



Chapter 108

Language Editor



OVERVIEW

The Language Editor is one of the many PrintPoint editors that allows you to customize PrintPoint for your own shop. It has two fundamental purposes:

- To set a specific language for a user (such as English or Spanish)
- To modify to label on many screens to suit the specific terminology used by your shop.

Example The following on screen items can be modified for individual users: Field Labels, buttons, radio buttons, menu/dropdown list labels, combo box labels, checkboxes.



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

You should...	Where this information is found...
Setup Users	See Users and Passwords Chapter
Make a default language selection	File Menu > User Settings



STEP-BY-STEP

The following tasks are included in this section

- Modifying a Language
- Creating a New Language
- Deleting a Language
- Selecting a Language for Users
- Language File Backups
- Creating and Installing a Common Company-wide Language File

Modifying a Language

- 1 Select **File menu > Language Editor**.

The Language Editor screen opens with the current language selection displayed.



TIP

All windows must be closed to be able to open the Language Editor.

- 2 Click on the **Select Language** drop-down menu and choose a language.



NOTE

Sort either the English Term or Current Language word lists by clicking on the column title.



TIP

You can sort columns by ascending or descending order by holding down your Option (Macintosh) or Alt (Windows) key and clicking on the column title



NOTE

Use “type ahead” to go directly to the row of the word you want to edit.

- 3 Double-click on the word in the **Current Language** column that you wish to change.
- 4 Type the new word that will become the label.
- 5 Continue to modify the labels until you have completed all your changes.

- 6 Click **OK** to save your changes.
- 7 Click **Save** in the confirmation box.

Your changes are saved and any new labels will display at the appropriate locations.

Creating a New Language

To create a new language file in PrintPoint, you begin by duplicating an existing file and then modifying that file.

- 1 Select **File menu > Language Editor**.
The Language Editor screen opens with the current language selection displayed.
- 2 In the Language Editor, click on **Select Language** and select **Duplicate....**
- 3 Type a new language name at the prompt **Enter New Name:**
- 4 Click the **OK** button to perform the duplication of the current language.

Now you are ready to modify the Current Language settings in your new, duplicated language.

Deleting a Language

At the present time, there is no way to delete a language you have created. Simply don't select it.

Selecting a Language For Each User

PrintPoint allows each user to work in a different language.

- 1 Select **File menu > User Settings**.
- 2 Select a language for screen objects from the dropdown list.
- 3 Select a language for the menus and notifications from the dropdown list.
- 4 Click the **OK** button to save your settings.

Language File Backups

If PrintPoint crashes during a session, occasionally your language file will become corrupted and the program will fail to open.

To protect against this condition, when you modify your language file, PrintPoint updates the version stored in the Languages folder and also creates a backup just in case the original file becomes corrupted. This backup file is stored in a folder called Language_Backup stored in your PrintPoint 4.x Folder or PrintPoint 4.x Client Folder (if you are running client/sever).

During PrintPoint's startup procedure, the program first looks at the Language Folder to get your current version of the language file. If that fails for any reason it then looks at the Language_Backup folder for the backup file. If that fails it then looks into the Mac4DX or Win4DX folder in single user mode or the 4xxx_cs Folder found in the ACI Folder.

Creating and Installing a Common Company-wide Language File

If, in a multi-user configuration, as the network administrator, you decide to create a common company language file, you should:

- 1 Create the custom language file on an client machine.
- 2 Move a copy of the current language file(s) from the clients to the following locations:

PrintPoint_4.x_Server_Folder > Win4DX or Mac4DX folder.

 NOTE

If you are running a cross-platform installation you must copy the files to both the Win4DX and Mac4DX folders.

- 3 Throw out the Languages Folder and the Language_Backup Folder on all clients. These folders are found inside the PrintPoint 4.x Client Folder.

PrintPoint will start from scratch at that point and create all new copies of the “customized” language over the network.



WHERE THIS INFORMATION FITS INTO THE PUZZLE

What can be modified?

The Administrator or a user with access to the Language Editor can modify the following screen items:

- Field labels
- Buttons
- Radio buttons
- Menu/dropdown list labels
- Combo box labels
- Checkboxes

What cannot be modified?

The following items cannot be modified, however the language in which they appear can be selected at the “user level” through by selecting File > User Settings > Language Tab.

- Alerts
- Confirms
- Messages
- Wizard Text
- Menus



ABOUT THE SCREENS

When working with language settings you will use the following screens and dialog boxes:

- Language Editor
- User Settings Dialog

Language Editor

English Term

Option	Description
Language Menu/Dropdown List	Select the language to edit.
English Term	The list of words used in PrintPoint for field labels, checkboxes, radio buttons, menu/dropdown lists, combo boxes, etc.
Current Language	The corresponding list of word labels, currently in use by PrintPoint for this language selection. All items in this column can be modified. This is the only column that can be changed.
Length	This is the recommended total length allowed for each label.
Print Button	You may print out a list of the current language in order to work away from the computer.

User Settings Dialog

English Term

Option	Description
Dropdown List for Form Layout Language	The selection is used for Screen Objects
Dropdown List for Language for Menus and Modifications	This selection is used for Alerts, Messages and Menus