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IS&T supports the following two printing scenarios for the virtual machine:

- **Pass-through Printing**: The virtual machine uses the printer information from the host machine. When you print a document on the virtual machine, the *Print* dialog box will automatically select the default printer set up on your host machine.
- **Network-based Printing**: From within the VM (but not printing to a local USB printer from within the VM).

You can set up customized printing for the virtual machine, but IS&T does **not** support this.

## Troubleshooting

Pass-through Printing:

1. Confirm on the host machine that printing to your default printer works.
2. Check that VMware Tools is installed in your virtual machine.
3. Check that you are running the latest version of VMware Workstation/Fusion installed on host machine.

Network-based Printing:

1. Confirm that the network is working from within the virtual machine
2. Follow standard steps for troubleshooting network printing issues.

**Note:** If you are having a printing issue on your host machine, you will have the same issue on your virtual machine.