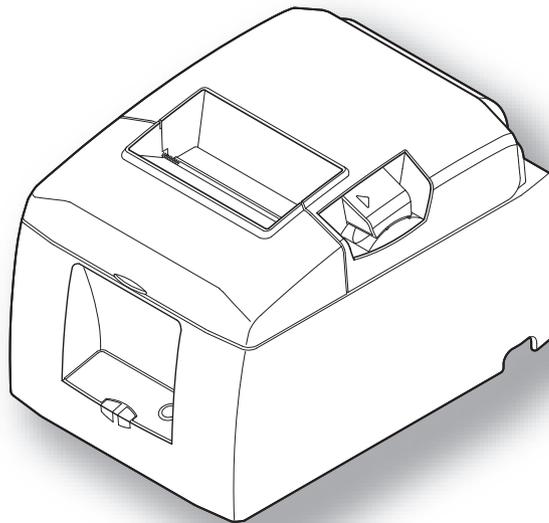


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## *Hardware Manual*



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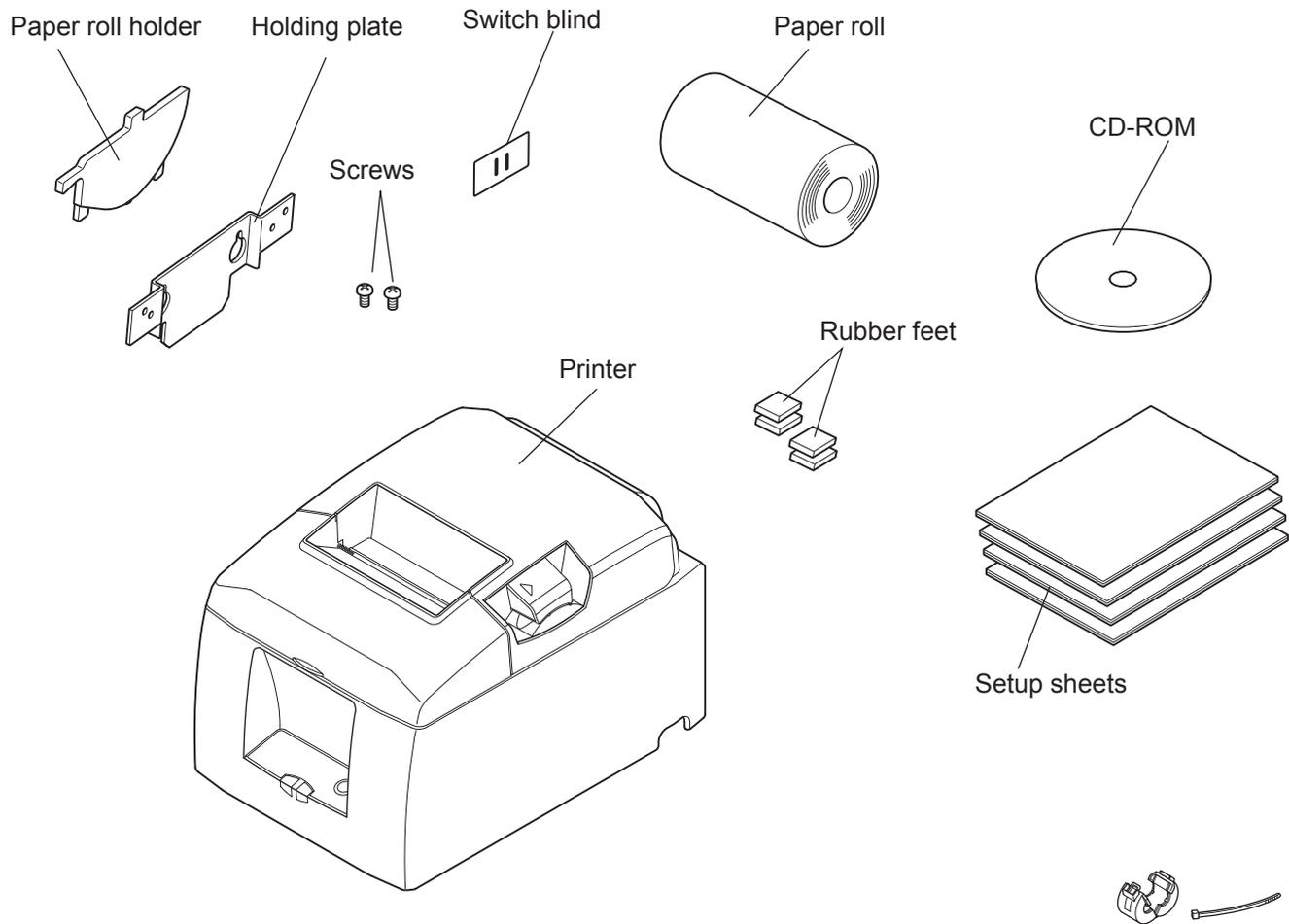
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# 1. Unpacking and Installation

## 1-1. Unpacking

After unpacking the unit, check that all the necessary accessories are included in the package.



Note

**Note:** The ferrite core and fastener provided with your printer depend on your printer configuration.

**Fig. 1-1 Unpacking**

If anything is missing, contact the dealer where you bought the printer and ask them to supply the missing part. Note that it is a good idea to keep the original box and all the packing materials just in case you need to pack the printer up again and send it somewhere at a later date.

## 1-2. Choosing a place for the printer

Before actually unpacking the printer, you should take a few minutes to think about where you plan to use it. Remember the following points when doing this.

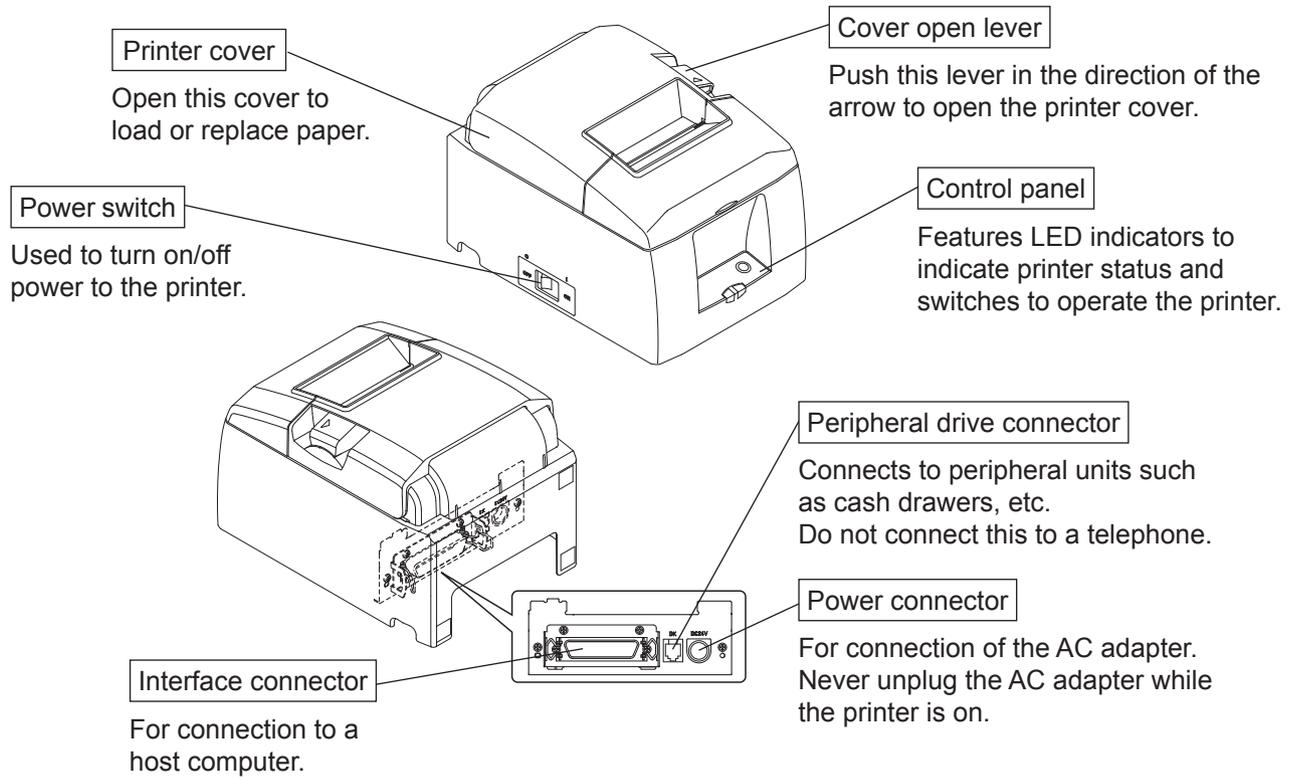
- ✓ Choose a firm, level surface where the printer will not be exposed to vibration.
- ✓ The power outlet you plan to connect to for power should be nearby and unobstructed.
- ✓ Make sure that the printer is close enough to your host computer for you to connect the two.
- ✓ Make sure that the printer is not exposed to direct sunlight.
- ✓ Make sure that the printer is well away from heaters and other sources of extreme heat.
- ✓ Make sure that the surrounding area is clean, dry, and free of dust.
- ✓ Make sure that the printer is connected to a reliable power outlet. It should not be on the same electric circuit as copiers, refrigerators, or other appliances that cause power spikes.
- ✓ Make sure that the room where you are using the printer is not too humid.

### **⚠ WARNING**

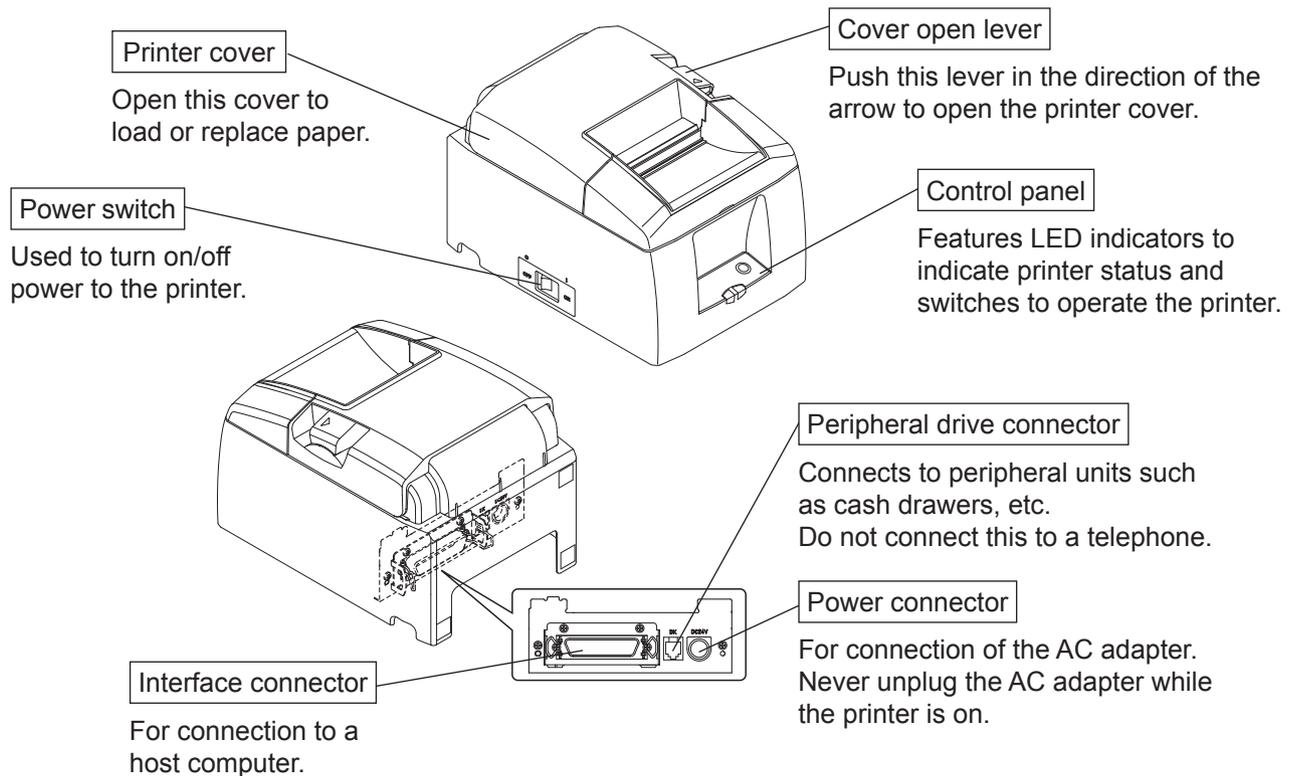
- ✓ Shut down your equipment immediately if it produces smoke, a strange odor, or unusual noise. Immediately unplug the equipment and contact your dealer for advice.
- ✓ Never attempt to repair this product yourself. Improper repair work can be dangerous.
- ✓ Never disassemble or modify this product. Tampering with this product may result in injury, fire, or electric shock.

# 2. Parts Identification and Nomenclature

## 2-1. Cutter Model



## 2-2. Tear Bar Model

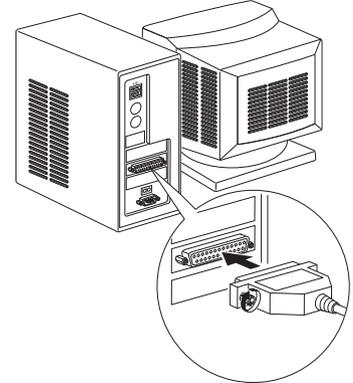


# 3. Setup

## 3-1. Connecting the Cable to the PC

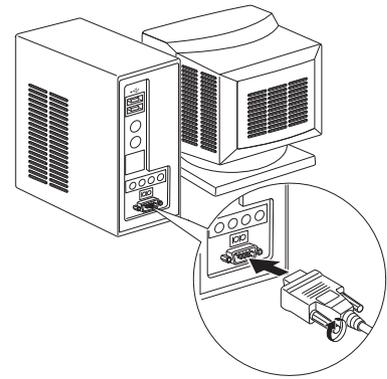
### 3-1-1. Parallel Interface Cable

Connect the parallel interface cable to a parallel port of your PC.



### 3-1-2. RS-232C Interface Cable

Connect the RS-232C interface cable to a RS-232C port of your PC.



## 3-2. Connecting the Cable to the Printer

Note that the interface cable is not provided. Please use a cable that meets specifications.

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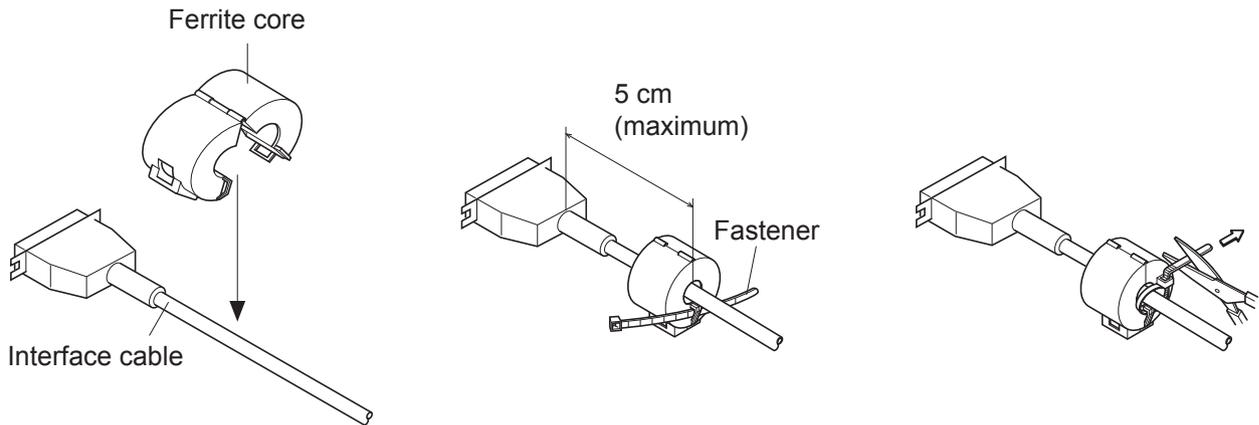
### **⚠ CAUTION**

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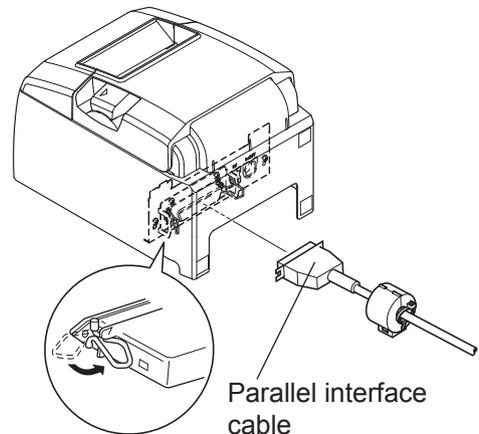
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### 3-2-1. Parallel Interface Cable

- (1) Make sure the printer is turn off.
- (2) Affix the ferrite core onto the cable as shown in the illustration.
- (3) Pass the fastener through the ferrite core.
- (4) Loop the fastener around the cable and lock it.  
Use scissors to cut off any excess.



- (5) Connect the interface cable to the connector on the rear panel of the printer.
- (6) Fasten the connector clasps.



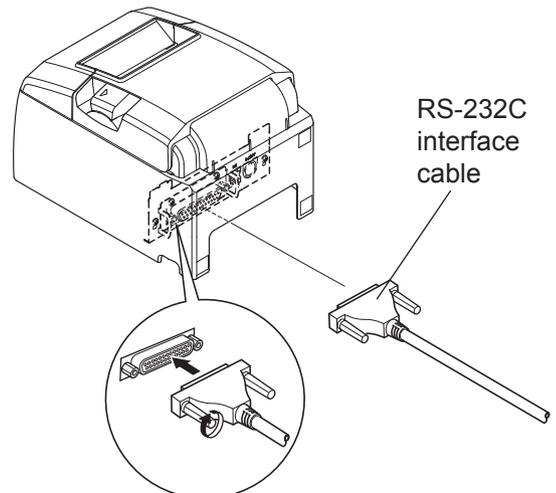
### 3-2-2. RS-232C Interface Cable

- (1) Make sure the printer is turn off.

#### ⚠ CAUTION

*Before connecting/disconnecting the interface cable, make sure that power to the printer and all the devices connected to the printer is turned off. Also make sure the power cable plug is disconnected from the AC outlet.*

- (2) Connect the interface cable to the connector on the rear panel of the printer.
- (3) Tighten the connector screws.

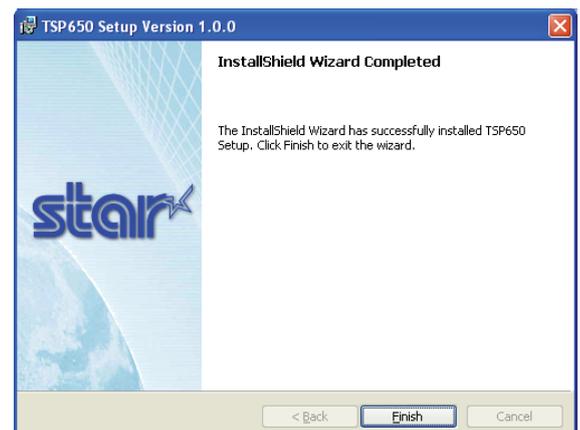
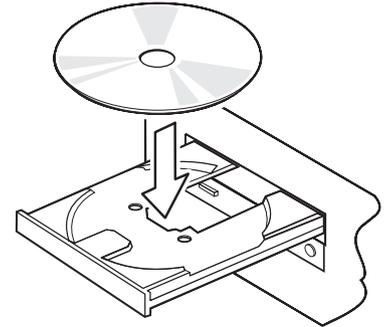


### 3-3. Installing the Printer Software

Here is the procedure for installing the printer driver and utility software, which are stored on the supplied CD-ROM.

The procedure applies to the Windows operating systems shown below.

- Windows 2000
  - Windows XP
  - Windows Vista 32-Bit
- (1) Turn ON the power to your PC to start Windows.
  - (2) Insert the supplied CD-ROM (Drivers and Utilities) into the CD-ROM drive.
  - (3) Follow the instructions that appear on the screen.
  - (4) The dialog shown in the illustration indicates that the procedure has been completed. Click “Finish”.



The dialog that appears on the screen varies with your system. This completes the installation of the printer software. A message will appear, prompting you to restart. Restart Windows.

For instructions on the Linux and Windows Vista 64-Bit, refer to the software manual located in the “Linux” and “Documents” folders on the CD-ROM.

### 3-4. Connecting the Optional AC Adapter

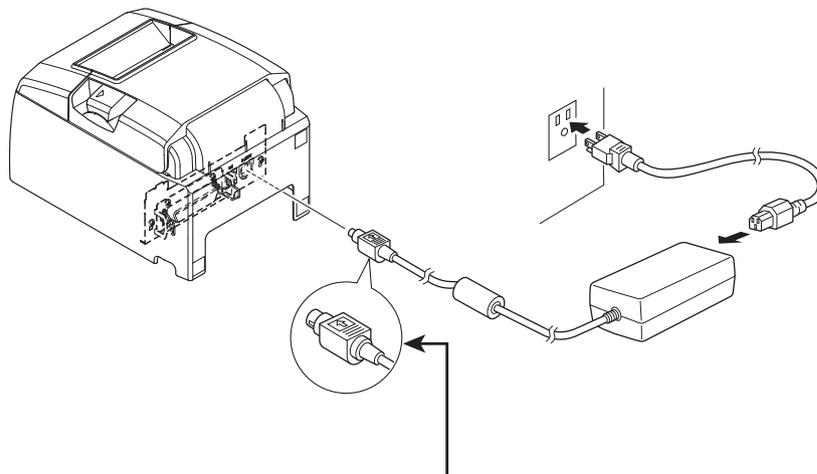
**Note:** Before connecting/disconnecting the AC adapter, make sure that power to the printer and all the devices connected to the printer is turned off. Also make sure the power cable plug is disconnected from the AC outlet.

(1) Connect the AC adapter to the power cable.

**Note:** Use only the standard AC adapter and power cable.

(2) Connect AC adapter to the connector on the printer.

(3) Insert the power cable plug into an AC outlet.



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#### **⚠ CAUTION**

*When disconnecting the cable, take hold of the cable connector to pull it out. Releasing the lock makes it easy to disconnect the connector.*

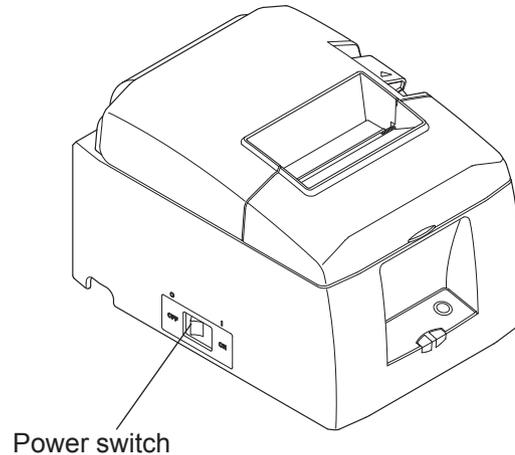
*Pulling the cable excessively could cause damage to the connector.*

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### 3-5. Turning Power On

Make sure that the Power cord has been connected as described in 3-4.

Turn ON the power switch located on the front of the printer.  
The POWER lamp on the control panel will light up.



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#### **⚠ CAUTION**

*We recommend that you unplug the printer from the power outlet whenever you do not plan to use it for long periods. Because of this, you should locate the printer so that the power outlet it is plugged into is nearby and easy to access.*

*When an Switch blind is affixed to the printer above the power switch, the ON/OFF marks of the power switch may be hidden. If this occurs, remove the power cord from the outlet to turn the printer OFF.*

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### 3-6. Connecting to a Peripheral Unit

You can connect a peripheral unit to the printer using a modular plug. See “Modular plug” on page 42 for details about the type of modular plug that is required. Note that this printer does not come with a modular plug or wire, so it is up to you to obtain one that suits your needs.

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#### **⚠ CAUTION**

*Make sure that the printer is turned off and unplugged from the AC outlet and that the computer is turned off before making connections.*

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Connect the peripheral drive cable to the connector on the rear panel of the printer.

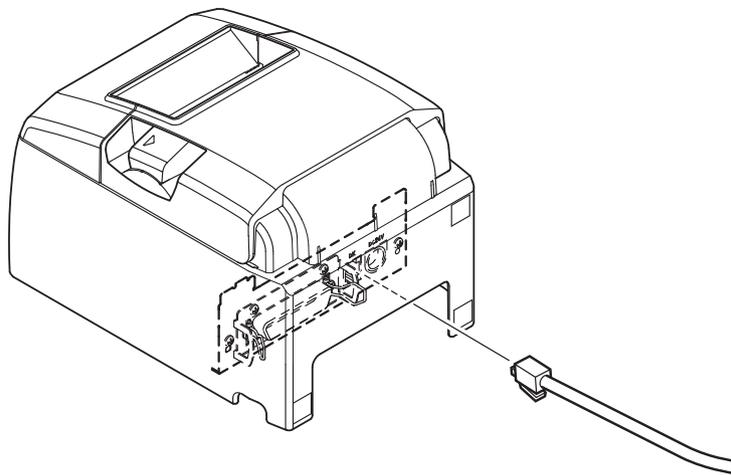
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#### **⚠ CAUTION**

*Do not connect a telephone line into the peripheral drive connector. Failure to observe this may result in damage to the printer.*

*Also, for safety purposes, do not connect wiring to the external drive connector if there is a chance it may carry peripheral voltage.*

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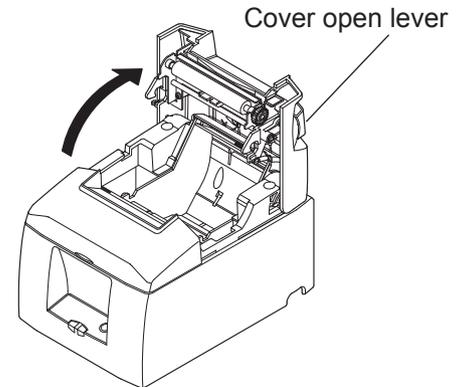
## 3-7. Loading the Paper Roll

### 3-7-1. Using 79.5 mm Width Paper Roll

Be sure to use roll paper that matches the printer's specification.

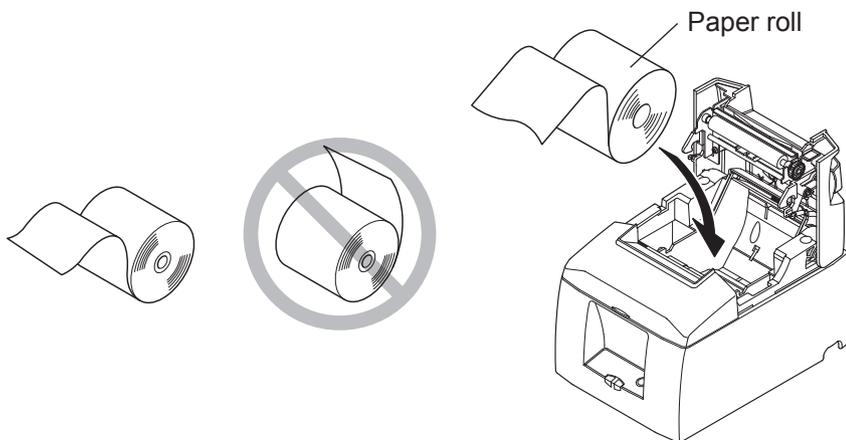
When using a paper roll with an 57.5 mm width, install the paper roll holder as described on the following page.

- 1) Push the cover open lever, and open the printer cover.
- 2) While observing the direction of the roll, set the paper roll into the hollow, and pull on the leading edge of the paper toward you.



#### **CAUTION**

*Do not pull out the end of the paper diagonally, as it will cause the paper to become jammed or skewed.*



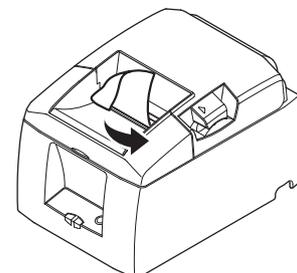
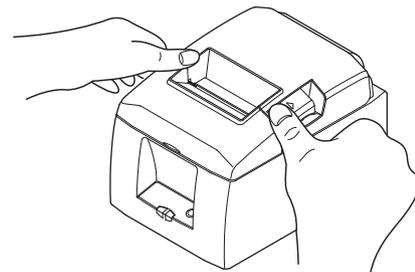
- 3) Push down both sides of the printer cover to close.  
**Note:** Make sure that the printer cover is securely closed.

- 4) **Tear Bar Model:**

Tear off the paper as shown.

**Auto Cutter Model:**

If the printer cover is closed after turning on the power, the cutter operates automatically and the front end of the paper is cut.

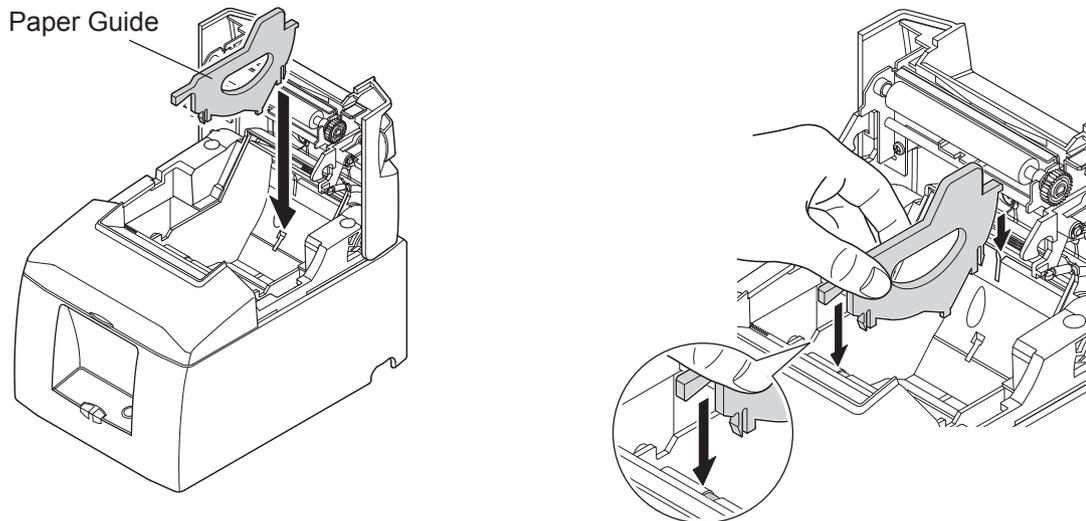


Tear Bar Model

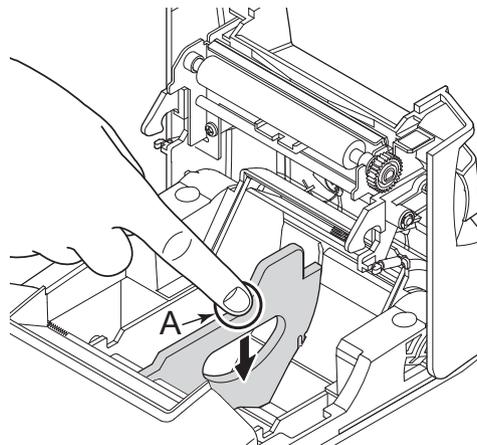
### 3-7-2. Using 57.5 mm Width Paper Roll

When using a paper roll with 57.5 mm width, install the supplied paper guide on the printer. To change the effective print width (roll paper width), change the setting at memory switch configuration Utility. For details on the setting of the memory switches, refer to the software manual located in the “Documents” folders on the CD-ROM.

- ① Insert the paper guide along the groove in the unit as shown.



- ② Insert the paper guide by pushing the area marked “A” down until it clicks into place.



**Note:** After using a paper roll with a width of 57.5 mm, do not change to a paper roll with a width of 79.5 mm. (This is because the printer head has deteriorated as a result of a portion of the head having been in direct contact with the platen.)

## Caution Symbol



This symbol is placed near the thermal head to indicate that it may be hot. Never touch the thermal head immediately after the printer has been used. Let the thermal head cool for a few minutes before touching it.



This symbol is placed near the thermal head to indicate that it is easily damaged. Observe the precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices.

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### **⚠ WARNING**

- 1) *Do not touch the cutter blade.*
  - *There is a cutter inside the paper outlet slot. Not only should you not put your hand in the paper outlet slot while printing is in progress, never put your hand into the outlet even when printing is not in progress.*
  - *The printer cover can be opened when replacing the paper. However, since the cutter blade is on the inside of the printer cover, be careful not to place your face or hands too close to the cutter blade.*
- 2) *During and immediately after printing, the area around the thermal head is very hot. Do not touch it, as you could be burned.*

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### **⚠ CAUTION**

- 1) *Do not operate the cover open lever while pressing on the printer cover with your hand.*
- 2) *Do not push the cover open lever and open the printer cover when printing is in progress or when the auto cutter is operating.*
- 3) *Do not push out paper while the printer cover is closed.*
- 4) *The heating element and the driver IC of the thermal head are easily damaged. Do not touch them with metal objects, sandpaper, etc.*
- 5) *Printing quality may suffer if the thermal head heating element becomes soiled by being touched with your hands. Do not touch the thermal head heating element.*
- 6) *There is a risk of damage to the driver IC of the thermal head from static electricity. Never directly touch the IC.*
- 7) *The printing quality and working life of the thermal head cannot be guaranteed if any paper other than that recommended is used. In particular, paper containing [Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>] may drastically reduce the working life of the thermal head. Please exercise caution.*
- 8) *Do not operate the printer if there is moisture on the front surface of the head from condensation, etc.*
- 9) *A printed piece of thermal paper may become electrically charged. If the printer is placed vertically or mounted on a wall, the cut piece of paper may stick to the printer, instead of falling. Beware that this could cause a problem if you use a stacker that stores the pieces of paper that fall freely.*
- 10) *Do not change the paper width during use. The thermal printing head, rubber roller, and cutter wear differently according to the paper width. This can cause the printing or cutter movement to malfunction.*
- 11) *Do not transport the printer with its cover open and holding it by the cover.*
- 12) *Do not forcibly pull on the interface cable, power cable, or cash drawer cable that is connected. To detach a connector, make sure to grasp it at the connector portion, without applying excessive stress on the connector at the printer.*

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### **⚠Notes on Using the Auto Cutter**

- 1) *To print after a cut, feed 1 mm (8-dot line) or more of paper.*
  - 2) *If the cutter is not in its home position after an error, first eliminate the cause of the error; then, turn the power back ON.*
  - 3) *A margin of 5 mm or more is recommended from the end of the printed area to the cutting position.*
  - 4) *Do not attempt to remove the paper during a cut, as this can cause a paper jam.*
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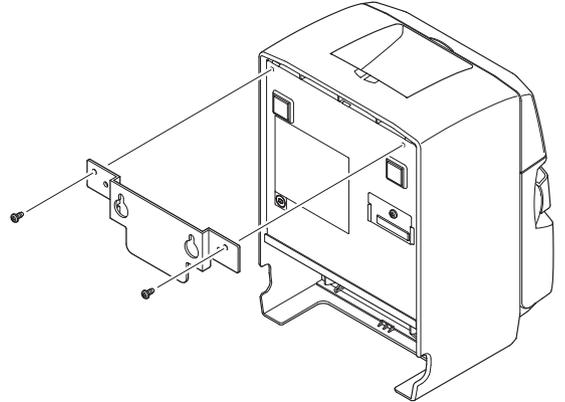
## 4. Attaching the Accessories

The following accessories do not necessarily have to be attached.  
Attach them if necessary.

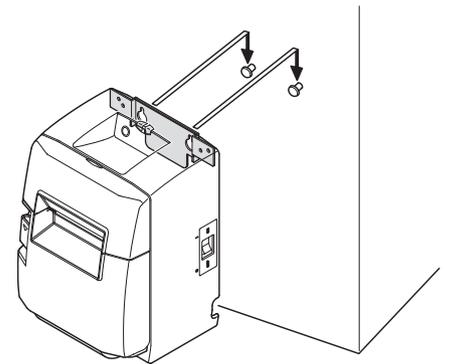
- Holding plate
- Rubber feet
- Switch cover

### 4-1. Attaching the Holder Plate

(1) Attach the holding plate to the printer. Then tighten the two screws that were supplied to secure it in place.

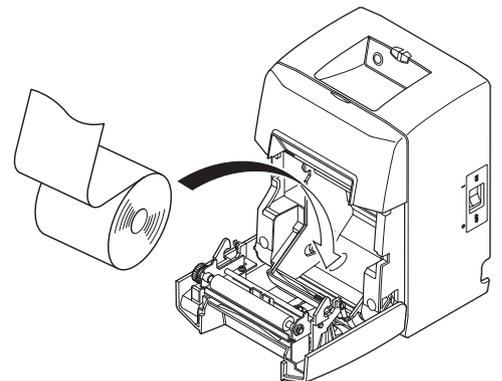


(2) Position the printer over the screws, etc., on the wall and then slide it downward to set it in place.



(3) Push the cover open lever, and open the printer cover.

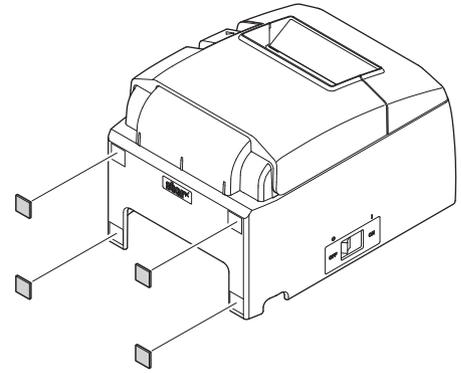
(4) Insert the roll paper as shown.



## 4-2. Attaching the Rubber Feet

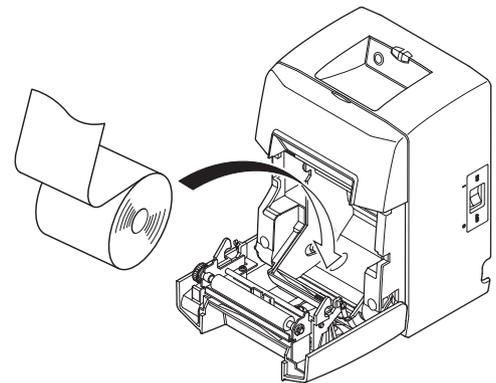
- (1) Attach the four rubber feet in the positions shown in the figure.

Ensure that any soiling has been completely wiped off before attaching the rubber feet.



- (2) Push the cover open lever, and open the printer cover.
- (3) Insert the roll paper as shown.

**Note:** Depending on the connector shape, the printer cannot be positioned vertically when using the parallel interface.

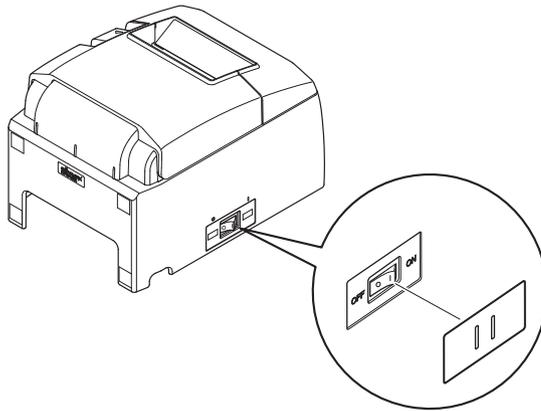


### 4-3. Switch Cover Installation

It is not necessary to install the switch cover. Only install it if it is necessary for you. By installing the switch cover, the following become possible.

- Preventing the power switch from being operated by mistake.
- Ensuring that other people can not easily operate the power switch.

Install the switch cover as shown in the diagram below.



The power switch can be turned ON ( I ) and OFF ( O ) by inserting a narrow instrument (ball pen etc.) in the holes in the switch cover.

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#### **⚠ CAUTION**

*We recommend that you unplug the printer from the power outlet whenever you do not plan to use it for long periods. Because of this, you should locate the printer so that the power outlet it is plugged into is nearby and easy to access.*

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# 5. Consumable Parts and AC Adapter

When consumable parts have run out, use those specified in the table below.

**Note:** Access the following URL for the information of the recommended paper.

<http://www.star-m.jp/eng/dl/dl02.htm>

Make sure that the AC adapter specified in the table is used.

Use of consumable parts or AC adapter which are not specified in the table may result in damage to the printer, fire or electric shock.

## 5-1. Thermal Paper Roll

### (1) Paper roll specification

Thermal paper

Thickness: 65~85  $\mu\text{m}$  (excluding Mitsubishi HiTec F5041)

Width: 79.5 $\pm$ 0.5 mm (57.5 $\pm$ 0.5 mm when the paper roller holder is used)

Outer roll diameter:  $\phi$ 83 mm or less

Take up paper roll width: 80 $^{+0.5}_-1$  mm or (58 $^{+0.5}_-1$  mm when the paper roller holder is used)

Core outer/inner diameter

**Core outer**      **Core inner**

$\phi$ 18 $\pm$ 1 mm       $\phi$ 12 $\pm$ 1 mm

Printed surface:      Outer edge of roll

Tail end handling:      Do not use paste or glue to secure the roll paper or its core.  
Do not fold the tail end of the paper.

### (2) Recommended paper

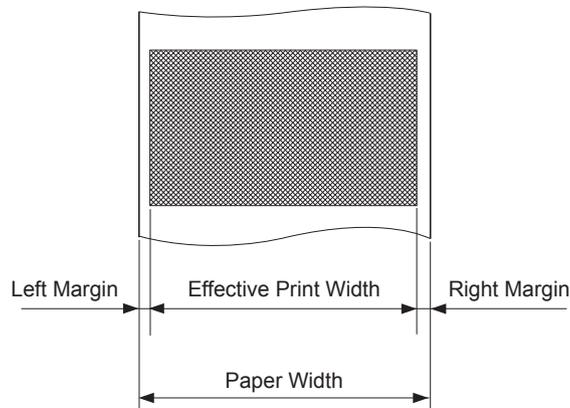
Manufacturer	Product name	Quality characteristics/Use	Paper thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Mitsubishi Paper Mills Limited	P220AG	normal type paper	65 (thickness)
	HP220A	high image stability paper	65 (thickness)
	HP220AB-1	high image stability paper	75 (thickness)
	P220AGB	normal type paper, card ticket	80 (thickness)
	PB670	2 color paper: Red & Black	75 (thickness)
	PB770	2 color paper: Blue & Black	75 (thickness)
Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Flensburg GmbH	F5041	normal type paper	60 (thickness)
Oji Paper Co., Ltd.	PD150R	normal type paper	75 (thickness)
	PD160R	high image stability paper	65/75 (thickness)
	PD750R	2 color paper: Red & Black	75 (thickness)
	PD700R	2 color paper: Blue & Black	75 (thickness)
Nippon Paper Industries	TF50KS-E2C	normal type paper	65 (thickness)
Kanzaki Specialty Papers Inc. (KSP)	P320RB	2 color paper: Red & Black	65 (thickness)
	P320BB	2 color paper: Blue & Black	65 (thickness)

**Note:**

- 1) Depending on the type and thickness of the paper, it may be necessary to change the settings for printing darkness. To change the darkness settings, use the printing darkness settings command <ESC><RS> 'd' n or the memory switch. Please consult the dealer for details.
- 2) The print density may vary depending on the type of paper roll and operating environment.
- 3) A reader or scanner may not be able to scan a printed bar code or characters depending on the print density. Make sure that your reader or scanner is able to scan correctly beforehand.

**(3) Effective Print Width**

Paper Width (mm)	Right / Left Margin (mm)	Effective Print Width (mm)	Number of Print Columns (12 × 24 Font)
79.5 ± 0.5	3.75	72	48
57.5 ± 0.5	Left 2.75, Right 3.75	50.8	33



**5-2. AC adapter (option)**

AC adapter which are not specified may result in damage to the printer, fire or electric shock.

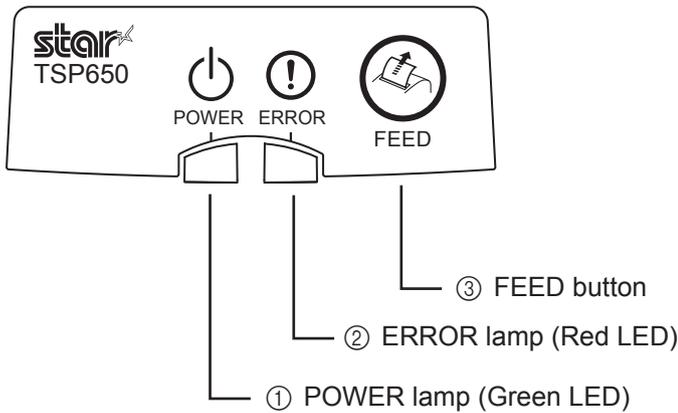
Model name: PS60A-24A

Input: 90 to 264 V AC, 50/60 Hz

Output: DC24 V ±5%, 2.0 A (5.0 A Load 10 sec. Max.)

# 6. Control Panel and Other Functions

## 6-1. Control Panel



- ① POWER lamp (Green LED)  
Lights when the power is ON.
- ② ERROR lamp (Red LED)  
Indicates various errors in combination with POWER lamp.
- ③ FEED button  
Press the FEED button to feed roll paper.

## 6-2. Errors

### 1) Recoverable errors

Error Description	POWER Lamp	ERROR Lamp	Recovery Conditions
Head high temperature detection	Flashes at 0.5-second intervals	OFF	Automatically recovered after the print head has cooled.
Cover open error	ON	ON	Automatically recovered by closing the printer cover.
Paper out error	ON	Flashes at 0.5 second intervals	Automatically recovered by loading a new paper roll, then closing the printer cover.
Paper near end	ON	Flashes at 2 second intervals	Indicators show that the paper end is approaching, but the printer continues to print.
Paper cut error	OFF	Flashes at 0.125 second intervals	Recovered if the cutter returns to the home position after turning the power OFF and ON. (See Notes 1 and 2.)

### Note:

- 1) If the cutter doesn't return to the home position or doesn't perform the initial movement, it cannot be recovered. See "8-3. Releasing a Locked Cutter (Auto Cutter Mode only)" on page 25 for details.
- 2) If the paper is jammed, turn the power off, clear the jammed paper, then turn the power ON.

## 2) Non-recoverable errors

<b>Error Description</b>	<b>POWER Lamp</b>	<b>ERROR Lamp</b>	<b>Recovery Conditions</b>
Flash access error	OFF	Flashes at 0.5-second intervals	This is not a recoverable error.
EEPROM error	OFF	Flashes at 0.75-second intervals	This is not a recoverable error.
SRAM error	OFF	Flashes at 1-second intervals	This is not a recoverable error.
Head thermistor error	OFF	Flashes at 1.5-second intervals	This is not a recoverable error.
Power voltage error	OFF	Flashes at 2-second intervals	This is not a recoverable error.

### **Note:**

- 1) If a non recoverable error occurs, turn the power OFF immediately.
- 2) When Power supply error occurs, there is a possibility that the power supply unit has a trouble.

For other non recoverable errors, please consult the dealer for repairs.

## 6-3. Self-Printing

### 6-3-1. Test Printing

Place the thermal paper roll on the printer.

Turn the power ON while holding the FEED button depressed. The printer will run a test print according to the Ver. No., DIP switch settings, and memory switch settings, etc.

```
*** TSP650 Ver1.0

Interface : Parallel

-- Dip Switch 1 --
Sw  12345678
On  *****
Off

-- Dip Switch 1 Detail --
1 = Emulation : Star Line/T
5 = INIT Reset : Enable
6 = BUSY : All
7 = ASB : Invalid

-- Memory Switch --
FFD0B10876543210 HEX.
000000000000
<1> 0000000000000000 0000
<2> 0000000000000000 0000
<3> 0000000000000000 0000
<4> 0000000000000000 0000
```

### 6-3-2. Hexadecimal Dump Mode

Place the thermal paper roll on the printer.

Open the printer cover, then turn the power on while holding the FEED button.

When the cover is closed, “\*\*\* HEX DUMP PRINTING \*\*\*” is printed, and the printer enters the Hexadecimal Dump Mode.

Each of the signals sent from the computer to the printer will be printed out in hexadecimal code.

This function allows you to check if a control code sent to the printer by the program being used is correct or not. The final line is not printed if its data is less than one full line. However, if the FEED button is pushed, the final line is printed. To turn off the mode, it is necessary to turn off the printer completely.

```
*** HEX DUMP PRINTING ***

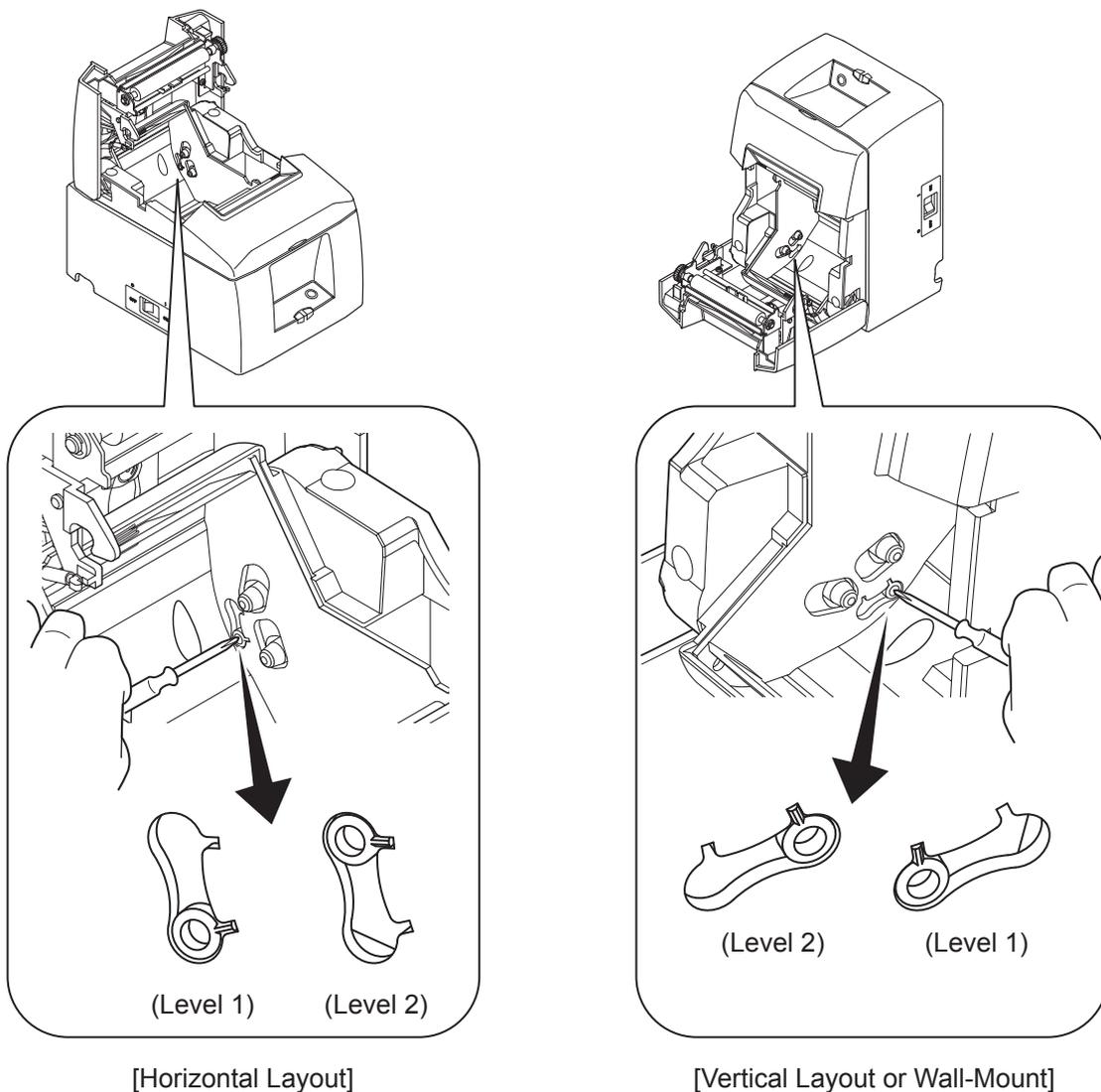
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07      .....
08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F      .....
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17      .....
18 19 1A 1B 1C 1D 1E 1F      .....
20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27      !"#%&'
28 29 2A 2B 2C 2D 2E 2F      ()*+,-./
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37      01234567
38 39 3A 3B 3C 0A             89:;<.
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# 7. Adjusting the Near-end Sensor

Use the following procedure to adjust the near-end sensor so it is compatible with the size of paper roll you are using.

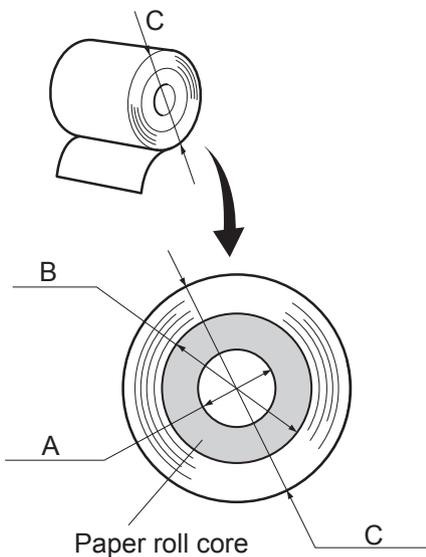
- ① Open the printer cover.
- ② Determine the diameter of the paper roll you are using and find the required setting in the table below.
- ③ Insert the tip of a ballpoint pen or similar object into the hole of the adjuster, and then push and slide the adjuster to the desired setting.

When changing the setting, make sure that the position of the hole is aligned with the alignment mark indicated by the arrow.



## Adjustment value according to the paper you are using

Paper Thickness (µm)	Horizontal (standard) Layout ø12 (A) inner diameter / ø18 (B) outer diameter core roll paper				Vertical Layout or Wall-Mount ø12 (A) inner diameter / ø18 (B) outer diameter core roll paper			
	Detected diameter (C) (mm)		Remaining paper length (m)		Detected diameter (C) (mm)		Remaining paper length (m)	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 1	Level 2	Level 1	Level 2	Level 1	Level 2
65	Approx. ø23	Approx. ø29	Approx. 2.5	Approx. 6.3	Approx. ø23	Approx. ø29	Approx. 2.5	Approx. 6.3
85	Approx. ø23	Approx. ø29	Approx. 1.9	Approx. 4.8	Approx. ø23	Approx. ø29	Approx. 1.9	Approx. 4.8



### Notes:

- 1) The adjuster is factory-set at level 1.
- 2) The detected diameter and remained paper length given in the table are calculated values, and there are some variances depending on the rolled state of the paper, the actual mechanism, or the printing pattern.
- 3) If thick paper is used (paper thickness between 80 µm and 85 µm), the paper roll may loosen and cause variances in the detected values. Therefore, setting the adjuster to Level 2 is recommended.

# 8. Preventing and Clearing Paper Jams

## 8-1. Preventing Paper Jams

The paper should not be touched during ejection and before it is cut.

Pressing or pulling the paper during ejection may cause a paper jam, paper cutting failure or line feed failure.

## 8-2. Removing Paper Jam

If a paper jam occurs, clear it as described below.

- (1) Set the power switch to off to turn off power to the printer.
- (2) Push the lever toward you to open the printer cover.
- (3) Remove the jammed paper.

**Note:** To prevent parts such as the thermal head or the rubber roller from damage or deformation, do not forcibly pull on the paper with the printer cover closed.

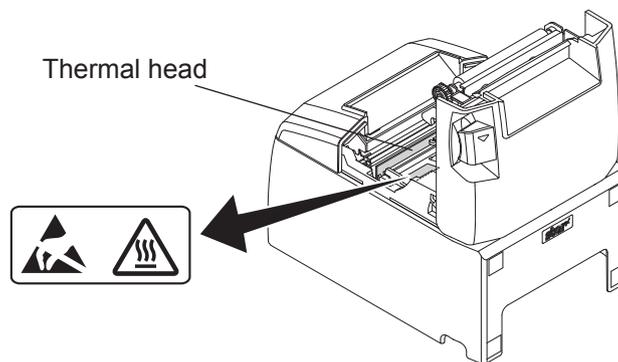
- (4) Position the paper roll straight and close the printer cover gently.

**Note 1:** Make sure that the paper is positioned straight. If the printer cover is closed with the paper skewed, a paper jam may result.

**Note 2:** Lock the printer cover by pressing down on the sides. Do not try to close it by pressing down on the centre. The cover may not lock properly.

- (5) Set the power switch to on to turn on power to the printer. Make sure that the ERROR LED is not lit.

**Note:** While the ERROR LED is lit, the printer will not accept any commands such as the print command, so make sure that the printer cover is locked properly.



### Caution Symbol



This symbol is placed near the thermal head to indicate that it may be hot. Never touch the thermal head immediately after the printer has been used. Let the thermal head cool for a few minutes before touching it.



This symbol is placed near the thermal head to indicate that it is easily damaged. Observe the precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices.

### 8-3. Releasing a Locked Cutter (Auto Cutter Mode only)

If the auto cutter locks up or fails to cut the paper, follow the steps below.

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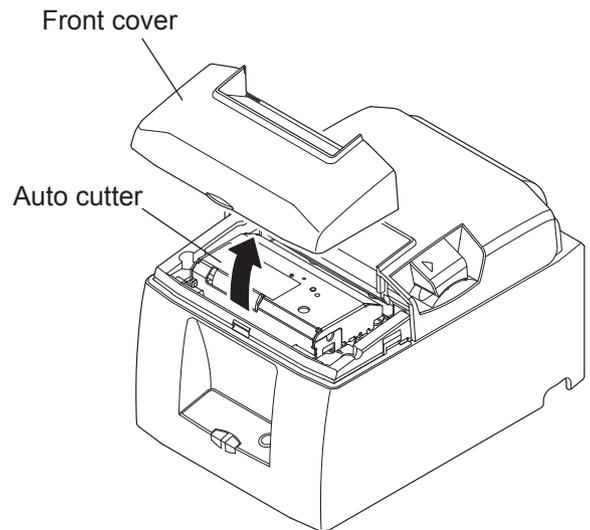
#### **⚠WARNING**

*Since working on the cutter may be dangerous, be sure to turn off the printer first.*

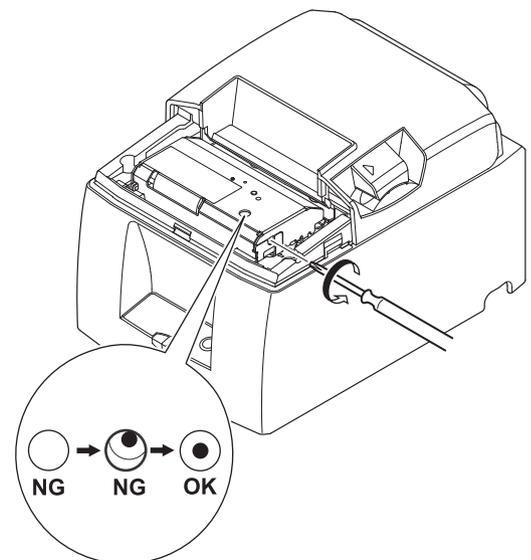
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- (1) Set the power switch to OFF to turn off the printer.
- (2) Remove the front cover to reveal the auto cutter.
- (3) Remove any jammed paper.

**Note:** Be careful not to damage the printer while removing any jammed paper. Since the thermal print head is particularly sensitive, be sure not to touch it.



- (4) If the cutter is locked, insert a Philips screwdriver into the Philips screw hole on the side of the cutter, and turn it in the direction of the arrow shown on the right, in order to return the cutter to its normal position.
- (5) Open the printer cover, remove any jammed paper, and then reinstall the paper roll.
- (6) Install the front cover, and then set the power switch to ON.



# 9. Periodical Cleaning

Printed characters may become partially unclear due to accumulated paper dust and dirt. To prevent such a problem, paper dust collected in the paper holder and paper transport section and on the surface of the thermal head must be removed periodically.

Such cleaning is recommended to be carried out once six month or one million lines.

## 9-1. Cleaning the Thermal Head

To remove the dark paper dust that has accumulated on the thermal head surface, wipe it clean with cotton swab (or soft cloth) dipped in alcohol (ethanol, methanol, or isopropyl alcohol).

**Note 1:** The thermal head is easily damaged, so clean it with a soft cloth, taking care not to scratch it.

**Note 2:** Do not attempt to clean the thermal head immediately after printing, when the thermal head is hot.

**Note 3:** Beware of the risk of damaging the thermal head as a result of static electricity that may be created during cleaning.

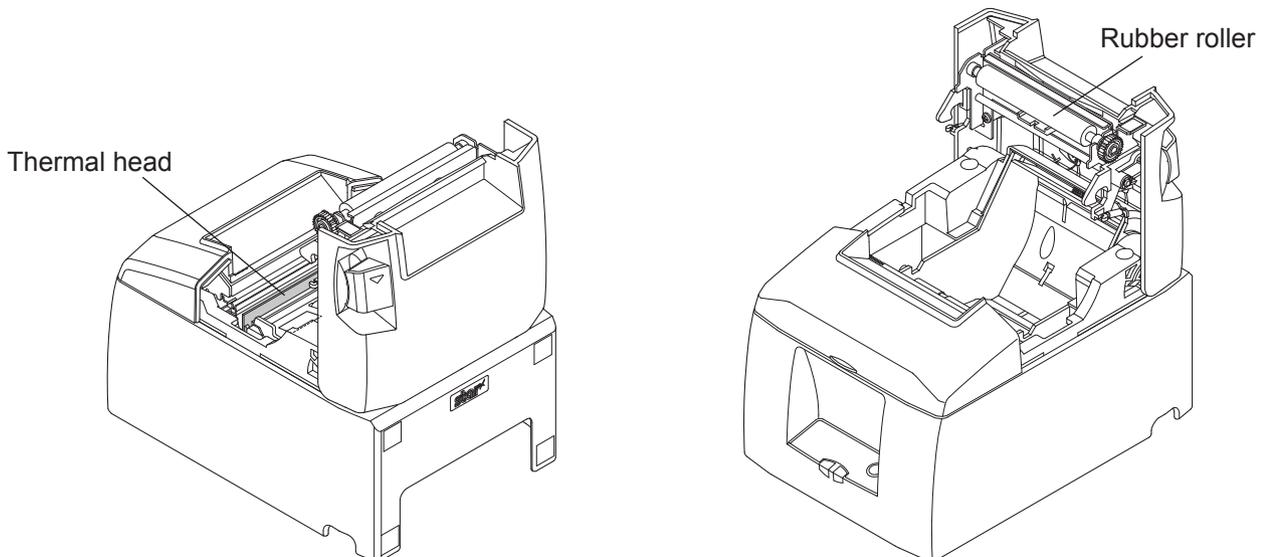
**Note 4:** Turn the power ON only after the alcohol has dried completely.

## 9-2. Cleaning the Rubber Roller

Use a dry, soft cloth to wipe off the dust that may have accumulated on the rubber roller. Rotate the platen to clean the entire surface.

## 9-3. Cleaning the Paper Holder and the Surrounding Area

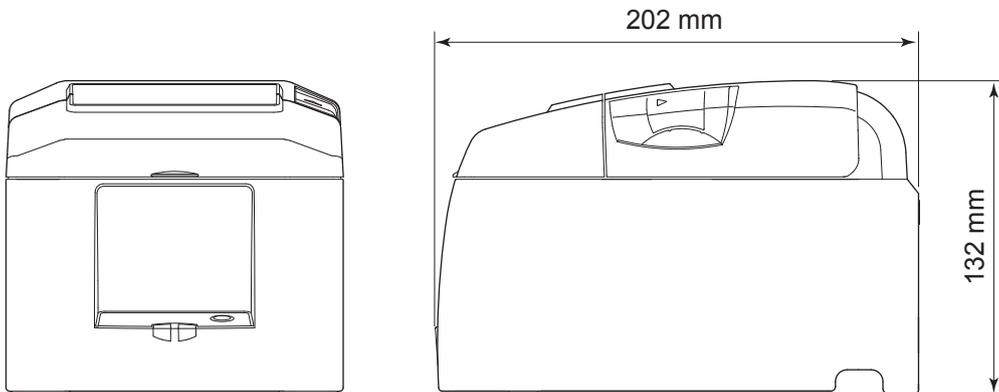
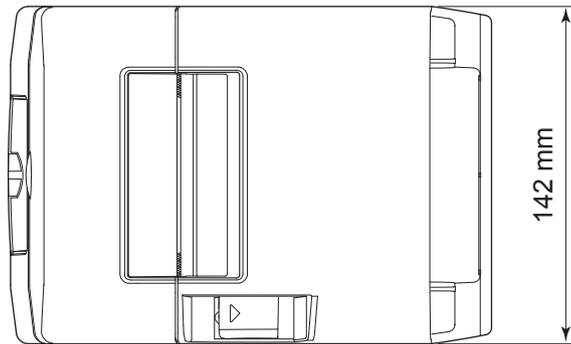
Clean the paper holder of debris, dust, paper particles, glue, etc. that may have accumulated.



# 10. Specifications

## 10-1. General Specifications

(1) Printing method	Direct line thermal printing
(2) Print speed	Max. 1200 dots/sec. (150 mm/sec.)
(3) Dot density	203 dpi: 8 dots/mm (0.125 mm/dot)
(4) Printing width	Max. 72 mm
(5) Number of print columns	48 (12 × 24 dots)/64 (9 × 24 dots)
(6) Paper feed method	Friction feed
(7) Paper roll	Refer to chapter 5 for details on the recommended paper roll. Paper width: $79.5 \pm 0.5$ or $57.5 \pm 0.5$ mm Roll diameter: $\varnothing 83$ mm or less
(8) Overall dimension	142 (W) × 202 (D) × 132 (H) mm
(9) Weight	Auto cutter model : 1.72 kg (without roll paper) Tear bar model : 1.56 kg (without roll paper)
(10) Noise	Auto cutter model : Approx. 50 dB Tear bar model : Approx. 53 dB



## 10-2. Auto Cutter Specifications

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| (1) Cutting Modes      | Partial cut (leaves one uncut portion in center of paper) |
| (2) Cutting Duty       | Min. 3 seconds/cut  |
| (3) Thickness of paper | 0.065 ~ 0.085 mm  |

## 10-3. Interface

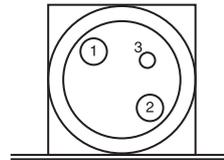
RS-232C serial interface / Two-way parallel interface (IEEE1284)

## 10-4. Electrical Characteristics (AC adapter)

- |   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| (1) Input:  | 100 to 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz |
| (2) Output:   | DC 24 V $\pm$ 5%          |
| (3) Current Consumption (DC 24 V at room temperature)     |                           |
| Standby:  | Approx. 0.15 A            |
| ASCII printing:   | Approx. average 1.7 A     |
| (Approx. 17.5% printing rate)                             |                           |
| 100% print duty:  | Approx. peak 9.0 A        |
| (Solid printing):   | Approx. average 5.0 A     |
| (Continuous solid printing should be 10 seconds or less.) |                           |

### (4) Power Connector

Pin No.	Function
1	Drive power (24 V)
2	Signal GND
3	N.C.
Shell	Frame ground



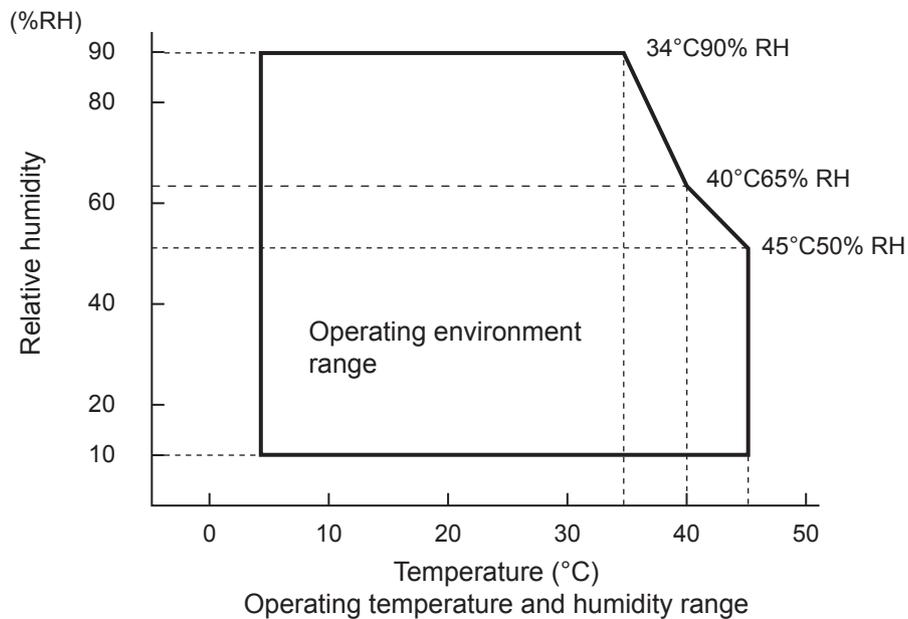
<Viewed from Connector Surface>

### Note:

- When using a printer power supply other than the optional AC adapter (PS60A-24A series), be sure that the following cautions are observed.
- Use a power supply of DC 24 V  $\pm$  5% and more than 2.0 A (5.0 A Load 10 sec. Min.) with SELV output and LPS or Class 2 output approved by IEC60950.
- Be careful about installing the printer in an area where there is noise. Take the appropriate measures to protect against electrostatic AC line noise, etc.

## 10-5. Environmental Requirements

- (1) Operating  
Temperature 5°C to 45°C  
Humidity 10% to 90% RH (without condensation)



- (2) Transport/storage (except for paper)  
Temperature -20°C to 60°C  
Humidity 10% to 90% RH (without condensation)

\* However, the combination of 40°C and 90% RH (no condensation) is considered the worst value regarding high temperatures and humidity.

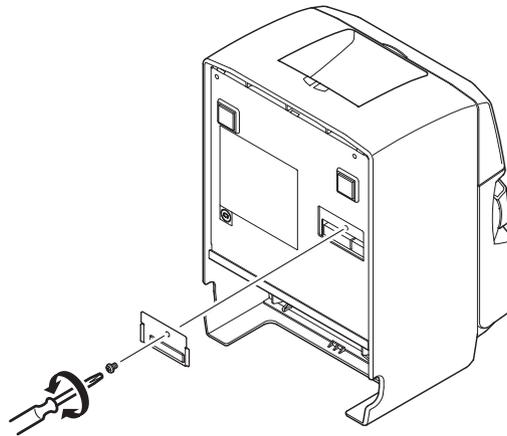


# 11. Dip Switch Setting

Two DIP switches are provided at the bottom of the printer, and can be set as given in the table below. Be sure to set the power switch to off before changing the settings. It is recommended to use a pointed item like a pen or flat-blade driver screw to change the settings. The settings will become effective when the power switch is set to on again.

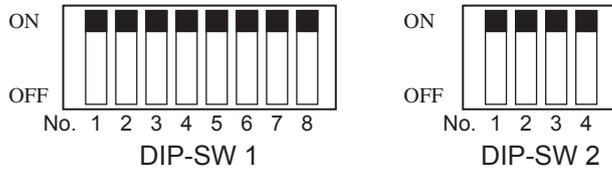
The following is the procedure for changing the settings on DIP switches.

1. Make sure the printer is turned off.
2. Remove the screw from the DIP switch blind. Then take off the DIP switch blind, as shown in the illustration below.



3. Set the switches using a pointed tool, such as a pen or flat-blade screwdriver.
4. Replace the DIP switch blind. Then secure it with the screw. The new settings take effect when you turn on the printer.

## 11-1. Parallel Interface Model



DIP-SW 1

Switch 1-1	Command emulation
ON	Star Mode
OFF	ESC/POS Mode

The factory settings of DIP switch are all on.

The functions of switches 1-2 through 1-8 will change according to the command emulation that has been set using switch 1-1.

### (1) Star mode

Switch	Function	ON	OFF
1-1	Command emulation	Always ON	
1-2	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-3	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-4	Sensor adjustment	Invalid	Valid
1-5	Pin #31 (INIT) reset signal	Valid	Invalid
1-6	Handshaking conditions (conditions for BUSY)	Offline or receive buffer full	Receive buffer full
1-7	Automatic status back function	Invalid	Valid
1-8	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		

### (2) ESC/POS mode

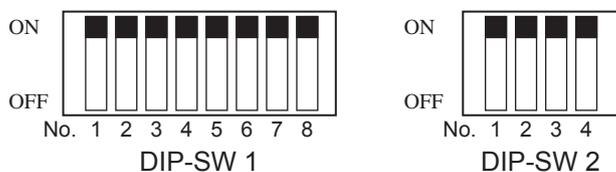
Switch	Function	ON	OFF
1-1	Command emulation	Always OFF	
1-2	Graphic adjustment	203 DPI	180 DPI
1-3	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-4	Sensor adjustment	Invalid	Valid
1-5	Pin #31 (INIT) reset signal	Valid	Invalid
1-6	Handshaking conditions (conditions for BUSY)	Offline or receive buffer full	Receive buffer full
1-7	Automatic status back function	Invalid	Valid
1-8	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		

## DIP-SW 2

Switch	Function	ON	OFF
2-1	Always ON	Should be set to on	
2-2			
2-3			
2-4			

The factory settings of DIP switch are all on.

## 11-2. RS-232C Interface Model



DIP-SW 1

Switch 1-1	Command emulation
ON	Star Mode
OFF	ESC/POS Mode

The factory settings of DIP switch are all on.

The functions of switches 1-2 through 1-8 will change according to the command emulation that has been set using switch 1-1.

### (1) Star mode

Switch	Function	ON	OFF
1-1	Command emulation	Always ON	
1-2	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-3	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-4	Sensor adjustment	Invalid	Valid
1-5	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-6	Handshaking conditions (conditions for BUSY)	Offline or receive buffer full	Receive buffer full
1-7	Automatic status back function	Invalid	Valid
1-8	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		

### (2) ESC/POS mode

Switch	Function	ON	OFF
1-1	Command emulation	Always OFF	
1-2	Graphic adjustment	203 DPI	180 DPI
1-3	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-4	Sensor adjustment	Invalid	Valid
1-5	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		
1-6	Handshaking conditions (conditions for BUSY)	Offline or receive buffer full	Receive buffer full
1-7	Automatic status back function	Invalid	Valid
1-8	Should not be changed (Should be set to on)		

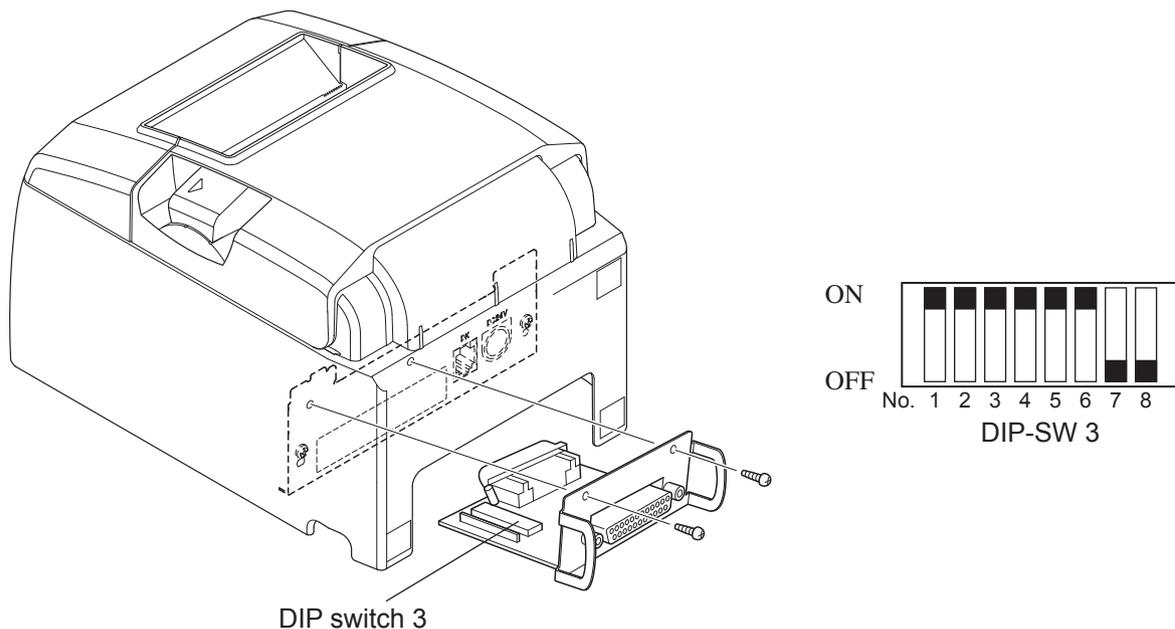
## DIP-SW 2

<b>Switch</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>ON</b>	<b>OFF</b>
2-1	Always ON	Should be set to on	
2-2			
2-3			
2-4			

The factory settings of DIP switch are all on.

The following is the procedure for changing the settings on DIP switch No. 3.

1. Turn off the printer and all components connected to it.
2. Remove the 2 screws.
3. Remove the serial interface board unit.
4. Change the setting of the DIP switches.
5. Replace the serial interface board unit.  
Then secure it with the screws.
6. Turn on the printer and all components connected to it.



The factory settings of DIP switch are all on, except for switches 7 and 8.

### DIP-SW 3

Switch	Function	ON	OFF
3-1	Baud Rate	See table below	
3-2			
3-3	Data Length	8 bits	7 bits
3-4	Parity Check	Disabled	Enabled
3-5	Parity	Odd	Even
3-6	Handshake	DTR/DSR	XON/XOFF
3-7	Should not be changed (Should be set to off)	—	—
3-8			

Baud Rate	Switch 3-1	Switch 3-2
4800BPS	OFF	ON
9600BPS	ON	ON
19200BPS	ON	OFF
38400BPS	OFF	OFF

# 12. Parallel Interface

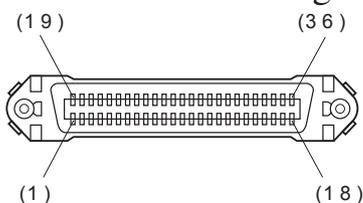
The two-way parallel interface is compatible with the IEEE1284 compatibility mode and nibble mode. Contact your dealer for details.

**Table of Connection Signals for Each Mode**

Pin No.	Direction	Compatibility Mode Signal Name	Nibble Mode Signal Name
1	In	nStrobe	Host Clock
2	In/Out	Data0	Data0
3	In/Out	Data1	Data1
4	In/Out	Data2	Data2
5	In/Out	Data3	Data3
6	In/Out	Data4	Data4
7	In/Out	Data5	Data5
8	In/Out	Data6	Data6
9	In/Out	Data7	Data7
10	Out	nAck	PtrClk
11	Out	Busy	PtrBusy/Data3,7
12	Out	PError	AckDataReq/Data2,6
13	Out	Select	Xflag/Data1,5
14		—	HostBusy
15		—	—
16		Signal GND	Signal GND
17		Frame GND	Flame GND
18	OUT	+5 V	+5 V
19~30		Twisted Pair Return	Twisted Pair Return
31	In	nInit	nInit
32	Out	nFault	nDataAvail/Data0,4
33		External GND	—
34		—	—
35		—	—
36	In	nSelectIn	1284Active

**Note:**

1. The prefix “n” on the signal name refers to low active signals. If the host does not have any one of the signal lines listed above, two-way communication fails.
2. For interfacing, signal lines should always use twisted pair cables with the return sides connected to the signal ground level.



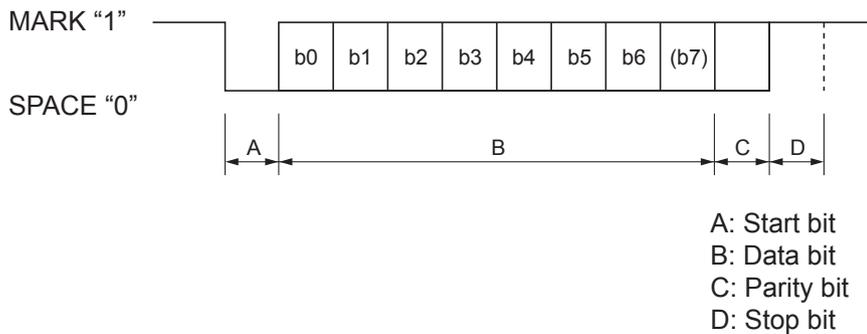
This connector mates with an Amphenol 57-30360 connector

Parallel interface connector (printer side)

# 13. RS-232C Serial Interface

## 13-1. Interface Specifications

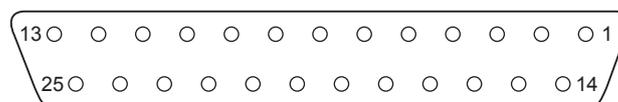
- ① Data transmission method: Asynchronous serial interface
- ② Baud rate: Selectable from 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400 bps  
(Refer to “11. DIP Switch Setting”.)
- ③ Word length  
Start bit: 1 bit  
Data bit: 7 or 8 bits (selectable.)  
Parity bit: Odd, even or none (selectable.)  
Stop bit: 1 bit length
- ④ Signal polarity  
RS-232C  
MARK: Logic “1” (−3 V to −15 V)  
SPACE: Logic “0” (+3 V to +15 V)



## 13-2. RS-232C Connector

Pin No.	Signal name	Direction	Function
1	F-GND	—	Frame ground
2	TXD	OUT	Transmission data
3	RXD	IN	Receive data
4	RTS	OUT	Always SPACE
5	N/C		Not used.
6	DSR	IN	<p><b>1) STAR Mode</b> Not used.</p> <p><b>2) ESC/POS Mode</b> <i>When DIP Switch 3-7 = OFF;</i> A) DTR/DSR communication mode Indicates whether data receive from host is enabled or disabled. Space: Receive enabled Mark: Receive disabled (except when transmitting data by DLE EOT, and GS a) B) X-ON/X-OFF communication mode Status of this signal is not checked. <i>When DIP Switch 3-7 = ON;</i> This is an externally reset signal. A space above 1 ms pulse width engages reset.</p>
7	S-GND	—	Signal ground
8~19	N/C		Not used.
20	DTR	OUT	<p><b>1) STAR Mode</b> A) DTR/DSR communication mode Indicates whether data receive from host is enabled or disabled. Space: Receive enabled Mark: Receive disabled</p> <p>B) X-ON/X-OFF communication mode Always space, except during following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Period between reset and communication enabled</li> <li>• During self printing</li> </ul>

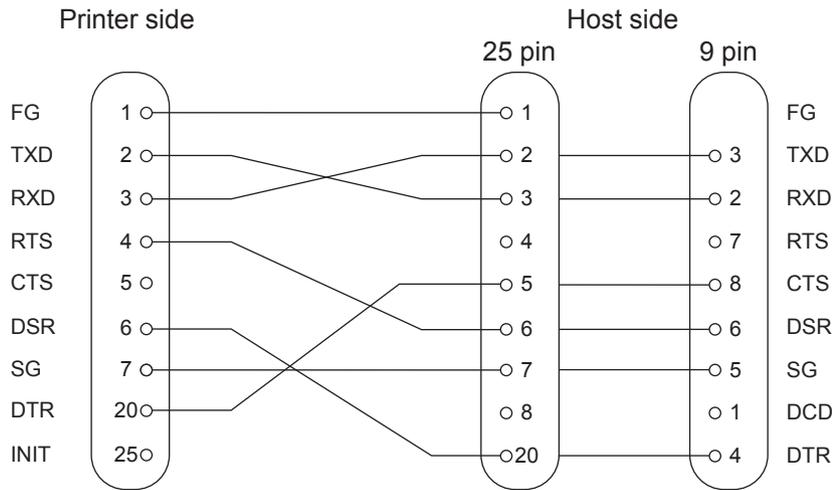
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D-sub 25 Pin

### 13-3. Cable Connections

The followings are a recommended interface cable connections.



**Note:** Use shielded wire less than 3 m in length.

# 14. Peripheral Unit Drive Circuit

Peripheral unit drive circuit connector only connects to peripheral units such as cash drawers, etc.

Do not connect it to a telephone.

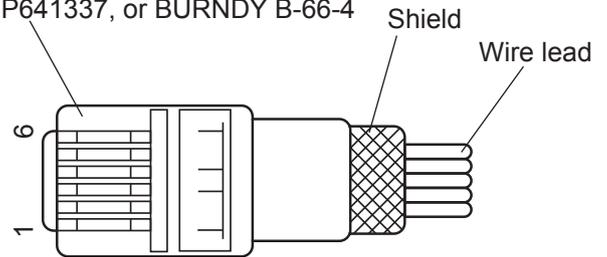
Use cables which meet the following specifications.

## Peripheral Drive Connector

Pin No.	Signal name	Function	I/O direction
1	FG	Frame ground	—
2	DRD1	Drive signal 1	OUT
3	+24 V	Drive power	OUT
4	+24 V	Drive power	OUT
5	DRD2	Drive signal 2	OUT
6	DRSNS	Sense signal	IN

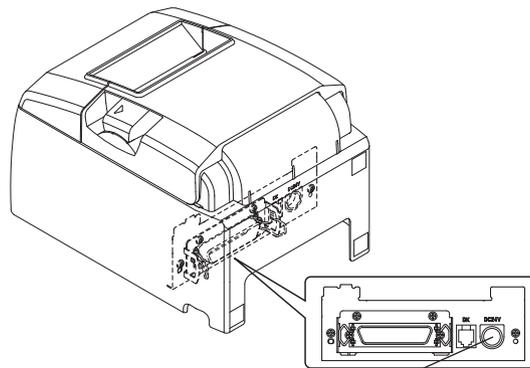
## Modular plug

Modular plug: MOLEX 90075-0007, AMP641337, or BURNDY B-66-4

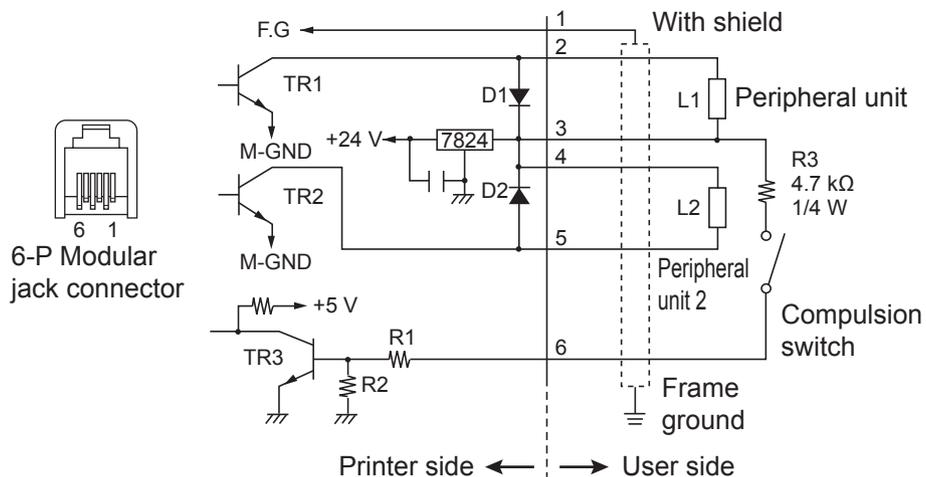


## Drive circuit

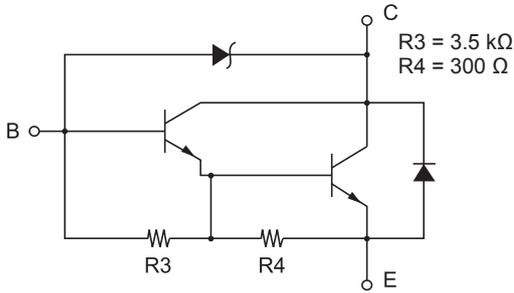
The recommended drive unit is shown below.



Peripheral drive connector



Reference  
2SD 1866 Circuit Configuration



Drive Output: 24 V, Max. 1.0 A  
 TR1, TR2: Transistor 2SD 1866 or equivalent  
 R1=10 kΩ  
 R2=33 kΩ

- Notes:**
- Peripheral units 1 and 2 cannot be driven simultaneously. To drive them continuously, set the duty cycle ratio to 20% or less (excluding an externally connected buzzer).
  - The following external buzzer is available as an option.  
 External buzzer model: RMB-24  
 Voltage rating: 24V  
 Average consumption current: Max. 21 mA (at 24V)  
 Sound pressure: Min. 75 dB at 1 m  
 Lead wires: red (+) black (-)
  - Never use the external buzzer command if you connect a device (such as a cash drawer) other than an external buzzer. It could damage the connected device and the printer circuit. Refer to the separate Programmer's Manual for details on commands.
  - The status of the compulsion switch can be known from the status command. Refer to the separate Programmer's Manual for details.
  - Minimum resistance for coils L1 and L2 is 24Ω.
  - Absolute maximum ratings for diodes D1 and D2 (Ta = 25°C) are:  
 Average Rectified Current I<sub>o</sub> = 1A
  - Absolute maximum rating for transistors TR1 and TR2 (Ta = 25°C) are:  
 Collector current I<sub>c</sub> = 2.0 A

# 15. Memory Switch Settings

Each memory switch is stored in EEPROM. For details on the functions and settings of memory switches, please consult the dealer.

The table below shows the factory settings for the memory switches.

Memory Switch	Hexadecimal Code
0	0000
1	0000
2	0000
3	0000
4	0000
5	0000
6	0000
7	0000
8	0000
9	0000

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## **⚠ WARNING**

*Changing the memory switch settings can cause the printer to fail to operate correctly.*

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