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Introduction

This manual is intended to be used by software developers for the purpose of creating and/or modifying applications to make use of the special features offered by the Printek MtP Series of mobile thermal printers.

This section of the manual describes the various models of printers and the features supported by this manual and the information contained in other sections.

For printer set up and operating information for users, system integrators and information technology personnel, please refer to the printer's Operator's Manual for the specific model of interest.

Printer Models and Key Features

Printek's MtP Series of mobile thermal printers offers solutions for a wide variety of printing applications. The various models support flexible paper widths, printing from roll stock or flat stock in easy loading cassettes, label printing enhancements, and several host interface choices. The configuration options are shown below for each model. For additional information, please refer to the printer's Operator's Manual or visit www.printek.com.

Model	Max Paper Size	Label Printing		Host In	terfaces	
Model	Max I apel Size	Laber I Illiting	RS-232	IrDA	Bluetooth	Wi-Fi
MtP300	3.12" Wide Roll	Front Black Mark	Std	Opt	Opt	Opt
MtP300 LP	3.12" Wide Roll	Front/Back Black Mark, Gap	Std	Opt	Opt	Opt
MtP400	4.125" Wide Roll	Front Black Mark	Std	Opt	Opt	Opt
MtP400 LP	4.125" Wide Roll	Front/Back Black Mark, Gap	Std	Opt	Opt	Opt
MtP400 SL	4 x 6" Cassette	n/a	Std	Opt	Opt	Opt

Manual Contents

The remaining sections of this manual provide information on printer commands offered for the various emulations as well as additional information helpful to programmers. Descriptions of each section are shown below.

Selecting Emulations describes how to select the various printer emulations available in the MtP Series printers.

Printek Emulation describes in detail the Printek commands available for controlling Printek MtP Series printers.

Mt3 Emulation provides a summary of the command that are supported when emulating a Printek Mt3 printer.

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O'Neil Emulation provides a summary of the commands that are supported when emulating an O'Neil microFlash4t printer.

ZPL-II Emulation provides a summary of the commands that are supported when emulating a Zebra ZPL-II compatible printer.

CPCL Emulation provides a summary of the commands that are supported when emulating a Comtec CPCL compatible printer.

Hex Dump describes the printer's output while in Hex Dump mode, and how it may be used to debug software problems.

Print & Font Samples provides character set mapping information and several font print samples.

ASCII Character Tables provides a definition of ASCII control codes and an ASCII to Decimal to Hexadecimal conversion table.

Printer Reset Conditions describes the state of the printer after a power up reset or receipt of a reset command.

Glossary provides a reference for printer related terms.

Selecting Emulations

The emulations offered by Printer Mobile Thermal Printers allow for a great deal of language commonality between the various series of Printek printers as well as compatibility with systems and software that have been created for printers offered by other manufacturers.

The Printek MtP Series printers offer Printek, O'Neil, ZPL-II and CPCL emulations plus a Printek Mt3 emulation to allow the printers to work with existing three inch applications.

The printer's default emulation may be selected through the control panel set up as described in the printer's Operator's Manual. To select an emulation temporarily, the host system may send an escape sequence as described below.

Select Emulation ESC ESC n

This command selects emulation mode n by which future commands will be interpreted as described in the following table. The selected mode will be in effect until another Select Emulation command is received or until the printer is reset via an escape sequence appropriate for the current emulation, or the printer is manually reset by entering/exit the front panel set up mode or cycling power on the printer.

Once the emulation has been selected, please refer to the section of this manual that describes the commands available for that emulation.

Example: The following escape sequence will set the printer to Mt3 Emulation.

Escape Sequence: ESC ESC 4 Hexadecimal: 1B 1B 04

n Emulation

- 0 Test (reserved for factory use)
- 1 Printek Emulation
- 2 O'Neil Emulation
- 3 ZPL-II Emulation
- 4 Mt3 Emulation
- 5 CPCL Emulation
- 6 Hex Dump Mode
- ? Previously Selected Emulation
- Default Emulation

If more than one emulation has been selected, ESC ESC? will return to the previously selected emulation. This is particularly useful when the previous emulation is unknown. Please beware that the memory (stack) is only one level deep.

ESC ESC @ will return to the default emulation, as specified by the "Emulation" value in the Interface setup menu.

Note: Numeric values may be specified as either a binary or an ASCII value. As such, the example above may be sent as either 1B 1B 04 or 1B 1B 34.

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This section describes the control codes and escape sequences comprising Printek emulation. This emulation may be selected by setting "Emulation" to "Printek" in the appropriate interface setup menu, or via software with the ESC ESC 1 sequence. While this emulation is selected, control codes and escape sequences from other emulations are not available.

Control codes and escape sequences are used to control printer operation. An ASCII control code is a single character in the range 00 hex through 1F hex, and 7F hex. The ESC (Escape) control code (1B hex) is used to introduce character strings called escape sequences, which provide an extension of the commands available with ASCII control codes.

If a sequence accepts one numeric parameter, it will be represented as "n". If a sequence accepts more than one numeric parameter, they will be represented as " $n1 \ n2 \dots nx$ ".

Spaces are used when documenting escape sequences to increase readability. If a space character is actually a valid part of the sequence, it will be represented as "SPACE". Characters that appear in *italics* (such as "n" and "n1" above) are not sent to the printer as is; they are used as a place holder indicating that some value must be supplied.

Multiple character strings without intervening spaces typically represent control codes. For example, BS is the Backspace control code (08 hex), not the two characters "B" and "S" (42 and 53 hex), and SPACE is the space character (20 hex). An ASCII Control Code Table is provided on page 47 for your convenience. If you have any doubt about how to interpret a documented control code or escape sequence, refer to the hexadecimal representation in the example. The examples may also be helpful when analyzing a Hex Dump printed by the printer. Please refer to the "Hex Dump" section of this manual on page 41.

Control Codes and Escape Sequences Grouped by Function

Communications

This section describes various methods of controlling the flow of data to and from the printer. Unlike other sections describing printer commands, the descriptions in this section indicate whether the command is one that is "received" by the printer, or "transmitted" by the printer.

Note that some handshaking methods are only supported by the RS-232C Serial interface and are not supported for the IrDA, Bluetooth, or Wi-Fi interfaces.

End of Text (Received by Printer)

ETX

If "ETX/ACK" is set to "On" in the Serial Interface Menu (refer to the Operator's Manual), then processing of an ETX from the printer's input buffer causes the printer to transmit an ACK to the host computer.

Since the ETX may be a legal value within an escape sequence, it is the user's responsibility to ensure that an ETX used for data handshake is not sent within an escape sequence. The user must also ensure that the maximum block size or the number of blocks sent at one time does not exceed the input buffer size of the printer.

The input buffer size is 32K (32,768 Bytes) unless Minimum Buffer has been selected in the printer's Options Menu. Please refer to the Operator's Manual for more information.

Control code: ETX Hexadecimal: 03

Acknowledge (Transmitted by Printer)

ACK

Please refer to the "End of Text" description above.

Control Code: ACK Hexadecimal: 06

End of Transmission (Transmitted by Printer)

EOT

The printer sends an EOT character each time the printer's input buffer becomes empty to indicate the printer is idle.

Control Code: EOT Hexadecimal: 04

Transmitter On (Transmitted by Printer, Serial Only)

XON (DC1)

When enabled for the Serial Interface (refer to the Operator's Manual), this character is transmitted by the printer to indicate that the printer is on line and ready to receive data. See DC3/XOFF for more information.

Control Code: XON Hexadecimal 11

Transmitter Off (Transmitted by Printer, Serial Only)

XOFF (DC3)

When enabled for the Serial Interface (refer to the Operator's Manual), this character is transmitted by the printer to indicate that the printer's input buffer is nearly full and that the host computer should stop sending data. When the printer is able to accept data again, it will transmit DC1/XON.

Control Code: XOFF Hexadecimal: 13

Character Size and Line Spacing

Select Character Pitch ESC K n

Sets the character pitch according to the following table.

n Character Pitch/Font		Matrix	Columns	Columns Per Line		
<u>n</u>	Character Pitch/Font	<u>Matrix</u>	MtP300	MtP400		
0	5.5 cpi Sans Serif	37 x 60	13	22		
1	10.2 cpi Sans Serif	20 x 26	28	41		
2	10.7 cpi Sans Serif	19 x 26	30	43		
3	12.7 cpi Courier	16 x 23	36	52		
4	13.5 cpi Courier	15 x 23	38	55		
5	14.5 cpi Courier	14 x 23	41	59		
6	15.6 cpi Courier	13 x 23	44	64		
7	16.9 cpi Courier	12 x 23	48	69		
8	18.5 cpi Courier	11 x 23	52	75		
9	20.3 cpi Courier	10 x 23	57	83		
10	22.6 cpi Courier	9 x 23	64	92		
11	25.4 cpi Courier	8 x 23	72	104		

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Example: The following escape sequence will set the printer to use the 12.7 cpi Courier font.

Escape Sequence: ESC K 3 Hexadecimal: 1B 4B 03

Set Printer to 12.7 cpi

Sets the character size to 12 cpi. This is equivalent to sending ESC k 1.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Control Code: SO Hexadecimal: 0E

Set Printer to 22.6 cpi

Sets the character size to 22.6 cpi. This is equivalent to sending ESC k 4.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Control Code: SI Hexadecimal: 0F

Set Printer to 22. 6 cpi DC4

Sets the character size to 22.6 cpi. This is equivalent to sending ESC k 4.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Control Code: DC4 Hexadecimal: 14

Double High On FS

Enables double high printing. This will cause the characters and the interline spacing to be doubled in height. Double high printing will be in effect until the Double-High Off (GS) command is received.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Control Code: FS Hexadecimal: 1C

Double High Off GS

Disables double high printing.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Control Code GS Hexadecimal: 1D

Set Text Line Spacing ESC a n

Sets the number of dot rows the paper is to be moved after printing each row of text. Each dot row is 0.125mm. $0 \le n \le 10$.

Example: The following escape sequence sets the line spacing to zero (as needed when printing line drawing characters when the PC Line Drawing character set is selected).

Escape Sequence: ESC a 0 Hexadecimal: 1B 61 00

Character Attributes

Select Emphasized Mode

ESC U n

Selects emphasized printing mode. Emphasized mode may be used to highlight text by giving it a more bold appearance.

n Selection

- 0 Emphasized Mode Off
- 1 Emphasized Mode On

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Example: The following escape sequence will set emphasized printing mode to On.

Escape Sequence: ESC U 1 Hexadecimal: 1B 55 31

Character Sets

Select Extended Character Set

ESC F n

Selects the character set to be used when printing extended characters (hexadecimal 80-FF).

n Character Set

- 1 International Character Set
- 2 PC Line Drawing Character Set

When using the PC Line Drawing Character Set, the Text Line Spacing should be set to zero. Doing so will allow the vertical line characters to form continuous lines.

This command must be sent prior to any printable characters on the line. If sent after printable characters are received, a Carriage Return and Line Feed will be inserted and a new line started before the command takes effect.

Please refer to "Print & Font Samples" on page 43 for information on the specific characters contained in each character set.

Example: The following escape sequence will select the International character set.

Escape Sequence: ESC F 1 Hexadecimal: 1B 46 31

Horizontal Position

Carriage Return CR

Causes the current line to be printed and the paper to advance to the next line. The current print position is set to the beginning of the next line.

Note that either a Carriage Return (CR) or a Line Feed (LF) will cause both functions to be performed. However, a Carriage Return and Line Feed "pair" (CRLF) will only perform a single line feed.

Control code: CR Hexadecimal: 0D

Backspace

Removes the previous character from the print buffer. Backspacing can be done up to, but not beyond, the beginning of the line.

Control code: BS Hexadecimal: 08

Horizontal Tab

Advances to the next horizontal tab stop. If no tab stop exists between the active column and the right margin, the print position will advance to the beginning of the next line.

Horizontal tab stops are associated with columns, not absolute physical positions. Changing the character spacing or font will change the physical position of the tab stops. Default tab stops are set to every fourth column, i.e. 5,9,13,17,21,25,29,33,37

Control code: HT Hexadecimal: 09

Set Horizontal Margins

ESC H 1 r

Sets the left and right margins in millimeters. l and r may be set from zero up to $\frac{1}{2}$ the line length.

Example: The following escape sequence will set both the left and right margins to 10mm (0.394").

Escape Sequence: ESC H 10 10 Hexadecimal: 1B 48 0A 0A

Vertical Position

Line Feed LF

Causes the current line to be printed and/or advances the paper to the next line. The total distance the paper is advanced is based on the vertical size of the current font plus the Text Line Spacing.

A Carriage Return is also performed which places the current print position at the beginning of the next line.

Note that either a Carriage Return (CR) or a Line Feed (LF) will cause both functions to be performed. However, a Carriage Return and Line Feed "pair" (CRLF) will only perform a single line feed.

Control code: LF Hexadecimal: 0A

Variable Size Line Feed ESC J n

Causes paper to be moved forward $n \times 0.125$ mm. $0 \le n \le 255$.

A Carriage Return is also performed which places the current print position at the beginning of the next line.

Example: The following escape sequence performs a line feed of five millimeters ($5 \div 0.125$).

Escape Sequence: ESC J 40 Hexadecimal: 1B 4A 28

Variable Size Reverse Line Feed

ESC Q J n

Causes paper to be moved in the reverse direction $n \times 0.125$ mm. $0 \le n \le 255$.

A Carriage Return is also performed.

Note that reverse paper motion is not supported in MtP400 SL models and this command is ignored.

Example: The following escape sequence moves paper in the reverse direction two millimeters $(2 \div 0.125)$.

Escape Sequence: ESC Q J 16 Hexadecimal: 1B 51 4A 10

Vertical Tab VT

Advances the paper five lines. If a partial line exists in the buffer, that line will be printed including a Carriage Return and Line Feed, and then the paper advanced five lines.

A Carriage Return is also performed which places the current print position at the beginning of the next line.

Control code: VT Hexadecimal: 0B

Form Feed FF

If a partial line exists in the buffer, that line will be printed including a Carriage Return and Line Feed, and then the paper will be advanced as described below.

For printers that use rolls of print media, (not "SL" models), the paper will be advanced by the "FFeed Distance" set for the current Format (refer to the Operator's Manual for more information).

For printers that use cassette media (MtP400 SL), the current sheet of paper will be ejected.

A Carriage Return is also performed which places the current print position at the beginning of the next line.

Control code: FF Hexadecimal: 0C

Bar Codes

The MtP Series printers will automatically print several types barcode symbols using the following command. The specification for each bar code type is also described.

Print Bar Code ESC a t n h data

Printek printers support several bar code symbologies including Code 39, Code 128, UCC/EAN-128, Interleaved 2 of 5, UPC/EAC/JAN, and Codabar. The following table describes the Bar Code command. Details for each specific bar code type, including examples, are found below.

Variable	Value	Description	
a	z (lower case)	Print bar code only.	
а	Z (upper case)	Print bar code and human readable text.	
	1	Code 39	
	2	Code 128, UCC/EAN-128	
t	3	Interleaved 2 of 5	
	4	UPC/EAN/JAN	
	5	Codabar	
n	$1 \le n \le 255$	Number of characters in bar code.	
h	$1 \le h \le 255$	Height of bar code in increments of 0.125mm.	
<i>n</i> characters to be represented in the bar		<i>n</i> characters to be represented in the bar code.	
data		See individual bar code types for allowable	
		characters and other specific requirements.	

Notes: All barcodes are printed with the minimum bar width ("x-dimension") of 0.250mm, in compliance with the respective official specification.

All barcodes are printed centered between the left and right margins. For information on setting margins, please refer to the Operator's Manual.

Code 39 Specifications

Description: Each symbol starts with Leading Quiet Zone, followed with Start Symbol, Data

Symbols, ending with Stop Symbol and Trailing Quiet Zone.

Character set: 43 ASCII characters including A-Z (uppercase only), 0-9, . (period), - (dash), \$, /, +,

%, and SPACE

Elements per symbol: 9 (5 bars, 4 spaces)

Character density: 6.25 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm (narrow to wide ratio = 1:3)

Example: The following escape sequence will print a bar code containing the characters "CODE-39" 1 mm high followed by human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC \mathbf{Z} Е 3 C 0 D Hexadecimal: 1h 5A 31 07 08 43 4F 45 39 2D 33

Code 128 Specifications

Description: Each symbol starts with Leading Quiet Zone, followed with Start Symbol, Data

Symbols, ending with Stop Symbol and Trailing Quiet Zone.

Character set: 256 ASCII via three Code Sets and an "Extend" function.

Elements per symbol: 6 (3 bars, 3 spaces)

Character density: 9.1 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm

The first character position in the *data* portion of the escape sequence must contain a "Start Character", as defined below. This Start Character defines the Code Set to be used to interpret the following *data* characters. Each Code Set has special character values defined that allow switching to a different Code Set(s) within the bar code.

Start Character	Code Set	Characters Sent To Printer	Characters Read By Scanner
87	Α	20 – 5F	20 – 5F
67	Α	60 – 7F	00 - 32
88	В	20 – 7F	20 – 7F
			Name and Changeton Dains
89	C	Pairs of 30 – 39	Numeric Character Pairs 30, 30 – 39, 39 (00-99 Dec.)
			30, 30 = 39, 39 (00-99 Dec.)

All character values shown in Hexadecimal.

Special *data* characters are available for each Code Set that allow switching to a different Code Set and other special functions. These characters have values of 80-86 Hexadecimal and their functions in each Code Set are defined below.

Character Value	Code Set A	Code Set B	Code Set C
(Hex)			
80	FNC3	FNC3	=
81	FNC2	FNC2	-
82	Shift	Shift	-
83	Switch to Code Set C	Switch to Code Set C	-
84	Switch to Code Set B	FNC4	Switch to Code Set B
85	FNC4	Switch to Code Set A	Switch to Code Set A
86	FNC1	FNC1	FNC1

FNC 1: Reserved for EAN use.

FNC 2: Concatenate the data in this bar code with the data in the next bar code read. Not supported by all bar code readers.

FNC 3: Reset the bar code reader. Any other data in this bar code will be discarded.

FNC 4: Extended characters. The bar code reader will add 128 (80 Hex.) to each character.

Example 1: The following escape sequence will print a bar code containing "ABC123" that is 10mm high and is followed with human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 2 7 80 Start B A В \mathbf{C} 1 2 3 33 Hexadecimal: 1B 5A 32 07 50 88 41 42 43 31 32

Example 2: The following escape sequence will print a bar code using numeric pairs of numeric characters containing "123456" that is 10mm high without human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC \mathbf{z} 2 7 80 Start C 2 3 4 5 6 Hexadecimal: 1b 7A 32 07 50 89 31 32 33 34 35 36

Example 3: The following escape sequence will print the same data as in Example 1, "ABC123", using Code Sets that allow a mixture of alphanumeric character and numeric pairs. The bar code will be 20mm high without human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC 2 160 Start A A \mathbf{C} 1 Switch C 2 3 \mathbf{z} 7 В Hexadecimal: 32 42 43 33 1B 7A 07 A₀ 87 41 31 83 32

UCC/EAN-128 Specifications

Description: The UCC/EAN-128 specification is an internationally recognized format for

application identifiers in code 128 bar codes. The bar code symbology is identical to Code 128. Only recognized bodies of the UCC or EAN may assign application identifiers. For more information visit www.ean-int.org and www.uc-council.org.

Character set: 256 ASCII via three Code Sets and an "Extend" function.

Elements per symbol: 6 (3 bars, 3 spaces)

Character density: 9.1 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm

Example: The following escape sequence prints an all numeric bar code containing "1234" in an EAN-128 format that is 10mm high followed by human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 2 80 FNC1 1 4 6 2 3 33 Hexadecimal: 1B 32 06 31 32 34 5A 50 86

UPC/EAN/JAN Specifications

Description: Each symbol starts with Leading Quiet Zone, followed with Left Guard Bars, Left

Data Symbols, Center Bar Pattern, Right Data Symbols, Check Character, ending with Right Guard Bars and Trailing Quiet Zone. The UPC, EAN/JAN-8, EAN/JAN-13 specifications comprise an internationally recognized format for application identifiers. Unlike the UCC/EAN-128 specification, these identifiers are intended for point-of-sale applications. Only recognized bodies of the UCC and EAN may assign application identifiers. For more information visit www.ean-int.org and www.uc-council.org.

Character set: numeric - fixed length as follows:

- UPC-A Requires 12 digits. The first 11 will be printed and the 12th will be replaced by a check digit calculated by the printer.
- UPC-E Requires 7 digits. (The check digit will be added by the printer.)
- EAN/JAN-8 Requires 8 digits. The first 7 will be printed and the 8th will be replaced by a check digit calculated by the printer.
- EAN/JAN-13: Requires 13 digits. The first 12 will be printed and the 13th will be replaced by a check digit calculated by the printer.

Elements per symbol: 4 (2 bars, 2 spaces)

Character density: 14.5 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm

Characters

Note: When specifying the bar code height that *h* represents the total height including a 1.25mm drop bar pattern printed after the barcode pattern.

Example 1: The following escape sequence will print a UPC-A bar code containing "12345678901" that is 30mm high followed by human readable text. Note that a check digit "9" is also sent, but will be ignored and recalculated by the printer.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 12 240 Hexadecimal: 0C1B 5A F0

Example 2: The following escape sequence will print a UPC-E bar code containing "1234567" that is 30mm high followed by human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 5A Hexadecimal: 1B F0

Example 3: The following escape sequence will print an EAN/JAN-8 bar code containing "1234567" that is 30mm high followed by human readable text. Note that a check digit "9" is also sent, but will be ignored and recalculated by the printer.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z Hexadecimal: 1B 5A F0

Example 4: The following escape sequence will print an EAN/JAN-13 bar code containing "123456789012" that is 30mm high followed by human readable text. Note that a check digit "9" is also sent, but will be ignored and recalculated by the printer.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z Hexadecimal: F0 1B 5A

Interleaved 2 of 5 Specifications

Description: Each symbol starts with Leading Quiet Zone, followed with Start Symbol, Data

Symbols, ending with Stop Symbol and Trailing Quiet Zone.

Character set: numeric pairs.

Elements per symbol: 10 (5 bars, 5 spaces)

Character density: 11.11 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm

Example: The following escape sequence will print a bar code containing "123456" that is 10mm high followed by human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 3 6 80 2 3 5 6 Hexadecimal: 1B 5A 33 06 50 31 32 33 34 35 36

Codabar Specifications

Description: Each symbol starts with Leading Quiet Zone, followed with Start Symbol, Data

Symbols, ending with Stop Symbol and Trailing Quiet Zone.

Character set: 0-9, \$, -, :, /, ., + and the start/stop pairs of A/T, B/N, C/*, and D/E.

Elements per symbol: 7 (4 bars, 3 spaces)

Character density: 8.1 CPI

Bar width: 0.25mm

Example 1: The following escape sequence will print a bar code containing "123456", using the A/T start/stop characters, and 20mm high followed by human readable text.

5 Escape Sequence: ESC Z 8 160 Α 2 3 5 T 6 Hexadecimal: 32 33 35 54 1B 5A 35 08 A0 41 31 34 36

Example 2: The following escape sequence will print a bar code containing "123456", using the C/* start/stop characters and 20mm high followed by human readable text.

Escape Sequence: ESC Z 5 8 160 C 1 2 3 4 5 6 Hexadecimal: 1B 5A 35 08 **A**0 43 31 32 33 34 35 36 2A

Graphics

The printer uses a single line thermal print head with elements spaced at 0.125mm. The maximum number of graphic data bytes allowed for each model printer is shown for each command. After each line of graphic data, the paper is automatically advanced 0.125mm to position the paper for the next graphic line. To advance the paper by additional graphic increments without printing, refer to "Variable Size Line Feed" on page 11.

8-Bit Graphics ESC # h w data

This command may be used to print any graphics pattern. The height and width of the graphic image may be specified as shown below. Each line must contain the same number of bytes (width).

The image will be printed starting from the left margin and up to the right margin. If the width specified will not fit within the margins, the right side of the image will be truncated.

Variable	Value	Description
h	$1 \le h \le 255$	Number of graphic lines in the data to follow.
w	MtP300: $0 \le w \le 72$	Number of bytes per graphic line in the data to
	MtP400: $0 \le w \le 104$	follow. Each byte contains 8 bits.
data	A line of graphic data	h x w bytes per line are required.
	bytes where the value of	
	each byte is 0-255	

Example 1: The following escape sequence will print a horizontal line 2mm long starting 2mm from the left margin.

Escape Sequence: ESC # 1 4 0 0 255 255 23 00 00 FF FF Hexadecimal: 1B 01 04

Example 2: The following escape sequence will print a square box 2mm x 1mm starting 2mm from the left margin, and then move the paper forward an additional 5mm.

Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal	ESC 1B	# 23	8 08	4 04	0 00	0 00	255 FF	255 FF
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	128 80	1 01
Escape Sequence: Hexadecimal					0 00	0 00	255 FF	255 FF

Escape Sequence: ESC J 40 Hexadecimal: 1B 4A 28

8 Bit Compressed Graphics

ESC v h w c data [c data] [c data] ...

This command differs from the 8 Bit Graphics command described above by reducing the number of bits (bytes) that have to be sent to the printer. This allows for faster data transfer between the host computer and the printer.

Variable	Value	Description
h	$1 \le h \ 255$	Number of graphic lines in the image.
w	MtP300: $0 \le w \le 72$	Number of bytes in each graphic line of the image.
	MtP400: $0 \le w \le 104$	
С	$0 \le c \le 255$	Counter(s) describing how following bytes are to be
		interpreted. A description of how counter values
		and the following data are interpreted follows this
		table.
data	Graphic data bytes where	Graphic data bytes to be interpreted as specified by
	the value of each byte is	the preceding counter, c .

0.055	
0-255	
0 233	

Multiple "sets" of counters and data may be sent to the printer as necessary to describe the graphic pattern to be printed. The values specified by the counter(s) are interpreted as follows.

The counter may be considered as either a signed 7 bit value or an unsigned 8 bit value.

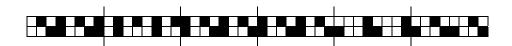
For signed 7 bit values: $0 \le c \le 127$ Process the next (c+1) bytes as simple 8 bit graphic patterns.

 $-128 \le c \le -1$ Repeat the next byte (-c + 1) times.

For unsigned 8 bit values: $0 \le c \le 127$ Process the next (c+1) bytes as simple 8 bit graphic patterns.

 $128 \le c \le 255$ Repeat the next byte (256 - c + 1) times.

Example: The following escape sequence will print a graphic image that is two lines long and six bytes (48 bits) wide as shown below. Note that the outlines for each bit are shown only to explain this example and that only the image represented by the black "bits" will actually be printed.



In the following escape sequence the data bytes are shown in binary. The hexadecimal values for each byte are shown on the second line.

Storing and Printing Graphic Images and Logos

Graphic images including logos may be stored permanently in the printer's flash memory so that they may be printed as often as needed without having to retransmit the graphic image each time. A total of 1MB of Flash memory is allocated to storing graphic images. The number of images that may be stored depends on the size of the images.

An image is programmed into the printer's memory using a series of steps, or commands, as shown below.

- Step 1: Send the Load Graphic Image command to the printer.
- Step 2: Send the image using up to 2,436 graphic lines as described in the Graphics section on page 16. (The 8-Bit Compress Graphics command is not supported when defining logos.)
- Step 3: Send the Store Graphic Image command to the printer.
- Step 4: Wait for the printer to respond with "D" (Hexadecimal 44) indicating that the printer has begun storing the image.
- Step 5: Wait for the printer to respond with an Exclamation Point character (Hexadecimal 21) indicating that the image has been stored.

Load Graphic Image ESC L G n

This command indicates that graphic commands describing an image to be stored is to follow. The value of n is used to identify this particular graphic image and may be any printable ASCII character ($21 \le n \le 7E$). This same value is then used to print the graphic

The graphic data is sent using Graphic commands as described on page 16. The image may consist of up to 2,436 graphic lines. The loading process will terminate when 2,436 lines have been received, or upon receipt of the Store Graphic Image command.

Example: This escape sequence specifies that the following graphic command(s) will define graphic image "A".

Escape Sequence: ESC L G A Graphics Data
Hexadecimal: 1B 4C 47 41 Graphic commands as described on page 16.

Note: This command may be used to store graphic images that can later be recalled and printed using O'Neil Emulation Easy Print commands. The name used in the Easy Print command would be "LOGOn", or "LOGOA" for the above example.

Store Graphic Image ESC L G DEL

This command terminates the Load Graphic Image mode and causes the graphic image to be stored in the printer's Flash memory.

After this command is received, the printer will transmit a "D" (Hexadecimal 44) and begin saving the image. Once the image is stored, the printer will transmit a an Exclamation Point (Hexadecimal 21). The image may now be printed using the Print Graphic Image command.

Caution: The printer power must remain on throughout this entire process.

Escape Sequence: ESC L G DEL Hexadecimal: 1B 4C 47 FF

Print Graphic Image ESC L g n

This command will print a graphic image that was previously stored using the Load Graphic Image command.

Example: The following escape sequence will print the graphic logo stored as "A".

Escape Sequence: ESC L g A Hexadecimal: 1B 4C 67 41

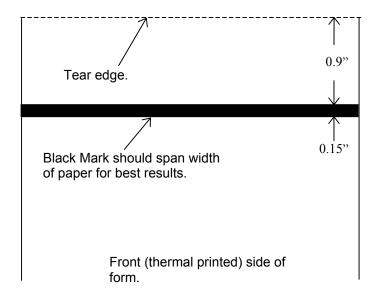
Black Mark Sensing

The MtP Series printers can print on preprinted forms on roll media by using a "black mark" to sense the beginning of each form. The black mark is located on the form in a position where the printer's paper out sensor can be used to detect its presence. Additionally, the "LP" models are capable of sensing a black mark on the back side of the form and for sensing the gap between labels. The recommended position for the black mark is described below.

Black Mark Requirements

The position described below is designed to be used when seeking a Black Mark at the beginning of a print job. This position and will require little or no reverse paper motion resulting in the fastest throughput and best printing alignment, and reduces the potential for paper jams. However, the vertical position of the Black Mark is entirely dependant on the application program that is controlling the printer.

The Black Mark must be printed on the front side of the paper for non "LP" models, and may optionally be printed on the back side of the paper for the "LP" models. Refer to the printer's Operator's Manual for instructions on selecting which sensor is used.



Optimum Black Mark Position

Black Mark Sensing Commands

Set Paper Out Sensitivity

ESC Q Q n

This command sets the number of 0.125mm dot rows of paper motion that can occur after the paper out sensor detects the lack of paper before a paper out condition is displayed and the printer stops printing. Using this command to set a number of dot rows larger than the vertical size of the black mark, which looks like a lack of paper, allows the printer to continue operating in the area of the black mark. $0 \le n \le 255$, the default value is 40.

Example: The following escape sequence will set the paper out sensitivity to 50 dot rows.

Escape Sequence	ESC	Q	Q	50
Hexadecimal	1B	51	51	32

Forward Seek Black Mark

ESC Q F n

This command causes the printer to move the paper forward up to n dot rows to seek the beginning of a black mark on a form where $0 \le n \le 255$ 0.250mm dot rows. If the black mark is found, the printer responds with the escape sequence ESC Q? $n \le 255$ n.250mm dot rows. If the black mark is found, the printer responds with the escape sequence ESC Q? $n \le 255$ n.250mm dot rows the number of dot rows the paper was moved before the black mark was detected. If the black mark is not found, the printer responds with ESC Q 0 0 $n \le 255$ n.250mm dot rows moved before the seek was aborted.

Example: The following escape sequence commands the printer to move the paper forward up to 200 * 0.250 mm dot rows in search of a black mark on the form. This example also shows the printer's response that it found the beginning of the black mark in 183 dot rows.

Command sent to printer:

Escape Sequence: ESC Q F 200 Hexadecimal: 1B 51 46 C8

Response from printer:

Escape Sequence: ESC Q ? ? ; 7 Hexadecimal: 1B 51 3F 3F 3B 37

Note that the values for *n1 n2*, or in this example ";" "7" in the response from the printer, represent the upper and lower nibbles, respectively, of the number of dot rows the paper was moved before detecting the beginning of the black mark. Each of these values has been "or'ed" with 30 Hexadecimal in order to provide the character shown. As a result, the value represented by ";" is 176, and the value represented by "7" is 7, indicating that the paper was moved 183 dot rows, or 45.75mm.

Reverse Seek Black Mark

ESC Q B n

This command is identical to the Forward Seek Black Mark command described above except that the paper is moved in the reverse direction in order to seek the bottom edge of the black mark. Care should be taken not to move the paper very far in the reverse direction to avoid wrinkling the paper and creating the possibility of paper jams.

Note that reverse paper motion is not supported in MtP400 SL models and this command is ignored.

Black Mark Found (Response From Printer)

ESC Q ? ? n1 n2

This response is provided by the printer after detecting the presence of a black mark on the form in response to either a Forward Seek Black Mark or Reverse Seek Black Mark command. Please refer to the example for Forward Seek Black Mark, above.

Black Mark Not Found (Response From Printer)

ESC Q 0 0 n1 n2

This response is provided by the printer when the presence of a black mark is not detected on the form in response to either a Forward Seek Black Mark or Reverse Seek Black Mark command. Please refer to the example for Forward Seek Black Mark, above.

Gap Sensing

Gap sensing is only available on "LP" models and is used to sense the space between die cut labels. The minimum space between labels is 0.125" (3.2mm).

Gap sensing is very similar to Black Mark sensing and uses the same commands. Refer to the Operator's Manual for instructions on how to select Gap versus Black Mark sensing.

Printer Controls

Bell BEL

Causes the printer's bell to sound.

Control code: BEL Hexadecimal: 07

CANCEL

Deletes all data in the printer's input buffer and resets the printer to power up default values. Refer to "Printer Reset Conditions" on page 49 for more information.

Control Code: CAN Hexadecimal: 18

Reset ESC c

Deletes all data in the printer's input buffer and resets the printer to power up default values. Refer to "Printer Reset Conditions" on page 49 for more information.

Escape Sequence: ESC c Hexadecimal: 1B 63

Print Contrast ESC P n

Sets the contrast, or relative "darkness", of the characters or graphic images to be printed where $0 \le n \le 9$ (hexadecimal 30-39). A value of zero provides the greatest contrast and also the slowest print speed. Likewise, a value of nine provides the lowest contrast, but the fastest print speed. The default value is "5".

Since contrast is greatly affected by the quality of thermal paper being used, this command allows varying grades of paper to be printed on successfully.

In association with this setting, the printer automatically adjusts the contrast while printing in order to achieve consistent output based on the current battery condition and print head temperature.

Example: The following escape sequence with set the printer to a Print Contrast setting of "4".

Escape Sequence: ESC P 4 Hexadecimal: 1B 50 34 Buffer Mode ESC P # ESC P \$

Buffer Mode may be used to force the printer to "hold" data until the entire print job is received.

If Buffer Mode has been enabled, the printer continues to hold data in its input buffer until an EOT character (Hexadecimal 04) has been received. Once the EOT is received, the printer will print the data in the input buffer up to the EOT character.

When Buffer Mode is not enabled (default) data are printed as received.

Example 1: The following escape sequence enables Buffer Mode.

Escape Sequence: ESC P \$ Hexadecimal: 1B 4D 24

Example 2: This escape sequence disables Buffer Mode.

Escape Sequence: ESC P # Hexadecimal: 1B 4D 23

Select Format ESC 1 n

Causes the current line to be printed, and then loads the format parameters for Format n. $1 \ge n \ge 5$. If Format n is already selected, this command is ignored. Refer to the Printer Configuration section of the Operator's Manual for complete details.

Example: This escape sequence selects Format 2.

Escape Sequence: ESC 1 2 Hexadecimal: 1B 6C 02

Select Emulation ESC ESC n

Select the printer emulation mode to be used for future commands. For complete details, refer to "Selecting Emulations" on page 3.

Printer Status Commands

Print Battery Status ESC P ^

This command will cause the printer to print the current battery voltage and charge status followed by a Carriage Return and Line Feed.

If a partial line exists in the buffer, it will be printed prior to printing the battery information.

Escape Sequence: ESC P ^ Hexadecimal: 1B 50 5E Query Printer Status STX SYN

Each of these commands returns character strings which provide information regarding the current print buffer status and the magnetic card reader status. Additionally, SYN will return the current battery voltage.

Each status is returned as an escape sequence and four ASCII hexadecimal digits followed by a Carriage Return and Line Feed. The hexadecimal digits are nibbles that have been "OR'ed" with 0x30. The statuses returned for each command are as follows:

Command	Returned Strings	Comment
STX	ESC B b1 b2 b3 b4 CR LF	Print Buffer Status
	ESC M m s1 s2 t CR LF	MCR Status
SYN	ESC B b1 b2 b3 b4 CR LF	Print Buffer Status
	ESC M m s1 s2 t CR LF	MCR Status
	ESC V v1 v2 v3 v4 CR LF	Battery Voltage Status

Print Buffer Status String

The print buffer status will be retuned as a four digits representing the number bytes in the buffer that remain to be processed, divided by 32. For example, if b1-b4 = "0020", this would indicate that there are at least 20 x 32, or 640, bytes remaining to be processed. A value of "0000" would indicate that the buffer is empty.

Magnetic Card Reader Status String

The MCR status indicates the presence of a reader in the printer, and if present, its current status.

- m "0" if MCR is present. "X" if not installed in printer.
- s1, s2 Number of seconds remaining for a good card swipe before the timeout specified in the read command occurs. If this value is "00" and a non-zero value for t is returned, the reader will not time out and must be cancelled by a Cancel Read Magnetic Card Reader command.
 - t The tracks to be read as specified by the read command. If this value is zero and m and s1, s2 are also zero, this indicates that the reader is present but currently disabled (no read pending).

Battery Voltage Status String

This string contains the current battery voltage in millivolts. A string where v1 through v4 contains "7123" would indicate that the battery voltage is currently 7123 millivolts, or 7.123 volts.

Example: The following control code will return the status of the print buffer, the magnetic card reader, and the battery voltage.

Control Code: SYN Hexadecimal: 16

The three sample status strings that would be returned in response to this command are as follows.

Print Buffer Status Hexadecimal:				CR 0D		1,344 bytes in input buffer.
MCR Status: Hexadecimal:				CR 0D		Twelve seconds remain to read 1 & 2.
Battery Voltage: Hexadecimal:			2 32		LF 0A	Battery Voltage is 7.123 Volts

Query Printer Firmware Version

ESC P (

This command returns a string containing the printer's firmware version designation as three ASCII digits. The three digits may be interpreted by adding a decimal point between the first two digits as shown in the example below.

Example: This following escape sequence requests the printer's firmware version.

Escape Sequence: ESC P (Hexadecimal: 1B 50 28

A sample string returned in response to this command is shown below and indicates that the firmware version is "1.00".

Firmware Version: ESC (1 0 0 SPACE CR LF Hexadecimal: 1B 28 31 30 30 20 0D 0A

Query Printer Model and Hardware Revision Level

ESC P)

This command returns a string containing three digits that represent the printer model and a single character that represents the printer's hardware revision level. The printer models indicated by the three digits are as follows:

Value	Printer Model	<u>Value</u>	Printer Model
300	MtP300	400	MtP400
302	MtP300 with MCR	401	MtP400 SL
304	MtP300 LP	402	MtP400 with MCR
306	MtP300 LP with MCR	403	MtP400 SL with MCR
		404	MtP400 LP
		406	MtP400 LP with MCR

Example: This escape sequence requests the printer's model and revision level.

Escape Sequence: ESC P

Hexadecimal: 1B 50 29

A sample string returned in response to this command is shown below and indicates that the printer is a model is an MtP400 SL with a Magnetic Card Reader, and is at hardware revision level "A".

Printer/Version: **ESC** 0 3 Α CR LF Hexadecimal: 29 34 30 33 41 0D0A1B

Magnetic Card Reader

Read Magnetic Card Data

ESC M n1 n2 t CR

If the optional Magnetic Card Reader (MCR) is installed in the printer, this command instructs the printer to read data from a card such as a credit card or driver's license. The MCR is a three track reader designed to read magnetically encoded data conforming to ANSI/ISO 7810, 7811 standards. The card specifications are listed below.

	Track 1	Track 2	Track 3	
	ISO1 (IATA)	ISO2 (ABA)	ISO3 (MINTS)	
Recording Density	210 bpi	75 bpi	210 bpi	
Data Bits	7	5	7	
Characters Per Track	79	40	107	
Card Thickness	0.030 " ± 0.003 " (0.76mm ± 0.08 mm)			

The Read Magnetic Card Data command to allows an application to request that the MCR reads one, two, or three tracks simultaneously within a specified number of seconds, where n1 n2 are ASCII digits that specify the number of seconds to wait for the user to successfully swipe a card before a "timeout" error occurs, and t is an ASCII digit specifying the tracks to be read.

Specifying a timeout value of "00" disables the timeout timer and allows the user to swipe a card until a successful read is accomplished or until a cancel command (ESC C) is sent by the host.

t Tracks To Be Read

- 1 Track 1
- 2 Track 2
- 3 Track 3
- 4 Tracks 1 & 2
- 5 Tracks 2 & 3
- 6 Tracks 1, 2 & 3

After the printer receives the command, the MCR indicator will begin to flash indicating to the user that (s)he may now pass the card to be read through the MCR slot near the front of the printer. The card may be swiped

in either direction. If the read is successful, the \square MCR indicator will stay lit momentarily (not flashing) and the printer will transmit the data read and/or the status of the requested read operation.

If a swipe does not result in a successful read, the \triangle Error Indicator will also begin to flash and an error message as described below will be transmitted. The card may be swiped multiple times until a successful read occurs or until the specified timeout expires. Once the timeout occurs, the MCR will be disabled and both indicators will be turned off.

The data are returned as string(s) of ASCII characters in the following format.

ASCII:	%	/	1	/	track 1 data	?	CR	LF
Hexadecimal:	25	2F	31	2F		3F	0D	0A
ASCII: Hexadecimal:					track 2 data	? 3F	CR 0D	
ASCII: Hexadecimal:			_		track 3 data	? 3F	CR 0D	LF 0A

Note: If no data is available for a track, the *track data* portion of the string will be empty. Other tracks containing valid data will be returned. If an error occurs on any track, the *track data* portion of the string for that track will contain a single "E" (Hexadecimal 45).

If for any reason the MCR is unable to read the card's data, the printer will transmit an error message string in the format shown below. The characters *n1 n2* represent an error number and *error message* is a description of the error. Possible values are described in the subsequent table.

```
ASCII:
             %
                   Е
                            n1
                                  n2
                                                                 CR
                                                                      LF
                                             error message
                  45
             25
                       2C
                                       2C
                                                            2C
                                                                 0D
                                                                     0A
Hexadecimal:
```

n1 n2 Error Message

- 05 Time-out Expired
- 07 Invalid Track Number
- 08 Unsupported Track Selected
- 09 Cancel Request

Cancel Read Magnetic Card Data Command

ESC C

This command will cancel a pending MCR read command. The printer will transmit an "error" message indicating that it has processed the cancel request and turn off the MCR indicator.

Escape Sequence: ESC C Hexadecimal: 1B 43

Control Code and Escape Sequence Summary

Communications (RS-232C Serial Interface Only)

End of Text ETX
Acknowledge (Transmitted by Printer) ACK
Printer Idle (Transmitted by Printer) EOT
Transmitter On (Transmitted by Printer) XON (DC1)
Transmitter Off (Transmitted by Printer) XOFF (DC3)

Character Size and Line Spacing

Select Character Pitch ESC K n
Set Printer to 12.7 cpi SO
Set Printer to 22.6 cpi SI

Set Printer to 22.6 cpi NORM (DC4)

Character Attributes

Select Emphasized Mode ESC U n

Character Sets

Select Extended Character Set ESC F n

Horizontal Position

Carriage Return CR
Backspace BS
Horizontal Tab HT
Set Horizontal Margins ESC H l r

Vertical Position

Bar Codes

Print Bar Code ESC z t n h data
Print Bar Code With Human Readable Text ESC Z t n h data

Graphics

8-Bit Graphics ESC # h w data

8 Bit Compressed Graphics ESC v h w c data [c data] [c data] ...

Storing and Printing Graphic Logos

Load Graphic LogoESC L G nStore Graphic LogoESC L G DELPrint Graphic LogoESC L g n

Black Mark Sensing

Set Paper Out Sensitivity	ESC Q Q n
Forward Seek Black Mark	ESC Q F n
Reverse Seek Black Mark	ESC Q B n

Printer Controls

Sound Bell	BEL
Cancel	CAN
Reset Printer	ESC c
Print Contrast	ESC P n
Enable Buffer Mode	ESC P#
Disable Buffer Mode	ESC P\$
Print Buffer Contents (Buffer Mode)	EOT
Select Format	ESC 1 n
Select Emulation	ESC ESC n

Printer Status Commands

Print Battery Status	ESC P ^
Query Print Buffer & MCR Status	STX
Query Print Buffer, MCR, & Battery Voltage Status	SYN
Query Printer Firmware Version	ESC P (
Query Printer Model and Hardware Revision Level	ESC P)

Magnetic Card Reader
Read Magnetic Card Data ESC M n1 n2 t CR

Cancel Magnetic Card Data Read Command ESC C

Mt3 Emulation

Selecting Mt3 Emulation allows applications written for the Printek Mt3 series printers to operate properly. When using this emulation in an MtP400, the printer matches the print width of the Printek Mt3 by only allowing printing to occur on the leftmost 2.83 inches (576 dots) of the print line.

For information on selecting emulations using Escape Sequences, please refer to "Selecting Emulations" on page 3. For information selecting emulations through the printer's control panel set up, please refer to the printer's Operator's Manual.

The following summary lists the commands supported when Mt3 Emulation is selected. For more detailed information, please refer to the *Mt3 Programmer's Manual*.

Communications (RS-232C Serial Interface Only)

End of Text	ETX
Acknowledge (Transmitted by Printer)	ACK
Printer Idle (Transmitted by Printer)	EOT
Transmitter On (Transmitted by Printer)	XON (DC1)
Transmitter Off (Transmitted by Printer)	XOFF (DC3)

Character Size and Line Spacing

Select Character Pitch	ESC k n
Set Printer to 12 cpi	SO
Set Printer to 21 cpi	SI

Set Printer to 21 cpi NORM (DC4)

Double High OnFSDouble High OffGSSet Text Line SpacingESC a n

Character Attributes

Select Emphasized Mode ESC U n

Character Sets

Select Extended Character Set ESC F n

Horizontal Position

Carriage Return	CR
Backspace	BS
Horizontal Tab	HT

Vertical Position

Line Feed	LF
Variable Size Line Feed	ESC J n
Variable Size Reverse Line Feed	ESC Q J n
Vertical Tab	VT
Form Feed	FF

Mt3 Emulation

Bar Codes

Print Bar Code ESC z t n h data
Print Bar Code With Human Readable Text ESC Z t n h data

Graphics

8-Bit Graphics ESC V n1 n2 data

8 Bit Compressed Graphics ESC v h w c data [c data] [c data] ...

Storing and Printing Graphic Logos

Enter Flash Logo Mode ESC D L
Load Graphic Logo ESC L G 0
Store Graphic Logo ESC L G DEL
Print Graphic Logo ESC L g 0

Black Mark Sensing

Set Paper Out SensitivityESC Q Q nForward Seek Black MarkESC Q F nReverse Seek Black MarkESC Q B n

Printer Controls

CancelCANPrint ContrastESC P nPeak Power ModeESC P nEnable Buffer ModeESC P #Disable Buffer ModeESC P \$Print Buffer Contents (Buffer Mode)EOTSelect EmulationESC ESC n

Printer Status Commands

Print Battery Status

Query Print Buffer & MCR Status

Query Print Buffer, MCR, & Battery Voltage Status

Query Printer Firmware Version

Query Printer Model and Hardware Revision Level

ESC P (

ESC P)

Magnetic Card Reader

Read Magnetic Card Data ESC M n1 n2 t CR

Cancel Magnetic Card Data Read Command ESC C

O'Neil Emulation

O'Neil Emulation allows the Printek MtP Series printers to respond to commands designed to operate an O'Neil microFlash printer. The commands that are supported are listed below.

Communications

Same as Printek Emulation

Line Printer Mode

Character Size and Line Spacing

Select Double Wide	SO
Cancel Double Wide	SI
Multiply Character Height	ESC H n
Select Double High and Double Wide	ESC!n

Character Sets

Select Font ESC w n

Horizontal Position

Carriage Return CR

Vertical Position

Line Feed	LF
Form Feed	FF
Set Interline Spacing	ESC A n
Set Form Length	ESC C n
Advance From Q Mark	ESC Q n1 n2

Graphics

Select Graphics Mode	ESC V n1 n2
Begin Graphics	ESC B
End Graphics	ESC E

Printer Controls

Cancel Line Buffer	CAN
Reset	ESC @
Select Easy Print Mode	ESC E Z

Easy Print Mode

Save Graphic

{SAVE:*n*} This command has been added to provide a mechanism for storing graphic images. The image defined in the PRINT command that immediately follows will be stored as a

graphic named "n", where n is a string of up

to five characters in length.

Print Text Line/Bar Code/Graphic Image/Line

{PRINT, Global Options: @row, column: name, Field Options | data|}

GlobalOptions: BACK, DEMAND, QUANTITY, QSTOP, STOP, ROT270

FieldOptions: Fonts – HMULTn (HMn), VMULTn (VMn)

Bar Codes – HIGHn (Hn), WIDEn (Wn)

Graphics – HMULTn (HMn), VMULTn (VMn)

Lines – length n (Ln), thick n (Tn)

Line Printer and Easy Print Modes

Query Commands

ESC{ST?}
ESC{CF?}
ESC{BT?}
ESC{VR?}
ESC{MY?}
ESC{PH?}
ESC{IR?}
ESC{FN?}
ESC{GR?}
ESC{FM?}
ESC{DQ?}
ESC{CN!}
ESC{RE!}

Magnetic Card Reader Commands

Configure Reader	ESC{CCR:n}
Configure MCR	ESC{CMR:n}
Enable MCR	ESC{ME!}
Disable MCR	ESC{MD!}
Zero MCR Data	ESC{MZ!}
Read MCR Status	ESC{RS?}
Read MCR Data	ESC{MR?}

Printer Controls

Select Emulation ESC ESC *n*

Font Mapping

Line Printer Mode	Easy Print Mode	Font Used
0x20	MF102	10.2 cpi Sans Serif A
0x21	MF204	20.3 cpi Courier
0x22	MF072	10.2 cpi Sans Serif A
0x23	MF055	5.5 cpi Sans Serif A
0x24	MF185	18.5 cpi Courier
0x25	MF226	22.6 cpi Courier
0x26	MF107	10.7 cpi Sans Serif A
*	*	15.6 cpi Courier

^{*} All other font specifications.

ZPL-II Emulation

ZPL-II Emulation supports a subset of the Zebra ZPL-II command set and allows the Printek MtP Series printers to respond to commands designed to control a ZPL-II compatible printer. The commands that are supported are listed below.

^PMN

Select Font For Current Field ^A n1,n2,n3,n4 Interleaved 2 of 5 Bar Code ^B2 *n1*,*n2*,*n3*,*n4*,*n5* Code 39 Bar Code ^B3 n1,n2,n3,n4,n5 PDF417 Bar Code ^B7 *n*1,*n*2,*n*3,*n*4,*n*5,*n*6 EAN-8 Bar Code ^B8 n1,n2,n3,n4 UPC-E Bar Code ^B9 n1.n2.n3.n4.n5 Code 128 (A, B, C) Bar Code ^BC n1.n2.n3.n4.n5.n6 EAN-13 Bar Code ^BE *n1*,*n2*,*n3*,*n4*

ANSI Code

Download Format $^{\circ}$ DF n1:n2.n3Field Data $^{\circ}$ Find Number $^{\circ}$ Find Origin $^{\circ}$ FO n1:n2Field Separator $^{\circ}$ FS or SI

Graphic Box ^GB n1,n2,n3,n4,n5 Change Backfeed Sequence to Normal ~JSN

Set 230 Dots Per Inch

Reprint After Error = Yes $^{\prime}$ JZY

Label Home $^{\prime}$ LH $_{n1,n2}$ Label Reverse Print = No $^{\prime}$ LRN

Label Top $^{\prime}$ LT $_{n1}$ Map Clear = Yes

Print Quality ^PQ n1,n2,n3,n4

Print Rate = Maximum PR4,4 Select ZPL-II SZ2 Media Feed $^{MF} nl, n2$ Start Format XA or STX
Recall Format $^{AF} nl, n2, n3$ End Format $^{AF} nl, n2, n3$

Additional Printer Control

Print Mirror Image = No

Select Emulation ESC ESC n

Bar Code and Font Indices

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Interleaved 2 of 5	2
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EAN-8	8
UPC-E	9
Code 128	C
EAN-13	E
Codabar (ANSI)	K
UPC-A	U

Font Requested	<u>Index</u>	Font Used
Zebra Font A	A	25.4 cpi Courier
Zebra Font B	В	22.6 cpi Courier
Zebra Font C	C	18.5 cpi Courier
Zebra Font D	D	18.5 cpi Courier
Zebra Font E	E	10.2 cpi Sans Serif A
Zebra Font F	F	5.5 cpi Sans Serif A
Zebra Font G	G	10.7 cpi Sans Serif A

CPCL Emulation

CPCL Emulation supports a subset of the Comtec CPCL command set and allows the Printek MtP Series printers to respond to commands designed to control a CPCL compatible printer. The commands that are supported are listed below.

Note: This emulation is only available in units with firmware version 2.0 or later.

CPCL Commands

Terminate and Print File PRINT

Form Feed FORM {max feed} {skip length}

Set Form Feed SETFF

Place Text on Label TEXT, T {font} {size} {x} {y} {data}

Place Text on Label, Rotated 90° CCW TEXT90, VTEXT, T90, VT {font} {size} {x} {y} {data}

Place Text on Label, Rotated 180°

Place Text on Label, Rotated 270° CCW

Place Mult. Same Size Text Lines on Label

TEXT180, T180 {font} {size} {x} {y} {data}

TEXT270, T270 {font} {size} {x} {y} {data}

MULTILINE, ML {height} {text} {font} {size}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

ENDMULTILINE, ENDML

Set Font Magnification SETMAG {w} {h}

Print Bar Code BARCODE, B {type*} {width} {ratio} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Print Vertical Bar Code VBARCODE, VB {type*} {width} {ratio} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Print PDF-417 Bar Code BARCODE PDF-417 {x} {y} [XD n] [YD n [C n] [S n] {data}

ENDPDF

Print Human Readable Text Under Bar Code BARCODE-TEXT, BT {font number} {font size} {offset}

Place a Rectangular Box on Label

BOX {x0} {y0{ {x1} {y1} {width}}}

Place a Line on Label

LINE L {x0} {y0{ {x1} {y1} {width}}}

Place a Line on Label

LINE, L {x0} {y0} {x1} {y1} {width}

Place Expanded Graphics on Label EXPANDED-GRAPHICS, EG {width} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Place Vertical Expanded Graphics on Label VEXPANDED-GRAPHICS, VEG {width} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Place Compressed Graphics on Label COMPRESSED-GRAPHICS, CG {width} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Place Vertical Compressed Graphics on Label VCOMPRESSED-GRAPHICS, VCG {width} {height}

{x} {y} {data}
CONTRAST {level}

Set Print Contrast Level CONTRAST {level Set Print Tone Level TONE {level}

Set Page Width PAGE-WIDTH,PW {width}

Enable Pace Mode PACE
Disable Pace Mode NO-PACE

Wait n/8 Seconds

Set Maximum Print Speed

Set Paper Feed Distance Before Printing

Set Paper Feed Distance After Printing

Set Paper Feed Distance After Printing

POSTFEED {length}

Position Media at Tear Bar for n/8 Seconds PRESENT-AT {length} {delay}

Sound Control Panel Bell for *n*/8 Seconds BEEP {beep length}

CPCL Emulation

Utility Commands

Set Line Printer Font SETLP {font number} {font size} {unit height}

Set Line Feed Height SETLF {unit height}
Set Horizontal Position X {unit value}

Set Horizontal and Vertical Position XY {x unit value} {y unit value}

Set Vertical Position Y {unit value}

Move Horiz. Relative to Current Position RX {unit x value to move relative to present position} Move Vertically Relative to Current Position RY {unit y value to move relative to present position}

Set Left Margin LMARGIN {dots to offset from left}

Set Bold Mode SETBOLD {value}

Set Spacing Between Characters

Align Media to Print Head

SETSP {unit to separate characters}

SETFF {max-feed} {skip-length}

Set Start Printing Timeout to n/8 Seconds

SETLP-TIMEOUT {time in 1/8 seconds}

Set Page Width PAGE-WIDTH, PW {width}

Print Bar Code BARCODE, B {type*} {width} {ratio} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Print Vertical Bar Code VBARCODE, VB {type*} {width} {ratio} {height}

 $\{x\} \{y\} \{data\}$

Print a Rectangular Box BOX $\{x0\}$ $\{y0\}$ $\{x1\}$ $\{y1\}$ $\{width\}$ Print a Line LINE, L $\{x0\}$ $\{y0\}$ $\{x1\}$ $\{y1\}$ $\{width\}$

Set Print Tone TONE {level}

UPCA, UPCE, EAN13, EAN8, 39, 39C, 12OF5, 12OF5C, 128, UCCEAN128, CODABAR, CODABAR16

Line Print Mode Commands

Graphic Data ESC-g {00} {width}

Carriage Return CR
Line Feed LF
Form Feed FF
Backspace BS
I/O Handshake, Printer Responds With ACK ETX

Use Font File! USE-FORMAT, ! UF {format name}Define Font File! DEFINE-FORMAT, !DF {format name}Begin a Label Print Session! {offset} 200 200 {height} {qty}Single Utility Command! U1 {single utility command}

Multiple Utility Command ! UTILITIES, ! U

{multiple utility command separated by CRLF}

PRINT

Additional Printer Control

Select Emulation ESC ESC n

^{*}Supported barcode types:

Hex Dump Mode

Hex Dump provides a way to print, in a readable form, all the data received by the printer. This tool is useful to programmers for debugging programs when sending control codes and escape sequences to the printer. Hex Dump mode may also be used to detect what commands are being sent by a particular software application to help determine which emulation mode is needed for that application.

When the printer is operating in Hex Dump mode, control characters and escape sequences sent to the printer are not recognized or processed. The hexadecimal representation of the control characters and escape sequences will appear in the hex dump, but no other special processing will occur.

To select Hex Dump mode, enter Setup and use the ▶ Advance Button to select the "INTERFACE MENU". Next use the ♣ Enter Button to select "Emulation" and then use the ♣ Increment Button to select "Hex Dump". Now press the ▶ Advance Button Until "Exit Setup, Save Changes" is displayed and press the ♣ Enter Button. The printer will now reset and remain in Hex Dump mode until the "Emulation" is set back to another appropriate value.

A sample hex dump for the MtP400 is shown below. Note that each line shows sixteen characters, first in hexadecimal format and then in printable ASCII format. Certain, common nonprinting characters are represented by special characters such as C_R , L_F , and F_E . The Escape character is represented by a diamond shape (\bullet) to help identify the beginning of command strings. All other unprintable ASCII characters (0x00-0x1F) are represented by a period.

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54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 61 20 73 61 6D 70 6C 65 This.is.a.sample 20 68 65 78 20 64 75 6D 70 20 74 6F 20 69 6C 6C .hex.dump.to.ill 75 73 74 72 61 74 65 20 68 65 78 20 64 75 6D 70 ustrate.hex.dump 66 6F 72 6D 61 74 0D 0A 0C 00 00 00 1B 1B 01 format {}^{c}_{R}L_{F}F_{F}.... \bullet \bullet.
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The format of the Hex Dump output for the MtP300 models will vary slightly due to constraints of printing on the smaller width paper.

Note: ETX/ACK handshake will not operate properly in Hex Dump mode. When an ETX is received by the printer, its hexadecimal representation will be printed in the hex dump, but no ACK will be sent to the host computer. When using the printer in Hex Dump mode using the RS-232C Serial Interface, it is recommended that the printer be configured for RTS/CTS handshake or XON/XOFF handshake.

Note: The Hex Dump feature is only available in units with firmware version 2.0 or later.

Print & Font Samples

These print samples were produced on an MtP400.

Print Samples

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Sans Serif 5.5 cpi
012345 ABCDEF abcdef
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Sans Serif 10.2 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Sans Serif 10.7 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 12.7 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 13.5 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 14.5 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 15.6 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 16.9 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 18.5 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 20.3 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 22.3 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 25.4 cpi 012345 ABCDEF abcdef

Courier 12.7 cpi

Courier 12.7 cpi Emphasized

Courier 12,7 cpi Double High

Courier 12.7 cpi Double High Emphasized

Courier Font With International Extended Character Set

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Courier Font PC Line Drawing Extended Character Set

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      B
      C
      D
      E
      F

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Sans Serif Font

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3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
4	@	Α	В	С	D	Ε	F	G	Н	1	J	Κ	L	M	N	0
5	Р	Q	R	s	Т	U	٧	W	X	Υ	Z	[١	1	٨	_
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ASCII Character Tables

ASCII Control Code Definitions

The following table is provided as a reference to the control character descriptions as provided by the ASCII definition. Not all of these definitions are supported by the Printek MtP Series printers and some are emulation dependent. For more information consult the appropriate chapter for the emulation being used.

Control Code	Hexadecimal Value	Description		
NUL	00	Null		
SOH	01	Start of Heading		
STX	02	Start of Text		
ETX	03	End of Text		
EOT	04	End of Transmission		
ENQ	05	Enquiry		
ACK	06	Acknowledge		
BEL	07	Bell		
BS	08	Backspace		
HT	09	Horizontal Tabulation		
LF	0A	Line Feed		
VT	0B	Vertical Tabulation		
FF	0C	Form Feed		
CR	0D	Carriage Return		
SO	0E	Shift Out		
SI	0F	Shift In		
DLE	10	Data Link Escape		
DC1	11	Device Control 1 (XON)		
DC2	12	Device Control 2		
DC3	13	Device Control 3 (XOFF)		
DC4	14	Device Control 4		
NAK	15	Negative Acknowledge		
SYN	16	Synchronous Idle		
ETB	17	End of Transmission Block		
CAN	18	Cancel		
EM	19	End of Medium		
SUB	1A	Substitute		
ESC	1B	Escape		
FS	1C	File Separator		
GS	1D	Group Separator		
RS	1E	Record Separator		
US	1F	Unit Separator		

Decimal to Hexadecimal TO ASCII Conversion Table

Dec Hex ASCII	Dec Hex ASCII	$\frac{\text{Dec}}{120}$ $\frac{\text{Hex}}{90}$	$\frac{\text{Dec}}{102}$ $\frac{\text{Hex}}{100}$
0 00 NUL	64 40 @	128 80	192 C0
1 01 SOH	65 41 A	129 81	193 C1
2 02 STX	66 42 B	130 82	194 C2
3 03 ETX	67 43 C	131 83	195 C3
4 04 EOT	67 43 C 68 44 D	131 83	196 C4
5 05 ENQ	69 45 E	133 85	197 C5
6 06 ACK	70 46 F	134 86	198 C6
7 07 BEL	71 47 G	135 87	199 C7
8 08 BS	72 48 H	136 88	200 C8
9 09 HT	73 49 I	137 89	201 C9
10 0A LF	74 4A J	138 8A	202 CA
11 0B VT	75 4B K	139 8B	203 CB
12 0C FF	76 4C L	140 8C	204 CC
13 0D CR	77 4D M	141 8D	205 CD
14 0E SO	78 4E N	142 8E	206 CE
15 OF SI	79 4F O	143 8F	207 CF
16 10 DLE	80 50 P	144 90	208 D0
17 11 XON	81 51 Q	145 91	209 D1
18 12 DC2	82 52 R	146 92	210 D2
19 13 XOFF	83 53 S	147 93	211 D3
20 14 DC4	84 54 T	148 94	212 D4
21 15 NAK	85 55 U	149 95	213 D5
22 16 SYN	86 56 V	150 96	214 D6
23 17 ETB	87 57 W	151 97	215 D7
24 18 CAN	88 58 X	152 98	216 D8
25 19 EM	89 59 Y	153 99	217 D9
26 1A SUB	90 5A Z	154 9A	218 DA
27 1B ESC	91 5B [155 9B	219 DB
28 1C FS	92 5C \	156 9C	220 DC
29 1D GS	93 5D] 94 5F ^	150 9C 157 9D	221 DD
30 1E RS	94 5E ^	158 9E	222 DE
31 1F US	95 5F	159 9F	223 DF
32 20 SP	96 60 -	160 A0	224 E0
33 21 !	97 61 a	161 A1	225 E1
34 22 "	98 62 b	162 A2	226 E2
35 23 #	99 63 c	163 A3	227 E3
36 24 \$	100 64 d	164 A4	228 E4
37 25 %	101 65 e	165 A5	229 E5
38 26 &	101 65 e 102 66 f	166 A6	230 E6
39 27 '	103 67 g	167 A7	231 E7
40 28 (104 68 h		232 E8
40 28 (104 68 h	168 A8	232 E8
41 29)	105 69 i	169 A9	233 E9
42 2A *	106 6A j	170 AA	234 EA 235 EB
43 2B +	107 6B k	171 AB	235 EB
44 2C ,	108 6C l	172 AC	236 EC
45 2D -	109 6D m	173 AD	237 ED
46 2E .	110 6E n	174 AE	238 EE
47 2F /	111 6F o	175 AF	239 EF
48 30 0	112 70 p	176 B0	240 F0
49 31 1	113 71 q	177 B1	241 F1
50 32 2	114 72 r	178 B2	242 F2
51 33 3	115 73 s	179 B3	243 F3
52 34 4	116 74 t	180 B4	244 F4
53 35 5	117 75 u	181 B5	245 F5
54 36 6	118 76 v	182 B6	246 F6
55 37 7	119 77 w	183 B7	247 F7
56 38 8	120 78 x	184 B8	248 F8
57 39 9	121 79 y	185 B9	249 F9
58 3A : 59 3B ;	122 7A z	186 BA	250 FA
	123 7B {	187 BB	251 FB
60 3C <	124 7C	188 BC	252 FC
61 3D = 62 3E >	125 7D }	189 BD	253 FD
	126 7E ~	190 BE	254 FE
63 3F ?	127 7F DEL	191 BF	255 FF

Printer Reset Conditions

The following list describes what conditions are assumed whenever the printer is powered on, the Setup Menus are exited, or a reset escape sequence is received when the printer is operating in an emulation mode which supports such a sequence.

This list includes all variables which may be modified by the user for all emulations even though some emulations cannot modify all the variables shown. Refer to the appropriate section for the emulation being used.

Variable	Reset Con	dition
variable	Reset Con	annon

Emulation According to Interface Setup

Line Printer/Easy Print Line Printer Mode

Character Pitch/Font According to Format Setup

Double High Off
Double Wide Off
Emphasized Off

Line Spacing According to Format Setup
Left Margin According to Format Setup
Right Margin According to Format Setup
Print Contrast According to Format Setup

Buffer Mode Disabled
Text in an Incomplete Line Discarded

Input Buffer Cleared (unless reset from host)

Magnetic Card Reader Pending Read Canceled

Glossary

Wireless networking communication standards created by IEEE.

access point An interface between a wireless network and a wired network.

Ad-Hoc A Wi-Fi network consisting of only stations (no access point). Same as Peer-

to-Peer.

ASCII American Standard Code for Information Interchange.

authentication The process a Wi-Fi station uses to identify itself to another station.

bandwidth The amount of data that be transferred in a given period of time.

baud rate The rate at which characters are transmitted over a serial interface. This is also

often referred to as bits per second.

binary Base two numbering system. Digits are represented by the characters 0 and 1.

bit A single binary digit.

Bluetooth A definition for short range radio frequency communications.

client Any node on a network that requests services from another node (server).

control code A single, non-printing character which is used to control the configuration or

operation of the printer.

character pitch The horizontal spacing of characters. Measured in cpi.

cpi Characters per inch.

current line The line upon which the next character will be printed.

current print position The column on the current line where the next character will be printed.

default Value or configuration assumed when the printer is powered on or reset.

DHCP Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol. A method used to centrally control the

assignment of IP addresses on a network.

dpi Dots per inch. Generally used to refer to graphics density or resolution.

escape sequence String of characters beginning with the escape (ESC) character which is used

to control the configuration or operation of the printer. The characters which

are part of this string are not printed.

font A group of characters of a given shape or style.

hexadecimal Base sixteen numbering system. Digits are represented by the characters 0

through 9 and a through f.

IEEE Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

infrastructure A Wi-Fi network consisting of stations connecting to a wired network or other

stations via an access point.

interface The connection between the printer and the host computer.

Glossary

IP Internet Protocol. A specification for packets, or datagrams, of data and an

addressing method to allow the exchange of data with another system. Must

be combined with another protocol such as TCP to create a complete

connection with the other system.

LAN Local Area Network.

LCD Liquid crystal display.

LED Light emitting diode.

line pitch The vertical spacing of rows of characters. Measured in lpi.

lpi Lines per inch.

margin An area along any edge of a form where data may not be printed.

MSB Most significant bit. In a character, this refers to bit seven (of 0 to 7).

node Any device connected to a network.

parity A method used for detecting errors within a single character transmitted or

received via an interface.

Peer-to-Peer A network consisting of only stations (no access point or central server). Same

as Ad-Hoc.

reset Initialization of various operating parameters of the printer to the value or state

assumed when the printer is powered on.

RS-232C An EIA standard for serial data transmission.

server Any node on a network that provides services to another node (client).

SSID Service Set IDentifier. An identifier attached to packets on a Wi-Fi network

that identify the particular network the packets are intended for.

TCP Transmission Control Protocol. A specification that controls the connection

between systems on a network.

top of form The vertical position where the first line is printed on the paper. Also the

position the paper is advanced to when a form feed (FF) character is received from the host or the Form Feed button is pressed on the printer's control panel.

WAN Wide Area Network. Refers to connections that allow one LAN to

communicate with another LAN(s).

WEP Wired Equivalent Privacy. A security protocol for wireless LANs designed to

provide data security similar a wired LAN.

Wi-Fi Refers to any of the IEEE 802.11 standards.

WLAN Wireless Local Area Network. A LAN made up of wireless nodes.