

4. When the desired number displays, press the ↵ key to select it. The following message displays briefly:

Saving  
Configuration

When processing is completed, the display shows:

Save Config.  
X\*

**NOTE:** If the configuration number has been previously saved and Protect Configs. = Enabled under CONFIG CONTROL, the following error message displays:

CONFIG. EXISTS  
Delete First

If the above occurs, see “Modifying A Saved Configuration” on page 78, step 4.

5. Print your configuration and store it in a safe place for future reference. Refer to “Printing A Configuration” on page 79.

## Auto Save Configuration

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If you make any changes to the factory default configuration menu items, you will be prompted to save the changes to “Config #” when you place the printer online. “#” equals the next available unassigned configuration number. When prompted, press one of the following keys:


- **Enter.** Saves to Config 1 or the next available Config, and becomes the power-up config.

**NOTE:** If all eight Configs are assigned, you will be prompted to select which Config to overwrite.

- **Pause.** Changes will be implemented but saved only temporarily until deliberately saved as a new configuration or until you power off the printer. All changes will be lost when you power off the printer.

## Specifying A Power-Up Configuration

You can specify any one of the nine configurations (1-8 or Factory) as the power-up configuration:

1. Press the  key until the following message displays:

MENU MODE  
CONFIG. CONTROL

2. Press the ↓ key until the following message displays:

Power-Up Config.  
1\*

3. Press the + or – key to cycle through the options (1-8 and Factory). When the desired number displays, press the ↵ key to select it. The following message displays:

Power-Up Config.  
X\*

**NOTE:** If the configuration number has not been saved previously, the following error message displays:

CONFIG. DOES NOT  
EXIST/Save First

If this error message displays, see “Saving A Configuration” on page 75. Once you have saved a configuration, repeat the steps in this procedure.

## Modifying A Saved Configuration

You can change a saved configuration by rewriting over it. For example, you can modify Config. 1, shown below. Suppose you want to keep all the settings but you want to select the parallel Centronics interface instead of the IEEE 1284 interface.

1. Load the configuration to be changed (for example, Config. 1).
  - a. Press the  $\equiv$  key until the following message displays:

```
MENU MODE
CONFIG. CONTROL
```

- b. Press the  $\downarrow$  key until the following message displays:

```
Load Config.
Factory
```

- c. Press the + or - key to cycle through the options: Factory 1-8.
  - d. When the desired number displays, press the  $\downarrow$  key to select it. The following message displays:

```
Loading Saved
Configuration
```

Then, the following message displays when it is loaded:

```
Load Config.
X*
```

2. Move through the menu and change all the desired values. (In this example, press the  $\equiv$  key until PARALLEL PORT displays. Press the  $\downarrow$  key until Port Type/IEEE 1284 displays. Press the - key until Centronics displays.)
3. Press the  $\downarrow$  key to select each new value. An asterisk (\*) displays.
4. Before saving the modified configuration, you must delete the original configuration if the Protect Configs. option is enabled.
  - a. Press the  $\uparrow$  or  $\downarrow$  key until the following message displays:

```
Delete Config.
1*
```

- b. Press the + or - key to cycle through the options (1-8). When the desired number displays, press the  $\downarrow$  key to select it. The following message displays:

```
Deleting
Configuration
```

Then, the following displays when it is deleted:


Delete Config.  
X\*

5. Save the new configuration as described in the “Saving A Configuration” on page 75. Make sure you select the same number (e.g., Config. 1) when saving the modified configuration. The new configuration writes over the existing one.
6. Print a copy of this newest configuration and store it in a safe place. Refer to “Printing A Configuration” on page 79.

## Printing A Configuration

We recommend that you print and store your configurations for future reference. The printout provides a list of the parameters that were set when you configured the printer.

To print a configuration:

1. Press the  key until the following message displays:

MENU MODE  
CONFIG. CONTROL

2. Press the ↓ key until the following message displays:

Print Config.  
Current\*

3. Press the + or – key to cycle through the following printout options:

Current\*  
Factory  
Power-Up  
All  
1-8 customized configurations

4. When the desired option displays, press the ↵ key. The printer prints the specified configuration.

**NOTE:** If the configuration you want to print has not been saved, the following message displays momentarily:

CONFIG. DOES NOT  
EXIST/Save First

This message indicates that no configuration menu has been saved under the configuration value you have selected and therefore cannot be printed. You must either select another configuration to print or load and then save a configuration to that configuration value first.

```

CURRENT CONFIGURATION
TS204 Printer Configuration
Copyright (c) 2001-2002 by PRINTRONIX Inc.
All rights reserved.
Date 2-Jun-03
Program File Version 1.17E Part No. 362337
CTHI/PGL/VGL Version 1.16D 02-Jun-03 Part No. 362335
CTHI Version 1.16D
BOOT/T5XXX V1.01C 22-Oct-02 #361158
FLASH 10 MB
DRAM 16 MB
SECURITY PAL 170837-017
HEAD RESOLUTION 203 DPI
ETHERNET VERSION VER=1.1.21 MOS=1.1.10
QUICK SETUP
  Print Intensity -3
  Print Speed 6 ips
  Print Mode Transfer
  Media Handling Tear-Off Strip
  Paper Feed Shift 0.00 inches
  Label Length 06.0 inches
  Label Width 04.1 inches
  Ver Image Shift 0.00 inches
  Hor Image Shift 0.00 inches
  Orientation Portrait
  Gap/Mark Sensor Disable
  Auto Calibrate Run Calibrate
  Validator Funct. Enable
  Save Config. 1
  Power-Up Config. Factory
VALIDATOR
  Validator Report
  Auto Report Disable
  Clear Data
  Good Barcodes 0
  Good Forms 0
  Overstrike Forms 0
  Average BWD 0x
  Last BWD 0x
  Validator Funct. Enable
  Telemetry Path Disabled
  Telemetry Data Short Report
  Number of Codes Auto
  Validator Action Retry Form
  Symbol Contrast Enable
  Quiet Zones Enable
  Min. Code Height 0.30 inches
  Min. Code Gap 0.30 inches
  F/W Revision Version: X331
  Overstrike Style Grid
  I2of5 Checksum Disable
  Num Retry 5
MEDIA CONTROL
  Print Intensity -3
  Print Speed 6 ips
  Print Mode Transfer
  Media Handling Tear-Off Strip
  Paper Feed Shift 0.00 inches
  Label Length 06.0 inches
  Label Width 04.1 inches
  Ver Image Shift 0.00 inches
  Hor Image Shift 0.00 inches
  Orientation Portrait
CALIBRATE CTRL
  Gap/Mark Sensor Disable
  Auto Calibrate Run Calibrate
  Media Profile Print Profile
  Sensed Distance 0.00 inches
  Gap/Mark Thresh 171
  Paper Out Thresh 136
PRINTER CONTROL
  LP+ Emulation P-Series
  CTHI Emulation Standard
  Active IGP Emul IGP/PGL
  Power Saver Time 15 minutes
  Pwr Save Control Enable
  Display Language English
  Alarm On
  Power-up State Online
  Ptx Setup SFCC 21h
  Cancel Key Enable
  Compatibility Default
  Admin User Disable

```

Figure 29. Sample Configuration Printout

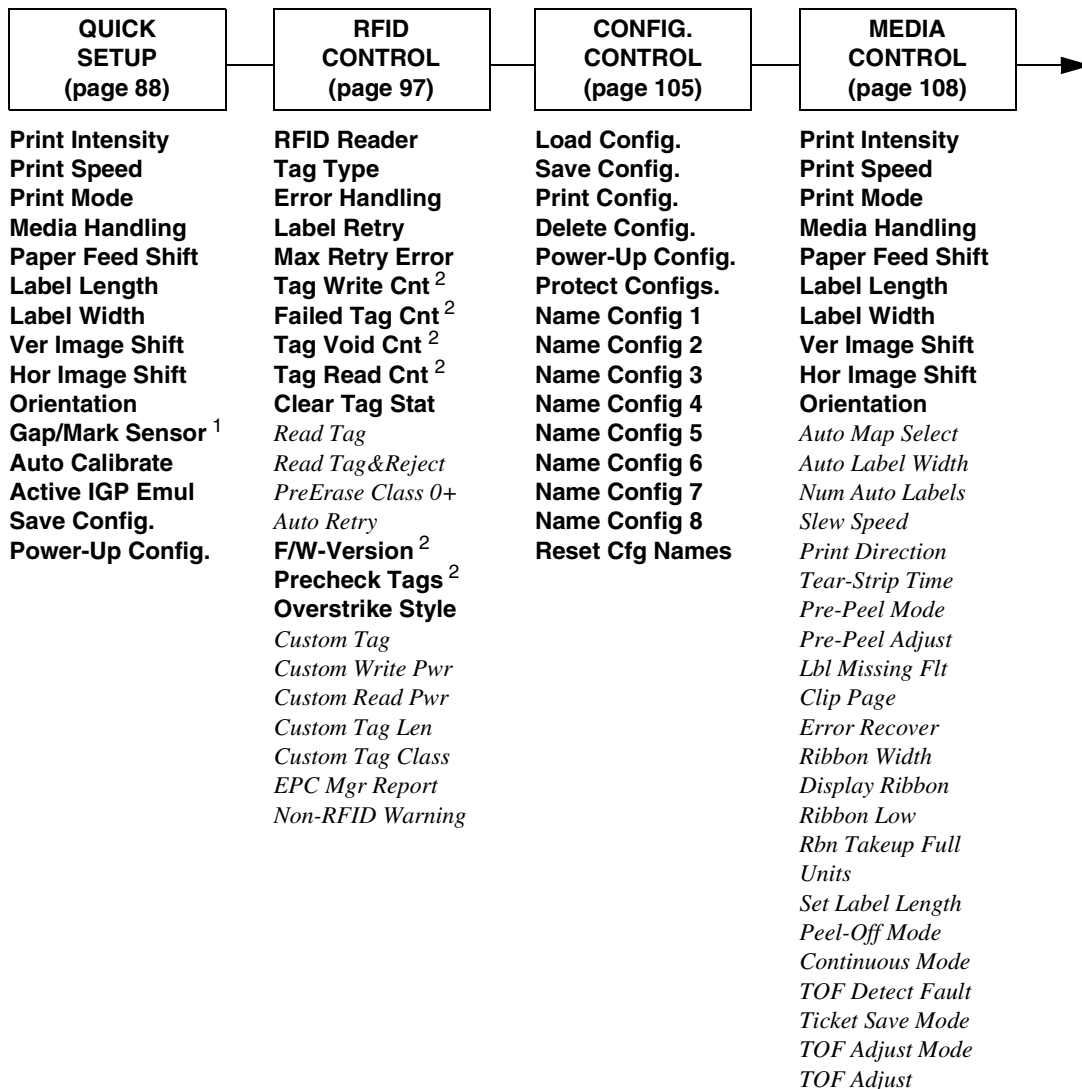
```


TWINAX SETUP
  Primary Sets                0037 English US
  Translation Table           Disable
  Buffer Print                 Disable
  Twinax Type                 4234-2
IGP/PGL SETUP
  Character Group             Standard Sets
  Standard Sets               0) ASCII
  Select LPI                  6
  Define CR Code              CR = CR
  Define LF Code              LF = LF
  Autowrap                    Disable
  Auto Uppercase              Disable
  Slash 0                     Disable
  Select SFCC                 1:6
PARALLEL PORT
  Port Type                   Ethernet
  Buffer Size in K            16
  Auto Trickle                Disable
  Trickle Time                1/4 sec
  Timeout                     10 sec
  Report Status               Disable
SERIAL PORT
  Port Type                   RS 2:2
  Baud Rate                   9600 BAUD
  Word Length                 8
  Stop Bits                   1
  Parity                      None
  Data Protocol               XON / XOFF
  Buffer Size in K            16
  Trickle Time                1/4 sec
  Timeout                     10 sec
  Report Status               Disable
  Framing Errors              Enable
C/T PORT
  Port Type                   Twinax
  Device Address              Address 1
  Image Buf Size              4K
  Timeout                     10 sec
  Report Status               Disable
ETHERNET ADDRESS
  IP Address                  010.224.005.003
  Subnet Mask                 255.255.000.000
  Gateway Address             010.224.001.254
  MAC Address                 0080720A065E
  DHCP                        Enable
ETHERNET PARAMS
  Novell Protocol             Enable
  Nest Serv Type              Auto
  NetBIOS Protocol           Enable
  Novell Frame                Auto Sensing
  ASCII Data Port             9100
  Keep Alive Timer            3 Minutes
  Ethernet Speed              Auto Select
  Job Control                  Standard
WIRELESS ADDRESS
  IP Address                  010.224.002.000
  Subnet Mask                 255.255.000.000
  Gateway Address             010.224.001.254
  MAC Address                 0080720A065F
  DHCP                        Disable
WIRELESS PARAMS
  Signal Strength             90%
  Operation Mode              Infrastructure
  SSID Name                   Eng_Lucent1
  Min Xfer Rate               Auto-negotiate
  Channel                     Default
  Ant. Diversity              Diverse
  Preamble                    Default
  Power Mgmt                  0 ms
  Transmit Power              100%
  Internat. Mode              Disable
  Default WEP Key             1
KERBEROS PARAMS
  Kerberos Enable             Disable
  KDC Port Number             88
  Clock Skew                  300 Seconds
  Ticket Lifetime             43200 Seconds
  Renew Lifetime              0 Seconds
BATTERY CONTROL
  Battery Monitor             Disable

```

Sample Configuration Printout (cont.)

## Main Menus



Press  to select the next main menu.

Press ↓ or ↑ to move within each main menu.

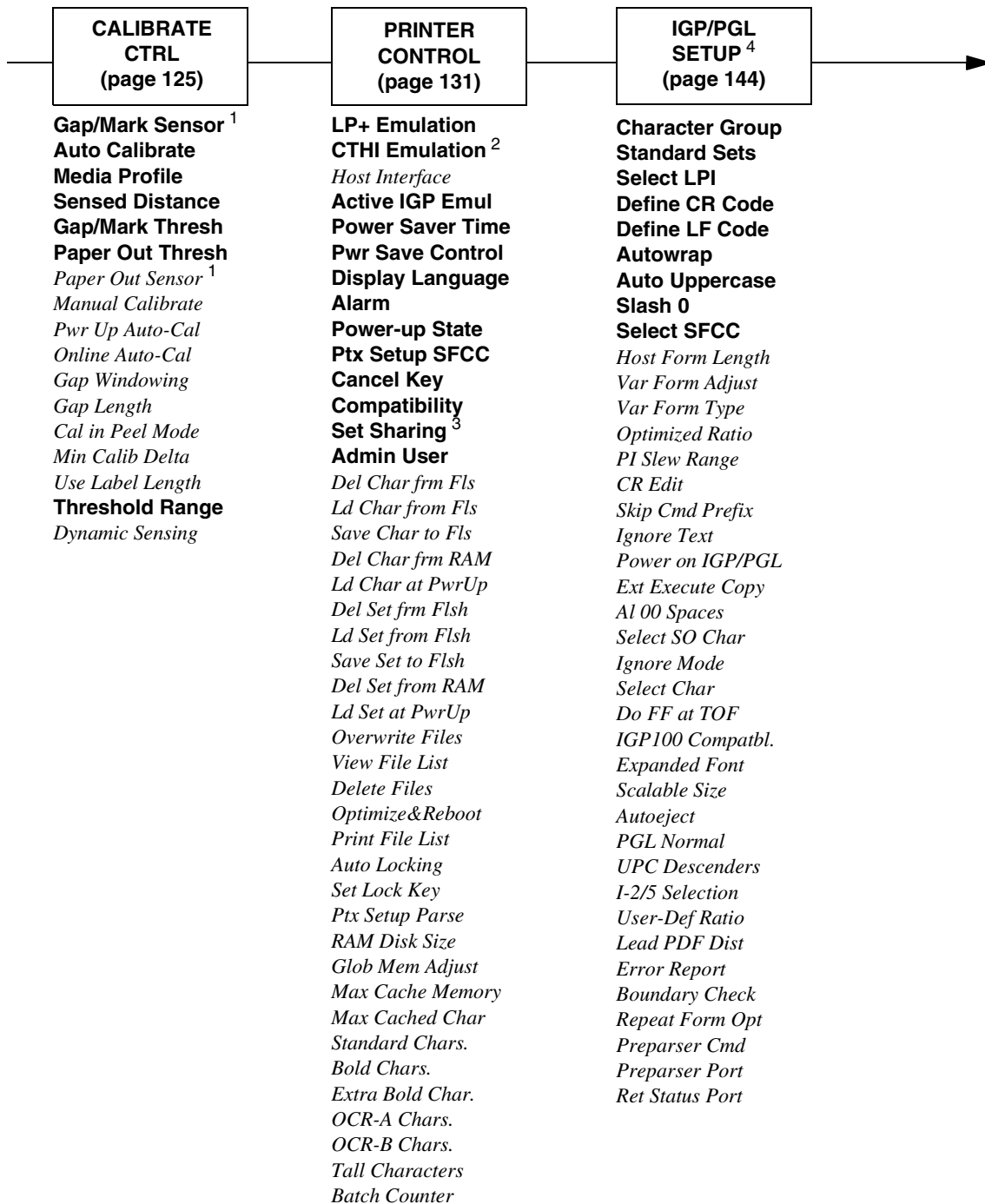
Press + or – to cycle through each possible option or value.

### NOTES:

*Italicized* items appear only if Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Gap/Mark Sensor and Paper Out Sensor work in conjunction, as shown in the *T5000r User's Manual*. If you change the Gap/Mark Sensor or Paper Out Sensor, you must recalibrate the media.

<sup>2</sup> Display item only.



**NOTES:**

*Italicized* items appear only if Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

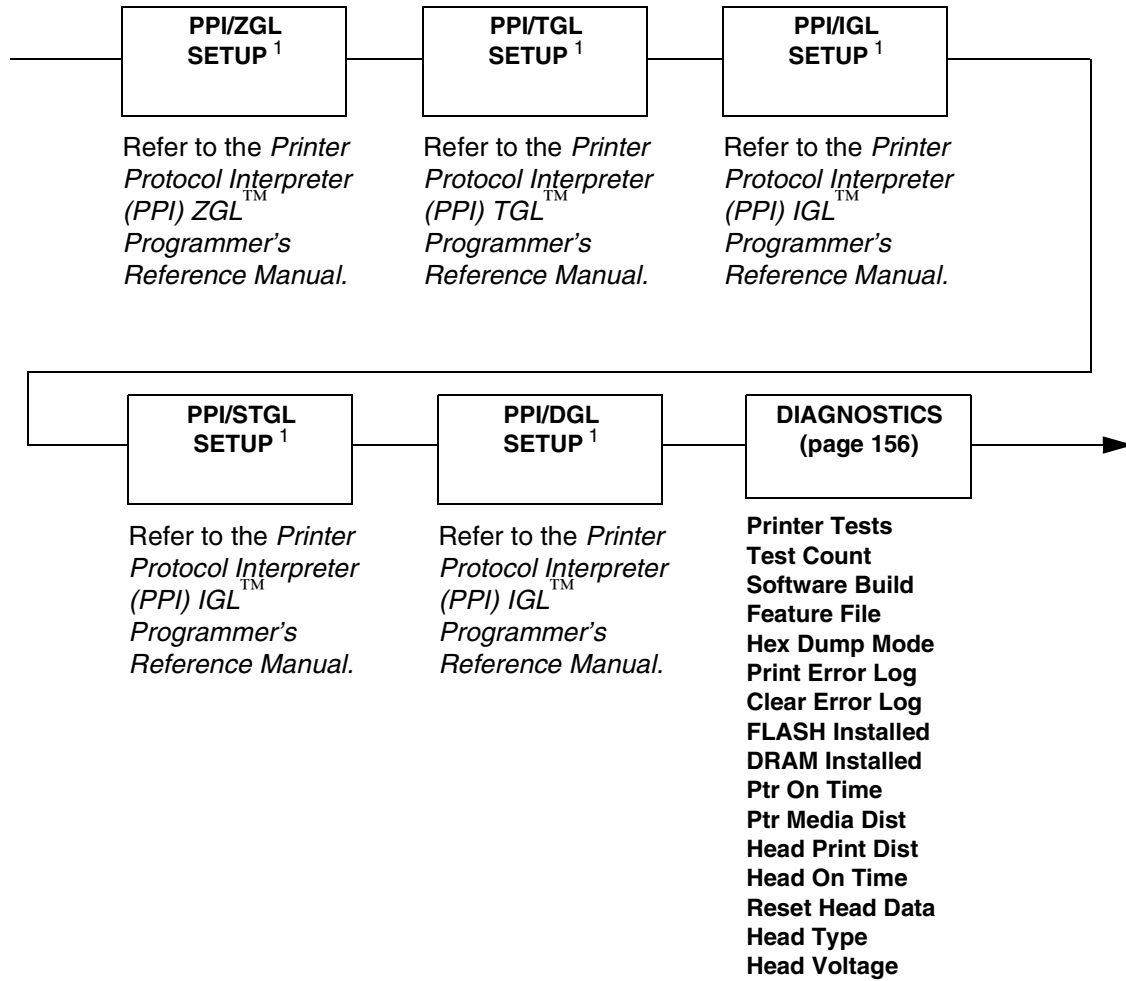
<sup>1</sup> Gap/Mark Sensor and Paper Out Sensor work in conjunction, as shown in Table 6 on page 125. If you change the Gap/Mark Sensor or Paper Out Sensor, you must recalibrate the media.

<sup>2</sup> Appears only if the CTHI option is installed.

<sup>3</sup> Appears only if PPI/ZGL emulation is installed.

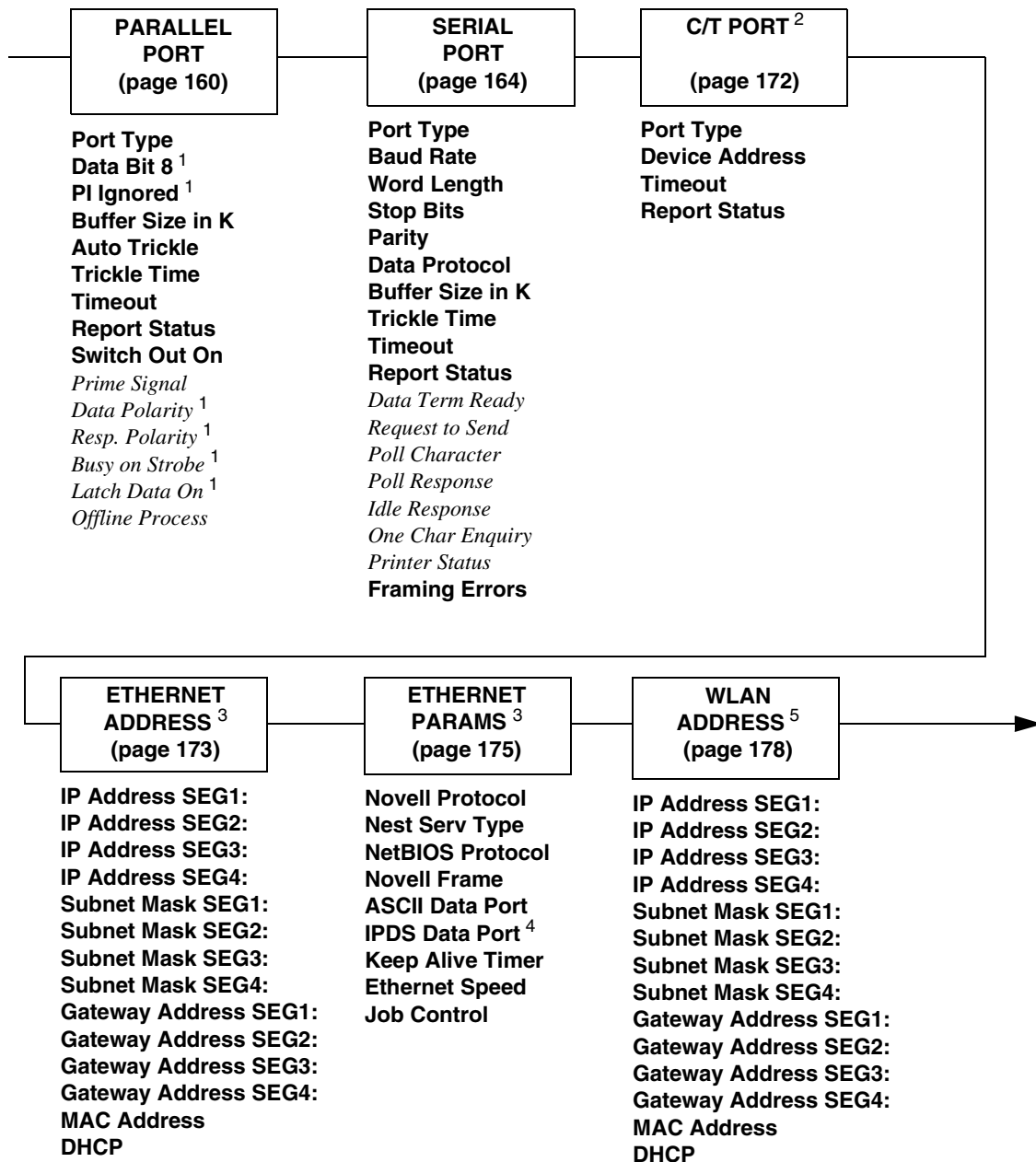
<sup>4</sup> Appears only if Active IGP Emul is set to IGP/PGL (in the Printer Control Menu).





**NOTES:**

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if Active IGP Emul is set to PPI emulation.



**NOTES:**

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

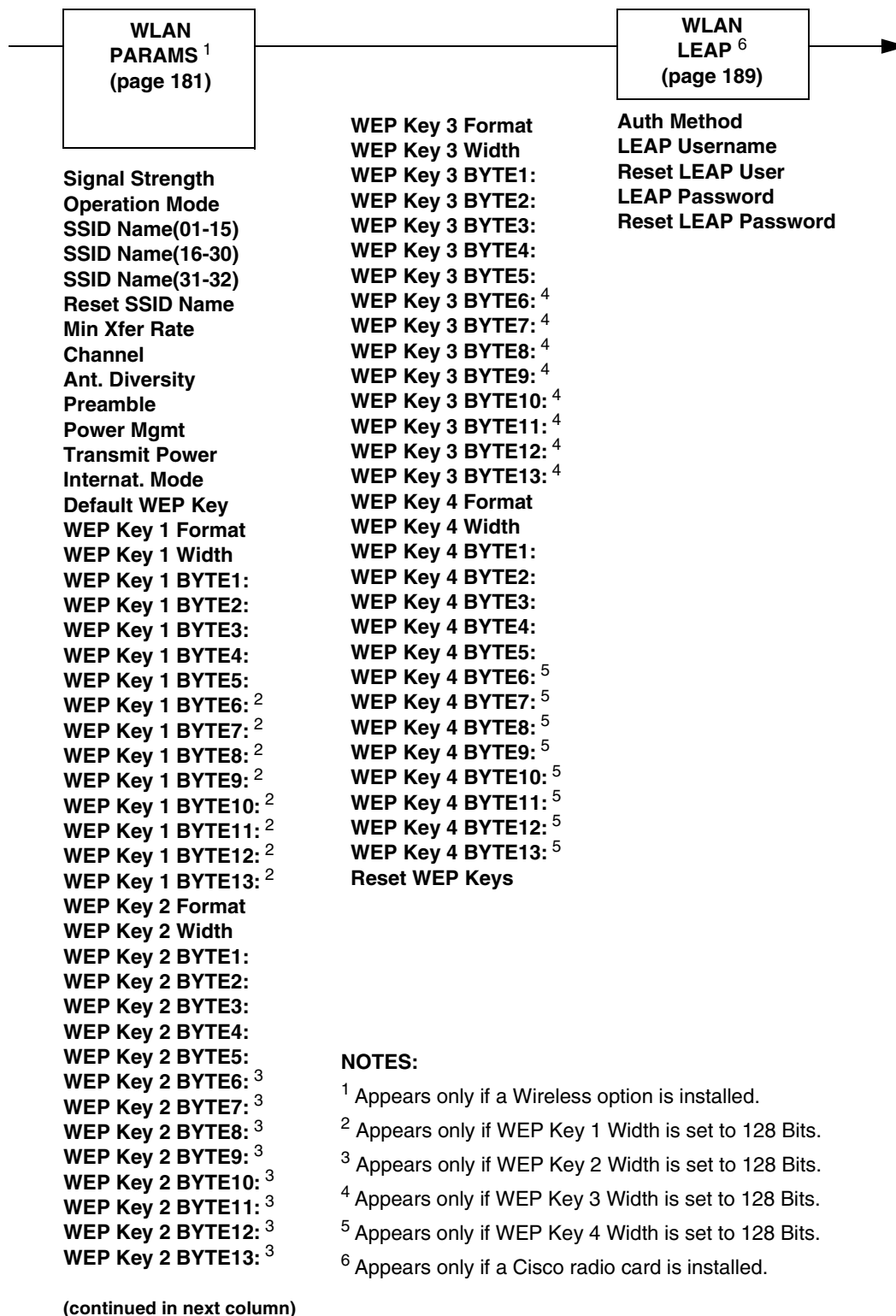
<sup>1</sup> Appears only if Port Type is set to Centronics (in the PARALLEL PORT menu).

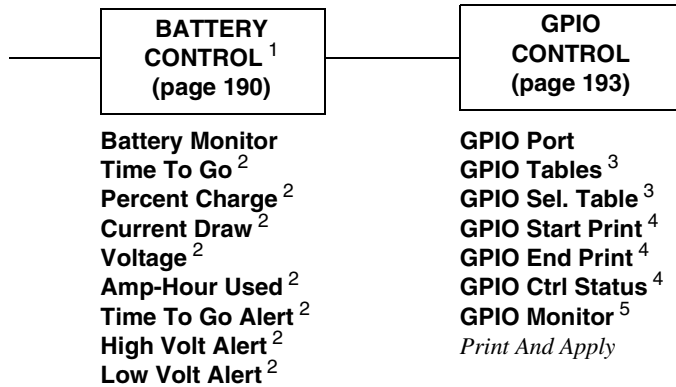
<sup>2</sup> Appears only if the CTHI option is installed.

<sup>3</sup> Appears only if a network interface card (NIC) is installed.

<sup>4</sup> Appears only if the IPDS emulation is installed and the correct security key is used.

<sup>5</sup> Appears only if a Wireless Option is installed.

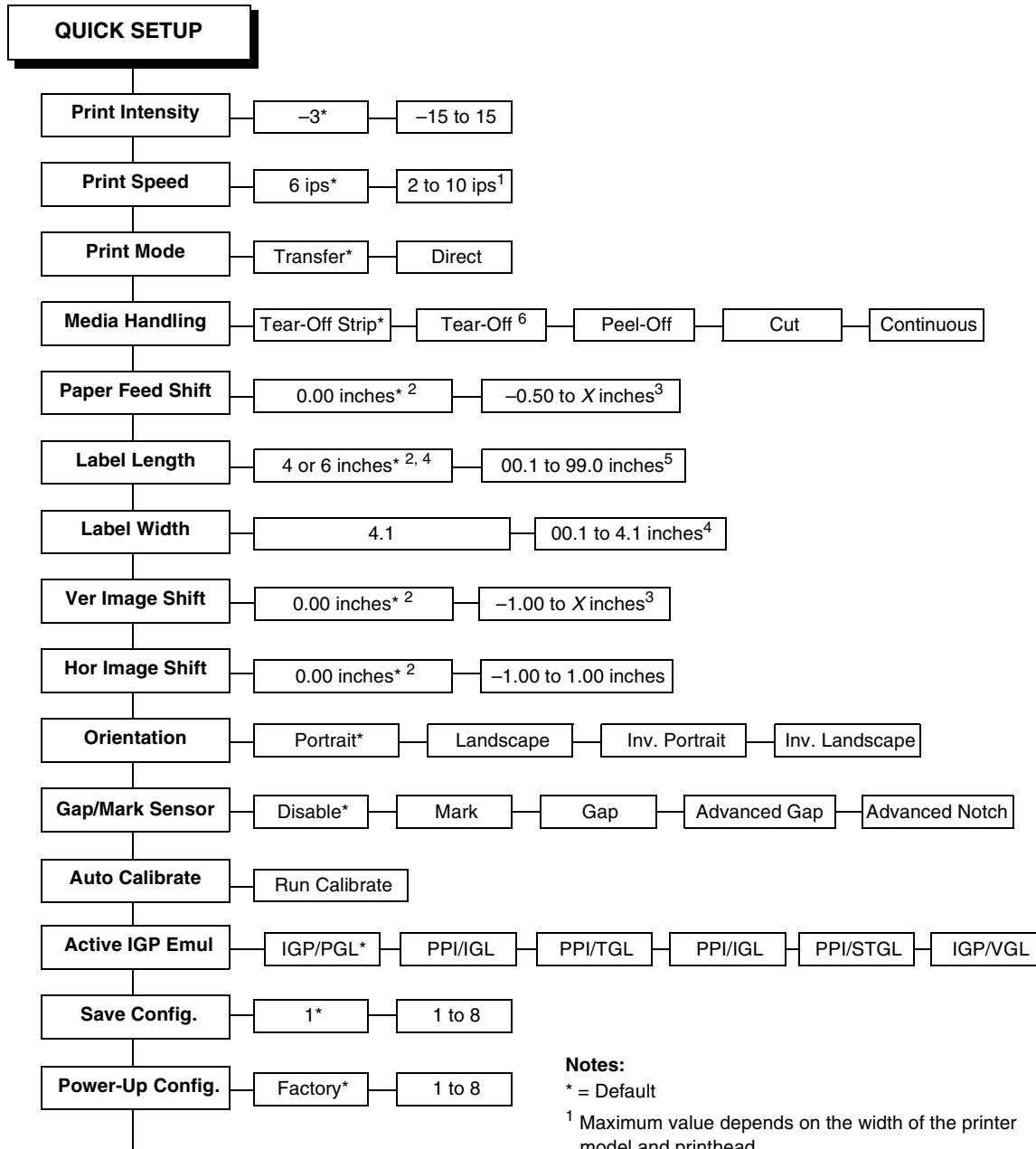




**NOTES:**

- <sup>1</sup> Does not appear if the CTHI option is installed.
- <sup>2</sup> Available only when Battery Monitor is set to Enable (in the BATTERY CONTROL menu).
- <sup>3</sup> Appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer.
- <sup>4</sup> Appears only if an internal table is selected or if there is no user-defined table.
- <sup>5</sup> Appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer and selected.

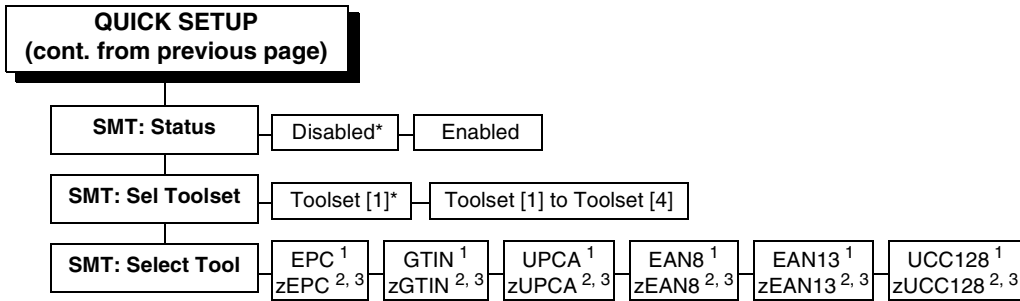
# QUICK SETUP Menu



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**Notes:**

- \* = Default
- <sup>1</sup> Maximum value depends on the width of the printer model and printhead.
- <sup>2</sup> You can change the unit value from inches to millimeters under Units (in MEDIA CONTROL). (Refer to the *T5000r User's Manual*.)
- <sup>3</sup> Based on the current value setting for Label Length, up to a maximum of 12.80 inches.
- <sup>4</sup> Maximum value depends on the width of the printer model.
- <sup>5</sup> Maximum value depends on model width and size of DRAM installed.
- <sup>6</sup> Required for SLPA operation.



**Notes:**

\* = Default.

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if Toolset [1] is selected under SMT: Sel Toolset.

<sup>2</sup> Appears only if Toolset [2] is selected under SMT: Sel Toolset.

<sup>3</sup> Undocumented options are reserved for internal use and future design.

**NOTE:** Many QUICK SETUP submenus are available in other main menus. (Refer to the *T5000r User's Manual*.)

Changes made in the QUICK SETUP menu are updated in the other main menus, and vice versa.

## QUICK SETUP Submenus

### Print Intensity

This menu item specifies the level of thermal energy from the printhead to be used for the type of media and ribbon installed.

Large numbers imply more heat (thermal energy) to be applied for each dot. This has a significant effect on print quality. The print intensity and speed must match the media and ribbon type to obtain the best possible print quality and barcode grades.

The range is –15 through +15:

- In Transfer mode, the default is –3.
- In Direct Thermal mode, the default is 0.

### Print Speed

This menu item specifies the speed in inches per second (ips) at which the media passes through the printer while printing.

The range is 2 through 10 ips (in increments of 1 ips).

The default is 6 ips.

**NOTE:** The maximum print speed varies based on maximum printer width and dot per inch (dpi) resolution of the printhead installed (203 or 300 dpi).

### Print Mode

This menu item specifies the type of printing to be done.

- **Transfer.** Indicates Thermal Transfer printing (ribbon installed).
- **Direct.** Indicates Direct Thermal printing (no ribbon) and requires special heat sensitive media.

The default is Transfer, unless your printer is shipped as direct thermal only (no ribbon motors installed).

### Media Handling

This menu item specifies how the printer will handle the media (labels or tag stock).

- **Tear-Off.** After each label is printed, the printer positions the label gap over the peel bar and waits for the current label to be applied before printing the next label. A “Label On” message displays to remind you that the label is ready to be applied before the next one can be printed.

### Paper Feed Shift

This menu item represents the distance to advance a label (+ shift) or pull back (– shift) when the Tear-Off option is enabled. The allowable range is –0.50 inches to the current Label Length value setting up to a maximum of 12.80 inches in 0.01 inch increments. Adjust the media so that the middle of the label gap is over the peel bar edge.

The default is 0.00 inches.

## Label Length

In most applications, the user-selected Label Length will match the physical label length. Physical label length is the actual label length of the media installed. Following is a list of different media types:

- Die-cut labels: measurable length of the removable label (leading edge to trailing edge). This does not include the liner material or gap.
- Tag stock with notches or holes: measurable length from the trailing edge of one notch or hole to the trailing edge of the next notch or hole.
- Tag stock with black marks on the underside: measurable length from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.
- Continuous media (no label length indicators): measurable length should be within  $\pm 1$  to 2% of the Label Length value entered.

## Label Width

This menu item specifies the label width. The allowable range in inches is 00.1 to the maximum print width of the printer. The allowable range in millimeters is 2.5 to the maximum width of the printer.

## Ver Image Shift

This menu item specifies the amount to shift an image up (–) or down (+) for precise positioning on the label. The actual height of the image is not affected by this parameter. The allowable range is –1.00 inches to the current Label Length value setting, up to a maximum of 12.80 inches, in 0.01 inch increments.

The default value is 0.00 inches.

## Hor Image Shift

This menu item specifies the amount to shift an image left (–) or right (+) for precise positioning on the label. The actual width of the image is not affected by this parameter. The allowable range is –1.00 to +1.00 inches in 0.01 inch increments.

The default value is 0.00 inches.

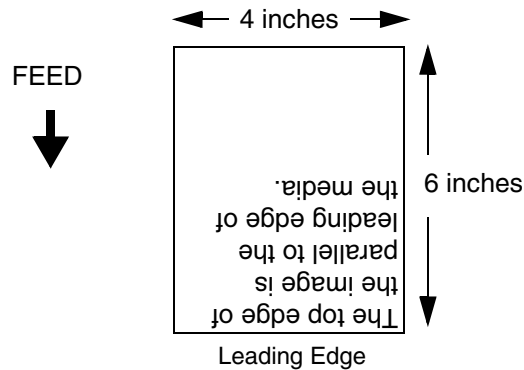


## Orientation

Specifies the image orientation to be used when printing the label.

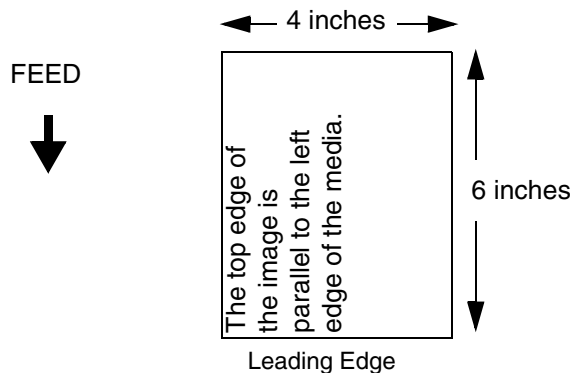
- **Portrait.** The default. Portrait refers to vertical page orientation, where the height of a page is greater than its width. The top edge of the image is parallel to the leading edge of the media. The following example is viewed from the front of the printer.

**NOTE:** Portrait orientation applies to PGL<sup>®</sup> and VGL emulations. This is regarded as Inverse Portrait using PPI1.



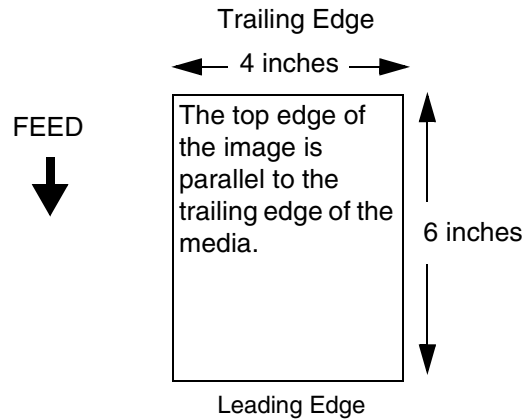
- **Landscape.** Landscape refers to horizontal orientation, where the width of a page is greater than its height. The top edge of the image is parallel to the left edge of the media. The following example is viewed from the front of the printer.

**NOTE:** Landscape orientation applies to PGL and VGL emulations. This is regarded as Inverse Landscape using PPI1.



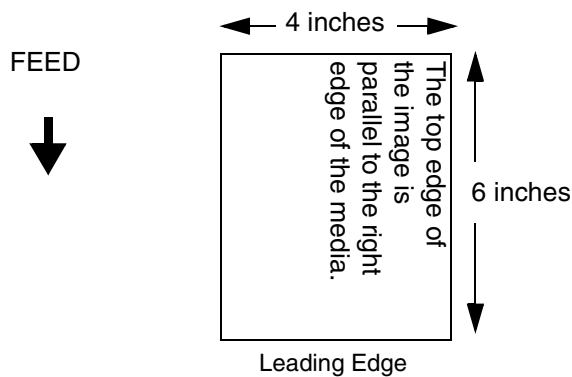
- **Inv. Portrait.** Inverse Portrait refers to vertical page orientation, where the height of a page is greater than its width. The top edge of the image is parallel to the trailing edge of the media. The following example is viewed from the front of the printer.

**NOTE:** Inverse Portrait orientation applies to PGL and VGL emulations. This is regarded as Portrait using PPI1.



- **Inv. Landscape.** Inverse Landscape refers to horizontal orientation, where the width of a page is greater than its height. The top edge of the image is parallel to the right edge of the media. The following example is viewed from the front of the printer.

**NOTE:** Inverse Landscape orientation applies to PGL and VGL emulations. This is regarded as Landscape using PPI1.



## Gap/Mark Sensor

Specifies the sensor type needed for detecting the top-of-form position on media with label length indicators (gaps, notches, holes, or black marks).

- **Disable.** Select when using media with no label length indicators (no black marks, gaps, notches, or holes), or when you want the printer to ignore all existing label length indicators on the installed media.

**NOTE:** When you select Disable, the length of each label is based on the Label Length value entered.

- **Mark.** Select when using media that has horizontal black marks located on the underside of the label liner or tag stock. The top-of-form position is the leading edge of the black mark.
- **Gap.** Select when using media with a liner space between die-cut labels or when using tag stock with notches or holes as label length indicators on white background media. The top-of-form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).
- **Advanced Gap.** Select when using media that has liner gaps between die cut labels with black background. The top-of-form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).
- **Advanced Notch.** Select when using media with notches or holes that interrupt a black vertical line on the underside of the media. The top-of-form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).

The default is Disable.

## Gap Sensing for Encoding RFID Tags in Smart Labels

For printers encoding RFID tags in smart labels, access the CALIBRATE CTRL menu and set Gap/Mark Sensor to Advanced Gap and Threshold Range to 70%, depending on the Print Profile. Run the Print Profile before running Auto Calibrate.

## Auto Calibrate

This feature is used to improve the sensitivity and reliability of the media sensor in detecting gaps, notches, holes, or black marks on the installed media, as well as a Paper Out condition.

To initiate Auto Calibrate, scroll to the “Auto Calibrate” menu and press the ↵ key. The printer will advance media the distance needed to accurately detect the label length indicators, then stop at the top-of-form position and momentarily display the Sensed Distance. This process takes a few seconds and results in an update of the printer values.

Auto Calibrate is completed successfully when the Sensed Distance displayed correctly matches that of the installed media. When you select Gap, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the trailing edge of one gap to the trailing edge of the next gap (one label + one gap). When you select Mark, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.

Auto Calibrate supports label lengths up to 24 inches.

### Active IGP Emul

This function allows you to activate any resident IGP emulation listed in the menu. The number of IGP emulations available is based on the Security Key installed. The default is IGP/PGL.

There are two methods for selecting the desired emulation:

- Select the emulation under the Active IGP Emulation menu option and save it as Power-up Config.
- Send a host command to switch the emulation automatically (see the appropriate *Programmer's Reference Manual* for details).

### Save Config.

Allows you to save up to eight unique configurations to meet different print job requirements. This eliminates the need to change the parameter settings for each new job. The configurations are stored in memory and will not be lost if you turn off the printer.

The default is 1.

### Power-Up Config.

You can specify the Factory configuration or any one of the eight possible saved configurations as the power-up configuration.

The default is Factory.

### SMT: Status

See "Software Migration Tools (SMT)" in the *RFID Labeling Reference Manual*.

- **Disabled.** The printer disables the use of the Software Migration Tools.
- **Enabled.** The printer enables the use of the Software Migration Tools.

### SMT: Sel Toolset

See “Software Migration Tools (SMT)” in the *RFID Labeling Reference Manual*.

- **Toolset [1]**. SMTs for PGL emulation.
- **Toolset [2]**. SMTs for PPI1 emulation.
- **Toolset [3]** and **Toolset [4]**. Reserved for internal use and future design.

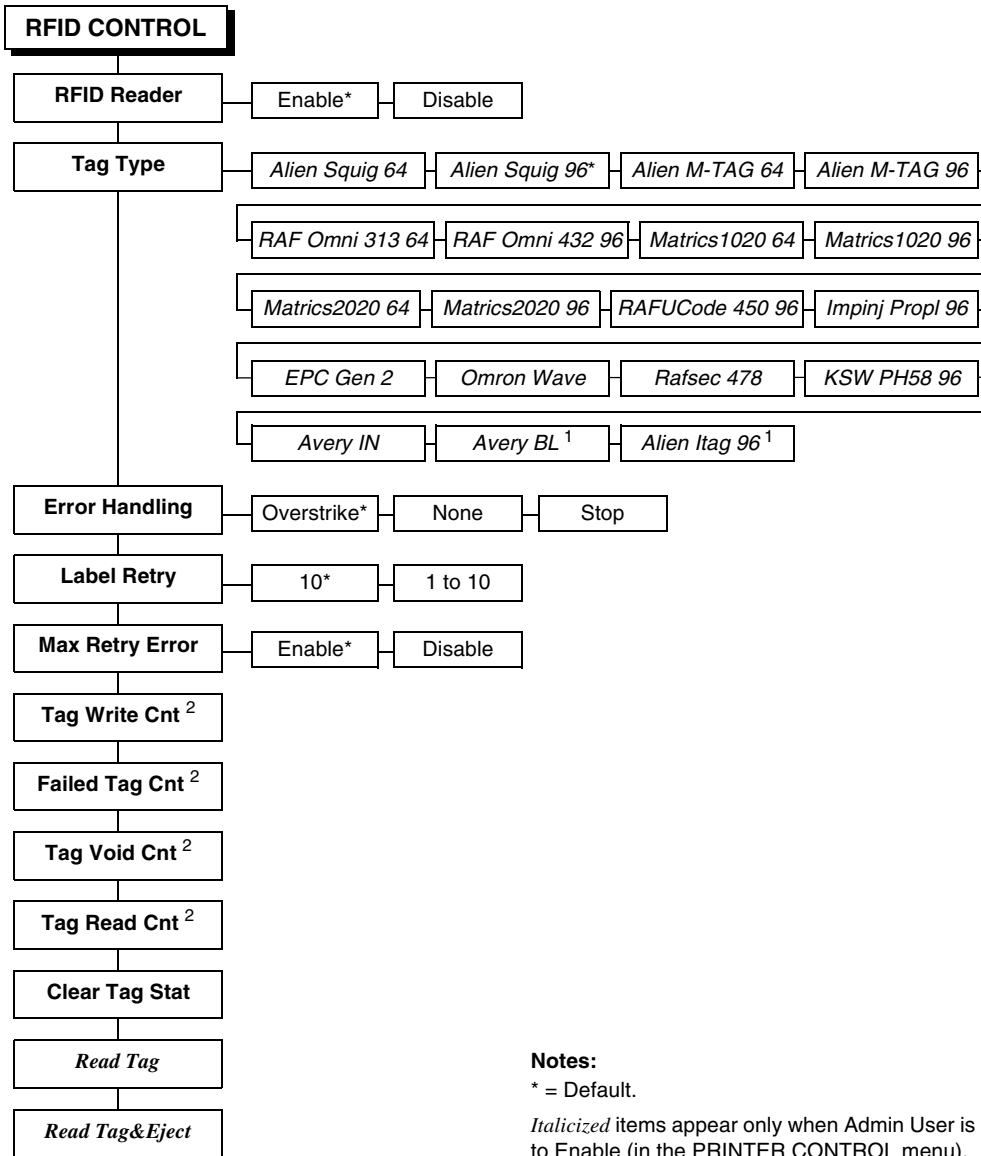
### SMT: Select Tool

See “Software Migration Tools (SMT)” in the *RFID Labeling Reference Manual*.

- **EPC, GTIN, UPCA, EAN8, EAN13, and UCC128**. SMTs displayed if Toolset [1] is selected under SMT: Sel Toolset.
- **zEPC, zGTIN, zUPCA, zEAN8, zEAN13, and zUCC128**. SMTs displayed if Toolset [2] is selected under SMT: Sel Toolset.

**NOTE:** Undocumented options are reserved for internal use and future design.

# RFID CONTROL Menu



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**Notes:**

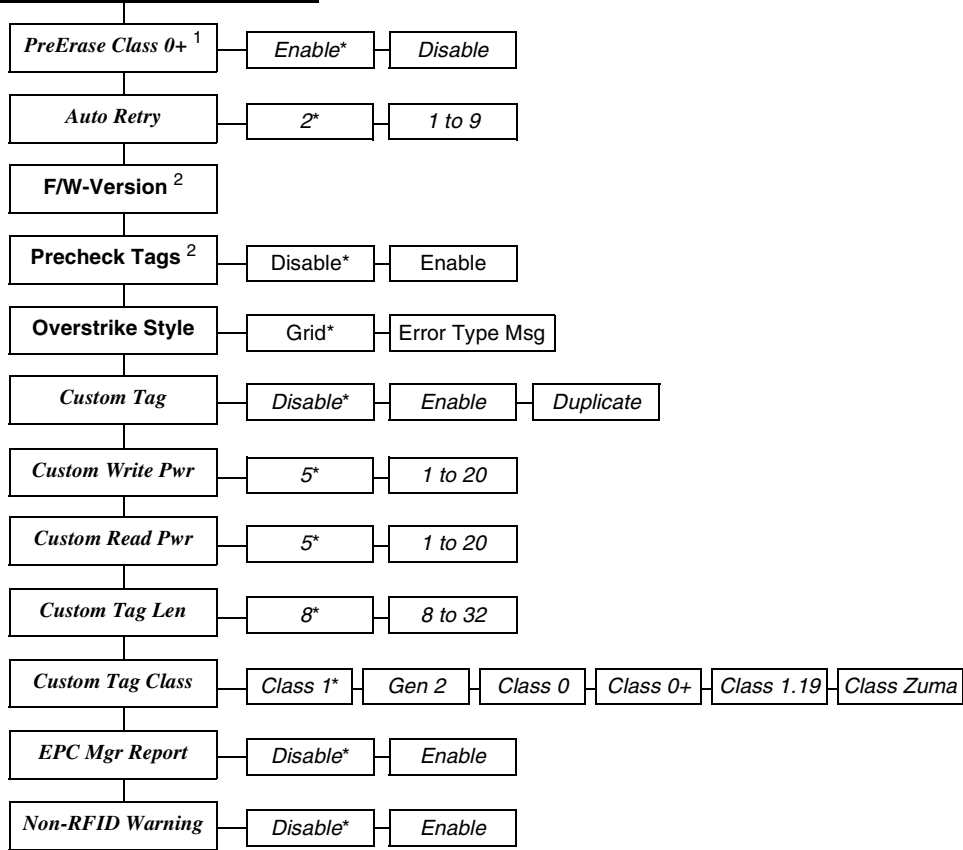
\* = Default.

*Italicized* items appear only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Available on six inch printers only.

<sup>2</sup> Display item only.

**RFID CONTROL**  
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**Notes:**

\* = Default.

*Italicized* items appear only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if Tag Type is set to Matrics2020 64 or Matrics2020 96.

<sup>2</sup> Display item only.

## RFID CONTROL Submenus

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### RFID Reader

This menu item enables or disables the RFID encoder. The default is Enable.

### Tag Type

This menu item selects the tag type in use. The following is a list of tag types available. Other types may be added in the future.

- Alien Squig 64  
Class 1, read/write, 64 bit, 4 inches wide
- Alien Squig 96 (default)  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bit, 4 inches wide
- Alien M-TAG 64  
Class 1, read/write, 64 bit, 4 inches wide
- Alien M-TAG 96  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bit, 4 inches wide
- RAF Omni 313 64  
Class 1, read/write, 64 bit, 3 inches wide
- RAF Omni 432 96  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bit, 3 inches wide
- Matrics1020 64/96  
Class 0, read only, 64/96 bits, preprogrammed by manufacturer, 4 inches wide
- Matrics2020 64/96  
Class 0+, read/write, 64/96 bits, 4 inches wide
- RAFUCode 450 96  
Class 1.19, read/write, 96 bits, 3 inches wide
- Impinj Propl 96  
Class Zuma, read/write, 96 bits
- EPC Gen 2  
Class Gen 2, read/write, 96 bits
- Omron Wave  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bits, 4 inches wide
- Rafsec 478  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bits, 4 inches wide
- KSW PH58 96  
Class 1.19, read/write, 96 bits, 4 inches wide
- Avery IN  
Class 1, read/write, 4 inches wide
- Avery BL  
Class 1, read/write, 6 inches wide



- Alien Itag 96  
Class 1, read/write, 96 bits, 6 inches wide

### **Error Handling**

This menu item selects the error handling mode for RFID failures. The default is Overstrike.

In Overstrike mode, each failed label prints with the Overstrike pattern and the form retries on a new label until the Label Retry count is exhausted. Whether or not an error message will display or the failed label will reprint depends upon the Max Retry Error setting.

In None mode, no specific action is taken when a tag fails to be programmed.

In Stop mode, when a tag fails to be programmed, the printer will halt and display the error message “RFID Error: Check Media.” The label is discarded and reprinting of the label (if desired) must be initiated from the host. When the error is cleared, the label with the failed tag moves forward until the next label is in position to be printed.

### **Label Retry**

**NOTE:** Label Retry only applies when the Error Handling mode is set to Overstrike.

This menu item selects the number of label retries that the RFID encoder will attempt before declaring a fault. This may indicate a problem with the RFID encoder, the antenna assembly, the printer setup, or the label stock. The default is 10.

### **Max Retry Error**

This menu item enables or disables the Max Retry Error menu item. If it is set to Disable, errors are not declared and the print content for the current label is discarded. The default is Enable.

### **Tag Write Cnt**

This menu item displays on the control panel’s LCD the number of tags written since the last Clear Tag Stat operation has been initiated. (See “Clear Tag Stat” below.)

### **Failed Tag Cnt**

This menu item displays on the control panel’s LCD the number of failed tag write attempts since the last Clear Tag Stat operation has been initiated. (See “Clear Tag Stat” below.)

### Tag Void Cnt

This menu item always displays 0 unless the RFID encoder is used with an attached online data validator. When used with a validator, Tag Void Cnt represents how many valid RFID tags were overstruck due to bad bar code scanning. Refer to the *Online Data Validator User's Manual*.

### Tag Read Cnt

This menu item displays the number of tags read since the last Clear Tag Stat (below).

### Clear Tag Stat

This menu item clears the Tag Write Cnt, Failed Tag Cnt, Tag Void Cnt, and Tag Read Cnt menu items.

### F/W-Version

This menu item displays on the control panel's LCD the reader firmware version.

### Precheck Tags

**NOTE:** This menu item applies to Class 1 tags only.

When this menu item is set to Enable, the RFID encoder checks the tags for a pre-programmed quality code. If the code is absent, the tag immediately fails and the selected Error Handling mode is performed (Overstrike, None, or Stop). The default is Disable.

### Overstrike Style

This menu item selects the style of the overstrike pattern. The default is Grid. When it is set to Grid, a grid pattern prints when it overstrikes. When it is set to Error Type Msg, an error message prints that indicates which error occurred (see Table 2 on page 102).

## IMPORTANT

**If you are using a validator, set the RFID Overstrike Style different than the validator Overstrike Style (in the VALIDATOR menu). This will help you differentiate between an RFID error and a validator error.**

Table 2. Printed Overstrike Error Messages

Error Message	Explanation
Tag R/W Err x Check media	The printer software attempted to write to or read from the RFID tag, but the RFID encoder indicated that the tag could not be written to or read from.
Tag Comm Err x Check cable	The printer software temporarily lost communication with the RFID encoder, or communication between the printer software and the RFID encoder was not synchronized and had to be forced.
Precheck Fail x Check media	This failure occurs only when the Precheck Tags menu item is set to Enable. It indicates that the RFID tag was automatically failed since it did not contain the correct pre-programmed quality code.

**NOTE:** The x in the error messages represents a number code that identifies the area in the printer software or RFID encoder where the failure occurred.

## Admin User Submenus

To see these menu items, set Admin User to Enable in the PRINTER CONTROL menu. (Refer to the *User's Manual*.)

**IMPORTANT** Admin User menu items should only be used by authorized personnel.

### Read Tag

**IMPORTANT** This menu item does not position the RFID tag over the antenna. Make sure to position the tag over the antenna to receive an accurate reading.

This menu item reads the tag in range of the internal RFID antenna and reports the tag data to the debug port and momentarily displays it on the control panel's LCD. It is primarily intended for development verification by checking that the system is working.

### Read Tag&Eject

**IMPORTANT** This menu item does not position the RFID tag over the antenna. Make sure to position the tag over the antenna to receive an accurate reading.

The menu item works exactly the same as Read Tag (above), except that after the printer reads the tag, it feeds the label to the next top-of-form.

## PreErase Class 0+

### IMPORTANT

If you set PreErase Class 0+ to Disable, no erase cycle will occur and pre-programmed tags are not guaranteed to program correctly.

This menu item enables or disables an automatic erase cycle forced on a Class 0+ tag before the tag is programmed. If an error occurs during the initial encoding, the ensuing retries will also include an automatic erase cycle.

If the tags are used and are known to have been previously written to, an erase cycle will be necessary. Many virgin Class 0+ tags are delivered pre-programmed, also requiring an erase cycle.

The default is Enable.

## Auto Retry

This menu item selects the number of automatic (internal) retries that the printer will attempt on the same tag before declaring a tag error and performing the Error Handling mode selected (Overstrike, Stop, or None). The default is 2.

## Custom Tag

This menu item enables or disables the Custom Pwr Set, Custom Tag Len, and Custom Tag Class menu items (custom tag menus). The default is Disable.

The custom tag menus allow the RFID encoder to work with tag types that are not listed in the Tag Type menu item.

**NOTE:** Printronix cannot guarantee the performance of tag types not certified by Printronix.

When Custom Tag is set to Disable, the settings in the custom tag menus are ignored by the RFID encoder.

When it is set to Enable, the RFID encoder uses the settings in the custom tag menus, which must be set to match the characteristics of the custom tag.

When it is set to Duplicate, the settings of the selected Tag Type menu item are copied into the custom tag menus.

## Custom Write Pwr

**NOTE:** To enable this menu item, set Custom Tag to Enable.

This menu item selects the write power level to be used in the RFID encoder. 1 is the lowest power level setting, and 20 is the highest. The default is 5.

## Custom Read Pwr

**NOTE:** To enable this menu item, set Custom Tag to Enable.

This menu item selects the read power level to be used in the RFID encoder. 1 is the lowest power level setting, and 20 is the highest. The default is 5.

### Custom Tag Len

**NOTE:** To enable this menu item, set Custom Tag to Enable.

This menu item selects the number of bytes in the tag.  
The default is 8.

### Custom Tag Class

**NOTE:** To enable this menu item, set Custom Tag to Enable.

This menu item selects the class of the custom tag. Class 1, Class 0+, and Class 1.19 tags are read/write. Class 0 tags are read only. The default is Class 1.

### EPC Mgr Report

This menu item enables EPC and label information to be sent out the network port. This information can be used by an RFID tag data and labels manager program. The default is Disable.

### Non-RFID Warning

When this menu item is set to Enable, the printer checks to make sure that non-RFID jobs are not being printed on RFID labels (to prevent RFID labels from being wasted).

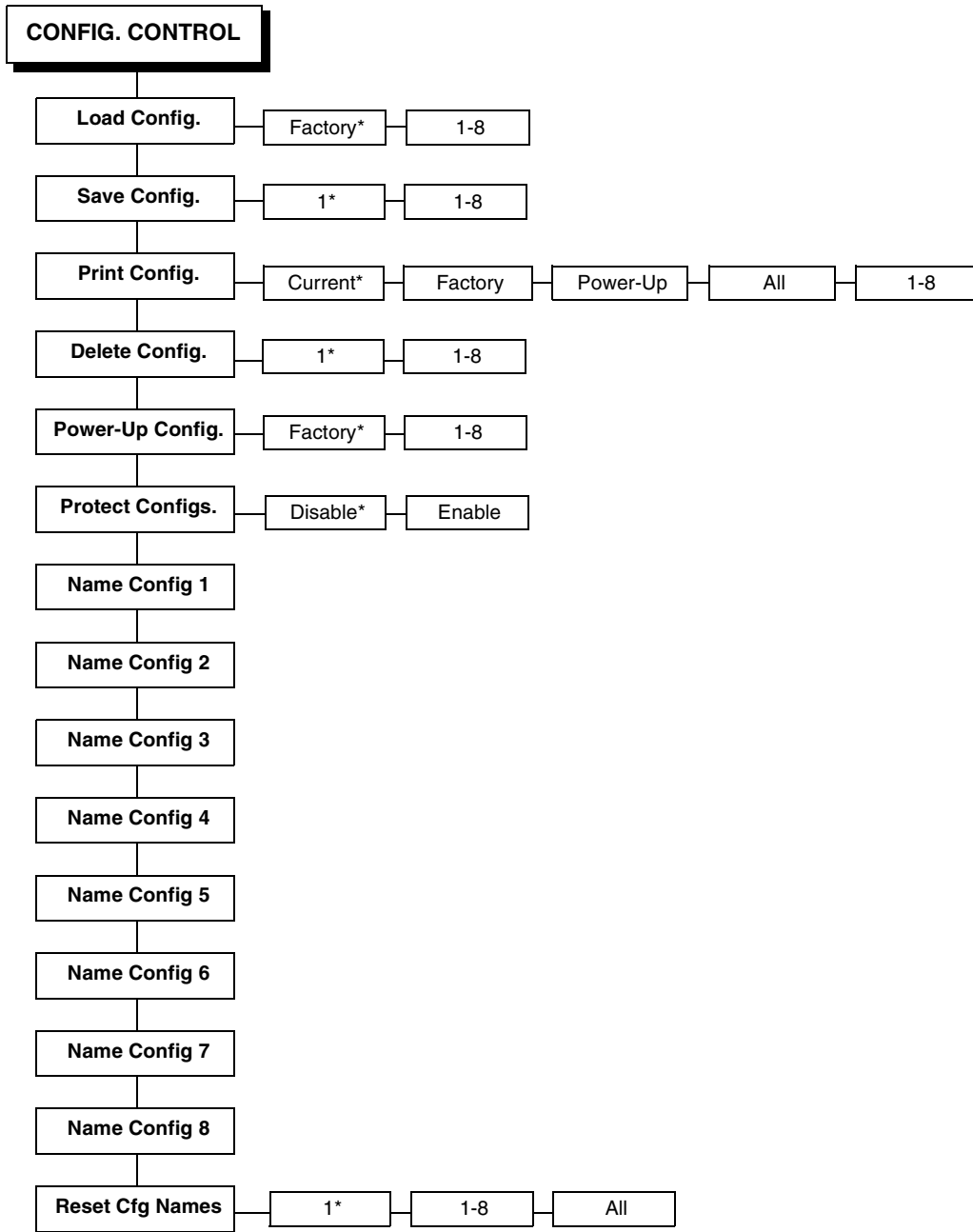
If RFID labels are installed in the printer, and a job is printed with at least one form that contains no RFID commands, a fault will be declared and the data for the forms that contain no RFID commands will be absorbed.

### Requesting An RFID Report

This procedure prints a summarized RFID report. (This report also includes validator data if the printer has a validator.)

1. Press the **PAUSE** key to take the printer offline.
2. If necessary, press ↓ and ↵ at the same time to unlock the ↵ key.
3. Press **TEST PRINT**. Printer Tests displays.
4. Press + until ODV/RFID Report displays.
5. Press ↵ to print the report.
6. Press ↓ and ↵ at the same time to lock the ↵ key, then press **PAUSE** to take the printer offline.
7. Press **PAUSE** again to put the printer online.

# CONFIG. CONTROL Menu



\* = Factory Default

## CONFIG. CONTROL Submenus

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### Load Config.

The printer can store up to eight configurations in memory. This parameter allows you to select and load a specific configuration.

The factory default is Factory.

### Save Config.

This option allows you to save up to eight unique configurations to meet different print job requirements. This eliminates the need to change the parameter settings for each new job. The configurations are stored in memory and will not be lost if you turn off the printer. If the Protect Configs. parameter is enabled, the new configuration will not be saved unless the existing configuration has been deleted first. The factory default configuration cannot be changed. See “Saving A Configuration” on page 75 for details.

The factory default is 1.

### Print Config.

This option is used to print a listing of various stored printer configurations. We recommend you store printouts of your configurations in a safe place for quick referral.

The options are Current (the factory default), Factory, Power-Up, and All.

### Delete Config.

You can delete one or all of your eight customized configurations. The factory default configuration cannot be deleted.

The factory default is 1.

### Power-Up Config.

You can specify any one of nine configurations (1-8 saved custom configurations or Factory) as the power-up configuration.

The factory default is Factory.

### Protect Configs.

You can specify whether or not a new configuration should overwrite an existing configuration when you activate the Save Configs. parameter. When disabled (default), the new configuration will overwrite the existing configuration. When enabled, the new configuration will *not* overwrite the existing configuration, and the message “CONFIG. EXISTS / Delete First” displays.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

## **Name Config (1-8)**

You may specify a 15-character name which can be used to refer to a configuration. The name you enter for a configuration will be used in the Load Config., Save Config., Print Config., Delete Config., and Power-Up Config. menus. The names can only be cleared by using the Reset Cfg Names menu.

When you move into the Name Configs. menu, the top line of the display shows the current configuration name. The second line of the display is initially the same as the top line. You can modify the second line of the display without affecting the top line until the ↵ key is pressed, which sets the modified name as the current selection.

Press ↑ or ↓ to cycle through the values available for that character at the cursor location. Press + to move to the next character to be modified. Press – to go back to a character you have already modified. Continue until you have entered the name you want to give to this configuration, then press ↵ to save. The name you entered will now represent this configuration on the printer's front panel. To exit this menu without saving, press any key other than ↵. The configuration name will revert to the last saved value.

The factory default is 1.

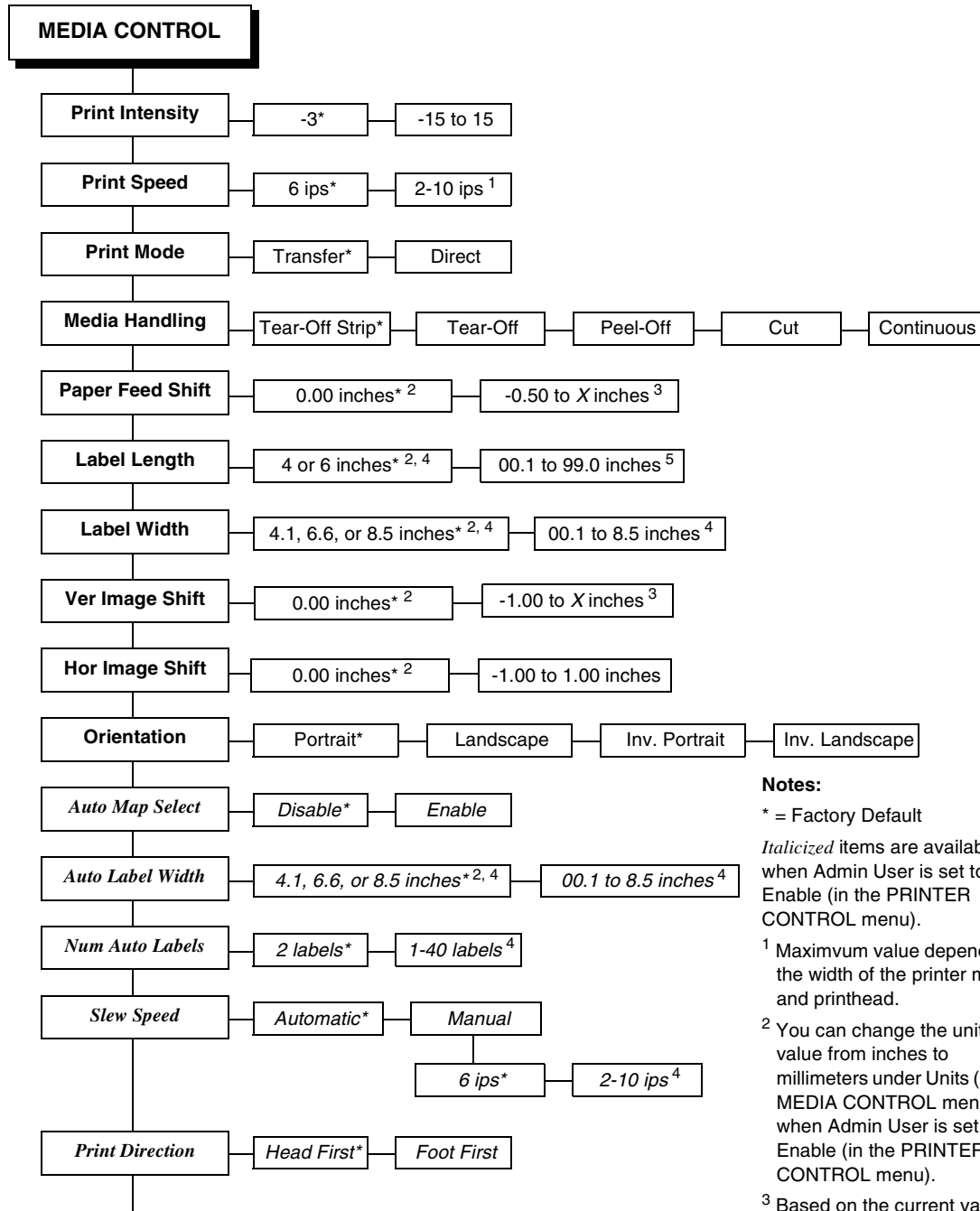
## **Reset Cfg Names**

You can reset specific configuration names back to the default value of the configuration number.

The options are 1-8 and All, and the factory default is 1.



# MEDIA CONTROL Menu



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Maximum value depends on the width of the printer model and printhead.

<sup>2</sup> You can change the unit value from inches to millimeters under Units (in the MEDIA CONTROL menu) when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

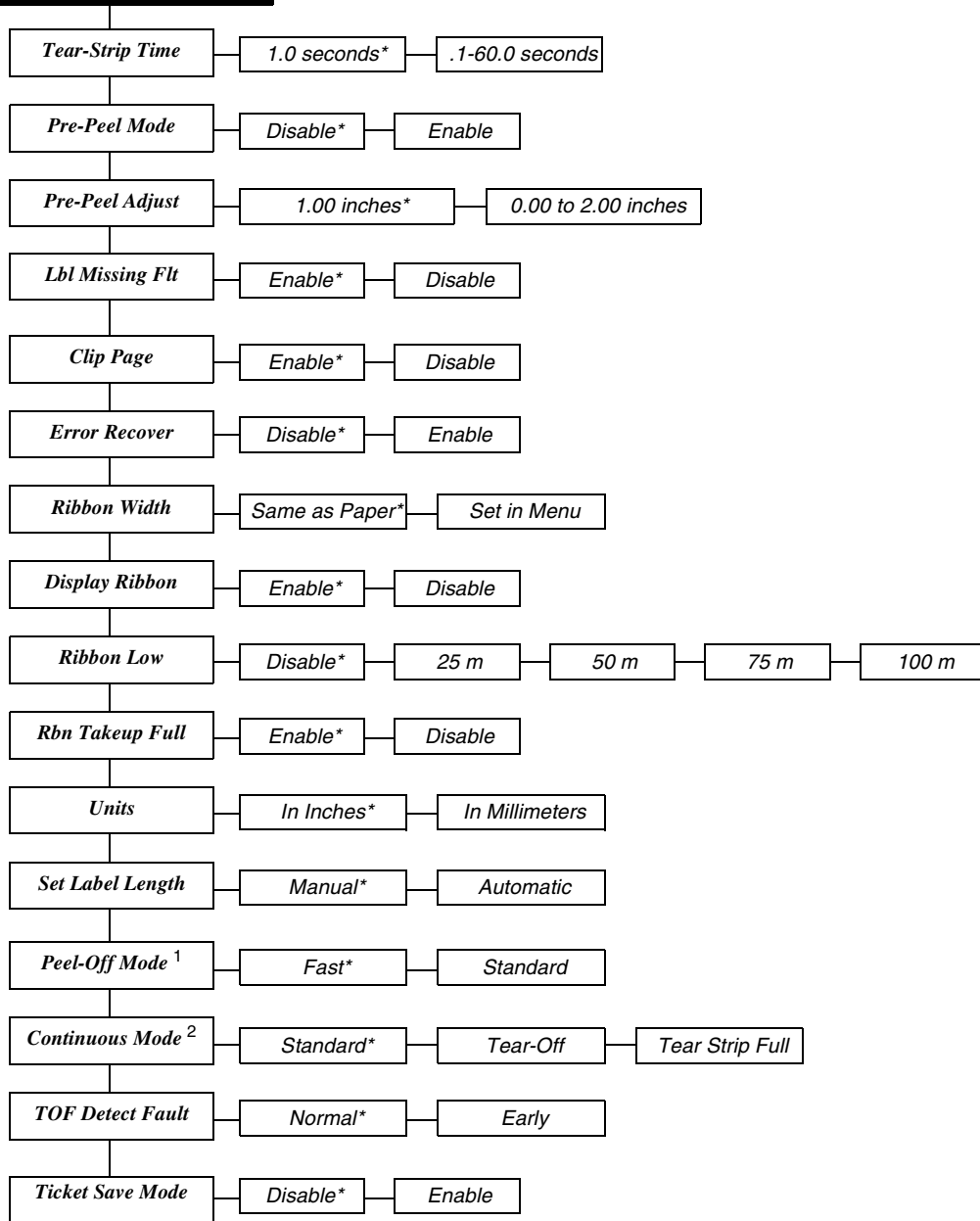
<sup>3</sup> Based on the current value setting for Label Length (in MEDIA CONTROL) up to a maximum of 12.80 inches.

<sup>4</sup> Maximum value depends on the width of the printer model.

<sup>5</sup> Maximum value depends on model width and size of DRAM installed.

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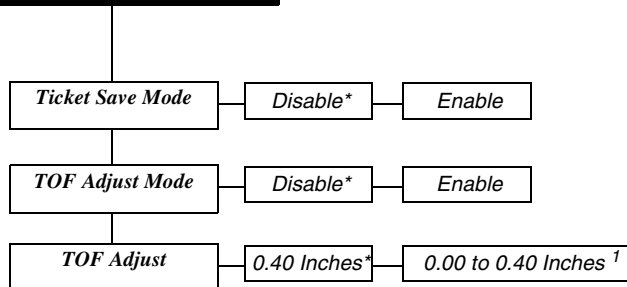
**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> The Peel-Off option under Media Handling must be enabled for this menu to function.

<sup>2</sup> The Continuous option under Media Handling must be enabled for this menu to function.

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**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> In increments of 0.01 inch.

## MEDIA CONTROL Submenus

### Print Intensity

This option specifies the level of thermal energy from the printhead to be used for the type of media and ribbon installed.

Large numbers imply more heat (thermal energy) to be applied for each dot. This has a significant effect on print quality. The print intensity and speed must match the media and ribbon type to obtain the best possible print quality and barcode grades.

The range is -15 through +15:

- The factory default is -3 in Transfer mode.
- The factory default is 0 in Direct Thermal mode.

### Print Speed

This option specifies the speed in inches per second (ips) at which the media passes through the printer while printing.

The range is 2 through 10 ips (in increments of 1 ips).

The factory default is 6 ips.

**NOTE:** The maximum print speed varies based on maximum printer width and dot per inch (dpi) resolution of the printhead installed (203 or 300 dpi). See “Printing” on page 247 for print speed specifications.

## Print Mode

This option specifies the type of printing to be done.

- **Transfer.** Indicates Thermal Transfer printing (ribbon installed).
- **Direct.** Indicates Direct Thermal printing (no ribbon) and requires special heat sensitive media.

The factory default is Transfer.

## Media Handling

This option specifies how the printer will handle the media (labels or tag stock).

- **Tear-Off.** After each label is printed, the printer positions the label over the tear bar and waits for you to tear off the label before printing the next one (on-demand printing). A “Remove Label” message will display to remind you to remove the label before the next one can be printed.

## Paper Feed Shift

This option represents the distance to advance (+ shift) or pull back (– shift) the stop position of a label when Tear-Off Strip, Tear-Off, Peel-Off, or Cut media handling option is enabled. The allowable range is -0.50 inches to the current Label Length value setting, up to a maximum of 12.80 inches, in .01 inch increments.

The factory default is 0.00 inches.

## Label Length

This option specifies the user-selected Label Length in inches or millimeters. In most applications, the user-selected Label Length will match the *physical* label length. Physical label length is the actual label length of the media installed.

When setting label length, consider the following:

Label Length can be manually entered via the control panel MEDIA CONTROL menu or sent via host computer using the appropriate software command.

A Host Forms Length (Label Length) value sent from the host computer will override and change the manually entered Label Length value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.

- **Physical Label Length** is the actual measurable length of the label. The following list of different media types explains how the physical label lengths are determined:
  - Die-cut labels – measurable length of the removable label (leading edge to trailing edge). This does not include the liner material or gap.
  - Tag Stock with notches or holes – measurable length from the trailing edge of one notch or hole to the leading edge of the next notch or hole.

- Tag Stock with black marks on underside – measurable length from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.
- Continuous media (no label length indicators) – measurable length should be within  $\pm 1\text{-}2\%$  the Label Length value entered in the MEDIA CONTROL menu or the value sent via host software command.
- **Logical Label Length** (Host Forms Length) is the length that a user or programmer bases his printable image on. In most cases this length should be slightly less than the Physical Label Length. This allows the entire image to be printed within the boundaries of the label length indicators (gaps, notches, holes, or black marks).

When the Logical Label Length is greater than the Physical Label Length and Clip Page = Enable (in the MEDIA CONTROL menu), the printer will clip the bottom portion of the image that exceeds the Physical Label length. In this case, the printable data that was not printed will be lost.

When the Logical Label Length is greater than the Physical Label Length and Clip Page = Disable, the printer will continue to print the image onto the next physical label and ignore the gap or mark based on the label length value set in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.

When the Logical Label Length is less than the Physical Label Length, the printer will print the entire image and leave blank space the remaining length of the physical label as it advances to the Top-of-Form of the next label. This is true regardless of the Clip Page setting.

The allowable Label Length range is 00.1 to 99.0 inches (2.5 - 2514.6mm)  
The factory defaults are listed below:

**Table 3. Factory Default Label Length**

Printer	Inches	mm	Lines
T5X04	6	152.4	36
T5X06	4	101.6	24
T5X08	6	152.4	36

Maximum Label Length range is dependent on the Label Width value selected, printhead installed (203 or 300 DPI), and the amount of DRAM installed in the printer. See Table 15 on page 249 for media specifications.

**NOTE:** See “Set Label Length” on page 122.

### Label Width

This option specifies the physical width of the image to be printed. The value can be specified in inches or millimeters depending on the setting of the Units submenu under the MEDIA CONTROL menu. The allowable range in inches is 00.1 to the maximum print width of the printer. The allowable range in millimeters is 2.5 to the maximum width of the printer.

The default value depends on model width and size of DRAM installed.

### Ver Image Shift

This option specifies the amount to shift an image vertically up (-) or down (+) for precise positioning on the label. The actual height of the image is not affected by this parameter. The allowable range is -1.00 inches to the current Label Length value setting, up to a maximum of 12.80 inches, in .01 inch increments.

The factory default value is 0.00 inches.

### Hor Image Shift

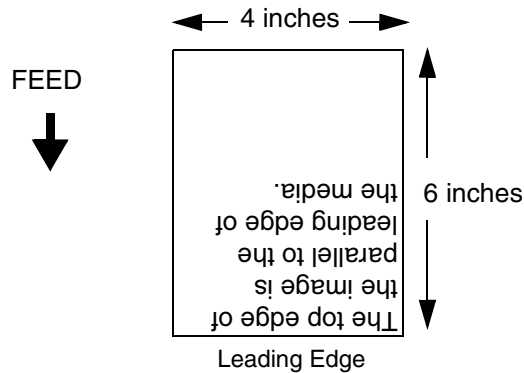
This option specifies the amount to shift an image horizontally left (-) or right (+) for precise positioning on the label. The actual width of the image is not affected by this parameter. The allowable range is -1.00 through +1.00 inches in .01 inch increments, displayed as xx/100.

The factory default value is 0.00 inches.

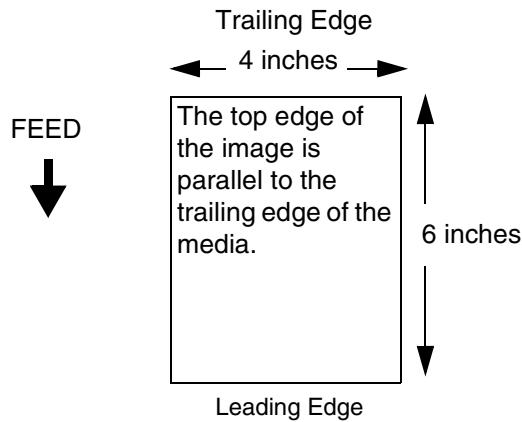
### Orientation

This menu item selects the image orientation to be used when printing the label.

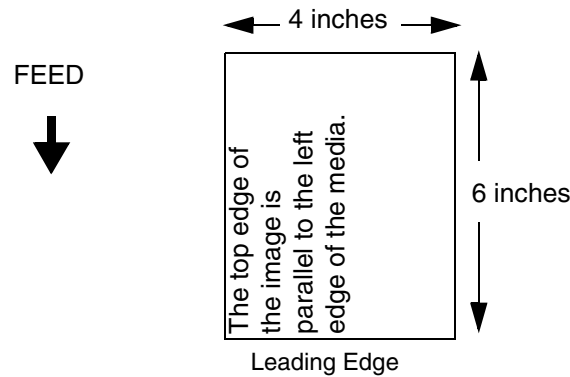
- **Portrait.** Portrait refers to vertical page orientation, where the height of a page is greater than its width. The top edge of the image is parallel to the leading edge of the media. The following illustration is an example, with the operator viewing the front of the printer.



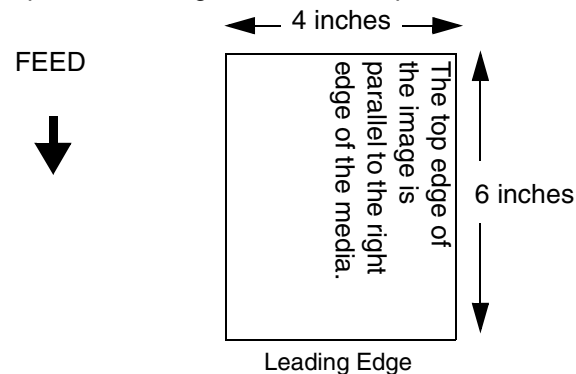
- Inv. Portrait.** Inverse Portrait refers to vertical page orientation, where the height of a page is greater than its width. The top edge of the image is parallel to the trailing edge of the media. The following illustration is an example, with the operator viewing the front of the printer.



- Landscape.** Landscape refers to horizontal orientation, where the width of a page is greater than its height. The top edge of the image is the left edge of the media. The following illustration is an example, with the operator viewing the front of the printer.



- Inv. Landscape.** Inverse Landscape refers to horizontal orientation, where the width of a page is greater than its height. The top edge of the image is the right edge of the media (the left edge of the image is the trailing edge of the media). The following illustration is an example, with the operator viewing the front of the printer.



The factory default is Portrait.

### Auto Map Select

This option specifies the maximum print width to be used by the application. The IGP/Auto Label Mapping<sup>®</sup> feature allows backward compatibility of programs written for P5000 line-matrix printers using the Printronix PGL graphics language. It allows the printer to print two-up (or other multi-up) labels. Instead of printing multiple labels across the printer, it prints the leftmost label and the rightmost label, so the printout will be twice as long but half as wide.

When enabled, the printer will automatically reposition the horizontally adjacent labels to a vertically adjacent position, or a combination of horizontal and vertical positions based on the values selected under the Auto Label Width and Num Auto Labels submenus.

When disabled, excess data in any program sent to the printer with horizontally adjacent labels that exceed the physical page width of the printer will be clipped or wrapped depending upon the setting of the Autowrap menu option.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

#### Examples

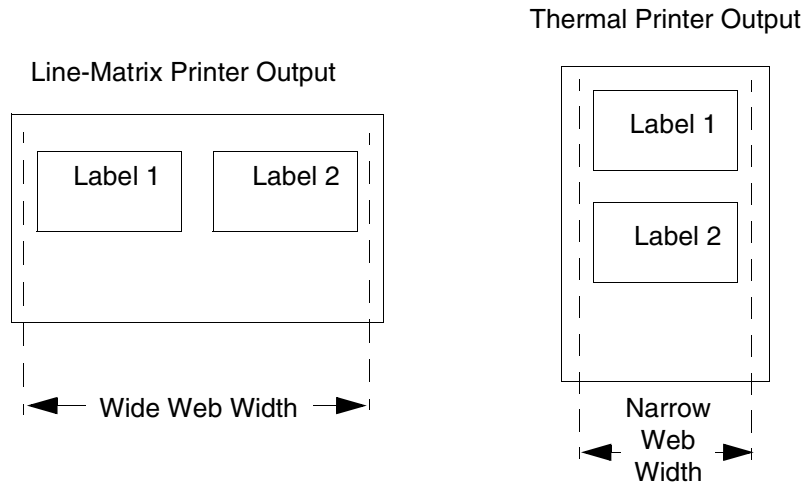
All of the examples below assume that the logical form length is set to the label length.

##### Example 1: Simple Case

**Problem:** A file has been constructed with two horizontally adjacent 4" labels for a printer with a physical width of 8". The user now wants to use this file with a printer that has a 4" physical width.

**Solution:** The user sets Auto Label Width to 4" (the width of the label), configures the Num Auto Labels to 2, and enables the Auto Label Mapping feature.

**Printer Operation:** The printer will print the first (leftmost) 4" label first. Once the first label has been completed, the printer will print the second 4" label. These labels will appear vertically adjacent on the form.



##### Example 2: Uneven Number Case

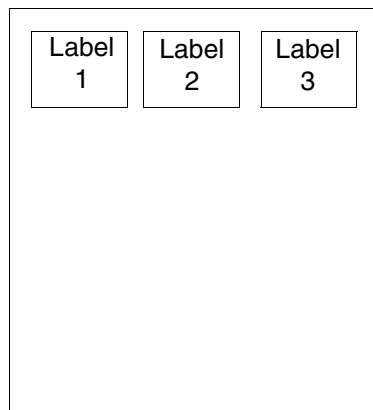


**Problem:** A file has been constructed with three horizontally adjacent 2" labels. The user now desires to use this file with a printer that has a 4" physical width.

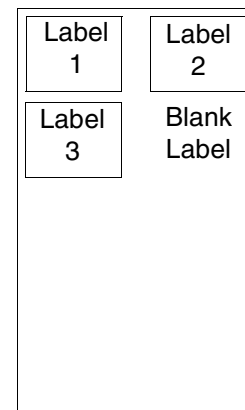
**Solution #1:** The user sets *Auto Label Width* to 4" (the width of two labels), configures the Num Auto Labels to 2, and enables the Auto Label Mapping feature.

**Printer Operation for Solution #1:** The printer will print the first two labels at the same time. These first two labels will be horizontally adjacent. Once these labels have been completed, the printer will print the remaining 2" labels along with a blank 2" label.

File Contents:

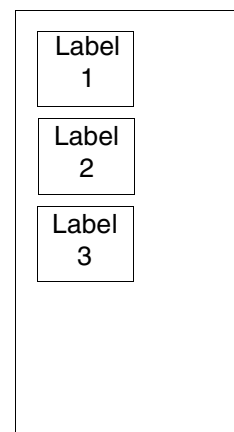
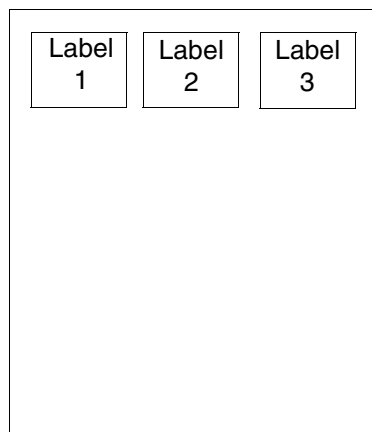


Print Output:



**Solution #2:** The user sets *Auto Label Width* to 2", configures the Num Auto Labels to 3, and enables the Auto Label Mapping feature.

**Printer Operation for Solution #2:** The printer will print the first 2" label by itself, the second 2" label by itself, and finally, the last 2" label by itself.



**Example 3: Past Maximum File Width**

**Problem:** A file has been constructed with three horizontally adjacent 4" labels. The user now desires to use this file with a printer that has a 8" physical width. The user should have used a solution similar to one of the solutions in the section above, but the user erroneously enters an *Auto Label Width* of 12" and a *Num Auto Labels* of 3.

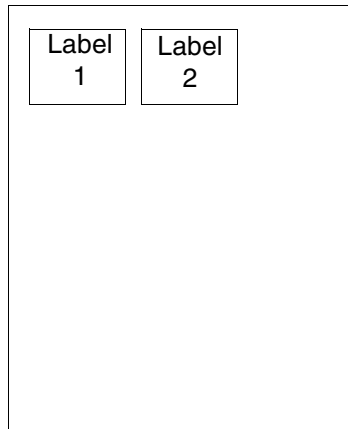
**Printer Operation:**  $Maximum\ Num\ Auto\ Labels = (20"/12") = 1.67$  rounded up to 2. The printer will automatically reduce the *Num Auto Labels* to 2.

**Example 4: Blank Label Case**

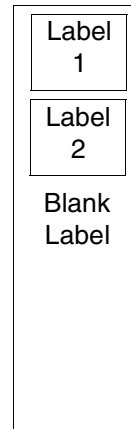
**Problem:** A file exists with two horizontally adjacent 4" labels. The user now wants to use this file with a printer that has a 4" physical width. The user decides to set the *Num Labels* to 3 and the *Label Width* to 4" despite the fact that these values are not optimum.

**Printer Operation:** The maximum  $Num\ Auto\ Labels = (20"/4") = 5$ . The selected value of 3 is legal. After the file is sent, the printer will begin by printing the first 4" width label. Once that label is complete, it will print the second 4" width label. Finally, once both of those labels have been printed, the printer will print a blank 4" label.

File Contents:



Print Output:



**Auto Label Width**

The width of a single label to be printed or the maximum width of the media that will be used for the print file. The value is selectable from 00.1 inch through the maximum print width of the printer.

**NOTE:** The maximum Auto Label Width value will be limited to the current MEDIA CONTROL/Label Width value selected in the configuration menu.

The default value depends on model width and size of DRAM installed.

### Num Auto Labels

The desired number of labels to be printed vertically adjacent on the form. The value is selectable with a range of 1 through 40 (T5X04), 1 through 21 (T5X06) and 1 through 17 (T5X08).

The factory default is 2.

### Slew Speed

The speed at which the printer moves media without actually printing on it.

- **Automatic.** Always the same as the print speed (see “Print Speed” on page 110).
- **Manual.** Allows you to set the slew speed. The maximum speed depends on your printer model. See “Printing” on page 247 for slew speed specifications.

The default is Automatic.

### Print Direction

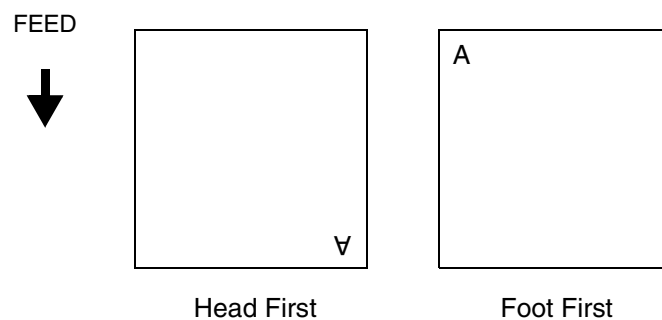
This option determines the basic print image orientation.

**NOTE:** Print Direction will not change the orientation of any print test patterns in the DIAGNOSTIC menu.

Print Direction has two options:

- Head First
- Foot First

For example, with Portrait orientation, when you select Head First, the top-of-form will come out of the printer first. Conversely, when you select Foot First, the bottom-of-form will come out first.



Print Direction and Orientation are two independent options that can be combined to produce the following results depending on the Active IGP Emulation:

**Table 4. Head First**

Print Direction Option	Orientation Option	Result in Active IGP Emulations (IGP/PGL or IGP/VGL)
Head First	Portrait	Portrait
Head First	Landscape	Landscape
Head First	Inv. Portrait	Inv. Portrait
Head First	Inv. Landscape	Inv. Landscape

**Table 5. Foot First**

Print Direction Option	Orientation Option	Result in Active IGP/PPI1 Emulation
Foot First	Portrait	Portrait
Foot First	Landscape	Inv. Landscape
Foot First	Inv. Portrait	Inv. Portrait
Foot First	Inv. Landscape	Landscape

The factory default is Head First when IGP/PGL or IGP/VGL is enabled.

The factory default is Foot First when PPI1 is enabled.

### Tear-Strip Time

When Media Handling is set to Tear-Off Strip or when Media Handling is set to Continuous and Continuous Mode is set to Tear Strip Full, Tear-Strip Time specifies the number of seconds after the buffer is empty that the printer will wait before it advances media to the tear bar position.

The range is .1-60.0 seconds, and the factory default is 1.0 second.

### Lbl Missing Fit

Allows the Label Taken Sensor to first detect the presence of a label at the tear bar for Peel and Tear Off Media Handling Mode only.

- **Enable.** The printer generates a fault condition if a missing label is encountered.
- **Disable.** The printer does not generate a fault condition if a missing label is encountered.

The default is Enable.

## Clip Page

This option determines how the printer handles images that are too large for one physical page length when using gap or black mark media.

- **Enable.** When the user-selected page length is greater than the physical page length, the printer clips the excess data to fit the physical page. The excess data is lost. The media sensor constantly looks for the gap, notch, hole, or black mark and when detected, uses it as the Top-of-Form position for the next label and clips any remaining data from the label being printed.
- **Disable.** When the user-selected page length (logical length) is greater than the physical page length dictated by the gap, notch, hole, or black mark on media, the printer continues to print the remaining excess data onto the next physical page.

The media sensor looks for the gap, notch, hole, or black mark only after the media has advanced the distance specified by the Label Length value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu or by the Host Forms Length value sent via the software. Any gaps, notches, holes, or black marks that exist prior to reaching the Label Length or Host Forms Length value are ignored.

When Clip Page is set to Disable, Mark and Gap media sensing reliability can be improved and the sensor problems described below can be fixed:

- The image starts to print at an erroneous distance from the top-of-form, especially towards the end of a roll where the media is severely curled or scalloped.
- The image is incorrectly positioned as a result of the media sensor triggering off of a dark, pre-printed image on the label or multiple gaps within the label.
- The printer starts to print one label and then another all on the same physical label, especially at the end of a roll where the media is severely curled.
- An occasional blank label appears within a print job (in between printed labels).

When Clip Page is set to Disable, the printer ignores any pre-printed dark marks or multiple gaps on a label that could mistakenly be detected as the next top-of-form position based on the specified Label Length value. The Label Length option is in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.

**NOTE:** When Clip Page = Disable, the correct Label Length value must be entered. If the value is too long, the printer will ignore the actual gap or mark it needs to detect. When using Gap sensing, the Label Length value is equal to the physical length of a die cut or removable label. When using Mark sensing, the Label Length value is the physical distance from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.

The factory default for Clip Page is Enable.

### **Error Recover**

This option determines how the printer handles data that was printing when an error occurred.

- **Disable.** The printer will not reprint the label that was printing when the error condition occurred.
- **Enable.** The printer reprints the label that was printing when the error condition occurred.

The factory default is Disable.

### **Ribbon Width**

When Same As Paper is selected, the printer automatically adjusts the ribbon operating parameters to match the installed media width. In those cases where the media width is less than the installed ribbon width, the Set In Menu option should be selected. After selection, the ribbon width is set to the proper value by pressing the ↓ key and choosing the actual ribbon width using the + and – keys. The chosen width is then selected by pressing the ↵ key. The factory default is Same As Paper.

### **Display Ribbon**

When enabled, the remaining length of unused ribbon will display on the LCD (when the printer is online).

The options are Enable (the factory default) and Disable.

### Ribbon Low

This item defines the Ribbon Low condition for the ribbon supply spindle. When set to a specific value, a ribbon low message will display along with a flashing ONLINE status indicator to indicate the length of ribbon remaining on the ribbon supply spindle has reached its specified value. The indicator will continue to flash until the ribbon supply is exhausted. When Disabled, no ribbon low condition will be indicated. A Ribbon Low condition will not prevent printing.

The options are Disable, 25m, 50m, 75m, and 100m.  
The factory default is Disable.

### Rbn Takeup Full

This enables or disables a fault message to display for a Ribbon Takeup Full condition.

The options are Enable (the factory default) and Disable.

### Units

This item selects either millimeters or inches as the unit of measure.

The options are In Inches (the factory default) and In Millimeters.

### Set Label Length

This feature selects whether the Sensed Distance value derived from an Auto or Manual Calibrate will be used to set the Label Length value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu (and the QUICK SETUP menu).

- **Manual:** The Sensed Distance value derived from an Auto or Manual Calibrate **will not override** or change the Label Length value.
- **Automatic:** When an Auto or Manual Calibrate is performed, the Sensed Distance value derived from either calibrate **will override** and change the Label Length value. If no Auto or Manual Calibrate is performed, the current Label Length value will be used.

The factory default is Manual.

**NOTE:** When Set Label Length = Automatic and Gap/Mark Sensor = Gap, Advanced Gap, or Advanced Notch, the printer will subtract the Gap Length value (in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu) from the Sensed Distance value obtained when the Auto or Manual Calibrate was performed.

## TOF Detect Fault

Allows selection of two different TOF (Top-of-Form) detection faults.

**NOTE:** The correct Label Length value, equal to the physical length of the installed label, must be entered in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.

- **Normal.** The printer displays a Gap Not Detected fault and stops printing when media has advanced a distance equal to twice the Label Length value set in the menu.
- **Early.** The printer displays a Gap Not Detected fault and stops printing when media has advanced a distance equal to the Label Length value set in the menu.

The factory default is Normal.

## Ticket Save Mode

This option determines the action of the media for Continuous (std), Tear-Off, Tear-Off Strip and Cut Media Handling Modes after the printer is first powered up or after the printhead has been opened and then closed. When enabled, this option eliminates wasting label(s) or ticket stock when the printer advances media to search for the next TOF position.

- **Enable.** The printer will assume that media is at the TOF position after cycling power or after the printhead is opened and then closed. When a print job is sent it is printed without advancing media to search for the next TOF position.

**NOTE:** The user must ensure that media is at the correct TOF position (cross perforation, liner gap, notch or mark at the tear bar edge) before cycling power or before closing and locking the pivoting deck. In addition, media must be calibrated and the correct Media Handling Mode, Label Length and Gap/Mark Sensor selected and saved as the Power-Up Config. Option applies to 2.5 inch or longer label lengths only.

- **Disable.** The printer assumes that the media is not at the correct TOF position after cycling power or after the printhead is opened and then closed and advances media until the next gap, notch or mark is detected by the Media Sensor(s). When print data is sent, printing begins only after the next TOF is detected, resulting in one or more blank labels being advanced.

The factory default is Disable.



### TOF Adjust Mode

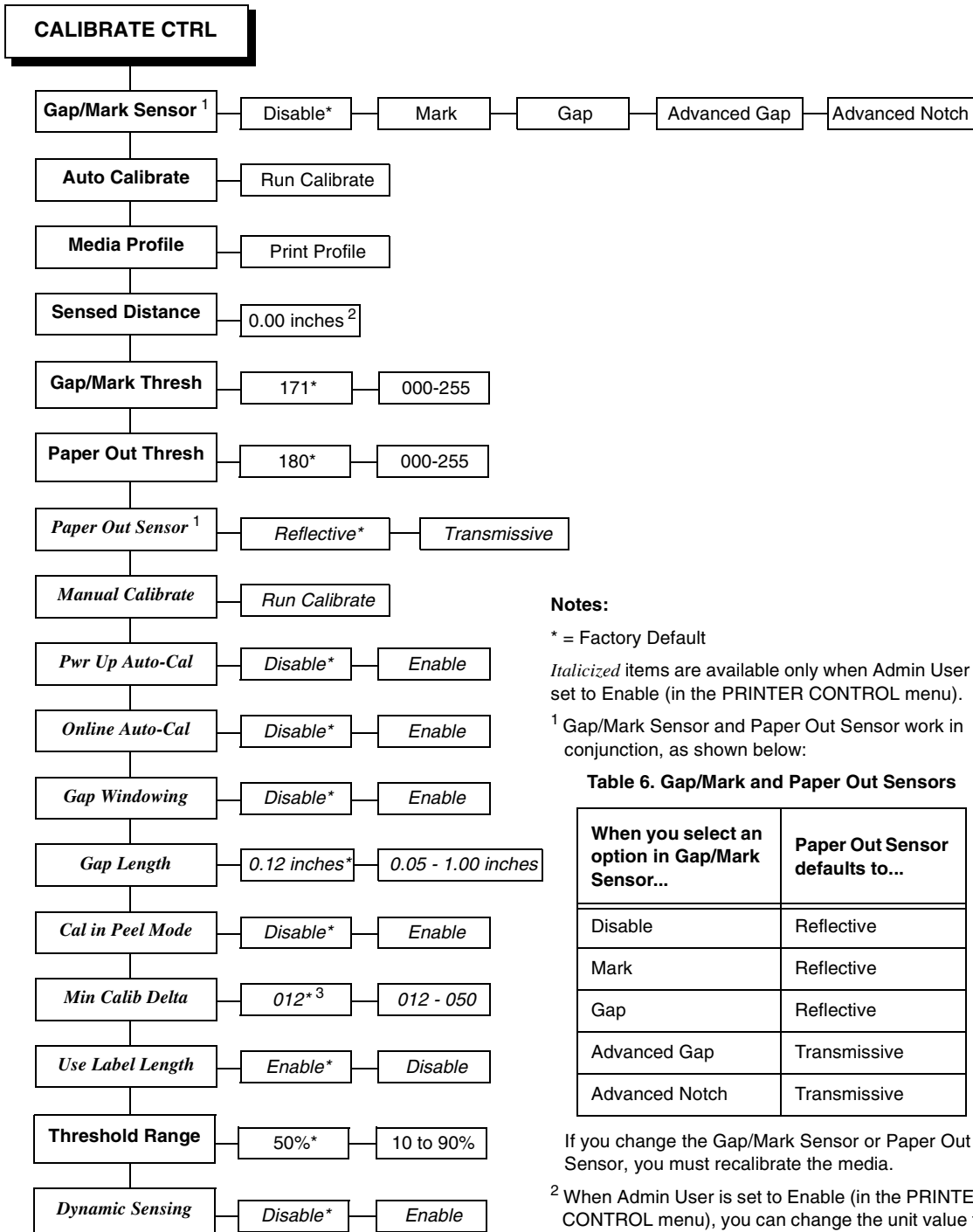
- **Enable.** This option enables the “TOF Adjust” distance set using the TOF Adjust menu (see TOF Adjust).
- **Disable.** This option disables the “TOF Adjust” distance set using the TOF Adjust menu (see TOF Adjust).

The factory default is Disable.

### TOF Adjust

This option sets the distance from the Top Of Form (TOF) that is left blank (unprinted) after a label has been removed in Tear-Off strip or Tear-Off mode. Normally printing is done starting at TOF, but when this mode is enabled the start position for printing can be adjusted from 0.00 to 0.40 inches from TOF (in increments of 0.01 inch). This adjustment can be helpful if a die cut label sticks to the platen by means of jagged edges created during a poor die cut label removal using the tear bar. By controlling how much blank space there is from TOF, you can control how much the media is called back after it is torn off.

# CALIBRATE CTRL Menu



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Gap/Mark Sensor and Paper Out Sensor work in conjunction, as shown below:

**Table 6. Gap/Mark and Paper Out Sensors**

When you select an option in Gap/Mark Sensor...	Paper Out Sensor defaults to...
Disable	Reflective
Mark	Reflective
Gap	Reflective
Advanced Gap	Transmissive
Advanced Notch	Transmissive

If you change the Gap/Mark Sensor or Paper Out Sensor, you must recalibrate the media.

<sup>2</sup> When Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu), you can change the unit value to millimeters: Under the Units submenu (in the MEDIA CONTROL menu), enable the “In Millimeters” option.

<sup>3</sup> When Gap/Mark Sensor = Disable, Gap, or Mark, the default is 12. When Gap/Mark Sensor = Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch, the default is 20.

## CALIBRATE CTRL Submenus

### Gap/Mark Sensor

The available options specify the sensor type needed for detecting the Top-of-Form position on media with label length indicators (gaps, notches, holes, or black marks).

- **Disable.** Select when using media with no label length indicators (no gaps, notches, holes, or black marks), or when you want the printer to ignore all existing label length indicators on the installed media.

**NOTE:** When you select Disable, the length of each label is based on the Label Length value entered in the MEDIA CONTROL menu or the value sent via host software.

- **Mark.** Select when using media that has horizontal black marks located on the underside of the label liner or tag stock. The Top-of-Form position is the leading edge of the black mark.
- **Gap.** Select when using media with a liner space between die-cut labels or when using tag stock with notches or holes as label length indicators on white background media. The Top-of-Form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).
- **Advanced Gap.** Select when using media that has liner gaps between die cut labels with black background. The Top-of-Form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).
- **Advanced Notch.** Select when using media with notches or holes that interrupt a black vertical line on the underside of the media. The Top-of-Form position is the leading edge of the die cut label (trailing edge of the gap, notch, or hole).

The factory default is Disable.

### Auto Calibrate

This feature is used to improve the sensitivity and reliability of the Media Sensor in detecting gaps, notches, holes, or black marks on the installed media, as well as a paper out condition.

You can initiate Auto Calibrate from the TEST PRINT key, the CALIBRATE CTRL menu, or the DIAGNOSTIC menu. When “Auto Calibrate” displays on the LCD, press the ↵ key. The printer advances media the distance needed to accurately detect the label length indicators, then stops at the Top-of-Form position, and momentarily displays the Sensed Distance. This process takes a few seconds to complete and results in changes to the values the printer uses for Gap/Mark Threshold, Paper Out Threshold, and Sensed Distance. These value changes take effect immediately within the current configuration menu.

Auto Calibrate is completed successfully when the Sensed Distance displayed correctly matches that of the installed media. When Gap is selected, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the trailing edge of one gap to the trailing edge of the next gap (one label + one gap). When Mark is selected, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.

Auto Calibrate supports label lengths up to 24 inches.

## Media Profile

This feature provides a graphical printout showing the relationship of the Paper Out Threshold and the Gap/Mark Threshold. The profile printout assists you in setting the thresholds for difficult media. This includes pre-printed labels, and labels with poor gap/media dynamic range.

When selected, the printer will advance media and print the media profile along the length of each label. The printer will continue to print the profile until you press ↵.

The factory default is Print Profile.

## Sensed Distance

This value (in inches) represents the distance that was sensed between the TOF of one label to the TOF of the next label. With gapped media installed, the distance equals the physical label length plus one gap, notch, or hole (trailing edge of one gap, notch, or hole to the trailing edge of the next gap, notch, or hole). With black mark media installed, the distance equals the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next. This value is automatically determined only after successful completion of Auto or Manual Calibrate and cannot be changed manually.

The factory default is 0.00 inches.

## Gap/Mark Thresh

This menu item sets a value that, when exceeded by the output of the media sensor, is recognized by the printer as a gap (or black mark). When Auto or Manual Paper Calibrate is performed, the value displayed is equal to the gap/mark threshold value set by this procedure. If running the procedure does not provide a reliable Top-Of-Form detection, e.g., when using unusual media, the Gap/Mark Thresh value can be manually set to the desired value.

The range is 000-255, and the factory default is 171.

## Paper Out Thresh

This menu item selects a value that, when exceeded by the output of the media sensor, is recognized by the printer as a paper out condition. When Auto or Manual Calibrate is performed, the value displayed is equal to the paper out threshold value set by this procedure. If running the procedure does not provide a reliable paper out detection, e.g., when using non-standard media, the Paper Out Thresh value can be manually set to the desired value.

The range is 000-255, and the factory default is 136.

## Paper Out Sensor

Selects which type of media sensing, Reflective or Transmissive, will be used to detect a paper out condition. The printer automatically selects the type of sensing based on the Gap/Mark sensing selected (see Table 6 on page 125).

**NOTE:** Whenever you select Transmissive, you must position the upper media sensor directly over the lower media sensor (see “Positioning The Media Sensors” on page 56).

The factory default is Reflective.

## Manual Calibrate

Manual Calibrate is another method of improving the printer's media sensing and is only used when Auto Calibrate has failed or the Gap/Mark Threshold or Paper Out Threshold values derived from Auto Calibrate do not improve the media sensors' gap or mark sensing capability.

To initiate Manual Calibrate, press  $\downarrow$  when "Manual Calibrate" displays under the CALIBRATE CTRL menu. You will then be prompted for the remaining steps.

Example: "REMOVE RBN&MEDIA/Press Enter" or "LOAD RBN ONLY/Press Enter" etc.

During the last stage of Manual Calibrate, the printer uses the statically derived values, advances media, stops at the Top-of-Form position, and momentarily displays the Sensed Distance. This process takes longer than Auto Calibrate, and the end result is a change to the Gap/Mark Threshold, Paper Out Threshold, and Sensed Distance values that the printer will use. These value changes take effect immediately within the current configuration menu.

Manual Calibrate is completed successfully when the displayed Sensed Distance correctly matches that of the installed media. When Gap is selected, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the trailing edge of one gap to the trailing edge of the next gap (or one label + one gap). When Mark is selected, the Sensed Distance should match the length from the leading edge of one black mark to the leading edge of the next black mark.

Manual Calibrate supports label lengths up to 24 inches.

## Pwr Up Auto-Cal

- **Disable.**
- **Enable.** When the printer is first powered on, it will complete its initialization and self-tests and then perform an Auto Calibrate. Once the Auto Calibrate is complete, the printer will momentarily display the Sensed Distance determined by the Auto Calibrate.

The factory default is Disable.

## Online Auto-Cal

**NOTE:** Error Recover (under MEDIA CONTROL) will not function when is enabled (see "Error Recover" on page 121).

The options for Online Auto-Cal are:

- **Disable.**
- **Enable.** Whenever the printer is brought online, it automatically performs an Auto Calibrate (see "Auto Calibrate" on page 126). Once the Auto Calibrate is complete, the printer momentarily displays the Sensed Distance determined by the Auto Calibrate and then resumes printing any pending jobs.

**NOTE:** If using the Online Auto-Cal feature, you must first enable it prior to printing any data.

The factory default is Disable.

## Gap Windowing

This feature compensates for any early falling edges or spurious peaks and troughs that may appear within the gap length in media. These edges or peaks and troughs can cause unreliable detection of the leading edge of the next label (top-of-form). Use Gap Windowing to resolve the following problems:

- Loss of one or more complete (serialized) labels.
- Start of an image printed in the middle of a gap, especially with fanfold, perforated media.
- Top part of an image lost when printing in head-first orientation.

The options for Gap Windowing are Enable and Disable:

- **Enable.** When the leading edge of a gap is detected, the printer ignores the first 90% of the gap length value specified in the Gap Length menu option. The result is that cross perforations or unusual media discrepancies within the gap are filtered out, allowing the printer to reliably detect the actual leading edge of the next label and use it as the TOF position.
- **Disable.** When the leading edge of a gap is detected, the printer continuously looks for the leading edge of the next label and uses it as the TOF position. Perforations or unusual media discrepancies within the gap can cause inaccurate TOF detection.

The factory default is Disable.

## Gap Length

Gap Length is the actual length (height) of a label gap measured in .01 inch increments. The range is 0.05 to 1.00 inches.

**NOTE:** You must enter the correct Gap Length. If the Gap Length is too long, the image will shift down from the leading edge (TOF) of the label.

The factory default is 0.12 inches.

## Min Calib Delta

Minimum Calibrate Delta changes the minimum threshold value the sensor(s) require to detect the difference between the label and a gap, notch, hole or black mark. This allows bolder gaps (such as notches or holes) to be used as the TOF while intermediate gaps (liner) can be ignored. Increasing the Min Calib Delta makes the sensor(s) less sensitive to intermediate gaps and noise. Decreasing the Min Calib Delta makes the sensor(s) more sensitive for detecting gaps on low contrast media, where there is very little difference between the label and the gap (liner).

The range is 012 - 050.

**NOTE:** When Gap/Mark Sensor = Disable, Gap, or Mark, the default is 12. When Gap/Mark Sensor = Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch, the default is 20.

## Use Label Length

Determines whether or not the Label Length value set in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu is used during Auto Calibrate.

- **Enable.** The Label Length value set in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu is used in the calibrate algorithm. This causes the Auto Calibrate process to advance media the minimum distance required to detect the true gap, notch, hole, or black mark used for TOF (Top-of-Form) sensing. This resolves problems where the sensor(s) may mistake high noise levels or preprinted images within the label as the gap, notch, hole, or black mark that could result in a sensed distance value much shorter than the actual label length. Example: A 0.2 inch calibrated Sensed Distance with a 3.0 inch long label installed.

**NOTE:** Setting the Label Length value less than half the actual length of the label in use will result in erroneous Sensed Distance values when Auto Calibrate is performed.

- **Disable.** Auto Calibrate relies exclusively in its ability to detect varying transitions between labels and gaps, notches, holes, or black marks while advancing media during the calibrate process to determine Sensed Distance. The amount of media advanced is based on the number of transitions detected.

The factory default is Enable.

## Threshold Range

This option allows the user to select the optimal threshold range for the label stock in use. The printer defaults to using a threshold range of 50% of the positive going pulse (see Media Profile) that represents each gap, notch or mark detected after doing an Auto or Manual Calibrate. The printer then detects anything within the label with that threshold range as TOF. While this range is ideal for most medias, some labels with a preprinted image, liner gap or inlay can confuse the media sensor(s) causing a false TOF detection. In most cases this can be resolved by selecting a higher threshold range so the printer will only trigger on the true TOF (gap, notch or mark) position.

**NOTE:** A new threshold range will not take affect until an Auto or Manual Calibrate is successfully performed. A Media Profile should be run after a Calibrate to visually verify that the new range is the best possible selection.

The range is: 10% to 90% in 10% increments

The factory default is 50%.

**NOTE:** RF labels require a setting of 70%.

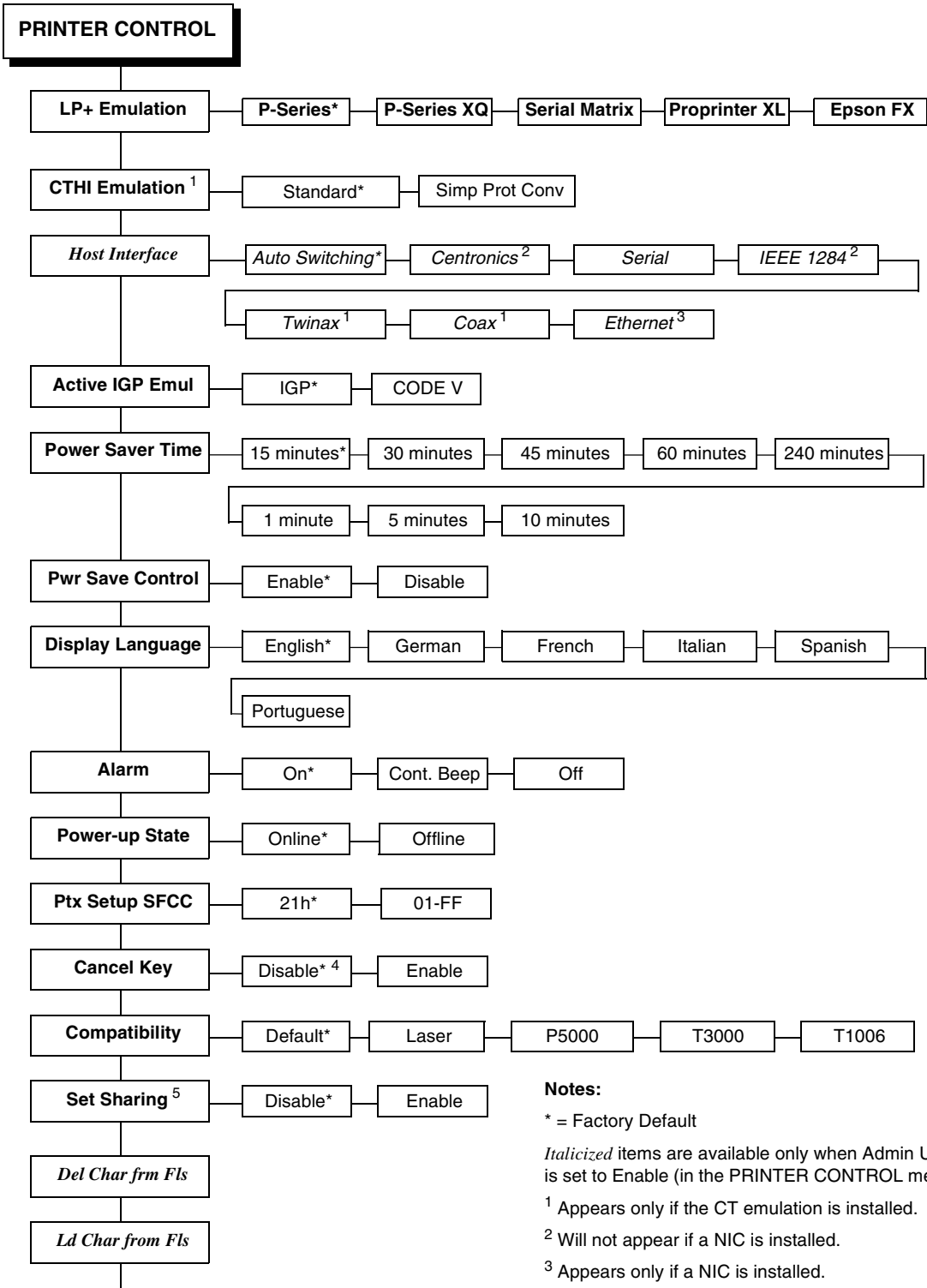
## Dynamic Sensing

**Disable.** Uses a fixed media sensor threshold.

**Enable.** Continuously adjusts the media sensor's threshold to compensate for changing environmental factors such as temperature, label/liner contrast, ribbon darkness, etc.

The factory default is Disable.

# PRINTER CONTROL Menu



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if the CT emulation is installed.

<sup>2</sup> Will not appear if a NIC is installed.

<sup>3</sup> Appears only if a NIC is installed.

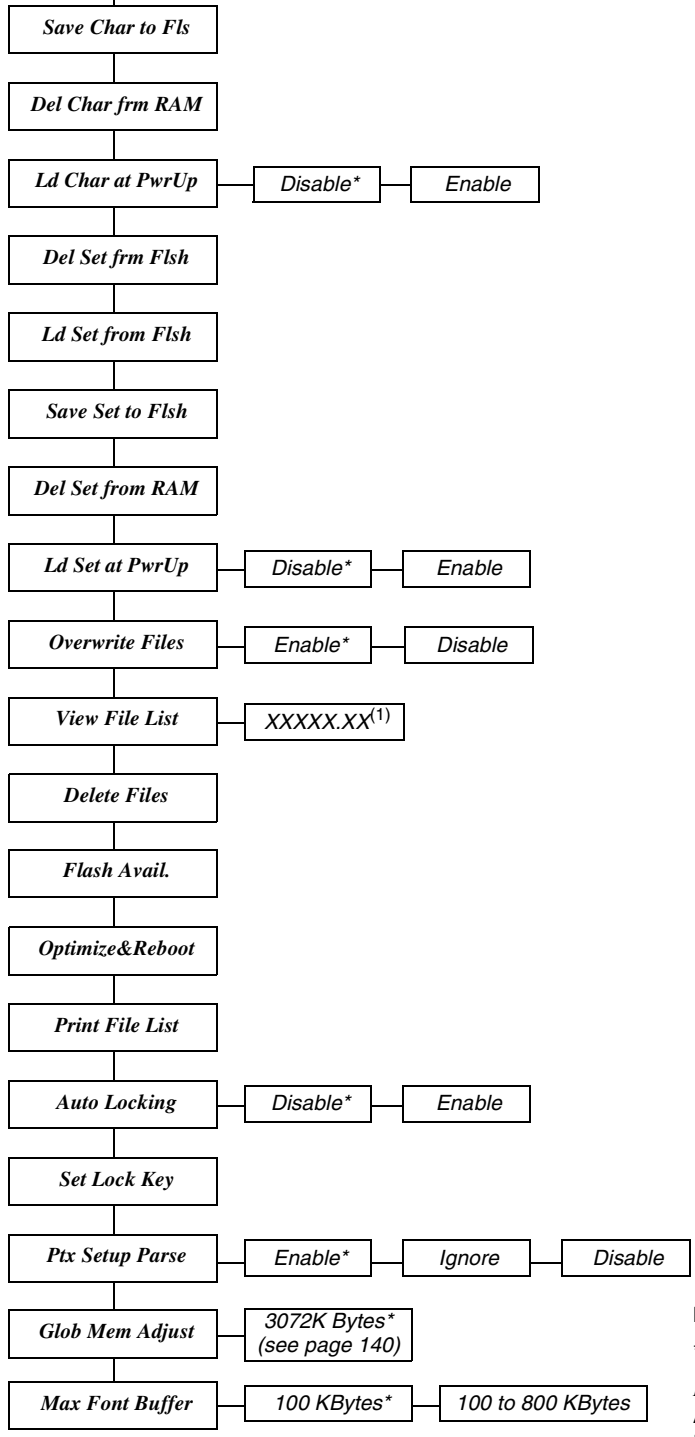
<sup>4</sup> When Coax/Twinax interface is installed, the factory default is Enable.

<sup>5</sup> Appears only if PPI1 is installed.

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**Notes:**  
 \* = Factory Default  
*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).  
<sup>1</sup> Display item only.

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<i>Max Cache Memory</i>	900 KBytes*	50-900 KBytes*
<i>Max Cached Char</i>	01 KBytes*	01-20 KBytes
<i>Standard Chars.</i>	340*	0-512
<i>Bold Chars.</i>	448*	0-512
<i>Extra Bold Char.</i>	504*	0-512
<i>OCR-A Chars.</i>	384*	0-512
<i>OCR-B Chars.</i>	304*	0-512
<i>Tall Characters</i>	Disable*	Enable
<i>Batch Counter</i>	Disable*	Enable
<b>Admin User</b>	Disable*	Enable <sup>1</sup>

**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Required to set Print and Apply Mode in GPIO Control.

## PRINTER CONTROL Submenus

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### LP+ Emulation

This item selects the line or dot matrix printer to be emulated by the printer.

- **P-Series**
- **P-Series XQ**
- **Serial Matrix**
- **Proprinter XL**
- **Epson FX**

The factory default is P-Series.

### CTHI Emulation

This item appears only when the CTHI option is installed.

CTHI Emulation selects the operation of the CTHI option as either a standard or simple protocol converter.

- **Standard**

With a standard coax interface, the printer emulates the following IBM coax printer models:

- 3287 Models 1 and 2
- 4234 Model 1

With a standard twinax interface, the printer emulates the following IBM twinax printer models:

- 4234 Model 2
- 5225 Models 1, 2, 3, and 4

The standard Coax/Twinax emulation selection will only be available if Coax or Twinax is selected from the HOST INTERFACE menu.

**NOTE:** For more information, consult the *Coax/Twinax Programmer's Reference Manual*.

- **Simp Prot Conv (Simple Protocol Converter)**

The Simple Protocol Converter (SPC) option allows those who use add-on coax or twinax protocol converters to produce the same output on a Printronix thermal printer with the Coax/Twinax (CTHI) capability as done using a non-CT printer with the third party converter interfaces. The SPC gives the printer the operational ability to connect to any PC or network system supporting parallel or serial interfaces, and to three different IBM host systems.

- System 3x
- AS/400\*
- 327x Control Units

The SPC will support the same models for Twinax as the Printronix P7000 printer.

The printer emulations supported by the SPC are Twinax 5225 and Coax 3287. The SPC also provides a range of interfaces available in your thermal printer: Centronics, serial, coax, and twinax. Also supported are Epson, Proprinter XL, P-Series, Serial Matrix, VGL, and PGL emulations.

The SPC has the ability to handle multiple print jobs concurrently through coax/twinax and parallel and serial interfaces. This is accomplished through the Auto Switching feature (see "Auto Switching" in the *T5000r User's Manual*). Because of hardware restrictions, coax and twinax cannot be selected together.

For more information, refer to the *Coax/Twinax Programmer's Reference Manual* for the Simple Protocol Converter Option.

The factory default is Standard.

## Host Interface

This option allows you to send print jobs through any interface with auto-switching selected as host interface. It also allows a particular interface from the menu to be selected.

The options are Auto Switching, Centronics, Serial, IEEE 1284, Twinax, Coax, and Ethernet.

**NOTE:** The Twinax and Coax options appear only if the CT emulation is installed. The Ethernet option appears only if a NIC is installed. The Centronics and IEEE 1284 options do not appear if a NIC is installed.

The factory default is Auto Switching.

## Active IGP Emul

This function allows you to activate the PGL or VGL emulation. There are two methods for selecting the desired emulation: directly from the printer menu or by sending a host command which will switch the emulation automatically (see the appropriate *Programmer's Reference Manual* for details).

When changing from one IGP emulation to the other, the printer will load the saved configuration. Thus, any setting performed before selecting those interfaces and not saved in NVRAM will be lost.

### IMPORTANT

**When the ACTIVE IGP EMUL is switched from one IGP emulation to another, the printer will load the settings saved under the Power-Up Config. menu. These settings may not be the current settings in use prior to switching the Active IGP emulation. The Print Mode, Media Sensor, Media Handling, Calibration, Label Length, Label Width, and other settings in use will change to the settings saved under the Power-Up Config. menu. Therefore, insure that all desired settings are saved as the printer Power-Up Config. menu settings *before* you switch the Active IGP emulation.**

The options are IGP/PGL (the factory default) and IGP/VGL.

### **Power Saver Time**

The time interval you specify for this parameter sets the amount of idle time before the printer goes into Power Saver mode.

Pressing any key removes the power saver message from the control panel. Sending a print job to the printer also turns off power saver mode.

The options are 1, 5, 10, 15, 30, 45, 60, and 240 minutes.

The factory default is 15 minutes.

### **Pwr Save Control**

Pwr Save Control allows you to enable and disable Power Saver mode. If enabled, the menu for Power Saver Time is in effect.

The options are Enable (the factory default) and Disable.

### **Display Language**

This parameter chooses the language that will appear on the LCD: English, German, French, Italian, Spanish, or Portuguese.

The factory default is English.

### **Del Char frm Fls**

This option deletes downloaded character(s) from flash memory.

### **Ld Char from Fls**

This option loads downloaded character(s) from flash memory.

### **Save Char to Fls**

This option saves downloaded character(s) to flash memory.

### **Del Char frm RAM**

This option deletes downloaded character(s) from RAM.

### **Ld Char at PwrUp**

This option loads downloaded character(s) from flash memory at Power Up.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

### **Del Set frm Flsh**

This option deletes downloaded overlay set(s) from flash memory.

### **Ld Set from Flsh**

This option loads downloaded overlay set(s) from flash memory.

### Save Set to Flash

This option saves downloaded overlay set(s) to flash memory.

### Del Set from RAM

This option deletes the downloaded overlay set(s) from RAM.

### Ld Set at PwrUp

This option loads the downloaded overlay set from flash memory at Power Up.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

### Alarm

- **On.** An audible alarm sounds (3 beeps) when a fault occurs, such as a paper jam.
- **Cont. Beep.** A continuous audible alarm sounds when a fault occurs, which can be stopped by pressing CLEAR.
- **Off.** No audible alarm sounds.

The factory default is On.

### Power-up State

- **Online.** The printer powers up in the online state.
- **Offline.** The printer powers up in the offline state. This selection must be saved as a power-up configuration to be used.

The factory default is Online.

### Ptx Setup SFCC

Allows you to choose the hex value of the ASCII character you wish to use as the SFCC for the PTX SETUP command. Valid hex values are 01 to FF.

The factory default value is hex 21, which corresponds to the “!” character.

### Overwrite Files

This allows you to prevent files from being overwritten by disabling the overwrite function.

The options are Enable (the factory default) and Disable.

### View File List

Displays the list of files in the file system. Pressing ↓ displays the file size.

### Delete Files

Allows you to delete files in the file list. Contact your administrator for assistance.

### Flash Avail.

The amount of flash available for the user to save or download files into flash.

### Optimize&Reboot

Reclaims flash space from deleted flash files. After pressing ↵ wait for the printer to reboot.

### Print File List

Prints a summary of the files stored in flash memory and several statistics on File System usage.

### Cancel Key

- **Disable.**
- **Enable.** When enabled, the ✕ (CANCEL) key may be used in offline mode to clear all data in the print buffer, and deleted data will not be printed.

The factory default is Disable. When the Coax/Twinax interface is installed, the factory default is Enable.

### Compatibility

This parameter allows you to make T5000 series thermal printers compatible with other printers.

When trying to preserve compatibility with respect to barcodes, you may not always be able to make them equal in size. This is due to the various dot-per-inch differences between printer types. When an exact match cannot be made, the barcode is reduced in size so that the form bounds will not be compromised and the barcode will be readable.

- **Default.** Use for optimum performance.
- **Laser.** Forces the output to correspond with the laser line of printers.
- **P5000.** Forces the output to correspond with the P5000 line of line matrix printers.
- **T3000.** Forces the output to correspond with the T3000 line of thermal printers.
- **T1006.** Forces the output to correspond with the T1006 line of thermal printers.

The factory default is Default.

## Set Sharing

This option allows character sets to be shared between the active LP+ protocol and the active emulation. If CT is installed and active, choosing a character set in the CT activates that character set in the active emulation and LP+ protocols. (These changes are not visible on the front panel.) If Set Sharing is not selected, only the LP+ protocol will share the CT's character set.

Switching host interfaces from CT to Centronics when Set Sharing is enabled causes the LP+ protocol character set to change to the same character set as the active emulation, if possible.

In a non-CT system, changing character sets in the LP+ protocol causes the active emulation to change to the same character set if the selected set exists in the active emulation. If the active emulation has no access to the selected set, no changes are made. Selecting a new character set in the active emulation causes the LP+ protocol to change to the same character set if the selected character set exists in the active LP+ protocol. Not all sets are shared between emulations in the Standard group of character sets. As a result, selecting a set in the Standard group of the LP+ protocol or active emulation may or may not cause the other emulation to have the same set.

**NOTE:** The front panel option, Set Sharing, has no effect on the LP+ and CT/LP+ builds. The option only applies to the builds with PPI1.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

## Auto Locking

- **Disable.** The ↵ (ENTER) key must be locked manually.
- **Enable.** The printer automatically locks the ↵ key five minutes after the last control panel key press.

The factory default is Disable.

## Set Lock Key

Normally, to lock or unlock the printer menu, the ↓ and ↵ keys are pressed at the same time. The Set Lock Key parameter lets you choose different keys to lock or unlock the printer menu. You may choose almost any group of keys as the new lock and unlock keys. You cannot use the ↵ key or any key combinations which are already used for another function. There is no limit to how many keys can be selected.

To set the new lock key:

1. Go to the PRINTER CONTROL main menu and select "Set Lock Key."
2. Press ↵. The display reads, "Select a new lock key."
3. Press the combination of keys that you want to be the new lock key. Make sure you press all keys selected at the same time.
4. If the selection is valid, the display will read, "Enter the new lock key again." Press the same combination of keys a second time. If the selection is invalid, the display will read, "Invalid key selection." Return to step 2 and start over.



5. If the new lock key combination is entered again correctly, the display will read, "Lock key has been changed." If it was entered incorrectly, the display will read, "Validation failed." Start over at step 1.
6. After entering the new lock combination successfully, press the PAUSE key to put the printer back online.

**NOTE:** The new lock combination will remain even if the printer is powered off and back on.

### Ptx Setup Parse

- **Enable.** Will parse and execute the PTX SETUP commands.
- **Ignore.** Will parse the PTX SETUP commands but not act on them.
- **Disable.** Will not parse the PTX SETUP commands so they will print out as text.

The factory default is Enable.

### Glob Mem Adjust

This menu allows you to adjust the ratio of global memory allocated to label size versus PGL forms, fonts, and logos. For example, when using short labels, you can allocate more memory to forms, fonts, and logos by increasing the Glob Mem Adjust value. The default settings and adjustment ranges depend upon the amount of installed printer DRAM and are listed below.

**NOTE:** You can find the amount of installed DRAM in two ways: listed at the top of your configuration printout next to "DRAM" or from the control panel via the DIAGNOSTIC menu next to the DRAM Installed option.

<b>DRAM Installed</b>	8 MB	16 MB
<b>Factory Default</b>	0.5 MB	3 MB
<b>Range</b>	0 to 1 MB	0 to 9 MB

### Max Font Buffer

The maximum amount of DRAM allocated for downloading fonts (True-Type, Scalable, or Bit Map).

The range is 100 to 800 Kbytes, and the factory default is 100 Kbytes.

### Max Cache Memory

The Maximum Cache Memory option specifies the size of the memory block that can be allocated to the font cache. The font cache stores bitmaps that are created on demand from the font outlines stored on the printer flash. The cache allows the printer to print scalable fonts at optimum speed.

To calculate the memory requirement, use this equation:

$$\frac{\text{horizontal resolution x} \times \text{vertical resolution x} \times \text{average character height (inches) x} \times \text{average character width (inches) x} \times \text{\# of characters to be cached}}{8}$$

The allowable range is 50 KBytes through 900 KBytes in 50-KByte increments.

The factory default is 900 KB.

**NOTE:** For most applications, the default settings for font memory are acceptable. Therefore, do not change the defaults unless your application requires an uncommon memory configuration.

### Max Cached Char

The Maximum Cached Characters option specifies the size of the largest character that can be stored in the font cache. To calculate the memory requirement, use this equation:

$$\frac{\text{horizontal resolution x} \times \text{vertical resolution x} \times \text{average character height (inches) x} \times \text{character width (inches)}}{8}$$

For example, with a print head that prints at 203 dpi you would use the following formula:

$$\frac{203 \times 203 \times 1 \times 1}{8} = 5,151$$

Therefore, select a value that is equal to or greater than 5,151. The closest available value is 6 KBytes.

The allowable range is 1 KByte through 20 KBytes, in 1-KByte increments.

The factory default is 01 KBytes.

**NOTE:** For most applications, the default settings for font memory are acceptable. Therefore, do not change the defaults unless your application requires an uncommon memory configuration.

### Standard Chars.

This menu entry permits you to adjust the thickness or font weight of standard text fonts.

The range is 0 to 512, and the factory default is 340.

### Bold Chars.

This menu entry permits you to adjust the thickness or font weight of bold text fonts. This menu will not take effect unless you save it in a configuration and the printer is powered up with that configuration.

The range is 0 to 512, and the factory default is 448.

### Extra Bold Char.

This menu entry permits you to adjust the thickness or font weight of extra bold text fonts.

The range is 0 to 512, and the factory default is 504.

**NOTE:** For most applications, the default settings for font memory are acceptable. Therefore, do not change the defaults unless your application requires an uncommon memory configuration.

### OCR-A Chars.

Character weight adjustment of resident OCR-A characters.

The range is 0 to 512, and the factory default is 384.

### OCR-B Chars.

Character weight adjustment of resident OCR-B characters.

The range is 0 to 512, and the factory default is 304.

### Tall Characters

Increases the point height of resident Intellifont characters.

- **Enable.** Increases the point height of resident Intellifont characters approximately 10%.
- **Disable.** Standard resident font character point height is maintained.

The factory default is Disable.

## Batch Counter

Displays the number of pages remaining in a print job.

- **Enable.** The # Pages remaining to be printed will display on the second line of the control panel LCD. This feature is supported in PGL and PPI1 only. The PGL Execute command to support this feature is: ~EXECUTE;NAME;(#Pages). The PPI1 Execute command is: ^PQ(#Pages).

**NOTE:** If the correct execute command is absent from the print file, “0 Pages” will continually display on the control panel LCD.

- **Disable.** The # Pages remaining to be printed will not display. Instead, the Active emulation and interface will display on the second line of the control panel LCD.

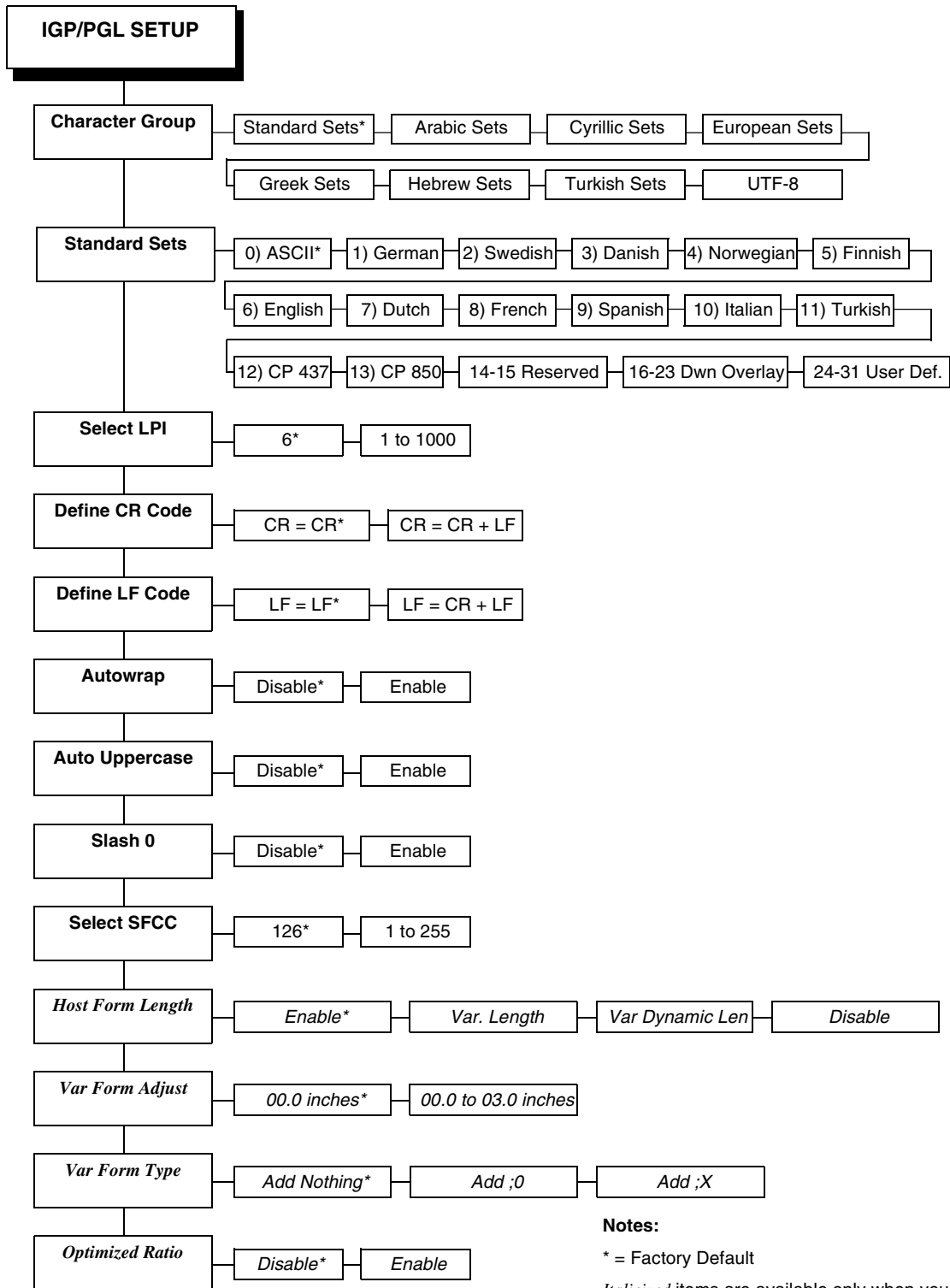
The factory default is Disable.

## Admin User

- **Disable.**
- **Enable.** When enabled, this function permits access to submenus which would not normally be changed by a typical user.

The factory default is Disable.

# IGP/PGL SETUP



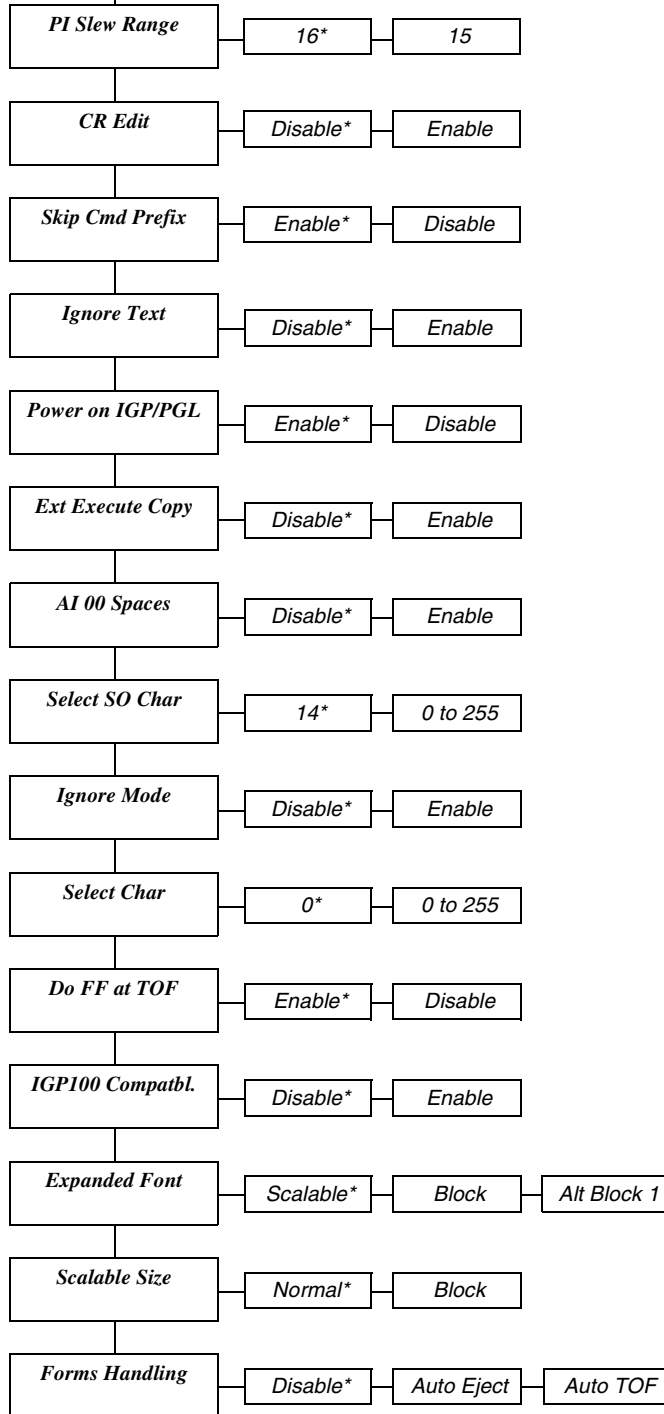
**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when you enable Admin User (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

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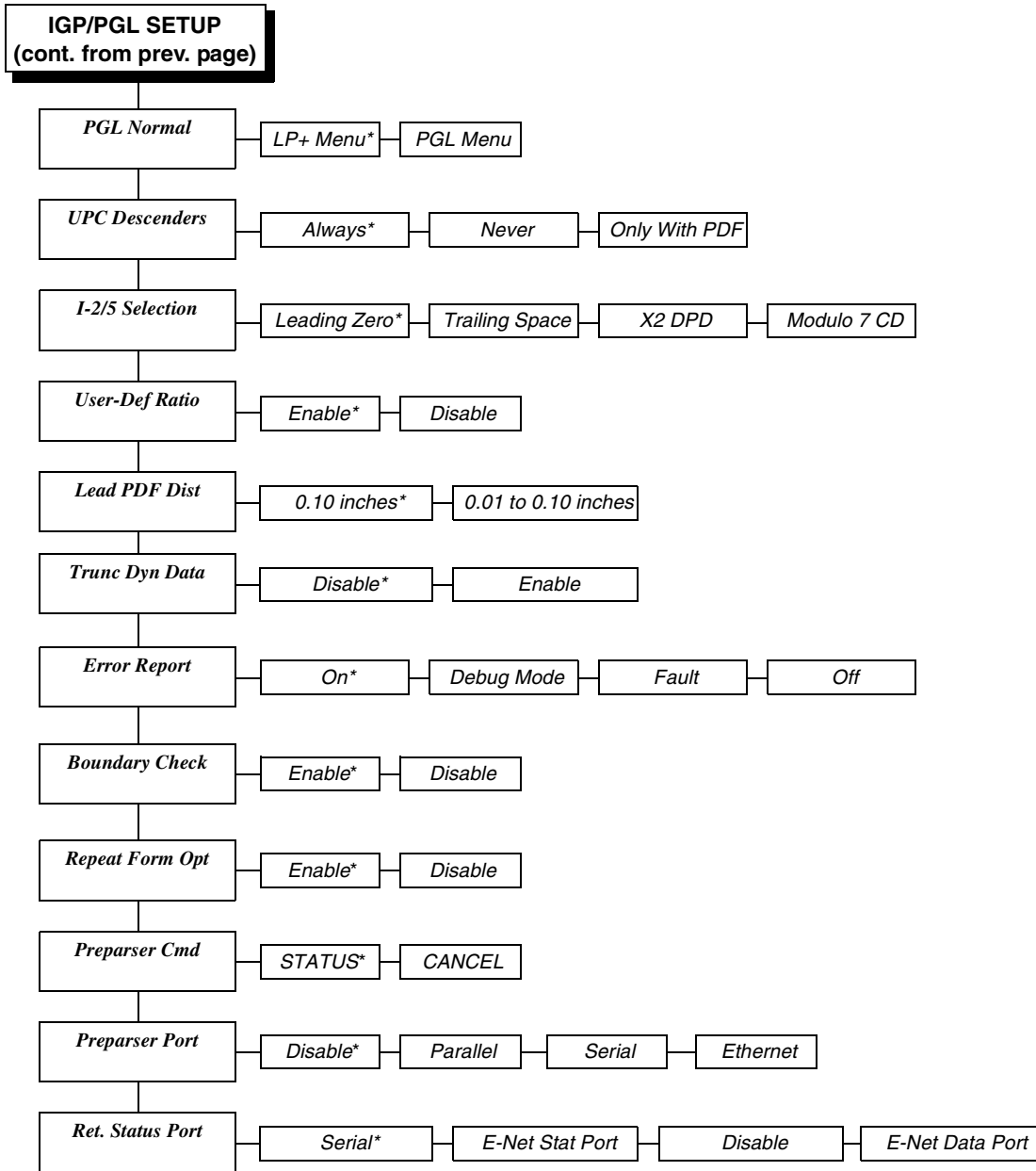


**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when you enable Admin User (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

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**Notes:**

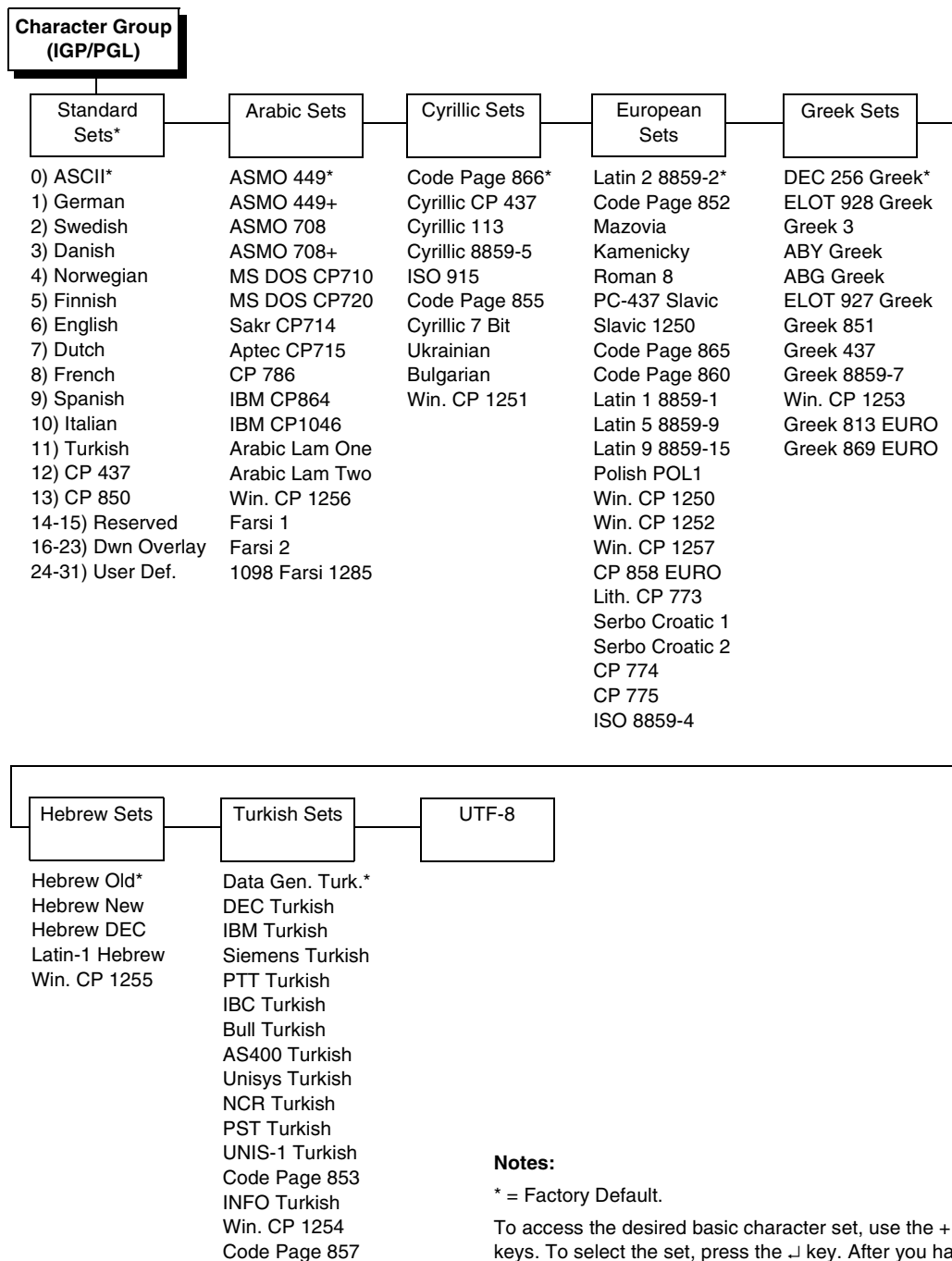
\* = Factory Default

*Italicized items are available only when you enable Admin User (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).*

## IPG/PGL Setup Submenus

### Character Group and Character Sets (IGP/PGL)

This menu item selects the character set used by the printer. The available character sets are shown below.



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default.

To access the desired basic character set, use the + and - keys. To select the set, press the ↵ key. After you have selected the basic set, access the subset selection menu by pressing the ↓ key. Once in the subset menu, access the desired subset by pressing the + and - keys and select it by pressing the ↵ key.



### Select LPI

This is the number of lines to be printed per inch. For example, at 6 lpi there is 1/6 inch from the top of one print line to the top of the next print line.

The options are 6.0, 8.0, and 10.3 LPI.

The factory default is 6.0 LPI.

### Define CR code

This option controls the action of the printer when it receives a Carriage Return code (0D hex) from the host computer. If this feature is enabled, each time the printer receives a carriage return, it inserts an additional Line Feed code (0A hex) into the data stream. Do not use this feature if the host computer sends line feeds to the printer.

**NOTE:** For this menu to take effect in PGL, PGL Normal needs to be set to PGL Menu (see page 145).

- **CR = CR.** Does not insert an extra line feed after each carriage return.
- **CR = CR + LF.** Inserts an extra line feed after each carriage return. The next print position will be print position 1 of the next line.

The factory default is CR = CR.

### Define LF code (PGL, Serial Matrix, Proprinter XL, Epson FX)

This parameter forces the printer to insert an automatic Carriage Return code into the data stream whenever a Line Feed code occurs. This can be used in most installations, but it is required if the host computer does not send carriage returns to the printer.

**NOTE:** For this menu to take effect in PGL, PGL Normal needs to be set to PGL Menu (see page 145).

- **LF = LF.** Does not perform an automatic carriage return. The next print position will be at the current print character position on the next line.
- **LF = CR + LF.** Performs an automatic carriage return. The next print position will be print position 1 of the next line.

The factory default is LF = LF.

### Autowrap

This parameter determines if text will wrap to the next line when the line of text exceeds the right margin.

- **Disable.** Truncates the text beyond the right margin until a CR or CR + LF is received.
- **Enable.** Automatically inserts a CR + LF after a full print line.

The factory default is Disable.

## Auto Uppercase

This parameter enables the printer to print text in all uppercase when using the ALPHA command.

- **Disable.** The printer will print text in upper and lowercase.
- **Enable.** The printer will print text in uppercase only.

The factory default is Disable.

## Slash 0

This parameter allows you to print the numeral “0” with or without the slash. This option applies to all character sets except OCR A and OCR B.

- **Disable** (the default). Zero is printed without a slash.
- **Enable.** Zero is printed with a slash.

## Select SFCC (PGL)

You can specify which decimal code (1-255) will be used as the Special Function Control Code (SFCC). The SFCC denotes that the following data is a PGL command.

The range is 1-255, and the factory default is 126.

## Host Form Length (PGL)

Determines how the physical label length (see Label Length under the MEDIA CONTROL menu) is affected upon receiving an EXECUTE command.

- **Enable.** The physical label length will change to match the form length (specified in CREATE command). The physical label size remains at the new setting until another EXECUTE command is received, or the PRINTER CONTROL menu settings are changed.
- **Var. Length.** The physical label length is the longest print element plus the setting of “Var Form Adjust.”
- **Var Dynamic Len.** The physical label length will change to the longest print element defined in CREATE mode plus the setting of “Var Form Adjust.”
- **Disable.** Forms printed in EXECUTE mode do not change the physical label size. Therefore, the size of the form (defined in CREATE mode) must fit within the current label dimensions, or errors may occur.

**NOTE:** Changing the form length via the EXECUTE command changes the LP+ Emulation logical dimensions.

The factory default is Enable.

## Var Form Adjust

This specifies an amount (in tenths of inches) to add to the length of variable-length forms. Variable-length forms use a semicolon at the end of the CREATE command: ~CREATE;<FORMNAME>;0.

Typically, variable-length forms are determined by the elements within the form. The longest form element becomes the overall form length. This option allows an additional space to be added to the form length.

The range is 00.0 to 03.0 inches, and the factory default is 00.0 inches.

## Var Form Type

- **Add Nothing** (the default). When selected, no action is taken.
- **Add ;0**. When selected, the form length ends at the longest printed element. (Same as ~CREATE;filename;0)
- **Add ;X**. When selected, the form length is the same as the physical page length (the Label Length menu under MEDIA CONTROL). (Same as ~CREATE;filename;X)

## Optimized Ratio

This option selects different bar code ratios for certain bar codes including Code 39 and Interleaved 2 of 5. It is included for compatibility with the IGP-X00 printers.

- **Disable** (the default). Use standard bar code ratios.
- **Enable**. Select the alternate bar code ratios.

## PI Slew Range

You can specify how many lines the paper will feed.

- **15**. A paper slew of 1-15 will move 1-15 lines. A paper slew of 0 will move 1 line.
- **16** (the default). A paper slew of 0-15 will move 1-16 lines.

## CR Edit

This parameter determines if a carriage return will be followed by a line feed.

- **Disable**. The printer ignores all carriage returns that are not followed by line feeds.
- **Enable**. The printer processes all carriage returns, even for those that are not followed by line feeds.

The factory default is Disable.

## Skip Cmd Prefix

Stands for Skip Command Prefix. This parameter determines if the printer will print any data before a PGL command is received.

- **Enable** (the default). The printer ignores all data before a PGL command.
- **Disable**. The printer will print all data before a PGL command.

## Ignore Text

- **Disable.** When disabled, text in normal mode will be printed. Attributes to be printed depend on the PGL Normal menu setting.
- **Enable.** When enabled, any line of text (non-PGL commands) in normal mode will be ignored.

The factory default is Disable.

## Power on IGP/PGL

You can set the IGP/PGL feature so that it is enabled or disabled when the printer is powered on.

- **Enable** (the default). The IGP/PGL is enabled when the printer is powered on. (The IGP/PGL feature is initialized in the Normal mode.)
- **Disable.** The IGP/PGL is disabled when the printer is powered on. (The IGP/PGL feature is initialized to the Quiet mode.)

## Ext Execute Copy

- **Disable.** Dynamic data, overlay data, etc. are not allowed if the optional Form Count parameter (number of forms to print) is specified as part of the Execute command. (This setting is IGP-100 compatible.)
- **Enable.** Dynamic data, overlay data, etc. are allowed within a form where the Form Count parameter is specified in the Execute command. In this case, the same form is printed for whatever the Form Count is. Incremental data is not incremented since the printing page is the same. The overlay data is only printed with the first form and not on subsequent forms, and each form is printed on a separate page.

The factory default is Disable.

## AI 00 Spaces

This option is designated for EAN/UCC-128 barcodes whose application identifier (AI) is 00.

- **Disable.** The printable data field is printed with the AI enclosed in parentheses. This is the standard EAN/UCC-128 format.
- **Enable.** The printable data field is printed with the UCC fields separated by spaces. This option is IGP-X00 compatible.

The factory default is Disable.

## Select SO Char

Allows you to specify a decimal code from 0 through 255 to be used in place of SO (Shift Out) as the control code which allows access for the alternate set of control function characters. See the description of the Code 128 barcodes in the *PGL Programmer's Reference Manual* for details.

The range is 0-255, and the factory default is 14.

## Ignore Mode

This parameter instructs the IGP to ignore the character selected under the Select Character menu.

- **Disable.** The IGP does not ignore any characters.
- **Enable.** The IGP ignores the character specified in the Select Character menu.

The factory default is Disable.

## Select Char

Instructs the IGP which decimal character (0-255) to ignore from the host.

The range is 0-255, and the factory default is 0.

## Do FF at TOF

Determines whether the printer, with media already set at the TOF (Top-of-Form) position, will advance media to the next TOF position upon receipt of an FF command.

- **Enable.** The printer will advance media from the present TOF position to the next TOF position upon receipt of an FF command, causing a blank form.
- **Disable.** The printer will not advance media from the present TOF position to the next TOF position upon receipt of an FF command.

The factory default is Enable.

## IGP100 Compatibl.

This parameter forces the output to correspond with IGP-100 printer output in cases where there are differences.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

## Expanded Font (PGL)

Expanded font allows you to print characters in different sizes with specified parameters and to select which font face to use.

- **Scalable.** Uses scalable fonts.
- **Block.** Uses block fonts.
- **Alt Block 1.** Uses alternative block fonts with a different character set.

The factory default is Scalable.

## Scalable Size

This option determines whether scalable characters are sized based on normal scaling or based on the size of block characters. If the option Block is set, then the scalable character are made to be the same size as block characters in the old IGP-X00 printers.

The options are Normal (the factory default) and Block.

## Forms Handling

This submenu allows the user to handle the form in the following ways:

- **Disable** (the default). No effect.
- **Auto Eject**. Automatically ejects a page at the end of the job to spill out the last page.
- **Auto TOF**. Automatically does a form feed (FF) at the end of each form to the next top of form.

## PGL Normal

This option determines whether PGL passes the text data in Normal mode according to LP+ or whether PGL will print the text data itself.

- **LP+ Menu** (the default). PGL will pass the text data to LP+ only in the default setting state (6 LPI, default character set, and font attribute).
- **PGL Menu**. PGL will always print the text data itself.

## UPC Descenders (PGL)

This parameter allows you to print bar code descenders when human readable data is not presented in the UPC/EAN bar codes.

- **Always** (the default). UPC/EAN bar codes are printed with descenders, even if there is no human readable data.
- **Never**. UPC/EAN bar codes are printed without descenders if the PDF command is present.
- **Only With PDF**. UPC/EAN bar codes are printed with descenders only when the PDF command is presented.

## I-2/5 Selection

This option is added to be compatible with a special IGP-X00 customization. Usually, if Interleaved 2/5 bar codes have an odd number of digits, a leading zero is inserted in front of the data. However, this special IGP-X00 customization gives you the option of adding a space character at the end of the bar code instead.

- **Leading Zero**. A leading zero is inserted in front of the data.
- **Trailing Space**. A space is inserted at the end of the data instead of a leading zero.
- **X2 DPD**. When selected, I-2/5 bar code with a magnification X2 will use the specially configured ratios 3:3:6:5 rather than 3:6:9:12 for compatibility issues.
- **Modulo 7 CD**. The I-2/5 bar code uses a modulo 7 check digit instead of the default modulo 10 check digit.

The factory default is Leading Zero.

### User-Def Ratio

This option allows you to ignore the user-defined barcode ratio and replace it with the default ratio (X1).

- **Enable** (the default). Allows the user-defined barcode ratio.
- **Disable**. The user-defined barcode ratio will be replaced with the default ratio (X1).

### Lead PDF Dist

Adjusts the leading and trailing character spacing distance of the PDF for UPC/EAN barcodes.

The range is 0.01- 0.10 inches in 0.01 inch increments, and the factory default is 0.10 inches.

### Trunc Dyn Data

This submenu allows the user to truncate the dynamic data up to the maximum data length specified in Create Mode.

- **Disable** (the default). If the dynamic data exceeds the maximum data length, an error will report.
- **Enable**. If the dynamic data exceeds the maximum data length, the data truncates.

### Error Report

This item sets the error reporting capability of the printer for PGL forms as follows:

- **On**. Full error checking reported. Any element that falls off the current page is reported as an error.
- **Debug Mode**. Puts the printer in debug mode whenever a form is defined in CREATE mode. Each line of the CREATE form will be printed along with an error if one has occurred.
- **Fault**. Allows you to halt the printer if a PGL error occurs. If you select this option, the PGL error prints on the paper, the message "IGP/PGL Error" displays on the front panel, and the printer goes offline. You must clear the error before the printer can resume normal operation.
- **Off**. There is no error checking whatsoever. Graphic elements such as alpha, line, barcodes, etc. will be clipped if they are beyond the page boundaries.

The factory default is On.

## Boundary Check

This option turns on or off the page boundary check for all print elements.

- **Enable.** When enabled, an out of bound error is reported if the print element is out of the page boundary.
- **Disabled.** When disabled, no out of bound error is reported. The out of bound print element prints over the page boundary.

The factory default is Enable.

## Repeat Form Opt

- **Enable** (the default). Speeds up the processing of repeated forms for PGL, thereby resulting in increased printer throughput. This option provides no speed benefit for forms that are unrelated to one another and should be disabled under those circumstances.
- **Disable.** Should be selected when subsequent forms are unrelated to one another.

## Preparser Cmd

Allows users to select which preparser command to use. Once the command is selected, the command will be executed immediately when it is sent to the printer.

- **Status** (the default). Select (STCC) STATUS command.
- **Cancel.** Select (STCC) CANCEL command.

## Preparser Port

Allows users to select which port to send the Preparser command to the printer.

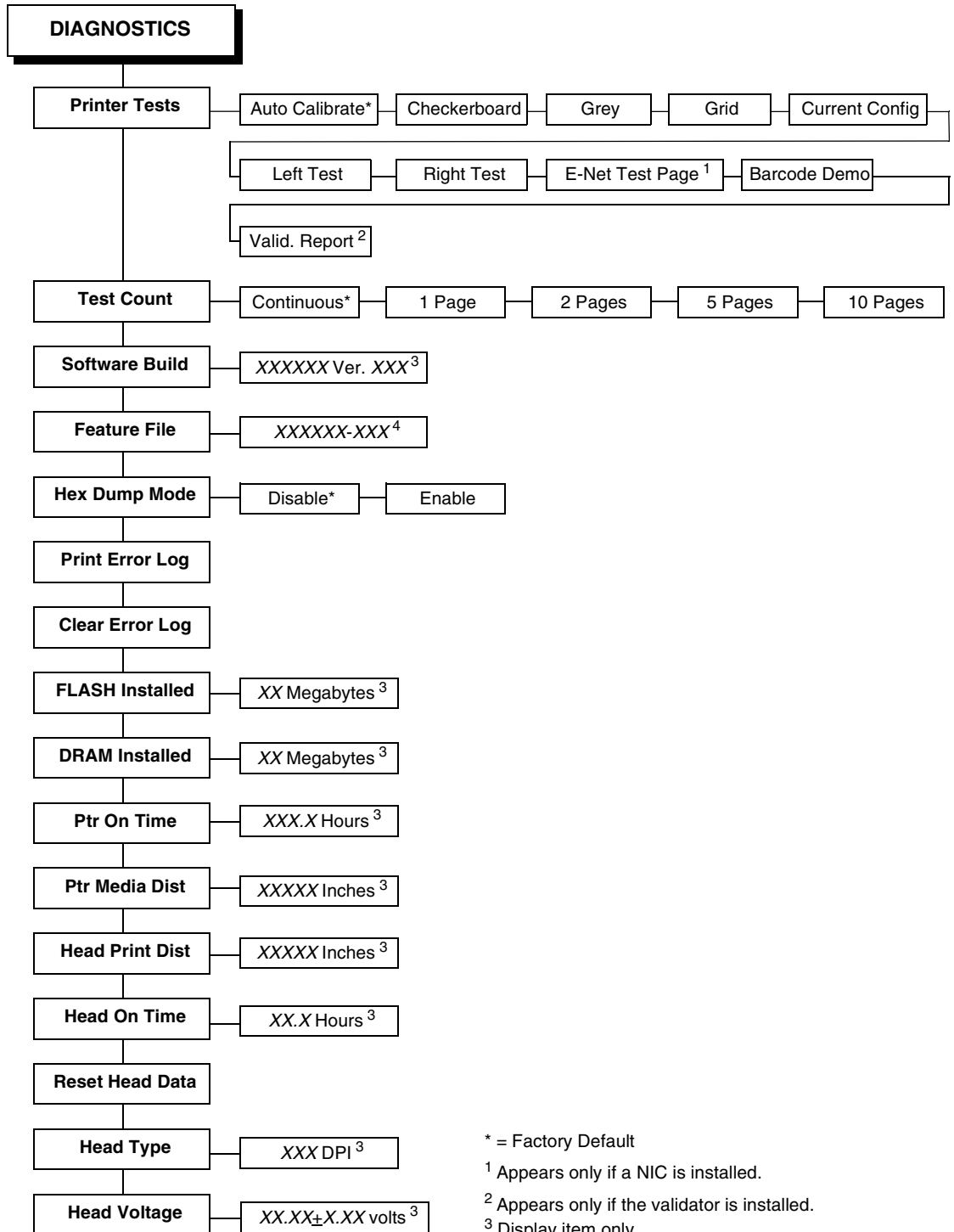
- **Disable** (the default). Not using the Preparser command.
- **Parallel.** The Parallel port (including attached Ethernet card).
- **Serial.** The Serial port.
- **Ethernet.** The embedded Ethernet port. This option only shows when the embedded ethernet is installed.

## Ret. Status Port

This option selects the port for the Return Status Commands (i.e., ~STATUS (PGL) and ~HS (PPI/ZGL)) to send the status data back to the Host. The default is Serial. The remaining options include E-NET Stat Port, E-NET Data Port for Ethernet connection, and Disable.



# DIAGNOSTICS Menu



\* = Factory Default  
<sup>1</sup> Appears only if a NIC is installed.  
<sup>2</sup> Appears only if the validator is installed.  
<sup>3</sup> Display item only.  
<sup>4</sup> A part number appears only if a feature file has been downloaded to the printer.

## DIAGNOSTICS Submenus

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### Printer Tests

The printer tests below allow you to check for proper printer operation and print quality:

- **Auto Calibrate.** Senses paperout, perforation, gap, or mark, and calibrates the printer for the currently installed media.
- **Checkerboard.** This pattern helps identify marginal printhead elements, quality of edge sharpness, and uneven print quality.
- **Grey.** This pattern helps identify burned out printhead elements and uneven print quality.
- **Grid.** This pattern helps identify edge sharpness and uneven print quality.
- **Current Config.** Prints the current printer configuration and helps identify the text print quality.
- **Left Test.** Prints a pattern containing a series of ladder-type bar code symbols, starting with four and decrementing by one symbol on each print until a single symbol prints on the *left* side. This pattern helps identify ribbon wrinkle problems.
- **Right Test.** Prints a pattern containing a series of ladder-type bar code symbols, starting with four and decrementing by one symbol on each print until a single symbol prints on the *right* side. This pattern helps identify ribbon wrinkle problems.
- **E-Net Test Page.** This item appears only if a NIC is installed. Prints the ethernet statistics stored on the NIC.
- **Barcode Demo.** Prints text and barcodes with the barcodes positioned at the left and right margins of the standard label media supplied with the printer. The test automatically produces output for 4, 6, and 8 inch printers at 203 dpi and 300 dpi.
- **Valid. Report.** This item appears only if the validator is installed. Prints a report of the validation statistics since the printer was turned on or since the last data reset.

Once you have selected the desired test pattern, press  $\downarrow$  to start printing. If the Test Count option (below) is set to Continuous (the default), press  $\downarrow$  again to stop printing.

The factory default is Auto Calibrate.

### Test Count

This item selects the number of times the selected test pattern will be printed.

The options are Continuous, 1 Page, 2 Pages, 5 Pages, and 10 Pages.

The factory default is Continuous.

### **Software Build**

This is the reference number which includes the program file part number and revision number of the software installed in the printer, e.g., 358186 V1.07G.

### **Feature File**

Displays the part number only when a feature file has been installed.

### **Hex Dump Mode**

- **Disable.**
- **Enable.** The printer prints out data sent from the host in hexadecimal format.

Also see “Hexdump Mode” in the *T5000r User’s Manual*.

The factory default is Disable.

### **Print Error Log**

Prints the current log of errors. Most non-routine faults (RIBBON FAULT, PRINT HEAD HOT) are stored in the error log.

### **Clear Error Log**

Clears entries in the error log.

### **FLASH Installed**

Displays the amount of FLASH memory installed in megabytes.

### **DRAM Installed**

Displays the amount of DRAM installed in megabytes.

### **Ptr On Time**

Displays the cumulative time in hours the printer has been powered on. This value is set to zero at the factory after burn-in testing.

### **Ptr Media Dist**

Displays the cumulative number of inches the printer has moved media. This value is set to zero at the factory after burn-in testing.

### **Head Print Dist**

Displays the length of media actually printed since the last Reset Head Data operation. This value is set to zero at the factory after burn-in testing.

### **Head On Time**

Displays the time that power has been applied to the printhead since the last Reset Head Data operation. This value is set to zero at the factory after burn-in testing.

### **Reset Head Data**

Resets all printhead statistics values (Head Prt Dist and Head On Time) to zero.

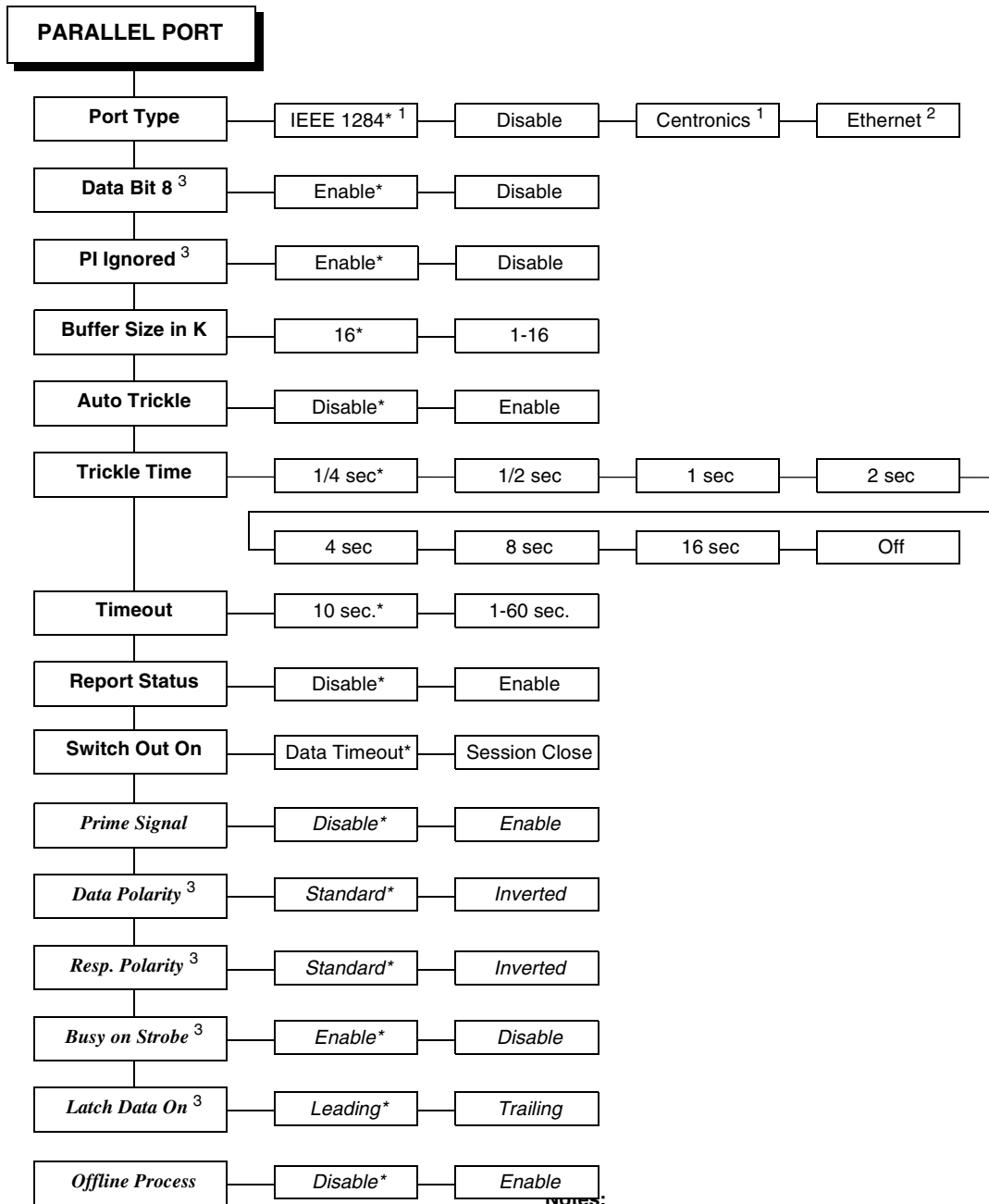
### **Head Type**

Displays the printhead type installed in dots per inch (203 dpi or 300 dpi).

### **Head Voltage**

Displays the applied printhead voltage.

# PARALLEL PORT



**NOTES:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized* items are available only when Admin User is enabled (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> Does not display when Ethernet is installed.

<sup>2</sup> Available only when Ethernet is installed.

<sup>3</sup> Available only when the Centronics option is enabled (in the Port Type submenu of PARALLEL PORT).

## PARALLEL PORT Submenus

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### Port Type

This menu item selects the type of printer parallel port interface to be used with the host.

The options are IEEE 1284 (the default), Disable, Centronics, and Ethernet.

**NOTE:** The Ethernet option is available only if Ethernet is installed. When Ethernet is installed, the IEEE 1284 and Centronics options do not display.

### Data Bit 8

- **Enable** (the default). The PI line is not passed directly from host to printer; all 8 bits are used for data bits, and characters in the hex 80-FF range can be accessed.
- **Disable**. When the host PI line is enabled, data bit 8 internally indicates PI line status. To use the PI line, disable data bit 8, and enable the Host PI configuration option (under the PI Ignored option).

**NOTE:** Data bit 8 is interpreted as either data bit 8 or PI signal, but never both. When enabled as data bit 8, data bit 8 has priority over the PI signal, and all data above hex 7F is used to access character data and not to interpret PI line data.

Conversely, when data bit 8 is disabled and the PI signal is used, data bit 8 of the data is reserved for use as the PI function, and you cannot access characters in the hex 80-FF range. Therefore, to access characters in the hex 80-FF range, data bit 8 must be enabled.

### PI Ignored

The PI (Paper Instruction) signal is used to control vertical paper motion.

- **Enable** (the default). Ignores the PI signal and treats the data as characters or control codes.
- **Disable**. Causes the printer to interpret the eight data lines as VFU commands when the PI signal is true.

### Buffer Size in K

This option configures the amount of memory allocated for the Ethernet buffer. The range is 1-16 Kbytes, in 1-Kbyte increments.

The factory default is 16 Kbytes.

### Auto Trickle

This feature is used to prevent a host computer from “timing out” because the parallel interface is “busy” for too long.

- **Enable** (the default). When the printer’s buffers are almost full, the printer begins to trickle data in from the host (at the rate set in the Trickle Time menu) until the buffers start to empty out.
- **Disable**. The Auto Trickle feature is not used.

### Trickle Time

When the printer is printing data from a host and a second print job is received by the printer from a different host, Trickle Time prevents the second host from timing out while it is waiting for its data to be printed. In order to support this feature, the port has to be able to accept data from the host and store it for future use.

For example, if the printer is printing a job from the serial port, and then receives a second print job from the parallel port, the data from the parallel port will “trickle” bit by bit into the printer buffer to prevent a timeout error from being sent back to the host connected to the parallel port.

The selected value is the time that the printer waits before getting the next byte of data from the host. The Trickle Time value should be less than the host time out value, but not too much shorter or else the printer fills up its buffer too fast. This function is not applicable for C/T hotport.

The options are 1/4, 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16 seconds and Off.

The factory default is 1/4 second.

### Timeout

This is the value used by the printer to time out from the current port and check the other selected port types for data to print. When the printer has not received data from the host after a certain period of time, it needs to time out in order to service the other ports.

The range is 1-60 seconds, and the factory default is 10 seconds.

### Report Status

- **Disable** (the default). When a fault occurs on the printer, only the active port reports the fault to the host.
- **Enable**. The port will report any fault even when it is not the current active port.

### Switch Out On

TBD

- Data Timeout
- Session Close

### Prime Signal

- **Disable** (the default). The parallel port will not perform a warm start (reboot) if the host asserts the Prime Signal.
- **Enable**. The parallel port will perform a warm start (reboot) if the host asserts the Prime Signal.

### Data Polarity

The Data Polarity parameter must be set to match the data polarity of your host computer.

- **Standard** (the default). Does not expect the host computer to invert the data.
- **Inverted**. Expects the data received on the data lines from the host computer to be inverted. Ones become zeros and vice versa.

### Resp. Polarity

The Response Polarity parameter must be set to match the response polarity of your host computer.

- **Standard** (the default). Does not invert the response signal.
- **Inverted**. Inverts the response signal sent to the host computer.

### Busy on Strobe

- **Enable** (the default). Asserts a busy signal after each character is received.
- **Disable**. Asserts a busy signal only when the print buffers are full.

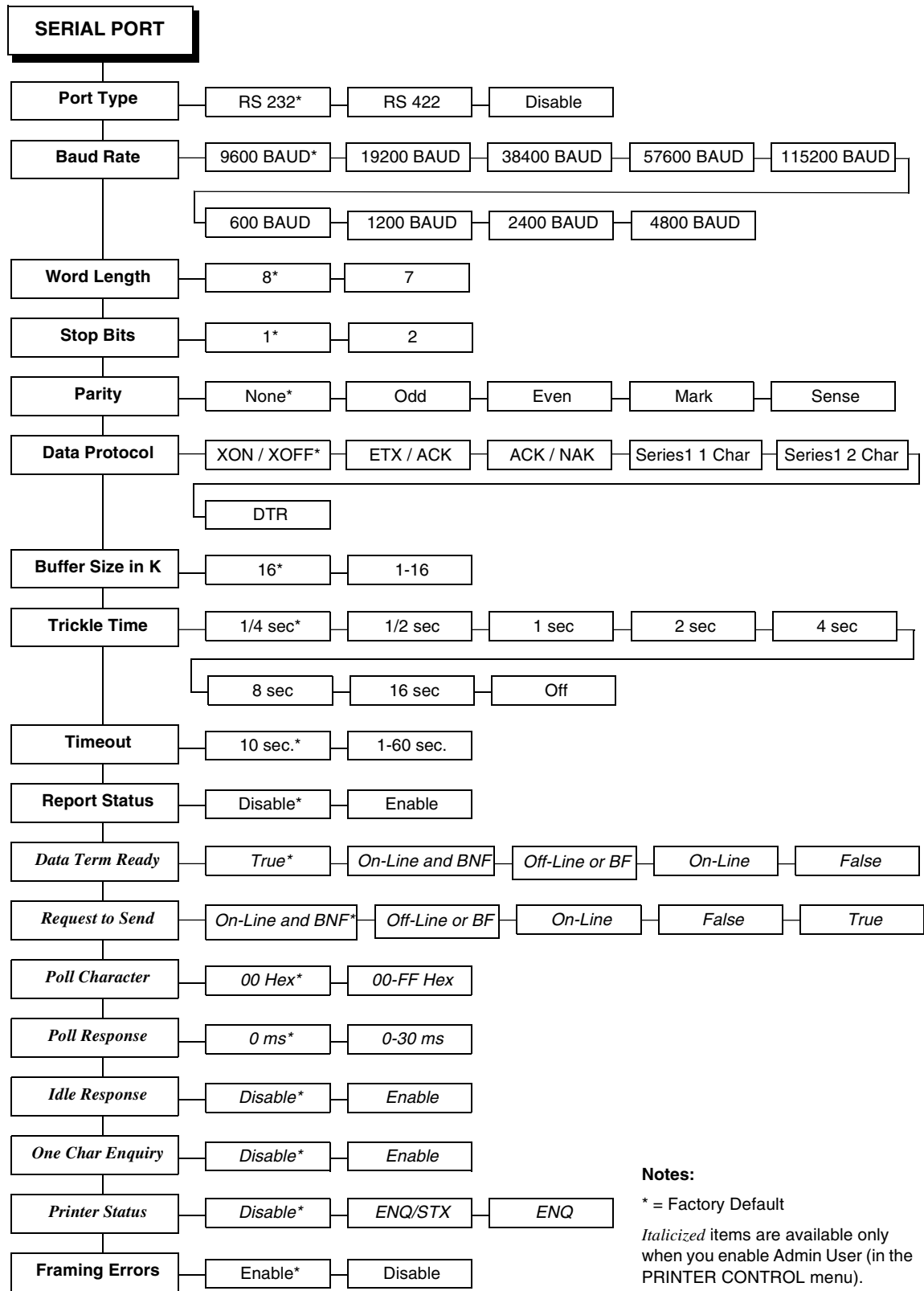
### Latch Data On

Specifies whether the data is read on the leading or trailing edge of the data strobe signal.

The options are Leading (the default) and Trailing.



# SERIAL PORT



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

*Italicized items are available only when you enable Admin User (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).*

## SERIAL PORT Submenus

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### Port Type

This item allows you to select the type of printer serial port interface, RS-232 or RS-422, to be used with its host. The serial port can also be disabled.

The factory default is RS 232.

### Baud Rate

Sets the baud rate of the serial interface in the printer. Baud rate is the speed at which serial data is transferred between the host computer and the printer. The options for the RS-232 and RS-422 interfaces are 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, and 115200 Baud.

**NOTE:** If you select a baud rate that is greater than 19200 and you experience data loss, you may need to lower the baud rate or use RS-422. You also may need to increase the Buffer Size in K parameter from the default (1 Kbyte) to improve performance.

The factory default is 9600.

### Word Length

Sets the length of the serial data word. The length of the data word can be set to 7 or 8 bits and must match the corresponding data bits setting in the host computer.

The factory default is 8.

### Stop Bits

Sets the number of stop bits in the serial data word. Either 1 or 2 stop bits can be selected. The setting must match the corresponding stop bit setting in the host computer.

The factory default is 1.

### Parity

The options are Odd, Even, Mark, Sense, or None. The setting must match the corresponding parity setting in the host computer.

The factory default is None.

## Data Protocol

You can select one of the following serial interface protocols to meet the host interface requirements.

- **XON / XOFF** (the default). The printer controls the flow of communication from the host by turning the transmission on and off. In some situations, such as when the buffer is full or the timing of signals is too slow or too fast, the printer will tell the host to stop transmission by sending an XOFF character. An XOFF character is sent when the number of empty bytes in the buffer is less than or equal to 25 percent of the buffer size. If the host keeps sending data after an XOFF is sent, the printer firmware will continue to send an XOFF for every 16 characters received. When cleared, the printer will resume receiving data (XON). The data does not have any End of Text codes; XON / XOFF is a non-block protocol.
- **ETX / ACK**. End of Text / Acknowledge. The host controls the flow of communication to the printer by sending a block of data and ending the block with an End of Text (ETX) signal. When the printer receives the ETX signal, it will acknowledge the ETX, thereby acknowledging it has received the entire block of data.
- **ACK / NAK**. ACK means acknowledge; the device acknowledges it has accepted a transmission. NAK means negative acknowledge; the device did not receive the transmission.
- **Series1 1 Char**. The printer controls the flow of communication from the host by turning the transmission on and off using response characters sent to the host. If the number of valid bytes in the buffer reaches 75 percent of the buffer size, the online or offline and buffer full response character is sent. If the buffer is completely full, an online or offline buffer full response is sent every time a character is sent from the host. Whenever the printer state changes to online or offline, the appropriate response character is sent. If the idle response option is enabled, the printer will send a response character every two seconds while the number of valid bytes in the buffer is less than 75 percent of the buffer size. If a poll character is received (configurable from the Poll Character *xx* Hex option on the front panel from hex 0 through FF), the printer will send a response character *n* milliseconds later (configurable from the Poll Character *xx* MS on the front panel from 0 through 30). This *n* milliseconds is called the poll delay. The poll character will be removed from the input data stream and will not be processed. This may cause problems with the transmission of binary data (e.g., control codes, bit image, etc.). If a poll delay is started due to the receipt of a poll character and another poll character is received, the second poll character has no effect and is removed from the input data stream. If a transition (from buffer full to empty or online to offline) occurs during a poll delay, the new printer state will be sent at the end of the poll delay.

The response characters are described below.

Printer State	Response
Online and Buffer Empty	CR
Online and Buffer Full	3
Offline and Buffer Empty	0
Offline and Buffer Full	2

- **Series1 2 Char.** This protocol behaves exactly the same as the Series 1 Char except there is a two-character response to the host. The response characters are described in the following table:

Printer State	Response
Online and Buffer Empty	1 CR
Online and Buffer Full	3 CR
Offline and Buffer Empty	0 CR
Offline and Buffer Full	2 CR

- **DTR.** The printer controls the data flow by sending this hardware signal to the host. If there is enough room in the printer buffer, the printer will send a high signal; if the buffer is full, the printer will send a low signal. DTR tells the host if it is safe to send more data. (If the host sends data during an unsafe condition, data will be lost.) DTR is not available when RS-422 is selected.

### Buffer Size in K

This option configures the amount of memory allocated for the serial port buffer. The range is 1-16 Kbytes, in 1-Kbyte increments.

**NOTE:** If you select a baud rate that is 19200 or greater, you may need to increase the Buffer Size in K parameter from the default to 16 Kbytes to improve performance.

The factory default is 16.

### Trickle Time

When the printer is printing data from a host and a second job is received by the printer from a different host, Trickle Time prevents the second host from timing out while it is waiting for its data to be printed. In order to support this feature, the port has to be able to accept data from the host and store it for future use.

For example, if the printer is printing a job from the serial port and then receives a second print job from the parallel port, the data from the parallel port will “trickle” bit by bit into the printer buffer to prevent a timeout error from being sent back to the host connected to the parallel port.

The selected value is the time that the printer waits before getting the next byte of data from the host. The Trickle Time value should be less than the host time out value, but not too much shorter or else the printer fills up its buffer too fast. This function is not applicable for C/T hotport.

The options are 1/4, 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16 seconds and Off.

The factory default is 1/4 sec.

### Timeout

This is the value used by the printer to time out from the current port and check the other selected Port Types for data to print. When the printer has not received data from the host after a certain period of time, it needs to time out in order to service the other ports.

The range is 1-60 seconds, and the factory default is 10 seconds.

### Report Status

When a fault condition occurs in the printer, normally only the active port reports the fault to the host. With this menu item enabled, the port will report any fault even when it is not the current, active port.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

### Data Term Ready

Stands for Data Terminal Ready. This configuration is part of hardware flow control and determines when the Data Terminal Ready (DTR) signal is generated. This signal indicates if the printer is ready to receive data.

- **True** (the default). Continuously asserts the DTR signal.
- **On-Line and BNF (buffer not full)**. Asserts the DTR signal when the printer is online and the internal serial buffer is not full.
- **Off-Line or BF (buffer full)**. Asserts the DTR signal when the printer is offline or the internal serial buffer is full.
- **On-Line**. Asserts the DTR signal when the printer is online.
- **False**. Never asserts the DTR signal.

## Request to Send

This configuration is part of hardware flow control and determines when the Request to Send (RTS) signal is generated. This signal indicates whether or not the printer is ready to receive data.

- **On-Line and BNF** (the default). Asserts the RTS signal when the printer is online and the internal serial buffer is not full.
- **Off-Line or BF**. Asserts the RTS signal when the printer is offline or the internal serial buffer is full.
- **On-Line**. Asserts the RTS signal when the printer is online.
- **False**. Never asserts the RTS signal.
- **True**. Continuously asserts the RTS signal.

## Poll Character

This option is for the Series1 protocol. Whenever the printer receives this character, it sends a response to the host indicating the current state of the printer (see Series1 protocol).

The range is 00-FF Hex, and the factory default is 00 Hex.

## Poll Response

This option is for the Series1 protocol. After receiving a poll character, the printer will wait the poll response time in milliseconds before sending the response.

The range is 0-30 ms, and the factory default is 0 ms.

## Idle Response

This option is for the Series1 protocol.

- **Disable** (the default).
- **Enable**. The printer sends a response character every two seconds while the number of valid bytes in the buffer is less than 75 percent of the buffer size.

The factory default is Disable.

## One Char Enquiry

The One Char Enquiry mode uses the Poll Character to detect a request from the host and sends a response back to the host. This option also allows you to turn on and off this feature.

**Table 7. One Char Enquiry Response Characters**

Printer State	Response (hex)
Online and Buffer Not Full	22
Online and Buffer Full	23
Offline and Buffer Not Full	20
Offline and Buffer Full	21

The Poll Character is removed from the data stream. If the Data Protocol is set to ETX/ACK, ACK/NAK, or Series1, One Char Enquiry is automatically disabled.

The options are Disable (the default) and Enable.

## Printer Status

- **Disable.** Printer status ignored.
- **ENQ/STX** (see Table 8).
- **ENQ** (see Table 9).

When enabled, the printer will respond to an ENQ character by sending a status byte to the host. The type of status byte is determined by a Front Panel Menu selection. The selections allowed are ENQ/STX and ENQ. The ENQ is removed from the data stream.

**Table 8. ENQ/STX Status Byte**

Bit	Printer Status
0	Set when the printer is not online or the buffer is full.
1	Set when the printer is offline.
2	Clear during a paper out or RibbonMinder fault.
3	Always set.
4	Set during a Head Open fault.
5	Set during a buffer overflow fault.
6	Set during a parity or framing error fault.
7	Always clear.

**Table 9. ENQ Status Byte**

<b>Bit</b>	<b>Printer Status</b>
<b>0</b>	Set when the label has printed.
<b>1</b>	Set when the label is presented.
<b>2</b>	Set while the printer is online.
<b>3</b>	Always set.
<b>4</b>	Set printing in the batch mode.
<b>5</b>	Set during a Ribbon fault.
<b>6</b>	Set during a Paper Out fault.
<b>7</b>	Set during a Head Open fault.

The factory default is Disable.

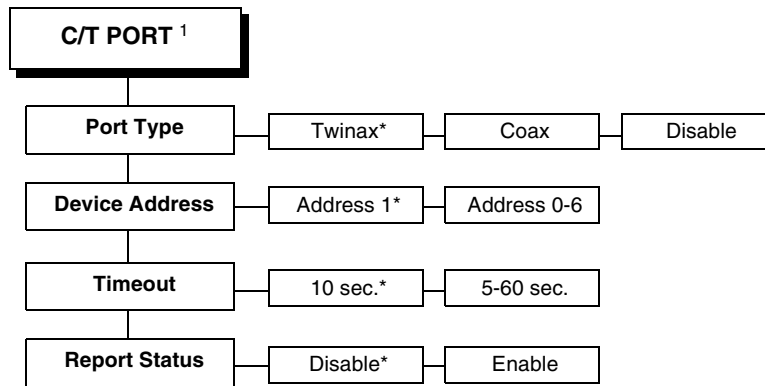
### **Framing Errors**

These are possible errors that can occur when serial interface settings of the printer do not match those of the host computer.

- **Enable** (the default). If a framing error occurs, a fault message will display on the control panel.
- **Disable**. If a framing error occurs, a fault message will not display on the control panel.



## C/T PORT



### Notes:

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if the CTHI option is installed.

## C/T PORT Submenus

### Port Type

This item selects the desired active CTHI interface and appears only when the CTHI option is installed.

The factory default is Twinax.

### Device Address

Allows you to set the device address from 0 through 6. The host directs data and commands on the twinax line to a specific device based on its unique device address. After the address has been changed, a Power On Reset (POR) status is sent to the host.

The factory default is 1.

### Timeout

This item allows you to set the time that the printer, when it has not received data from its host, will begin to service all other host ports looking for data to print.

The range is 5-60 seconds, and the factory default is 10 seconds.

### Report Status

When a fault condition occurs in the printer, normally only the active port reports the fault to the host. With this item enabled, the port will report any fault even when it is not the current, active port.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

## ETHERNET ADDRESS Menu

<b>ETHERNET ADDRESS <sup>1</sup></b>		
IP Address SEG1:	000*	0 to 255
IP Address SEG2:	000*	0 to 255
IP Address SEG3:	000*	0 to 255
IP Address SEG4:	000*	0 to 255
Subnet Mask SEG1:	000*	0 to 255
Subnet Mask SEG2:	000*	0 to 255
Subnet Mask SEG3:	000*	0 to 255
Subnet Mask SEG4:	000*	0 to 255
Gateway Address SEG1:	000*	0 to 255
Gateway Address SEG2:	000*	0 to 255
Gateway Address SEG3:	000*	0 to 255
Gateway Address SEG4:	000*	0 to 255
MAC Address	xxxxxxxxxx <sup>2</sup>	
DHCP	Disable*	Enable

**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if a NIC is installed.<sup>2</sup> Display item only.

## ETHERNET ADDRESS Submenus

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### IP Address

This item allows you to set the IP Address for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the IP Address is assigned by Bootp, ARP or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

**NOTE:** When changing the IP Address, the printer resets the NIC (network interface card) when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.

### Subnet Mask

This item allows you to set the Subnet Mask for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the Subnet Mask is assigned by Bootp, Arp or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

**NOTE:** When changing the Subnet Mask, the printer resets the NIC when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.

### Gateway Address

This item allows you to set the Gateway Address for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the Gateway Address is assigned by Bootp, ARP or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

**NOTE:** When changing the Gateway Address, the printer resets the NIC when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.

### MAC Address

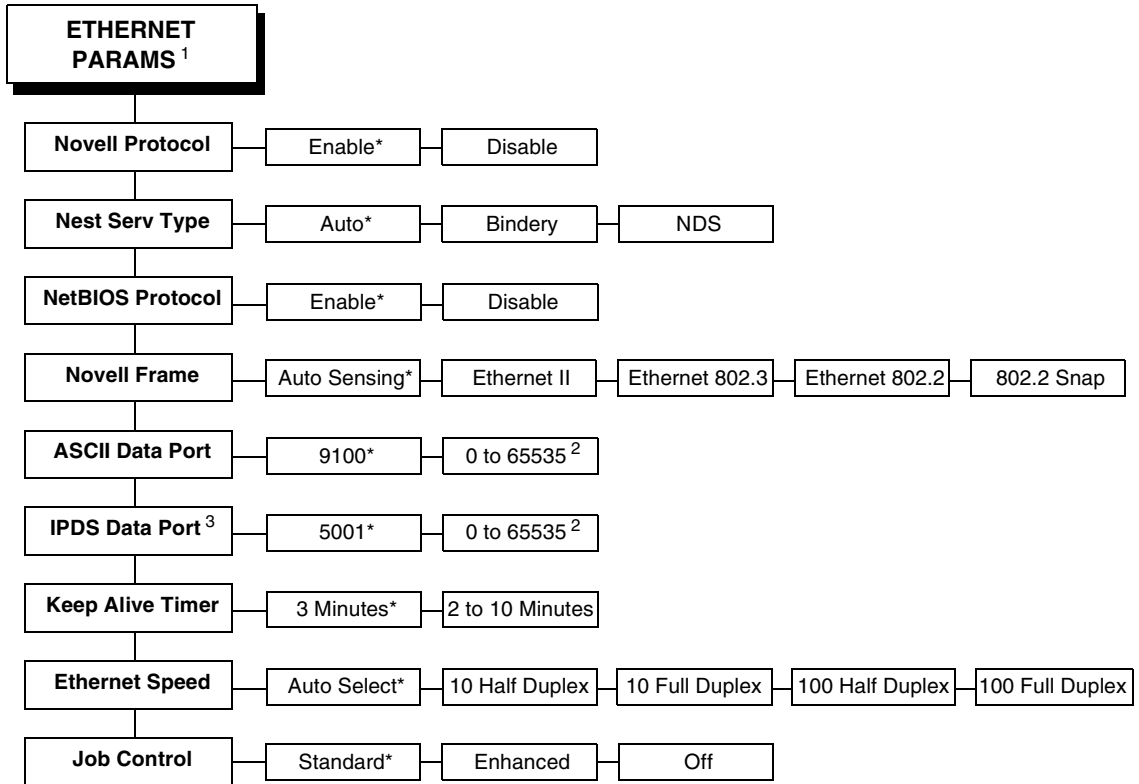
This item is the Manufacturer's Assigned Number, and is unique for each NIC. It is read-only.

### DHCP

You can enable/disable the DHCP protocol using this option, but consult your administrator for the appropriate setting.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

# ETHERNET PARAMS Menu



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if a NIC is installed.

<sup>2</sup> Set the port number that works with your host system.

<sup>3</sup> Appears only if the IPDS emulation is installed.

## ETHERNET PARAMS Submenus

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### Novell Protocol

- **Enable.** The NIC will respond to the Novell protocol.
- **Disable.** The NIC does not recognize the Novell protocol.

The factory default is Enable.

### Nest Serv Type

You can change the Nest Server using this option, but consult your administrator for the appropriate setting.

The options are Auto (the factory default), Bindery, and NDS.

### NetBIOS Protocol

- **Enable.** The NIC will respond to the NetBIOS protocol.
- **Disable.** The NIC does not recognize the NetBIOS protocol.

The factory default is Enable.

### Novell Frame

This menu option provides selection of the frame type for the Novell protocol. For the definition of each frame type, refer to the appropriate Novell-authorized documents.

The factory default is Auto Sensing.

### ASCII Data Port

This option allows you to set the port number for ASCII print jobs. The data port number needs to match your host system setting.

The range is 0 to 65535, and the factory default is 9100.

### IPDS Data Port (IPDS emulation only)

This option allows you to set the port number for IPDS print jobs.

The range is 0 to 65536, and the factory default is 5001.

### Keep Alive Timer

This is the time that the Keep Alive Timer will run. Keep in mind that with the Keep Alive Timer on, the tcp connection will stay connected even after the print job has terminated.

The range is 2 to 10 minutes, and the factory default is 3 minutes.

## Ethernet Speed

This menu appears only if a 10/100Base-T NIC (network interface card) is installed.

The Ethernet Speed menu has five different speed modes to allow compatibility with different systems and networks:

- **Auto Select.** Tells the 10/100Base-T NIC to perform an auto detection scheme and configure itself to be 10 Half Duplex, 10 Full Duplex, 100 Half Duplex, or 100 Full Duplex.
- **10 Half Duplex.** Tells the 10/100Base-T NIC to communicate at 10 Megabits per second using half duplex.
- **10 Full Duplex.** Tells the 10/100Base-T NIC to communicate at 10 Megabits per second using full duplex.
- **100 Half Duplex.** Tells the 10/100Base-T NIC to communicate at 100 Megabits per second using half duplex.
- **100 Full Duplex.** Tells the 10/100Base-T NIC to communicate at 100 Megabits per second using full duplex.

The factory default is Auto Select.

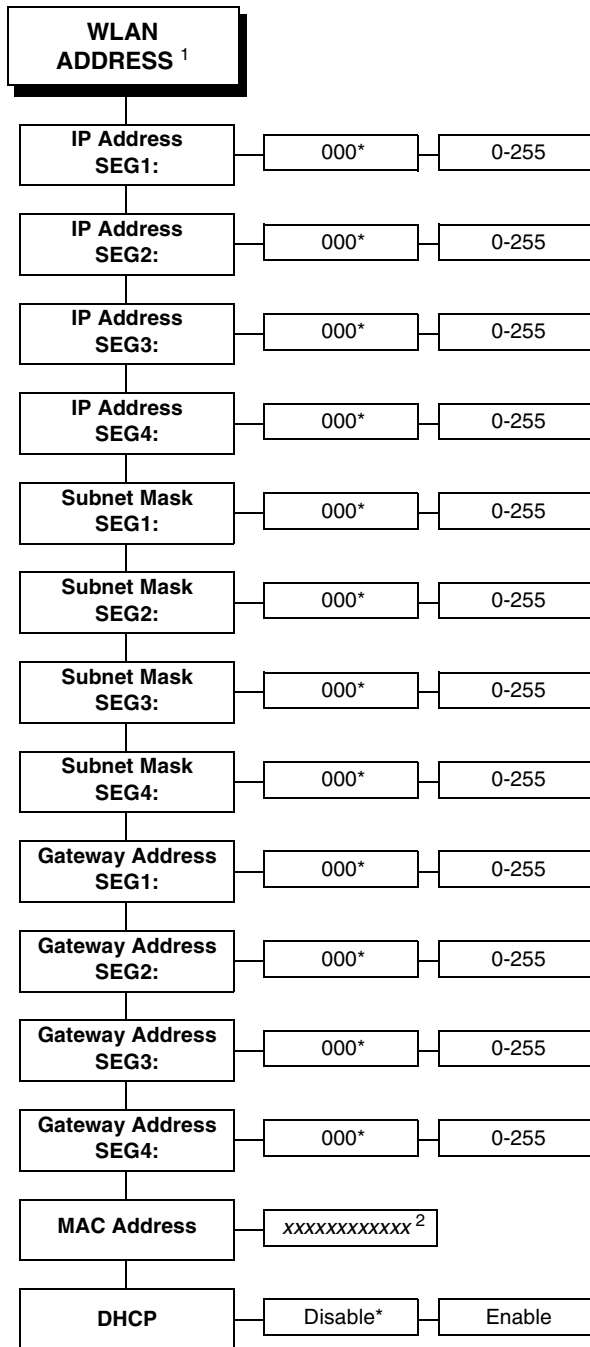
## Job Control

- **Standard.** The NIC waits for the entire job to be *received* before it indicates the job is done.
- **Enhanced.** The NIC waits for the entire job to be *printed* before it indicates the job is done.
- **Off.** There is no synchronization between the NIC and the printer.

The factory default is Standard.

**NOTE:** For detailed information about using the NIC, refer to the *Network Interface Card User's Manual*.

# WLAN ADDRESS



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if a Wireless Option is installed.

<sup>2</sup> You cannot change this value; it is a display only item.

## WLAN ADDRESS Submenus

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### IP Address

This item allows you to set the IP Address for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the IP Address is assigned by Bootp, ARP or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

When changing the IP Address, the printer resets the Network Interface Card (NIC) when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.

### Subnet Mask

This item allows you to set the Subnet Mask for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the Subnet Mask is assigned by Bootp, Arp or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

When changing the Subnet Mask, the printer resets the NIC when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.

### Gateway Address

This item allows you to set the Gateway Address for the TCP/IP protocol in four three-digit segments (SEG1 through SEG4). If the Gateway Address is assigned by Bootp, ARP or DHCP, it is dynamic and read-only.

The factory defaults for the SEG1 through SEG4 are 000, 000, 000, and 000.

When changing the Gateway Address, the printer resets the NIC when the printer is placed online. When the printer resets the NIC, the LCD displays DO NOT POWER OFF. After the NIC has completed its initialization, the LCD displays E-NET INIT to signal that the NIC and printer are in the initialization process. When both the NIC and printer have completed initialization, the LCD displays E-NET READY.



### **MAC Address**

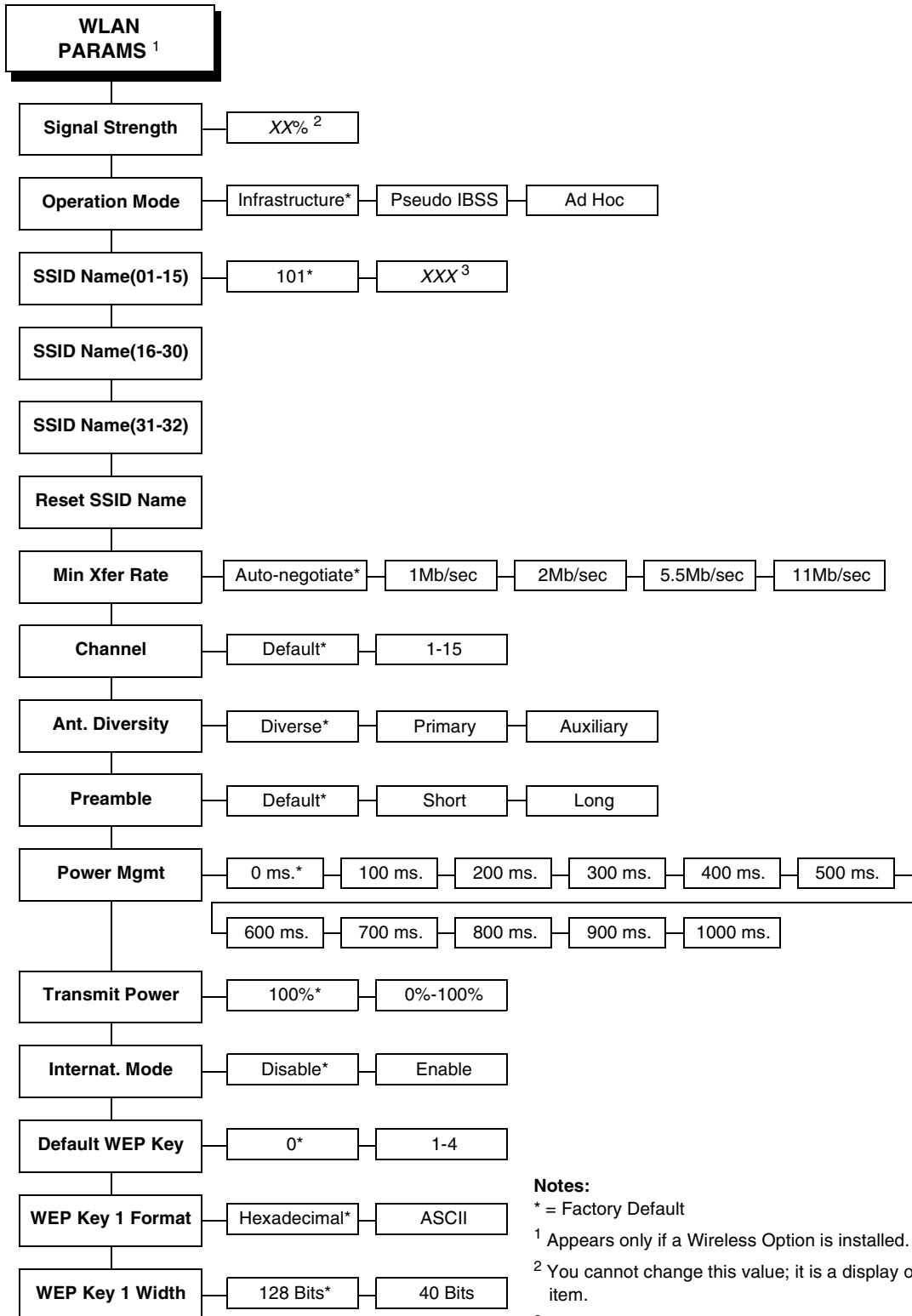
This item is the Manufacturer's Assigned Number, and is unique for the NIC and the Wireless option. It is read-only.

### **DHCP**

You can enable/disable the DHCP protocol using this option, but consult your administrator for the appropriate setting.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

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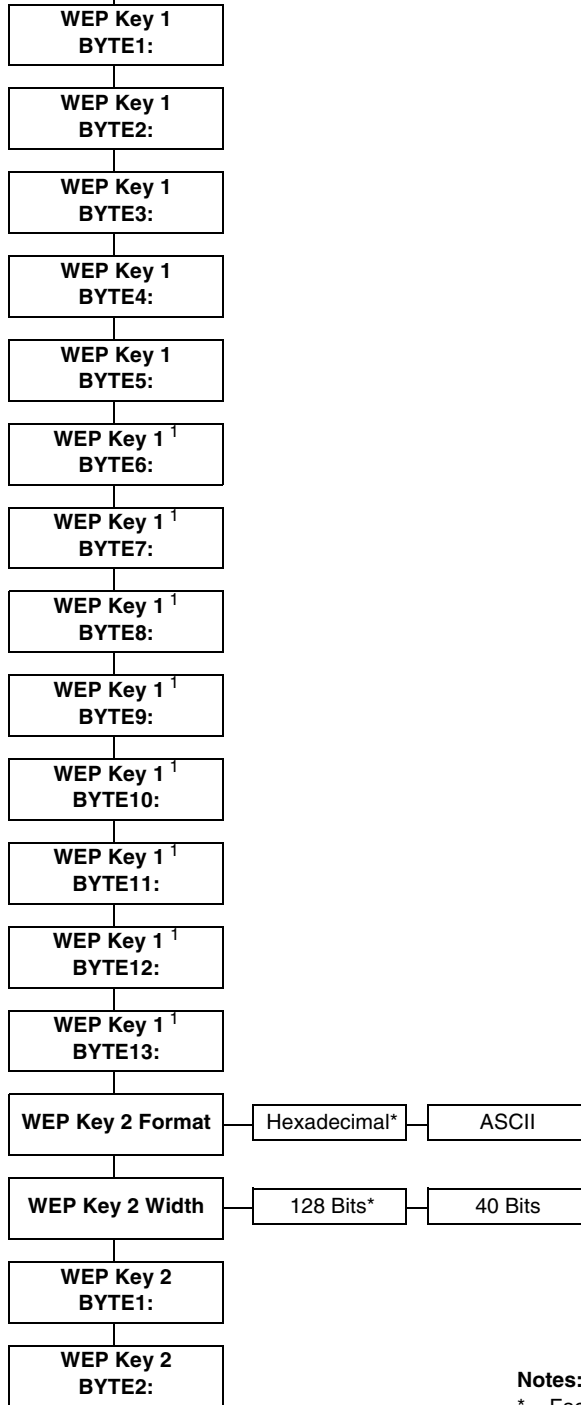
\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if a Wireless Option is installed.

<sup>2</sup> You cannot change this value; it is a display only item.

<sup>3</sup> A 1-32 character, case-sensitive string. Characters can be alphanumeric, symbols, or spaces.

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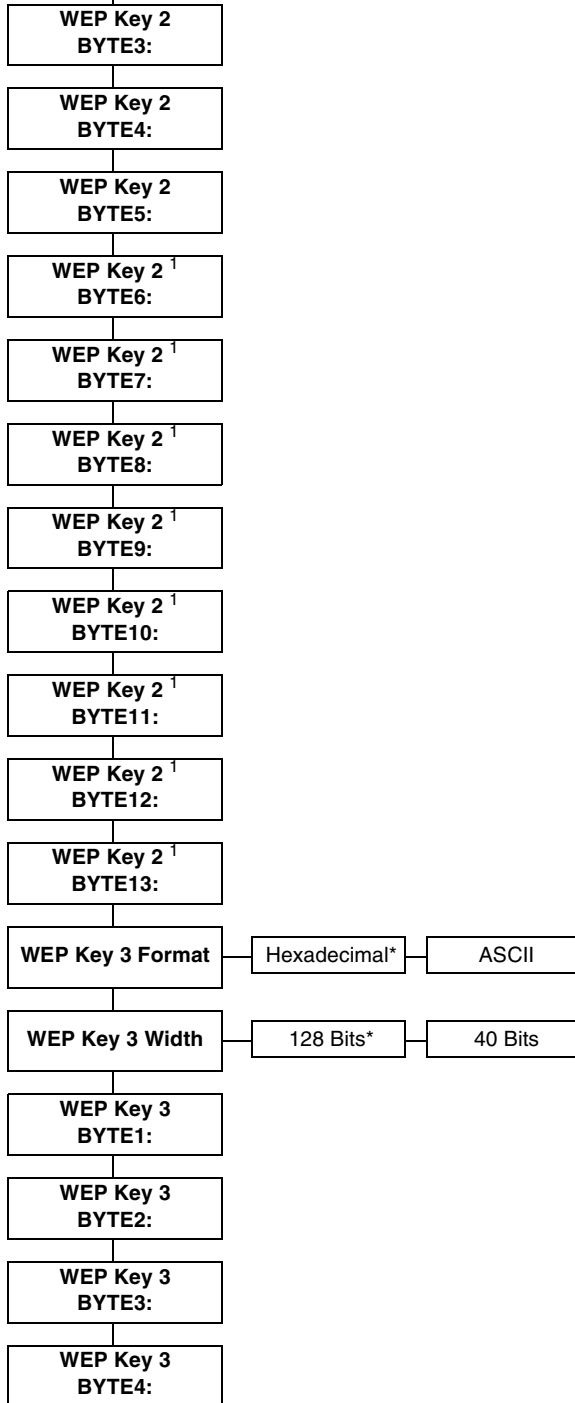
**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if “WEP Key 1 Width” is set to 128 Bits.

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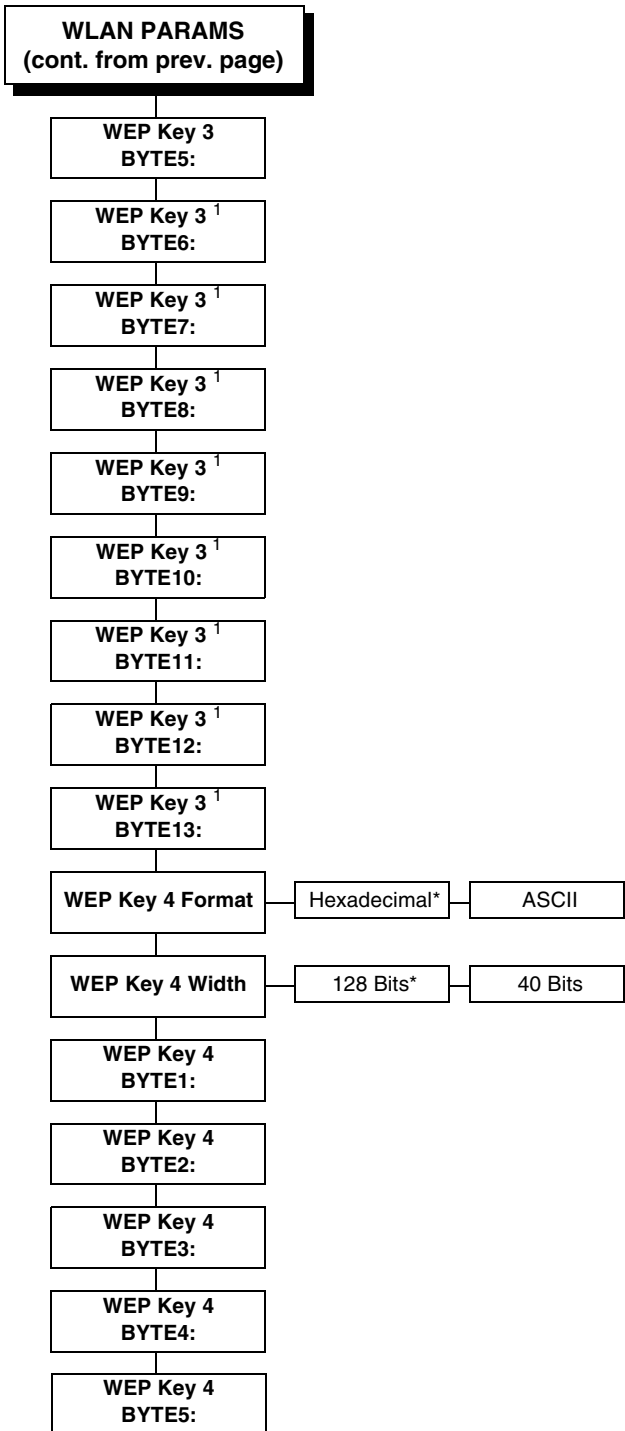


**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if "WEP Key 2 Width" is set to 128 Bits.

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**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Appears only if "WEP Key 3 Width" is set to 128 Bits.

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BYTE6:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE7:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE8:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE9:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE10:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE11:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE12:WEP Key 4<sup>1</sup>  
BYTE13:

Reset WEP Keys

**Notes:**<sup>1</sup> Appears only if "WEP Key 4 Width" is set to 128 Bits.

## WLAN PARAMS Submenus

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### Signal Strength

This menu displays the strength of the wireless signal.

**NOTE:** This is a display value only and cannot be changed.

### Operation Mode

Allows you to select the way the Wireless option communicates:

- **Infrastructure** (the default). The Wireless option must go through an Access Point.
- **Pseudo IBSS**. Proprietary, peer-to-peer communication (without an Access Point). The two peers must be specific to one manufacturer.
- **Ad Hoc**. Standard, peer-to-peer communication (without an Access Point). The two peers can be from different manufacturers.

### SSID Name

A 1-32 character, case-sensitive string that identifies the Extended Service Set Identification (ESS\_ID) network the unit is part of. (ESS\_ID is also called NET\_ID.) These characters can be alphanumeric, symbols, or spaces.

### Reset SSID Name

Allows you to reset the SSID name.

### Min Xfer Rate

Allows you to set the minimum speed at which the Wireless Option will accept a connection (in millions bits per second). The options are Auto-negotiate, 1Mb/sec., 2Mb/sec., 5.5Mb/sec., and 11Mb/sec.

The factory default is Auto-negotiate.

### Channel

Allows you to select the RF channel.

The options are Default (the factory default) and 1-15.

### Ant. Diversity

The type of antenna used:

- **Diverse** (the default). Select when you want to use the antenna with the best reception.
- **Primary**. Select when you want to use the Primary antenna on the server.
- **Auxiliary**. Select when you want to use the Auxiliary antenna on the server.

### Preamble

The length of the preamble in transmit packets.

- **Default** (the default). The Wireless option automatically determines the length.
- **Short**. For newer printers which can handle higher transfer rate speeds.
- **Long**. For older printers, which cannot handle higher transfer rate speeds.

### Power Mgmt

This allows you to set power-save mode and sleep time. A value specifying the sleep time in milliseconds will be provided. If set to zero, power-save mode will be disabled.

The range is 0-1000 ms., and the factory default is 0 ms.

### Internat. Mode

When enabled, the Wireless option adapts to international frequency requirements in Europe.

The options are Disable (the factory default) and Enable.

### Transmit Power

The power level as a percentage of full power.

The range is 0 - 100%, and the factory default is 100%.

### Default WEP Key

This feature enables you to encrypt (scramble) information for security purposes. With this feature, you can set up to four encryption keys, in either ASCII or hexadecimal format, and in either 40 or 128 bits. (The more bits you choose, the more difficult it will be to decode the information.)

**NOTE:** None of the WEP Key Configuration menus display on the configuration printout.



### **WEP Key Format**

Allows you to format the WEP keys in ASCII or hexadecimal code.

The factory default is Hexadecimal.

### **WEP Key Width**

This is the encryption strength. The options are 40 Bits and 128 Bits; 40 bits are weaker and 128 bits are stronger.

**NOTE:** If you select 40 bits, the WEP Key BYTE6 through WEP Key BYTE13 menus will not display.

The factory default is 128 bits.

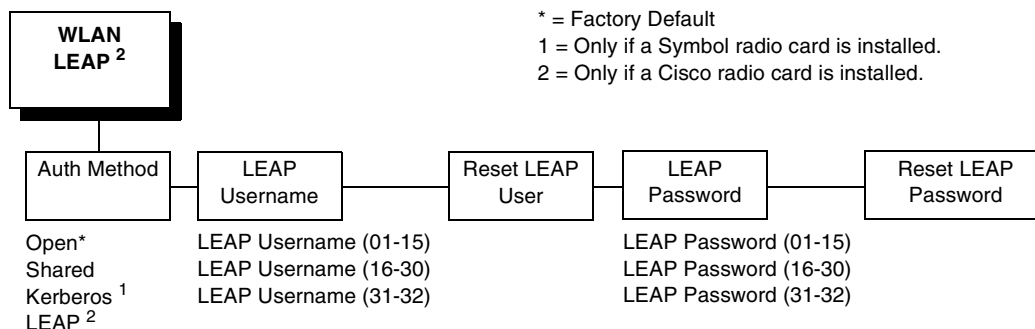
### **WEP Key BYTE1 through BYTE13**

These are the individual characters of the encryption key.

### **Reset WEP Keys**

Allows you to reset all four WEP keys (WEP Key 1 through WEP Key 4) at one time.

## WLAN LEAP



## WLAN LEAP Submenus

### Auth Method

This feature allows the user to select the authentication method used for the wireless network interface.

- **Open** (the default). Selects open authentication.
- **Shared**. Selects shared key authentication.
- **Kerberos**. Selects Kerberos authentication (for use when a Symbol RF card is installed).
- **LEAP**. Selects LEAP authentication (for use with a Cisco RF card installed).

### LEAP Username

- **LEAP Username (01-15)**. The first 15 characters of the LEAP user name (maximum number of characters is 32).
- **LEAP Username (16-30)**. Characters 16 to 30 of the LEAP user name (maximum number of characters is 32).
- **LEAP User (31-32)**. Characters 31 to 32 of the LEAP user name (maximum number of characters is 32).

### Reset LEAP User

Resets the LEAP user name to an empty string.

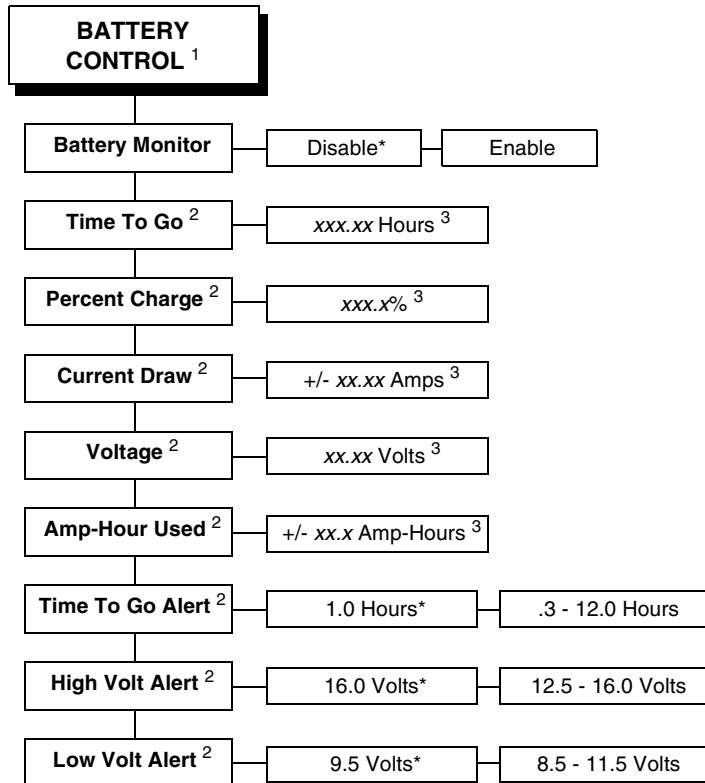
### LEAP Password

- **LEAP Password (01-15)**. The first 15 characters of the LEAP password (maximum number of characters is 32).
- **LEAP Password (16-30)**. Characters 16 to 30 of the LEAP password (maximum number of characters is 32).
- **LEAP Password (31-32)**. Characters 31 to 32 of the LEAP password (maximum number of characters is 32).

## Reset LEAP Password

Resets the LEAP password to an empty string.

# BATTERY CONTROL



**Notes:**

\* = Factory Default

<sup>1</sup> Does not appear if the CTHI option is installed.

<sup>2</sup> Available only when you select "Enable" in the Battery Monitor submenu (in the BATTERY CONTROL menu).

<sup>3</sup> You cannot change this value; it is a display only item.

## BATTERY CONTROL Submenus

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### Battery Monitor

- **Disable** (the default). When set to Disable, the other Battery Control menus do not display. The Serial Port is restored to normal use, and the Serial Port menu displays.
- **Enable**. When set to Enable, the other Battery Control menus display. The Serial Port is reserved for monitoring the power cart, and the Serial Port menu does not display.

When Battery Monitoring has been enabled and the printer is online, the second line of the LCD message displays the time remaining as “Batt xxx.xx Hrs.”

The factory default is Disable.

### Time To Go

This displays the Time to Go status on the LCD in hundredths of an hour.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu. When the power cart charger is connected to an AC outlet, the Time To Go will be 0.00 Hours. This message updates approximately every two minutes.

### Percent Charge

This displays the Charge Percentage in tenths of a percent.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### Current Draw

This displays the Current Draw in hundredths of an amp.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### Voltage

This displays the Voltage in hundredths of a volt.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### Amp-Hour Used

This displays the Amp-Hour Used in tenths of an amp hour.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### **Time To Go Alert**

This allows you to set the minimum Time to Go value for determining when a “RECHARGE BATTERY” warning occurs. When the printer receives a status from the battery that is less than the value of the Time To Go menu, the “RECHARGE BATTERY” warning displays on the LCD.

The range is .3 - 12.0, and the factory default is 1.0 Hours.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### **High Volt Alert**

This allows you to set the maximum voltage for determining when a “BATT HIGH VOLT” warning occurs. When the printer receives a status from the battery that is greater than the value of the High Volt menu, the “BATT HIGH VOLT” warning displays on the LCD.

The range is 12.5 - 16.0 Volts, and the factory default is 16.0 Volts.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

### **Low Volt Alert**

This allows you to set the minimum voltage for determining when a “BATT LOW VOLT” warning displays on the LCD. When the printer receives a status from the battery that is less than the value of the Low Volt menu, the “BATT LOW VOLT” warning displays on the LCD.

The range is 8.5 - 11.5 Volts, and the factory default is 9.5 Volts.

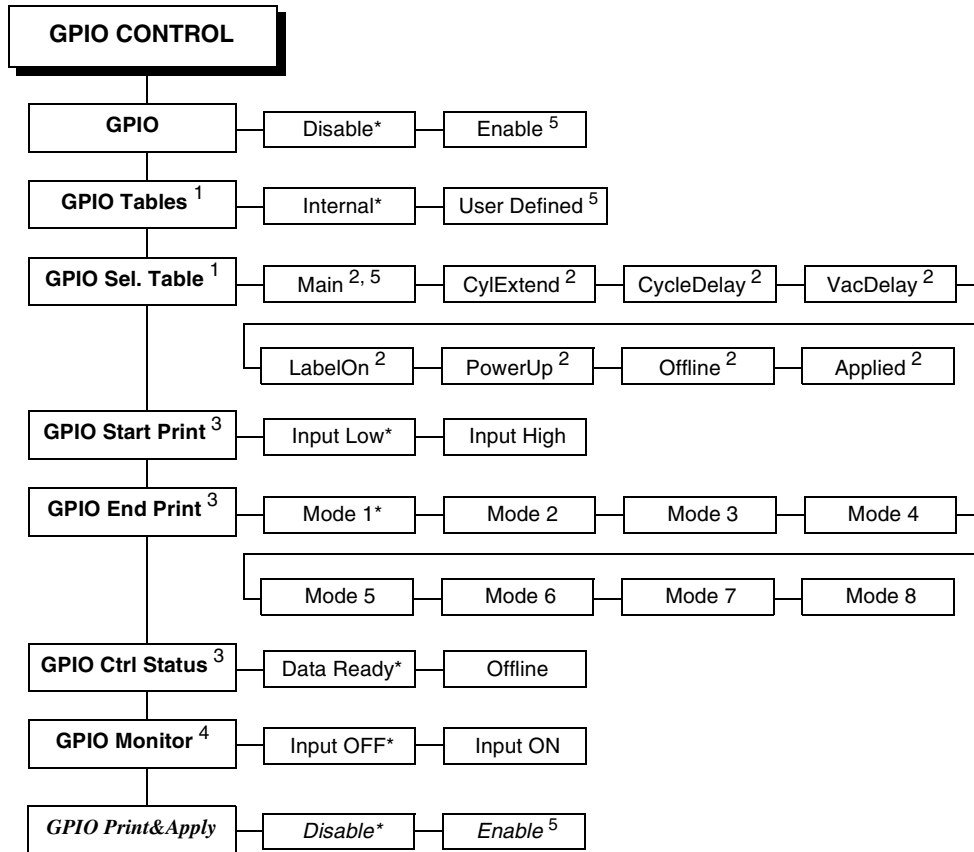
### **Low Volt Fault**

A Low Voltage Fault occurs when the printer receives a status from the battery that is 1.0 VDC less than the value of the Low Volt menu. In addition to the “BATT LOW VOLT” warning, the Online Status Indicator flashes, the printer sounds a beeping alarm, stops printing, and goes offline.

The operator can press the PAUSE key to attempt to clear the fault, but printing cannot continue unless the battery is recharged.

**NOTE:** This menu is available only when you select “Enable” in the Battery Monitor submenu.

# GPIO CONTROL Menu



**NOTES:**

\* = Default

*Italicized* items appear only when Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

<sup>1</sup> This menu appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer.

<sup>2</sup> These submenus are dynamic and can vary from user to user. See your system integrator for details.

<sup>3</sup> This menu appears only if an internal table is selected or if there is no user-defined table.

<sup>4</sup> This menu appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer and selected.

<sup>5</sup> Required for SLPA operation.

## GPIO CONTROL Submenus

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### GPIO

Enables the use of the GPIO hardware.

- **Disable.** The default.
- **Enable.** Required for SLPA operation.

### GPIO Tables

**NOTE:** This menu appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer.

Allows you to select a mapping table.

- **Internal.** The default. The standard internal mapping table.
- **User Defined.** The user-defined mapping table. This option is required for SLPA.

### GPIO Sel. Table

**NOTE:** Select Table Main is required.

Table menus must be downloaded for SLPA operation.

### GPIO Monitor

**NOTE:** This menu appears only if a user-defined table is downloaded to the printer and selected.

Shows the status of the GPIO inputs on the LCD.

- **Input OFF.** The default. Disable.
- **Input ON.** Enable.

### GPIO Print&Apply

**NOTE:** This menu appears only if Admin User is set to Enable (in the PRINTER CONTROL menu).

Enables the use of print and apply hardware.

- **Disable.** The default.
- **Enable.** This option is required for SLPA.

## Applicator Delay Menu

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With the SLPA online, press the ↵ key to enter the Applicator Delay menu.

Press ↑ or ↓ to scroll through the submenus: Cycle Delay, Cylinder Extend, and Vacuum Delay. Press + or – to adjust the values. Press ↵ to set a new value.

Press the **Menu** key to place the SLPA back online. SAVING / DELAY TIMES will display briefly.

### **Cycle Delay**

Sets the length of time the product sensor detects the product until it applies the label.

### **Cylinder Extend**

Sets the length of elapsed time from the beginning of the cylinder extension to its retraction.

### **Vacuum Delay**

Sets the length of time the vacuum holds the label before releasing the label onto the product.





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## *Preventive Maintenance*

**WARNING** Prior to any maintenance procedures, be sure to power off the SLPA and disconnect the power cord and air supply hoses unless otherwise indicated.

**WARNING** Maintenance operation should only be performed by a trained and qualified technician.

### **Cleaning**

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#### **General Cleaning**

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During normal operation, media debris may accumulate around the printer mechanism. Clean the printhead area with the Printronix cleaning kit. Use a soft bristle brush or vacuum cleaner to dust the interior.

**CAUTION** **Never use metallic tools to clean the interior of the SLPA.**

Dust the exterior of the SLPA regularly. It is preferable to use a Printronix cleaning kit to clean the exterior of the SLPA, or a soft cloth dampened with isopropyl alcohol.

**CAUTION** **Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents to clean either the exterior or interior of the SLPA.**

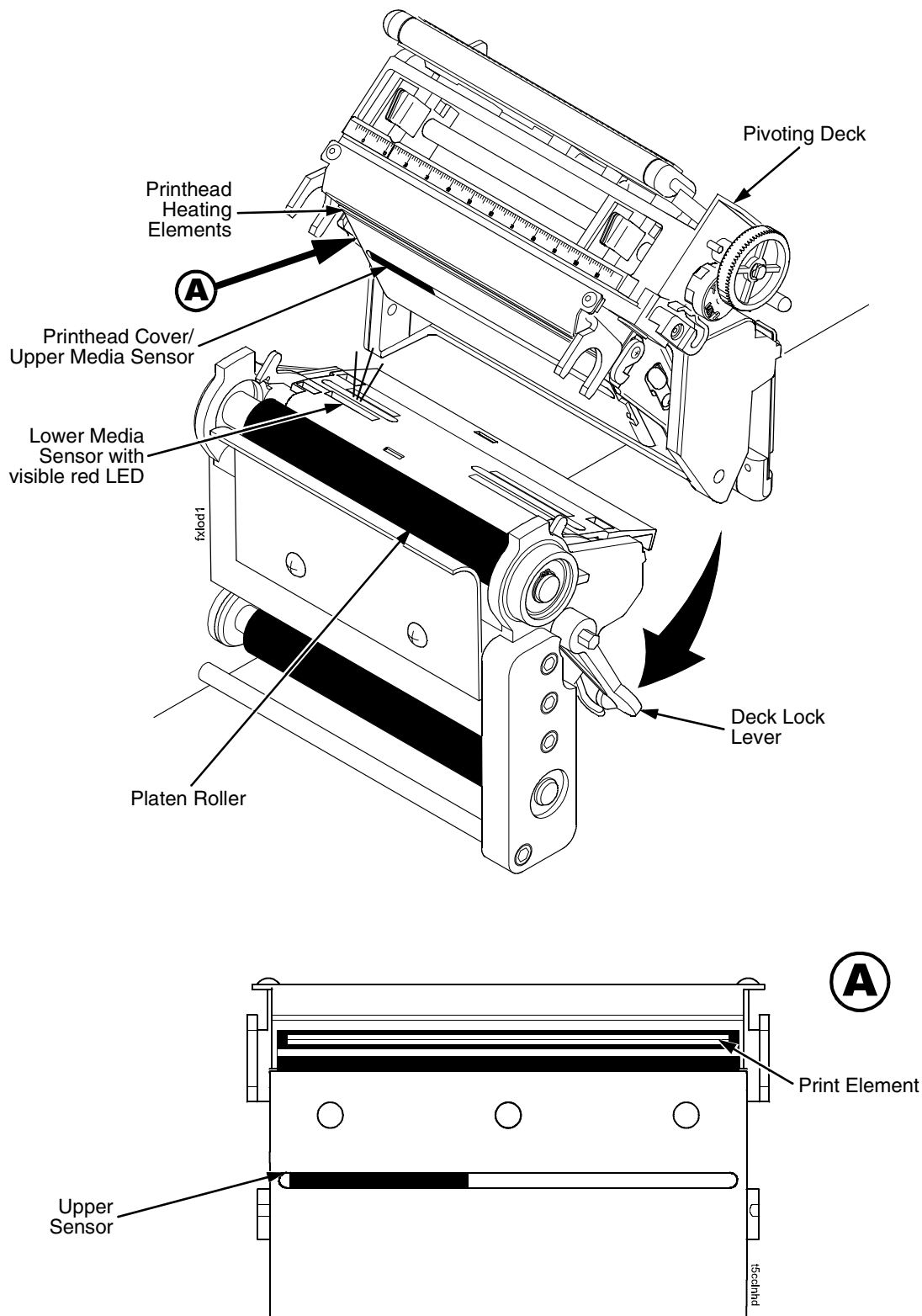


Figure 30. Cleaning the Printhead

## Cleaning The Printhead, Platen Roller And Media Sensors

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### Printhead Cleaning

As you use your SLPA, the printhead may become dirty which can result in poor print quality. Clean the printhead each time you install new ribbon (thermal transfer print mode) or install new media (direct thermal print mode). Clean the printhead with the cleaning pen supplied with the SLPA or with a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.

By keeping your printhead clean, you will help maintain its life.

### Platen Roller Cleaning

Media dust and adhesive residue on the platen roller can degrade print quality and cause voids in your label image. Clean the platen roller at the same time as the printhead.

Use a small amount of isopropyl alcohol on a cloth to clean the platen roller. With the pivoting deck up the platen roller can be rotated forward by hand to access and clean its entire surface area.

#### **IMPORTANT**

**Do not use sharp objects such as a knife or screwdriver to remove stuck labels.**

### Media Sensor Cleaning

The Upper and Lower Media Sensors should be cleaned to ensure reliable TOF and paper out sensing. Clean the media sensors at the same time as the printhead.

The Upper Media Sensor (located in the horizontal slot of the printhead cover) can be wiped clean using a soft cloth. The Lower Media Sensor, easily seen by its visible red light, is located in the horizontal slot of the media guard. Remove media dust by vacuuming or blowing air across the lens cover.

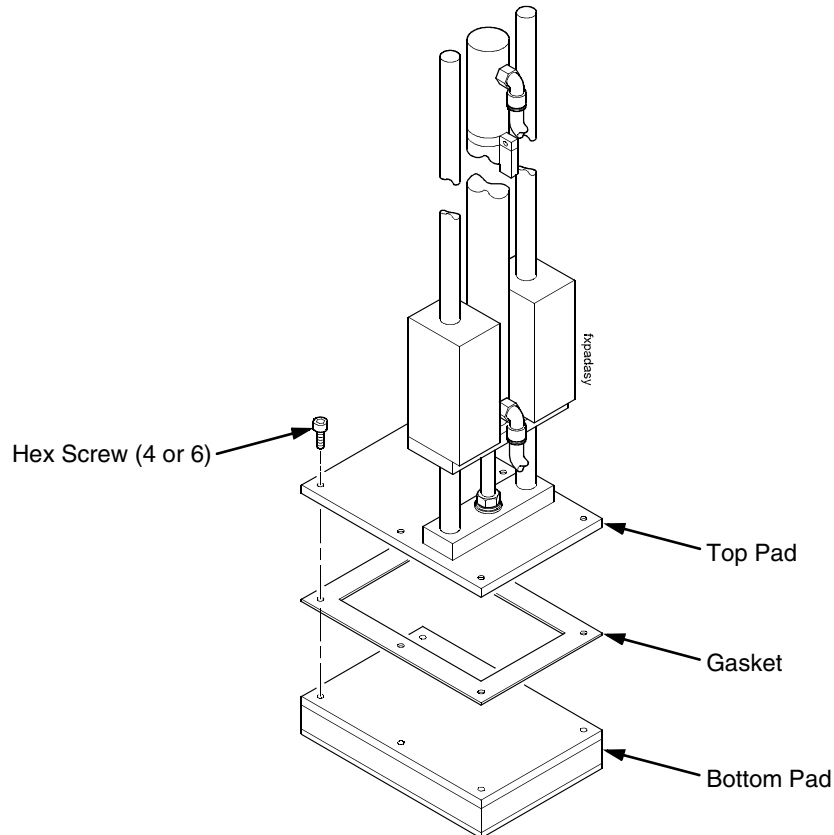
### Cleaning Procedure

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1. Set the power switch to O (Off) and let the SLPA cool for 5 minutes.
2. Rotate the deck lock lever clockwise to open the pivoting deck and remove any media and ribbon (if loaded) to gain access to the printhead assembly heating element area.
3. Gently rub the felt tip of the cleaning pen or a cotton swab moistened with isopropyl alcohol across the printhead heating elements (light brown area).
4. Allow the printhead to dry for one minute before reloading the media and ribbon.
5. Clean the platen roller.
6. Clean the upper and lower media sensors.

**CAUTION** Do not use sharp objects on the print surface of the printhead. Be aware that the edges of the printhead may be sharp. Keep fingers away from the edges.

## Cleaning The Applicator Pad



**Figure 31. The Applicator Pad Assembly**

The applicator pad must be clean to ensure that labels will properly dispense. Use isopropyl alcohol and a clean soft cloth. No other cleaning agent should be used to clean the applicator pad.

Perform a maintenance check of the applicator pad vacuum chamber approximately every three months, at minimum, using the following procedures:

1. Remove the four (or six) hex screws found at the top of the applicator pad, allowing the bottom pad to drop downward.
2. Check the holes of the applicator pad to make certain that there are no large particles of dirt or dust clogging any of the holes.
3. Reassemble, making certain that the gasket (foam tape) is seated properly before replacing the bottom pad.

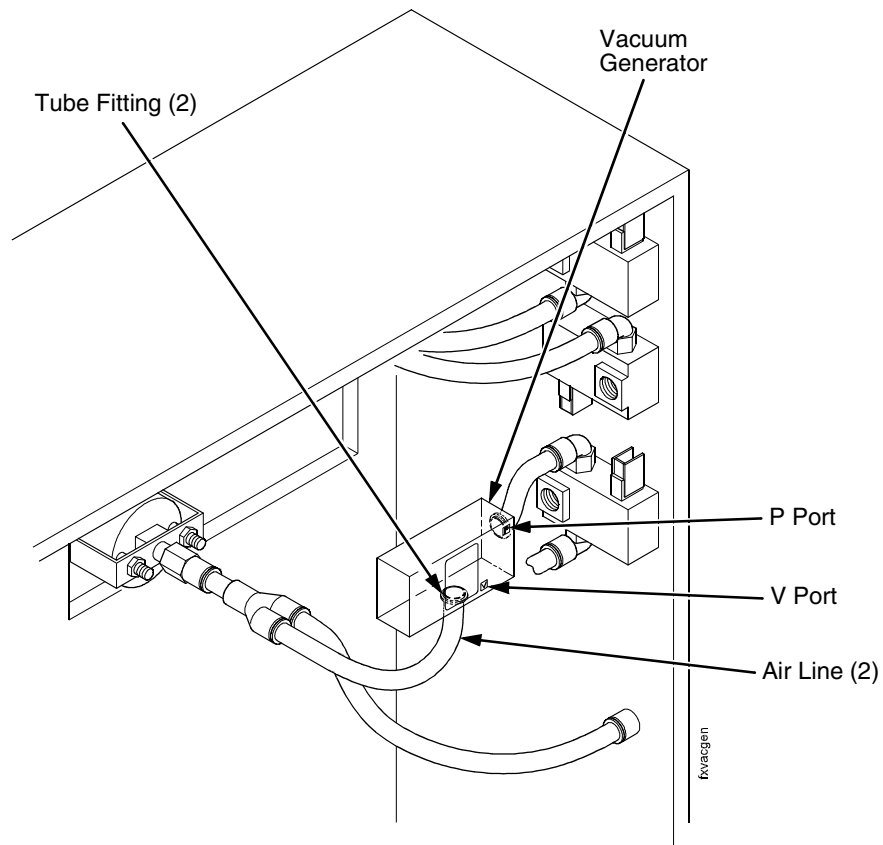
4. Check for leaks by covering all the holes in the applicator pad with a piece of paper. If there is a leak, the vacuum will not retain the paper on underside of the applicator. Sealing compound may be used to isolate leaks, but must dry thoroughly before the applicator may be used.

## Cleaning/Replacing The Vacuum Generator

Air flow through the vacuum generator creates the vacuum for the applicator pad, allowing the label to be held in place. If the label is not retained on the pad and the pad has already been inspected for leaks, then the vacuum generator should be cleaned as follows.

1. Locate the vacuum generator inside the electrical enclosure, on the applicator side of the SLPA (see Figure 32). The vacuum generator housing will mark the pressure connection with a P and the vacuum connection with a V. Label the respective tubes before disconnecting them, to ensure proper reassembly.

**NOTE:** The vacuum generator should develop a minimum of 20 inches hg with the hose to tamp pad blocked.



**Figure 32. Vacuum Generator**

2. Remove the two air lines attached to the vacuum generator by pushing in on the tube fitting (red collar) to release tension on the flexible tubing. Hold the tube fitting down while pulling the tube free.

3. Carefully wipe inside the tube fittings, using a small cotton swab moistened with alcohol.
4. Using a low pressure air nozzle (90 psi. max. pressure) blow air through the V port, then the P port using three - 2 second bursts.
5. Reconnect the vacuum generator and test the applicator pad's vacuum as outlined in "Cleaning The Applicator Pad" on page 200.
6. If the vacuum has not improved and all pneumatic assemblies and tubing are secure, replace the vacuum generator being careful to connect the air lines to the proper fitting.

## Cleaning Schedule

**WARNING** All cleaning of printer/applicator parts should be done with isopropyl alcohol and a non-metallic tool. Using any metallic tools can damage machine parts, particularly the printhead and surrounding parts.

What follows is a guide for general day-to-day cleaning of the SLPA parts. To keep the machine running smoothly, adhere to the following guidelines:

**Table 10. General Cleaning Schedule**

Items To Be Serviced	Frequency	How To Clean
Platen Rollers	8 Hours	Wipe with soft, lint-free cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol.
Applicator Pad Surface	8 Hours	Wipe with soft, lint-free cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol.
Dynamic Brake	8 Hours	Wipe with soft, lint-free cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol.
Air Jets	Daily	Blow tube clear with filtering air if needed. Wipe with soft, lint-free cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol. See "Positioning The Air Jets" on page 52.
Air Filter/Regulator	Check daily or as needed	Replace filter. Wipe parts with clean cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol.
Printhead Elements	Weekly or as needed	Wipe with a Printronix printhead cleaning pen or a cotton swab moistened with isopropyl alcohol.  See Figure 30 on page 198. Printhead cleaning needs depend upon the print mode which is being used.

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# Troubleshooting

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## Introduction

This chapter lists fault messages and symptoms, and gives procedures for troubleshooting printer malfunctions.

You must operate the printer to check its performance and you may have to reconfigure it.

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### What You Should Know About Print Quality

The print quality of a thermal printer is affected most by the amount of heat applied by the printhead to the media and by the location of the printhead in relation to the print media.

Low-cost direct thermal media often have very high reaction temperatures, which means that it takes a great deal of heat to make a clear image. Resin ribbons and film media may also require higher print intensity for a quality image.

You can increase the heat applied by the printhead in three ways:

1. Set the **Print Intensity** configuration parameter to a higher numerical value with a command from the host computer or by accessing the **MEDIA CONTROL** menu with the control panel. (See “Configuring The SLPA” on page 73.) This causes more heat to be transferred to the print media, thus generating a darker image.
2. Run the printer slower.
3. Do both 1 and 2.

#### **IMPORTANT**

**Keep the printhead clean. Foreign material on the printhead interferes with heat transfer. If smears, voids, or white lines appear on printed forms, clean the printhead (page 199).**

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### How To Maximize Printhead Life

1. Remind the customer to clean the printhead with a cleaning pen after each roll of ribbon (thermal transfer) or media roll (direct thermal). The cleaning pen (P/N 203502-001) will last for eight printhead cleanings. Refer to the *User's Guide*.



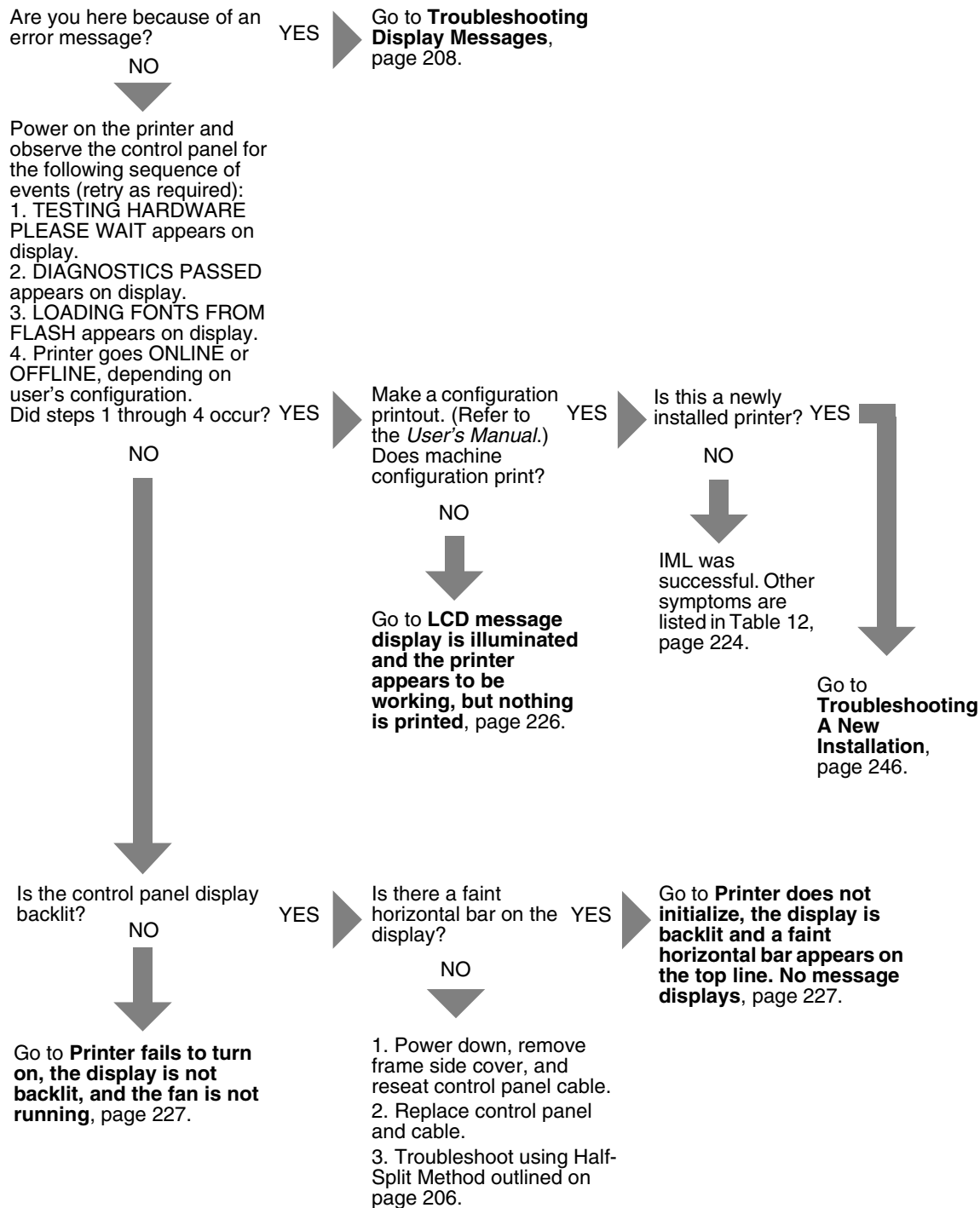
2. Avoid excessive printhead pressure, usually indicated by white wear spots on the printhead element. Reduce the pressure until you see print quality problems, then increase the pressure slightly until you have good print quality.
3. Avoid excessively high Intensity settings. Intensity is the burn temperature that the printhead operates at. Lower temperatures will increase the life of printheads. Reduce the Intensity setting until you see print quality problems, then increase the setting slightly until you have good print quality.
4. Clean and inspect the platen roller for excessive wear (light print) and gouges (repeating voids).
5. Customer responsibilities: configuration, printhead installation, and preventative maintenance. Refer to the *User's Guide*.

## Troubleshooting At A Glance

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## Start Here



## How To Troubleshoot

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You will be more successful in troubleshooting printer problems if you use standard fault isolation techniques, which are summarized below:

1. Ask the operator to describe the problem.
2. Verify the fault by running a diagnostic printer test or by replicating the conditions reported by the user.
3. Look for a matching message or symptom in Table 11 on page 209 or Table 12 on page 224. If you find a match, follow the troubleshooting instructions.
4. If you cannot find the symptom in either troubleshooting table, use the Half-Split Method to find the malfunction:
  - a. Start at a general level and work down to details.
  - b. Isolate faults to half the remaining system at a time, until the final half is a field-replaceable part or assembly.

**WARNING** **ALWAYS disconnect the AC power cord from the printer or the power outlet before doing any maintenance procedure. Failure to remove power could result in injury to you or damage to equipment. If you must apply power during maintenance, you will be instructed to do so in the maintenance procedure.**

5. Replace the defective part or assembly. Do not attempt field repairs of electronic components or assemblies. Most electronic problems are corrected by replacing the printed circuit board assembly, sensor, or cable that causes the fault indication.
6. Test printer operation after every corrective action. (See "Printer Tests" on page 207.)
7. Install any parts you replaced earlier that did not solve the problem.
8. Stop troubleshooting and return the printer to normal operation when the reported symptoms disappear.

## Printer Tests

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This section lists SLPA printer tests which may be performed to check or confirm the proper operation of the SLPA with regard to print quality. The default is Auto Calibrate. The SLPA will display the last test displayed before going online.

**NOTE:** Label test printing places the SLPA in an alternate mode of operation which requires the operator to follow the test procedure very closely. Deviations in this process may cause the SLPA to function erratically, requiring the operator to cycle power to recover the SLPA.

## To Print A Test Label

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**CAUTION** **Printing a test label clears all data from the print buffer, and may require the operator to cycle power to recover the SLPA. Do not print test labels when the SLPA is online.**

**NOTE:** To print a test label, the SLPA must be taken out of Print and Apply mode (disable Print and Apply mode). The Tear Off Strip and Continuous mode must be enabled, otherwise the SLPA will try to detect a sensor which does not exist.

1. Press the **Pause** key to take the SLPA offline.
2. Press the **Apply** key to enter the Printer Tests menu.
3. Press the **Apply** key until the desired test displays and then press the ↵ (**Enter**) key to begin printing. If you pass the desired test, continue to press **Apply** until the test displays again.
4. If you are printing the Grey or Grid test, press ↵ to stop printing.
5. If the Test Count option in the DIAGNOSTICS menu is set to Continuous (the default), press ↵ to stop printing.

## Auto Calibrate

Calibrates the SLPA for the currently installed media based on the Gap/Mark Sensor selected in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu.

**IMPORTANT** **Do not press Apply during the Checkerboard, Grey, or Grid test, or the ↵ (Enter) key will not stop printing the test. In this case, press Apply until the corresponding test displays again, then press ↵ to stop printing.**

## Checkerboard

This pattern helps identify marginal printhead elements and uneven print quality.

## Grey

This pattern helps identify burned out printhead elements and uneven print quality.

### **Grid**

This pattern helps identify edge sharpness and uneven print quality.

### **Current Configuration**

Prints the current SLPA configuration and helps identify the text print quality.

### **Left Test**

Prints a pattern containing a series of ladder-type bar code symbols, starting with four and decreasing by one symbol on each print until a single symbol prints on the left side. This pattern helps identify ribbon wrinkle problems.

### **Right Test**

Prints a pattern containing a series of ladder-type bar code symbols, starting with four and decreasing by one symbol on each print until a single symbol prints on the right side. This pattern helps identify ribbon wrinkle problems.

### **E-Net Test Page**

This prints the ethernet statistics stored on the NIC (network interface card).

### **Barcode Demo**

Prints text and barcodes with the barcodes positioned at the left and right margins of the standard label media supplied with the SLPA.

**NOTE:** To print a complete version of self-test labels, the label stock must be at least 4.65 inches wide x 3.00 inches long. If the label stock is smaller, the SLPA will print onto multiple labels until the label is complete.

## **Troubleshooting Display Messages**

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The printer uses built-in test equipment to monitor its operation and the condition of the print media. Various messages display indicating the status of the printer and media stock levels. Three kinds of messages can appear on the LCD:

- Status messages
- Configuration menus and menu options
- Fault messages

Most fault messages are cleared from the LCD by correcting the fault condition and then pressing the PAUSE key. Fault messages that can only be cleared by shutting down and restarting the printer are indicated by an asterisk (\*) appended to the message.

When printer logic detects a fault condition, three things happen:

- The status indicator on top of the printer flashes on and off.
- The audible alarm beeps if it has been enabled in the **PRINTER COUNTR**OL menu. Press **PAUSE** to silence the alarm.
- The control panel LCD displays a fault message.

## List Of Messages

Find the message in the **Message List** below and follow the suggested procedure.

After correcting an error, press the **PAUSE** key to erase the message and put the printer in the offline mode. If an error is not cleared, the printer will try to print again but will display the error message until the error is cleared.

**Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting**

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
06 HOST REQUEST	Yes	Status message: in CT emulation, the host computer or printer controller requires attention.	Not a printer problem.
08 HOLD PRINT TIMEOUT	Yes	Status message: in CT emulation, the printer was offline more than 10 minutes and the "Intervention Required" parameter is set to "Send to Host."	Press PAUSE to put the printer online.
15 COMM CHECK	Yes/No	Communication Check: a message that appears in the CT emulation meaning the line is not active on a twinax interface.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check your network for proper operation.</li> <li>2. Try a different cable from a known good device.</li> <li>3. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
22 INVALID ADDR	Yes	Invalid Address: poll time-out on the twinax interface indicating the unit address is not recognized by printer.	Have the system administrator make sure the printer address is correct.
27 CU TIMED OUT	Yes	Controller Unit Timed Out: the printer was not enabled for one minute or more on a coax interface.	Check the cable connection and host system. (Refer to the line problem determination procedures, as recommended by the host system.)
28 CU NOT ENAB	Yes	Controller Unit Not Enabled. Poll time-out-error. The printer was not polled for one minute across a coax interface.	Check the cable connection and host system. (Refer to the line problem determination procedures, as recommended by the host system.)

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
33 HEAD OPEN TIMEOUT	Yes	Status message in the CT emulation: The printer was offline more than 10 minutes, and the "Intervention Required" parameter is set to "Send to Host."	Close and latch the printhead. Press PAUSE to put the printer online.
40V POWER FAIL	Yes	+40 VDC: an internal power failure.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
203 DPI Head Installed	Yes	Normal power-up message. The printer is running its initialization routine and indicating DPI resolution of the installed printhead.	No action required.
300 DPI Head Installed	Yes	Normal power-up message. The printer is running its initialization routine and indicating DPI resolution of the installed printhead.	No action required.
BAD VFU CHANNEL	Yes	The user tried to use an undefined VFU channel.	Use defined channels.
BAR CODE IMPROPER Data Format	Yes	Data validation error: improper data format.	Fix application so it sends data in the correct bar code format.
BAR CODE QUIET Zone too small	Yes	Data validation error: Quiet Zone error.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fix application.</li> <li>2. Disable Quiet Zone Error reports.</li> </ol>
BATT HIGH VOLT	Yes	This is the High Volt Alert that can be set by the user (factory default = 16.0 Volts). This fault detection is only supported when the ICP (Intelligent Control Panel) option is connected to the printer serial port and Battery Monitor = Enable in the BATTERY CONTROL menu.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Raise the value in the High Volt Alert option in the BATTERY CONTROL menu.</li> <li>2. If High Volt Alert = 16.0 Volts and the fault message remains, call your authorized service center.</li> </ol>
BATT LOW VOLT	Yes	This is the Low Volt Alert that can be set by the user (factory default = 8.5 Volts). This fault detection is only supported when the ICP (Intelligent Control Panel) option is connected to the printer serial port and Battery Monitor = Enable in the BATTERY CONTROL menu.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plug the power cart cable into an AC receptacle to recharge the battery.</li> <li>2. If recharging the battery fails to clear the fault, replace the battery or batteries.</li> </ol>

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
BUFFER OVERFLOW	Yes	Host sent data after the printer buffer was full (serial interface).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make a configuration printout.</li> <li>2. Verify that the printer matches the host serial interface configuration settings for Data Protocol, Baud Rate, Data Bits, Stop Bits, Parity, Data Terminal Ready, and Request to Send.</li> <li>3. Set printer serial interface parameters to match those of the host.</li> </ol>
BUFFER OVERRUN	Yes	Receive overrun (serial interface).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make a configuration printout.</li> <li>2. Verify that the printer matches the host serial interface configuration settings for Data Protocol, Baud Rate, Data Bits, Stop Bits, Parity, Data Terminal Ready, and Request to Send.</li> <li>3. Set the printer serial interface parameter to match those of the host.</li> </ol>
CALIBRATION FAIL See Manual	Yes	Calibration values derived from Manual Calibrate were not acceptable.	Run Manual Calibrate again.
CANNOT CALIBRATE Disable Peel-Off	Yes	Run Calibrate was attempted with Peel-Off Media Handling selected. <b>NOTE:</b> You can perform Auto Calibrate in Peel-Off mode if Cal in Peel Mode = Enable. Be prepared to catch labels during Auto Calibrate.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select another Media Handling option in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> <li>2. Enable Cal in Peel Mode in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu. <b>NOTE:</b> Admin User must = Enable.</li> </ol>
CLEARING PROGRAM FROM FLASH	Yes	Emulation software successfully loaded into printer RAM and the checksum matched. The old program is now being deleted from flash memory.	No action required.
CONTRAST TOO LOW Check media	Yes	Data validation error: symbol contrast.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust heat or change media.</li> <li>2. Disable symbol contrast error reports.</li> </ol>



Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
CUTTER FAULT Jam or Cut Fail	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cutter assembly is not in the closed position.</li> <li>2. Cutter option was not able to complete a full cut cycle due to a jam.</li> <li>3. Cutter PCBA detected current overload and opened circuit breaker on cutter PCBA.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Place the cutter assembly in the closed (up) position.</li> <li>2. Clear obstruction from the cutter assembly.</li> <li>3. Insure media thickness is within specification. Wait a few minutes for the cutter circuit breaker to automatically reset. Press PAUSE to clear the fault message and resume printing.</li> </ol>
DIAGNOSTICS PASSED	Yes	The printer passed its memory and hardware initialization tests.	No action required.
DIRECT THERMAL Remove Ribbon	Yes	This is the normal reminder message when you change the Print Mode setting from Transfer to Direct in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove ribbon from the ribbon supply and ribbon take-up spindles in the printer.</li> <li>2. If ribbon is required for printing, change the Print Mode back to Transfer.</li> </ol>
DO NOT POWER OFF	No	This is a standard warning message that displays while the printer is downloading software.	Do not power off the printer until downloading is complete.
E-NET INIT	Yes	Ethernet is initializing.	No action required.
E-NET READY	Yes	Ethernet has finished initializing.	No action required.
E-NET RESET	Yes	Ethernet interface is being reset.	No action required.
EC SOFTWARE FAIL See Manual	Yes/No	Engine control software failure.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ENTER to Stop	Yes	Normal message when a test print pattern that will run continuously has been enabled.	Press the ENTER key to stop printing the test pattern.
ERROR: DC PROGRAM NOT VALID	Yes/No	The printer cannot find the data controller program or the validation checksum is corrupt.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: DRAM AT ADDRESS XXXXXXXX	Yes/No	The printer found a defective memory location.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
ERROR: FLASH DID NOT PROGRAM	Yes/No	The printer encountered an error trying to program flash memory.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: IPDS needs 300 DPI Head	Yes	The printer has detected a 203 DPI printhead installed with IPDS software downloaded. IPDS software only supports the 300 DPI printhead.	Power off the printer and replace the 203 DPI printhead with a 300 DPI printhead.
ERROR: NO DRAM DETECTED	Yes/No	The printer could not find any DRAM.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: PROGRAM NEEDS MORE DRAM	Yes/No	The program exceeds the memory limitations of the printer.	Download a smaller program.
ERROR: PROGRAM NEEDS MORE FLASH	Yes/No	The printer requires more flash memory in order to run the downloaded program.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: PROGRAM NOT COMPATIBLE	Yes	The printer is not compatible with the downloaded program.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: PROGRAM NOT VALID	Yes	The printer does not see a program in flash memory.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: SECURITY KEY NOT DETECTED	Yes/No	The security key is not present or has failed.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: SHORT AT ADDRESS XXXX	Yes/No	Hardware failure in DRAM or Main PCBA controller circuitry.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: WRITING TO FLASH	Yes/No	Hardware or software fault in flash memory.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
ERROR: WRONG CHECKSUM	Yes/No	The printer received the complete program but the checksum did not match. The data may have been corrupted during download.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
ERROR OCCURRED FLUSHING QUEUES	Yes	An interim message displays while the printer discards host data it cannot use because a fault condition exists. While this message displays, the asterisk (*) rotates.	Wait. When the asterisk (*) stops rotating, a different fault message will appear; troubleshoot the final message.
FAN WARNING	Yes	The printer detected that the power supply fan did not rotate for at least 45 seconds when it was supposed to. <b>NOTE:</b> This is a warning message and will not halt printing. When too high of internal temperature is detected, based on its source, the printer will stop printing and display a PWR SUPPLY HOT, PRINTER HOT or PRINT HEAD HOT message.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verify that the fan rotates when the printer is first powered up and when the printer moves media or prints.</li> <li>2. Call your authorized service representative.</li> </ol>
FILE EXISTS Enable Overwrite	Yes	The printer operator tried to save a file using the name of an existing stored file.	Enter the PRINTER CONTROL menu and enable the Overwrite Files feature to overwrite the existing file.
FILE SYS FULL Add Flash	Yes/No	Insufficient flash memory available to store file.	Install a larger flash memory SIMM. For additional flash, contact your authorized service representative.
FILE SYS FULL Delete Files	Yes	Insufficient flash memory available to store file.	Enter the PRINTER CONTROL menu. Use Delete Files to delete unwanted files.
FILE SYS FULL Optimize & Reboot	Yes	Insufficient flash memory available to store file.	Enter the PRINTER CONTROL menu and use the Optimize & Reboot feature.
FILE SYS INVALID Optimize&Reboot	Yes/No	File system not detected or flash was corrupted.	Enter the PRINTER CONTROL menu and use the Optimize & Reboot feature.
FILE SYS WRITE Check Flash	Yes/No	Problem writing to flash memory.	Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.
FPGA FILE NOT FOUND	Yes/No	The program file was not downloaded successfully.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Download the program file again.</li> <li>2. If the message reappears, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
FRAMING ERROR	Yes	Serial framing error over a serial interface.	Match the serial interface settings of the printer to those of the host computer.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
GAP NOT DETECTED See Manual	Yes	<p>The printer is set for Gap or Mark sensing, but a gap, notch, or black mark is not being detected.</p> <p>The lower media sensor is not positioned correctly.</p> <p>When Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch is selected, the upper media sensor is not positioned above the lower media sensor.</p> <p>Gap/Mark Threshold is set too high or Paper Out Threshold is set too low.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that the setting of the Gap/Mark Sensor in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu matches the installed media.</li> <li>2. Check the position of the lower and upper media sensors. (See "Positioning The Media Sensors" on page 56.)</li> <li>3. Clean the sensor assembly and paper path.</li> <li>4. Run Auto Calibrate to improve the sensor's ability to detect the media in use.</li> <li>5. Run the Media Profile printout in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu.</li> <li>6. Run Manual Calibrate. (See "Running Manual Calibrate" on page 66.)</li> <li>7. Manually change the Gap/Mark Threshold and/or Paper Out Threshold values.</li> </ol>
GRF CHK ERROR PRESS PAUSE	Yes	In the CT emulation over a twinax interface, the printer received a non-printable character.	Press the PAUSE key twice.
Half Speed Mode	Yes	<p>The printhead or power supply is approaching a hot state. Half Speed Mode helps the cooling process and should permit completion of print jobs.</p> <p>Half Speed Mode helps prevent a PRINT HEAD HOT or PWR SUPPLY HOT fault, which will stop the printer.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Allow printer to continue printing. Full speed will resume automatically when a lower printhead or power supply temperature is achieved.</li> <li>2. Let the printer cool down. Full speed will be restored when printing is resumed.</li> <li>3. Lower Print Intensity and Print Speed to reduce frequency of Half Speed Mode.</li> </ol>
HEAD POWER FAIL	Yes/No	Printhead lost power.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace the printhead.</li> <li>2. Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on again. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
IGP/PGL ERROR	Yes	Appears when the "Fault" option is selected from Error Report in the front panel.	Deselect "Fault" from Error Report on the front control panel.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
INSUFFICIENT RAM Reboot/Add RAM	Yes/No	Not enough RAM memory available for a printer function.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on again.</li> <li>2. If the message reappears, increase the Glob Mem Adjust size in the PRINTER CONTROL menu and reboot the printer.</li> <li>3. If the message reappears, replace the controller PCBA. Write down the message and return it with the defective board.</li> </ol>
LABEL MISSING Check Paper Path	Yes	<p>The Label Taken Sensor did not detect the label present over the tear bar with Tear-Off or Peel-Off Media Handling mode enabled.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The label was removed before the printer stopped printing or before the LCD "Remove Label" message displayed.</li> <li>• The label slipped behind the platen roller.</li> <li>• The label wrapped around the platen roller.</li> <li>• Tear-Off or Peel-Off Media Handling mode was mistakenly selected.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Press the PAUSE key to continue printing and then wait for the LCD "Remove Label" message before removing the label.</li> <li>2. Open the pivoting deck, reinstall the label, close the deck, press the PAUSE key, and continue printing.</li> <li>3. Open the pivoting deck and remove wrapped labels from the platen. Clean all adhesive from the platen. Reinstall labels, close the deck, press the PAUSE key, and continue printing.</li> <li>4. Select the correct Media Handling mode in the QUICK SETUP menu.</li> </ol>
LOADING PROGRAM FROM PORT XX%	Yes	The new emulation program is loading into printer RAM. XX% indicates how much of the program has loaded.	No action required.
LOADING PROGRAM INTO FLASH	Yes	A program is getting loaded into flash.	No action required.
MENU MODE QUICK SETUP	Yes	Normal message that displays when you first press the MENU key to place the printer in Menu mode when no validator option is installed.	No action required.
INCOMPATIBLE WITH CUTTER	Yes	Tear-Off or Peel-Off Media Handling selection was attempted with the cutter option still installed. These modes require that the front door assembly be installed to use the Label Taken Sensor.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select a different Media Handling Mode.</li> <li>2. Power off the printer and remove the cutter option, install the front door assembly, power on the printer and select Tear-Off or Peel-Off Mode.</li> </ol>

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
NON VOLATILE MEMORY FAILED	Yes/No	The printer assigns a certain amount of simulated NVRAM for storage of saved configurations. Large emulations reduce the amount of space available for saving configurations, which means that sometimes fewer than eight configurations can be saved. If this message appears when saving a configuration, it means the printer is out of memory. Previously saved configurations will still be available, but the one that was "saved" when the message appeared is not in memory. If this message appears at power-up, it means the flash memory is defective.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the message appears at power-up, call your authorized customer service representative.</li> <li>2. If the message appears while saving a configuration, the printer is out of memory and will not save that or subsequent configurations. (Previously saved configurations are still okay.)</li> <li>3. Limit the number of saved configurations to seven.</li> </ol>
OPTION NOT INSTALLED	Yes	If the printer is powered on with the cutter enabled in the Media Handling menu, but the cutter itself is open (in the down position, or the cutter upper enclosure is removed) the printer cannot detect the cutter. When using the cutter, the printer must be powered on with the cutter in the up position and the cutter upper enclosure installed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that the cutter option is installed, connected in the up position and the upper enclosure installed before powering on the printer.</li> <li>2. Install the cutter option or change to the correct Media Handling option in the QUICK SETUP menu.</li> <li>3. If the error persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
PAPER OUT Load Paper	Yes	<p>The printer does not sense media:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Media was not installed or has run out.</li> <li>• A break in media has occurred.</li> <li>• Media was not routed or installed correctly.</li> <li>• The media sensor is not positioned correctly.</li> <li>• Media is installed correctly, but the sensor is not detecting it.</li> <li>• Gap/Mark Threshold value may be set too high and/or Paper Out Threshold may be set too low.</li> <li>• The printer detected a false PAPER OUT when changing from Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch to Gap or Mark sensing or vice-versa.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Install media. If a break occurred, reinstall the media. Press the PAUSE key to clear the fault message.</li> <li>2. Verify the lower media sensor is properly positioned under the media. If Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch is selected, verify the upper media sensor is positioned above the lower media sensor. Run Auto Calibrate to improve the ability of the sensor to detect the installed media.</li> <li>3. Check if the Gap/Mark Threshold is too high or the Paper Out Threshold is too low. Lower the Gap/Mark Threshold or raise the Paper Out Threshold value.</li> <li>4. If using media with no gaps or black marks, perform Auto Calibrate to establish a valid Paper Out Threshold.</li> <li>5. If the printer detected a false PAPER OUT when changing from Advanced Gap or Advanced Notch to Gap or Mark sensing or vice-versa, press the PAUSE key and run Auto Calibrate.</li> </ol>
PAPER OUT TIMEOUT	Yes	In the CT emulation with a coax interface, a time-out message is sent to the host if paper is not loaded within 10 minutes after PAUSE was pressed to clear a paper out fault.	Load media and run a print test. If the message persists, contact your authorized service representative.
PARITY ERROR	Yes	Parity error (serial interface).	Check your serial host interface parameter settings. If necessary, change them so they match the settings of the attached host.
POOR SCANNING Check Head&Heat	Yes	Data validation failure: The ratio between bar code elements is too small.	Adjust heat/speed/pressure.
POOR SCANNING Check media	Yes	Data validation failure: The bar code is only good in small bands that are difficult to scan.	Check for ribbon wrinkle. Roll wrinkled area onto take-up spindle.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
POOR SCANNING Inspect head	Yes/No	Data validation failure: Defects failure; blemishes with the bar code are detected.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check paper and ribbon to make sure they are clean, unwrinkled, and installed properly.</li> <li>2. Clean printhead.</li> <li>3. If message persists, replace the printhead.</li> </ol>
POWER SAVER MODE	Yes	This is a status message. The printer is in low-energy idle state, the fan and higher voltages are off, and only +5Vdc logic circuits are active.	No action required.
PRINT HEAD COLD See Manual	Yes	Printer is in a cold environment or connector P401 has become dislodged from the back of the printhead.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reseat P401 on printhead.</li> <li>2. Change the printhead.</li> <li>3. Place printer in a warmer location.</li> <li>4. If problem persists, contact your authorized service representative.</li> </ol>
PRINT HEAD HOT See Manual	Yes/No	The printhead has become overheated.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Allow the printhead to cool down for 5 minutes, then press PAUSE. Resume printing.</li> <li>2. If possible, reduce print intensity.</li> <li>3. If problem persists, contact your authorized service representative.</li> </ol>
PRINT HEAD UP Close Print Head	Yes	Printhead is not closed and completely latched.	Close and latch the printhead pivoting deck.
PRINTER HOT See Manual	Yes/No	The printer has detected higher than usual temperatures on the controller PCBA.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Determine that the fan is operating and that all air vents are unobstructed.</li> <li>2. Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power the printer back on.</li> <li>3. Move the printer to a cooler location.</li> <li>4. If the problem persists after moving the printer to a cooler location, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
PRINTER UNDER REMOTE CONTROL	Yes	Indicates that remote management software has control of the printer.	Press any key on the printer.
PWR SUPPLY HOT See Manual	Yes	Power supply is hot.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Determine that the fan is operating and that all air vents are unobstructed.</li> <li>2. Move the printer to a cooler area.</li> <li>3. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>



Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
RBN TAKEUP FULL Remove Used Rbn	Yes	The ribbon takeup spool is full.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Empty the takeup spool.</li> <li>2. If the takeup spool is not full, try re-threading the ribbon.</li> <li>3. Disable Rbn Takeup Full in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> </ol>
RECHARGE BATTERY	Yes	This is the Time To Go Alert you can set (factory default = 1.0 Hour). This fault detection is only supported when the ICP (Intelligent Control Panel) option is connected to the printer serial port and Battery Monitor = Enable in the BATTERY CONTROL menu.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plug the power cart cable into an AC receptacle to recharge the battery.</li> <li>2. If recharging the battery fails to clear the fault, replace the battery or batteries.</li> </ol>
Remove Label	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A label was detected at the front of the printer by the Label Taken Sensor. This is the normal reminder message when Peel-Off or Tear-Off Media Handling has been selected.</li> <li>• A label was removed, but the "Remove Label" message remained.</li> <li>• The incorrect Media Handling mode was selected.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove the label from the front of the printer to allow the next label to print.</li> <li>2. Verify that a front door assembly is installed on the printer and that it is properly closed. Ensure that no debris is obstructing the door mirror or the Label Taken Sensor.</li> <li>3. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, change Media Handling to the correct selection.</li> </ol>
RESETTING PLEASE WAIT	Yes	Printer finished loading the program into flash memory and is automatically resetting itself.	No action required.
RESTORING BOOT CODE	Yes	Normal download initialization message.	No action required.
RFID TAG FAILED:Check Media	Yes	Failed tag. Error displays in STOP mode, causing printer to halt.	Initiate reprint of the label from the host. When the error is cleared, the label with the failed tag moves forward to the next TOF position.
RFID MAX RETRY:Check System	Yes	Failed tag. Error displays in OVERSTRIKE mode. Each failed label prints with the OVERSTRIKE pattern; the form retries until the label retry count is exhausted.	Clear the error. When the error is cleared, the label with the failed tag moves forward such that the next label is in position.
RIBBON BROKEN Reload Ribbon	Yes	Ribbon is broken between the ribbon take up spindle and the printhead.	Reattach ribbon.

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
RIBBON FAULT Timeout	Yes	In the CT emulation with a coax interface, the ribbon has not moved for 10 minutes after PAUSE was pressed to clear a ribbon fault.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean the printer.</li> <li>2. Power off, wait 15 seconds, then power back on again. If the message persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
RIBBON LOAD BAD Reload Ribbon	Yes	Ribbon was incorrectly loaded on the take-up or supply spindle.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reload the ribbon correctly. For ribbon loading instructions, see page 49.</li> </ol>
Ribbon Low	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The supply spool is getting low.</li> <li>2. If there is a large amount of ribbon still on the supply spool, then the Ribbon Low message is being displayed falsely.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace ribbon.</li> <li>2. Disable Ribbon Low in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> </ol>
RIBBON OUT Load Ribbon	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The ribbon supply spool is empty.</li> <li>2. The ribbon has broken.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace ribbon.</li> <li>2. Reinstall ribbon.</li> </ol>
SECURITY CODE VIOLATION	Yes	The software being used is not correct for the printer.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Load the correct software.</li> <li>2. Power off the printer for 15 seconds, then power back on again. If the problem persists, contact your authorized customer service representative.</li> </ol>
SELECT DOWNLOAD PORT=XXXXXXXXXX	Yes	Normal message when the printer is being setup for downloading software to the serial or parallel port. "PORT=" displays selected serial port and parameters or Centronics port.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complete the downloading software procedure. See "Loading Through The Parallel Or Serial Port Using DOS" on page 265.</li> <li>2. Exit this procedure by cycling printer power.</li> </ol>
SOFTWARE ERROR* Recycle Power	Yes/No	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application software tried to perform an illegal printer function.</li> <li>2. There are damaged logic circuits on the controller PCBA.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recycle the printer power. If possible, print a job that has previously worked.</li> <li>2. If the problem persists, contact your authorized service representative.</li> </ol>
TESTING HARDWARE PLEASE WAIT	Yes	Normal power-up message. Printer is running its initialization routine.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No action required.</li> <li>2. If the printer does not complete initialization and continues displaying this message when the CT emulation is installed, the expansion CT board may not be connected to the controller PCBA.</li> </ol>

Table 11. LCD Message Troubleshooting (continued)

Displayed Message	Can User Correct?	Explanation	Solution
WAITING FOR PROGRAM DOWNLOAD	Yes	Normal message when the printer is powered up while holding down both the MENU key and the DOWN arrow key in preparation to download software to the printer.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Complete the downloading software procedure. See "Downloading Software" on page 263.</li><li>2. Exit this procedure by cycling printer power.</li></ol>
WIRELESS ADAPTER NOT COMPATIBLE	No	The type of wireless card is incompatible with the printer software.	The PCMCIA radio card that you installed may be incompatible with the dual NIC interface in the printer. Verify the approved brand and model number of the radio card with your printer service provider and install the correct version. If using the correct radio card does not resolve this problem, call your service provider for further support.

## Troubleshooting Other Symptoms

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Use standard fault isolation techniques to troubleshoot malfunctions not indicated by display messages. These techniques are summarized below:

1. Ask the operator to describe the problem.
2. Verify the fault by running a diagnostic printer test or by replicating conditions reported by the user.
3. Look for a match in the **General Symptom List** below. If you find a match, follow the instructions.
4. If you cannot find the symptom in the **General Symptom List**, use the Half-Split Method to find the malfunction:
  - a. Start at a general level and work down to details.
  - b. Isolate faults to half the remaining system at a time, until the final half is a field-replaceable part or assembly.

### **WARNING**

**Always disconnect the AC power cord from the printer or the power outlet before doing a maintenance procedure. Failure to remove power could result in injury to you or damage to equipment. If you must apply power during maintenance, you will be instructed to do so in the maintenance procedure.**

5. Replace the defective part or assembly. Do not attempt field repairs of electronic components or assemblies. Most electronic problems are corrected by replacing the circuit board, sensor, or cable that causes the fault indication.
6. Test printer operation after every corrective action.
7. Reinstall any parts you replaced earlier that did not solve the problem.
8. Stop troubleshooting and return the printer to normal operation when the reported symptoms disappear.

## General Symptom List

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Table 12, beginning on page 224, is a list of possible printer problems that are not indicated by messages on the LCD. Troubleshooting procedures are included with each symptom.

If you encounter a problem that is not listed in Table 12, troubleshoot using the Half-Split Method described above.

Table 12. General Symptom List

Symptom	Solution
<b>COMMUNICATIONS FAILURES</b>	
Printer hangs during print job.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Redownload the latest level of software (page 263).</li> <li>2. Refer to Table 14 on page 244.</li> </ol>
Fails to print from host.	See Table 14 on page 244.
Prints incorrect characters.	See Table 14 on page 244.
Prints extra characters.	See Table 14 on page 244.
Drops characters.	See Table 14 on page 244.
Data loss.	See Table 14 on page 244.
Cannot ping (NIC).	See Table 14 on page 244.
Cannot print (NIC).	See Table 14 on page 244.
Host cannot communicate with the printer when connected to AS/400 via TCP/IP with the NIC installed.	Refer to the <i>Network Interface Card User's Manual</i> .
NIC responds to ping and telnet utilities, and can print from ftp, but NIC can not be accessed by a browser.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a telnet session using the IP address of the NIC.</li> <li>2. Enter these commands:  <pre>config http save reset</pre> </li> <li>3. Wait up to two minutes for the NIC to complete a reset cycle.</li> <li>4. Close the telnet session.</li> </ol> <p>You should now be able to access the NIC through a browser by using the IP address as a URL, e.g., <code>http://xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx</code>.</p> <p>If the NIC can not be accessed by the remote management software, do the steps listed under "TCP Port Busy" in the Troubleshooting list of the <i>Maintenance Manual</i>.</p>

Table 12. General Symptom List

Symptom	Solution
<p>Cannot access the printer through the remote management software (NIC).</p>	<p>If the ethernet port is not enabled under the Debug menu, the following message will appear in the Status and Error Log when you try to connect to a printer:</p> <p>“The network address given in the printer properties was reached, but the printer port is busy. This may occur when another user is accessing the same printer, or when another logical printer is connected to the same address.”</p> <p>To solve the problem, the Debug Ethernet option must be enabled to allow the remote management software to establish a connection with the NIC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensure a successful ping can be performed.</li> <li>2. On the printer control panel, press <b>PAUSE</b> to take the printer offline.</li> <li>3. Press ↓ and ↵ at the same time to unlock the ↵ key.</li> <li>4. Press +, -, ↓, and ↑ at the same time to enter the <b>Factory</b> menu.</li> <li>5. Press ↓ until <b>Diagnostic Port</b> displays.</li> <li>6. Press + until <b>Debug Ethernet</b> displays. If <b>Debug Ethernet</b> is already marked with an asterisk (*), continue with step 8.</li> <li>7. Press ↵ to select it.</li> <li>8. Press ↓ and ↵ at the same time to lock the ↵ key.</li> <li>9. Press <b>PAUSE</b> twice to put the printer back online. The remote management software will now establish a connection with the NIC.</li> </ol>
<p>NIC responds to ping, telnet, and ftp utilities, but will not communicate from the host computer.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a telnet session using the IP address of the NIC.</li> <li>2. Enter these commands:  <pre>start fox prn stop prn</pre> </li> <li>3. If the fox test prints, the host computer is not configured properly.</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
<b>CONTROL PANEL</b>	
Black squares on the control panel display.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Install the Flash SIMM.</li> <li>2. If the message reappears, replace the Flash SIMM with a Flash SIMM that has working boot code.</li> <li>3. Redownload software (page 263).</li> </ol>
Control panel keys do not work, but printer prints in ONLINE mode.	A wire is broken or a pin is not making contact in the control panel cable assembly. Replace the control panel cable assembly.
LCD message display is illuminated and the printer appears to be working, but nothing is printed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verify that the labels are the correct type (direct thermal).</li> <li>2. Check that the media is loaded with the direct thermal side facing up.</li> <li>3. Check that the transfer ribbon is correctly routed. Route transfer ribbon with ink side out.</li> <li>4. Check that the printhead assembly is properly closed by pressing down on both sides of the pivoting deck. Make sure the latches on each side of the pivoting deck are locked.</li> <li>5. Verify that the ribbon and media are compatible; incompatibility can cause extremely light printing. Match the ribbon to the type of media being used.</li> <li>6. Check that the Print Intensity is correct. Set the Print Intensity in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> <li>7. Check that the Label Width parameter value does not exceed the width of the media installed. Set the Label Width in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> </ol>
LCD is backlit, no messages display, and a faint horizontal line appears on the display.	A wire is broken or a pin is not making contact in the control panel cable assembly. Replace the control panel cable assembly.
LCD is not backlit and control panel keys do not work.	A wire is broken or a pin is not making contact in the control panel cable assembly. Replace the control panel cable assembly.
ONLINE status indicator is flashing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check for Out-of-Media condition or missing labels in the middle of a roll. Load correct media.</li> <li>2. Check that the ribbon and label stock are correctly routed. Load ribbon and label stock correctly.</li> <li>3. Make sure the Print Mode settings (Direct or Transfer) are correctly selected in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
<b>POWER FAILURES</b>	
<p>Printer fails to turn on, the display is not backlit, and the fan is not running.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The power supply delivers +24VDC and +40VDC. The controller PCBA uses the +24VDC to develop +5VDC and +3.3VDC for its logic circuits.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that printer AC power cord is correctly attached to the printer and to the AC power outlet.</li> <li>2. Test AC wall outlet for correct power range. Place the printer in an area that has the correct power range.</li> <li>3. Test the AC power cord for continuity. Replace a damaged AC power cord or one that fails continuity test.</li> <li>4. Make sure the power supply cable is connected to J17 on the controller PCBA.</li> <li>5. Using a voltmeter, test between TP2 +24VDC (+22 to +26VDC) and TP4 GND on the controller board. If voltage is not in tolerance, replace the power supply assembly.</li> <li>6. If +24VDC is good, check TP1 for +40VDC (+35 to +45VDC). If voltage is not in tolerance, replace the power supply assembly.</li> <li>7. If +24VDC and +40VDC are good, test at TP3 VCC for +5VDC (+4.75 to +5.25VDC). If voltage is not in tolerance replace the controller PCBA.</li> <li>8. If all voltages are good so far, test for +3.3VDC (+3.14 to +3.47VDC) on the center lead of U23 on the controller PCBA. If voltage is not in tolerance, replace the controller PCBA.</li> <li>9. If all voltages are good, replace the Flash SIMM.</li> </ol>
<p>Printer does not initialize, the display is backlit and a faint horizontal bar appears on the top line. No message displays. The power supply fan runs constantly.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Flash SIMM at J38 on the controller PCBA has a poor connection or is not installed. Reseat or install the Flash SIMM as required.</li> <li>2. Using a voltmeter, test for +3.3VDC (+3.14 to +3.47VDC) between the center lead on U23 and TP4 GND on the controller board. If voltage is not in tolerance, check for +5VDC (+4.75 to +5.25VDC) between the top lead of U23 and TP4 GND or between TP3 VCC and TP4 GND. If +5VDC is in tolerance and +3.3VDC is not, replace the controller PCBA.</li> <li>3. If +5VDC is not in tolerance, test for +24VDC (+22 to +26VDC) between TP2 +24VDC and TP4 GND. If +24VDC is in tolerance, replace the controller PCBA.</li> </ol>



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Symptom	Solution
<b>PRINT QUALITY</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Label(s) did not get printed within a multi label print job.</li> <li>• A portion of the printed image was clipped off and the beginning of the next label was printed on the same physical label.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the serial interface is being used, verify that the correct data protocol is selected to match the host interface protocol.</li> <li>2. If Clip Page = Enable in the MEDIA CONTROL menu, the printer may have falsely detected a gap, hole, or black mark and then clipped (discarded) the remaining printable data for the label. To fix this: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Perform Auto Calibrate. See “Running Auto Calibrate” on page 63.</li> <li>b. Decrease Gap Threshold value by 2 or 3 increments. See “Gap/Mark Sensor” on page 94.</li> <li>c. Set Clip Page to Disable. Set Label Length to correct physical length value. Refer to “Clip Page” in the <i>User’s Manual</i>.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Short printhead life.	See “How To Maximize Printhead Life” on page 203.
Media moves, but no image prints in ONLINE mode.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Print a checkerboard diagnostic test pattern (page 207). If the pattern prints, there is a communication problem between the host computer and the printer.</li> <li>2. Make sure the J402 power supply cable has a good connection to the right side of the printhead.</li> </ol>
Media moves, but no image prints in Direct Thermal mode.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Print a checkerboard diagnostic test pattern (page 207). Check the print quality.</li> <li>2. Media is not the type for Direct Thermal printing. Install Direct Thermal media.</li> <li>3. Direct Thermal media is installed with the wrong side up. Reinstall media.</li> <li>4. Check that the Label Width value in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu does not exceed the media width installed.</li> <li>5. Check that the Print Intensity value is not set too high in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> <li>6. Check that the printhead assembly is properly closed by pressing down on both sides of the pivoting deck. Make sure the latches on each side of the pivoting deck are locked.</li> <li>7. The head pressure adjustment dial may be set too low. Readjust.</li> <li>8. The printhead pressure blocks are not positioned correctly (horizontally). Refer to the <i>User’s Manual</i>.</li> </ol>

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Media and ribbon move, but no image prints in Thermal Transfer mode.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Print a checkerboard diagnostic test pattern (page 207) and check if the image appears on the used portion of the ribbon. If the image is on the ribbon, the ribbon may be installed with the transfer side against the printhead, instead of against the media. Reinstall the ribbon.</li> <li>2. The ribbon may be designed for another model printer.</li> <li>3. Verify that the ribbon and media are compatible; incompatibility can cause extremely light printing. Match the ribbon to the type of media being used.</li> <li>4. Check that the transfer ribbon is correctly routed. Route the transfer ribbon with the ink side out.</li> <li>5. Check that the printhead assembly is properly closed by pressing down on both sides of the pivoting deck. Make sure the latches on each side of the pivoting deck are locked.</li> <li>6. Check that the Label Width parameter value does not exceed the width of the media installed. Set the Label Width in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> <li>7. The head pressure adjustment dial may be set too low. Readjust.</li> <li>8. The Print Intensity value is set too low in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu or by host software.</li> <li>9. The printhead pressure blocks are not positioned correctly (horizontally). Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ol>
When narrow media is installed, the media moves but no image prints.	Verify that the Label Width value in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu agrees with the width of the installed media. Too large a value will start the image too far to the right and off the media.
Printing is faded or poor in quality.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean the printhead.</li> <li>2. Check that the pivoting deck is closed and latched. Close the printhead by pressing down on both sides of the pivoting deck and rotating the deck lock lever fully counterclockwise.</li> <li>3. Verify that the head pressure adjustment dial is properly set.</li> <li>4. Verify that the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu Print Speed and Print Intensity values are correct. Adjust Print Speed and Intensity in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu or via the host software.</li> <li>5. Refer to "Thermal Printer Media" and "Thermal Printer Technology" on page 26.</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
Print is light on the left or right side of the label.	Check to see if the pressure blocks are set for the width of the media being used. Set each block near the edge of the media.
Prints strange characters instead of the correct label format.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the printer serial interface is being used, check that the printer serial baud rate setting matches the baud rate of the host computer. Reset the printer via software, or cycle power.</li> <li>2. Check if the printer serial host interface is set for 8 data bits but the transmitting device is set for 7 data bits (or vice versa). Check the current setting by viewing it on the LCD and use the SERIAL PORT menu to adjust the settings if necessary. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>3. If the printer parallel interface is being used, make sure the parallel interface terminating resistors are correct for the host computer drivers.</li> <li>4. See Table 14 on page 244.</li> </ol>
Peel-Off or Tear-Off Media Handling is selected, but the printer does not pause after each label is printed. The entire file prints, not allowing peel-off or tear-off operation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verify that Peel-Off or Tear-Off Media Handling is enabled in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu. Print a diagnostic test pattern using Peel-Off or Tear-Off mode to verify operation.</li> <li>2. Peel-Off or Tear-Off mode was selected at the control panel, but a host software command might have changed the selection to another mode. Do step 1.</li> </ol>
Peel-Off or Tear-Off Media Handling is selected, but diagnostic test patterns will not print.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The ↵ (ENTER) key was not pressed to start the test pattern printout. The ↵ key starts and stops all test prints. Press ↵.</li> <li>2. Disable Print and Apply mode.</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start of image is printed an erroneous distance from the top-of-form.</li> <li>• The printer starts to print one label and then another, all within the same physical label.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the MEDIA CONTROL menu, set Clip Page to Disable.</li> <li>2. Make sure the Label Length value matches the actual physical length of the label installed.</li> <li>3. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, set Ver Image Shift to a (-) negative value to bring the image closer to the leading edge of the label or to a (+) positive value to move the image further down the label away from the leading edge.</li> </ol> <p>These symptoms could be caused by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• severely curled labels near the end of a media roll</li> <li>• the media sensor triggering off of a dark, preprinted image on the label</li> <li>• multiple gaps within the physical label.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one or more serialized labels within a print job.</li> <li>• Start of image is printed in the middle of the gap.</li> <li>• The top part of the image is lost when printing with Head First orientation selected.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If using coax or IPDS and “Early Print Complete” is either enabled or ON, respectively, the printer may be working as designed. Refer to the <i>User’s Manual</i> for information on “Early Print Complete.”</li> <li>2. In the CALIBRATE CTRL menu, set Gap Windowing to Enable.</li> <li>3. Set Gap Length to equal the physical gap length of the media installed. The range is 0.05 to 1.00 inches.</li> </ol> <p>The likely cause of these symptoms is that Clip Page = Enable and a cross-perforation, radical fold or flaw in the liner gap has caused the media sensor to detect this as the leading edge (TOF) of the new label or end of label (EOF), or both.</p>

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Symptom	Solution
Smears or voids in printed image.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dust on label stock from shipping, storage, or the core can cause print voids. Clean the labels with compressed air, a vacuum cleaner, or use static tinsel.</li> <li>2. Atmospheric dust from long-term storage can also cause print voids. Remove a few feet of label stock, exposing the clean inner surface. When storing labels, cover them or place them in plastic.</li> <li>3. Skin oils can adhere to the surface of label stock, causing fingerprints which inhibit thermal transfer. Wipe label stock with a cloth or remove a few feet of labels to expose a clean area. Handle labels by the edges.</li> <li>4. Labels with a rough or uncoated surface can also print with voids. Use smooth (coated) label stock or use a soft wax for printing.</li> <li>5. Oozing adhesive can cause print voids. This sometimes happens with old label stock. Use new label stock.</li> <li>6. Power off the printer and thoroughly clean the printhead with a cleaning pen or isopropyl alcohol and a cotton swab.</li> <li>7. Print the checkerboard and grey diagnostic test patterns (page 207).</li> <li>8. Verify that the head pressure blocks are positioned to match the width of the media being used. (Refer to printhead pressure adjustment in the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>9. Make sure the head pressure adjustment dial is set correctly for the thickness of the media being used. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>10. Make sure the printhead temperature (Print Intensity) is not too high. Use software control to adjust the heat setting. Change the Print Intensity value in the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>11. Check that the media has not been installed inside out. Surfaces on both sides may look identical, but can produce big differences in print quality.</li> <li>12. Make sure the correct ribbon and media combination are being used; install a new roll of ribbon and media and repeat step 7. Use the correct ribbon type. Genuine Printronix Supplies are highly recommended to ensure the best possible print quality. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>13. Check the ribbon for creases or folds across its surface. Smooth out the ribbon to remove any creases.</li> <li>14. Check that the printhead pressure blocks are correctly positioned. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
Smears or voids in printed image (continued).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="683 338 1417 432">15. Reduce the Print Speed value through the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu or via host software. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li data-bbox="683 449 1417 701">16. Power off the printer. Remove the printhead and inspect it for contamination (adhesive material, ribbon and media residue line buildup), wear, or damage. A worn printhead will show obvious impressions or indentations in the light brown heating element area where ribbon or media made contact. A damaged printhead may have nicks, scratches, grooves, or cracks. If no problem is visible, install the printhead and repeat step 7.</li> <li data-bbox="683 718 1417 774">17. Install an alternate printhead if one is available and repeat step 7.</li> <li data-bbox="683 791 1417 848">18. If possible, install the questionable printhead in another printer and repeat step 7.</li> <li data-bbox="683 865 1417 930">19. If the void areas in test print patterns remain in the same location, replace the printhead.</li> </ol>
Vertical line through printed image.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="683 951 1417 1045">1. Power off the printer and thoroughly clean the printhead with a cleaning pen or isopropyl alcohol and a cotton swab.</li> <li data-bbox="683 1062 1417 1119">2. If problem persists after cleaning the printhead, inspect the printhead for damage and replace it if necessary.</li> </ol>

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Symptom	Solution
<b>PRINTER OPERATION</b>	
“*** 053 Insufficient memory to create the LOGO” printed on the media.	Install more DRAM.
“*** 055 LOGO call not previously defined” printed on the media.	Install more DRAM.
The printer loses its values for Sensed Distance, Gap/Mark Threshold, and Paper Out Threshold after the printer is powered on reset or reset by the host system. This will manifest itself as a loss in print format registration or possible PAPER OUT errors.	After performing a media calibration procedure, save the current configuration under the Config. Control menu. If the customer loads a different type of media, perform a calibration for the new media, or load a saved custom configuration for the specific media. Up to 8 custom configurations can be created for different type of media and print jobs. Also, make sure the Power-Up Config. is not set to Factory. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i> .)
Advances several labels when FEED key is pressed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that labels are loaded correctly. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>2. Check that the Label Length selected under the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu or the Label Length software command sent by the host computer agrees with the length of the media installed. (Even though gapped or black mark forms are used to establish top-of-form position, a larger label length will override the gap or mark and skip a label or labels if Clip Page = Disable in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.) In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, set the Label Length to match the actual length of media being used. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>3. Enable the Clip Page menu option in the MEDIA CONTROL menu. This will force the printer to constantly look for the gap or black stripe and halt at the top-of-form position.</li> <li>4. Check that the printer is optimized to detect the type of media installed. Perform the Run Calibrate procedure for transmissive and reflective media. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>5. Adjust the media sensor horizontally to detect the gap, holes, notches, or narrow width black stripe. (Refer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.)</li> <li>6. If problem persists, replace the media sensor.</li> </ol>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print quality is good, but the printer skips every other label.</li> <li>• An occasional blank label occurs within a print job, but no labels are lost.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure that the image is not formatted too close to the top edge of the label. Leave white space equal to eight dot rows at the top of the label. 300 dpi = 0.0264 inches. 203 dpi = 0.04 inches.</li> <li>2. Check that Clip Page = Enable in the MEDIA CONTROL menu. Clip Page = Enable causes any printable data to be clipped off and lost once the next TOF position (gap, notch, hole, or black mark) is detected. Clip Page = Disable allows the printer to ignore a gap or mark. The printer looks for the gap or mark after the specified Label Length is first reached.</li> <li>3. In the QUICK SETUP menu, use a negative Ver Image Shift value to move the image toward the leading edge of the label.</li> </ol>
<p>One or more labels did not print in multiple-label print job.</p> <p>— OR —</p> <p>A portion of the printed image was clipped off and the beginning of the next label was printed on that same label.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the serial interface is being used, verify that the selected data protocol for the printer matches that of the host computer.</li> <li>2. If Clip Page = Enable in the MEDIA CONTROL menu, the printer may have falsely detected a gap, hole, or black mark, and then clipped (i.e., discarded) the remaining printable data for the label.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Do the Run Calibrate procedure. See “CALIBRATE CTRL” in the <i>User’s Manual</i>.</li> <li>b. Increase the Gap Threshold value by two or three increments in the CALIBRATE CTRL menu.</li> <li>c. Change Clip Page to Disable and set Label Length to the correct physical value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<p>Print quality difference noticed between printing with a 203 dpi printhead versus a 300 dpi printhead.</p>	<p>There is a known noticeable difference in print quality regarding the formatting between a printer with a 203 dpi printhead versus a 300 dpi printhead.</p> <p>There is no fix for this—this is how the printer is designed to work. If the customer changes the printhead, they also need to redesign their jobs or use drivers that match the new printhead resolution.</p>



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Symptom	Solution
Bar code print jobs print as control codes for IGP or Code V bar code jobs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure the correct microcode to support IGP or Code V emulation is loaded in the printer.</li> <li>2. Verify the printer configuration has the correct active graphics emulation selected as IGP or Code V in the PRINTER CONTROL menu.</li> <li>3. Make sure the SFCC character is set to what is being used by the job. You can put the printer into hex-dump mode if it is a non-IPDS printer to find what the SFCC character is.</li> <li>4. If the printer also has IPDS microcode installed, ensure the customer is not using an IPDS device profile to send the IGP or Code V print job to the printer. If the printer is defined as an IPDS device on the host, the customer will then need to create another device profile that is NOT IPDS. Refer the customer to the <i>Coax/Twinax Programmer's Reference Manual</i> or the <i>Network Interface Card User's Manual</i> for instruction on correctly creating a different device profile that can utilize IGP or Code V datastreams.</li> </ol>
Clacking sound in Peel Off or Batch Rewind mode.	The media rewind belt is jumping or skipping teeth. Check and adjust the rewinder torque. See page 136.
The media or backing fails to consistently rewind onto the spindle when using the rewinder.	The media rewind belt is jumping or skipping teeth. Check and adjust the rewinder torque. See page 136.

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<b>RIBBON</b>	
Printer advances media, but ribbon does not advance.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure the ribbon is installed correctly.</li> <li>2. A poor ribbon/media combination can cause insufficient friction between media and ribbon. Verify that the correct ribbon and media are being used.</li> <li>3. The printhead pressure may not be set high enough. Set the head pressure adjustment dial higher.</li> <li>4. There may be adhesive on the printhead. Clean the printhead.</li> </ol>
Ribbon take-up spindle is not rewinding the used ribbon.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, verify that Print Mode is set to Transfer.</li> <li>2. Power off the printer and verify that the take-up spindle rotates freely with no binding.</li> <li>3. If binding exists, remove the side cover and check the gear train.</li> <li>4. Verify that the ribbon take-up motor is connected to J8 on the controller board.</li> <li>5. Replace the ribbon take-up motor.</li> </ol>
Printer cuts (melts) through the transfer ribbon.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verify that the printing heat setting (Print Intensity) is set to the proper level. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, set Print Intensity to the correct level.</li> <li>2. Verify that Print Speed is not too low. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, set Print Speed higher.</li> <li>3. Verify that the correct ribbon is installed. The melting point for thermal transfer varies significantly among ribbon types.</li> </ol>
Printing stops and ONLINE status indicator flashes.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check the LCD for a fault message. Press <b>PAUSE</b> to display the fault message again.</li> <li>2. Inspect for a jammed label. Remove jammed label.</li> <li>3. Check that the transfer ribbon and label stock are routed correctly.</li> </ol>
Narrow width ribbon breaks frequently.	<p>The Ribbon Width value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu is set too large, causing too great a ribbon take-up and ribbon supply spindle torque. Reduce the Ribbon Width value to decrease the torque on the ribbon spindles. The Ribbon Width value should be very close to the Label Width value.</p> <p>To reduce the torque further, set Ribbon Length (in the MEDIA CONTROL menu) from Save As Paper to Set In Menu. Then set a value less than the installed ribbon width.</p>

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Symptom	Solution
After closing the printhead, the printer continuously moves the media back and forth and briefly flashes the message "RBN TAKEUP FULL."	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Power off the printer and verify that the take-up spindle rotates freely with no binding.</li> <li>2. If binding exists, remove the side cover and check the gear train.</li> <li>3. Verify that the ribbon take-up motor is connected to J8 on the controller board.</li> <li>4. Replace the ribbon take-up motor.</li> </ol>
Wide width ribbon does not take up properly. The ribbon moves past the platen assembly with the media.	The Ribbon Width value in the MEDIA CONTROL menu is set too narrow for the ribbon installed. Set the Ribbon Width value to match the width of the ribbon installed. This will increase the torque on the ribbon take-up spindle.
The printer loses data from the print job when an end of ribbon condition occurs while printing, even when Error Recover is set to Enable.	<p>Use a Printronix ribbon.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Some ribbons use a <b>trailer</b>: foil or mylar material at the end of a ribbon roll that is attached to the fiber core. In order for the printer to detect a ribbon out properly and then reprint an incomplete label, the ribbon supply spindle must first spin freely after the ribbon parts from it.</p> <p>The printer can print with a trailer of up to 6 inches long (the distance from the supply spindle to the printhead). If the trailer is more than 6 inches, the printer will continue to print over the trailer, with no image being transferred to the label. A Ribbon Out fault will then be detected when the trailer has parted from the ribbon supply spindle, but may not reprint the last label.</p>

Table 13. Applicator Troubleshooting Chart

Symptom	Diagnosis	Solution
Cylinder will not cycle after the label is encoded/printed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check for faults on the display.</li> <li>2. Check the photocell operation or apply signal.</li> <li>3. Check input air pressure and cylinder pressure.</li> <li>4. Check that the air hose to the cylinder is not obstructed.</li> <li>5. Check cylinder valve operation.</li> <li>6. Check for mechanical binding of the air cylinder or leaking seal on the cylinder shaft.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correct or clear any faults on the LCD.</li> <li>2. Replace photocell if defective. Test photocell or apply signal input from the interface board to the GPIO port.</li> <li>3. Input air pressure should be set to 80 psi. The cylinder pressure should be approximately 40 to 60 psi on the control panel.</li> <li>4. Repair chinked air lines or broken and leaking fittings.</li> <li>5. Check air input and output from the valve. Also check 24 volts to the valve. If not 24 volts, check the 24vdc power supply output. If OK, check for mechanical sticking of the valve. Push manual valve pilot located on top of the valve.</li> <li>6. Remove air lines to the cylinder and manually slide up and down to check for binding. Adjust cylinder or replace cylinder assembly.</li> </ol>
Label running into tamp pad.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check tamp alignment to peel bar.</li> <li>2. Check the air jet pressure and air jet angle.</li> <li>3. Check tamp pad for wear on the edges.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Loosen four allen screws and slide the tamp pad assembly to .050 inches in front of the peel bar.</li> <li>2. Lower pressure on the control panel, or increase angle adjustment of the air jet.</li> <li>3. Replace the lower pad assembly if worn.</li> </ol>

**Table 13. Applicator Troubleshooting Chart**

Symptom	Diagnosis	Solution
No repeat label after cylinder is cycled.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Printer buffer is empty or the quantity of one was sent to the print buffer.</li> <li>2. Check pad home sensor LED. LED should be on when tamp is in the return position.</li> <li>3. Check for printer faults.</li> <li>4. Check tamp shut off valve. See Figure 28 on page 69.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Send new quantity of labels to the buffer.</li> <li>2. Adjust sensor mount on the cylinder and tighten or replace if defective.</li> <li>3. Correct and clear all faults on the LCD.</li> <li>4. Open tamp shut off valve.</li> </ol>
Cylinder extension too short or too long.	Check cylinder extend time and cylinder pressure.	Change Cylinder Extend time value in the Applicator Delay menu between 40 - 60.
Labels not peeling off onto the tamp pad assembly.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check label tension around the peel plate.</li> <li>2. Verify that the labels are not expired or defective.</li> <li>3. Verify that the labels are loaded properly and the backing motor is operating correctly.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correct the brake adjustment on the label supply roll. Replace dancer spring if worn. Check peel plate for wear and proper alignment.</li> <li>2. Store labels in an area 60 to 80 degrees F at 50 to 60% humidity. If defective, order new labels from Printronix.</li> <li>3. Make sure the labels are loaded correctly (page 41). Check motor belt and gear for wear. Verify that the dancer proximity is energizing the 24V relay and turning on the rewind motor control circuit.</li> <li>4. Make sure the air jet is turned on.</li> </ol>

**Table 13. Applicator Troubleshooting Chart**

Symptom	Diagnosis	Solution
<p>Label falling off the tamp pad after being dispensed.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check air jet pressure and angle adjustment.</li> <li>2. Check vacuum setting and that all the holes on the pad are covered.</li> <li>3. Check for defective or old label supplies that are curling.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust air jet regulator clockwise and position the air jet to blow onto the first 1/3 of the label. If no air jet stream, check the valve air input and 24V to valve. If still no air jet stream, check the connector. Check the air solenoid valve is connected to the vacuum generator.</li> <li>2. Adjust vacuum valve clockwise for 20 in. hg. Check for obstruction in the vacuum holes. Check for clogged vacuum carb. Check the vacuum filter.</li> <li>3. Order new labels from Printronix.</li> <li>4. Check for 20 inches hg at the hose.</li> </ol>
<p>Labels buckling while feeding onto the tamp pad assembly.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean any debris on the tamp pad surface.</li> <li>2. Check for a worn tamp pad.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean the tamp pad surface.</li> <li>2. Replace worn tamp pad assembly.</li> <li>3. Increase the vacuum delay time.</li> </ol>

**Table 13. Applicator Troubleshooting Chart**

Symptom	Diagnosis	Solution
<p>Label advances but the backing rewind motor is not turning.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that the labels are loaded properly.</li> <li>2. Check dancer spring assembly.</li> <li>3. Check dancer proximity switch.</li> <li>4. Check that the relay contact is closing when the proximity LED is on.</li> <li>5. Check for a worn or broken motor rewind belt or gear.</li> <li>6. Check voltage to the rewind motor.</li> <li>7. Place the system online.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure the labels are loaded correctly (page 41).</li> <li>2. Verify that the dancer spring is attached. Replace the dancer spring if worn.</li> <li>3. The LED should be on when the dancer roller is in the up position. If not, check the connections and the 24vdc power supply or replace the proximity switch.</li> <li>4. If not, check the wiring connections or replace the 24vdc relay.</li> <li>5. Replace broken or worn parts.</li> <li>6. When the proximity LED is on the relay contact should close and the motor will turn on. If not, measure the voltage across the motor leads. This should read 18.5 to 19 VDC or 82 to 84 rpm. Adjust the main pot on the motor control board.</li> </ol>

## Communications Failures

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With the exception of a defective interface cable, most communications problems between the host computer and printer are not the result of a hardware failure. Communications problems most often result from incompatible configuration of the host computer system, network (LAN, print server, controller, multiplexer, etc.), or the printer. Sometimes the print application program itself is at fault.

If the printer appears to have communication problems, print a test pattern and a hex dump to help identify printer configuration errors that can cause problems. Things to look for include the following:

- Check that the data string sent to the printer contains the correct information.
- Verify that the correct host interface port is being used and that the communication parameters (baud rate, parity, etc.) match those of the host computer.
- Verify that the correct interface cable is installed between the host computer and the printer.
- If the printer is using the parallel interface, verify that the terminating resistors are correct.

If you have limited communications experience and the cause of the problem is not readily apparent, do the following:

1. Print out the printer configuration.
2. Verify that you have the latest level of software. If not, load the latest level.
3. Obtain a copy of the Device Host Configuration if possible.
4. Call your support group for help in analyzing the problem.

If you cannot get help, or if you have experience solving host-printer communications problems, the following additional information is provided.

You can quickly check the ASCII portion of printer logic by sending a plain text file from a computer to the printer to the parallel or serial port. For a description of the ASCII interfaces, refer to the *User's Manual*.



Table 14. Common Communications Problems

Problem	Interface	Common Causes
Fails to print from host -or- Prints incorrect characters -or- Prints extra characters -or- Drops characters -or- Data loss	parallel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Host/Network configuration</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Terminating resistors</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ul>
	serial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Host/Printer interface cable pinouts incompatible</li> <li>- Host/Printer/Network configuration</li> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ul>
	USB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Host/Printer/Network configuration</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ul>
	twinax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Host-Printer definition</li> <li>- Controller/Network configuration</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ul>
	coax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Controller/Network configuration</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> </ul>
	ethernet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interface cable defective</li> <li>- Host/Printer/Network configuration</li> <li>- Printer logic</li> <li>- Incorrect printer configuration. Refer customer to the <i>User's Manual</i>.</li> <li>- Incorrect ethernet configuration. Refer customer to the <i>Network Interface Card User's Manual</i>.</li> <li>- Refer to the NIC Assembly section in the Replacing Parts Chapter of the <i>SLPA7000r Maintenance Manual</i> for a description of the NIC dip switch settings.</li> </ul>

## Device Handshaking

Handshaking is the exchange of signals between the host computer and the printer to indicate the status of the data being transferred. In serial data transfer the printer uses both hardware and software handshaking and transmits both forms simultaneously when the input buffer is full.

The printer can be used with either serial or parallel host interfaces. Parallel interfaces are usually straightforward, with no special settings required. Serial interfaces, however, have a variety of possible communication parameter settings.

There are two methods of handshaking on a serial interface:

- **Hardware Handshaking**  
This is an electrical signal controlled by the logic state on pin 20 of serial interface connector J2 at the back of the printer. The signal goes high when the printer is ready to receive data. The signal goes low when the printer is in the busy state, which indicates that the input buffer is full and can no longer receive data.
- **Software Handshaking**  
XON and XOFF are software signals that control serial data flow between the printer and the host system. When the printer input buffer is full, the printer sends the XOFF (Hex 13) character, which signals the host to stop sending data. When space becomes available in the input buffer, the printer sends the XON (Hex 11) character, which tells the host that the printer is ready to receive more data.

## The Printer Interface

The printer will not function properly if an incorrectly wired interface cable or the wrong interface cable is installed.

When the printer is first powered up, it resets itself to the following default communication parameters:

PARAMETER	DEFAULT VALUE
Baud	9600
Data Bits	8
Parity	NONE
Stop Bits	1

Use the SERIAL PORT menu to change serial interface parameters. (Refer to the *User's Manual*.)

## Troubleshooting A New Installation

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Customers with new printers sometimes report “problems” that reflect unfamiliarity with the printer and manuals rather than true fault conditions. If a customer reports general printer problems and the printer was recently installed, check the following:

### Printer Configuration

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Many customers have difficulty configuring new printers for operation with their computer system. Since there are many system configurations and parameter options, configuring a printer can be challenging to those who do not do it often. Check the customer’s host interface to the printer and make sure the printer configuration conforms to the host. If the customer has not yet made a configuration printout, show him how to print and store his printer’s configuration. (Refer to the *User’s Manual*.)

### GAP NOT DETECTED

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1. Do the Run Calibrate procedure. (Refer to the *User’s Manual*.) Sometimes the customer simply loads media and starts to print without calibrating the media sensor(s).
2. Using the starter kit, guide the customer step-by-step through the setup process. The starter kit helps greatly to resolve start-up problems because the ribbon and media are designed to work well with the printer.

### PRINT HEAD UP

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Show the customer the printhead latch and how to close the pivoting deck. The pivoting deck can appear to be closed when it is held down only by friction. Make sure the latch closes.

### Ribbon

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1. If the customer’s application calls for a ribbon, make sure it is installed correctly.
2. In the QUICK SETUP or MEDIA CONTROL menu, verify that the customer has selected the correct mode for his application: Direct Thermal (no ribbon required) or Transfer Thermal (ribbon required).

### Documentation

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Stress the importance of consulting the documents that come with the printer. These manuals explain how to operate, care for, and troubleshoot the printer. The manuals also have helpful tips about how to choose media and ribbons and how to obtain the best print quality.

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# A

# Specifications

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## Applicator Orientation

The SLPA may be mounted for top, bottom, or side applications.

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## Product Distance Variation

The relationship between the SLPA and the product is adjustable by moving the entire machine on the mounting stand. The applicator effective stroke length is adjustable by setting the cylinder apply pressure along with the cylinder extend time. The maximum stroke from the bottom of the SLPA is equal to the length of the cylinder stroke minus 2.50 inches (63.4 mm).

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## Application Rate

The maximum application rate depends upon the label size and the mode of operation. The actual applicator cycle time must be totaled with the printing time, data download, and formatting time (if in Unique mode), to determine maximum cycle rate for a particular application and label size.

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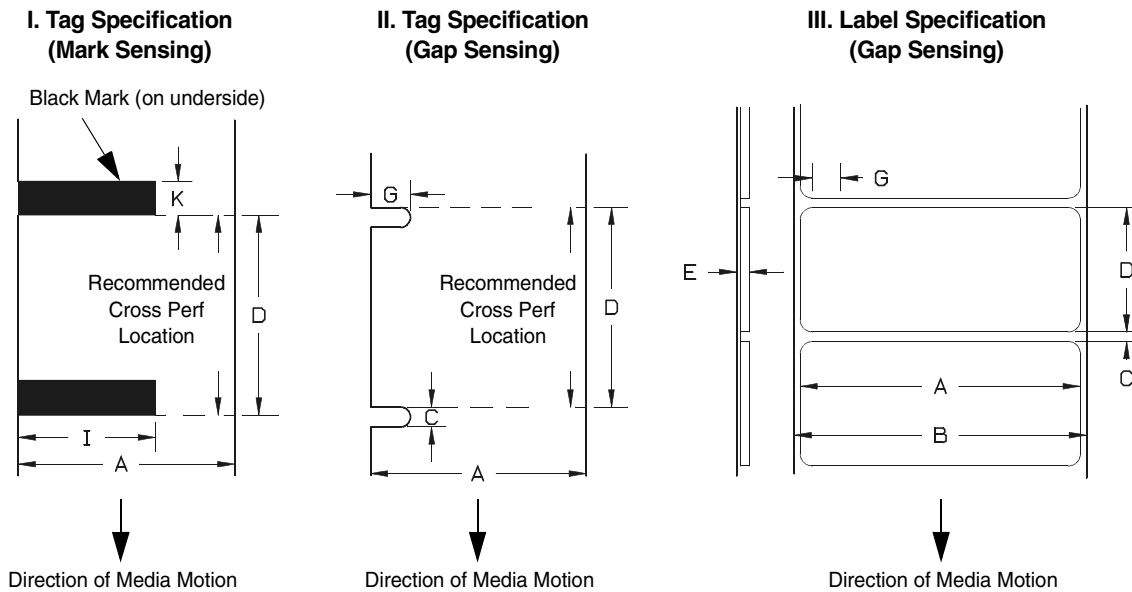
## Printing

<b>Print Speed</b>	2.0 inches (50.8 mm) to 10 inches (254 mm) per sec {7204 SLPA} 2.0 inches (50.8 mm) to 8 inches (203 mm) per sec {7304 SLPA}
<b>Slew Speed</b>	2.0 inches (50.8 mm) to 10 inches (254 mm) per sec {7204 SLPA} 2.0 inches (50.8 mm) to 8 inches (203 mm) per sec {7304 SLPA}
<b>Dot Size</b>	0.005 inch (0.127 mm) dots per inch {7204 SLPA} 0.003 inch (0.076 mm) dots per inch {7304 SLPA}
<b>Dot Density</b>	300 dots/inch (11.8 dots/mm) {7304 SLPA} 203 dots/inch (8 dots/mm) {7204 SLPA}

# Media

<b>Maximum Roll OD</b>	12 inches	305 mm
<b>Minimum Roll ID</b>	3 inches	76 mm
<b>Roll Length</b>	2400 feet	732 meters
<b>Printing Width</b>	3.0 to 4.1 inches	75 to 104 mm
<b>Printing Length</b>	2.0 to 10 inches *	50.8 to 254 mm
<b>Gap for 100% Printing</b>	0.10 inches	2.54 mm
<b>Thickness</b>	0.0025 to 0.0100 inches	0.0635 to 0.254 mm

\* For labels longer than 8.0 inches custom work is needed.  
Contact your Printronix service representative for details.



**Figure 33. Media Dimensions**

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**Table 15. Media Specifications**

A	Label Width Range	0.75 -4.5 in. 19.1-114.3 mm
B	Backing Width Range	0.75-4.5 in. 19.1-114.3 mm
C	Min. Gap/Hole/Notch Height	0.10 in. 2.54 mm
K	Min. Refl. Mark Height	0.10 in. 2.54 mm
I	Min Refl. Mark Width	0.5 in. 12.7 mm
E	Media Thickness Range	.0025-.010 in. .0635-.254 mm
G	Width of Inter-label gap/hole	0.25-0.50 in. 6.35-12.7 mm
D	Media Length Range	2 in. - 8 in.
These figures are approximate and depend upon the active emulation and application.		

## Ribbon

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<b>Roll OD</b>	3.0 inches	76 mm
<b>Roll ID</b>	1.0 inches	25.4 mm
<b>Std Length</b>	1476 feet	450 meters
<b>Max Length</b>	2050 feet	625 meters
<b>Thickness</b>	4.5 micron	4.5 micron

## Electrical

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<b>Input Voltage</b>	115 VAC $\pm$ 10%, single phase @ 50 to 60 Hz 230 VAC $\pm$ 10%, single phase @ 50 to 60 Hz
<b>Power Entry Module</b>	One 2.0 Amp, 250 V Slo-Blo fuse

**WARNING** The SLPA must be connected to a properly grounded receptacle free of power surges and fluctuations. Proper operation/protection of the SLPA can only be guaranteed if its power supply is maintained within the electrical supply specifications given above.

The power supply cord used with the SLPA must be a 2 conductor plus ground type with minimum 0.75 mm square conductors. This connector must incorporate a standard IEC appliance coupler on one end and a main plug on the other end, which is suitable for use and application of the product and is approved for use in the country of application.

## Pneumatic

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<b>Supply Pressure</b>	Recommended setting for regulated air supply is 80 to 100 psi (550 to 690 kPa)
<b>Apply Cylinder Pressure</b>	Recommended setting for internal apply pressure is 40 to 60 psi (140 to 275 kPa)
<b>Air Flow Rates</b>	3 to 5 scfm (85 to 142 sclm)
<b>Connection</b>	1/4 inch NPT
<b>Vacuum</b>	20 inch hg minimum recommended.

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## Environmental

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<b>Operating Temperature</b> <b>Storage Temperature</b>	40° to 100° F (4° to 38° C) -40° to 150° F (-40° to 65° C)
<b>Operating Humidity</b> <b>Storage Humidity</b>	10 to 95% non-condensing 5 to 85% non-condensing
<b>Liquids</b>	Free of direct fluid contact
<b>Solids</b>	Minimize unnecessary exposure to dirt, dust, and other debris; non-conducting, non-corrosive
<b>Chemicals</b>	Free of caustic or corrosive exposure
<b>Ventilation</b>	Free air movement around the SLPA
<b>EM Immunity</b>	Operating area must be free of emissions in the 250 to 300 MHz range.

## Physical

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<b>Length</b>	29.0625 inches	738 mm
<b>Height</b>	24.5 inches	622 mm
<b>Width</b>	17.0 inches	432 mm
<b>Weight</b>	96 pounds	43.6 Kg

**NOTE:** Dimensions DO NOT include mounting bar, warning/fault beacons, or labels. Allow at least 8 inches (203.2 mm) additional space for power supply, cables, and air lines.



## Connections

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### RS-232C Serial Port

One serial port (COM 1) is provided on the SLPA as a connection for host devices. This female DB25, RS-232C serial port has the following connections:

<b>Pin 2</b>	Transmit Data
<b>Pin 3</b>	Receive Data
<b>Pin 7</b>	Signal Ground

The serial ports must be configured for the correct baud rate, parity, and stop bits.

## Communications Interface

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Standard interfaces include RS-232 (only if RFID is disabled), and IEEE-1284 Centronics parallel. Optional interfaces are ethernet and Wireless 802.11B. If using ethernet, parallel is no longer available.

# B

## Options

### Expansion Modules

The following modules may be used to expand system capabilities, and are inserted into an open slot in the system's card cage. Two different modules are available for the SLPA:

- **Font Expansion Card:**  
Contains a 4 MB Flash memory for printing international languages/ graphics and contains either a CG-Times, a Kanji Gothic, a Simplified Chinese, or a Korean Hangul Scalable font.
- **DMXNet Print Server Card:**  
Provides network interface through an ethernet style connection. Allows system monitoring and management from standard web browser software, using Novell, UNIX, Windows NT, Apple Talk and other compatible software.

### Beacon Package Options

Optional remote indication and/or system control is possible through these options. Both types of optional equipment use a PLC expansion module with additional cabling, sensors and/or additional components.

The specifications for the PLC expansion module are:

Relay Output Voltage	DC Current Rating @ 45° C	Max. Current Rating (All Terminals)	Response Time Off to On/On to Off
24 VDC	1A	1A	10 msec./8 msec.

## Fault/Warning Beacon Package

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This option provides a blue and an amber beacon tower that is connected to the SLPA. The blue/amber lights are used to convey fault/warning information in this package, as follows:

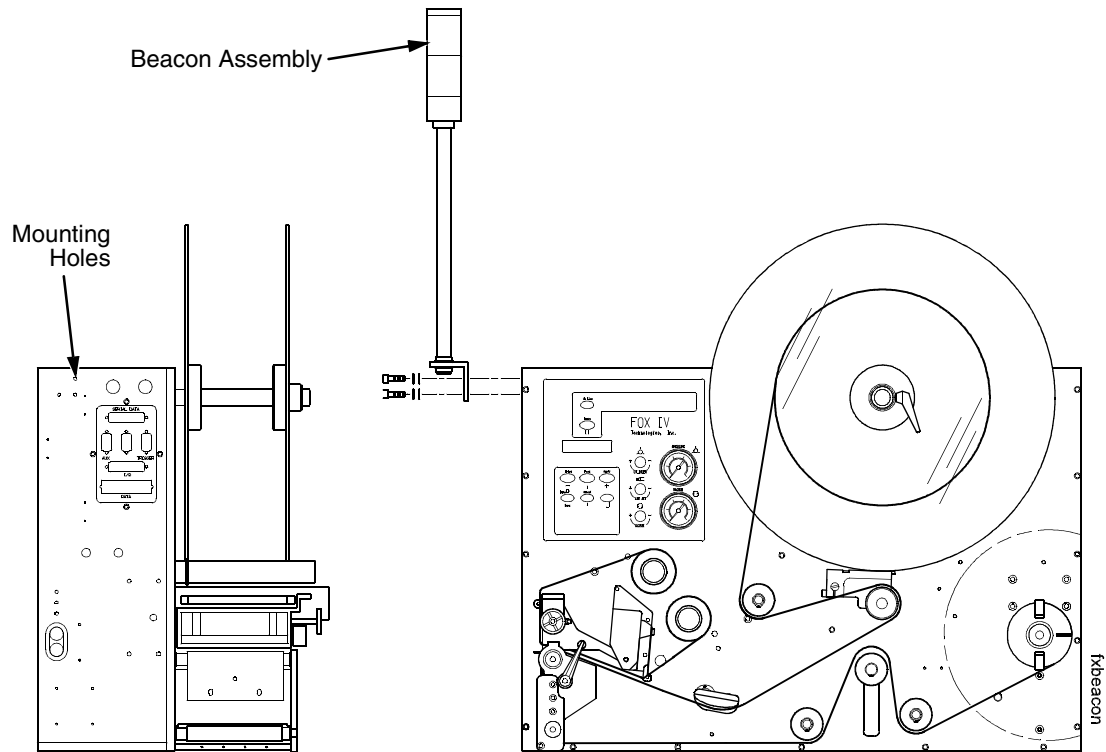
- **Fault:** An illuminated blue beacon signals a fault situation. Fault conditions (such as Out of Label) signal a state where operation is suspended until the condition is cleared.
- **Warning:** An illuminated amber beacon signals a low label situation. This signal state allows operation to continue, but the operator is prompted to check the system's status.

## Label On Pad Sensor

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The sensor detects whether or not a label is present on the pad. Typically the sensor is set to 15 inches of pulling vacuum. If the sensor detects less than 15 inches of pulling vacuum, it tells the system that the label is not on the pad. If the sensor detects more than 15 inches of pulling vacuum, it tells the system that the label is on the pad. Once the sensor detects that a label is on the pad, the system goes into the label application stage. The vacuum generator should be set to a minimum of 20 inches when the label is on the pad.

## Mounting The Beacon



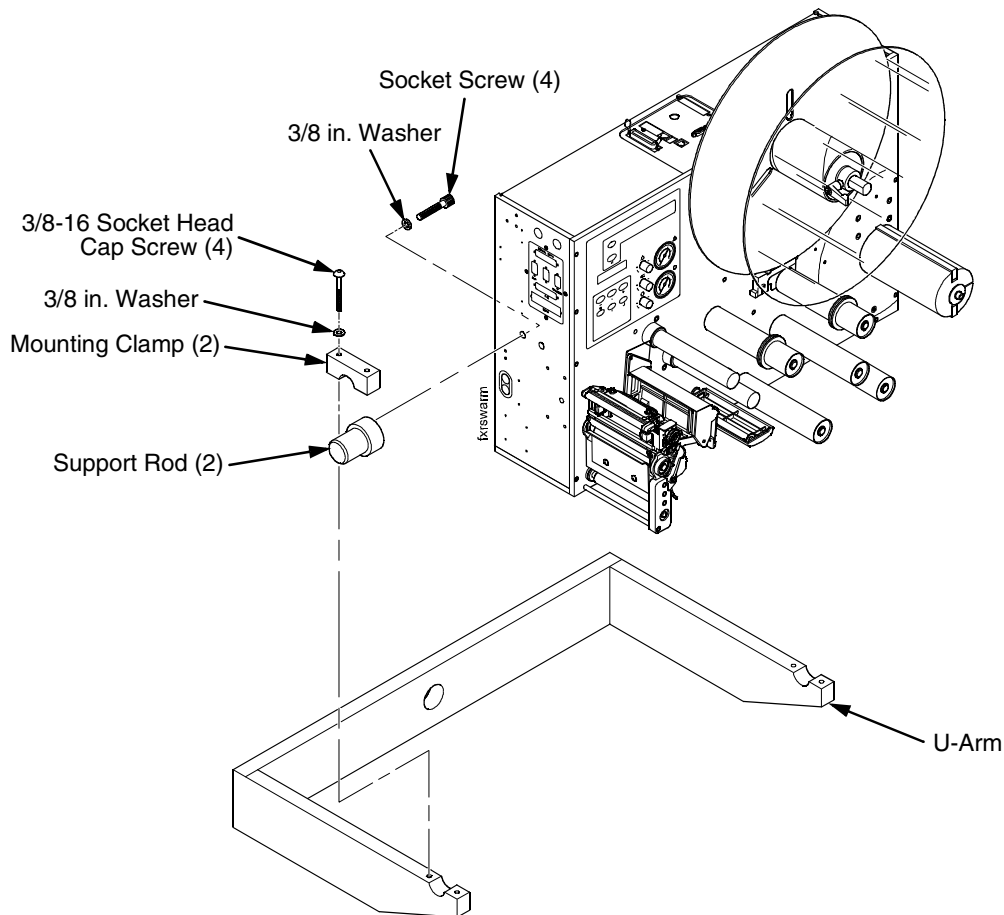
**Figure 34. Beacon Mounting**

If a beacon option was ordered with the system, it is advisable to mount it before mounting the SLPA to the conveyor line. To mount the beacon post:

1. Orient the mounting holes of the beacon to the holes on the side panel of the SLPA and secure into place using the provided screws.
2. Connect the 5-pin connector assembly of the beacon to the 5-pin plug located on the side panel of the SLPA (Power Panel).

## Mounting Accessories

### U-Arm And Accessories



**Figure 35. U-Arm and Offset Arms**

The SLPA is designed so that it can be mounted to a stand, or other fixturing device, using button head socket screws and U-arm. The offset arms are provided to adapt the SLPA for mounting to the U-arm.

**NOTE:** The optional mounting stand that can be purchased with the SLPA utilizes the U-arm configuration.

1. Secure the support rod to the side plates of the SLPA using the two washers and four socket screws provided. (If the U-arm was purchased with your SLPA, this may already be done.)
2. Secure the U-arm to the stand, or other mounting device using the two mounting clamps, two 3/8 inch washers, and four 3/8-16 socket head cap screws provided.
3. Insert the support rods of the offset arms into the recessed section of the U-arm and hold into place.

- Secure the SLPA into place using the 3/8-16 socket head cap screws provided with the two U-arm clamps. Torque the bolts to 36 ft-lbs in increments of 6 ft-lbs for each bolt.

**CAUTION** Use extreme caution when lowering the SLPA onto the U-arm. The SLPA is a heavy unit and may be difficult to lift by one individual. Once the SLPA is supported by the U-arm, it must be held in place until it is secured with the U-arm clamps. The weight distribution of the SLPA is not balanced, therefore, it would tend to pivot on the support rods. The U-arm clamps will supply enough pressure to hold the SLPA into place.

## Mounting Stand

An optional mounting stand can be purchased with the SLPA that utilizes a standard U-arm configuration. Offset arms are provided with all stands, that mount directly to the sides of the SLPA, for easy assembly to the U-arm. Once mounted on the stand, the SLPA can be rotated and locked into various positions for printing.

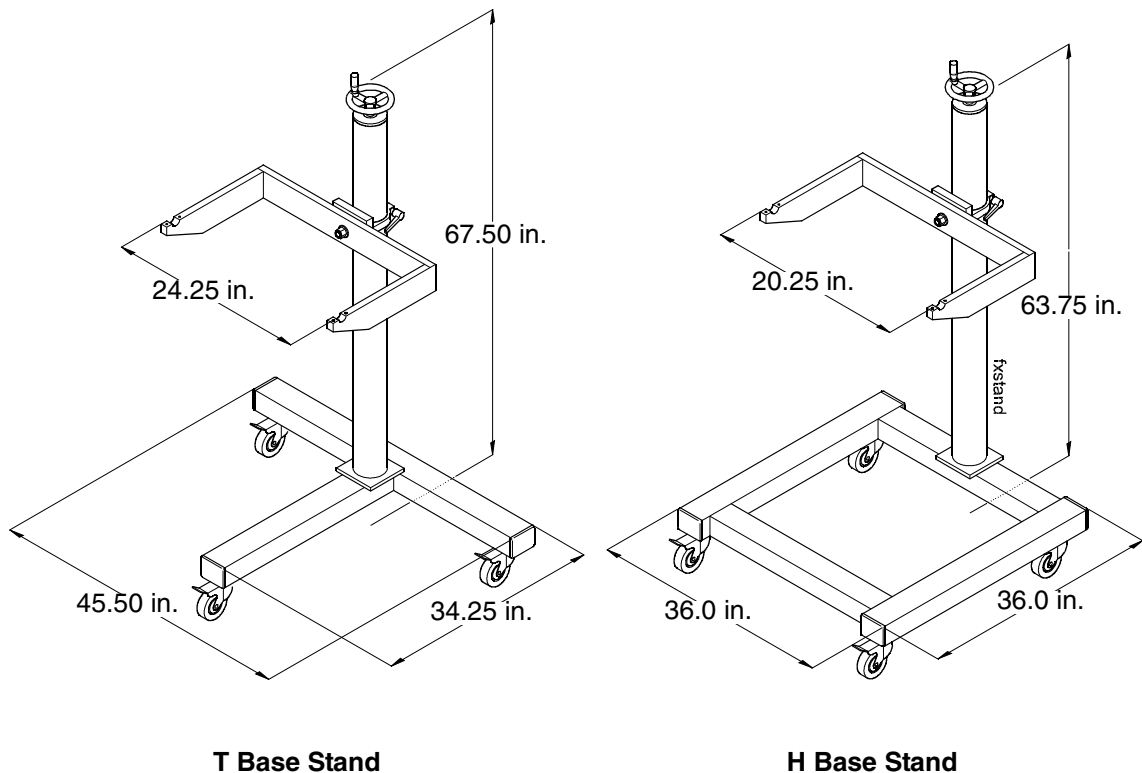


Figure 36. Mounting Stand

## Low Label Sensor

The low label sensor activates the warning beacon to alert the operator of a low label situation. The low label indication can come from the optional fault warning beacon (light tower), message to the LCD or message to the host computer. The low label sensor is typically not adjusted after manufacturing as it is located behind the media unwind assembly. Its position may be moved to allow more or less media stock on the unwind roll before signal activation. Proceed as follows:

1. Remove the front label roll retainer and the label roll back stop.
2. Remove the two #6-32 screws, relocate the sensor in one of the three possible sensor location holes, and replace the #6-32 anchoring screws.
3. Replace the front label roll retainer and the label roll back stop.

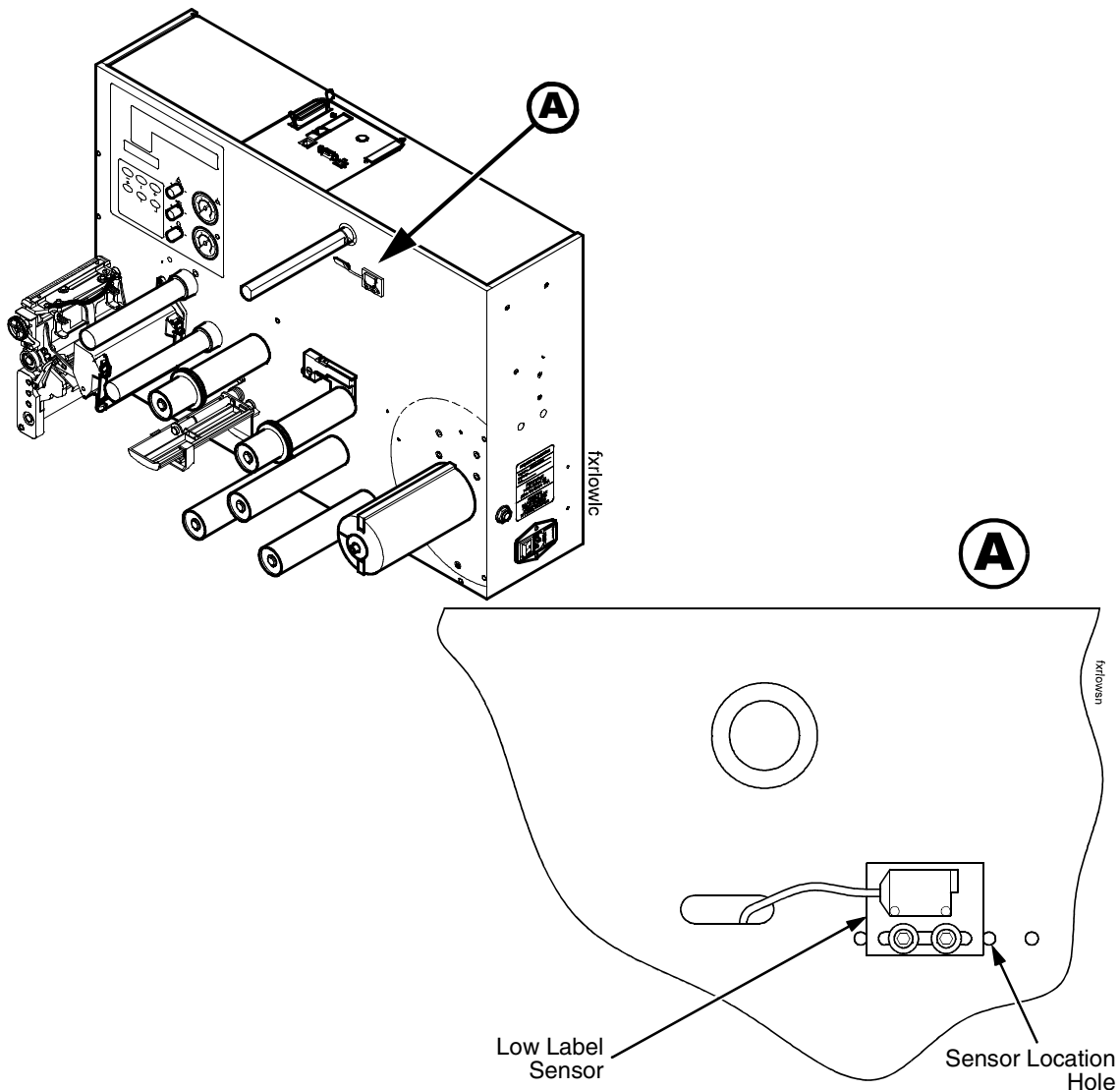
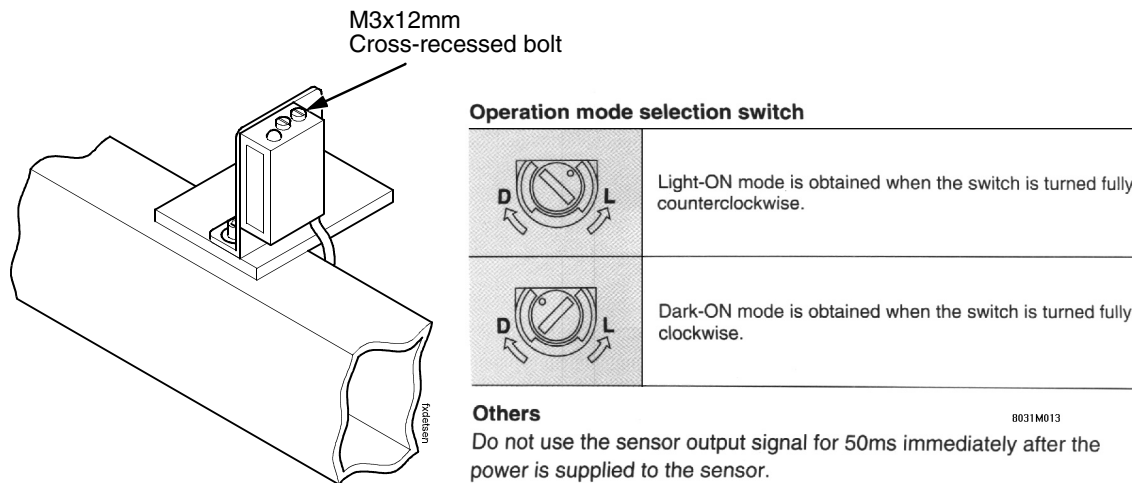


Figure 37. Low Label Sensor Adjustment

When the label stock is running low, the low label signal state should be **ON**. To test the label low input:

1. Remove the label stock from the label roll hub while monitoring this signal state.
2. Turn the label roll hub so that the sensor is not visible through one of the slots in the label roll back stop.
3. Clear the fault condition by feeding label/ribbon stock through the printhead as noted by the display instructions.
4. Once the error is cleared, rotate the label roll back stop until the low label sensor visibly aligns with one of the open slots in the plate. If the signal state does not change, the sensor and its wiring may need maintenance.

## Product Sensor



**Figure 38. Product Sensor Adjustment**

The product sensor mounts on the side of the conveyor and detects the presence of the product and activates the tamp cycle and next print cycle. The print cycle begins by printing a label and feeding it to the applicator. The system then waits the designated Delay Time, after which the applicator extends to place the label, then returns to await the beginning of the next print command. The mounting position of the product sensor determines the rough placement of the label on the product (see “Label Application (Positioning) Adjustments” on page 68). The DB9 Connector located on the back of the SLPA connects the product sensor to the SLPA.



Product sensors of the following type may be used:

Type	Pin Number	Pin Description
12 - 24 VDC Photo eye (Provided)	1	100mA max current allowed
	2	GND
	6	Signal
Device using NPN Transistor with open collector output SINK 50 ma	2	GND
	6	Signal
Mechanical Switch	2	GND
	6	Signal

**CAUTION** The internal signal is pulled up to +24VDC.

**Use shielding cables which should be grounded at the SLPA end. It is also recommended that a 200 Ω ferrite be attached to the cable for adequate EMI shielding.**

The product sensor supplied by Printronix has a range of 12 inches (300mm) and has a sensitivity adjustment for different sensing levels. This sensor has two modes of operation, Light Operate and Dark Operate. When an object is in front of the product sensor, the LED, located on the back of the sensor is lit. When in Light Operate mode, the factory preset mode, the sensor will trigger when the LED turns on (is lit). This mode would therefore apply a label when the leading edge of the product is detected by the sensor. When in Dark Operate mode, however, the sensor will trigger when the LED turns off (is not lit). This mode would therefore apply a label when the trailing edge of the product is detected by the sensor.

**NOTE:** For a standard SLPA, the sensor should be set to Light Operate mode. If the Dark Operator mode is required, custom work is needed and must therefore be specified prior to order placement.

If the sensor is set to Dark Operator mode for a standard SLPA, the cylinder will always cycle one time on power-up.

To adjust the product sensor delay to the correct time for the size of the product:

1. Adjust the sensitivity by turning the gain on the top of the product sensor. The red LED located on the top of the product sensor is provided to help set the sensitivity.

To adjust to a lower sensitivity, turn the gain counterclockwise. To adjust to a higher sensitivity, turn the gain clockwise.

**NOTE:** The product sensor should be set to a lower sensitivity if it is being triggered by background objects. If the product sensor does not trigger when the product passes in front of the sensor, it should be set to a higher sensitivity.

## Application Options

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**NOTE:** The following application options require custom work and must therefore be specified prior to order placement.

### Cylinder Stroke Lengths

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To customize the SLPA to meet individual application requirements, applicators are available in the following cylinder stroke lengths:

- 8.0 inches (203 mm)
- 14.0 inches (357 mm) - standard
- 20.0 inches (508 mm)

**NOTE:** The lengths specified above do not reflect the actual distance that the SLPA can be positioned from the product. The applicator pad must travel 4.75 inches (120.65 mm) from the peel point (point at which the label is applied) before reaching the bottom of the SLPA. Therefore, an SLPA that has a cylinder length of 14 inches, for example, can be positioned no more than 11.50 inches (292 mm) from the product to make contact.

### Soft Pad

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For applications requiring cushioned application, a soft applicator pad is available. This pad is manufactured from foam rubber rather than hard plastic, as the standard applicator pad. This option is useful for applying labels to fragile products or products that have irregular surfaces.

### Random Stroke Sensor

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The random stroke regulator controls the trip point at which the applicator will return to its home position, once it makes contact with the product. This allows products of different sizes to be marked without concern of the applicator crushing objects which require a shorter stroke of the applicator.

There are several sensor types which may be used with the random stroke function, depending upon the customer's application. Regardless of the type of sensor used, all random stroke sensors will interface with the SLPA via the auxiliary connection on the interface panel.



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## *Downloading Software*

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### **Loading Flash Memory**

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Flash memory is contained in a SIMM (single in-line memory module) located on the controller PCBA. Printer control languages (the “emulations”) and printer operating system software are loaded into flash memory at the factory, but there are occasions when you may have to load this software:

- You have replaced the controller PCBA
- You have replaced flash memory
- The customer needs to upgrade printer software
- The customer needs different emulation software
- The customer buys the PGL or VGL graphics language, the CT option, the IPDS option, or the ethernet NIC (network interface card) option after the printer is installed

Emulation and operating system software are included as files on a CD-ROM that comes with the printer. You will copy the appropriate file from the CD-ROM to a computer’s hard disk, then download the file from the computer into printer memory.

#### **IMPORTANT**

**When downloading emulation and operating system software to the printer, all other optional fonts, customer-supplied logos, setup files, feature files, and TIFF files will be erased. You will then need to reload those files. Before starting a download procedure, be sure that you have all the necessary files on hand.**

You can load software through the serial, parallel, or ethernet port of the printer, and you can do it three ways:

- If your computer can run Java™ programs, you can load software through any printer port by using the Firmware Download Utility included on the CD that comes with the printer. (See below.)
- You can use DOS commands to load software through the parallel port or serial port. (See page 265.)
- If the printer has the ethernet NIC (network interface card) installed, you can load software through the ethernet port. (See page 268.)

## Loading Software With The Firmware Download Utility

The Firmware Download Utility (FDU) allows you to load program files into the printer with an easy to use graphical interface. The FDU is a utility program included on the CD that comes with the printer. It can be used on computers running the Windows or UNIX<sup>®</sup> (such as Linux<sup>®</sup> or Solaris<sup>™</sup>) operating systems. With the FDU, you can choose the printer port through which to load software (all are supported), configure the port, and initiate the download.

The FDU is a Java-based program, so you need the Java 2 Platform, Standard Edition (J2SE<sup>™</sup>) Java Runtime Environment (JRE) installed on your computer. The Windows version of the J2SE JRE is included on the CD that comes with the printer in the form of an executable file:

**j2re-1\_4\_2\_08-windows-i586-p.exe**. Copy this file to your computer and double-click it; it will self-extract and install the J2SE JRE on your computer.

**NOTE:** If you have a Linux or Solaris system, you can download the J2SE JRE for your system from <http://java.sun.com/j2se>.

If you have another UNIX system, see your system administrator.

Conditions for use of the included Java Software are set forth in the Sun Microsystems Binary Code License Agreement (<http://java.com/en/download/license.jsp>). In the event of any conflicting terms, the Binary Code License Agreement controls.

1. Make a configuration printout of all saved configurations. (Refer to the *User's Manual*.)
2. Set the printer power switch to O (Off).
3. Disconnect the data (signal) cable(s) from the printer interface connectors.
4. Connect a printer data cable to the parallel, serial, or ethernet port of the computer you will use to download the software.
5. Connect the printer data cable to the appropriate I/O port of the printer.
6. On the printer control panel, press and hold down the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys. Without releasing the keys, power the printer on. When you see "B01: STATUS" on the LCD, release the keys.
7. Wait until you see "PROGRAM DOWNLOAD" on the LCD before doing the next step. This can take about a minute to appear, depending on the emulations and interfaces installed in the printer.
8. On your computer, create a directory named **download** at the root level of the hard drive (e.g., **C:\download** on a Windows computer).
9. Insert the printer emulation software CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive.
10. Copy the **FDU.jar** file from the CD-ROM to your computer.

11. Open the **readme.txt** file on the CD-ROM. There are two emulation sets with corresponding part number files from which to choose:  
CT / IPDS / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
TN / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
Both emulations include the LP+ emulation. They are offered in two file formats: .exe and .prg. You can use either format with the FDU.
12. Identify which emulation set you want to load into the printer and note the filename that corresponds to that emulation. The filename is a six digit number plus **.exe** or **.prg**. For example: 123456.exe or 123456.prg  
**This is the file you will download into the printer.**
13. Copy the file to the **download** directory you created in step 8.
14. Double-click the **FDU.jar** file (for command line prompt users, type `java -jar fdu.jar`<Enter>). It will launch in its own window. Use the FDU to enter the emulation part number, to select the I/O connection and its corresponding settings, and to initiate the download.

### **IMPORTANT**

**Do not interrupt the downloading process once it has started. Interrupting a download will leave the flash memory on the controller PCBA incompletely loaded, and the printer may not boot up.**

15. When the new software has successfully loaded into flash memory and the printer has reset itself, set the printer power switch to O (Off).
16. Remove the CD-ROM from your computer and store it with the printer.
17. If required, reconnect the data input cable(s) to the printer.
18. Set the printer power switch to I (On).
19. Using the configuration printout(s) you made in step 1, page 264, restore the printer configurations. (Refer to the printer *User's Manual*.)

## Loading Through The Parallel Or Serial Port Using DOS

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1. Make a configuration printout of all saved configurations. (Refer to the *User's Manual*.)
2. Set the printer power switch to O (Off).
3. Disconnect the data (signal) cable(s) from the printer interface connectors.
4. Connect a parallel data printer cable to the LPT1 port or a serial data printer cable to the COM1 port of an IBM-compatible computer running the Windows (95, 98, Me, NT, 2000, or XP) operating system.  
**NOTE:** You can connect the cable to the LPT2 port if the LPT1 port is in use. The load command is different if you use this port, so make sure you use the LPT2 commands in step 15.  
Software loads at 9600 baud if you load through the serial port with a DOS command. This can take a long time. Software loads much faster through the parallel port.
5. Connect the data cable to the appropriate I/O port of the printer.

6. On the printer control panel, press and hold down the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys. Without releasing the keys, power the printer on. When you see "B01: STATUS" on the LCD, release the keys.
7. Wait until you see "PROGRAM DOWNLOAD" on the LCD before doing the next step. This can take about a minute to appear, depending on the emulations and interfaces installed in the printer.
8. Using Windows Explorer, create a directory named **download** at the root level of your C: hard drive (**C:\download**).
9. Insert the printer emulation software CD-ROM into your computer's CD-ROM drive.
10. Open the readme.txt file on the CD-ROM. There are two emulation sets with corresponding part number files from which to choose:  
CT / IPDS / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
TN / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
Both emulations include the LP+ emulation. They are offered in two file formats: .exe and .prg. **Use .exe files to download through the parallel or serial port.**
11. Identify which emulation set you want to load into the printer and note the filename that corresponds to that emulation. The filename is a six digit number plus .exe. For example: 123456.exe  
**This is the file you will download into the printer.**
12. Copy the file to the **download** directory you created in step 8.
13. Start a command prompt session. (The Start Menu icon is usually labeled **MS-DOS<sup>®</sup> Prompt** or **Command Prompt**.)
14. At the command prompt type:  
C:><Enter>  
cd \download<Enter>
15. To load the file through the **LPT1 parallel port** on the computer, type the following at the command prompt on the computer:  
*filename.exe* -pb<Enter>  
where *filename.exe* is the file name you noted in step 11. This command decompresses the file on the hard drive and copies it as a binary file into the flash memory on the printer controller board.  
  
To load the file through the **LPT2 parallel port** on the computer, enter the following command:  
*filename.exe* -pb2 <Enter>  
  
To load the file through the **serial port**, enter the following commands:  
mode COM1:9600,N,8,1,P<Enter>  
*filename.exe* -pbc1<Enter>

**NOTE:** Software loads at 9600 baud if you load through the serial port with a DOS command. This can take a long time. Software loads much faster through the parallel port.

When you power up in download mode (step 6) the printer is ready to accept data from all ports. When the printer receives data from one of the ports (based on the load command you give) the other ports shut down.

**IMPORTANT** Do not interrupt the downloading process once it has started. Interrupting a download will leave the flash memory on the controller PCBA incompletely loaded, and the printer may not boot up.




While the file is copied into memory, the printer LCD informs you of the load process and status.

16. When the new software has successfully loaded into flash memory and the printer has reset itself, set the printer power switch to O (Off).
17. Remove the CD-ROM from the host computer and store it with the printer.
18. If required, reconnect the data input cable(s) to the printer.
19. Set the printer power switch to I (On).
20. Using the configuration printout(s) you made in step 1 on page 265, restore the printer configurations. (Refer to the printer *User's Manual*.)

## Loading Software If Flash Contains Only Boot Code

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If the flash memory contains only boot code (e.g., if it is new), or if a download was interrupted (e.g., by a power outage), you must download software through the printer's parallel port using the three-key initialization sequence covered in this section.

1. Make sure the printer's parallel port is available. In some configurations, you may have to re-install the Centronics® I/O cable and connector in order to load basic software into the printer.
2. Set the printer power switch to O (Off).
3. Disconnect the data (signal) cable(s) from the printer interface connectors.
4. Connect a parallel data printer cable to the LPT1 port or LPT2 port of an IBM-compatible computer running the Windows (95, 98, Me, NT, 2000, or XP) operating system.
5. Connect the data cable to the Centronics port of the printer.
6. On the printer control panel, press and hold down the , , and  keys. Without releasing the keys, power the printer on. When you see "B20: STATUS 00% / DOWNLOAD MODE" on the LCD, release the keys.
7. Using Windows Explorer, create a directory named **download** at the root level of your C: hard drive. (**C:\download**)
8. Insert the printer emulation software CD-ROM into your computer's CD-ROM drive.
9. Open the readme.txt file on the CD-ROM. There are two emulation sets with corresponding part number files from which to choose:  
CT / IPDS / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
TN / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
Both emulations include the LP+ emulation. They are offered in two file formats: .exe and .prg. **Use .exe files to download through the parallel port.**
10. Identify which emulation set you want to load into the printer and note the filename that corresponds to that emulation. The filename is a six digit



number plus **.exe**. For example: 123456.exe

**This is the file you will download into the printer.**

11. Copy the file to the **download** directory you created in step 7.
12. Start a command prompt session. (The Start Menu icon is usually labeled **MS-DOS Prompt** or **Command Prompt**.)
13. At the command prompt type:  
`C:><Enter>`  
`cd \download<Enter>`
14. To load the file through the LPT1 parallel port on the computer, type the following at the command prompt on the computer:  
`filename.exe -pb<Enter>`  
where *filename.exe* is the file name you noted in step 11. This command decompresses the file on the hard drive and copies it as a binary file into the flash memory on the printer controller board.  
  
To load the file through the LPT2 parallel port on the computer, enter the following command:  
`filename.exe -pb2 <Enter>`
15. When the software has successfully loaded into flash memory and the printer has reset itself, set the printer power switch to O (Off).
16. Starting at step 6, page 266, repeat the “Loading Through The Parallel Or Serial Port Using DOS” procedure. (In other words, use the two-key method to load software again.) This ensures that all necessary code is loaded into printer memory.

## Loading Software Through The NIC

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### IMPORTANT

To load software through the NIC, you need the IP Address of the printer and the flash memory must contain basic printer code. If the flash memory was replaced, or if a download was interrupted (e.g., by a power outage), you must load software through the parallel port. (See “Loading Software If Flash Contains Only Boot Code” on page 267.)

1. Make a configuration printout of all saved configurations. (Refer to the *User's Manual*.)
2. Set the printer power switch to O (Off).
3. Connect the ethernet cable to the printer interface.
4. On the printer control panel, press and hold down the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys. Without releasing the keys, power the printer on. When you see “B01: STATUS” on the LCD, release the keys.
5. Wait until you see “WAITING FOR DOWNLOAD” on the LCD before proceeding. This can take about a minute to appear, depending on the emulations and interfaces installed in the printer.
6. Using Windows Explorer, create a directory named **download** at the root level of your C: hard drive. (C:\download)
7. Insert the printer emulation software CD-ROM into your computer’s CD-ROM drive.

8. Open the readme.txt file on the CD-ROM. There are two emulation sets with corresponding part number files from which to choose:  
CT / IPDS / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
TN / IGP / ZGL / TGL / IGL / STGL  
Both emulations include the LP+ emulation. They are offered in two file formats: .exe and .prg. **Use .prg files to download through the NIC.**
9. Identify which emulation set you want to load into the printer and note the filename that corresponds to that emulation. The filename is a six digit number plus .prg. For example: 123456.prg  
**This is the file you will download into the NIC.**
10. Copy the file to the **download** directory you created in step 6.
11. Start a command prompt session in Windows. (The Start Menu icon is usually labeled **MS-DOS Prompt** or **Command Prompt**.)
12. At the command prompt type:  
c:<Enter>  
cd \download<Enter>
13. Start the FTP (file transfer protocol) program by typing:  
ftp xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx<Enter>  
(where xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx is the IP Address of the printer.)
14. Log in to the printer by typing:  
root<Enter>  
You are given a password prompt.  
**NOTE:** The default is no password. If the FTP program requires a password, contact the system administrator.
15. At the password prompt, press <Enter>.
16. Once logged in, type the following sequence at the command prompt to download the *filename.prg* file to the printer:  
cd dest<Enter>  
cd dlprn<Enter>  
bin<Enter>  
put *filename.prg*<Enter>  
(where *filename.prg* is the file name you noted in step 9)

**IMPORTANT**

**Do not interrupt the downloading process once it has started. Interrupting a download will leave the flash memory on the controller PCBA and NIC incompletely loaded, and the printer may not boot up.**

17. When the download is complete, exit the FTP program by typing:  
quit<Enter>
18. When the new software has successfully loaded into flash memory and the printer has reset itself, set the printer power switch to O (Off).
19. Remove the CD-ROM from the host computer and store it with the printer.
20. If required, reconnect the data input cable(s) to the printer.
21. Set the printer power switch to I (On).
22. Using the configuration printout(s) you made in step 1, page 268, restore the printer configurations. (Refer to the printer *User's Manual*.)

## Downloading Optional Fonts To Flash Memory

Optional fonts are stored on a 3.5 inch floppy diskette that contains file names comprised of a part number with a **.dwn** extension. You will insert this diskette in your IBM-compatible computer and use either the parallel or serial port to download the desired font(s) to the printer's flash memory.

See Table 16 for a list of optional fonts and their corresponding part numbers.

**Table 16. Optional Fonts**

Font Name	Part Number
Antique Olive	706612-001
Avante Garde	706617-001
Baskerville	706606-001
Caslon	706613-001
CG Bodoni	706610-001
CG Century	706598-001
CG Times	706597-001
CG Times International	706614-001
CG Triumvirate	706596-001
CG Triumvirate Condensed	706607-001
Chart	706601-001
Decorative 1	706611-001
Decorative 2	706618-001
Decorative 3	706615-001
Decorative 5	706616-001
Desktop	706603-001
Futura II	706605-001
Garamond	706604-001
Gill Sans	706595-001
ITC Galliard	706608-001
ITC Century	706609-001
Label #1	706599-001
Label #2	706600-001
Office	706602-001
Univers	706594-001

1. Set the printer power switch to O (Off).
2. Connect a parallel data cable to the LPT1 port or a serial cable to the COM1 port of an IBM-compatible computer running the Windows (95, 98, Me, NT, 2000, or XP) operating system.

**NOTE:** You can connect the cable to the LPT2 port on the computer if the LPT1 port is already in use. The load commands are different if you use this port, as described in the notes after step 13.

3. Verify that the data cable is connected to the appropriate I/O port on the printer and to the host computer.
4. Power on the computer and allow it to boot up.
5. On the printer control panel, press and hold down the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys. Without releasing the keys, power the printer on. Continue holding down the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys.
6. When you see "B01 STATUS" on the LCD, release the  $\equiv$  and  $\downarrow$  keys.
7. Wait until you see "PROGRAM DOWNLOAD" on the LCD before proceeding. This can take about a minute to appear, depending on the emulations and interfaces installed in the printer.
8. Insert the optional font diskette into diskette drive A (or B) of the computer.
9. Start a command prompt session. (The Start Menu icon is usually labeled **MS-DOS Prompt** or **Command Prompt**.)
10. Make the diskette drive the active drive by typing:  
`A:<Enter>` (if the diskette is in drive B, type `B:<Enter>`)
11. List the contents of the diskette at the command prompt by typing the following:  
`dir<Enter>`  
You will see a directory listing containing files with a **.dwn** extension, e.g., 94021.dwn, 94022.dwn, 94023.dwn.
12. Make note of the file name with the **.dwn** extension of each file you want to download to the printer.

**NOTE:** The numeric portion of the file name will match the numbers of the font typefaces listed in Appendix F of the *PGL Programmer's Reference Manual* and provide you with a description and print sample of the typeface.

13. At the command prompt type:

```
copy /b filename.dwn LPT1<Enter>
(where filename.dwn is file name you noted in step 12.)
```

**NOTE:** If you are loading the file using the LPT2 port on the computer, type the following command:

```
copy /b filename.dwn LPT2<Enter>
(where filename.dwn is a file you noted in step 12.)
```

If you are loading the file using the serial port on the computer, type the following commands:

```
mode COM1:9600,N,8,1,P<Enter>
copy /b filename.dwn COM1<Enter>
(where filename.dwn is a file you noted in step 12.)
```

The 9600 baud rate is the only selection some systems can use. The baud rate information entered in the above commands must match the Baud Rate setting (in the SERIAL PORT menu) saved in the Power-Up Config.

You can download the optional fonts one at a time by entering one file name per the **copy** command or you can copy multiple files in one **copy** command.

To download one file at a time, enter the following at the command prompt:

```
copy /b filename.dwn LPT1<Enter>
```

To download multiple files, enter the following at the command prompt, for example:

```
copy /b filename1.dwn+filename2.dwn+...LPT1<Enter>
```

14. While the font file is copied into flash memory, the printer LCD informs you of the load process and status. When the new file is successfully loaded into memory, the printer will reset itself and go online.

15. To verify that the optional fonts have been downloaded:

**NOTE:** Admin User must be set to Enable in the PRINTER CONTROL menu. See the *User's Manual*.

a. Perform a configuration printout.

— OR —

b. Select **PRINTER CONTROL ▶ View File List**. The new file names will appear with the same part number file name you downloaded, but with an **.sf** extension.

**NOTE:** The optional font typefaces cannot be selected via the printer control panel. They can only be selected via a software command from the host.

16. Press the **PAUSE** key to place the printer online and return the printer to normal operation.

## Downloading TrueType Fonts

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There are several ways to download TrueType fonts to your SLPA printer. Once a TrueType font is downloaded, it will be stored in the Flash file system as a resident font. Regardless of printer power cycles, the downloaded font will stay in the printer until the user deletes it. The user can find the list of all printer resident fonts under Printer Control -> View File List after enabling Admin User in the Printer Control menu. To delete a downloaded font from the Flash file system, the user should select the font under Printer Control -> Delete File List and then select Optimize & Reboot.

## Printronix Windows Driver

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A TrueType font can be downloaded from a PC through the Printronix Windows Driver.

1. Load the Printronix Windows driver provided with your printer on the Manuals and Utilities CD on Windows 2000/NT/XP.
2. Once the printer driver is installed on the PC, right click the printer driver and select Properties.
3. Click the "TT Font Download" tab to access all the available system TrueType fonts.
4. Select the TrueType font(s) from the "Available System TrueType fonts" you want to download.
5. Click the "Download" button to download font(s) to the printer while it is online.

## Create And Send Download File – Online (PGL Only)

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A TrueType font can be loaded by creating a file that appends a PGL command to the font and then sending that file to the printer. Use the PGL FONTLOAD command:

*~FONTLOAD;FontName;FontSize;DISK*  
where

*FontName* - TrueType font name, e.g. arial.ttf

*FontSize* - TrueType font size, e.g. file size for arial.ttf

*DISK* - Specify the download location to Flash

For example:

***~FONTLOAD;arial.ttf;60548;DISK***

Insert binary data of arial.ttf here...

**END**

After the file is created, it can be copied to the appropriate I/O port of the printer while the printer is online, just like any other print file (for example: copy/b filename.ext 1pt1).

## Create And Send Download File – Download Mode

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A TrueType font can be converted to a downloadable format by appending a header to the font file using the `cnvt2fls.exe` utility.

1. Start a MS-DOS prompt window.
2. Copy `cnvt2fls.exe` and `addtthdr.bat` from your startup CD to your working directory.
3. In your working directory, include the TrueType font file in `.ttf` format, (e.g. `arial.ttf`).
4. Convert the TrueType font file `.ttf` to a downloadable format `.dwn` with the following command: `addtthdr (filename without extension)`.
5. Put the printer in download mode as described in the “Downloading Optional Font Files To Flash Memory” section.
6. Send the downloadable font file (e.g. `arial.dwn`) to the printer through the appropriate I/O port of the printer.

## Using PTX\_SETUP

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`PTX_SETUP` can be used to load TrueType fonts into the file system. Please see the `PTX_SETUP` chapter in the PGL Programmer’s Reference Manual for details.

Example:

```
!PTX_SETUP  
FILE_IO-CAPTURE; “ARIAL.TTF”.  
PTX_END
```

Arial TrueType font binary data

**NOTE:** Do not add any LF/FF at the end of the binary data

```
!PTX_SETUP  
FILE_IO-CAPTURE;””.  
PTX_END
```

## Labeling Applications

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A TrueType font can be downloaded through several labeling applications, such as Codesoft, Loftware, and Bartender. Please contact the appropriate company for more details.

## Using Downloaded TrueType Fonts

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After downloading the TrueType font using any of the above methods, the user can access the downloaded TrueType font by using the FONT;NAME command as described in the PGL Programmer's Reference Manual.

For Example:

```
~CREATE;FORM
FONT;NAME ARIAL.TTF
ALPHA
10;10;2;2;$01234$
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;FORM;1
```





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