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Blocking a Portion of a PDF

For the life of me I cannot figure out how I block a portion of a scanned PDF so that it doesn't show when I send it or print it. Can anyone tell me what menu and options that is?

I know there is a way to "highlight" that portion, and then when you print to pdf, that portion won't show at all.

Acrobat Pro has a redaction function.

Scott I. Barer, California

What I do a lot is to draw heavy lines or black boxes around the parts to redact with the drawing tools, and then File, Print the document to the eFax printer, and then from eFax save as Adobe PDF to lock in the redactions so they can't be removed.

Rick Bryan, New York

Thanks all. I figured it out by the posts. Unfortunately, I don't have pro. I have standard. But I figured it out by putting a box over it, then properties, then filling it with white.

Lewis Roberts

The recipient can remove that layer.

Paul Hogan, California

Since you don't state what type of software you are using to view/edit the PDF; I suppose the only useful advice I could give is to put a piece of opaque tape over the text you don't want to see and re-scan the document.

D.A. "Duke" Drouillard, Nebraska

I am SOOOO glad I read this. We have a production deadline of Thursday and about 5,000 docs (which, of course, we got from the client on Friday at 5:00). 400 pages took about 3 hours to redact because there was something on nearly every page. This may save some time AND some trees!

Jeremy T. Vermilyea, Oregon

This was a great post you guys. I am a bankruptcy attorney and I am always having to copy things like tax returns, using white out to erase info. like social security numbers which we are now required to redact and then re-scanning which was a pain. Now I have a few other options. I didn't know acrobat pro. had a redact

option, I can't afford it though. Maybe if/when I can get a good flow of clients.

Kim Salmon, Florida

What if you put the box across it, then re-print it to PDF - does it still keep the layers?

Chia L. Evers, California

I'm not sure that's really a solution. Can't someone still undo what you've done? That's why Adobe added the redaction tool.

Cary Winslow

Rick Borstein on what you suggest:

http://blogs.adobe.com/acrolaw/2005/12/redacting_pdfs.html

Cary Winslow

If he does that, Duke, he might as well copy the document he has the tape on. If he wants to keep the space white, like the paper, he can take a piece of white paper and cut the right size to cover what he wants covered, tape it to the paper, copy it, then scan it (if he wants the finished product scanned).

If he has Acrobat Pro, to redact go to Advanced > Redaction.

Mark E. Peneguy, Louisiana