# QGIS Application - Bug report #6774 Export to PDF changes feature colours

2012-11-27 02:33 PM - Nathan Woodrow

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Category: Map Composer/Printing

Affected QGIS version:master

Operating System: Windows

Pull Request or Patch shapplied:

Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:

Regression?: No

Easy fix?: No

Resolution: end of life

Copied to github as #: 15925

#### Description

This seems really strange but for some reason the colours are getting changed when I export my map to PDF using the composer.

I get the following colour shift:

Colour	Map RGB	Output RGB
RED	255,0,0	238,40,39
GREEN	0,255,0	103,191,79
BLUE	0,0,255	55,85,164

To reproduce:

Create a map with three features and style them with each colour above

Export using Export to PDF in the composer

Check with a colour picker tool

#### History

#### #1 - 2012-11-27 02:43 PM - Nathan Woodrow

- File imagevpdf.png added

Rendering to SVG or image returns the correct results

imagevpdf.png

#### #2 - 2012-12-01 09:45 AM - Regis Haubourg

Hi

I noticed same behaviour, with colors no as colorfull as on screen.

I checked with to different pdf reader, and saw that foxit reader shows colors more close to QGIS ones. Is there any color profile applied somewhere, that should be described into pdf export?

Régis

#### #3 - 2013-02-25 05:52 AM - Henrik Uggla

- File raster.pdf added
- File vector.pdf added

2025-12-15 1/2

I too have encountered this. The color in exported pdf files is correct only if "Print as raster" is checked in Qgis composer (see attached files).

# #4 - 2013-02-26 12:56 AM - Henrik Uggla

This bug is not present in ubuntugis.

# #5 - 2014-06-21 03:59 AM - Jürgen Fischer

- Category set to Map Composer/Printing

# #6 - 2017-05-01 01:09 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Regression? set to No
- Easy fix? set to No

### #7 - 2019-03-09 04:04 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Resolution set to end of life
- Status changed from Open to Closed

End of life notice: QGIS 2.18 LTR

Source:

http://blog.qgis.org/2019/03/09/end-of-life-notice-qgis-2-18-ltr/

# Files

imagevpdf.png	153 KB	2012-11-27	Nathan Woodrow
vector.pdf	359 KB	2013-02-25	Henrik Uggla
raster.pdf	758 KB	2013-02-25	Henrik Uggla

2025-12-15 2/2