

TOSHIBA Barcode Printer

B-EV4D SERIES

Owner's Manual



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- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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The EA10953 AC adapter should be exclusively used for the B-EV4D Series printer. The B-EV4D Series printer must be powered by the EA10953 AC adapter.



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Safety Summary

Personal safety in handling or maintaining the equipment is extremely important. Warnings and Cautions necessary for safe handling are included in this manual. All warnings and cautions contained in this manual should be read and understood before handling or maintaining the equipment.

Do not attempt to effect repairs or modifications to this equipment. If a fault occurs that cannot be rectified using the procedures described in this manual, turn off the power, unplug the machine, then contact your authorised TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance.

Meanings of Each Symbol



This symbol indicates warning items (including cautions). Specific warning contents are drawn inside the \triangle symbol. (The symbol on the left indicates a general caution.)



This symbol indicates prohibited actions (prohibited items). Specific prohibited contents are drawn inside or near the \bigcirc symbol. (The symbol on the left indicates "no disassembling".)



This symbol indicates actions which must be performed. Specific instructions are drawn inside or near the ● symbol. (The symbol on the left indicates "disconnect the power cord plug from the outlet".)





- humidity, dust, or gas. • Ensure the printer is operated on a level surface.
- Any data stored in the memory of the printer could be lost during a printer fault.
- Try to avoid using this equipment on the same power supply as high voltage equipment or equipment likely to cause mains interference.
- Unplug the machine whenever you are working inside it or cleaning it.
- Keep your work environment static free.
- Do not place heavy objects on top of the machines, as these items may become unbalanced and fall causing injury.
- Do not block the ventilation slits of the machines, as this will cause heat to build up inside the machines and may cause fire.
- Do not lean against the machine. It may fall on you and could cause injury.
- Care must be taken not to injure yourself with the printer paper cutter.
- Unplug the machine when it is not used for a long period of time.
- Place the machine on a stable and level surface.

Request Regarding Maintenance

• Utilize our maintenance services.

- After purchasing the machine, contact your authorised TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance once a year to have the inside of the machine cleaned. Otherwise, dust will build up inside the machines and may cause a **fire** or a **malfunction**. Cleaning is particularly effective before humid rainy seasons.
- Our preventive maintenance service performs the periodic checks and other work required to maintain the quality and performance of the machines, preventing accidents beforehand. For details, please consult your authorised TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance.
- Using insecticides and other chemicals Do not expose the machines to insecticides or other volatile solvents. This will cause the cabinet or other parts to deteriorate or cause the paint to peel

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GLOSSARIES

CAUTION!

1. This manual may not be copied in whole or in part without prior written permission of TOSHIBA TEC.

- 2. The contents of this manual may be changed without notification.
- Please refer to your local Authorized Service representative with regard to any queries you may have in this manual.

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

1.1 Introduction

Thank you for choosing the TOSHIBA B-EV4D series barcode printer. This Owner's Manual contains valuable information from general set-up to confirming the printer's operation using test prints. You should read it carefully to help you gain maximum performance and life from your printer. This manual should be kept close at hand for everyday reference. Please contact your TOSHIBA TEC representative for further information concerning this manual.

1.2 Features This printer has the following features:

Various kinds of interface

Various kinds of interface are provided as standard: •Parallel •Serial •USB •Ethernet

Simple mechanism

The simple printer mechanism allows easy operation and maintenance.

Superior hardware

Clear print is realized by 8 dots/mm (203 dpi) (for the B-EV4D-GS14) print head at maximum printing speed of 127 mm/sec. (5 inches/sec.) or 11.8 dots/mm (300 dpi) (for the B-EV4D-TS14) print head at a max. printing speed of 101.6 mm/sec. (4 inches/sec.)

Safety consciousness

The damper mechanism prevents the top cover from slamming shut.

A variety of options

•Cutter module •AC Adapter Cover

| •Strip module | •External Media Hanger |
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1.3 Unpacking

- **1.** Unpack the printer.
- **2.** Check for damage or scratches on the printer. However, please note that TOSHIBA TEC shall have no liability for any damage of any kind sustained during transportation of the product.
- **3.** Keep the cartons and pads for future transportation of the printer.

1.4 Accessories

When unpacking the printer, please check that the following accessories are supplied with the printer.

| \Box CD-ROM (1 copy) | \Box Power Adapter (1 pc.) |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
|------------------------|------------------------------|

□ Supply Loading Instructions □ Safety Precautions

When purchasing the power cord

Since the power cord set is not enclosed in this unit, please purchase an approved one that meets the following standard from your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative.

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|-----------|--------|-----------------------|-------------|--------|--------------------|-------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Country | Agency | Certification mark | Country | Agency | Certification mark | Country | Agency | Certification mark |
| Australia | SAA | \mathcal{A} | Germany | VDE | DE | Sweden | SEMKKO | S |
| Austria | OVE | ÖVE | Ireland | NSAI | | Switzerland | SEV | (†S) |
| Belgium | CEBEC | | Italy | IMQ | Ð | UK | ASTA | ASA |
| Canada | CSA | SP | Japan | METI | PSE | UK | BSI | \bigtriangledown |
| Denmark | DEMKO | \bigcirc | Netherlands | KEMA | KEDA | U.S.A. | UL | |
| Finland | FEI | FI | Norway | NEMKO | N | Europe | HAR | |
| France | UTE | (Cen f | Spain | AEE | AEE | China | CCC | |

Power Cord Instruction

- 1. For use with 100 125 Vac mains power supply, please select a power cord rated Min. 125V, 10A.
- 2. For use with 200 240 Vac mains power supply, please select a power cord rated Min. 250V.
- 3. Please select a power cord with the length of 2m or less.
- 4. The power cord plug connected to the AC adapter must be able to be inserted into an ICE-320-C6 inlet. Refer to the following figure for the shape.

| Country/Region | North America | Europe | United Kingdom | Australia | China |
|--|---------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Power Cord Rated (Min.) Type Conductor size (Min.) | 125V, 10A SVT No. 3/18AWG | 250V H05VV-F 3 x 0.75 mm ² | 250V H05VV-F 3 x 0.75 mm ² | 250V AS3191 approved, Light or Ordinary Duty type 3 x 0.75 mm ² | 250V GB5023 3 x 0.75 mm ² |
| Plug Configuration (locally approved type) Rated (Min.) | 125V, 10A | 250V, 10A | 250V, *1 | 250V, *1 | 250V, *1 |

*1: At least, 125% of the rated current of the product.

1.5 Appearance

1.5.1 Dimensions

The names of the parts or units introduced in this section are used in the following chapters.



1.5.2 Front View

1.5.3 Rear View

Dimensions in mm (inches)



1.5 Appearance

1.5.4 Interior

WARNING! Do not touch the print head or around it just after printing.

You may get burned as the print head becomes very hot during printing.



1.5.5 Button and Indicator Lamp

The [FEED] button operates as FEED button or PAUSE button depending on the printer statuses.

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|---------------------|---|
| As the FEED button | Pressing this button when the printer is in online state causes a media feed. Pressing this button after removing a cause of an error returns the printer to online state. |
| | an error returns the printer to online state. |
| As the PAUSE button | • Pressing this button during printing stops printing after completing the current label. The printer resumes printing when this button is pressed again. |

The indicator lamp lights up or flashes in different colors depending on the printer statuses. The main indicator lamp statuses and the corresponding printer statuses are shown inside the top cover.

| Color | Status | Printer status | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Green Lights up | | Stand-by | | |
| Green | Flashes fast | Communicating with a host. | | |
| Green | Flashes slowly | Printing is temporarily stopped (paused). | | |
| Green/Red | Flashes slowly | The print head temperature exceeded the upper limit. | | |
| Red | Lights up | A communication error occurred. (Only when the RS-232C is used.) | | |
| Red | Flashes fast | A paper jam occurred. | | |
| Red | Flashes at medium speed | The media is ended. | | |
| Red | Flashes slowly | An issue or feed was attempted with the top cover opened. | | |
| Orange | Flashes fast | A paper jam occurred din the cutter unit. (Only when the cutter unit is fitted.) | | |
| None | Unlit | The top cover is open. | | |

2. PRINTER SETUP

2.1 Precautions

CAUTION!

Avoid using the printer in the locations where it is subjected to intense light (e.g. direct sunlight, desk light). Such light may affect the sensors of the printer, causing malfunctions. This section outlines the steps necessary to setup your printer prior to its operation. The section includes precautions, connecting cables, assembling accessories, loading media, and performing a test print.

To insure the best operating environment, and to assure the safety of the operator and the equipment, please observe the following precautions.

- Operate the printer on a stable, level, operating surface in a location free from excessive humidity, high temperature, dust, vibration or direct sunlight.
- Keep your work environment static free. Static discharges can cause damage to delicate internal components.
- Make sure that the printer is connected to a clean source of AC Power and that no other high voltage devices that may cause line noise interference are connected to the same mains.
- Ensure that the printer is connected only to AC mains that has a proper ground (earth) connection.
- Do not operate the printer with the cover open. Be careful not to allow fingers or articles of clothing to get caught into any of the moving parts of the printer.
- Make sure to turn off the printer power and to remove the power adapter connector from the printer whenever working on the inside of the printer or when cleaning the printer.
- For best results, and longer printer life, use only TOSHIBA TEC recommended media. (Refer to the Supply Manual.)
- Store the media in accordance with the specifications.
- This printer mechanism contains high voltage components; therefore you should never remove any of the covers of the machine as you may receive an electrical shock. Additionally, the printer contains many delicate components that may be damaged if accessed by unauthorized personnel.
- Clean the outside of the printer with a clean dry cloth or a clean cloth slightly dampened with a mild detergent solution.
- Use caution when cleaning the thermal print head as it may become very hot while printing. Wait until it has had time to cool before cleaning. Use only the TOSHIBA TEC recommended print head cleaner to clean the print head.
- Do not turn off the printer power or remove the power plug while the printer is printing or while the Indictor Lamp is flashing.

2.2 Procedure before Operation

NOTE:

- 1. To communicate directly with a host computer, an RS-232C, Centronics, Ethernet, or USB cable is required.
 - (1) RS-232C cable: 9 pins (do not use a null modem cable)
 - (2) Centronics cable: 36 pins
 - (3) Ethernet cable: 10/100 Base
 - (4) USB cable: V2.0 (Full Speed)
- Use of a Windows Driver will allow issuing media on the printer from a Windows application. The printer can also be controlled with its own programming commands. For details, please contact your

2.3 Turning the Printer

TOSHIBA TEC representative.

2.3.1 Turning ON the Printer

CAUTION!

ON/OFF

Use the power switch to turn the printer on/off. Plugging or unplugging the power cord to turn the printer on/off may cause fire, an electric shock, or damage to the printer.

NOTE:

If the Status Lamp is illuminated in red, go to **Section 4.1, Troubleshooting Guide**. This section describes the outline of the printer setup.

- 1. Unpack the accessories and printer from the box.
- **2.** Refer to Safety Precautions in this manual and set up the printer at a proper location.
- **3.** Make sure that the Power Switch is off. (Refer to Section 2.3.)
- **4.** Connect the printer to a host computer with an RS-232C, Centronics interface, Ethernet cable or USB cable. (Refer to **Section 2.4**.)
- **5.** Connect the Power Adapter to the printer, and then plug the Power Cord into a properly grounded power outlet. (Refer to **Section 2.5**)
- 6. Load the media. (Refer to Section 2.7.)
- 7. Adjust the position of the Feed Gap Sensor or Black Mark Sensor to match the media being used. (Refer to Section 2.7.)
- **8.** Turn the Power ON. (Refer to Section 2.3.)
- **9.** Install the Printer Drivers in the host computer. (Refer to the Printer Driver in the CD-ROM.)

When the printer is connected to a host computer it is good practice to turn the printer ON before turning on the host computer and to turn OFF the host computer before turning off the printer.

1. To turn ON the printer power, press the power switch as shown in the picture below. Note that (|) is the power ON side of the switch.



2. Check that the Indicator Lamp flashes slowly in orange for 5 seconds, then stays illuminated in green.

2.3.2 Turning OFF the Printer

CAUTION!

- 1. Do not turn off the printer power while the media is being printed as this may cause a paper jam or damage to the printer.
- Do not turn off the printer power while the Green Indicator Lamp is flashing as this may cause damage to the data being downloaded.

- **1.** Before turning off the printer power switch verify that the Indicator Lamp is illuminated in green, not flashing.
- 2. To turn OFF the printer power press the power switch as shown in the diagram below. Note that (O) is the power OFF side of the switch.



2.4 Connecting the Cables to the Printer

CAUTION!

Be sure to connect the serial or parallel cable while the printer and the host computer are power-off states. Failure to do this may cause electric shock, short-circuit, or breakdown of the printer.

NOTE:

For the specifications of the serial interface cable, refer to **APPENDIX 2, INTERFACE**.

The following paragraphs outline how to connect the cables from the printer to your host computer, and will also show how to make cable connections to other devices. Depending on the application software you use to print labels, there are four possibilities for connecting the printer to your host computer. These are:

- A serial cable connection between the printer's RS-232C serial connector and one of your host computer's COM ports.
- A parallel cable connection between the printer's standard parallel connector and your host computer's parallel port (LPT).
- An Ethernet cable connection between the printer's Ethernet interface connector and one of your host computer's Ethernet port. **NOTE:**
 - Use an Ethernet cable conforming to the standard. 10BASE-T: Category 3 or greater 100BASE-TX: Category 5 or greater Cable length: Up to 100 m segment length
 - Depending on the operating environment, a communication error may occur. In that case, you may need to use a shielded cable (STP) or device matching.
- A USB cable connection between the printer's USB interface connector and one of your host computer's USB port. **NOTE:**
 - When disconnecting the USB cable from the host computer, follow the "Safely remove hardware" message shown on the host.
 - Use a USB cable confirming to V1.1 or greater and with a Type B connecter provided on either end.

The diagram below shows all the possible cable connections to the current version of the printer.



- ① Ethernet Interface
- ② USB Interface
- ③ Parallel Interface (Centronics)
- ④ Serial Interface (RS-232C)
- S Power Jack

2.5 Connecting the Power Adapter and the Power Cord

NOTES:

- 1. Since the power cord is not enclosed in this printer, please purchase a proper one after referring to page 1-2.
- The EA10953 AC adapter should be exclusively used for the B-EV4D Series printer. The B-EV4D Series printer must be powered by the EA10953 AC adapter.

- 1. Make sure that the printer power switch is in the OFF (O) position.
- 2. Insert the Power Cord into the inlet of the Power Adapter.



3. Insert the Power Adapter connector into the Power Jack on the rear of the printer.



2.6 Opening/Closing the Top Cover

WARNING!

To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers while opening or closing the cover.

CAUTION!

- 1. Be careful not to touch the Print Head Element when opening the Top Cover. Failure to do this may cause missing dots by static electricity or other print quality problems.
- 2. Do not cover the Cover Open Sensor with your finger, hand, etc. Doing so may cause the sensor to wrongly detect a cover close state.

When opening or closing the Top Cover, please be sure to follow the instructions below.

To open the Top Cover:

1. Press down the Top Cover Release Button to unlock the Top Cover, then fully open the Top Cover.



As the Top Cover is held by the damper, it does not close under its own weight.

To close the Top Cover:

1. Press down the portions of the Top Cover indicated by the arrows until they click into position.



NOTE:

Be sure to close the Top Cover completely. Failure to do this may affect the print quality.

2.7 Loading the Media

WARNING!

- 1. Do not touch any moving parts. To reduce the risk of fingers, jewellery, clothing, etc. being drawn into the moving parts, be sure to load the media once the printer has stopped moving completely.
- 2. To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers while opening or closing the Top Cover.

CAUTION!

Be careful not to touch the Print Head Element when opening the Top Cover. Failure to do this may cause missing dots by static electricity or other print quality problems. This section describes how to load a media in the printer. This printer accepts label rolls, tag rolls, and fanfold paper stocks. Please use TOSHIBA TEC approved media.

NOTES:

- 1. Please perform a media sensor calibration whenever you change the media type.
- The size of the media which can be loaded inside the printer is as follows: Outer roll diameter: Max. 127mm (5")

Inner core diameter: 25.4 (1") mm or 38.1 mm (1.5") When the outer roll diameter exceeds 127 mm or the inner core diameter exceeds 38.1 mm, an optional External Media Roll Hanger is required. For details, refer to the Installation Guide for the External Media Roll Hanger.

3. Some media rolls are wound inside and the others are wound outside. (See the diagram below.) Both types of media roll should be loaded so that the print side faces up.



1. Press down the Top Cover Release Button to unlock the Top Cover, then fully open the Top Cover.



Slide the Media Holder Lock Switch to the Unlock (▲) side to release the Media Holders.



3. Open the Media Holders.



4. Place a media roll between the Media Holders so that the media is fed with the print side facing up. Fit the projection of the Media Holders into the core. Make sure that the projection of the both Media Holders is engaged with the core firmly.



5. Turn the Media Guide Adjustment Dial in the arrow indicating direction to move the Media Guides outward.



 NOTE: Media path

 Feed Gap Sensor

 Platen

 Black mark sensor

 NOTES:

 1. Refer to the Supply Path Label attached inside of the Top Cover.

- 2. Make sure that the print side faces up.
- 3. Cut the leading edge of the media straight with scissors.

NOTE: Do not forcibly move the Media Guides by hand, as doing so may break the Media Guides.

NOTES:

- 1. The sensor type used in the last print job has been selected. To change the sensor type, refer to Section 2.9.1 Media Sensor Calibration.
- 2. The Feed Gap Sensor is positioned 6.35 mm right from the media centre.



3. The Black Mark Sensor is movable in a range of media width.



NOTE: Be careful the Media Guides do not squeeze the media. Doing so bends the media, causing a paper jam or feed failure. **6.** Adjust the media sensor position and select a sensor type to be used. . (Refer to Section 2.9.1)

This printer is provided with a Black Mark Sensor which detects black marks printed on the reverse side of the media, and a Feed Gap Sensor which detects inter-label gaps.

As the Feed Gap Sensor position is fixed, it is not necessary to move it. When using the Black Mark Sensor, align it with the center of a black mark. Failure to do this disables the detection of black marks, resulting in an error.



Black Mark Sensor

7. Pass the media between the Media Guides, and turn the Media Guide Adjustment Dial in the arrow indicating direction to adjust the Media Guides to the media width.



8. Push the Media Holders against the media roll to firmly hold it, then slide the Media Holder Lock Switch to the Lock (♥) side.



9. Close the Top Cover gently and push down the arrow-indicating portions until they click.



10. Press the [FEED] button to check for a proper media feed.



There are three issue modes available for this printer.

CAUTION!

To separate the printed media from the media roll in batch mode, be sure to tear off the media at the Media Outlet or cut the media past the Strip Plate. If you tear off the media at the Print Head by mistake, be sure to feed one label (10 mm or more) with the FEED Button prior to a next issue. Failure to do this may cause a paper jam.

Batch mode:

In the batch mode, the media is continuously printed and fed until the number of media specified in the issue command has been printed.



NOTES:

- 1. When issuing labels without removing them from the backing paper, it is not necessary to pass the media through the Strip Block.
- 2. When the media is correctly set, the backing paper is supposed to be pinched by the Platen and the Strip Feed Roller as shown below.



3. If the peel-off issue is performed under intense light, the strip sensor may not correctly detect the presence of a printed label on the strip shaft. In this case, reduce the intensity of the light or fit the Shade Plate to the Strip Block as shown in the figure.



Strip mode (Option):

When issued in the strip mode, labels are automatically removed from the backing paper each time a label is printed.

• How to set the media

When issuing labels in the strip mode, set the label in the following procedure:

- **1.** Load the media as described on the previous pages.
- **2.** Open the Strip Block by pulling it out.



3. Remove enough labels from the leading edge of the media to leave 20 cm of backing paper free, and insert the top edge of the backing paper into the media slot in the Strip Block.



4. Close the Strip Block and Top Cover.



WARNING!

HAZARDOUS MOVING PARTS KEEP FINGERS AND OTHER BODY PARTS AWAY

The cutter is sharp, so care must be taken not to injure yourself when handling the cutter.

CAUTION!

- 1. Be sure to cut the backing paper of the label. Cutting labels will cause the glue to stick to the cutter which may affect the cutter quality and shorten the cutter life.
- Use of tag paper of which thickness exceeds the specified value may affect the cutter life.

NOTE:

When placing fanfold paper stock on the rear of the printer, the following care should be taken.

- 1. Face the print surface up.
- 2. The fanfold paper stock is parallel to and level with the fanfold paper slot.
- 3. Interface cables do not interfere with the feed of fanfold paper.

Cut mode (Option):

When the Cutter is installed, the media is automatically cut. After loading the media as described on the previous pages, insert the leading edge of the media through the Media Outlet of the Cutter Cover.



How to Load Fanfold Paper Stock

1. Place the fanfold paper stock on the rear of the printer, and insert the leading edge of the paper into the Fanfold Paper Slot.



2. Refer to the previous pages to feed the fanfold paper through the printer until it extends past the media outlet.



When a media roll has an outside diameter exceeding $127 \text{ mm} (5^{"})$ and the inner core diameter of 76.2 mm (3"), the optional External Media Roll Hanger is required.

1. Fit the protrusions on the bottom of the printer into the holes in the External Media Roll Hanger.



- **2.** Insert the Media Shaft into the core of the media roll.
- **3.** Place it into the cuts of the External Media Roll Hanger.
- **4.** Pull the media forward and insert the leading edge into the Fanfold Paper Slot.



- **5.** Refer to the previous pages to complete the media loading.
- 6. Close the Top Cover.

This utility is used to calibrate the sensitivity of the Feed Gap/Black 2.8 Media Sensor Calibration, Self Print Mark Sensor. It is necessary to set the media sensors after the media is changed to Test, and Dump Mode different type. Utilities

2.8.1 Media Sensor Calibration

Sensor.

1. First, select the sensor to calibrate in the following procedure.



- **2.** Turn off the printer, load the media properly, and close the Top Cover. Note: Do not place pre-printed area above the media sensor, as doing so disables a correct sensor calibration.
- **3.** To calibrate the Black Mark Sensor, align the sensor position with the black marks on the media. (Refer to Section 2.7.)
- 4. Press the [FEED] Button while turning on the printer. The Indicator Lamp will light up in the following order: Green (Flashing) \rightarrow Red (Flashing) \rightarrow Orange (Flashing) \rightarrow

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Orange \rightarrow RED \rightarrow Green
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5. Release the [FEED] button when the indicator lamp lights up in red. The printer automatically feeds the media to perform a sensor calibration.

Note: If you failed to release the [FEED] button at the right timing, retry from Step 4.

6. To start the Online operation, turn the printer off, then on again.

2.8.2 Self Print Test and Dump Mode

- **1.** Turn off the printer power and install a media roll on the printer.
- Press the [FEED] Button while turning on the printer. The Indicator Lamp will light up in the following order:
 Green (Flashing) → Red (Flashing) → Orange (Flashing) →

Orange \rightarrow RED \rightarrow Green

- **3.** Release the [FEED] Button when the Indicator Lamp lights up in green.
- **4.** The printer automatically performs a self print test, and then enters the Dump Mode.

Print test label sample

5. To start the Online operation, turn the printer off, then on again.

NOTE: The following commands should not affect the test print issue. D, AX, XS, Z2;1, Z2;2 (without AY)

PRINTER INFO. **PROGRAM VERSION** VX.XX XXXX TONE ADJUST +XX FEED ADJUST +XX.Xmm **CUT POSITION ADJUST** +XX.Xmm BACKFEED ADJUST +XX.Xmm PARAMETER [PC-850][0] [9600][8][1][NONE][2] [ON][AUTO][FEED][B0] **X-COORDINATE ADJUST** +XX.Xmm SENSOR SELECTION TRANSMISSIVE SENSOR ADJ. VALUE TRANSMISSIVE [XX] REFLECTIVE [XX] **PRINT SPEED** 5 IPS 4 MB **FLASH ROM** SDRAM 8 MB USER MEMORY [X KB][0 KB] TTF AREA [0 KB][0 KB] EXT CHAR AREA [0 KB][0 KB] **BASIC AREA** [0 KB][0 KB] PC SAVE AREA [X KB][0 KB] INFORMATION TOTAL FEED 0.00 km TOTAL PRINT 0.00 km TOTAL CUT 0 **IP ADDRESS** 192.168.10.20 SUBNET MASK 255.255.255.0 GATEWAY 0.0.0.0 MAC ADDRESS XX-XX-XX-XX-XX DHCP Disabled DHCP CLIENT ID FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFFFFFF SOCKET COMM. Enabled SOCKET COMM. PORT 08000

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| 2.8.2 | Self Print Test and Dump Mode (Cont.) | The test print contents should be c and parameters: | hanged by the following commands |
|-------|--|---|--|
| | | PROGRAM VERSION: VX.XX XXXX TONE ADJUST: +XX FEED ADJUST: +XX.Xmm CUT POSITION ADJUST: +XX.Xmm BACKFEED ADJUST: +XX.Xmm PARAMETER: [PC-850][0] | Print tone fine adjustment value Print position fine adjustment value Cut position fine adjustment value Back feed amount fine adjustment value |
| | | [9600][8][1][NONE][2] | Baud rate, Data length, Stop bit length, Parity, and Transmission control of RS- 232C |
| | | | Forward feed wait function, Control code, Feed key function, and Euro code |
| | | X-COORDINTE ADJUST: +XX.Xmm SENSOR SELECTION: TRANSMISSIVE - SENSOR ADJ. VALUE: | X-coordinate fine adjustment value |
| | | TRANSMISSIVE[XX] REFLECTIVE[XX] PRINT SPEED: 5IPS | |
| | | FLASH ROM:4MB | |
| | | SDRAM: 8MB | SDRAM Capacity |
| | | USER MEMORY: [X KB][0 KB] | User Memory Capacity |
| | | TTF AREA: [XXXKB][XXXKB] | |
| | | EXT CHAR AREA: [XXXKB][XXXKB] | |
| | | | BASIC file storage area, Main PC board and optional memory card |
| | | PC SAVE AREA: [XXXKB][XXXKB] | |
| | | INFORMATION: | Printed only when some information is stored in the flash ROM |
| | | TOTAL FEED | |
| | | TOTAL PRINT: 0.00 km | |
| | | TOTAL CUT: 0 | |
| | | IP ADDRESS: 192.168.10.20 | |
| | | SUBNET MASK: 255.255.0 | |
| | | GATEWAY: 0.0.0.0 | |
| | | MAC ADDRESS: XX-XX-XX-XX-XX | |
| | | DHCP: Disabled | |
| | | DHCP CLIENT ID: | Network setting values |
| | | FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF | |
| | | SOCKET COMM.: Enabled | |
| | | SOCKET COMM.: Enabled | |
| | | SOUKET CONTRI. FUKT. 00000 | <i>)</i> |

2.9 How to Use an SD Card

CAUTION!

- Turn off the printer before inserting or removing an SD card. Failure to do this may destroy the data in the SD card.
- 2. Do not turn off the printer during access to the SD card, as doing so may destroy the data in the SD card.
- 3. For handling of the SD card, refer to the instruction supplied with the SD card.

This printer enables you to save print formats, writable characters, True Type fonts, etc. in commercially available SD cards. For available SD card types, please ask the nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative. For how to save data in an SD card, please refer to the External

For how to save data in an SD card, please refer to the External Equipment Interface Specification stored in the CD-ROM.

Inserting an SD Card

- **1.** Turn off the printer and open the SD card slot cover.
- 2. Hold an SD card with the print surface facing up, and insert it into the SD card slot until it clicks.



3. Close the SD card slot cover.

Removing an SD Card

- **1.** Confirm no access is made to the SD card, and turn off the printer.
- **2.** Open the SD card slot cover.
- **3.** Push the SD card. The SD card pops up.



4. Remove it from the slot, and close the SD card slot cover.

3. MAINTENANCE

WARNING!

- 1. Be sure to turn OFF the power before performing maintenance. Failure to do this may cause an electric shock.
- 2. To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers while opening or closing the cover.
- 3. Be careful when handling the print head as it becomes very hot immediately after printing. Allow it to cool before performing any maintenance.
- 4. Do not pour water directly onto the printer.

3.1 Cleaning

3.1.1 Print Head

CAUTION!

- 1. Do not allow any hard objects to touch the print head or platen, as this may cause damage to them.
- 2. Do not use any volatile solvents including thinner and benzene, as this may cause discoloration of the cover, print failure, or breakdown of the printer.
- 3. Do not touch the print head element with bare hands, as static may damage the print head.

NOTE:

Please purchase the Print Head Cleaner from the authorised TOSHIBA TEC service representative. This chapter describes how to perform routine maintenance.

To ensure the continuous high quality operation of your printer, you should perform a regular maintenance routine. For high throughput it should be done on a daily basis. For low throughput it should be done on a weekly basis.

To maintain the printer performance and print quality, please clean the printer regularly, or whenever the media is replaced.

- **1.** Turn the power off.
- **2.** Open the Top Cover.
- **3.** Clean the Print Head Element with a Print Head Cleaner, cotton swab or soft cloth slightly moistened with ethyl alcohol.



Print Head Element (Positioned at the print head edge)

3.1.2 Platen/Sensors

- **1.** Wipe the Platen with a soft cloth moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol.
- **2.** Remove dust or paper particles from wipe the Black Mark Sensor, Feed Gap Sensor, and Cover Open Sensor with a dry soft cloth.



3.1.3 Cover

CAUTION!

Do not use any volatile solvents including thinner and benzene, as this may cause discoloration or distortion of the cover. Wipe the Cover with a dry soft cloth. Wipe off dirt with a soft cloth slightly moistened with mild detergent solution.



3.1.4 Media Housing

Wipe the media housing with a dry soft cloth. Wipe off dirt with a soft cloth slightly moistened with mild detergent solution.



- 3.1.5 Strip Sensor/Strip Roller¹. Wipe the Strip Roller with a soft cloth moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol. (Option)
 - 2. Remove dust or paper particles from the Strip Sensor with a dry soft cloth.



Media

CAUTION!

Be sure to carefully review and understand the Supply Manual. Use only media which meets specified requirements. Use of nonspecified media may shorten the head life and result in problems with bar code readability or print quality. All media should be handled with care to avoid any damage to the media or printer. Read the guideline in this section carefully.

- 3.2 Care/Handling of the Do not store media for longer than the manufacturer's recommended shelf life
 - Store media rolls on the flat end. Do not store them on the curved sides as this might flatten that side causing erratic media advance and poor print quality.
 - Store the media in plastic bags and always reseal after opening. Unprotected media can get dirty and the extra abrasion from the dust and dirt particles will shorten the print head life.
 - Store the media in a cool, dry place. Avoid areas where they would be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperature, high humidity, dust or gas.
 - The thermal paper used for direct thermal printing must not have specifications which exceed Na⁺ 800 ppm, K⁺ 250 ppm and Cl⁻ 500 ppm.
 - Some ink used on pre-printed media may contain ingredients which shorten the print head's product life. Do not use labels pre-printed with ink which contain hard substances such as carbonic calcium (CaCO₃) and kaolin (Al₂O₃, 2SiO₂, 2H₂O).

For further information, please contact your local distributor or your media manufacturer.

4. TROUBLESHOOTING

WARNING!

If a problem cannot be solved by taking actions described in this chapter, do not attempt to repair the printer. Turn off and unplug the printer. Then contact an authorised TOSHIBA TEC service representative for assistance.

4.1 Troubleshooting Guide

| Symptom | Cause | Solutions |
|--|---|--|
| The power lamp of the Power Adapter does not light up though the power cord is plugged in an AC | The power cord is not connected to the Power Adapter. | Disconnect the power cord from the AC outlet, connect the power cord to the Power Adapter, then connect it to the AC outlet. (\Rightarrow Section 2.5) |
| outlet. | There is a power failure or the power is not being supplied to the AC outlet. | Test the AC outlet with a power cord from another electric appliance. If power is not being supplied, consult an electrician or your Electricity supplier. |
| | The fuse of the building has blown or the circuit breaker has tripped. | Check the fuse or circuit breaker. |
| The Indicator Lamp does not light up in green when the power switch is turned on though the power lamp of the Power Adapter is lit. | The Power Adapter Connector is disconnected from the Power Jack. | Disconnect the power cord from the AC outlet, insert the Power Adapter Connector into the Power Jack, then connect the power cord to the AC outlet. (\Rightarrow Section 2.5) |
| Media is not issued. | The media is not loaded properly. The interface cable is not | Reload the media properly. (⇒ Section 2.7) Connect the interface cable again. |
| | The media sensor is dirty. | (\Rightarrow Section 2.4) (\Rightarrow Section 3.1.2) |
| Nothing is printed. | The media is not loaded properly. | Reload the media properly. (\Rightarrow Section 2.7) |
| | Print data is not sent from the host computer. | Send print data. |
| Poor print | TOSHIBA TEC approved media is not used. | Replace the media with TOSHIBA TEC approved one. |
| | The print head is dirty. | Clean the print head. $(\Rightarrow$ Section 3.1.1) |
| Missing dots | The print head is dirty. | Clean the print head. (\Rightarrow Section 3.1.1) |
| | The print head elements are partly broken. | When the missing dots affect printouts, turn off the printer and contact the nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative to ask for replacement of the print head. |

| Symptom | Cause | Solutions |
|--|--|--|
| Labels are not separated from the backing paper | TOSHIBA TEC approved media is not used. | Replace the media with TOSHIBA TEC approved one. |
| smoothly. (When the optional strip unit is fitted.) | Label loading method is incorrect. | Load the label properly. (\Rightarrow Section 2.7) |
| Peel-off issue cannot be performed. (When the optional strip unit is fitted.) | The strip sensor does not work due to intense ambient light. | Fit the Shade Plate supplied with the strip unit. (\Rightarrow Section 2.7) |
| Media cannot be cut cleanly. (When the optional cutter unit is fitted.) | The cuter blade has reached the end of its useful life. | Turn off the printer and contact the nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative to ask for replacement of the cutter unit. |

4.2 Status Lamp

| Color | Status | Cause | Solutions | | |
|-----------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Green | Lights up | Stand-by | Normal | | |
| Green | Flashing fast | Communicating with a host | Normal | | |
| Green | Flashing slowly | Printing is temporarily stopped (paused.) | Press the [FEED] Button. Printing is resumed. | | |
| Green/Red | Flashing slowly | The print head temperature exceeded the upper limit. | Stop printing and allow the print head to coor until the indicator lamp lights up in green. I the indicator lamp does not light up in green or this problem occurs frequently, contact the nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative. | | |
| Red | Lights up | A communication error occurred. (Only when the RS-232C is used.) | Turn off the power switch and back to on. Or press the [FEED] Button. If this problem frequently occurs, turn off the printer and contact the nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative. | | |
| Red | Flashing fast | A paper jam occurred. | Remove the jammed media, reload the media, and press the [FEED] Button. (\Rightarrow Section 4.3) | | |
| Red | Flashing at medium speed | The media is ended. | Load a new media roll and press the [FEED] Button. (\Rightarrow Section 2.7) | | |
| Red | Flashing slowly | An issue or feed was attempted with the top cover opened. | Close the top cover completely, and press th [FEED] button. Printing is resumed. | | |
| Orange | Flashing fast | A paper jam occurred din the cutter unit. (Only when the cutter unit is fitted.) | Remove the jammed media, reload the media, and press the [FEED] Button. (⇒ Section 4.3) | | |
| None | Unlit | The top cover is open. | Close the top cover completely | | |

Flashing speed of the LED

| Status | Flashing interval |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Flashing slowly | 1 sec. |
| Flashing at medium speed | 0.5 sec. |
| Flashing fast | 0.2 sec. |

4.3 Removing Jammed Media

This section describes in detail how to remove jammed media from the printer.

CAUTION!

Do not use any tool that may damage the print head.

- **1.** Turn the power off.
- **2.** Open the Top Cover and remove the media roll.
- **3.** Remove the jammed media from the printer. DO NOT USE any sharp implements or tools as these could damage the printer.
- 4. Clean the Print Head and Platen, then remove any further dust or foreign substances.
- 5. Load the media again, and close the Top Cover.

APPENDIX 1 SPECIFICATIONS

Appendix 1 describes the printer specifications and supplies for use on the B-EV4D printer.

A1.1 **Printer**

The following are the printer specifications.

| Item | B-EV4D-GS14-QM-R | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Supply voltage | AC100 to 240V, 50/60 Hz | | | |
| Power consumption | | | | |
| During a print job | 100 to 120V: 2.93 A, 70.3 W max., 200 to 240V: 2.91 A, 69.8 W max. | | | |
| During standby | 100 to 120V: 0.91 A, 2.18 W max., 200 to 240V: 0.91 A, 2.17 W max. | | | |
| Power supply | 100 to 240V universal switching power supply | | | |
| Operating temperature range | 5° C to 40° C (41° F to 104° F) | | | |
| Storage temperature range | -40° C to 60° C(-40° F to 140° F) | | | |
| Relative humidity | 25% to 85% RH (no condensation) | | | |
| Humidity for storage | 10% to 90% RH (no condensation) | | | |
| Ventilation for storage | Free air environment | | | |
| Resolution | 203 dpi (8 dots/mm) | | | |
| Printing method | Direct thermal | | | |
| Issue mode | Batch, Strip (option), Cut (option) | | | |
| Printing speed | | | | |
| In the batch/cut mode | 50.8 mm/sec. (2"/sec.), 76.2 mm/sec. (3"/sec.), 101.6 mm/sec. (4"/sec.), | | | |
| | 127 mm/sec. (5"/sec.) | | | |
| In the strip mode | 50.8 mm/sec. (2"/sec.), 76.2 mm/sec. (3"/sec.) | | | |
| Available media width | 25.4 mm (1.0") to 112 mm (4.4") | | | |
| (including backing paper) | | | | |
| Effective print width (max.) | 108.0 mm (4.25") | | | |
| Dimension ($W \times D \times H$) | 198.0 mm × 258.0 mm × 169.5 mm (7.8" × 10.2" × 6.7") | | | |
| Weight | 2.3 kg (5.07 lb) (Excluding media) | | | |
| Available bar code types | EAN8/13, EAN8/13 add on 2&5, UPC-A, UPC-E, UPC-A add on 2&5, | | | |
| | CODE39, CODE93, CODE128, EAN128, NW7, MSI, Industrial 2 of 5, ITF, | | | |
| | RM4SCC, KIX-Code, POSTNET, PLESSEY, RSS14 | | | |
| Available two-dimensional code | Data matrix, PDF417, QR Code, Maxi Code, Micro PDF417 | | | |
| Available bar code font | Times Roman (6 sizes), Helvetica (6 sizes), Presentation (1 size), Letter Gothic | | | |
| | (1 size), Courier (2 sizes), Prestige Elite (2 sizes), OCR-A (1 type), OCR-B (1 | | | |
| | type), Kanji (3 sizes) | | | |
| Rotations | 0°, 90°, 180°, 270° | | | |
| Standard interface | Serial interface (RS-232C) | | | |
| | Parallel interface (Centronics) | | | |
| | USB (V2.0) | | | |
| | Ethernet interface (10/100 Base) | | | |
| | SD Card Slot | | | |

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• Please use TOSHIBA TEC recommended SD cards. The SD Cards are available from your nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative or TOSHIBA TEC Head Quarters.

| Item | B-EV4D-TS14-QM-R | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Supply voltage | AC100 to 240V, 50/60 Hz | | | |
| Power consumption | | | | |
| During a print job | 100 to 120V: 2.48 A, 59.5 W max., 200 to 240V: 2.46 A, 59.8 W max. | | | |
| During standby | 100 to 120V: 0.91 A, 2.18 W max., 200 to 240V: 0.91 A, 2.18 W max. | | | |
| Power supply | 100 to 240V universal switching power supply | | | |
| Operating temperature range | 5°C to 40°C (41°F to 104°F) | | | |
| Storage temperature range | -40°C to 60°C(-40°F to 140°F) | | | |
| Relative humidity | 25% to 85% RH (no condensation) | | | |
| Humidity for storage | 10% to 90% RH (no condensation) | | | |
| Ventilation for storage | Free air environment | | | |
| Resolution | 300 dpi (12 dots/mm) | | | |
| Printing method | Direct thermal | | | |
| Issue mode | Batch, Strip (option), Cut (option) | | | |
| Printing speed | | | | |
| In the batch/cut mode | 50.8 mm/sec. (2"/sec.), 76.2 mm/sec. (3"/sec.), 101.6 mm/sec. (4"/sec.), | | | |
| In the strip mode | 50.8 mm/sec. (2"/sec.) | | | |
| Available media width | 25.4 mm (1.0") to 112 mm (4.4") | | | |
| (including backing paper) | | | | |
| Effective print width (max.) | 105.7 mm (4.16") | | | |
| Dimension ($W \times D \times H$) | 198.0 mm × 258.0 mm × 169.5 mm (7.8" × 10.2" × 6.7") | | | |
| Weight | 2.3 kg (5.07 lb) (Excluding media) | | | |
| Available bar code types | EAN8/13, EAN8/13 add on 2&5, UPC-A, UPC-E, UPC-A add on 2&5, | | | |
| | CODE39, CODE93, CODE128, EAN128, NW7, MSI, Industrial 2 of 5, ITF, | | | |
| | RM4SCC, KIX-Code, POSTNET, PLESSEY, RSS14 | | | |
| Available two-dimensional code | Data matrix, PDF417, QR Code, Maxi Code, Micro PDF417 | | | |
| Available bar code font | Times Roman (6 sizes), Helvetica (6 sizes), Presentation (1 size), Letter Gothic | | | |
| | (1 size), Courier (2 sizes), Prestige Elite (2 sizes), OCR-A (1 type), OCR-B (1 | | | |
| | type), Kanji (3 sizes) | | | |
| Rotations | 0°, 90°, 180°, 270° | | | |
| Standard interface | Serial interface (RS-232C) | | | |
| | Parallel interface (Centronics) | | | |
| | USB (V2.0) | | | |
| | Ethernet interface (10/100 Base) | | | |
| | SD Card Slot | | | |

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A1.2 Options

| Option Name | Туре | Description |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| AC Adapter Cover | B-EV904-AC-QM-R | Attached to the printer bottom for housing the AC |
| | | adapter. |
| Cutter module | B-EV204-F-QM-R | A cutter unit that makes full cuts. |
| | B-EV204-P-QM-R | A cutter unit that makes partial cuts. |
| Strip module | B-EV904-H-QM-R | When attached to the front of the Media Outlet, |
| - | | this module allows the on-demand strip issue by |
| | | detecting the presence or lack of a label. |
| External media roll hanger | B-EV904-PH-QM-R | When this option is attached to the printer, a |
| _ | | media roll with an outer roll diameter up to |
| | | 203mm (8") and inner core diameter of 76.2mm |
| | | (3") can be used. |
| NOTE: | | |
| | | |

The above options are available from your nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative or TOSHIBA TEC Head Quarters.

A1.3 Media

Please make sure that the media to be used is approved by TOSHIBA TEC. The warranties do not apply to problems caused by using media that is not approved by TOSHIBA TEC. For information regarding TOSHIBA TEC-approved media, please contact a TOSHIBA TEC authorised

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A1.3.1 Media Type

The table below shows the size and shape of the media that can be used on this printer.



Unit: mm (inch)

A1.3.1 Media Type (Cont.)

| Issue mode | | | Batch mode Strip mode | | Cut mode | |
|---|------------|-----------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1) Width including backing paper | | | 25.4 to 112 (1.0 to 4.41) | | | |
| Width meruding backing paper Media width | | | 22.4 to 109 (0.88 to 4.29) | | | |
| | | | 10 to 999 25.4 to 152.4 25.4 to 999 | | | |
| | Label | 203 dpi | (0.39 to 39.3) | (1.0 to 6) | (1.0 to 39.3) | |
| | | | 10 to 457.2 | 25.4 to 152.4 | 25.4 to 457.2 | |
| | | 300 dpi | | | | |
| ③ Media pitch | | | (0.39 to 18.0) | (1.0 to 6) | (1.0 to 18.0) | |
| * | | 203 dpi | 10 to 999 | | 25.4 to 999 | |
| | Tag | | (0.39 to 39.3) | | (1.0 to 39.3) | |
| | U | 300 dpi | 10 to 457.2 | | 25.4 to 457.2 | |
| | | 200 u pi | (0.39 to 18.0) | | (1.0 to 18.0) | |
| | | 203 dpi | 8 to 997 | 23.4 to 150.4 | 19.4 to 993 | |
| ④ Media length | | 205 upi | (0.31 to 39.25) | (0.92 to 5.92) | (1.0 to 39.1) | |
| e | | 200 dai | 8 to 455.2 (0.31 to 17.9) | 23.4 to 150.4 | 19.4 to 451.2 | |
| | | 300 dpi | | (0.92 to 5.92) | (1.0 to 17.76) | |
| Com/Dlastam | | | 2.0 to 10.0 (0.08 to 0.39) | | 6.0 to 10.0 | |
| S Gap/ Black m | ark length | | | | (0.24 to 0.39) | |
| 6 Black mark w | idth | | Min. 8.0 (0.31) | | | |
| Thickness | | | 0.06 to 0.19 (0.0024 to 0.0075) | | | |
| | | | Ø127 (5) | | | |
| Max. outer roll diameter | | | \emptyset 214 (8.42): When the optional External Media Roll Hanger is used. | | | |
| Roll direction | | | Outside (standard), Inside | | | |
| Inner core diameter | | | 25.4 to 38.1, or 76.2 (1 to 1.5, or 3) ^(See NOTE 2.) | | | |
| NOTES: 1. To ensure prin | nt quality | and print h | ead life use only TOSHIB | A TEC approved media. | | |

e print quality and print head life use only TOSHIBA TEC approved media.

2. When using a media roll of 76.2-mm (3") inner core diameter, the 3"-Diameter Media Shaft included in the optional External Media Roll Hanger is required.

A1.3.2 Detection Area of the Transmissive Sensor

The Transmissive sensor is fixed and positioned at 6.35 mm right of the center of the media path. The Transmissive Sensor detects a gap between labels, as illustrated below.



A1.3 Media

A1.3.3 Detection Area of the Reflective Sensor

The Reflective Sensor is movable within the full range of the media width. The reflection factor of the Black Mark must be 10% or lower with a waveform length of 950 nm. The Reflective Sensor should be aligned with the centre of the Black Mark.



A1.3.4 Effective Print Area

The figure below illustrates the relation between the head effective print width and media width. (for GS14 Type)



A1.3 Media

The figure below shows the effective print area on the media.



NOTES:

- 1. Be sure not to print on the 1.5-mm wide area from the media edges (shaded area in the above figure).
- 2. The centre of media should be positioned at the centre of the print head.
- 3. Print quality is not guaranteed within 3 mm from the print head stop position (including 1-mm slow-up.)
- 4. Average print (black) rate should be 15% or less. For bar code print area, the print rate should be 30% or less.
- 5. Line weight should be 3 to 12 dots.

APPENDIX 2 INTERFACE

■ Interface Cables

To prevent radiation and reception of electrical noise, the interface cables must meet the following requirements:

- Fully shielded and fitted with metal or metallized connector housings.
- Keep as short as possible.
- Should not be bundled tightly with power cords.
- Should not be tied to power line conduits.

■ RS-232C Cable description

The serial data cable used to connect the printer to a host computer should be one of the following two types (9-pin or 25-pin connector):

| Connector to the Host Computer | | | | Connector to Printer | |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|-------------|----------------------|----------|
| Function | 9 pin | 25 pin | | Pin No. | Function |
| | | | | 1 | +5V |
| RXD | 2 | 3 | ◀ | 2 | TXD |
| TXD | 3 | 2 | ── ► | 3 | RXD |
| DTR | 4 | 20 | → | 4 | RTS |
| GND | 5 | 7 | ← | 5 | GND |
| DSR | 6 | 6 | ◀──── | 6 | CTS |
| RTS | 7 | 4 | | 7 | RTS |
| CTS | 8 | 5 |]◀ | 8 | CTS |
| | | | | 9 | +5V |

NOTE:

Use an RS-232C cable with a connector with inch type securing screws.

GLOSSARIES

Bar code

A code which represents alphanumeric characters by using a series of black and white stripes in different widths. Bar codes are used in various industrial fields: Manufacturing, Hospitals, Libraries, Retail, Transportation, Warehousing, etc. Reading bar codes is a fast and accurate means of capturing data while keyboard entry tends to be slow and inaccurate.

Batch mode

Issue mode that continuously prints media until the required number has been printed.

Black mark

A mark printed on the media enabling the printer to detect the correct start position of the media, helping to maintain constant print position.

Black mark sensor

A reflective sensor that detects the difference between a black mark and the print area to find the print start position.

Cut mode

Printer mode of operation where an (optional) cutter module is installed to automatically cut media from the supply roll after they are printed. The print command can specify to cut every media or to cut after a set number of media have been printed.

Direct thermal printing

A printing method using no ribbon, but thermal media which reacts to heat. The thermal print head heats the thermal media directly, causing print image to be printed on the media.

DPI

Dots Per Inch A unit used to express print density or resolution.

Feed gap sensor

A transmissive sensor that detects the difference between the gap between labels and the label itself, to find the print start position of the label.

Font

A complete set of alphanumeric characters in one style of type. E.g. Helvetica, Courier, Times

Gap

Distance from the bottom of one label to the top of the next label.

IPS

Inch per second A unit used to express print speed.

Label

A type of media with adhesive backing supplied on a backing paper.

Media

Material on which images are printed by the printer. Label, tag paper, fanfold paper, perforated paper, etc.

Printer driver

A software program that will convert the application program's printing request into the language that the printer understands.

Print head element

The thermal print head consists of a single line of tiny resistive elements which when current is allowed to flow through them it heats up causing a small dot to be burned onto thermal paper or a small dot of ink to be transferred from a thermal ribbon to ordinary paper.

Printing speed

The speed at which printing occurs. This speed is expressed in units of IPS (inches per second).

Resolution

The degree of detail to which an image can be duplicated. The minimum unit of divided image is called a pixel. As the resolution becomes higher, the number of pixels increases, resulting in a more detailed image.

Strip mode

One of the printer modes of operation where an optional strip module is installed to separate printed labels from the backing paper one by one.

Supply Media

Tag

A type of media having no adhesive backing but black marks to indicate the print area. Usually tags are made of cardboard or other durable material.

Thermal print head A print head using thermal transfer or thermal direct printing method.

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