Matchup: ID Card System vs. ID Card Printer
Which option best suits your needs?

There are two ways to purchase an ID card printer: as a complete ID card system or as a stand-alone piece of equipment. An ID card system includes all of the equipment and supplies necessary to create and print cards, while a printer does not.

Which option is best for you?

ID Card Systems

ID card systems are ideal for first-time card printer users. With a system, you'll get everything you need to start making cards right away plus reassurance that all pieces of the system will seamlessly work together.

Additionally, systems are easy on the pocketbook. Buying a bundled ID card system costs less than if the items were purchased individually.

> Photo ID systems are a **convenient** and **economical** way to establish a card printing program at your organization.

What does an ID card system include?

Most bundled systems include:

- A card printer
- ID software
- An ID camera
- Printer ribbon
- PVC cards

Sample ID System

Each system can easily be customized to varying needs. For example, you can change the type of card, add printer features (such as encoding, lamination, etc.), upgrade to a more advanced ID camera or ID software, and add extended warranty and/or loaner coverage.

Sample ID Card Printer

ID Card Printers

An ID card printer can also be purchased as a stand-alone piece of equipment. If you are buying a replacement printer or an additional printer to add to an existing program, this may be the best option for you.

A stand-alone printer may also be a good option if you do not need ID software or an ID camera.

Choosing between a printer and an ID card system comes down to one question: do I already have everything I need to start making cards? If the answer is no, a system may be a great all-in-one-box solution!

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