

# HP Printer Cartridges Die Before Use

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Reuters is carrying this story about "A Georgia woman has sued Hewlett-Packard Co. claiming the ink cartridges for their printers are secretly programmed to expire on a certain date, in some cases rendering them useless before they are even installed in a printer."

It kinda makes me wonder if Epson's do the same thing. I knew I wasn't getting many pages out of a cartridge before it claimed it was empty, but this last time

it claimed it was 1/2 empty the day after removing the packaging and installing it. I got about 10 pages out of it before it was "dead". I was quite po'd about. Those cartridges run about 30 bucks each!

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