

Device Control Instructions Summary

<p>Plotter On Instruction ESC . (or ESC . Y Prepares plotter to accept other instructions. Needed only when y/b switch set to y.</p> <p>Plotter Off Instruction ESC .) or ESC . Z Deactivates plotter input buffer when y/b switch set to y.</p> <p>Set Plotter Configuration ESC . @ [(<DEC>) : (<DEC>)] : Enables or disables hardware handshake, monitor mode, or block mode. Parameters are: <DEC> — ignored, and <DEC> — Hardware handshake, monitor mode, and block mode. A decimal value in the range 0-31.</p> <p>Output Buffer Space ESC . B Outputs the number of bytes currently available for data in the buffer. Response is: <DEC> [TERM] — 0 to 1024.</p> <p>Output Extended Error ESC . E Output a decimal code to identify the type of RS-232-C related error that occurred. Response is: <DEC> [TERM] — 0, no error, or 10-16.</p> <p>[TERM] = Carriage return character unless changed by ESC . M command</p>	<p>Set Handshake Mode 1 ESC . H [(<DEC>) : (<ASC>) : (<ASC> (; . . . <ASC>))] : Establishes parameters for handshake mode 1 which uses all parameters of ESC . M command when responding to enquiry character. Parameters are: <DEC> — Block size or Xoff threshold level, <ASC> — Enquiry character or omitted, and <ASC> . . . <ASC> — Acknowledgment string of 1 to 10 characters or Xon trigger characters.</p> <p>Set Handshake Mode 2 ESC . I [(<DEC>) : (<ASC>) : (<ASC> (; . . . <ASC>))] : Establishes parameters for handshake mode 2 which uses only turnaround delay parameter of ESC . M when responding to enquiry character. Parameters are: <DEC> — Block size or Xoff threshold level, <ASC> — Enquiry character or omitted, and <ASC> . . . <ASC> — Acknowledgment string of 1 to 10 characters or Xon trigger characters.</p>	<p>Output Buffer Size ESC . L Waits until the buffer is empty, then in bytes; 1024.</p> <p>Set Output Mode ESC . M [(<DEC>) : (<ASC>) (<ASC> (; (<ASC>)) : (<ASC>)) : Sets parameters for output where: <DEC> — Turnaround delay, 0-54 <ASC> — Output trigger character <ASC> — Echo terminate character <ASC> . . . <ASC> — 1 or 2 output characters 0-127, 0 terminates string, and <ASC> — output initiator, ASCII 0</p>
<p>Set Extended Output and Handshake ESC . N [(<DEC>) : (<ASC>) (<ASC> (; (<ASC>)) : (<ASC>)) : Establishes extended parameters for output where: <DEC> — Delay between output characters <ASC> . . . <ASC> — Immediate output characters or Xoff trigger character 10 characters or Xoff trigger character terminates string.</p> <p>Output Extended Status ESC . O Outputs the decimal equivalent value of the status word. Response is: <DEC> [TERM] — a value ≤ 40.</p> <p>Reset Handshake ESC . R Defaults all handshake parameters.</p>	<p>Abort Device Control ESC . J Aborts any partially decoded or executed device control instructions including outputs.</p> <p>Abort Graphic Instruction ESC . K Aborts any partially decoded or executed HP-GL instruction and discards all instructions in buffer.</p>	<p>Set Extended Output and Handshake ESC . N [(<DEC>) : (<ASC>) (<ASC> (; (<ASC>)) : (<ASC>)) : Establishes extended parameters for output where: <DEC> — Delay between output characters <ASC> . . . <ASC> — Immediate output characters or Xoff trigger character 10 characters or Xoff trigger character terminates string.</p> <p>Output Extended Status ESC . O Outputs the decimal equivalent value of the status word. Response is: <DEC> [TERM] — a value ≤ 40.</p> <p>Reset Handshake ESC . R Defaults all handshake parameters.</p>

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Instruction	Definition	Instruction	Definition
AA X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd], arc angle[i] (,chord angle[i])	Arc absolute	OP [i return]	Output P1 and P2
AR X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd], arc angle[i] (,chord angle[i])	Arc relative	OS [i return]	Output status
CA n[i]	Designate alternate set n	OW [i return]	Output window
CI radius[i]/sd] (,chord angle[i])	Circle	PA X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd] (,...)	Plot absolute
CP spaces[d], lines[d]	Character plot	PD (X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd] (,...))	Pen down
CS n[i]	Designate standard set n	PR X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd] (,...)	Plot relative
DC	Digitize clear	PS paper size[i]	Paper size
DF	Set default values	PT thickness[d]	Pen thickness
DI run[d], rise[d]	Absolute direction	PU (X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd] (,...)	Pen up
DP	Digitize point	RA X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd]	Shade rectangle absolute
DR run[d], rise[d]	Relative direction	RO n[i]	Rotate coordinate system
DT c[c]	Define label terminator	RR X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd]	Shade rectangle relative
EA X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd]	Edge rectangle absolute	SA	Select alternate character set
ER X[i]/sd], Y[i]/sd]	Edge rectangle relative	SC X _{min} [i], X _{max} [i], Y _{min} [i], Y _{max} [i]	Scale
EW radius[i]/sd], start angle[i], sweep angle[i], (,chord angle[i])	Edge wedge	SI width[d], height[d]	Absolute character size
FT type[i] (,spacing[sd] (,angle[i]))	Fill type	SL tanθ[d]	Absolute character slant (from vertical)
IM e[i] (,s[i] (,p[i]))	Input e, s, and p masks	SM c[c]	Symbol mode
IN	Initialize	SP n[i]	Select pen
IP P1 _x [i], P1 _y [i] (,P2 _x [i], P2 _y [i])	Input P1 and P2	SR width[d], height[d]	Relative character size
IW X _{lo} [i], Y _{lo} [i], X _{hi} [i], Y _{hi} [i]	Input window	SS	Select standard character set
LB c...c[c]	Label ASCII string	TL tp[d] (,tn[d])	Tick length
LT t[i] (,l[d])	Designate line type and length	UC (pen[i],) X[d], Y[d], pen[i] (,...)	User defined character
OA [i return]	Output actual position and pen status	VS v[d]	Select velocity v
OC [i]/sd return]	Output commanded position and pen status	WG radius[i]/sd], start angle[i], sweep angle[i] (,chord angle[i])	Shade wedge
OD [i return]	Output digitized point and pen status	XT	X-axis tick
OE [i return]	Output error	YT	Y-axis tick
OF [i return]	Output factors		
OH [i return]	Output hard-clip limits		
OI [c return]	Output identification		
OO [i return]	Output options		
		[c] = character format	
		[d] = decimal format, -128.0000 to +127.9999	
		[i] = integer format, -32 768 to +32 767	
		[sd] = scaled decimal format, -32 768.0000 to +32 767.9999	

Plotter Default Conditions (DF)

Function	Equivalent Instruction	Condition
Plotting mode	PA;	Absolute (plotter units)
Line type	LT;	Solid line
Line pattern length	LTn, 4;	4% of the diagonal distance between P1 and P2
Pen velocity	VS;	38.1 cm/s (15 in./s)
Scaling	SC;	Off (XY coordinates in plotter units)
Input window	IW;	Set to hard-clip limits
Chord angle	—	5 degrees
Symbol mode	SM;	Off
Digitize clear	DC;	Digitize mode off
Tick length	TL;	$tp = tn = 0.5\%$ of $(P2_x - P1_x)$ for Y-tick and 0.5% of $(P2_y - P1_y)$ for X-tick
Mask value	IM233, 0, 0;	All errors recognized, no service request, and no parallel poll response
Fill type	FT;	Type 1 (solid bidirectional shading)
Fill spacing	FT;	1% of the diagonal distance between P1 and P2 (used only for fill type 3 or 4)
Fill angle	FT;	0 degree
Pen thickness	PT;	0.3 mm (fill spacing for solid fill types 1 and 2)
Label origin	—	Current pen location
Relative character direction	DR1, 0;	Horizontal (along X-axis)
Relative character size	SR;	Width = 0.75% of $(P2_x - P1_x)$ Height = 1.5% of $(P2_y - P1_y)$
Character slant	SL0;	0 degree
Label terminator	DT ETX ;	ETX (ASCII decimal equivalent 3)
Character set selected	SS;	Standard
Standard character set	CS0;	Set 0
Alternate character set	CA0;	Set 0

The carriage-return point is updated to the current pen position.

Additional Conditions Set by IN but not DF

- Pen is raised
- P1 and P2 set to default values
- All errors cleared
- Rotation set to zero degrees

HP-GL Error Messages

Error Number	Meaning
0	No HP-GL error for which mask is set has occurred.
1	Instruction not recognized The plotter has received an illegal character sequence.
2	Wrong number of parameters Too many or too few parameters have been sent with an instruction.
3	Bad parameter The parameters sent to the plotter with an instruction are out of range for that instruction or include an illegal character.
4	Not used
5	Unknown character set A character set out of the range 0 through 4, 6 through 9, or 30 through 39 has been designated as either the standard or alternate character set.
6	Position overflow Numeric overflow in plotter's character generator.
7	Not used
8	Vector received while pinch wheels raised.