

# Error message 'printf: missing format character'

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I am using the hpif interface file found in the 'printing' section of handbook:

```
printf "\033&k2G" && cat && printf "\033&l0H" exit 0  
exit 2
```

It works OK, in that my Laserprinter (HP 4v) prints pages correctly formatted, but gives this error message.

Can anyone spot the mistake?

(needless to say I have reviewed man printf. I am using 4.8 RELEASE #7).

Thanks.