# *TTP-245 Plus / TTP-343 Plus TTP-247 / TTP-345*

## THERMAL TRANSFER / DIRECT THERMAL BAR CODE PRINTER

USER'S MANUAL

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EN55024: 1998+A1: 2001+A2: 2003 IEC 61000-4 Series
EN61000-3-2: 2006 & EN61000-3-3: 1995+A1: 2001
FCC Part 15, Class B
UL, CUL
C-Tick:
CFR 47, Part 15/CISPR 22 3 <sup>rd</sup> Edition: 1997, Class B
ANSI C63.4: 2003
Canadian ICES-003
TÜV/Safety: EN60950: 2000

Wichtige Sicherheits-Hinweise

- 1. Bitte lesen Sie diese Hinweis sorgfältig durch.
- 2. Heben Sie diese Anleitung für den späteren Gebrauch auf.
- Vor jedem Reinigen ist das Gerät vom Stromentz zu trennen.
   Verwenden Sie keine Flüssig-oder Aerosolreiniger. Am besten eignet sich ein angefeuchtetes Tuch zur Reinigung.
- 4. Die Netzanschluß-Steckdose soll nahe dem Gerät angebracht und leicht zugänglich sein.
- 5. Das Gerät ist vor Feuchtigkeit zu schützen.
- 6. Bei der Aufstellung des Gerätes ist auf sicheren Stand zu achten. Ein Kippen oder Fallen könnte Beschädigungen hervorrufen.
- 7. Beachten Sie beim Anschluß ans Stromnetz die Anschlußwerte.
- 8. Dieses Gerät kann bis zu einer Außentemperatur von maximal 40 $^\circ\!{\rm C}$  betrieben werden.

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Model name	Resolution
TTP-245 Plus 系列	203 dpi
TTP-343 Plus 系列	300 dpi

設備名稱:熱轉式/熱感式條碼印表機,主型號(型式):TTP-247 系列 Equipment name Type designation (Type)

	限用物質及其化學符號 Restricted substances and its chemical symbols						
單元Unit	鉛Lead (Pb)	汞Mercury (Hg)	鐍Cadmium (Cd)	六價鉻 Hexavalent chromium (Cr <sup>+6</sup> )	多溴聯苯 Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB)	多溴二苯醚 Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE)	
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電路板	-	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
晶片電阻	-	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
積層陶瓷表 面黏著電容	$\bigcirc$	0	0	$\bigcirc$	0	0	
集成電路-IC	-	0	0	$\bigcirc$	0	$\bigcirc$	
電源供應器	$\bigcirc$	0	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
印字頭	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
馬達	-	0	0	0 0		$\bigcirc$	
插座	-	0	0	0 0		$\bigcirc$	
線材	-	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	

Note 1 : "Exceeding 0.1 wt %" and "exceeding 0.01 wt %" indicate that the percentage content of the restricted substance exceeds the reference percentage value of presence condition.

備考2. "○" 係指該項限用物質之百分比含量未超出百分比含量基準值。

Note 2 : "()" indicates that the percentage content of the restricted substance does not exceed the percentage of reference value of presence.

備考3. "一"係指該項限用物質為排除項目。 Note 3: The "--" indicates that the restricted substance corresponds to the exemption.

## 1. Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the TSC TTP-245/343 Plus series, TTP-247/345 series Thermal Transfer and Direct Thermal Bar Code Printers. Although the printer takes only a small amount of space, it delivers reliable, superior performance.

This printer provides both thermal transfer and direct thermal printing at user selectable speed of: 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 or 5.0 ips, for TTP-245/345 series; 2.0 or 3.0 ips for TTP-343 series, .2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0 or 7.0 ips It accepts roll feed, die-cut, and fan-fold labels for both thermal transfer and direct thermal printing. All common bar codes formats are available. Fonts and bar codes can be printed in 4 directions, 8 different alphanumeric bitmap fonts and a build-in true type font capability. You will enjoy high throughput for printing labels with this printer.

## 2. Getting Started

## 2.1 Unpacking and Inspection

This printer has been specially packaged to withstand damage during shipping. Please carefully inspect the packaging and printer upon receiving the bar code printer. Please retain the packaging materials in case you need to reship the printer.

## 2.2 Equipment Checklist

- Printer
- BarTender UltraLite CD disk
- Quick start guide
- USB port cable
- External universal switching power supply
- Power Cord
- Label Spindle, fixing tab x2, 1.5" core adapter x2
- Ribbon spindle x2
- Ribbon rewind spindle paper core

If any parts are missing, please contact the Customer Service Department of your purchased reseller or distributor.

#### **Dealer option**

- Peel off module assembly
   Support paper: Art paper (Plain paper)
   Support label length: 1"~6"
   Support speed: 2~3 ips
  - Guillotine cutter
    Full cut:
    Media thickness: 0.06~ 0.19mm
    Media type: receipt and label liner w/o glue
    Partial cut:
    Media thickness: 0.06~0.12mm
    Media type: receipt and label liner w/o glue
    Note: Except for the linerless cutter, all regular/heavy duty/care label cutters DO NOT cut on media with glue.
- Main board integrated with internal Ethernet
- Internal Ethernet print server module

#### **User option**

- KP-200
- KU-007 plus
- External Ethernet print server
- External wireless (802.11b/g) print server
- External roll mount, media OD. 214 mm (8.4") with 3" core label spindle
- Contact CCD contact scanner
- Long range linear image bar code scanner

### **2.3 Printer Parts**



Note:

The interface picture here is for reference only. Please refer to the product specification for the interfaces availability.

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Fig. 2 Rear view

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## 3. Setup

### 3.1 Setting Up the Printer

- 1. Place the printer on a flat, secure surface.
- 2. Make sure the power switch is off.
- 3. Connect the printer to the computer with the Centronics or USB cable.
- 4. Plug the power cord into the power supply connector at the rear of the printer, and then plug the power cord into a properly grounded receptacle.



Fig. 3 Attach power supply to printer

Note:

Please switch OFF printer power switch prior to plug in the power cord to printer power jack.

## 3.2 Loading the Ribbon

The printer will detect if the ribbon is installed after turning on power on and it will set printing mode to thermal transfer or direct thermal printing mode automatically. If printer does not detect the ribbon, the ribbon take up motor will be turned off.

Make sure the printer top cover is engaged properly at both sides prior to powering up the printer.

Please follow the steps below to install the ribbon into printer.

- 1. Push down on the ribbon access window to unlatch and open the cover.
- 2. Place a paper core onto the ribbon rewind spindle.
- 3. Mount the ribbon rewind paper core on the front hubs.
- 4. Install a ribbon on the ribbon supply spindle.
- 5. Mount the ribbon supply spindle on the rear hubs.
- 6. Thread the ribbon leading tape downward pass the print head.
- 7. Attach the ribbon leader to the ribbon rewind paper core.
- 8. Rotate the ribbon rewind paper core until the ribbon leader is thoroughly, firmly encompassed by the black section of the ribbon.
- 9. Close the ribbon access window.

#### Note:

Please refer to videos on <u>TSC YouTube</u> or driver CD.



Fig. 4 Ribbon installation (I)



Ribbon Rewind Spindle with Paper Core

Fig. 5 Ribbon installation (II)

## 3.3 Loading Label Stock

1. Insert a 1" label spindle into a paper roll (\* If your paper core is 1 inch, remove the 1.5" core adapter from the fixed tab. If label width is 4 inch wide, two fixing tabs are not required.).



2. Open the printer's top cover by releasing the green top cover open levers located on each side of the printer and lifting the top cover. A top cover support at the rear of the printer will hold the printer top cover open.



#### Fig. 7 Pull the lever to open the cover

- 3. Place a roll of paper onto the center of the paper roll mount.
- 4. Feed the paper, printing side face up, through the Teflon bar and the paper guide and pass over the platen.
- 5. Adjust the green center-biased paper guides to slightly touch the edges of the label backing.
- 6. To close the printer top cover, lift the cover to the ultimate open angle then use

both hands to close the cover gently. Close the printer top cover slowly and make sure the cover latches securely.

#### Note:

Make sure hands are not placed between printer top cover and lower cover when close the top cover.

- 1. Do not free fall the top cover.
- 2. Failure to securely close and lock the cover will result in poor print quality.
- 3. Please refer to videos on <u>TSC YouTube</u> or driver CD.



Fig. 8 Label installation (II)

## 3.4 External Label Roll Mount Installation (Option)

1. Attach an external paper roll mount on the bottom of the printer.



Fig. 9 Attach the external roll mount to the printer

4. Open the printer top cover by releasing the top cover open levers. The top cover support will hold the printer top cover.

Install a roll of paper on the external paper roll mount.

5. Feed the paper to the external paper feed opening through the rear paper guide.



**External Paper Feed Opening** 

Fig. 10 External roll mount label installation (I)

- 4. Feed the paper, printing side face up, through the paper guide and pass over the platen.
- 5. Adjust the paper guides to fit the paper width.

6. Close the printer top cover by lifting the top cover to the maximum opening angle then push down the top cover gently.



Fig. 11 External roll mount label installation (II)

## 3.5 Peel-off Module Installation (Option)

1. Open the top cover and remove the front panel from the printer.



Fig. 12 Remove the front panel

- 2. Open the top cover and hold it and push down and push backward the top cover support then push backward the top cover.
- 3. Use a screwdriver to screw off 6 screws on the lower inner cover.



#### Fig. 13 Remove 6 screws from lower inner cover

4. Upside down the printer. Remove two screws at the hinge and remove one screw at memory card cover.

- 5. Hold the lower cover to lift up the top cover open levers to separate the lower inner cover and the lower cover.
- 6. Arrange the cable through the bezel. Connect the peel-off panel cable to the 5-pin socket on printer PCB.



Fig. 14 Connect peel-off sensor cable to main board



Fig. 15 Peel-off sensor cable installation

7. Insert the peel-off tenons into the lower inner cover mortises until tenons snap into places.



8. Arrange the lower inner cover back to the lower cover.



Fig. 17 Peel-off panel installation (II)

- 9. Lift up the peel-off panel to the lower cover to close it.
- 10. Use a screwdriver to screw down whole screws on the lower inner cover and the lower cover.
- 11. Close the top cover by arranging the top cover support back to the flute and push it forward then close the top cover slowly.

#### 3.5.1 Loading the Paper in Peel-off Mode

- 1. Insert a 1" label spindle into a paper roll.
- 2. Open the printer top cover by pulling the top cover open levers. The top cover support will hold the printer top cover.



Fig. 18 Open the top cover

- 3. Install the paper roll on the paper roll mount.
- 4. Open the peel-off panel by pulling it out.



Fig. 19 Open the peel-off panel

- 5. Feed the paper, printing side facing up, through the paper guide and pass over the platen.
- 6. Lead the paper through the backing paper opening, beneath the roller, and tear off one piece of the label.

7. Adjust the paper guide by removing left or right to fit the paper width.



Fig. 20 Lead the paper through the backing paper opening, beneath the roller

- 8. Push the peel-off panel back to the printer.
- 9. Close the top cover by lifting up the top cover support and close the top cover slowly.

Note:

- 1. Pull the label outward tightly after closing the top cover.
- 2. Both thermal paper and plain paper apply for peel-off function but neither PVC nor vynle work at peel-off function.
- 3. Please refer to videos on <u>TSC YouTube</u> or driver CD.



Fig. 21 Complete label installation for peel-off mode

## 3.6 Loading Label in Cutter Mode (Option)

- 1. Insert a 1" label spindle into a paper roll.
- 2. Open the printer top.
- 3. Install a paper roll on the paper roll mount.
- 4. Feed the paper, printing side face up, through the paper guide and pass over the platen.
- 5. Lead the paper through the cutter paper opening.
- 6. Adjust the paper guide by removing left or right to fit the paper width.



Fig. 27 Label installation in cutter mode

7. Close the top cover by lifting up the top cover support and close the top cover slowly.



Fig. 28 Complete label installation in cutter mode

## 3.7 Instructions to Top Cover Operation

Please take care when opening or closing the printer's top cover by carefully following these instructions.

To Open:

- 1. When facing the front of the printer pull the cover release levers on both sides of printer towards you.
- Lift up the top gradually.
   There are two stop positions for the top cover. Position 1 and 2 are indicated on the label below.

Note: To hold the cover open at position 1, you must lift the cover higher than the stopping point at position 1 and gently lower the cover to stop position 1. DO NOT free fall the top cover!

3. Fully open the top cover and gently lower it to stop position 2.



Fig. 1 Top cover support is fixed at position 2

4. To close the cover, lift up the top cover to the ultimate angle then close the top cover gently and it will be kept at a stop position between 1 and 2 for a while. Use both hands to gently push down the top cover to close it and make sure the cover is latched on both sides.

Note: DO NOT place your hands between top cover and lower cover while close the top cover!



Fig. 2 Top cover is fully open and ready to close



Fig. 3 Use both hands to close the top cover

5. Do not force the cover! If you are not sure if top cover is fixed at stop position, please do not push top cover to close it or the top cover will be damaged. Please open the top cover to the ultimate angle to close the top cover again. Use both hands to push top cover to close it.

Note: Please refer to videos on <u>TSC YouTube</u> or driver CD.

## 3.8 Diagnostic Tool

The Diagnostic Utility is a toolbox that allows users to explore the printer's settings and status; change printer settings; download graphics, fonts, and firmware; create printer bitmap fonts; and to send additional commands to the printer. Using this convenient tool, you can explore the printer status and settings and troubleshoot the printer.

Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.

#### 3.8.1 Start the Diagnostic Tool

- 1. Double click on the Diagnostic tool icon software.
- 2. There are four features (Printer Configuration, File Manager, Bitmap Font Manager, Command Tool) included in the Diagnostic utility.

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Features tab	About Language English Setup	
Printer functions	Printer Configuration       File Manager       Bitmap Font Manager       Command Tool         Printer Function       Printer Configuration         Calibrate Sensor       Printer Infomation       Unit         Ethernet Setup       Milage       Km       Check Sum	Interface
	Print Test Page       Printer Setup         Print Test Page       Speed         Reset Printer       Density         Factory Default       Paper Width(unit)         Country Code       Image: Country Code         Dump Text       Paper Height(unit)         Ignore AUTO.BAS       Media Sensor         Configuration Page       Gap (unit)         Bine Inten.       Bine Inten.	Printer setup
Printer Status	Ready       Post-Print Action       Continuous Inten.         Head Open       Cut Piece       Baud Rate         Paper Jam       Cut Piece       Data Bits         Out of Paper       Reference       Data Bits         Ribbon End Err.       Direction       Parity         Ribbon Encoder Err.       Offset       Stop Bit(s)         Pause       Shift X         Printling       Other Error         Get Status       Clear       Load	
	LPT1 COM1 9600, N, 8, 1 RTS 2009/8/20 下午 03:31:40	

## 3.8.2 Printer Function (Calibrate sensor, Ethernet setup, RTC setup......)

- 1. Select the PC interface connected with bar code printer.
- 2. Click the "Function" button to setting.
- 3. The detail functions in the Printer Function Group are listed as below.

Printer Function	Function	Description
Calibrate Sensor	Calibrate Sensor	Calibrate the sensor specified in the Printer Setup group media sensor field
Ethernet Setup	Ethernet Setup	Setup the IP address, subnet mask, gateway for the on board Ethernet (Please refer to next section)
Print Test Page	RTC Time	Synchronize printer Real Time Clock with PC
Reset Printer	Print Test Page	Print a test page
Factory Default	Reset Printer	Reboot printer
Dump Text	Factory Default	Initialize the printer and restore the settings to factory default.
Ignore AUTO.BAS	Dump Text	To activate the printer dump mode.
Configuration Page	Ignore AUTO.BAS	Ignore the downloaded AUTO.BAS program
	Configuration Page	Print printer configuration

#### Note:

For more information about Diagnostic Tool, please refer to the diagnostic utility quick start guide in the CD disk \ Utilities directory.

## 3.9 Setting Ethernet by Diagnostic Utility (Option)

The Diagnostic Utility is enclosed in the CD disk \Utilities directory. Users can use Diagnostic Tool to setup the Ethernet by RS-232, USB and Ethernet interfaces. The following contents will instruct users how to configure the Ethernet by these three interfaces.

#### 3.9.1 Using USB interface to setup Ethernet interface

- 1. Connect the USB cable between the computer and the printer.
- 2. Turn on the printer power.
- 3. Start the Diagnostic Utility by double clicking on the American icon. Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.
- 4. The Diagnostic Utility default interface setting is USB interface. If USB interface is connected with printer, no other settings need to be changed in the interface field.

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USB	Setup
COM LPT	1
ETHERNET	

5. Click on the "Ethernet Setup" button from "Printer Function" group in Printer Configuration tab to setup the IP address, subnet mask and gateway for the on board Ethernet.

	🖨 Ethernet Setup 🔀
Printer Function Calibrate Sensor	IP Setup © DHCP © Static IP
Ethernet Setup	IP 255.255.255
RTC Setup	Subnet Mask 255.255.255
Print Test Page	Gateway 255.255.255
Reset Printer	Printer Name PS-FF04E2
Factory Default	MAC Address 00-1B-82-FF-04-E2
Dump Text	MAC Address (
Ignore AUTO.BAS	
Configuration Page	Set Printer Name Set IP Cancel

#### 3.9.2 Using RS-232 interface to setup Ethernet interface

- 1. Connect the computer and the printer with a RS-232 cable.
- 2. Turn on the printer power.
- 3. Start the Diagnostic Utility by double clicks on the American icon. Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.
- 4. Select "COM" as interface then click on the "Setup" button to setup the serial port baud rate, parity check, data bits, stop bit and flow control parameters.

COM Setup	🖨 RS232 Setup	
USB COM LPT ETHERNET	COM Port Baud Rate	COM1
	Data Bits	8
	Parity Check	None
	Stop Bit(s)	1
	Hardware Handshaking	RTS
	Software Handshaking	None
		Set Cancel

5. Click on the "Ethernet Setup" button from printer function of Printer Configuration tab to setup the IP address, subnet mask and the gateway for the on board Ethernet.

Printer Function	🖨 Ethernet Setup 🔀
Calibrate Sensor	IP Setup
Ethernet Setup	© DHCP
RTC Setup	C Static IP
Print Test Page	
Reset Printer	IP 255.255.255
Factory Default	Subnet Mask 255.255.255
Dump Text	Gateway 255.255.255
Ignore AUTO.BAS	Printer Name PS-FF04E2
Configuration Page	MAC Address 00-1B-82-FF-04-E2
	Set Printer Name Set IP Cancel

#### 3.9.3 Using Ethernet interface to setup Ethernet interface

- 1. Connect the computer and the printer to the LAN.
- 2. Turn on the printer power.
- 3. Start the Diagnostic Utility by double clicks on the *DiagToolexe* icon. *Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.*
- 4. Select "Ethernet" as the interface then click on the "Setup" button to setup the IP address, subnet mask and gateway for the on board Ethernet.

ETHERNET V Setup	TCP/IP Set	1D				
ETHERNET Setup USB COM LPT ETHERNET	Printer Name TT033-50 PS-C76790	MAC 00:18:82:FF:02:0C 00:18:11:C7:67:90	IP Address 10.0.6.125 10.0.6.24	Model Name TT033-50 DP-G321	Status Ready Ready	IP Setting IP Address/Printer Name: 10.0.6.125 Port: 9100
	Discover Devi	ce Change IP Addre	Factory D	efault Web S	etup	Exit

- 5. Click the "Discover Device" button to explore the printers that exist on the network.
- 6. Select the printer in the left side of listed printers, the correspondent IP address will be shown in the right side "IP address/Printer Name" field.
- 7. Click "Change IP Address" to configure the IP address obtained by DHCP or static.

🖨 Ethernet Setup 🛛 🔀			
IP Setup © DHCP © Static IP			
IP	10.0.6.125		
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0		
Gateway	10.0.6.253		
Printer Name	TT033-50		
MAC Address	00:1B:82:FF:02:0C		
Set Printer Na	me Set IP Cancel		

The default IP address is obtained by DHCP. To change the setting to static IP address, click "Static IP" radio button then enter the IP address, subnet mask and gateway. Click "Set IP" to take effect the settings.

Users can also change the "Printer Name" by another model name in this fields then click "Set Printer Name" to take effect this change.

## Note: After clicking the "Set Printer Name" or "Set IP" button, printer will reset to take effect the settings.

8. Click "Exit" button to exit the Ethernet interface setup and go back to Diagnostic Tool main screen.

#### Factory Default button

This function will reset the IP, subnet mask, gateway parameters obtained by DHCP and reset the printer name.

#### Web setup button

Except to use the Diagnostic Utility to setup the printer, you can also explore and configure the printer settings and status or update the firmware with the IE or Firefox web browser. This feature provides a user friendly setup interface and the capability to manage the printer remotely over a network.

## 3.10 Install Memory Card

- 1. Turn the printer upside down.
- 2. Remove the screw that fixes the **memory card cover**.



3. Plug in the memory card on main board.



4. Close the memory card cover.

\* Recommended SD card specification.

SD card spec	SD card capacity	Approved SD card manufacturer
V1.0, V1.1	128 MB	SanDisk, Transcend
V1.0, V1.1	256 MB	SanDisk, Transcend, Panasonic
V1.0, V1.1	512 MB	SanDisk, Transcend, Panasonic
V1.0, V1.1	1 GB	SanDisk, Transcend, Panasonic
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 4	4 GB	
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 6	4 GB	SanDisk, Transcend, Panasonic
V1.0, V1.1	microSD 128 MB	Transcend, Panasonic
V1.0, V1.1	microSD 256 MB	Transcend, Panasonic

V1.0, V1.1	microSD 512 MB	Panasonic		
V1.0, V1.1	microSD 1 GB	Transcend, Panasonic		
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 4	microSD 4 GB	Panasonic		
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 6	microSD 4 GB	Transcend		
V1.0, V1.1	miniSD 128 MB	Transcend, Panasonic		
V1.0, V1.1	miniSD 256 MB	Transcend, Panasonic		
V1.0, V1.1	miniSD 512 MB	Transcend, Panasonic		
V1.0, V1.1	miniSD 1 GB	Transcend, Panasonic		
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 4	miniSD 4 GB	Transcend		
V2.0 SDHC CLASS 6	miniSD 4 GB			
- The DOS FAT file system is supported for the SD card.				
- Folders/files stored in the SD card should be in the 8.3 filename format				
- The miniSD/microSD card to SD card slot adapter is required.				

## 4. Power on Utilities

There are six power-on utilities to set up and test printer hardware. These utilities are activated by pressing FEED button and by turning on the printer power simultaneously. The utilities are listed as below:

- 1. Ribbon sensor calibration and Gap or black mark sensor calibration
- 2. Gap/black mark sensor calibration ; Self-test and dump mode
- 3. Printer initialization
- 4. Set black mark sensor as media sensor and calibrate the black mark sensor
- 5. Set gap sensor as media sensor and calibrate the gap sensor
- 6. Skip AUTO.BAS

#### Note:

Please refer to videos on <u>TSC YouTube</u> or driver CD.

### 4.1 Ribbon and Gap/Black Mark Sensor Calibration

Gap/black mark sensor sensitivity should be calibrated at the following conditions:

- 1. A brand new printer
- 2. Change label stock.
- 3. Printer initialization.

Please follow the steps below to calibrate the ribbon and gap/black mark sensor.

- 1. Turn off the power switch.
- 2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
- 3 Release the button when LED becomes **red** and blinking. (Any red will do during the 5 blinks).
  - It will calibrate the ribbon sensor and gap/black mark sensor sensitivity.
  - The LED color will be changed as following order : Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

#### Note:

Please select gap or black mark sensor by sending GAP or BLINE command to printer prior to calibrate the sensor.

For more information about GAP and BLINE command, please refer to TSPL2 programming manual.

## 4.2 Gap/Black Mark Calibration, Self-test and Dump Mode

While calibrate the gap/black mark sensor, printer will measure the label length, print the internal configuration (self-test) on label and then enter the dump mode. To calibrate gap or black mark sensor, depends on the sensor setting in the last print job.

Please follow the steps below to calibrate the sensor.

- 1.Turn off the power switch.
- 2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
- 3. Release the button when LED becomes **amber** and blinking. (Any amber will do during the 5 blinks).
  - The LED color will be changed as following order.
    Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green
- 2. It calibrates the sensor and measures the label length and prints internal settings then enter the dump mode.

#### Note:

Please select gap or black mark sensor by Diagnostic tool or by GAP or BLINE command prior to calibrate the sensor.

For more information about GAP and BLINE command, please refer to TSPL2 programming manual.

#### Self-test

Printer will print the printer configuration after gap/black mark sensor calibration. Self-test printout can be used to check if there is any dot damage on the heater element, printer configurations and available memory space.

Self-test printout				
PRINTER INFO. XXXXXXX Version: X.XX MILAGE(m): 0 CHECKSUM: XXXXXXXX SERIAL PORT: 9600,N,8,1 CODE PAGE: 850 COUNTRY CODE: 001 SPEED: X INCH DENSITY: 8 SIZE: 4.00 , 4.00 GAP: 0.12 , 0.00 TRANSPARENCE: XX ***********************************	<ul> <li>Print head check pattern</li> <li>Model name and F/W version</li> <li>Printed mileage (meter)</li> <li>Firmware checksum</li> <li>Serial port configuration</li> <li>Code page</li> <li>Country code</li> <li>Print speed (inch/sec)</li> <li>Print darkness</li> <li>Label size (inch)</li> <li>Gap distance (inch)</li> <li>Gap/black mark sensor sensitivity</li> <li>Numbers of download files Total &amp; available memory space</li> </ul>			

SYSTEM INFORMATION           MODEL: XXXXX           FIRMWARE: X.XX           CHECKSUM: XXXXXXXX           S/N: XXXXXXXXX           TCF: NO           DATE: 1970/01/01           TIME: 00:04:18           NON-RESET: 110           RESET: 110           MON-RESET: 0           CUT)           RESET: 0	Model name F/W version Firmware checksum Printer S/N TSC configuration file System date System time Printed mileage (meter) Cutting counter
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PRINTING SETTING SPEED: 5 IPS DENSITY: 8.0 WIDTH: 4.00 INCH HEIGHT: 4.00 INCH GAP: 0.00 INCH INTENSION: 5 CODEPAGE: 850 COUNTRY: 001	<ul> <li>Print speed (inch/sec)</li> <li>Print darkness</li> <li>Label size (inch)</li> <li>Gap distance (inch)</li> <li>Gap/black mark sensor intension</li> <li>Code page</li> <li>Country code</li> </ul>
Z SETTING DARKNESS: 16.0 SPEED: 4 IPS WIDTH: 4.00 INCH TILDE: 7EH (~) CARET: 5EH (^) DELIMITER: 2CH (,) POWER UP: NO MOTION HEAD CLOSE: NO MOTION HEAD CLOSE: NO MOTION	ZPL setting information Print darkness Print speed (inch/sec) Label size Control prefix Format prefix Delimiter prefix Printer power up motion Printer head close motion Note: ZPL is emulating for Zebra® language.
BAUD: 9600 PARITY: NONE DATA BIT: 8 STOP BIT: 1	RS232 serial port configuration
DRAM FILE (Ø FILES) PHYSICAL XXXX KBYTES AVAILABLE XXXX KBYTES FLASH FILE (Ø FILES) PHYSICAL XXXX KBYTES AVAILABLE XXXX KBYTES	Numbers of download files Total & available memory space
#### Dump mode

Printer will enter dump mode after printing printer configuration. In the dump mode, all characters will be printed in 2 columns as following. The left side characters are received from your system and right side data are the corresponding hexadecimal value of the characters. It allows users or engineers to verify and debug the program.



Fig. 30 Dump mode printout

Note:

Turn off / on the power to resume printer for normal printing.

## 4.3 Printer Initialization

Printer initialization is used to clear DRAM and restore printer settings to defaults. The only one exception is ribbon sensitivity, which will note be restored to default.

Printer initialization is activated by the following procedures.

- 1. Turn off the power switch.
- 2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
- 3. Release the button when LED turns **green** after 5 amber blinks. (Any green will do during the 5 blinks).
  - The LED color will be changed as following:
    Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

Printer configuration will be restore to defaults as below after initialization.

Parameter	Default setting
Speed	203DPI :127 mm/sec (5 ips)
	300DPI: 76 mm/sec (3 ips)
Density	8
Label Width	4" (101.6 mm)
Label Height	4" (101.6 mm)
Sensor Type	Gap sensor
Gap Setting	0.12" (3.0 mm)
Print Direction	0
Reference Point	0,0 (upper left corner)
Offset	0
Tear Mode	On
Peel off Mode	Off
Cutter Mode	Off
Serial Port Settings	9600 bps, none parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit
Code Page	850
Country Code	001
Clear Flash Memory	No
IP Address	DHCP

#### Note :

Always do gap/black mark sensor calibration after printer initialization.

### 4.4 Set Black Mark Sensor as Media Sensor and Calibrate

#### the Black Mark Sensor

Please follow the steps as below.

- 1. Turn off the power switch.
- 2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
- 3. Release the button when LED turns **green/amber** after 5 green blinks. (Any green/amber will do during the 5 blinks).
  - The LED color will be changed as following:
     Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) →
     green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

#### 4.5 Set Gap Sensor as Media Sensor and Calibrate the

#### **Gap Sensor**

Please follow the steps as below.

- 1. Turn off the power switch.
- 2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
- 3. Release the button when LED turns **red/amber** after 5 green/amber blinks. (Any red/amber will do during the 5 blinks).
  - The LED color will be changed as following:
    Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

## 4.6 Skip AUTO.BAS

TSPL2 programming language allows user to download an auto execution file to flash memory. Printer will run the AUTO.BAS program immediately when turning on printer power. The AUTO.BAS program can be interrupted without running the program by the power-on utility.

Please follow the procedures below to skip an AUTO.BAS program.

- 1. Turn off printer power.
- 2. Press the FEED button and then turn on power.
- 3. Release the FEED button when LED becomes **solid green**.
  - The LED color will be changed as following: Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green
- 4. Printer will be interrupted to run the AUTO.BAS program.

# 5. Maintenance

## 5.1 Cleaning

This session presents the clean tools and methods to maintain your printer.

- 3. Please use one of following material to clean the printer.
- Cotton swab (Head cleaner pen)
- Lint-free cloth
- Vacuum / Blower brush
- 100% ethanol

4. The cleaning process is described as following

Printer Part	Method	Interval	
	1. Always turn off the printer	Clean the print head when	
before cleaning the print head. cha		changing a new label roll	
	2. Allow the print head to cool for		
	a minimum of one minute.		
	3. Use a cotton swab (Head		
	cleaner pen) and 100% ethanol		
	to clean the print head surface.		
		Print Head	
Print Head	Print Hea	ld	
	Element	/	
		Element	
	/ Head Cleaner Pen		
	1. Turn the power off.	Clean the platen roller when	
	2. Rotate the platen roller and	changing a new label roll	
Platen Roller	wipe it thoroughly with 100%		
	ethanol and a cotton swab, or		
	lint-free cloth.		
Tear Bar/Peel	Use the lint-free cloth with 100%	As needed	
Bar	ethanol to wipe it.		
Sensor	Compressed air or vacuum	Monthly	
Exterior	Wipe it with water-dampened	As needed	

	cloth	
Interior	Brush or vacuum	As needed

Note:

- Do not touch printer head by hand. If you touch it careless, please use ethanol to clean it.
- Please use 100% Ethenol. DO NOT use medical alcohol, which may damage the printer head.
- Regularly clean the print head and supply sensors once change a new ribbon to keep printer performance and extend printer life.

# 6. Troubleshooting

The following guide lists the most common problems that may be encountered when operating this bar code printer. If the printer still does not function after all suggested solutions have been invoked, please contact the Customer Service Department of your purchased reseller or distributor for assistance.

#### 6.1 LED Status

This section lists the common problems that according to the LED status and other problems you may encounter when operating the printer. Also, it provides solutions.

LED	Printer	Possible	Recovery Procedure
Status / Color	Status	Cause	
OFF	No response	No power	<ul> <li>* Turn on the power switch.</li> <li>* Check if the green LED is lit on power supply. If it is not lit on, power supply is broken.</li> <li>* Check both power connections from the power cord to the power supply and from the power supply to the printer power jack if they are connected securely.</li> </ul>
Solid Green	ON	The printer is ready to use	* No action necessary.
Green with blinking	Pause	The printer is paused	* Press the FEED button to resume for printing.
Red with blinking	Error	The out of label or ribbon or the printer setting is not correct	<ol> <li>Out of label or ribbon</li> <li>Load a roll of label and follow the instructions in loading the media then press the FEED button to resume for printing.</li> <li>Load a roll of ribbon and follow the instructions in loading the ribbon then press the FEED button to resume for printing.</li> <li>Printer setting is not correct</li> <li>Initialize the printer by instructions in "Power on Utility" or "Diagnostic Tool".</li> </ol>

Note:

Printer status can be easily shown on the Diagnostic Tool. For more information about the Diagnostic Tool, please refer to the instruction in the software CD disk.

## 6.2 Print Quality

Problem	Possible Cause	Recovery Procedure
	Check if interface cable is well	Re-connect cable to interface.
	connected to the interface	
	connector.	
	The serial port cable pin	Please replace the cable with pin
	configuration is not pin to pin	
	connected.	to pin connected.
Not Printing	The serial port setting is not	Please reset the serial port
Not i finting	consistent between host and	setting.
	printer.	
	The port specified in the Windows	Select the correct printer port in
	driver is not correct.	the driver.
	The Ethernet IP, subnet mask,	Configure the IP, subnet mask
	gateway is not configured	and gateway.
	properly.	and galeway.
No print on the	Label or ribbon loaded not	Follow the instructions in loading
label	correctly.	the media or loading the ribbon.
	Ribbon run out.	Loading the ribbon.
Continuous	The printer setting may go wrong.	Please do the initialization and
feeding labels	The plinter setting may go wrong.	gap/black mark calibration.
	Gap/black mark sensor sensitivity	Calibrate the gap/black mark sensor.
	is not set properly (sensor	
	sensitivity is not enough)	-
Paper Jam	Make sure label size is set	Set label size exactly as installed paper in the labeling software or
i apor oum	properly.	program.
	Labels may be stuck inside the	Remove the stuck label.
	printer mechanism near the	
	sensor area.	
Poor Print Quality	Top cover is not closed properly.	Close the top cover completely and make sure the right side and
		left side levers are latched
		properly

Check if supply is loaded correctly.	Reload the supply.
Ribbon and media are incompatible.	Change the ribbon or label combination.
Check if dust or adhesives are accumulated on the print head.	Clean the print head.
Check if print density is set properly.	Adjust the print density and print speed.
Check print head test pattern if head element is damaged.	Run printer self-test and check the print head test pattern if there is dot missing in the pattern.

# 7. LED and Button Operation

## 7.1 LED

LED Color	Description
Green/ Solid	This illuminates that the power is on and the device is
	ready to use.
Green/ Flash	This illuminates that the system is downloading data
	from PC to memory and the printer is paused.
Amber	This illuminates that the system is clearing data from
	printer.
Red / Solid	This illuminates printer head open, cutter error.
Red / Flash	This illuminates a printing error, such as head open,
	paper empty, paper jam, ribbon empty, or memory error
	etc.

# 8.2 Button Operation

Feed	• Press the button when the LED is green.		
	<ul> <li>It feeds the label to the beginning of the next label.</li> </ul>		
Pause	<ul> <li>Press the feed button during printing</li> </ul>		
	The printing job is suspended.		
<b>Ribbon Sensor and</b>	1. Turn off the power switch.		
Gap/Black Mark	2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.		
Sensor Calibration	3 Release the button when LED becomes <b>red</b> and blinking.		
	(Any red will do during the 5 blinks).		
	It will calibrate the ribbon sensor and gap/black mark		
	sensor sensitivity.		
	The LED color will be changed as following order :		
	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green		
	(5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green/amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ red/amber (5		
	blinks) → solid green		
	Note:		
	Please select gap or black mark sensor by GAP or BLINE		
	command prior to calibrate the sensor.		
	For more information about GAP and BLINE command,		
	please refer to TSPL2 programming manual.		

Gap/Black Mark	1.Turn off the power switch.		
Sensor Calibratio,	2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.		
Label Length	3. Release the button when LED becomes <b>amber</b> and		
Measurement,	blinking. (Any amber will do during the 5 blinks).		
Self Test and enter			
Dump Mode	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$		
Dampmede			
	green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green		
	<ul> <li>It calibrates the sensor and measures the label</li> </ul>		
	length and prints internal settings then enter the		
	dump mode.		
	Note:		
	Please select gap or black mark sensor by GAP or BLINE		
	command prior to calibrate the sensor.		
	For more information about GAP and BLINE command,		
	please refer to TSPL2 programming manual.		
Printer	1. Turn off the power switch.		
Initialization	2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.		
	3. Release the button when LED turns <b>green</b> after 5 amber		
	blinks. (Any green will do during the 5 blinks).		
	<ul> <li>The LED color will be changed as following:</li> </ul>		
	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green		
	(5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5		
	blinks) → solid green		
	Note:		
	Always do gap/black mark sensor calibration after printer		
	initialization.		
Set Black Mark	1. Turn off the power switch.		
Sensor as Media	2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.		
Sensor and	3. Release the button when LED turns green/amber after 5		
Calibrate the Black			
Mark Sensor	<ul> <li>The LED color will be changed as following:</li> </ul>		
	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green		
	(5 blinks) <b>→ green/amber (5 blinks) →</b> red/amber		
	(5 blinks) → solid green		

Set Gap Sensor as	1. Turn off the power switch.		
Media Sensor and	2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.		
Calibrate the Gap	3. Release the button when LED turns <b>red/amber</b> after 5		
Sensor	green/amber blinks. (Any red/amber will do during the 5		
	blinks).		
	The LED color will be changed as following:		
	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green		
	(5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green/amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ red/amber (5		
	blinks) $\rightarrow$ solid green		
	, 3		
Skip AUTO.BAS	1. Turn off printer power.		
	2. Press the FEED button and then turn on power.		
	3. Release the FEED button when LED becomes <b>solid</b>		
	green.		
	The LED color will be changed as following:		
	Amber $\rightarrow$ red (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green		
	(5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ green/amber (5 blinks) $\rightarrow$ red/amber (5		
	blinks) → solid green		
	4. Printer will be interrupted to run the AUTO.BAS program.		

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