

then click on to reactivate the program.)

## 3 Aligning the Scanner (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

In most cases, the scanner doesn't need to be aligned but there are instances when the alignment might be required. You need to align the scanner only if parts of the scanned document are missing from any of its edges. For example, the heading of a document might be missing from the top edge after the document has been scanned.

1. Place a document face down onto the scanner glass and align the top left corner of the document with the upper right corner of the scanner glass.

- 2. From the Windows START menu, point to All Programs > Your Scanner Model Name, and then click Scanner Utility. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your scanner model name, and then click on Scanner Utility.)
- 3. The Scanner Utility window opens. Find the **Initial Scanning Position Alignment** section and select **Flatbed Reflective** as the scan source.
- 4. Click on the **Scan** button. Part of the document image will be displayed in the Alignment Window.
- 5. Click on the **Alignment Position** buttons (Up, Down, Left, Right) until the top left corner of the scanned document aligns with the top left corner of the preview window.
- 6. When the alignment completes, click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.

## 4 Standby Mode (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

To save power consumption, the scanner will enter the standby mode after it is idle for a while. You may disable the standby mode or define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode.

- 1. From the Windows START menu, point to All Programs > Your Scanner Model Name, and then click Scanner Utility. (For Windows 8.1 users: Point your mouse cursor to the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the Charm bar. Click on the Start charm, then click on the downwards arrow button in the lower left corner of the screen. The Apps screen will be shown. Move your cursor to the right edge of the screen to scroll right until you find Your scanner model name, and then click on Scanner Utility.)
- 2. In the **Standby Mode** section of the Scanner Utility window that opens, click the button of your option:
  - a. To disable the Standby Mode: Click the button before **Disable Standby Mode**. (This function may or may not be available depending on the

scanner model you purchase.)

- b. To automatically enter the Standby Mode (Sleep): Click the button before **Sleep** and then click the up or down arrows to set a default time for the scanner to automatically enter the Standby Mode.
- 3. Click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.



- To completely shut down the scanner, press the power switch on the rear of the scanner.
- If the scanner will not be used for a long period of time, shut down the scanner and then disconnect the power cable from the power outlet.

Alternatively you may click **Default** to restore the default settings. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

## 5 Counter Utility (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase)

Click the **Counter Utility** tab to enter the **Flatbed Reflective** page. This page displays how many sheets scanned by your scanner's **Flatbed Reflective**.

- The current count: Displays the current number of scanned sheets accumulated after the last reset. You may click the Reset button to reset the counter to 0.
- 2. **Target value to replace consumables**: Displays the suggestion value to replace the consumable.
- 3. **Status**: Displays the usage condition of the consumable parts.
- 4. Click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.

## 6 Help

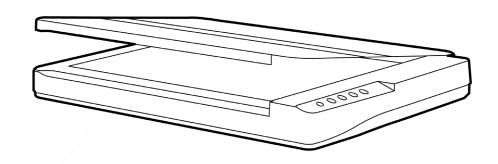
Clicking on Help runs this on-line help program.

## 7 Cancel

Clicking on **Cancel** closes this Scanner Utility program.



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# **I**NTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing us as your scanner supplier. Your new scanner will improve the professionalism of your day-to-day computing tasks by allowing you to input images and electronic text into your computer system.

Like all of our products, your new scanner is thoroughly tested and backed by our reputation for unsurpassed dependability and customer satisfaction. We hope you will continue to turn to us for additional quality products as your computing needs and interests grow.

## How to Use This Guide

This User's Guide provides instructions and illustrations on how to install and operate your scanner. This guide assumes the user is familiar with Apple macOS. If this is not the case, we suggest you learn more about Apple macOS by referring to your Apple macOS manual before using your scanner.

The Introduction section of this manual describes the box contents and minimum computer requirements to use this scanner. Before you start installing your scanner, check the box contents to make sure all parts are included. If any items are damaged or missing, please contact the vendor where you purchased your scanner or our customer service directly.

Chapter I describes how to install the scanner's software and connect the scanner to your computer. Note: The scanner connects to your computer through the Universal Serial Bus (USB). If your computer does not support USB technology, you will need to purchase a USB interface card to add USB capabilities to your computer, or buy and install USB connectors if your motherboard has USB capabilities. This guide assumes that your computer is USB-ready and has a free USB port.

Chapter II describes how to use your scanner.

Chapter III describes how to maintain and clean your scanner.

Chapter IV contains technical support information that can help you solve simple problems.

Appendix A contains the specifications of the scanner you purchased.

Appendix B contains our customer service, the limited warranty agreement and FCC statement concerning the product.

#### **CONVENTIONS OF THIS GUIDE**

**Bold** —Represents commands or contents on your computer screen.

ALL CAPS —Important note or first use of an important term in a chapter.

*Italic* —Represents buttons on your scanner OR important notes.

#### A Note about Icons

This guide uses the following icons to point out information that deserves special attention.



A procedure that must be followed carefully to prevent injury, or accidents.



Instructions that are important to remember and may prevent mistakes.





Optional tips for your reference.

# **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**



Before using this device, please read the following important information to eliminate or reduce any possibility of causing damage and personal injury.

- 1. Usage, the product is for indoor use in dry locations. Moisture condensation may occur inside this device and cause malfunction at these conditions:
  - when this device is moved directly from a cold to a warm location;
  - after a cold room is heated;
  - when this device is placed in a damp room.

To avoid the moisture condensation, you are recommended to follow the procedure:

- i. Seal this device in a plastic bag for it to adapt to room conditions.
- ii. Wait for 1-2 hours before removing this device from the bag.
- 2. Do use the AC adapter, power cable and USB cable provided with the scanner. Use of other AC adapter and cables may lead to malfunction.
- 3. Keep the space around the AC adapter and power cable clear in case you need to

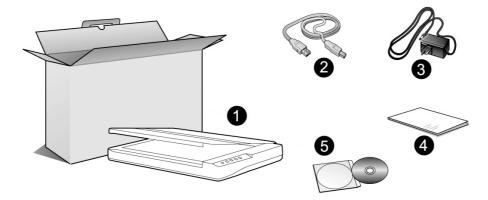
- quickly unplug the AC adapter during emergencies.
- 4. Damaged wire could cause fire or electrical shock. Keep the power cord straight and without being twisted, bended, or scraped.
- 5. Unplug this device if you don't need to use it for a certain period of time, such as, during night or long weekend, to avoid any risks of causing fire.
- 6. Do not attempt to disassemble the scanner. There is danger of an electrical shock and opening your scanner will void your warranty.
- 7. Be sure not to bump or knock the scanner glass as it is fragile and could break.
- 8. Do not subject the scanner to excessive vibration. It may damage the internal components.

# MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS<sup>1</sup>

- 2.4 GHz CPU processor or higher[1][2][3]
  - [1] Windows Recommended: 2.8 GHz Intel® Core™ i5 Processor with 4 CPU Cores or higher
  - [2] Support Mac INTEL and M1 based processor
  - [3] Compatibility is not available with PowerPC
- 4 GB RAM minimum (Recommended: 8 GB or more, A3 size@1200 dpi scanning, allocated 20 GB Virtual Memory at minimum)
- 6 GB of hard-disk space for program installation
- Display dimensions of 1024x768 or greater
- Operating System<sup>2</sup>: Apple macOS 10.14 / 10.15 / 11.x / 12.x / 13.x

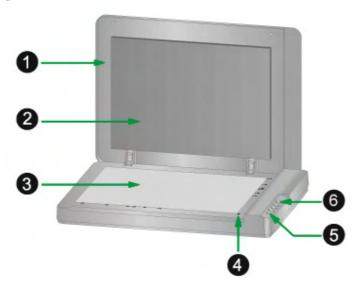
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Higher requirements might be needed when scanning or editing a large quantity of image data. The system requirements here are only a guideline, as in general the better the computer (motherboard, processor, hard disk, RAM, video graphic card), the better the results. <sup>2</sup> Specifications may change at any time without prior notice.

# **BOX CONTENTS**<sup>3</sup>



- 1. Scanner<sup>4</sup>
- 2. USB Cable
- 3. AC Adapter
- 4. Quick Guide
- 5. Mac Setup/Application DVD-ROM

## **SCANNER OVERVIEW**



- 1. DOCUMENT COVER— Helps keep the paper in place and protects the scanner glass.
- 2. DOCUMENT PAD— Keeps the paper in place and improves accuracy of image quality.
- 3. SCANNER GLASS— Where you put items for flatbed scanning.

Save the box and packing materials in case you need to transport this scanner in the future.
 The scanner illustration(s) in this manual may appear different than from the actual scanner itself.

- 4. REFERENCE MARK— Align your paper with this reference mark for flatbed scanning.
- 5. POWER BUTTON— Use this to turn the scanner ON or OFF.

POWER LED— Indicates the scanner status.

Light	Status
Blue	The scanner is turned on, ready to scan images.
Red	The scanner is in standby mode. Simply press any scanner button on the scanner panel and the scanner will return back to the normal status.
Off	The scanner is off, either because the power is not turned on, or because the power cord is not properly plugged into an AC power outlet.

6. SCANNER BUTTONS—You may press any button to perform a predefined scanning task.



- 7. POWER RECEPTOR— Connects the scanner to a standard AC power outlet by the AC adapter included.
- 8. USB PORT— Connects the scanner to a USB port on your computer by the USB cable included.
- 9. USB HUB<sup>5</sup> Connects the scanner to a USB port on another USB scanner by the USB cable.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

# CHAPTER I. INSTALLING THE SCANNER

Before installing your scanner, please verify that you have all of the proper components. A list of the package contents is provided in the "Box Contents" section of this guide.

#### **SOFTWARE INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

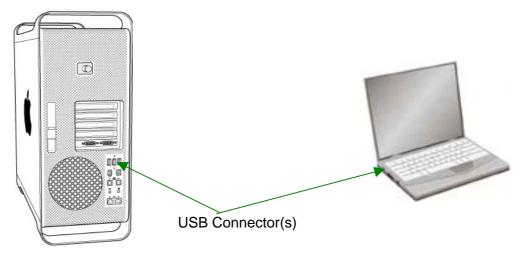
Your scanner comes with the scanner's driver and the task management software (Plustek MacAction). All of these software applications use approximately 6 GB of hard disk space after they are installed into your computer. To ensure ample room for the installation, as well as for scanning and saving images, a minimum of 6 GB of hard disk space is recommended.

The USB scanner can only operate under the Apple macOS $^6$  10.14 / 10.15 / 11.x / 12.x / 13.x operating system.

## HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

This scanner connects to your computer through the Universal Serial Bus (USB) which supports HOT PLUG AND PLAY. To determine whether your computer is USB-capable, you must check the rear of your PC to locate a USB jack that looks like the picture below. If you are having trouble in locating the USB port on your computer, please refer to the hardware manual that came with your computer.

Upon examination, you should find one or two rectangular USB ports, which usually appear as shown below.



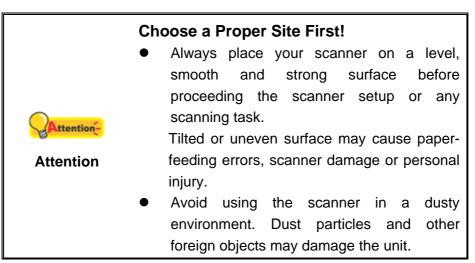
If you don't find such USB ports on your computer, then you need to purchase a certified USB interface card to add USB capabilities to your computer.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Specifications may change at any time without prior notice.

#### INSTALLING AND SETTING UP THE SCANNER

Please follow the step-by-step procedures described below to install the Plustek scanner.



# **Step 1. Connecting the Scanner to Your Computer**

If your scanner does not have the USB hub function<sup>7</sup>, please follow the below connection steps:





**Attention** 

Please make sure the scanner is turned OFF before you plug or unplug the scanner power adapter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

- 1. Plug the AC adapter into the scanner's power receptor.
- 2. Plug the other end of the power cable into a standard AC power outlet.
- 3. Plug the square end of the included USB cable to the USB port at the rear of the scanner.
- 4. Plug the rectangular end of the USB cable to an available USB port on your computer.
- 5. If you plan to connect your scanner to a USB hub<sup>8</sup>, make sure that the hub is connected to the USB port in your computer. Next, connect the scanner to the USB hub.

# If your scanner has the USB hub function<sup>9</sup>, please follow the below connection steps:





Please make sure the scanner is turned OFF before you plug or unplug the scanner power adapter.

- 1. Plug the AC adapter into the scanner's power receptor.
- 2. Plug the other end of the power cable into a standard AC power outlet.
- 3. Plug the square end of the included USB cable to the USB port at the rear of the scanner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The USB hub is not included with the scanner. If using a hub, you are recommended to use a hub with its own external power adapter.

This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.

- 4. Plug the rectangular end of the USB cable to an available USB port on your computer.
- 5. If you plan to connect your scanner to a USB hub<sup>10</sup>, make sure that the hub is connected to the USB port in your computer. Next, connect the scanner to the USB hub.
- 6. Plug the rectangular end of another USB cable to the USB hub at the rear of this scanner.
- 7. Plug the square end of another USB cable to the USB port of another scanner.

#### Step 2. Installing the Software

- 1. Switch the scanner power on.
- 2. Insert the Mac Setup/Application DVD-ROM, included with your scanner, into your

DVD-ROM drive and a Plustek Scanner DVD icon similar will show on the desktop of your macOS.



- 3. Double-click on the DVD setup icon, and a window will pop up displaying the file folder.
- 4. Double-click on the setup file **Setup**, and the Scanner Installer will start to guide you through the installation. Follow the on-screen guide in the installer window.
- 5. You will be prompted to enter your Mac administrator password. Enter the password to continue the installation. Note: Only the Mac administrator can perform the installation. Please make sure that you log in the macOS as an administrator.
- 6. When the installation finishes, click the **Close** button to exit the installer.

Save the Setup/Application DVD in case you need to reinstall the driver and software in the future.

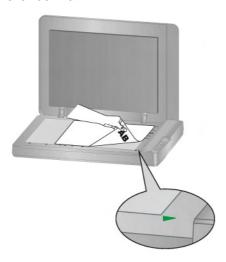
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The USB hub is not included with the scanner. If using a hub, you are recommended to use a hub with its own external power adapter.

#### Step 3. Testing the Scanner

The following describes how you can check if the scanner is properly functioning with your computer and the scanning software. Before testing your scanner, double check to make sure that all connections are securely fastened.

#### To test the flatbed scanning:

1. Open the scanner's document cover. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark.



- 2. Gently close the document cover.
- 3. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 4. Clicking the Custom icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. In the Button Configuration window, choose from the dropdown list of Button Template to select "File Utility", and keep in mind the default saving folder show in the "Saving folder" dropdown list.
- 5. Press the **Custom** button on the scanner and the scanning starts immediately. You'll see a scanned image of the document in the default saving folder; your scanner is working properly.

# CHAPTER II. SCANNING

Your scanner needs to be driven by certain type of software program. Since all documents or images (whether text or pictures) that are acquired from the scanner are treated by your computer as images, most scanning will probably be done from an image-editing program where you can view, edit, save and output the scanned images.

What about scanning text documents and editing them in a word processor? This is the role of Optical Character Recognition (OCR) software. OCR software converts the image files that are created from scanning text documents into text files that can be viewed, edited and saved by word processors.

The MacAction program, seamlessly integrating the operation of your scanner with your computer and other peripherals, provides a quick and convenient way to perform various scanning functions. With MacAction, you don't need to adjust settings every time you scan. Simply press any button on the scanner's front panel or click any scanning menu item of MacAction on the screen. The scanner starts to scan your paper documents and transfer them to your assigned destination. The destination can be a printer, your e-mail program, files on your disk drives, an image-editing program, etc.

Please refer to the online help of each program to guide you through any questions you may have while scanning within that program.

This chapter describes three important steps of scanner operations. Read them thoroughly and follow the instructions to ensure correct use and optimal scanner performance.

Step 1. Preparing Documents

Step 2. Placing Documents

Step 3. Scanning Documents

# **PREPARING DOCUMENTS**

Proper document preparation prior to the scan can prevent paper feed errors and damages to the scanner.

■ Checking Document Conditions

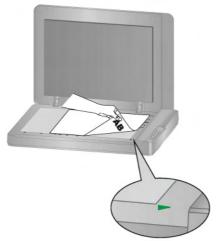
# **Checking Document Conditions**

Make sure the paper sizes of your documents are acceptable by the scanner. Refer to "Appendix A: Specifications10F" of this guide for more information.

#### **PLACING DOCUMENTS**

#### Using the Flatbed

- 1. Open the scanner's document cover.
- 2. Place the document onto the scanner glass headfirst and face-down. Align the top left corner of the document with the arrow on the reference mark.



3. Gently close the document cover.

## **SCANNING DOCUMENTS**

There are 3 different ways to operate the scanner:

- 1. By scanning from the scan buttons on the scanner.
- 2. By scanning from MacAction's Execute menu on the screen
- 3. By scanning from the icon in the left side of the MacAction window.

MacAction software is automatically installed to your system along with the scanner driver.



Before you start scanning, check the following:

 The power of both your computer and scanner is turned on.

Attention

Paper is appropriately placed on the scanner flatbed glass.

# Scanning from the Scanner's Panel or On-screen MacAction's Execute Menu

The settings for each button on the scanner's panel are configured through MacAction. MacAction offers you quick access to the most frequently-used scanning

functions. They are especially useful when you need to repeatedly scan with the same settings and send images to the same destination.

Buttons on the scanner panel will be used in this guide to demonstrate the scanner operations. You may also use MacAction's on-screen Execute menu to perform the same scanning tasks.

#### **Configure Button Settings**

Before performing your first scan via scanner buttons, you are recommended to configure the button settings to your needs and preferences first. There are three ways to configure or view the button settings of MacAction:

- Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
- Click the icon in the Dock.
- Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button**Configuration in the pop-up menu that opens.

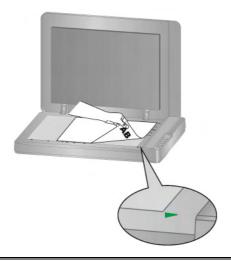
Within the "Button Configuration" window, you can find a row of icons running through the left side of the window. Each icon corresponds to a button on your scanner's panel (as well as MacAction's on-screen Execute menu). Clicking any icon on the left pane and its current button settings are displayed immediately on the right pane. You may adjust the settings as desired.

Click the **Help** button within the Button Configuration window for more information about the settings.

#### Scan from the Buttons

Scanning documents or images from this scanner is very easy. Follow the two steps described below:

1. Place the document or images onto the scanner. (Refer to "Chapter II. Scanning" of this guide for more information in placing paper on the flatbed glass properly.)

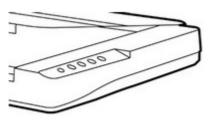




Place only text documents for OCR purposes. Do not scan a photo using the OCR button.

#### **Attention**

- 2. Do one of the following to start scanning:
  - Press the button from the scanner's panel.



 Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose Execute in the popup menu that opens. Click the desired button function item in the pop-up menu.

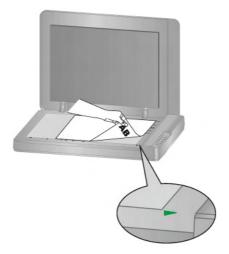


The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to the settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

# Scanning from the Icon in the Left Side of the MacAction Window

You can perform scanning task by double-clicking the icon in the left side of the MacAction window. Follow the steps described below:

1. Place the document or images onto the scanner.



- 2. Check current button settings by viewing the Button Configuration window. If needed, you may also modify settings to meet your current needs.
- 3. Double-clicking the desired icon in the left side of the MacAction window.

The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

# CHAPTER III. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Your scanner is designed to be maintenance-free. However, constant care and maintenance can keep your scanner working smoothly.

#### **CLEANING THE SCANNER**

Paper powder, dust, ink and toner from paper being scanned may make the scanner glass dirty, which leads to poor image quality or document-feeding errors. How often to clean your scanner depends on the type of paper and number of pages being scanned.

Perform the following procedures to clean the scanner surface and scanner glass. Gently wipe locations described herein. Do not rub too hard.



- Before cleaning the scanner, turn off the scanner and disconnect the scanner's power cable and USB cable, and then wait a few minutes for the glass to cool to ambient temperature.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after cleaning the scanner.

# **Cleaning Materials**

Have the following cleaning materials ready to clean the scanner:

- soft, dry, lint-free cloth (or a cotton swab)
- non-abrasive cleaner—Isopropyl alcohol (95%). DO NOT use water.



**Attention** 

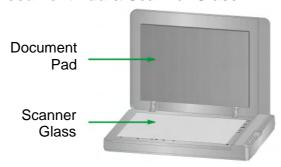
Alternatively you can use glass cleaner or neutral detergent for windows cleaning to clean the scanner glass.

Use of other cleaning materials could damage your scanner.

# **Cleaning the Flatbed**

- 1. Open the document cover.
- 2. Gently wipe the following areas with the cloth dampened with the cleaner.

#### **Clean Document Pad & Scanner Glass:**



- 3. Wait for cleaned areas to dry completely.
- 4. Gently close the document cover.

#### CALIBRATING THE SCANNER

Calibrate the scanner if colors appear in areas that should be white, or colors of the scanned image and the original vary a lot. This allows you to adjust and compensate for variations that can occur in the optical component over time by its nature.

The following describes how to calibrate the scanner:

- 1. Click Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name > Calibration Wizard.
- 2. Click on the **Start** button to begin the calibration process.
- 3. After the calibration is complete, click **OK**.

# **STANDBY MODE**

To save power consumption, the scanner will enter the standby mode after it is idle for a while. You may define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode.

- 1. Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Scanner Utility** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. In the **Standby Mode** section of the Scanner Utility window that opens, click the button of your option. To automatically enter the Standby Mode (**Sleep**), click the button before **Sleep** and then click the up or down arrows to set a default time for the scanner to automatically enter the Standby Mode.



You may define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

3. Click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.



- To completely shut down the scanner, press the power switch on the side of the scanner.
- If the scanner will not be used for a long period of time, shut down the scanner and then disconnect the power cable from the power outlet.

Alternatively you may click **Default** to restore the default settings. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

# CHAPTER IV. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter problems with your scanner, please review the installation and scanning instructions contained in this guide.

## **SCANNER CONNECTION**

The first step to take when troubleshooting connection problems with your scanner is to check all physical connections. The icon , located on the Dock, indicates if the scanner software is properly launched and the scanner and computer are communicating with each other.

Appearance	Status		
ACTION	The program has been successfully launched and the scanner is connected with the computer, ready to scan images.		
No Display	You have chosen to terminate the program, no matter the scanner is connected or disconnected with the computer.		

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Image Sensor	CIS
Light Source	LED
Scan Modes	Color: 48-bit input, 24-bit output Grayscale: 16-bit input, 8-bit output B/W: 1-bit output
Scanning Area (W x L)	Max. 297 x 431.8 mm (11.69" x 17")
Daily Duty Scan ( Sheets )	2,500
Power Supply	AC Power: 24 V / 0.75 A
Interface	USB 2.0
Net Weight	4.32 Kgs (9.52 Lbs)
Dimensions (W x D x H)	589 x 407 x 68 mm (23.18" x 16.02" x 2.67")
Protocol	TWAIN Compliant

If your scanner model is xxxx"H", that means this model has the USB hub function.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Hardware specifications may change at any time without prior notice.

# APPENDIX B: CUSTOMER SERVICE AND WARRANTY

Visit our website <u>www.plustek.com</u> for more customer service information. To avoid delays, please have the following information available:

- Scanner name and model number
- Scanner serial number (located at the bottom of the scanner)
- Scanner DVD version and part number
- A detailed description of the problem
- Your computer manufacturer and its model number
- The speed of your CPU
- Your current operating system and BIOS (optional)
- Name of software package(s), version or release number and manufacturer of the software
- Other USB devices installed

# SERVICE & SUPPORT INFORMATION (FOR EU COUNTRY ONLY)

Where appropriate, the period of availability of spare parts and the possibilities of upgrading products information. Please ask local distributors and suppliers for spare parts information and product upgrade information.

Information requested by relevant Implementing Measure. Please ask local distributors and suppliers for the related information of Implementing Measure test report.

Do not dispose anything of products before you ask local distributors and suppliers to get correct information for decreases of environmental impact with right methods and procedures.

If you want to disposals the product and/or an accessory, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the contact information of nearest disposal manufactures.

If you have any maintenance inquiry, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the contact information of nearest maintenance center in order to extend the product usage life time.

If you want to maintain and clearance the product, please ask local distributors and suppliers to get the right information of nearest stores.

#### STATEMENT OF LIMITED WARRANTY

This Statement of Limited Warranty applies only to the options you originally purchase for your use, and not for resale, from an authorized reseller.

The manufacturer warranty includes all parts and labor, and is not valid without the receipt of original purchase. To obtain warranty service, you may contact the authorized dealer or distributor, or visit our website to check out the available service information, or send a request via E-mail for further help.

If you transfer this product to another user, warranty service is available to that user for the remainder of the warranty period. You should give your proof of purchase and this statement to that user.

We warrant that this machine will be in good working order and will conform to its functional descriptions in the documentation provided. Upon provision of proof of purchase, replacement parts assume the remaining warranty of the parts they replace.

Before presenting this product for warranty service, you must remove all programs, data and removable storage media. Products returned without guides and software will be replaced without guides and software.

This Limited Warranty service does not provide for carry-in exchange when the problem results from accident, disaster, vandalism, misuse, abuse, unsuitable environment, program modification, another machine or non-vendor modification for this product.

If this product is an optional feature, this Limited Warranty applies only when the feature is used in a machine for which it was designed.

If you have any questions about your Limited Warranty, contact the approved retailer from whom you bought the product or the manufacturer.

THIS LIMITED WARRANTY REPLACES ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABLITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. HOWEVER, SOME LAWS DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES. IF THESE LAWS APPLY, THEN ALL EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE WARRANTY PERIOD. NO OTHER WARRANTIES APPLY AFTER THAT PERIOD.

Some jurisdictions do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply.

Under no circumstances are we liable for any of the following:

- 1. Third party claims against you for losses or damages.
- 2. Loss of, or damage to, your records or data; or
- 3. Economic consequential damages (including lost profits or savings) or incidental damages, even if we are informed of their possibility.

Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitations of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

#### FCC RADIO FREQUENCY STATEMENT

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular television reception (which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on), the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that which the receiver is connected.
- Shielded interconnect cables and shielded power cord which are supplied with this equipment must be employed with this equipment to ensure compliance with the pertinent RF emission limits governing this device.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help if the conditions persist.
- Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer or authorized service center could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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#### 1 Introduction

The MacAction program, seamlessly integrating the operation of your scanner with your computer and other peripherals, provides a quick and convenient way to perform various scanning functions.

With MacAction, you don't need to adjust settings every time you scan. Simply press any button on the scanner's panel or click any scanning menu item of MacAction on the screen. The scanner starts to scan your paper documents and transfer them to your assigned destination. The destination can be a printer, your Email program, files on your disk drives, an image-editing program, etc.

When MacAction is on, you will see the icon in the Dock. Right-click on this icon will open a pop-up menu and allow you to:

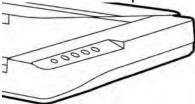
- <u>Configure button settings</u>. The settings for each single-touch button on the scanner's panel are configured through MacAction.
- Perform predefined scanning tasks in the same way as you press a button on the scanner panel.
- Calibrate the scanner.
- Access <u>Scanner Utility</u> where you may set up the standby mode and adjust the initial scanning position.

We will guide you through how to configure button settings and how to use scanner buttons to carry out your different scanning tasks.

## 1.1 Operate the Scanner

MacAction offers you quick access to the most frequently-used scanning functions in two ways. They are especially useful when you need to repeatedly scan with the same settings and send images to the same destination.

Scan from the buttons on the scanner panel



Scan from MacAction's Execute menu on the screen



Buttons on the scanner panel will be used in this guide to demonstrate the scanner operations. You may also use MacAction's on-screen Execute menu to perform the same scanning tasks.

In addition to the two fast scanning methods described above, this scanner offers you other ways to scan your paper documents or images. Choose an appropriate scanning method that meets your scanning need and preferences.

 By acquiring images from the scanner through our TWAIN interface within any TWAIN-compliant application programs

For more information, please refer to "Chapter II. Scanning" of the Scanner User's Guide.

#### 1.2 Calibrate the scanner

Calibrate the scanner if colors appear in areas that should be white, or colors of the scanned image and the original vary a lot. This allows you to adjust and compensate for variations that can occur in the optical component over time by its nature.

The following describes how to calibrate the scanner:

- 1. Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Calibration Wizard** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. Click on the **Start** button to begin the calibration process.
- 3. After the calibration is complete, click **OK**.

# 1.3 Scanner Utility

# **Standby Mode**

To save power consumption, the scanner will enter the standby mode after it is idle for a while. You may disable the standby mode or define an idle time for the scanner to automatically enter the standby mode.

1. Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Scanner Utility** in the pop-up menu that opens.



2. In the **Standby Mode** section of the Scanner Utility window that opens, click the button of your option:



- To disable the Standby Mode: Click the button before **Disable Standby** Mode.
- b. To automatically enter the Standby Mode (Sleep): Click the button before **Sleep** and then click the up or down arrows to set a default time for the scanner to automatically enter the Standby Mode.
- c. To automatically enter the Standby Mode (Hibernate): Click the button before **Hibernate** and then click the up or down arrows to set a default time for the scanner to automatically enter the Standby Mode. (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)
- 3. Click on **OK** button to save settings and exit.



- To completely shut down the scanner, press the power switch on the scanner.
- If the scanner will not be used for a long period of time, shut down the scanner and then disconnect the power cable from the power outlet.

Alternatively you may click **Default** to restore the default settings. You may press any scanner button to wake up the scanner from power saving.

#### 1.4 Button Functions Overview

Each button on the scanner's panel corresponds to an on-screen scanning button in MacAction program.

The following button functions are available:

- **Scan**-- Allows you to customize this button as any of the available scanning functions (OCR, File, Scan, Copy, Email, PDF, FTP).
- Email-- Scans documents or images directly to your Email program and automatically creates a new message with the image files attached. A copy is automatically saved on your disk drive too.
- OCR-- Scans text documents directly to a text editor or viewer, thus saving you the time usually needed for retyping. It converts the scanned images into an editable text file or a text-searchable pdf file.
- **PDF**-- Scans documents and recognizes letters on a page, then write them into a text-searchable pdf file. You may determine where they are saved and how their files are named to best meet your needs.

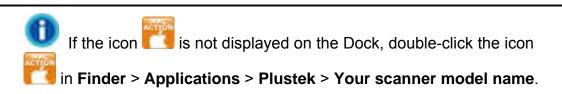
Except Scan button, all buttons are permanently assigned to a specific function and cannot be reassigned to a different function.

# 2 Button Configuration Window Overview

MacAction allows you to tailor each individual scanner button to meet your scanning needs of all time. There are two ways to configure or view the button settings of MacAction:

- Click the icon in the Dock
- Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.

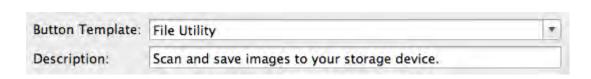
Within the Button Configuration window, you can find a row of icons running through the left side of the window. Each icon corresponds to a single-touch button on your scanner's panel (as well as MacAction's on-screen Execute menu). If not all available buttons are displayed, drag the scrolling bar up and down to navigate through them. Clicking any icon on the left pane and its current button settings are displayed immediately on the right pane. You may adjust the settings as desired.



#### 2.1 Scan Button Configurations

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:



## **Button Template**

Each available scanning function (Scan, Copy, OCR, File, Email, PDF, FTP) has been especially designed as an individual button template, which gives you great convenience and time-saving in configuring the settings to meet your needs. By simply selecting one function from the drop-down menu, you may turn this Scan button into your frequently-used scanning function.

## **Description**

After you select a desired function from the drop-down menu of Button Template and adjust the corresponding settings in this Button Configuration

window, you may enter a brief description here as a personal memo.

#### Also see:

- File Button Settings
- Scan Button Settings
- Copy Button Settings
- FTP Button Settings
- **Email Button Configurations**
- OCR Button Configurations
- PDF Button Configurations

#### 2.1.1 File Button Settings

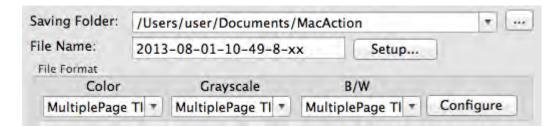
Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **File Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a File button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

# **File Saving Settings**

Determine how the scanned documents or images are saved to files.



#### Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time

when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

#### File Name

Specifies the file name format to save scanned documents or images. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The current file name format is displayed in the white rectangle. To change to a different format, click Setup... to open the File Name Setup window.

#### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- TIFF Uncompressed
- BMP
- JPEG
- PNG
- PDF
- MultiplePage TIFF Compressed

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the scan parameters without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking Configure opens the File Format Configuration window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG and PDF file formats.

#### **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma

- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

#### Also see:



How do I configure the File button?

#### File Name Setup dialog box (for File Button Settings) 2.1.1.1

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

#### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

#### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access System Preferences of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

#### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

#### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have MacAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

#### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

#### **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

Start with-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

#### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? MacAction offers you two options as follows:

- Tick this check box 

  and have MacAction overwrite the existing file with the newly-scanned image.
- Clear this check box ☐ and have MacAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_2013\_01\_26\_18\_00\_32.jpg" in which the numeral 2013\_01\_26\_18\_00\_32 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

#### Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of MacAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the

saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

#### **Open Finder After Scanning**

Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the Finder after scanning.

#### Launch designated application after saving file

- Tick this check box 
   and you can click the Add button to add the application. The designated application will be launched after the scanned files are saved. For example, if you add an image-editing application, it will appear after scanning. And you can open the scanned files saved in the destination folder. Then, the scanning results will be viewed and processed in the application.
- Clear this check box , the application won't be launched after saving files.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking Add... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking Modify... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking Delete to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

#### 2.1.2 Scan Button Settings

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a Scan button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>Application and File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and Scan Parameters on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Application and File Saving Settings**



## **Application**

Specifies an application program to be launched and linked to the Scan button. After the scan is complete, this application program is started up automatically and displays all scanned images.

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format. Scanned images cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

For example, if you select file format as JPEG, PNG, BMP or TIFF (compressed or uncompressed), make sure you select an *image-editing* application; if you select PDF to save the scanned images, you are recommended to select Adobe Acrobat or Adobe Acrobat Reader that has been installed in your Mac OS.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking Add... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking Modify... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking Delete to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

## Launch only

If this check box is ticked, clicking the Scan button will only start the linked application program. No scan is performed.

This option allows you to set up this button as a hot key to simply launch an application program without scanning action.

## Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name format the scanned documents or

images are saved.

### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- TIFF Uncompressed
- BMP
- JPEG
- PNG
- PDF
- MultiplePage TIFF Compressed

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the <a href="mailto:scan parameters">scan parameters</a> without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking Configure opens the File Format Configuration window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG and PDF file formats.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill

- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

### Also see:

How do I configure the Scan button?

#### Add/Modify Linked Application dialog box 2.1.2.1

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting Scan Utility from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and or Modify... in the right pane, which opens this dialog Add... then click box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Application**

Click to browse to the desired program folder and select the executable file (\*.exe) of the desired application program. The application is displayed here with its full file path and execution file name.

### **Name**

Enter the name for the newly-added application program. The name can be short like a nickname or even in more words including complete software name and its vendor name; that is, write anything that can help you recognize this linked application.

This name will be displayed in the Application's drop-down menu in the Button Configuration window.

## Memo

Optionally you may enter a short description here.

## **Command Line**

Enter the command line and add %1 at the end of the command line to perform a specific task if you have such information for the selected application

program. It is recommended that you leave this field blank if you will not use or are unsure of the command line.

## 2.1.2.2 Save Setup dialog box (for Scan Button Settings)

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then click Save Setup... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

## **File Name**

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- · using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

### Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access System Preferences of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format

for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have MacAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

## **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

Start with-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? MacAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box ☐ and have MacAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55.jpg" in which the numeral 2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

## Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of MacAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## **Open Finder After Scanning**

Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the Finder after scanning.

## 2.1.3 Copy Button Settings

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **Copy Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a Copy button.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>Printing Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Printing Settings**

Because all printers have their own printing characteristics and no two printers will give the exact same output (especially where colors and images are concerned), this Button Configuration window provides a number of options or settings, allowing you to adjust the scanning process to tailor the output to your particular printer. You will need to experiment with the settings to optimize the quality of the printed image.



### **Printer**

All printers that are currently installed in Mac OS are displayed in the dropdown menu.

If needed, click Properties... to configure the printer.

## Copies

This setting decides the number of copies to be printed. Do one of the following:

- Enter the numeral in the edit box directly; or
- Click to increase/decrease the number.

## **Center on Page**

If the check box is ticked, the image will be centered in the printable area of the selected paper.

## Fit to Page

If this option is selected, the print size of the image will be re-scaled to fit within the printable area of the selected paper.

### **Custom Ratio**

This options allows you to re-scale the print size of the image proportionally by doing one of the following:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left; or
- Click on the scroll bar; or
- Enter the value in the edit box.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold

- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

### Also see:

How do I configure the Copy button?

## 2.1.4 FTP Button Settings

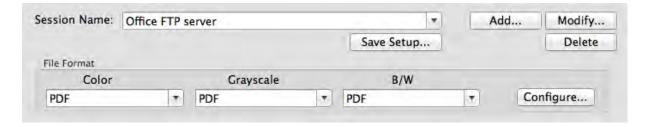
Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window turns the Scan button into a FTP button.

The settings can be categorized into two:

<u>Session Name and File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and
<u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Session Name and File Saving Settings**



### **Session Name**

List the **Session Name** you have added in the **FTP Connection Properties** dialog box. You may select the desired FTP session from the drop-down list.

More than one FTP session can be added to the drop-down list.

Clicking Add... opens the "FTP Connection Properties" window

where you may add frequently-used FTP sessions to the list.

- Clicking Modify... opens the "FTP Connection Properties" window where you may modify the FTP settings for the current FTP session.
- Clicking Delete to delete the current FTP session from the list.

## Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name format the scanned documents or images are saved.

### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- TIFF Uncompressed
- BMP
- JPEG
- PNG
- PDF
- MultiplePage TIFF Compressed

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the scan parameters without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking Configure opens the File Format Configuration window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG and PDF file formats.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout

- <u>Descreen</u>
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

### Also see:

How do I configure the FTP button?

#### **FTP Connection Properties dialog box** 2.1.4.1

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting FTP Utility from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then or Modify... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box. Add... click

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Session Name**

Enter an arbitrary name of the FTP connection, e.g. Office FTP server.

## **Hostname**

Enter the server name or IP address of the FTP server, e.g. ftp.office.com.

## **Port**

Enter the number of Port connections for FTP transfers, e.g. 21.

## **Remote Directory**

Specify a directory on the remote host to determine where the scanned documents or images are saved.

## **Anonymous Connection**

Tick this check box to enable Anonymous connection. Otherwise, you have to enter the **Username** and the **Password** for the FTP connection.

## **Passive Mode**

Tick this check box to enable Passive Mode. This option may be necessary to pass firewalls with connection restrictions.

## Delete file after transfer complete

Tick this check box to delete the scan images saved in the specified <u>Saving Folder</u> after the upload transfer is completed.

### 2.1.4.2 Save Setup dialog box (for FTP Button Settings)

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Selecting **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list in the Button Configuration window and then click Save Setup... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Saving Folder**

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

## **File Name**

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

## Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access System Preferences of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have MacAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

## **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with-**- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? MacAction offers you two options as follows:

- Clear this check box ☐ and have MacAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55.jpg" in which the numeral 2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

## Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **Scan** button of MacAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

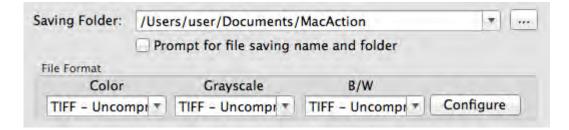
## 2.2 Email Button Configurations

Clicking the **Email** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and Scan Parameters on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **File Saving Settings**



## Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

MacAction will automatically assign the file name to save the images.

## Prompt for file saving name and folder

Tick this check box If you prefer to save each scanned image manually. After the scan of each page finishes, a Save dialog box appears on screen and you may select the folder and file name to save the scanned images individually. This option is useful if you want to save the images scanned in a batch to different folders or in different file naming patterns.

### **File Format**

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- TIFF Uncompressed
- BMP
- JPEG
- PNG
- PDF
- MultiplePage TIFF Compressed

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. For example, if you usually need color images in JPEG and B/W images in BMP, you may configure so here. Next time when you scan a document in color first and then another document in B/W, you may simply change the <a href="mailto:scan parameters">scan parameters</a> without the trouble of changing file formats frequently.

Clicking Configure opens the File Format Configuration window where you may configure advanced settings for JPG and PDF file formats.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen

- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- <u>Preview</u>
- Default

## Also see:

How do I configure the Email button?

#### **OCR Button Configurations** 2.3

Clicking the **OCR** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: OCR Settings on the upper part, and Scan Parameters on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **OCR Settings**

Determine to use which OCR application and what settings (e.g., recognition language) to process the scanned images into text file.



## **OCR Application**

All documents that are scanned are treated by the computer as graphic images. Acting as an image-to-text converter, an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) application program recognizes letters on a page and write them into an editable text file or a text-searchable pdf file.

The options available in the drop-down menu depends on the OCR application programs that you may have installed in your Mac OS. MacAction has been programmed to support the following famous OCR applications in the industry to give you the convenience of single-touch OCR button operation:

DocOCR

The availability of the programs may vary depending on the scanner model you purchase.

Major OCR settings of the selected OCR application are displayed at the bottom. Clicking Configure... opens a configuration window where you may check or modify the OCR settings (e.g., the file format to save the OCR result, recognition language, etc.) as desired.

## Save Setup...

Clicking this button opens the <u>Save Setup</u> dialog box where you may determine where and in what file name format the scanned documents or images are saved.

## **Scan Parameters**

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- <u>Descreen</u>
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop

- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

## Also see:

How do I configure the OCR button?

DocOCR Configuration

## 2.3.1 DocOCR Configuration

If you select DocOCR as the OCR application, clicking Configure... opens the DocOCR window. The items and parameters available in this window are explained as follows:

## **File Format**

This setting determines the file format of the OCR'd result. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Searchable PDF
- TXT

If you select PDF, you may click Configure... to open the PDF Options window where you may adjust image quality for PDF file format.

## **Selected Language**

Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## **Show All Languages**

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

## 2.3.2 Save Setup dialog box (for OCR Button Configurations)

Within the Button Configuration window click the **OCR** icon on the left pane and then click Save Setup... in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Saving Folder**

The scanned documents or images are saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

## File Name

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- · using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

### **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

## Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access System Preferences of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

### **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

### Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have MacAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

## **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

## **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The

numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with**-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

## Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? MacAction offers you two options as follows:

- Tick this check box 

  and have MacAction overwrite the existing file with the newly-scanned image.
- Clear this check box ☐ and have MacAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55.jpg" in which the numeral 2013\_01\_26\_10\_03\_55 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

## Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **OCR** button of MacAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## **Open Finder After Scanning**

Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the Finder after scanning.

## 2.4 PDF Button Configurations

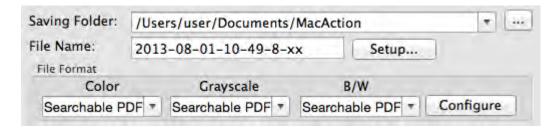
Clicking the **PDF** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane.

The settings can be categorized into two: <u>File Saving Settings</u> on the upper part, and <u>Scan Parameters</u> on the lower part.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **File Saving Settings**

Determine how the scanned documents or images are saved to files.



## Saving Folder

The scanned documents or images are automatically saved to the folder displayed here.

To select or modify the saving folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder. This newly added saving folder will be added to the drop-down menu. Next time when you want to use this folder again, you may simply click to select it from this drop-down menu.

### File Name

Specifies the file name format to save scanned documents or images. The file name extension is automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The current file name format is displayed in the white rectangle. To change to a different format, click Setup... to open the File Name Setup window.

### File Format

Determines the image file format to save the scanned documents or images to. The following file formats are available from the drop-down list box:

- Searchable PDF
- PDF

Different file formats can be set for different scan modes. You may simply change the scan parameters.

Configure opens the File Format Configuration window where Clicking you may configure advanced settings for Searchable PDF and PDF file formats.

## Scan Parameters

- Scan Type
- Page Size
- Scan Mode
- Resolution
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Gamma
- Threshold
- Color Dropout
- Descreen
- Page Rotation Setting
- Continuous Scan
- Auto Density
- Auto Threshold
- Auto Crop
- Multi-Crop
- Auto Deskew
- Image Edge Fill
- Global Settings
- Preview
- Default

## Also see:



How do I configure the PDF button?

#### 2.4.1 File Name Setup dialog box (for PDF Button Configurations)

You are allowed to name the saved files in two ways:

- using the "Date and Time" format; or
- using customized prefix and numbering scheme.

You can see the file naming example on screen--near the bottom of this dialog box--immediately after you make any adjustments. The file name extension is

automatically added according to the file format you set up.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## **Date and Time**

If you choose to name the saved files in Date and Time format, you may use either option as follows:

## Use operating system setting

Files are named according to the date and time setting of the operating system of your computer. You may access System Preferences of your operating system to view or permanently modify your current date and time setting.

## **User-defined**

This setting allows you to customize the date and time naming format for your current need. The data and time setting of your operating system remains unchanged.

## Custom

The prefix and the numbering scheme are combined to form the file name. Choose this one if you want to have MacAction automatically save scanned images in a consistent naming and numbering pattern.

### **Prefix**

The text you enter here will become the file name prefix.

## **Numbering Scheme**

The successive numeral will be appended at the end of the file name (right after the prefix). This setting allows you to retain the original page numbers of your paper documents on your digitized image files. The numbering scheme consists of the following criteria:

**Start with**-- Enter the numeral you want to start with.

**Pad**-- Click the up/down arrow button to select the number of padded zeroes to insert (from 2-9).

### Overwrite the file of the same name

What if a file with the same file name and file extension combination happens to already exist in the assigned saving folder? MacAction offers you two options as follows:

- Tick this check box 

  and have MacAction overwrite the existing file with the newly-scanned image.
- Clear this check box and have MacAction not only save the newly-scanned image to file according to your customized prefix and numbering scheme but also append the date and time of your

operating system at the end of the file name. For example, if the file "News clipping\_027.jpg" is found to already exist in the destination folder, the newly scanned paper will be saved as "News clipping\_027\_2013\_01\_26\_18\_00\_32.jpg" in which the numeral 2013\_01\_26\_18\_00\_32 stands for year-month-date-hour-minute-second.

## Prompt for confirming file name prefix

Tick the check box to enable the function of **Prompt for confirming file name prefix**. After this function is enabled, the dialog page of **Confirm File Name Prefix** will appear on the screen when you try to scan documents by the **PDF** button of MacAction's Execute Menu. In the page of **Confirm File Name Prefix**, you are able to modify and confirm the saving folder as well as the file name prefix.

## **Open Finder After Scanning**

Tick this check box if you want the program to automatically open the Finder after scanning.

## Launch designated application after saving file

- Tick this check box 

  and you can click the Add button to add the application. The designated application will be launched after the scanned files are saved. For example, if you add an image-editing application, it will appear after scanning. And you can open the scanned files saved in the destination folder. Then, the scanning results will be viewed and processed in the application.
- Clear this check box 

  , the application won't be launched after saving files.

Up to 10 programs can be added to Application's drop-down menu.

- Clicking Add... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you may add frequently-used programs to the Application menu.
- Clicking Modify... opens the "Add/Modify Linked Application" window where you modify the name, memo and command line for the current application.
- Clicking Delete to delete the current application link from the Application menu.

You are recommended to check existing files in the saving folder before configuring the file name format here, and make sure there are no existing files having the same file name and file extension combination.

## 2.4.2 File Format Configuration dialog box (for PDF Button Configurations)

Within the Button Configuration window click the **PDF** icon on the left pane and then click Configure in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Keep the same image quality level for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the quality level for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of adjusting the quality level individually. If you prefer to manually adjust the image quality level for different modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Keep the same PDF setting for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the PDF setting for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of individually ticking or clearing the PDF check box. If you prefer different settings for different scan modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Configure

Click the **Configure** button to configure DocOCR settings.

## **Image Quality**

For *JPEG* file format, you can set the quality level individually for Color and Grayscale scan modes.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 100. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take. The smaller the image file, the lower quality the image has, but the less disk space it takes. The balance of image quality and file size needs to be determined according to your own needs.

If TIFF/PDF is chosen as the file format, you have two options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one TIFF/PDF file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file; or
- Generate one TIFF/PDF file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in a file.

### 2.4.2.1 DocOCR

You may click Configure... to open the PDF Options window where you may adjust image quality for PDF file format.

## **Selected Language**

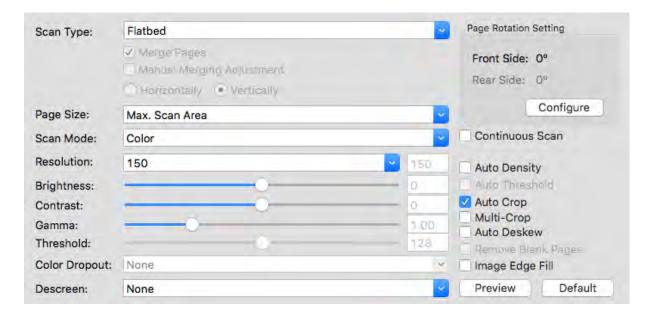
Select the recognition language to read your pages.

## **Show All Languages**

Tick this box if you want to display all languages in the list.

## 2.5 Common Scan Parameters

The following describes the scan parameters available to every button setting window:



## Scan Type

Tells the scanner the method you will use to scan documents or images. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

• **Flatbed**-- Use this setting to scan normal sheets of paper or any non-transparent material directly from the scanner glass.

## **Page Size**

Adjusts this setting to tell the scanner the size of paper to scan. Popular paper sizes have been preset in the drop-down menu. If you select **Custom...** from the drop-down list, a **Custom Page Size** dialog box opens and you may tailor the page size for documents frequently scanned.

### Name:

Give a name to this customized page size. After you configure the page size and click the **OK** button, this name will appear in the **Page Size** drop-down list.

### Unit:

Defines the measurement unit for the page size.

## Width, Height:

Specifies the exact width and height of the page area.

## **Paper Alignment:**

This setting tells the scanner how you place the document into the scanner.

When **Flatbed** is selected as the Scan Type:

- **Upper Left**: Place a document face down onto the scanner glass and align the document top with the arrow on the reference mark.
- **Center**: Align the center top of the document with the center of scanner glass's right side.

This setting works well only if you always place the page in the same place on the scanner flatbed.

## Scan Mode

Tells the scanner what type of documents you are scanning. The following options are available from the drop-down menu:

- Black & White-- scans in black and white and is suitable for scanning text.
- Grayscale-- scans in 256 shades of gray, giving black and white images depth and shadow.
- Color-- scans in millions of colors but takes up a lot of memory.

### Resolution

Resolution is measured in dots per inch (dpi). The higher the resolution, the more detailed the image and the more memory and drive space the image will use.

To conserve computer memory and still receive good image quality, we recommend the following settings.

Document to be scanned	Resolution (dpi)
Text (for printing)	300
Text (for faxing)	200
Text (for OCR)	300
Black and white or gray image	150
Color image or photo	100



- These values are only recommendations and should be raised if the resulting image is rough or you need to view fine details.
- To scan a large-size color image with a higher resolution (usually over 600 dpi) increases scan time and file size substantially and requires huge system resources. Therefore, a higher resolution for color scanning is recommended only when you scan a small area.

## **Brightness**

Raising the brightness increases the amount of white in an image, making it appear more washed out. Lowering the brightness may help you read light or faint text.

You may adjust the brightness either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which adds lightness or darkness to all colors in your image.
- Click on the scroll bar.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

### Contrast

The higher the contrast, the sharper the image. The lower the contrast, the more blurry an image will be.

You may adjust the contrast either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left, which raises or lowers the differences between light and dark colors in your image.
- Click on the scroll bar.

The current value is shown to right of each scroll bar.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## Gamma

Image Gamma is used to adjust the colors in the image that will be scanned into the computer. Gamma values are primarily a measure of the brightness of a color. The larger the gamma value, the brighter the color becomes.

Do one of the following:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left.
- Click on the scroll bar.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Threshold**

Threshold sets the color level for converting an image to line art, which can adjust the quality of line art image or eliminate unwanted dots in the documents to improve OCR accuracy. This setting is available only when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

You may adjust the Threshold value either way:

- Slide the thumb of the scroll bar to the right or left to decrease or increase the Threshold value.
- Click on the scroll bar.

The current value is shown to right of the scroll bar.

## **Color Dropout**

Color Dropout allows you to remove a color channel (Red, Green or Blue) while scanning. This feature is available only when **Black & White** or **Grayscale** is selected as Scan Mode.

For example, if your original document contains blue texts or a blue stamp (e.g., a bill or invoice) and you want to discard it from your image, you may select **Blue Channel** from the drop-down list box

### Descreen

Descreen applies filtering to images that contain moiré patterns (or herringbone). A moiré pattern is created from scanning pictures in magazines, or printed material that use color dithering. The descreen filter is not needed when scanning original photographs or black and white images and text, but is recommended when scanning any printed color graphics, such as a page from a magazine, in order to remove the unsightly interference patterns which may occur.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Page Rotation Setting**

Clicking Configure opens the Page Rotation Setting page.



Boo Right— Clicking this button turns the image clockwise by 90°.

■ **180º**-- Clicking this button turns the image by 180º.

Left-- Clicking this button turns the image counterclockwise by 90°.

## **Continuous Scan**

Check this option if you want to scan multiple pages successively to the same destination. After the document is scanned, a dialog will pop up asking you if you will put in more paper to continue scanning, or if you want to end the scan.

**Apply Color Matching** (This function may or may not be available depending on the scanner model you purchase.)

Different types of devices reproduce different ranges of colors (or color gamut). For example, you may have noticed the colors of the scanned image displayed on your monitor and on the paper printed from your printer are different.

Color Matching allows you to get consistent color between input and output devices (e.g., scanner, monitor, printer). It works by embedding a color profile to your image files. Each different device displays colors according to this profile and therefore results in consistent color appearance among all devices.

Ticking this check box if you want MacAction to apply the built-in color sRGB profile to the scanned images. This feature is available only when **Color** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Auto Density**

Auto Density defines the lightest and darkest pixels in each channel as white and black and then redistributes the intermediate pixel values proportionately. Checking this box automatically adjusts the Histogram, to make the scanned image clearer. It does this by increasing the difference between color tones.

In general, the Auto Density feature gives good results when a simple contrast adjustment is needed to enhance an image with an average distribution of pixel values.

This feature is not available when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Auto Threshold**

Ticking this check box will have MacAction apply optimal threshold value to your scanned images.

This setting is available only when **Black & White** is selected as Scan Mode.

## **Auto Crop**

Alternatively you may tick this check box to have MacAction automatically identify the dimensions of the image you scanned and crop around the edges. The crop shape will be a square or rectangle and it will not trace the edges of oddly-shaped images. This command can be useful when scanning smaller images such as photographs.

## **Multi-Crop**

When you scan two or more small items at the same time using the flatbed scanner, you may tick this check box to perform multi-crop automatically. The program will identify each individual item and generate separate scanned image files. The scanned items must be placed separately and no two items are sticking together on the scanner glass. Place all small items on the scanner's flatbed with a slight gap between them for best scanning results.

### **Auto Deskew**

Tick this check box if you want MacAction to automatically straighten the skewed image after auto crop is done.

If the placed image is too slanted (>10°), the Auto Deskew function will not recognize the skewed image(s).

## Image Edge Fill

Tick the check box of **Image Edge Fill**, the edge of scanned image would be filled.

## **Global Settings**

Click the Global settings button to configure settings of Image Edge Fill.

## **Image Edge Fill**

When you scan by the Color Mode, you may click W button for white edge fill or

B button for black edge fill.

When you scan by the **Grayscale Mode**, you may click w button for white edge fill or button for black edge fill.

When you scan by the **BW mode**, you may click W button for white edge fill or button for black edge fill.

Tick the check box of **All sides match**, the widths of four sides would be set to be the same. You may adjust the width by clicking buttons. If you do not tick this check box, then you can adjust the width of each side individually.

### **Preview**

By clicking on the Preview button, you can scan the source document into the preview window within MacAction interface. Documents or images that are previewed will be displayed here. The previewed image gives you an idea of how a document or image will look after it is scanned.

## Default

Clicking the Default button on the lower right corner revert the settings to its original values and discard all adjustments you have made.

## 2.6 File Format Configuration dialog box

Within the Button Configuration window click the **Scan** or **Email** icon on the left pane and then click Configure in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window displays its current button settings on the right pane. Select **File Utility** or **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list and then click Configure in the right pane, which opens this dialog box.

The items and parameters available in the window are explained as follows:

## Keep the same image quality level for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the quality level for all scan modes, thus saving

you the trouble of adjusting the quality level individually. If you prefer to manually adjust the image quality level for different modes, leave this check box cleared.

## Keep the same PDF setting for all modes

Ticking this check box will unify the PDF setting for all scan modes, thus saving you the trouble of individually ticking or clearing the PDF check box. If you prefer different settings for different scan modes, leave this check box cleared.

## **Image Quality**

For *JPEG* file format, you can set the quality level individually for Color and Grayscale scan modes.

You can adjust the quality value from 1 to 100. The higher the quality setting, the more detail is preserved, but a larger file size it would take. The smaller the image file, the lower quality the image has, but the less disk space it takes. The balance of image quality and file size needs to be determined according to your own needs.

If TIFF/PDF is chosen as the file format, you have two options to save the scanned images:

- Generate one TIFF/PDF file for all pages: save all the scanned images into one file; or
- Generate one TIFF/PDF file every X pages: save every X pages as a file. You can define the number of pages to be combined in a file.

## 3 Using the Scanner Buttons

## Conditions for buttons to work properly

The following conditions are required for the scanner buttons and MacAction to work properly.

- **Scan**: An application program must be selected to link with the Scan button.
- **Copy**: A printer must be connected and the printer driver has been correctly installed in Mac OS.
- FTP: A FTP server must be correctly configured to connect with your scanner and your computer.

## 3.1 Configure Button Settings

Before performing your first scan via scanner buttons, you are recommended to configure the button settings to your needs and preferences first.

Refer to the "Preparing Documents" section of the Scanner User's Guide to choose an appropriate method to scan your paper documents.

### 3.1.1 Scan Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **Scan** icon in the left pane.
- 3. Select the desired function from the drop-down list of Button Template.
- 4. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- 5. Adjust particular settings related to that button function.
- 6. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click Cancel to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

### Also see:

Scan Button Configurations

File Button Settings
Scan Button Settings
Copy Button Settings
FTP Button Settings
Email Button Configurations
OCR Button Configurations
PDF Button Configurations

### 3.1.1.1 File

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **File Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your hard drives to select a desired saving folder.
- 3. If the current file naming format doesn't meet your needs, click to configure it in the <u>File Name Setup</u> window.
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking <u>Configure</u> to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click Cancel to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

## Also see:

File Button Settings

### 3.1.1.2 Scan

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **Scan Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. You may have the Scan button to perform in either way of the following:

 If you want to not only scan documents to files but also send them to a specified application to confirm the scan results right after the scan completes:

Select an image-editing <u>application</u>, and then select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking

Configure to modify file format configurations.

Make sure you select an application that can process the specified file format. Scanned images cannot be displayed properly if the specified file format is not supported by that application.

For example, if you select file format as JPEG, PNG, BMP or TIFF (compressed or uncompressed), make sure you select an *image-editing* application; if you select PDF to save the scanned images, you are recommended to select Adobe Acrobat or Adobe Acrobat Reader that has been installed in your Mac OS.

- If you want to simply start up an application without doing any scan (i.e., make this Scan button as a hot key to launch a specified application): Tick the check box of "Launch only". You may select any application program installed in your computer.
- 3. Click Save Setup... to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 4. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 5. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click Cancel to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

## Also see:

Scan Button Settings

3.1.1.2.1 Add, modify or delete the application

## To add an application

If the desired program is not found in the drop-down menu of Application, you may add it by following the steps described below:

- 1. Click Add... to open the "Add/Remove Linked Application" window.
- 2. Click and an Open dialog box appears. Browse to the desired program folder and select the executable file (\*.exe) of the desired application program, and then click **Open**.
- 3. The full file path and execution file name of the application are displayed in the Application field in Button Configuration window.
- 4. Enter the name for this application program to help you recognize it in the Application's drop-down menu.
- 5. Enter a short description in the Memo field.
- 6. Enter the command line to perform a specific task if you have such information for the selected application program. It is recommended that you leave this field blank if you will not use or are unsure of the command line.
- 7. Click OK to confirm settings, or click Cancel to give up all changes.

## To modify an existing application

If you feel you cannot distinguish the applications from their names displayed in the Application's drop-down menu or if you want to add/remove the command line, follow the steps described below:

- 1. Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window.
- 2. Select a program from the Application's drop-down menu.
- 3. Click Modify... to open the "Add/Remove Linked Application" window.
- 4. Change the desired items.
- 5. Click ok to confirm settings, or click changes.

## To delete an existing application

Up to 10 applications can be added to the application's drop-down menu. To delete any existing application from the menu, follow the steps described below:

- 1. Clicking the **Scan** icon on the left pane in the Button Configuration window.
- 2. Select a program from the Application's drop-down menu.
- 3. Click Delete

The selected application is removed from the drop-down menu immediately.

## 3.1.1.3 Copy

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **Copy Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. If you are printing to a printer other than your default printer, select a correct printer from the drop-down menu.
- 3. Click Properties... to configure the printer.
- 4. Enter the number of copies you want to make. Alternatively you can click to increase/decrease the number.
- 5. Check the **Center on Page** option if you want to center the image in the printable area of the selected paper.
- 6. Scale the print size by clicking the **Fit to Page** (fit the image within the printable area of the selected paper) or **Custom Ratio** option.
- 7. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 8. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click Cancel to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

The Copy button is only for making quick copies of documents or images. It does not save the scanned image to your computer and does not give you a preview of what the output will look like. For more control over the scanning and printing process, including previewing, resizing, color control, use an image editor to scan and print the document or image.

### Also see:



### 3.1.1.4 FTP

- 1. When the Button Configuration window appears, select **FTP Utility** from Button Template drop-down list.
- 2. Select the <u>Session Name</u> from the drop-down list.
- 3. Click Save Setup... to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking <u>Configure</u> to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

### Also see:



## 3.1.2 Email Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **Email** icon in the left pane.

- 3. Do one of the following to select how you want the scanned images saved to your disk drive:
  - Have MacAction automatically saves every scanned image:
     Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of
     Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box
     where you may browse your disk drives to select a desired saving folder.
     MacAction will automatically assign the file name to save the images.
  - Prompt for manually saving each scanned image:
     Tick the check box of "Prompt for file saving name and folder".
- 4. Select the <u>file format</u> to save the scanned documents or images. Clicking to modify file format configurations.
- 5. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.
- 6. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

## Also see:

**Email Button Configurations** 

## 3.1.3 OCR Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **OCR** button in the left pane.
- 3. Select an OCR application to convert the scanned images into characters readable by your word processor or text viewer.
- 4. Clicking Configure opens a configuration window for the selected OCR application.

- 5. Click Save Setup... to configure Saving Folder and file naming format in the Save Setup window.
- 6. Check the <u>scan settings</u> and make any required changes.

Due to the limits of current technology, the OCR process (for all programs) is rarely perfect in its attempts to recognize letters, but the accuracy can be improved based on the font of the document scanned, the size of the font, the scanning resolution, and the scanning brightness among other things. Therefore, you may need to adjust the scanner settings to improve the accuracy of OCR results.

7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

### Also see:

OCR Button Configurations

DocOCR Configuration

### 3.1.4 PDF Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the **PDF** button in the left pane.
- 3. Select the folder to save the scanned images from the drop-down list of Saving Folder. To select a different folder, click to open a dialog box where you may browse your hard drives to select a desired saving folder.

- 4. If the current file naming format doesn't meet your needs, click to configure it in the <u>File Name Setup</u> window.
- 5. Select the <u>file format</u> in which the scanned documents or images will be saved. Clicking <u>Configure</u> to modify file format configurations.
- 6. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings, or click to abort your adjustments and exit this window.

### Also see:

PDF Button Configurations

## 3.2 Scan from the Buttons

Scanning documents or images from this scanner is very easy. Follow the two steps described below:

 Place the document or images onto the scanner. (Refer to the Scanner User's Guide for more information in placing paper on the flatbed glass properly.)

Place only *text documents* for OCR purposes. Do not scan a photo using the OCR button.

- 2. Do one of the following to start scanning:
  - Press the button from the scanner's panel.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens. Click the desired button function item in the pop-up menu.

The scanner starts to scan immediately and carry out the corresponding action according to settings you have set up in the Button Configuration window.

### Also see:

## **Configure Button Settings**

# 3.3 How to create searchable PDF documents by MacAction program?

## Scan from the PDF Button

- 1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:
  - Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
  - Click the icon in the Dock.
  - Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the PDF button on the left pane. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- 3. Select Searchable PDF from the drop-down list of File Format (Color, Grayscale, B/W).
- 4. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 5. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings.
- 6. Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 7. Click PDF button function in the pop-up menu.

## Scan from the OCR Button

1. Do one of the following to open the Button Configuration window:

- Double-click the icon in Finder > Applications > Plustek > Your scanner model name.
- Click the icon in the Dock.
- Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Button Configuration...** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 2. When the Button Configuration window appears, click the OCR button on the left pane. Enter your personal memo in the Description field.
- Select an OCR application to convert the scanned images into characters readable by your word processor or text viewer.
   The availability of the programs may vary depending on the scanner model you purchase.



4. Clicking Configure... opens a configuration window for the selected OCR application.



5. Select Searchable PDF from the drop-down list of File Format and click OK



- 6. Check the scan settings and make any required changes.
- 7. After all settings are done, click to accept the settings and exit this Button Configuration window, or click Apply to save what you have configured and continue adjusting other settings.

- 8. Right-click the icon in the Dock, and then choose **Execute** in the pop-up menu that opens.
- 9. Click OCR button function in the pop-up menu.