

# "e" AND PRO SERIES PRINTERS

# PROGRAMMING REFERENCE

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## SECTION 1. PROGRAMMING CONCEPTS

#### INTRODUCTION

This section presents the commands that are used with the SATO Series "e" and PRO printers to produce labels with logos, bar codes and alphanumeric data. All of the SATO Programming Language commands use the same syntax. Some commands reference a physical point on the label using horizontal and vertical dot reference numbers. The allowable range for these references is dependent upon the particular printer to accommodate different print widths and resolutions. These differences are noted in tables under the commands affected

The following information is presented in this section:

- The SATO Programming Language
- Selecting Protocol Control Codes
- Using Basic
- The Print Area
- Command Codes

#### THE SATO PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE

A programming language for a printer is a familiar concept to most programmers. It is a group of commands that are designed to use the internal intelligence of the printer. The commands, which are referred to as SATO Command Codes, contain non-printable ASCII characters (such as **STX>**, **ESC>**) and printable characters. These commands must be assembled into an organized block of code to be sent as one data stream to the printer, which in turn interprets the command codes and generates the desired label output. The programmer is free to use any programming language available to send the desired data to the printer.

The command codes used by the printers are based upon "Escape" (1B hexadecimal) sequences. Typically there are four types of command sequences:

#### <ESC>{Command}

These commands generally tell the printer to perform a specific action, like "clear the memory."

#### <ESC>{Command} {Data}

Commands with this format tell the printer to perform a specific action which is dependent upon the following data, like "print X labels", where the value for X is contained in the data.

#### <ESC>{Command} {Parameter}

These commands set the operational parameters of the printer, like "set the print speed to 3."

<ESC> {Command} {Parameter} {Data}

Some commands can contain both Parameter and Data elements, such as "print a Code 39 symbol containing the data."

#### SELECTING PROTOCOL CONTROL CODES

Protocol codes are the special control characters that prepare the printer to receive instructions. For example, the **ESC**> character tells the printer that a command code will follow and the **ENQ**> character asks for the printer status. There are two pre-defined different sets of Protocol Control codes to choose from. Each set is made up of six special characters. The Standard Protocol Control codes are non-printable characters, and the Non-Standard Protocol Control codes are printable characters. The Non-Standard set may be useful on host computers using protocol converters or in an application where non-printable ASCII characters cannot be sent from the host. This manual uses the Standard Protocol Control codes for all of the examples. Alternately, the user may define and download a set of custom Protocol Control Codes (see Appendix E).

| The Protocol | Control code | es are selected b | v DIP | switch DSW2-7 |  |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------|-------|---------------|--|
|              |              |                   |       |               |  |

| CONTROL<br>CHARACTER | STANDARD<br>DSW2-7 OFF | NON-STANDARD<br>DSW2-7 ON | DESCRIPTION                     |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| STX                  | 02 Hex                 | 7 B Hex = {               | Start of Data                   |
| ETX                  | 03 Hex                 | 7 D Hex= }                | End of Data                     |
| ESC                  | 1B Hex 5               | 5 E Hex =                 | Command code to follow          |
| ESC                  | 1B Hex                 | 5E Hex = ^                | Command code to follow          |
| ENQ                  | 05 Hex                 | 40 Hex = @                | Get printer status, Bi-Com mode |
| CAN                  | 18 Hex                 | 21 Hex = !                | Cancel print job, Bi-Com mode   |
| Off-Line             | 40 Hex                 | 5D Hex = ]                | Take printer Off-Line           |

#### **USING BASIC**

It may be useful to test your printer using a BASIC program on a PC. You may also write your actual production programs in BASIC. Whatever the reason, if you will be working in BASIC, some of the following hints may help you get started:

- 1. Set the WIDTH of the output device to 255 characters to avoid automatically sending <CR> and <LF> characters after every line. The command string should be continuous and uninterrupted by <CR> and/or <LF> commands. The examples given in this manual are printed on separate lines because they will not fit on one line and do not contain any <CR> and/or <LF> characters. If these characters are needed, they are explicitly noted by the inclusion of <CR> and<LF> notations.
- 2. If you are using the printer's RS232C interface, it is necessary to set the COM porton on the PC such that the CTS and DSR signals will be ignored. Send your OPEN "COM" statement in the following way:

OPEN "COM1:9600,E,8,1,CS,DS"AS #1

This sets the RS232C communication parameters of the host PC's COM1 port for 9600 baud, Even parity, 8 Data bits, 1 Stop bit and directing the port to ignore the CTS and DSR control signals.

3. You may want to minimize keystrokes and program size by assigning the <ESC>character to a string variable since this character is used quite often.

The following two examples in BASIC show a typical example using thesehints. Both of these examples use the Standard Protocol codes.

#### PRINTING WITH THE PARALLEL PORT

5 REM CL612 Parallel Example Identifies the program as a CL612 parallel

port print label. The "REM" prevents this data from being sent to the printer and

displays it only on thescreen.

10 E\$=CHR\$(27) Sets the "E\$" string as an <ESC>character

20 WIDTH "LPT1"255 Sets the width of the output to 255

characters

30 LPRINT E\$;"A"; Sends an "<ESC>A" command code tothe

LPT1 parallel port

40 LPRINT E\$;"H400";E\$;"V100";E\$;"XL1SATO"; Sends the data "SATO" to be to be placed

400 dots horizontally and 100dots vertically on the label and printed in the

"XL" font.

50 LPRINT E\$;"Q1"; Instructs the printer to print one label.

60 LPRINT E\$; "Z";

Tells the printer that the last commandhas

been sent. The printer can nowcreate and

print the job.

#### PRINTING WITH THE RS232C PORT

REM CL612 RS232 Example Identifies the program as a CL612e

RS232C port print label. The "REM" prevents this data from being sent to the printer and displays it only on the

screen.

10 E\$=CHR\$(27) Sets the "E\$" string as an

<ESC>character.

OPEN COM1:9600,N,8,1,CS,DS AS #1 Opens the COM1 port for output and

sets the parameters as 9600 baud, No parity, 8 Data bits, 1 Stop bit and instructs the port to ignore the CTS and

DSR control signals.

30 PRINT #1,CHR\$ (2); Sends an <STX> (ASCII Code a

decimal "2") to the printer instructing it to prepare to receive a message.

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50 PRINT #1,E\$;"A";

Sends an "<ESC>A" command code to Print Port #1 opened by statement 20 above.

60 PRINT #1,

E\$;"V100";E\$;"XL1SATO";

Sends the data "SATO" to be placed 400 dots horizontally and 100 dots vertically on the label and printed in the "XL" autosmoothed font.

50 PRINT #1, E\$;"Q1";

Instructs the printer to print a quantity of one label.

60 PRINT #1, E\$; "Z";

Tells the printer that the last

commandhas been sent. The printer can nowcreate and print the job.

70 PRINT #1,CHR\$ (3); Sends an <ETX> (ASCII Code decimal

"3") to the printer telling it that this is the

end of the message.

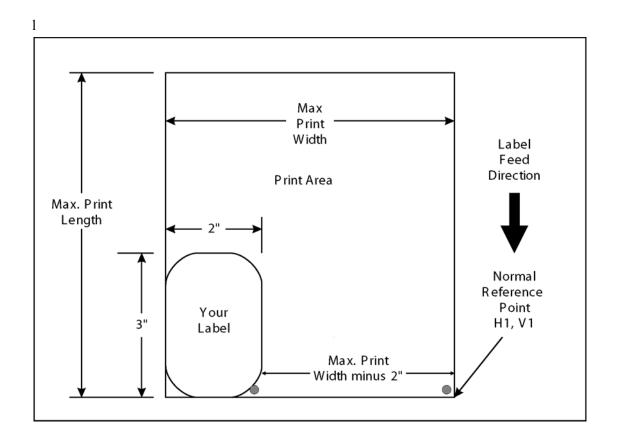
Identifies the program as a CL612e RS232C port print label. The "REM" prevents this data from being sent to the printer and displays it only on the

screen.

#### THE PRINT AREA

The maximum print area for the different printer models is listed in Table 1. Many of your label applications may not require labels that fill the entireprint area, therefore it is important to understand how to work with labelsthat do not use the entire print area. The goal is to help you avoid printing where no label exists, which may lead to print head damage, not to mentionfrustration when you cannot see the printed output.

The diagram below illustrates the maximum print area and a sample 2 inch wide by 3 inch long label placed within this area. As can be seen, your label will be oriented against the inside left edge of the printer as viewed from the front of the printer. The normal reference point is located at the H1, V1 position of the print area in the normal print orientation (no rotation).



**Table 1: Print Area** 

|                                                               | CL412e<br>M-84 Pro-3 | CL612e              | M-10e                | M-8490Se            | M-84 Pro-6          | M-5900RVE<br>M-8459E | M-8485Se             | CL608e<br>M-8460Se   | CL408e<br>M-8400RVe<br>M-84 Pro-2 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Resolution dpi/dpmm                                           | 305                  | 305                 | 305                  | 305                 | 609                 | 203                  | 203                  | 203                  | 203                               |
|                                                               | 12                   | 12                  | 12                   | 12                  | 24                  | 8                    | 8                    | 8                    | 8                                 |
| Max Print Width                                               | 1248                 | 1984                | 6400                 | 1344                | 2496                | 896                  | 1024                 | 1216                 | 832                               |
| (Hmax)                                                        | 4.1                  | 6.5                 | 10.5                 | 4.4                 | 4.1                 | 4.4                  | 5.0                  | 6.0                  | 4.1                               |
| dots/inches/mm                                                | 104                  | 165                 | 266.7                | 112                 | 104                 | 112                  | 128                  | 152                  | 104                               |
| Std Print Length                                              | 2136                 | 2136                | 3600                 | 2136                | 4272                | 2136                 | 1424                 | 1424                 | 1424                              |
| (Vmax)                                                        | 7.0                  | 7.0                 | 11.8                 | 7.0                 | 7.0                 | 7.0                  | 7.0                  | 7.0                  | 7.0                               |
| dots/inches/mm                                                | 178                  | 178                 | 300                  | 178                 | 178                 | 178                  | 178                  | 178                  | 178                               |
| Expanded Print<br>Length<br>(Vmax Expanded)<br>dots/inches/mm | 9999<br>32.8<br>833  | 9999<br>32.8<br>833 | 10080<br>16.5<br>420 | 9999<br>32.8<br>833 | 9999<br>16.4<br>416 | 9999<br>49.2<br>1249 | 9999<br>49.2<br>1249 | 9999<br>49.2<br>1249 | 9999<br>49.2<br>1249              |

There are three methods available to make sure your printed output will appear correctly on your label. They are as follows:

- 1. **Media Size Command.** Use the <ESC>A1 Media Size Command. This command specifies the width and length of the label. The printer will automatically calculate the correct offsets for printing labels of that size. However, if you specify a label size with this command, the labels loaded should match the size specified to correctly position the label.
- 2. **Base Reference Point Command.** Send the <ESC>A3 Base Reference Point command as part of your data to the printer to set a new base reference point for your label.

Calculate the distance (in dots) from the normal base reference point to the closest edge of the label.

For an M-8400RVe 8 dpmm printer, this would be:

```
LABEL WIDTH = 2" X 25.4 MM/IN X 8 DPMM = 406 DOTS
```

The new Base Reference Point then becomes:

```
NEW BASE REFERENCE POINT = MAXIMUM PRINT WIDTH - LABEL WIDTH = (832 DOTS) - (406 DOTS) = 426 DOTS
```

Issue the Base Reference Point command <ESC>A3 after the Start command in your data stream.

```
<ESC>A<ESC>A3H0426V0001.....
```

This resets the reference point for all the following data.

3. Add the correct offset to all horizontal commands. Use the normal base reference point from the print area and use the horizontal position for each field to properly locate it on the label.

Calculate the distance (in dots) from the normal base reference point to the closest edge of the label.

For an M-8400RVe 8 dpmm printer:

Label Width =  $2'' \times 25.4 \text{ mm/in } \times 8 \text{ dpmm} = 406 \text{ dots}$ 

New Base Reference Point = Maximum Print Width - Label Width = (832 dots) - (406 dots) = 426 dots

Each <ESC>H command would have the value "426" added to it to correctly position each field.

Note: The <ESC>A3 Base Reference Point command can also shift the reference point in a negative direction (toward the outside edge of the label).

The Command Code subsection contains a sample label output for each command code. These samples reflect how the printed information would appear on a five inch wide label. If you want to test any of the sample label outputs and are using labels less than five inches in width, we suggest that you add the Base Reference Point command to the data stream in order for the images to print on your labels.

You must be careful not to print off the label surface as the label provides a heat sink for the print head elements. Doing so will cause irrepairable damage to the head. This damage is not covered under the print head warranty. The addition of the Base Reference Point command to

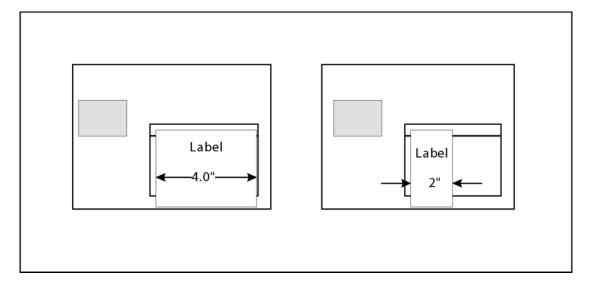
the sample data stream may help to adjust the print for your labels. See the following two examples or refer to the Base Reference Point command description.

For example, the following illustrates a sample data stream for a M-8400RVe printer and the resulting label assuming a 4 inch wide label:

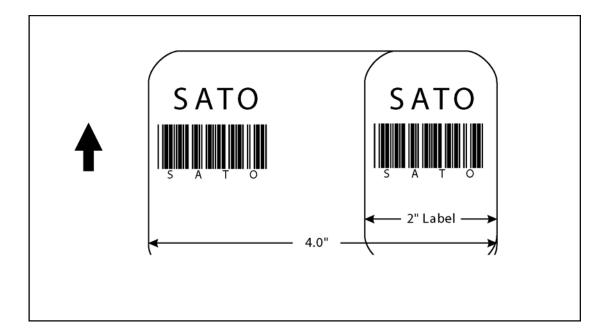
```
<ESC>A
<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0100<ESC>L0303<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0200<ESC>B103100*SATO*
<ESC>H0070<ESC>V0310<ESC>L0101<ESC>XUSATO
<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z
```

If you are using a 2 inch wide label, the entire image may not appear on your label. By adding the following Base Reference Point command to the second line of the data stream, the base reference point will be changed, causing theimage to be shifted over toward the inside of the printer where it can be printed on the narrower label.

```
<ESC>A
<ESC>A3H0406V0001
<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0100<ESC>L0303<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0200<ESC>B103100*SATO*
<ESC>H0170<ESC>V0310<ESC>L0101<ESC>XUSATO
<ESC>Q1
<ESC>Z
```



The image is moved horizontally to the right 2 inches (406 dots) so that it can be printed on a 2 inch wide label. For more information, see the Base Reference Point command description.



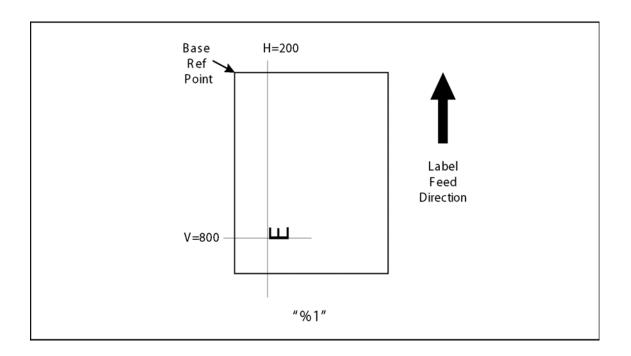
#### **ROTATED FIELDS**

The M-8400RVe printer can rotate each print field in  $90^{\circ}$  increments using the Rotate command.

• <ESC>% - The field rotates, but the base reference point for the field remains the same.

The following data stream will rotate the print field but will not change the base reference point of the field:

<ESC>A<ESC>%1<ESC>V800<ESC>H200<ESC>L0202<ESC>XB1E<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z



#### **COMMAND DEFAULT SETTINGS**

There are some types of commands that must have a value specified before a label can be printed. If the data stream does not contain these commands, a default value is assumed. The commands and the corresponding default values are:

| COMMAND                    | DEFAULT  | NOTE   |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|
| Print Rotation             | 0°       | (1)    |
| Vertical Reference Point   | 0        | (1)    |
| Horizontal Reference Point | 0        | (1)    |
| Character Pitch            | 2 (      | 1)     |
| Base Reference Point       | H=0, V=0 | (2)    |
| Character Expansion        | 1        | (1)    |
| Print Darkness             | -        | (1)(3) |
| Print Speed (DSW2-8 = On)  | -        | (2)(3) |
| Print Speed (DSW2-8 = Off) | -        | (2)(3) |
| Proportional Spacing       | Enabled  | (1)    |
| Cutter Command             | Disabled | (1)    |

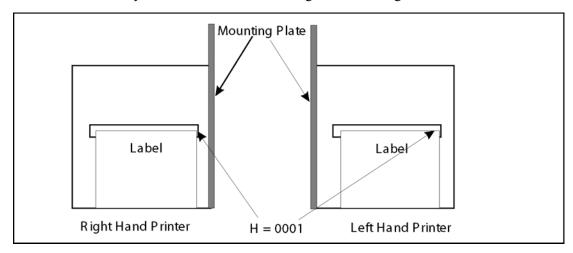
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#### NOTES:

- 1. The settings for these commands will revert to the default value when the printer receives an <ESC>Z or an <ESC>\*.
- 2. The values transmitted with these commands will remain in effect until a new command is received.
- 3. This default setting is printer dependent.

#### **OPPOSITE HAND"SE" PRINTERS**

The standard "Se" print engine is referred to as a "right-hand" printer (i.e., when facing the Control Panel, the label comes out from left to right). The M-8485Se, M-8460Se and M-8490Se are also available in a "left-hand" (i.e., the label comes out right-to-left) version. The M-8459Se is only available in the standard Right-Hand configuation.



The only difference in the print area is the horizontal base reference point for the label. With the standard "Se" printer, the reference point is the first print position nearest the inside frame. With the "left-hand" version, the reference point is the first print position away from the frame. The same command stream sent to both printers should print an identical label except the image may be shifted because of the relative positioning of the label under the print head.

## SECTION 2. COMMAND CODES

This section contains the basic Command Codes for the SATO "e" and PRO Series printers. Commands for the oprions and specialized functions are provided in the following sections. Commands must be sent to the printer in an organized fashion in order for the label(s) to print.

The purpose of this section is to:

- Explain the different commands and provide examples of their usage.
- To provide a detailed reference for programming the printers.

Each command begins on a separate page with its own heading. A uniform layout is used to help you find key information about each command. For each Command Code in this section, there will be a sample data input stream to the printer and the expected print output. By studying the examples, you can learn how to use the particular command within a whole block of printer code. Pay particular attention to the "Special Notes" with each command to learn other important information.

The subject commands are highlighted in bold letters in the Reference Sheets. There are two parts of most, but not all, commands. The first is the command character which immediately follows the **ESC>** code. It is always an upper case alpha or a special character (such as an "&" or a "%"). It is never a lower case alpha character. If the command requires additional variable information, it is represented by a group of lower case alpha characters immediately following the command character. For example, if an **aaaabb** is listed following the basic command, the printer will look for six characters immediately following the command. The first four would represent the value of **aaaa** and the next two the value of **bb**.

The maximum number of characters defined in a parameter is represented by the number of characters shown in the command structure. For example, a command followed by an **aaaa** can have up to four characters. In general, commands with only one parameter following the command can be entered without the leading zeroes. However, certain commands require the exact number of matching characters. A command with two parameters listed following the command code without a comma delimiter, such as **aaaabbbb** require the exact number of digits to be entered. If the value of **aaaa** is "800" and the value of **bbbb** is "300", then the parameters must be entered as "08000300". It is recommended that you make it a practice to always enter leading zeros to prevent any mistakes.

NOTE: These examples assume the use of the Standard Protocol Command Codes, a parallel interface and a 5 inch wide label in a M-8400RVe printer. The labels for all other printers will be similar, but, because of different resolutions and print widths may be larger or scaled differently.

An alphabetical listing of the command codes is contained in *Appendix A:Command Code Quick Reference*.

## **Bar Codes**

#### **Command Structure**

1:3 narrow/wide bar ratio: <ESC>Babbcccd

2:5 narrow/wide ratio: <ESC>BDabbcccd

1:2 narrow/wide bar ratio: <ESC>Dabbcccd

a = 0 Codabar

1 Code 39

2 Interleaved 2 of 5 (I 2/5)

3 UPC-A / EAN-13

4 EAN-

5 Industial 2 of 5

6 Matrix 2 of 5

7 reserved

8 reserved

9 reserved

A MSI

B reserved

C Code 93

D reserved

E UPC-E

F Bookland

G Code 128

I UCC 128

bb = Number of dots (01-12) for narrow bar and narrow

space

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

d = UCC 128 only. Not used for other bar code types

0 No human readable text

1 Human readable at top

2 Human readable at bottom

Example: <ESC>BD103200

Placement: Immediately preceding data to be encoded

Default: None

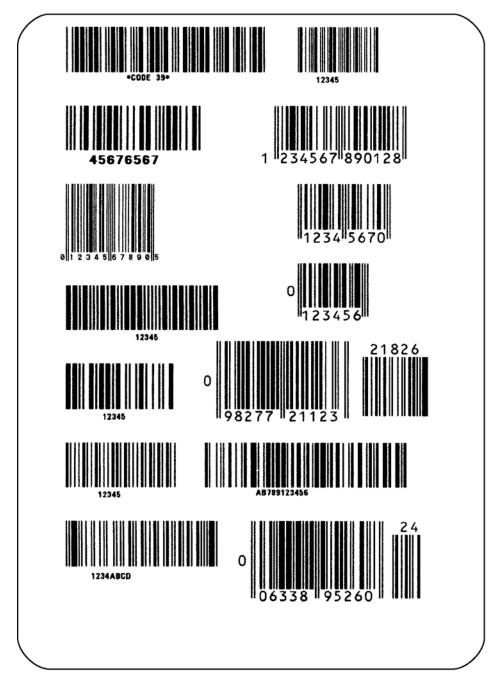
#### **Command Function**

To print bar code images on a label. With this command, there are 14 standard bar code symbologies available to be printed and three two dimensional symbols (see Section 5. Two Dimensional Symbols). Each of the bar code symbologies are unique, and it is important to know the differences. See Appendix B for specific information on using each individual bar code symbol.

**Input to Printer** <ESC>A <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0025<ESC>B103100\*CODE 39\* <ESC>H0155<ESC>V0130<ESC>XS\*CODE 39\* <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0200<ESC>BD20210045676567 <ESC>H0075<ESC>V0310<ESC>XM45676567 <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0375<ESC>BD30215001234567890 <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0600<ESC>BD50210012345 <ESC>H0175<ESC>V0710<ESC>XS12345 <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0775<ESC>BD60210012345 <ESC>H0105<ESC>V0885<ESC>XS12345 <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0950<ESC>BA03100123455 <ESC>H0095<ESC>V1060<ESC>XS12345 <ESC>H0025<ESC>V1125<ESC>BC03100081234ABCD <ESC>H0080<ESC>V1240<ESC>XS1234ABCD <ESC>H0525<ESC>V0025<ESC>B002100A12345B <ESC>H0565<ESC>V0135<ESC>XS12345 <ESC>H0475<ESC>V0200<ESC>BD303100123456789012 <ESC>H0525<ESC>V0375<ESC>BD4031001234567 <ESC>H0525<ESC>V0550<ESC>DE03100123456 <ESC>H0500<ESC>V0600<ESC>OB0 <ESC>H0533<ESC>V0655<ESC>OB123456 <ESC>H0350<ESC>V0725<ESC>D30315009827721123 <ESC>L0101<ESC>H0320<ESC>V0800<ESC>OB0 <ESC>H0365<ESC>V0878<ESC>OB98277 <ESC>H0505<ESC>V0878<ESC>OB21123 <ESC>H0665<ESC>V0760<ESC>BF0313021826 <ESC>H0680<ESC>V0730<ESC>OB21826 <ESC>H0425<ESC>V1125<ESC>D30315000633895260 <ESC>L0101<ESC>H0395<ESC>V1200<ESC>OB0 <ESC>H0440<ESC>V1278<ESC>OB06338 <ESC>H0580<ESC>V1278<ESC>OB95260 <ESC>H0730<ESC>V1155<ESC>BF0314024 <ESC>H0745<ESC>V1125<ESC>OB24 <ESC>H0325<ESC>V0950<ESC>BG03100>GAB>B789>C123456 <ESC>H0435<ESC>V1055<ESC>XSAB789123456 <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

Note: Carriage Returns and Line Feeds have been added to the command listing for clarity and should not be included in the actual data stream.

#### **Printer Output**



# UCC-128 Without Incrementing <EXC>A<EXC>H0100<EXC>V0100 <EXC>B107150101234567000000001 <ESC>Q2<ESC>Z





#### With Incrementing

<ESC>A<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100
<ESC>F001+001<ESC>B107150101234567000000001
<ESC>Q2<ESC>Z



#### **Special Notes**

- UPC and EAN bar codes are not affected by the different types of narrow to wide ratios. Instead, the <ESC>D command adds descender bars to these codes where needed to meet UPC specifications. The <ESC>BD command puts desender bars and human readable text below the symbol.
- 2. The Code 128, UCC 128, MSI, and Code 93 bar codes are not affected by the narrow to wide ratios.
- 3. The Codabar, Code 39, Industrial 2 of 5, and Matrix 2 of 5 bar codes are affected by the Character Pitch command. This command must be placed before the Bar Code command.
- 4. Because of their unique characteristics, two-dimensional (2D) symbols are covered separately.
- 5. For UCC128, the FNC1 code is automatically inserted and the Mod 10 and Mod 103 check digits are automatically calculated. For the MSI bar code, the check digit is not automatically calculated.
- The <ESC>D and <ESC>BD commands are not valid for the MSI, Code 128, Code 93, UPC-E, Bookland, UCC128 and Postnet symbologies.

## **Bar Codes, Expansion**

#### Command Structure <ESC>BWaabbb

aa = Expansion factor by which the width of all bars and

spaces will be increased (01-12)

bbb = Bar height by dot (004-999 dots)

Example: <ESC>BW02100

Placement: Immediately follows the <ESC>BT command and

precedes data to be encoded.

Default: None

**Command Function** This command works together with the <ESC>BT command to specify an

expansion factor and the bar code height for the particular symbol being

printed.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0050<ESC>BT101030103

<ESC>**BW04100\*1234\*** <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 





#### **Special Notes**

- This command must be preceded by the Variable Ratio Bar Codes <ESC>BT command.
- 2. The following bar codes will be affected by the Character Pitch command: Codabar, Code 39, Interleaved 2 of 5, Matrix 2 of 5.

## **Bar Codes, Variable Ratio**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>BTabbccddee

- a = Bar Code Symbol:
  - 0 Codabar
  - 1 Code 39
  - 2 Interleaved 2 of 5
  - 5 Industrial 2 of 5
  - 6 Matrix 2 of 5

bb = Narrow space in dots (01-99)

cc = Wide space in dots (01-99)

dd = Narrow bar in dots (01-99)

ee = Wide bar in dots (01-99)

Example: <ESC>**BT**101030103

Placement: Following print position commands and preceding

<ESC>BW

Default: Current setting

#### **Command Function**

To print a bar code with a ratio other than those specified through the standard bar code commands (B,BD, and D). This is done through individual control of each of the bar code elements (bars, spaces) as shown above. Remember that this command only applies to the five bar code types shown.

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0050<ESC>BT101030103

<ESC>BW03100\*1234\* <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**





#### Section 2: Command Codes

#### **Special Notes**

- 1. This command must be immediately followed by the <ESC>BW Bar Code Expansion command.
- 2. You may use only one variable ratio bar code per label.
- 3. If the data specified in this command is incorrect, the command is ignored and the ratio used will be based on the previous setting.

## **Base Reference Point**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>A3H-aaaa-Vbbbb

 This character is optional. When present, it specifies that The horizontal offset is in the negative direction. If it is left out the offset direction is positive.

aaaa = Horizontal Print Offset (-Hmax to +Hmax)

bbbb = Vertical Print Offset (-Vmax to +Vmax)

Example: <ESC>**A3H100V0050** 

Placement: Preceding all images that are based on the new base

reference point

Default: Current V and H offset setting in the printer

configuration

#### **Command Function**

To establish a new base reference point for the current label. The base reference point is the top left corner or iorigini from where all print position commands are based. This command may be very helpful when using labels less than four inches wide to place images on the printable label surface. It may also be used to move images past preprinted fields on a label.

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A<ESC>L0202

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0025<ESC>WB0MNORMAL REFERENCE POINT

<ESC>A3H0300V0075

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0050<ESC>WB0MNEW REFERENCE POINT

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



#### NORMAL REFERENCE POINT

**NEW REFERENCE POINT** 

#### **Special Notes**

- 1. Use of this command will set the Vertical/Horizontal Offset setting of the printer configuration until a new Base Reference Point command is issued or the setting is changed from the operator panel.
- 2. This command may be used more than once in a print job.
- 3. An alternative to using this command is to make changes to your current Horizontal and Vertical Print Position commands.

Example: Let us say the current base reference point is H=1, V=1 and you wish to move all the fields on your label downward vertically by 150 dots. You could either (1) add the Base Reference Point command or (2) change all the vertical position commands by an additional 150 dots.

- 4. For a more detailed example of the Base Reference Point command, see Section 1. Print Area.
- 5. The "Se" print engines can print as close as 2 mm to the inside edge of the label.
- 6. The printers will not "wrap" (i.e. if any part of a character or image extends beyond the last print dot position, it will disappear and not be visible on any part of the label).
- 7. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for values of Hmax and Vmax.

## **Characters, Custom-Designed**

#### **Command Structure**

Store Command: <ESC>**Tabcc**Recall Command: <ESC>**Kab90cc** 

a = 1 16x16 matrix 2 24x24 matrix

b = Specifies the character encoding method for the data

stream

H Hexadecimal characters

B Binary characters

cc = Memory location to store/recall the character. Valid

memory locations are 21 to 52 (counting in Hex) or "!"

or "R" in Binary.

(data) = Data to describe the character

Example: <ESC>T1H3F

<ESC>**K1H903F** 

See Appendix C for a more detailed explanation

Placement: The Store command is typically sent in its own data

stream to the printer, between the Start/Stop commands. The Recall command is sent in a secondary data stream to print the character, and follows any necessary position or size commands.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To allow for the creation, storage, and printing of custom characters, such as special fonts or logos. Up to 50 individual characters may be stored in

the custom character volatile memory.

**Printer Input** 

See Appendix C for a detailed explanation.

<ESC>A <ESC>T1H3F0100038007C00FE01FF03FF87FFCFFFE

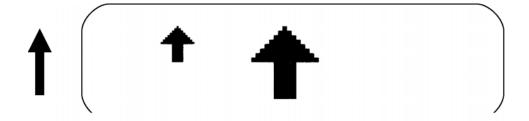
07C007C007C007C007C007C007C0

<ESC>Z

<ESC>A <ESC>H150<ESC>V100<ESC>L0505<ESC>K1H903F
<ESC>H350<ESC>V100<ESC>L1010<E SC>K1H903F <ESC>Q1

<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



#### **Special Notes**

- 1. When printing the custom character using the Recall command, the character is affected by the following commands: Character Expansion Character Pitch Line Feed Rotate, Fixed Base Reference Point
- 2. The characters are stored in volatile memory and must be reloaded if the printer power is lost.
- 3. Do not use ASCII <CR> or <LF> characters (carriage return or line feed) as line delimiters within the graphic data or the actual image will not be printed as specified.

## **Character Expansion**

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>Laabb

aa = Multiple to expand horizontally (01-12)

bb = Multiple to expand vertically (01-12)

Example: <ESC>L0305

Placement: Preceding the data to be expanded

Default: <ESC>L0101

#### **Command Function**

To expand characters independently in both the horizontal and vertical directions. The command allows you to enlarge the base size of each font (except the vector font) up to 12 times in either direction. Expanded characters are typically used for added emphasis or for long distance readability.

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>L0402<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0300<ESC>L0204<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



#### **Special Notes**

- 1. This command will expand the following fonts: Fonts U, S, M, XU, XS, XM, OA & OB and fonts WB, WL, XB and XL.
- This command will also affect the following commands: Character Pitch Characters, Custom-Designed
- 3. The Character Expansion value is in effect for the current print job until a new expansion command is specified.
- 4. The Line and Box command, if used within the data stream, may return all subsequent text to the default expansion of 1 x 1. Therefore, either send the Character Expansion command before all printed data, or send Line and Box commands last, preceding the <ESC>Q Quantity command.

## **Character, Fixed Spacing**

Command Structure <ESC>PR

Example: See Above

Placement: Preceding the data

Default: The default is Proportional Spacing.

**Command Function**To reset proportional spacing and place the printer back to fixed

spacing.

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0050<ESC>PS

<ESC>L0404<ESC>XMPROPORTIONAL SPACING

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0180<ESC>**PR** <ESC>L0404<ESC>XMFIXED SPACING

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



## PROPORTIONAL SPACING FIXED SPACING

**Special Notes** 

1. This command only works with the proportionally spaced fonts XU, XM, XS, XL and XB.

## **Character Pitch**

Command Structure <ESC>Paa

aa = Number of dots between characters (00-99)

Example: <ESC>P03

Placement: Preceding the text to be printed

Default: <ESC>**P02** 

**Command Function** To designate the amount of spacing (in dots) between characters. This

command provides a means of altering character spacing for label

constraints or to enhance readability.

Input to Printer ESC>A

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0025<ESC>L0202<ESC>XB1SATO

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0125<ESC>L0202<ESC>**P20**<ESC>XB1SATO</ESC>H0025<ESC>V0225<ESC>L0202<ESC>**P40**<ESC>XB1SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 



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#### **Special Notes**

1. This command is affected by the <ESC>L Character Expansion command. The character pitch is actually the product of the current horizontal expansion multiple and the designated pitch value.

Example:

<ESC>L0304

<ESC>P03

Pitch =  $(03) \times (03) = 9 \text{ dots}$ 

- 2. To avoid confusion, you may want to include the <ESC>L Character Expansion command and this command together in your program.
- 3. This command affects fonts U, S, M, XU, XS, XM, OA & OB, WB, WL, XB and XL, and the vector font.
- 4. Character Pitch will always revert to the default value unless it is specified before each new font command in the data stream.
- 5. This command also affects Codabar, Code 39 and Industrial 2 of 5 bar codes.

## **Character, Proportional Spacing**

**Command Structure** <ESC>**PS** Set to proportional spacing Reset to fixed spacing

<ESC>PR

Example: See above

Placement: Preceding the data to be proportional spaced

Default: <ESC>PS

**Command Function**To specify the printing of proportional or fixed spacing for proportionally

spaced fonts.

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0050<ESC>**PS** 

<ESC>L0202<ESC>XMPROPORTIONAL SPACING

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0130<ESC>**PR** <ESC>L0202<ESC>XMFIXED SPACING

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



# PROPORTIONAL SPACING FIXED SPACING

#### **Special Notes**

1. Once this command is sent in the data stream, it is in effect until the end of the print job unless a reset command is sent.

## Clear Print Job(s) & Memory

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>\*a

 a = If the "a" parameter is not included with this command and the printer is in the multi-buffer mode, this command clears all print jobs in the printer memory, including the current print job.

a = If "a" is included with this command, it specifies the internal memory section to be cleared. T To clear the custom character memory & To clear the form overlay memory X To clear all internal memory

Example: <ESC>\*

<ESC>\*&

Placement: This command should be sent to the printer as an

independent data stream.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To clear individual memory or buffer areas of the printer.

Input to Printer:

<ESC>A <ESC>\* <FSC>Z

**Printer Output:** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command. The current print job in the buffer will be terminated and all other print jobs in the buffer cleared.

- 1. See Expanded Memory Functions for variations of this command used to clear data from the optional Expanded Memory.
- 2. It is not necessary to clear the printer's memory between each print job.
- 3. The primary purpose of this command is to clear all print jobs in the multi-buffer mode. The "a" parameter can be used in either the multi-buffer or single job mode to clear specific parts of the memory.
- 4. When the "a" parameter is used, the section of memory specified will not be cleared until the label is printed.

## **Continuous Forms Printing**

#### **Command Structure**

None

The printer locates the end of an adhesive label by sensing the backing between labels or through the use of an eye-mark (black rectangle on the reverse side of the backing). It locates the end of a tag from a notch, eyemark, or a hole between tags. Both sensors should be disabled when printing continuous forms by placing the Label Sensor Selection switch (DSW3-3) in the ON position. See the specific printer Operator Manual for instructions on configuring the printer using the DIP switch array.

If you will be using continuous labels or tags, the printer must be told to stop feeding in another manner. The length is determined by the position of the last printed image on the label or tag. The printer will stop feeding when this last field is finished printing. The length may be increased with printed spaces (20 hexadecimal) if necessary. There is no command code to control label length.

## **Copy Image Area**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>WDHaaaaVbbbbXccccYdddd

aaaa = Horizontal position of the top left corner of the area

bbbb = Vertical position of the top left corner of the area

cccc = Horizontal length of the image area to be copied

dddd = Vertical length of the image area to be copied

Example: <ESC>WDH0100V0050X0600Y0400

Placement: Anywhere within the data stream, after specifying the

location of the duplicate image.

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To copy an image from one location to another on the same label. This may be useful for duplicating individual fields or entire sections of the label with only one command.

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0050<ESC>E010<ESC>XM

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<ESC>H0180<ESC>V0250<ESC>WDH0130V0050X0400Y0200

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



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- 1. Use the Print Position commands (V and H) to locate the new area for the duplicate image.
- 2. Position of the new target area must not be inside the original image.
- 3. If you use the Rotate command, V, H, X and Y axis will be reversed.
- 4. If the reference area of the target image exceeds the print area, it will not be printed.
- 5. See Table 1 in Section 1.Programming Concepts for values of Hmax and Vmax.

### Cut

#### Command Structure ESC>~Aaaaa

aaaa = Number of labels to print between each cut (1-9999)

Example: <ESC>~A2

Placement: Preceding the <ESC>Q Print Quantity command.

Default: <ESC>**~A1** (if cutter enabled)

**Command Function** 

To control the cutting of labels when using a SATO cutter unit with the printer printer. This command allows the cutting of a multi-part tag or label at a specified interval within a print job. It differs from the <ESC>~ Cut Job command in that it does not interact with the quantity command.

**Input to Printer** 

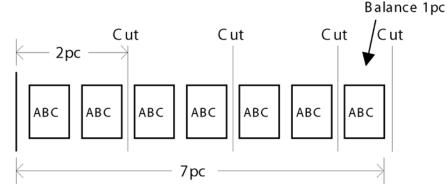
<ESC>A

<ESC>H0020<ESC>V0020<ESC>XB1ABC<ESC>~A0002

<ESC>Q7<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

This set of commands will print seven labels with two labels between each cut. One label will e cut separately.



- 1. You must have the optional printer Cutter to use this function. Contact your SATO representative for more information.
- 2. To use this command, the printer configuration must have the cutter option enabled. See Configuration Commands in this section of the manual.
- 3. If the cutter option has been enabled in the printer configuration and the cut value (a = 0), the cutter is inactive.
- 4. This command is independent of the <ESC>Q Quantity command. It will cut the specified number of labels.

### **Cut Job**

#### Command Structure <ESC>~aaaa

aaaa = Number of labels to print between each cut (1-9999)

Example: <ESC>~2

Placement: Following the Print Quantity command <ESC>Q

Default: <ESC>~1 (if cutter enabled)

**Command Function** 

To control the cutting of labels when using a SATO cutter unit with the printer. This command allows the cutting of a multi-part tag or label at a specified interval within a print job.

**Input to Printer** 

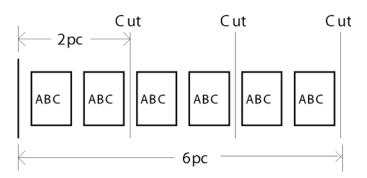
<ESC>A

<ESC>H0020<ESC>V0020<ESC>XB1ABC<ESC>Q3

<ESC>~0002 <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

This set of commands will print 6 labels (3 x 2) with two labels between each cut.



- 1. You must have the optional printer Cutter to use this function. Contact your SATO representative for more information.
- 2. To use this command, the printer configuration must have the cutter option enabled. See Printer Configuration commands in this section manual
- 3. If the cutter option has been enabled in the printer configuration and the cut value (a = 0), the cutter is inactive.
- 4. A "~" (tilde) character or <NUL> (ASCII 00 Hex) character can be can be used in this command. It is recommended that the "~" be used whenever possible.
- 5. When using the Cutter command, the total number of labels printed is the product of the cut value and the print quantity.

### **Cut Last**

Command Structure <ESC>~B

Example: <ESC>~B

Placement: Separate data stream sent to the printer

Default: None

**Command Function** 

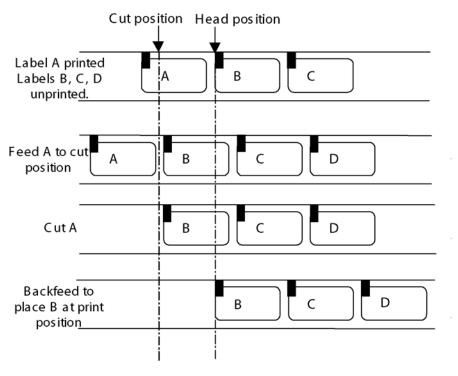
To control the cutting of labels when using a SATO cutter unit with the printer. This command allows the cutting of a printed multi-part tag or label that is left in the printer after a job is cut.

**Input to Printer** 

<ESC>A <ESC>~B <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

This command will feed the last printed label to the cut position, cut the label and then back feed to the head position in preparation for printing the next job.



**Special Notes** 

1. You must have the optional printer Cutter to use this function. Contact your SATO representative for more information.

## Fonts U, S, M, OA, OB, XU, XS & XM

Command Structure Font XU: <ESC>XU Font U: <ESC>U

Font XS: <ESC>**XS** Font S: <ESC>**S** 

Font XM: <ESC>XM Font M: <ESC>M

Font OA: <ESC>OA Font OB: <ESC>OB

Example: See above

Placement: Preceding the data to be printed

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To print text images on a label. These are eight of the built-in fonts available on the printer. All matrices include descenders.

|                                                                                                         | Non-Proportional                   |    | Proportional(1)      |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----|----------------------|--|--|
| U                                                                                                       | 5W x 9H dot matrix                 | XU | 5W x 9H dot matrix   |  |  |
| S                                                                                                       | 8W x 15H dot matrix                | XS | 17W x 17H dot matrix |  |  |
| М                                                                                                       | 13W x 20H dot matrix               | XM | 24W x 24H dot matrix |  |  |
| OA                                                                                                      | OCR-A font (see note 7 for matrix) |    |                      |  |  |
| ОВ                                                                                                      | OCR-B font (see note 7 for matrix) |    |                      |  |  |
| (1) These fonts will be printed with proportional spacing only if preceded by an <esc>PS command.</esc> |                                    |    |                      |  |  |

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A<ESC>PS

<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0100<ESC>L0202<ESC>**XUSATO**<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0175<ESC>L0202<ESC>**XSSATO** 

<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0250<ESC>L0202<ESC>XMSATO
<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0325<ESC>L0101<ESC>OASATO
<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0400<ESC>L0101<ESC>OBSATO

<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0100<ESC>L0202<ESC>USATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0175<ESC>L0202<ESC>SSATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0250<ESC>L0202<ESC>MSATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



- 1. Characters may be enlarged through the use of the Character Expansion command.
- 2. Character spacing may be altered through the use of the Character Pitch command. The default is 2 dots between characters. It is recommended to use a spacing of 5 dots for OCR-A and 1 dot for OCR-B.
- 3. You may also create custom characters or fonts. See the <ESC>T Custom-Designed Characters command.
- A font must be defined for each field to be printed. There is no default font.
- Fonts U, S, M, OA and OB are identical to fonts U, S, M, OA and OB on the SATO M-8400 printer. (Note: These fonts, except the OA and OB fonts which are fixed in size, will be 33% smaller on a 300 dpi printer and 67% smaller on a 600 dpi printer)
- The proportionally spaced fonts XU, XS, XM, XL and XA can be printed with fixed spacing using the <ESC>PS Proportional Space command.
- 7. The matrices for the OA and OB fonts are scaled so that they will remain a constant size according to the OCR-A and OCR-B specifications when printed on different resolution printers.

|         | 203 dpi (8 dpm)       | 305 dpi (12 dpmm)     | 609 dpi (24 dpmm)     |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| OA Font | 15 dots W x 22 dots H | 22 dots W x 33 dots H | 44 dots W x 66 dots H |
| OB Font | 20 dots W x 24 dots H | 30 dots W x 36 dots H | 60 dots W x 72 dots H |

## Font, Raster

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>A<ESC>RDabb,ccc,ddd,nn...n

a = A CG Times font style

B CG Triumvirate font style.

bb = Always 00

ccc = Horizontal size (16 - 999 dots or P08 - P72)

ddd = Vertical size (16 - 999 dots or P08 - P72)

nn..n = Data to be printed.

Example: <ESC>RDA00,014,018ABCD

Placement: Within normal command stream.

Default: None

Command Function

To print point size characters created using font definitions.

**Input to Printer** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100

<ESC>RDA00,P28,P28,CG Times

<ESC>V0200<ESC>H0100

<ESC>RDB00,075,075,CG Triumvirate

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



# CG Times CG Triumvirate

#### **Special Notes**

 The "cccc" Horizontal Size and "dddd" Horizontal Size parameters can be entered either in dots or points, but both parameters must use the same value types. If point size is used, the point size is preceded by a "P".

### Font, Vector

#### **Command Structure**

Specify Vector Font: <ESC>\$a,b,c,d

Data for Vector Font: <ESC>\$=(data)

a = A Helvetica Bold (proportional spacing)B Helvetica Bold (fixed spacing)

b = Font width (50-999)

c = Font height (50-999 dots)

d = Font variation (0-9) as follows:

0 Standard

1 Standard open (outlined)

2 Gray (mesh) pattern 1

3 Gray (mesh) pattern 2

4 Gray (mesh) pattern 3

5 Standard open, shadow 1

6 Standard open, shadow 2

7 Standard mirror image

8 Italic 9 Italic open, shadow

Example: <ESC>\$A,100,200,0<ESC>\$=123456

Placement: Immediately preceding data to be printed.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To specify printing of the unique SATO vector font. The vector font allows large characters to be printed with smooth, round edges. Each character is made of a number of vectors (or lines), and will require slightly more printer compiling time.

Input to Printer

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>\$A,100,100,0

<ESC>\$=SATO AMERICA

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>\$=VECTOR FONT

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0350<ESC>\$A,200,300,8<ESC>\$=SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



## SATO AMERICA VECTOR FONT

SATO

- 1. The Pitch command can be used with Vector fonts.
- 2. If the font size designation is out of the specified range, a default value of 50 is used.
- 3. The font width and height values include ascenders, descenders, and other space.
- 4. A font must be defined for each field to be printed. There is no default font.

## Fonts WB, WL, XB & XL

Command Structure Font WB: <ESC>WBa Font XB: <ESC>XBa

Font WL: <ESC>WLa Font XL: <ESC>XLa

a = 0 Disables auto-smoothing of font

1 Enables auto-smoothing of font (see

notes below)

Example: <ESC>WB1123456

Placement: Preceding the data to be printed

Default: None

**Command Function** To print text images on a label. These are the four auto-smoothing fonts

available on the printer.

Non-Proportional Proportional(1)

WB 18W x 30H dot matrix XB 48W x 48H dot matrix WL 28W x 52H dot matrix XL 48W x 48H dot matrix

(1) These fonts will be printed with proportional spacing only if preceded by an

<ESC>PS command.

Input to Printer <ESC>A<ESC>PS

<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0100<ESC>WB0SATO
<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0185<ESC>WB1SATO
<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0270<ESC>WL0SATO
<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0355<ESC>WL1SATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0100<ESC>XB0SATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0185<ESC>XB1SATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0270<ESC>XL0SATO
<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0355<ESC>XL1SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



- 1. Auto-smoothing (when enabled) is only effective if the character expansion rate is at least (3) times in each direction.
- 2. Characters may be enlarged through the use of the <ESC>L Character Expansion command.
- 3. Character spacing may be altered through the use of the <ESC>A Character Pitch command.
- 4. A font must be defined for each field to be printed. There is no default font.
- 5. The proportionally spaced fonts XU, XS, XM, XL and XB can be printed with fixed spacing using the <ESC>PS Proportional Space command.

## **Form Feed**

Command Structure <ESC>A(space)<ESC>Z

Example: See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: None

**Command Function** To feed a blank tag or label, which is the equivalent of a "form feed."

Input to Printer <ESC>A(space) <ESC>Z

Printer Output Blank label or tag

## Form Overlay, Recall

#### Command Structure <ESC>/

Example: See above

Placement: Must be preceded by all other data and placed just before

the Print Quantity command (<ESC>Q)

Default: None

**Command Function** To recall the label image from the form overlay memory for printing. This

command recalls a stored image from the overlay memory. Additional or

different data can be printed with the recalled image.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H01000<ESC>V0125

<ESC>STHIS IS THE STORED IMAGE WITH A BARCODE

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0165<ESC>B103100\*12345\*

<ESC>&<ESC>Z

<ESC>A<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0050

<ESC>STHIS IS RECALLING AND ADDING TO THE STORED

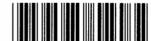
IMAGE<ESC>/ <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



THIS IS RECALLING AND ADDING TO THE STORED IMAGE

THIS IS THE STORED IMAGE WITH A BARCODE



- The overlay is stored using the <ESC>& Form Overlay Store command.
- If the this command is used with the <ESC>EX0 Expanded Print Length command the Form Overlay length cannot exceed 9999 dots.

## Form Overlay, Store

Command Structure <ESC>&

Example: See above

Placement: Must be preceded by all other data and placed just before

the Stop command (<ESC>Z)

Default: None

**Command Function** To store a label image in the volatile form overlay memory. Only one label

image may be stored in this memory area at a time.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0125

<ESC>STHIS IS THE STORED IMAGE WITH A BARCODE

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0165<ESC>B103100\*12345\*

<ESC>& <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no output from this command. It stores the label image in the

overlay buffer.

Special Notes

1. Remember that this storage is volatile. Therefore, if the printer loses power, the overlay must be sent again.

2. The overlay is recalled using the <ESC>/ Form Overlay Recall command.

3. Form overlays do not have to be recompiled each time they are called to be printed and therefore may result in much faster print output.

### **Graphics, Custom**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>Gabbbccc(data)

 a = Specifies format of data stream to follow B Binary format H Hexadecimal format

bbb = Number of horizontal 8 x 8 blocks (see note 7 for allowable range)

ccc = Number of vertical 8 x 8 blocks (see note 7 for allowable range)

(data) = Hex data to describe the graphic image

Example: <ESC>GH006006 See Appendix C for a detailed

example

Placement: May be placed anywhere within the data stream after the

necessary position commands.

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To create and print custom graphics (logos, pictures, etc.) on a label. The graphic image may be printed along with other printed data to enhance label appearance or eliminate the need for preprinted label stock. Using a dot-addressable matrix, design the graphic image in 8 dot by 8 dot blocks, then send it in a binary format to the printer.

#### **Printer Input**

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0100<ESC>XSPLEASE PLACE YOUR DISK

<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0150<ESC>XSIN A SAFE PLACE

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

See Appendix C for a details on the data format.

#### **Printer Output**



- Do not use ASCII <CR> or <LF> characters (carriage return or line feed) as line delimiters within the graphic data or the actual image will not be printed as specified.
- 2. A custom graphic cannot be enlarged by the <ESC>L Character Expansion command.
- 3. A custom graphic is not affected by either of the Rotation commands. Therefore, always design and locate your graphic image to print in the appropriate orientation.
- 4. To store graphic images in optional Expanded Memory, see the Expanded Memory Functions section.
- 5. The binary format reduces the transmission time by 50%.
- 6. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for values of Hmax and Vmax.
- 7. Use the <ESC>E0 Expanded Print Length command to get the maximum label length.

## Graphics, BMP

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>GMaaaaa,(data)

aaaaa = Number of bytes to be downloaded

Example: <ESC>GM32000, ... data...

Placement: Anywhere within the job data stream

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To allow the creation and printing of graphic images using a BMP file

ormat.

**Printer Input** 

See Appendix Appendix C for a detailed example

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>GM03800,(...Data...)

<ESC>Q1 <ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**





- The maximum number of bytes that can be downloaded is 32K (compressed). The number specified by this command includes the BMP header information. The maximum size of the uncompressed BMP file is 64K. If the uncompressed file exceeds 64K, the graphic will not print.
- 2. Only black and white BMP files can be downloaded.
- 3. The file size specified by this command is the DOS file size in bytes.

## **Graphics, PCX**

Command Structure <ESC>**GPaaaaa**,(data)

aaaaa = Number of bytes to be downloaded

Example: <ESC>GP32000, ... data...

Placement: Anywhere within the job data stream

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To allow the creation and printing of graphic images using a PCX file format.

**Printer Input** 

See Appendix Appendix C for a detailed example

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0150<ESC>H0100<ESC>GP03800,(...Data...)

<ESC>Q1 <ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



- The maximum number of bytes that can be downloaded is 32K (compressed). The number specified by this command includes the PCX header information. The maximum size of the uncompressed PCX file is 64K. If the uncompressed file exceeds 64K, the graphic will not print.
- 2. Only black and white PCX files can be downloaded.
- 3. The file size specified by this command is the DOS file size in bytes.

### **Job ID Store**

Command Structure <ESC>IDaa

aa = Job ID assigned (01 to 99)

Example: <ESC>ID09

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>A in the job data

stream.

Default: None

**Command Function** To add an identification number to a job. The status of the job can then be

determined using the ENQ command in the Bi-Com status mode (See

Operators Manual for the specific printer for more information).

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>**ID02**...Job ...
<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command.

**Special Notes** 

- 1. Works only in Bi-Communications modes. The Job ID number must be stored before Bi-Com status mode can be used.
- 2. If more than one ID number is sent in a single job, i.e.

<ESC>A <ESC>ID01 .....< <ESC>ID02

the last number transmitted will be used.

### **Job Name**

Command Structure <ESC>WKnnn...n

nn..n = Job Name assigned, up to 16 ASCII characters

Example: <ESC>WKSATO

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>A in the job data stream.

Default: None

**Command Function** This command is to identify a particular job using a descriptive name

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>WKSATO

...Job ... <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output as a result of this command. The information is

returned to the host upon receipt of a Bi-Com status request.

Special Notes

1. Works only in Bi-Com 4 mode. The Job Name must be stored before Bi-Com status mode can be used.

2. If more than one Job Name is sent in a single job, i.e.

<ESC>A

<ESC>WKSATO

. . . . . . . . . .

<ESC>WKSATO AMERICA

. . . . . . . . .

the last name transmitted will be used.

### **Journal Print**

Command Structure <ESC>J

Example: See above

Placement: Immediately following <ESC>A

Default: None

**Command Function** To print text in a line by line format on a label. By specifying this

command, you automatically select Font XS with a Character

Expansion of 2x2. You also establish a base reference point of H2,V2. The character pitch is 2 dots and the line gap is 16 dots. Simply issue

an ASCII <CR> at the end of each text line.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>J WITH THE JOURNAL FEATURE

YOU CAN PRINT TEXT WITHOUT USING ANY FONT COMMANDS OR POSITION COMMANDS

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



WITH THE JOURNAL FEATURE YOU CAN PRINT TEXT WITHOUT USING ANY FONT COMMANDS OR POSITION COMMANDS

- 1. Journal mode assumes a maximum label width . Otherwise, you may print where there is no label and damage your print head.
- 2. It is effective only for the current print job.

### **Lines and Boxes**

#### Command Structure Line: <ESC>FWaabcccc

aa = Width of horizontal line in dots (01-99)

b = Line orientation H Horizontal line V Vertical

Box: <ESC>FWaabbVccccHdddd

aa = Width of horizontal side in dots (01-99)

bb = Width of vertical side in dots (01-99)

cccc = Length of vertical side in dots (see Section 1

Table 1 for max length)

dddd = Length of horizontal side in dots (see Section 1

Table 1 for max length)

To print horizontal lines, vertical lines, and boxes as images on the label.

Example: <ESC>FW02H0200

Placement: Following the necessary positioning commands

Default: None

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>FW20H0200
<ESC>H0320<ESC>V0100<ESC>FW20V0200

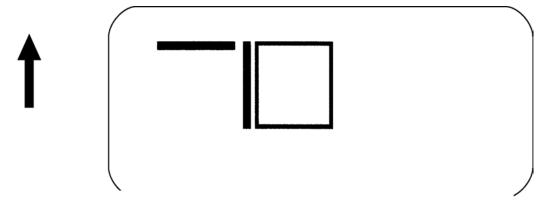
<ESC>H0350<ESC>V0100<ESC>FW1010H0200V0200

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**

**Command Function** 

**Input to Printer** 



- 1. It is recommended that all lines and boxes be specified in the normal print direction.
- 2. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for values of Hmax and Vmax.
- 3. Use the <ESC>E0 Expanded Print Length command for maximum label length.

### Line Feed

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>Eaaa

aaa

Number of dots (001-999) between the bottom of the characters on one line to the top of the characters on the next line.

Example: <ESC>**E010** 

Placement: Preceding the text that will use the line feed function

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To print multiple lines of the same character size without specifying a new print position for each line. With the Line Feed command, specify the number of dots you want between each line. Then, send an ASCII <CR> at the end of each line of text. The printer automatically identifies the size of the last character, moves down the number of dots specified, and begins printing the next line

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A <ESC>**E010**<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0050<ESC>L0202<ESC>S

THIS IS THE 1ST LINE<>CR>
THIS IS THE 2ND LINE>CR>
THIS IS THE 3RD LINE>CR>
<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



THIS IS THE 1ST LINE THIS IS THE 2ND LINE THIS IS THE 3RD LINE

- 1. It is effective only for the current data stream.
- 2. When printing lines or boxes in the same data stream with the Line Feed command, the Lines and Boxes command should be specified last, preceding <ESC>Q Quantity command.
- 3. This command is invalid only if the value specified is zero.
- 4. Following this command with a <CR> character will allow you to print with auto line feed. The print position will be determined from the value specified and the H value set in the printer. If you specify several H values after this command, the print position will be determined by the H value last specified. You must redefine the font to be used after each H command.

### **Media Size**

Command Structure <ESC>A1aaaabbbb

aaaa = Label Width in dots (0 to Hmax)

bbbb = Label Length in dots (0 to Vmax)

Example: <ESC>A108323200

Placement: Separate data stream to the printer.

Default: <ESC>A108322136

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To set the size of the media.

INPUT TO PRINTER <ESC>A

<ESC>A108321424

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printer output resulting from this command. It is used to

automatically adjust the offset values for the size of label being used. The sample command stream specifies a label 832 dots wide by 1424 dots long.

**SPECIAL NOTES** 

- The Base Reference point is always the on the right (looking at the front of the printer) side of the print head. This command adjusts the Base Reference Point to correspond with the right edge of the loaded media.
- 2. If the label size is changed, then this command must be respecified to center the print image on the label.
- 3. All eight variables "aaaa" and "bbbb" must be included in this command.
- 4. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for max length for values of Hmax and Vmax.

## **Mirror Image**

Command Structure <ESC>RM

Example: <ESC>A103000832<ESC>**RM** 

Placement: After label data

Default None

**Command Function** 

To allow mirror image printing of data, such as on transparent labels to be applied to a glass or other transparent surface.

**Input to Printer** 

Label #1 <ESC>A

<ESC>A1<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0050<ESC>XL0ABCDEF

<ESC>RM

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



ABCDEF

- 1. The <ESC>A1 Media defines the area to be mirrored.
- 2. This command can be used with the <ESC>% Rotate Fixed Base Reference Point command. Please note that the reference point rotation is dependent upon the location of the <ESC>% command in the data stream
- 3. This command should not be specified more than once in any single job.
- This command cannot be used with commands requiring re-editing of the print area, such as Sequential Numbering, Real time clock or Copy Image Area.
- Any data outside the area defined by the <ESC>A1 Media Size command is not mirrored the command is treated as a command error.
   Any print job containing the <ESC>RM command and without any print data will be treated as a command error.

### Off-Line/Pause

Command Structure <ESC>@,nn . . . n

nn...n = Optional message to be displayed on the LCD.

Maximum of 32 characters.

Example: See above Placement: Anywhere in the print job between

the <ESC>A and <ESC>Z

Default: None

**Command Function** To specify the printer to come to an off-line state. When used within a print

job, the printer goes off-line after finishing the print job.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>@, LOAD BLUE LABELS AND PLACE PRINTER ON-LINE

...Job... <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output for this command. The printer is placed in the

Off-Line mode as soon as the current print job is finished.

Special Notes

1. You must press the LINE key on the front panel to return the printer to

an On-Line status

2. Remember, when using this command, that the print job specifies <ESC>Q10, all ten labels will print before the printer goes off-line

### **Postnet**

Command Structure <ESC>BPn...n

n...n = 5 digits (Postnet-32 format)

6 digits (Postnet-37 format) 9 digits (Postnet-52 format)

11 digits (Postnet-62, Delivery Point format)

Example: <ESC>**BP123456789** 

Placement: Immediately preceding the data to be encoded

Default: None

Command Function To print Postnet bar codes

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0120<ESC>BP94089
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0160<ESC>BP123456
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>BP123456789
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0240<ESC>BP12345678901

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



Halada III. ada babba II. ad Laatta babba babba babba Laatta babba babba babba babba babba Laatta babba babba babba babba babba II. aatta babba II.

- 1. If the number of data digits does not match those listed, the command is ignored.
- 2. Only numeric data will be accepted.

### **Print Darkness**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>#Ea

a = Print Darkness Value (see note 2 for allowable range)

Example: <ESC>#E2

Placement: Must be placed immediately after <ESC>A and

immediately before <ESC>Z in its own separate data

stream

Default: See Operator Manual for the specific printer

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To specify a new print darkness settings. This command allows software

control of the darkness setting for unique media and ribbon combinations.

**INPUT TO PRINTER** <ESC>A

<ESC>**#E2** <ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printer output for this command.

SPECIAL NOTES

1. This becomes the new setting in the printer configuration for all subsequent print jobs, unless changed. The setting is stored in non-vola-

tile memory and is not affected by cycling power.

2. See the specific printer Operator Manual for the valid head ranges.

3. The lighest setting is the smallest value and the darkest setting is the largest value.

## **Print Length, Expanded**

Command Structure <ESC>EX0 Sets the print length to maximum

<ESC>AR Resets the maximum print length to 7" (178 mm)

Example: See above

Placement: Must follow the Start Code command and be in it is own

separate data stream.

Default: <ESC>AR(7")

**Command Function** To increase the maximum print length (in feed direction) for a label.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>EXO <ESC>Z <ESC>A

<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0100<ESC>WB1EXPAND TO: <ESC>H0050<ESC>V2700<ESC>WB1MAX INCHES

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

<ESC>A <ESC>AR <ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



#### **SPECIAL NOTES**

- 1. EX0 is effective until AR is sent to reset the printer to its standard print length, or until the printer is re-powered.
- 2. See Section 1, Table 1 for values of Vmax.
- 3. When this command is used with the <ESC>& Store Form Overlay command the Form length cannot exceed the maximum specified.
- 4. If a job contains elements out of the memory range, it is ignored.
- 5. If the Forms Overlay command <ESC>& is used with Expanded Memory to expand the print area, the Form Overlay length is still limited to the maximum.

### **Print Position**

COMMAND STRUCTURE Horizontal Position <ESC>Haaaa

Vertical Position: <ESC>Vbbbb

aaaa = Number of dots horizontally from the base

reference point (1 to Hmax) See Note 2.

bbbb = Number of dots vertically from the base

reference point (1 to Vmax) See Note 2.

Example: <ESC>**H0020**<ESC>**V0150** 

Placement: Preceding any printed field description of lines/

boxes, fonts, bar codes or graphics.

Default: <ESC>H0001

<ESC>V0001

**COMMAND FUNCTION** The Horizontal and Vertical commands specify the top left corner of a field

or label, using the current base reference point as an origin. They also establish a reference point for subsequent fields until the next horizontal

and/or vertical print position command is issued.

INPUT TO PRINTER <ESC>A

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0050<ESC>L0303<ESC>MSATO

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0150<ESC>MSATO

<ESC>Q2<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 



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#### **SPECIAL NOTES**

- 1. To expand the print length to the maximum limit, the <ESC>EX0 Expanded Print Length command must be used.
- 2. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for values of Hmax and Vmax.
- 3. If any part of an image is placed past the maximum number of dots, that part of the image will be lost.
- 4. If any part of an image is placed past maximum allowable dots across the label, that part of the image will be lost.
- 5. If you attempt to print where there is no paper, you may damage the print head.
- 6. For these commands, the leading zeroes do not have to be entered. The command "V1" is equivalent to "V0001".

### **Print Quantity**

Command Structure <ESC>Qaaaaaa

aaaaaa = Total number of labels to print (1-999999)

Example: <ESC>Q500

Placement: Just preceding <ESC>Z, unless <ESC>~ exists, then

preceding that. This command must be present in every

print job.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To specify the total number of labels to print for a given print job.

Input to Printer <

ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>WB1M-8485S

<ESC>Q3 <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

Three labels containing the data "M-8485S" will be printed.

- 1. 1. To pause during a print job, you must press the LINE key on the Operator Panel.
- 2. 2. To cancel a print job, you must turn off the printer, or you may send the <CAN> code if using the Bi-Com mode. Multi-Buffer jobs can be cleared with the <ESC>\* Clear Print Job(s) and Memory command.
- 3. When used with the <ESC>F Sequential Numbering command, the Print Quantity value should be equal to the total number of labels to be printed.
- 4. 4. If you do not specify a Print Quantity, the printer will not print a
- 5. For this command, leading zeroes do not have to be entered. The command "Q1" is equivalent to "Q000001".

### **Print Speed**

Command Structure <ESC>CSa

a = Designates the speed selection in ips

Example: <ESC>CS6

Placement: Must be placed immediately after <ESC>A and

immediately before <ESC>Z in a separate data stream

Default: As previously set in the printer configuration

**Command Function** To specify a unique print speed through software for a particular label.

This allows flexibility in finding the best performance and quality for the particular label format, media, and ribbon. All subsequent labels will print at this speed unless the speed is changed with this command or through

the Operator Panel.

Input to Printer <ESC>A <ESC>CS6 <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output for this command. It sets the print speed of the

printer.

Special Notes This becomes the new setting for all subsequent print jobs, unless

changed. The setting is stored in non-volatile memory and is not affected

by cycling the power. The allowable speed ranges are:

| Print<br>Speed     | M-8459Se<br>M-5900RVe | M-8485Se | M-8460Se | M-8490Se | CL4XX | СГ6ХХ | M-84Pro-2 | M-84Pro-3 | M-84Pro-6 | M10e |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------|
| 2 ips<br>50 mm/s   | Х                     |          |          |          | Х     |       | Х         | Х         | Х         |      |
| 3 ips<br>75 mm/s   | Х                     |          |          |          | Х     |       |           |           | Х         | Х    |
| 4 ips<br>100 mm/s  | Х                     | Х        | Х        | Х        | Х     | Х     | Х         | Х         | Х         | Х    |
| 5 ips<br>125 mm/s  | Х                     |          |          |          | Х     |       |           |           | Х         | Х    |
| 6 ips<br>150 mm/s  |                       |          |          |          |       |       | Х         | Х         | Х         |      |
| 8 ips<br>200 mm/s  |                       |          |          |          |       |       | Х         | Х         |           |      |
| 10 ips<br>250 mm/  |                       |          |          |          |       |       | Х         |           |           |      |
| 12 ips<br>300 mm/s |                       |          |          |          |       |       |           |           |           |      |

## **Repeat Label**

Command Structure <ESC>C

Example: See above

Placement: Must be placed immediately after <ESC>A and

immediately before <ESC>Z in a separate data stream

Default: None

Command Function To print duplicate of the last label printed

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>C <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** A duplicate of the previous label will be printed.

Special Notes 1. This command will have no effect if the power to the printer was

cycled off and back on since printing the previous label.

### Replace Data (Partial Edit)

Command Structure <ESC>0(<ESC>zero)

Example: See above

Placement: Must follow <ESC>A and precede all other print data

Default: None

**Command Function** To replace a specified area of the previous label with new data. This

command will cause the previous label to print along with any changes

specified within the current data stream.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0020<ESC>WB0Company Name

<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0085<ESC>WB1SATO <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0150<ESC>WL0SATO <ESC>H0025<ESC>V0215<ESC>WL1SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

<ESC>A<ESC>0<ESC>H0025<ESC>V0020<ESC>WB0SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



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- Specify the exact same parameters for the image to be replaced as were specified in the original data stream, including rotation, expansion, pitch, etc. This will ensure that the new data will exactly replace the old image. If the replacement data contains fewer characters than the old data, then the characters not replaced will still be printed.
- 2. This command will not function if the power has been cycled off and back on since the last label was printed.
- 3. Proportional Pitch text cannot be used with this command.

### Reverse Image

#### Command Structure <ESC>(aaaa,bbbb

a = Horizontal length in dots of reverse image area

b = Vertical height in dots of reverse image area. See Section 1 Table 1 for maximum field ranges.

Example: <ESC>(100,50

Placement: This command must be preceded by all other data and be

placed just before <ESC>Q

Default: None

**Command Function** To reverse an image area from black to white and vice versa. Use the

Print Position commands (<ESC>H and <ESC>V) to locate the top left

corner of the reverse image area.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0050<ESC>V0120<ESC>L0202<ESC>WB1REVERSE

<ESC>H0250<ESC>V0300<ES C>L0202<ESC>WB1HALF

<ESC>H0040<ESC>V0110<ESC>(370,100 <ESC>H0240<ESC>V0290<ESC>(220,47

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**







- 1. A reverse image area is affected by the rotate commands. Therefore, always assume the printer is in the normal print orientation when designing and sending the Reverse Image command.
- 2. If using reverse images with the form overlay, place this command before the Form Overlay command in the data stream.
- 3. If the height and width to be reversed contain other than alphanumeric data, the area is not printed.
- 4. If the values specified exceed the maximum ranges, the reverse image is not created.
- 5. See Table 1 in *Section 1. Programming Concepts* for values of Hmax and Vmax.

### Rotate, Fixed Base Reference Point

#### Command Structure <ESC>%a

a = 0 Sets print to normal direction

1 Sets print to 90°CCW

2 Sets print to 180° rotated (upside down)

3 Sets print to 270° CCW

Example: <ESC>%3

Placement: Preceding any printed data to be rotated

Default: <ESC>%0

#### Command Function

To rotate the print direction in 90° increments without changing the location of the base reference point. The diagram below illustrates the use of the <ESC>% Rotate command. Note that the entire print area is shown, but your label will probably not be as large as the entire area.

#### **Input to Printer**

<ESC>A
<ESC>%0<ESC>L202<ESC>H0200<ESC>V0100<ESC>MNORMAL DIRECTION

<ESC>%1<ESC>H0200<ESC>V0300<ESC>MONE
<ESC>%2<ESC>H0200<ESC>V0400<ESC>MTWO
<ESC>%3<ESC H0200<ESC>V0500<ESC>MTHREE

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



NORMAL DIRECTION

SNE

OWT

THREE

#### Section 2: Command Codes

- 1. The specified values are valid until another Rotate (<ESC>%) command is received.
- 2. Receipt of a Stop Print (<ESC>Z) command will reset the setting to the default value.

## **Sequential Numbering**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>Faaaabcccc,dd,ee,g

aaaa = Number of times to repeat the same data (0001-9999)

b = Plus or minus symbol (+ for increments; - for decrements)

cccc = Value of step for sequence (0001-9999),

dd = Number of digits for sequential numbering (01-99). The first incrementing character position starts after the positions exempted from sequential numbering as specified in ee. If these digits are left out, the default is 8.,

ee = Number of digits free from sequential numbering (00-99) starting with the right most position. If these digits are left out, the default is 0.

g = Count base 1 Decimal Count 2 Hexadecimal Base

Example: <ESC>F001-001,04,03

004321<u>321</u>

Free from Decrementing

In this example, the right most (least significant) three digits would not decrement and the next four would decrement

Placement: Preceding the starting value to be incremented or

decremented.

Default: None

**Command Function** To allow the ability to print sequential fields (text, bar codes) where

all incrementing is done within the printer. Up to eight different sequential fields can be specified per label. Sequencing is effective

for up to 99-digit numeric data within each field.

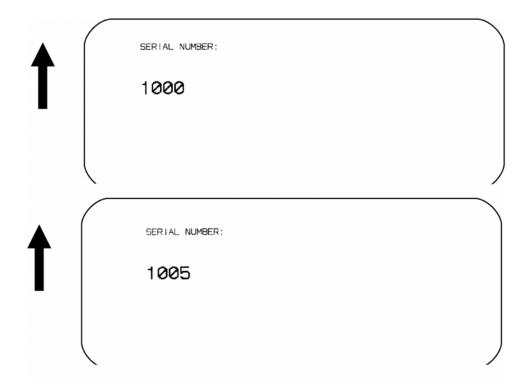
Input to Printer <ESC>A<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>MSERIAL NUMBER:

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200

<FSC>F001+005

<ESC>L0202<ESC>M1000<ESC>Q2<ESC>Z1

#### **Printer Output**



#### **Special Notes**

1. The value specified for Print Quantity should be equal to the number of different sequential values desired multiplied by the number of repeats specified.

#### Example:

To print 2 sets each of the numbers 1001-1025 on separate labels, we need 50 total labels. The commands would be as follows:

- <ESC>A <ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>F002+001<ESC>XM1001 <ESC>Q50 <ESC>Z
- 2. It is necessary to specify the print position for each sequential field on a label.
- 3. Up to eight different sequential fields can be specified per label.
- 4. This command ignores alpha characters in the sequential number field.
- 5. This command can not be used with the following commands:

Copy Image Reverse Image Line Feed

# Start/Stop Label

Command Structure Start Command: <ESC>A

Stop Command: <ESC>Z

Example: See above

Placement: <ESC>A must precede data <ESC>Z must follow

data

Default: None

**Command Function** For all print jobs, the Start command must precede the data, and the Stop

command must follow. The print job will not run properly if these are not in

place.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0001<ESC>V0100<ESC>WB1SATO

<ESC>H0130<ESC>V0200<ESC>B103150\*M-8485S\* <ESC>H0170<ESC>V0360<ESC>L0202<ESC>S\*M-8485S\*

<ESC>Q1<ESC>**Z** 

**Printer Output** There is no output for these commands they are not accompanied by

other label printing commands. However, these commands must precede

and follow each print job sent to the printer.

# SECTION 3. CALENDAR COMMANDS

The following commands in this section are used to control the Calendar Functions. The Calendar Functions require the Calendar Option (except for the "Se" print engines which include it in the standard configuration).

### **Calendar Increment**

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>WPabbb

a = Y Years M Months D Days

h Hours W Week Number

bbb = Numeric data: Years (0-9), Months (01-99),

Days (001-999), Hours (000-999), Week (00-99)

Example: <ESC>WPM03

Placement: Anywhere within the data stream

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To add a value to the printer's current date and/or time, which may then be printed on the label. This command does not change the printer's internal clock setting.

**Input to Printer** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V100<ESC>XB1Current Date:

<ESC>WAMM/DD/YY

<ESC>WPM06

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>XB1Expiration Date:

<ESC>WAMM/DD/YY <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



**Current Date: 01/01/95** 

Expiration Date: 07/01/95

- 1. Once the year increments past "99" it will wrap back to "00". 2. This command can only be used once per data stream.
- 2. The printer's internal clock may be set through the Calendar Set command.
- 3. Calendar Commands
- 4. If a print quantity of more than one label per job is used, the same time and date will be on each label of the entire print job.
- 5. Calendar Increment Example: 1998 January 15 (ww = 03) plus 48 weeks = week 51
- 6. The Week Calendar specification follows ISO8601. Days of the week are numbered 1 thru 7, beginning with Monday. The first week of the year is the week containing the first Thursday. If January 1st falls on Friday, it belongs to the last week of the previous year. If December 31st falls on a Wednesday, it belongs to the first week of the following year. If Calendar Increment calculation extends over the year, the result belongs to the week number of the following year.

### **Calendar Print**

Command Structure <ESC>WA(elements)

(elements) = YYYY 4 digit Year (1981-2080)

YY 2 digit Year (00-91)

MM Month (01-12) DD Day (01-31)

HH 12 Hour Clock (00-11) hh 24 Hour Clock (00-23)

mm Minute (00-59) ss Seconds (00-59) TT AM or PM

JJJ Julian Date (001-366)

WW Week (00-53) ww ) Week (01-54

Example: <ESC>WAMM/DD/YY hh:mm

Placement: Anywhere within the data stream.

Default: None

**Command Function** To specify the printing of a date and/or time field from the printer's

internal clock. This may be used to date/time stamp your labels.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>XB1The current date is:

<ESC>XB1<ESC>WAMM/DD/YY

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>XB1The current time is:

<ESC>XB1<ESC>WAhh:mm

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 



The current date is: 01/01/95

The current time is: 00:00

- 1. The date and time elements may be placed in any order for printing.
- 2. Use a slash (/) to separate date elements and a colon (:) to separate time elements.
- 3. The font for the date/time elements must be specified before this command.
- 4. The printer's internal clock may be set through the Calendar Set command.
- 5. This command can be used up to six times per job.
- 6. The Copy (<ESC>WD), Mirror Image (<ESC>RM) or Reverse Image (<ESC>/)commands cannot be used with this command.
- 7. Up to 16 characters can be used with this command.
- 8. Century ranges are: For Year = YY, any year equal to or greater than 80 and less than or equal to 99, then the century equals 19 For Year specified as YYYY=1999, and printed as <ESC>WAYY, will be equal to 99.
- 9. The Julian date is the accumulated day from January 1st to the current date. The first day of the year is January 1st (001) and the last day of the year is December 31st (365 or 366 for leap years).
- 10. The TT command should not be specified for printing in numeric only bar codes.

### Calendar Set

Command Structure <ESC>WTaabbccddee

aa = Year (00-99) bb = Month (01-12) cc = Day (01-31) dd = Hour (00-23) ee = Minute (00-59)

Esample: <ESC>WT9101311200

Placement: This command must be sent in an independent

data stream.

Default: None

**Command Function** To set the time and date of the printer's internal clock.

Input to Printer: <ESC>A

<ESC>WT9312251300

<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output for this command. It sets the current date

to December 25, 1993 and the current time to 1:00 PM in the printer.

Special Notes None

# SECTION 4. EXPANDED MEMORY OPTION COMMANDS

These commands require the optional Expanded Memory..

Note: Before Expanded Memory can be used for the first time, it must be initialized using the <ESC>BJF command. If it is not initialized, the printer will not recognize the memory and respond as if no expanded memory was installed.

## **Clear Expanded Memory**

#### Command Structure <ESC>\*a,bbb

a = Memory card section to be cleared

G To clear SATO graphic files from memory card

P To clear PCX graphic files

F To clear formats from the memory card

O To clear TrueType fonts

R To clear BMP graphic files

bbb = Memory Card storage area to be cleared

001 to 999 for Graphics, PCX or Formats

000 to 099 for TrueType fonts

Example: <ESC>\*G,01

Placement: This command should be sent to the printer

immediately following the <ESC>CC Memory Area

Select command.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To clear individual memory areas in the Expanded Memory.

Input to Printer

<ESC>A

<ESC>CC1<ESC>\*O,09

<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command.

- 1. To clear everything in the Expanded Memory, use the <ESC>BJF Expanded Memory Initialize command.
- 2. This command is ignored if there is no data to be cleared.
- 3. This command is ignored if Expanded Memory is not installed in the printer.

### Fonts, TrueType Recall

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>BJRabbccddeeffffgg...g
<ESC>BJT,aa,bb,cc,dd,ee,ffff,gg...g

a = Font ID (0 thru 9) aa = Font ID (00 thru 99)

bb = Horizontal Expansion (01 thru 12) cc = Vertical Expansion (01 thru 12) dd = Character Pitch (01 thru 99)

ee = Reserved, always 00

ffff = Number of characters to be printed using the font

gg..g = Data to be printed

Example: <ESC>BJR1020201000004SATO

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>CC Slot Select

command.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

This command recalls previously stored bit mapped TrueType fonts from Expanded Memory.

**Printer Input** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>CC1<ESC>BJT,1,02,02,01,00,0004,SATO

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



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#### **Special Notes**

 TrueType fonts are stored in a fixed size bit mapped format by this command.

### Fonts, TrueType Store

**Command Structure** 

Begin Download <ESC>BJ( aa...abb..b

Download < ESC>BJDccccddddee...e

End Download <ESC>BJ)

aa..a = 40 byte font descriptionbb..b = 10 byte date informationcccc = Memory offset (hexadecimal)

dddd = Number of data bytes to be stored (0001-2000)

ee...e = Font data to be downloaded

Example: <ESC>BJ({50 byte header}<ESC>BJD{5 byte hex

memory offset}{data}<ESC>BJ)

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>CC Slot Select

command.

Default: None

**Command Function** This command allows bit mapped TrueType fonts to be stored in a

**Expanded Memory** 

Printer Input The download data stream is very complex and it is recommended that

the True Type Dowload utility program be used instead of manuallycreating the required command and data stream.

**Printer Output** The is no printer output as a result of this comand. See <ESC>BJR True

Type Font Recall command.

Special Notes

1. This command requires the Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for details.

The SATO True Type Download utility program can be used to automate the download process from a computer running Windows 3.1 or above. For a copy of this utility program contact your SATO represen-

tative.

### Format/Field Recall

#### Command Structure <E

<ESC>YR,aa<ESC>/D,bb,cc....c

aa = Format number to be recalled (01-99)
bb = Field number to be recalled (01-99)
cc...c = Data to be placed in the recalled field.

Example: <ESC>YR,01<ESC>/D,01,99

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>CC Slot Select

command.

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To recall a field from a stored format and place new data in the field.

Printer Input

<ESC>A <ESC>CC1

<ESC>YR,02<ESC>/D,01,TWO FIELDS OF<ESC>/D,02,VARIABLE DATA

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



# TWO FIELDS OF VARIABLE DATA

- 1. This command requires the Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for details.
- 2. Only one format can be recalled at a time. However, multiple feilds can be recalled from the same format.
- The number of data characters contained in the "cc...c" field cannot exceed the value designated in the <ESC>/N Field Store command. If it does, the data will be truncated to fit the field length defined in the store command.

### Format/Field Store

#### Command Structure <ESC>YS,aa<ESC>/N,bb,cc{......}

aa = Format number to be stored (01-99)
 bb = Field number to be stored (01-99)
 cc = Length of field to be stored (01-99)

{.....} = Command stream describing the field to be stored.

Example: <ESC>YS,01<ESC>/N,01,05

Placement: Immediately after <ESC>CC Memory Area Select command.

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To store a format field description in the memory card.

#### **Printer Input**

ESC>A <ESC>CC1

<ESC>YS,02<ESC>/N,01,13<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>XB1

<ESC>/N,02,13<ESC>V0200<ESC>H0200<ESC>XB1

<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**

There is no printer output as a result of this command. See <ESC>YR Format/Field Recall command.

- 1. This command requires the Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for details.
- Each job should be sent individually. If more than one job is sent in a data stream, only the first one will be accepted and the remainder ignored.
- 3. The following commands cannot be stored in a format:

| <esc>CS</esc>   | Print Speed              | <esc>C</esc>        | Repeat Label           |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| <esc>NULL</esc> | Cut Label                | <esc>Q</esc>        | Print Quantity         |
| <esc>/D</esc>   | Recall Field             | <esc>EX</esc>       | Expanded Label Storage |
| <esc>T</esc>    | Custom Characters        | <esc>&amp;</esc>    | Store Form Overlay     |
| <esc>@</esc>    | Off Line                 | <esc>#E</esc>       | Print Darkness         |
| <esc>BJ</esc>   | TrueType Fonts           | <esc>ID</esc>       | Store Job ID           |
| <esc>G</esc>    | Store Custom Graphics    | <esc>*</esc>        | Clear Memory & Buffer  |
| <esc>BT</esc>   | Variable Ratio Bar Codes | <esc>PI Store</esc> | PCX Graphics           |
| <esc>0</esc>    | Partial Edit             |                     |                        |

### Form Overlay Recall

Command Structure <ESC>&R,aa

aa = Storage Number (01 to 99)

Example: <ESC>&R,01

Placement: Following The <ESC>CC Memory Area Select

Command

**Command Function** To recall the label image from stored in the Expanded Memory.

Input to the Printer <ESC>A <ESC>CC1 <ESC>&R,01

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

Printer Output To be added

**Special Notes** 

1. The Expanded Memory option is required for this command. See your SATO representative for details.

- 2. The <ESC>CC Memory Area Select Command must be sent prior to this command.
- 3. Several label images stored under different Storage Numbers can be printed with this command.
- 4. The Storage number must be specified.
- 5. A Read/Write error will occur if an unused Storage number is specified by this command.
- 6. The label image reference point will be V=1 H=1 if the window area has not been specified.
- The label image can be moved by using the <ESC>V and <ESC>H
  commands when it is stored along with a window size. If it exceeds
  the printable area by being moved, the label image will be truncated.

### **Form Overlay Store**

#### Command Structure <ESC>&S,aa,bbbb,cccc

aa = Store Number (01 to 99

bbbb = Horizontal size of window (50 to H max) cccc = Vertical size of window (50 to V max)

Example: <ESC>**&S,01** 

Placement: Following the <ESC>CC Memory Area select

Command

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To store a label image in Expanded Memory

**Printer Input** 

<ESC>A <ESC>CC1 <ESC>**&S,01** <ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command.

- 1. The <ESC>CC Memory Area Select command must be sent before this command.
- 2. The label image must be divided from other label images by the <ESC>A and <ESC>Z bounding commands.
- 3. The parameters of "bbbb" and "cccc" may be omitted. By specifying them, the label image can be moved by using the <ESC>V and <ESC>H position commands when recalling the label image. If the repositioned label image exceeds beyond the printable area, the image will be truncated. If an <ESC>A1 Media Size Command has been sent to the printer, the maximum size form that can be stored is the size of label defined by the command.
- 4. A label image cannot be stored in a location that already contains data.
- 5. Graphics, PCX and BMP files can be stored with this command.
- 6. As many as 99 Form Overlays can be stored, however their combined storage area cannot exceed the available memory.
- 7. The forms stored by this command are cleared by the <ESC>\*R command.

# **BMP Graphics Recall**

Command Structure <ESC>GCaaa

aaa = Storage Number (001 to 999)

Example: E <ESC>GC001

Placement: After the CC Memory Area Select command.

Default: None

**Command Function** To recall a previously stored BMP file stored in Expanded Memory

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>CC1<ESC>V100<ESC>H100

<ESC>GC001 <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



- 1. The <ESC>CC Memory Area Select command must be sent before this command.
- 2. The printed image can be expanded or rotated.

### **BMP Graphics Store**

#### Command Structure <ESC>GTaaa,bbbbb,nn...n

aaa = Storage area number (001 thru 999)

bbbbb = Size of BMP file in bytes

nn..n + = Data

Example: <ESC>GT001

Placement: This command must be placed within its own data

stream specifying the placement of the graphic.

Default: None

**Command Function** To store for printing a graphic file in a BMP format in the optional

Expanded Memory.

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>CC1<ESC>GT001, 12345, nn...n

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Printer Output**There is no printer output as a result of this command.

1. This command requires the Expanded Memory Option. See your SATO representative for details.

- 2. Data must be sent in binary format.
- 3. The Memory Area Select Command <ESC>CCa must be sent before this command.
- 4. The first 62 bytes of the stored file is used for the header and the remainder is the BMP image data.
- 5. The graphic will not be printed correctly if the specified size does not match the actual graphic size.
- Only black and white non-compressed BMP files can be stored.
   Color BMP files will cause an error.
- 7. If you try to store an image in a memory area that already contains data, an error will occur.

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### **Graphics, Custom Recall**

Command Structure <ESC>GRaaa

aaa = Graphics storage number (001-999)

Example: <ESC>GR111

Placement: The Recall command is sent in a secondary data

stream to print the graphic, and follows any necessary position or size commands.

Default: None

Command Function Use the Recall command any time you want to print a graphic image on a

label along with other printed data.

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**Non Rotated Graphic** 

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0080<ESC>L0505

<ESC>**GR001** <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

Graphic Rotated 180°

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%1 <ESC>V0180<ESC>H0250<ESC>L0505

<ESC>**GR001** 

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

Graphic Rotated 90°<

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%1

<ESC>V0180<ESC>H0250<ESC>L0505

<ESC>GR001 <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

Graphic Rotated 270°

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%3

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0700<ESC>L0505

<ESC>GR001 <ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**











- 1. The graphic image to be stored cannot be rotated before it is stored. It can be rotated when it is recalled.
- 2. Graphic images cannot be stored as part of a label format.
- 3. See the <ESC>GI Custom Graphic Store command.

### **Custom Store**

#### **Command Structure**

#### <ESC>Glabbbcccddd{data}

a = Specifies character format of the data

H Hex data

B Binary data

bbb = Number of horizontal 8 x 8 blocks (see Note 7 for

ccc = range)

Number of vertical 8 x 8 blocks (see Note 7 for

ddd = range)

Graphics storage number (001-099)

{data} = Hex or binary data to describe the graphic image

Example: See Appendix C for detailed information on creating

Hex and Binary graphic files.

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>CC Memory Area

Select command.

Default None

**Command Function** 

To provide similar functionality to the <ESC>G Custom Graphic command, but allows for the graphic image to be stored in Expanded Memory. Use the Store command to send the graphic data to the printer, which is held in the optional Expanded Memory, even if printer power is lost.

**Printer Input** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>CC1<ESC>GIH002002001

0100038007C00FE01FF03FF87FFCFFFE07C007

C007C007C007C007C007C0

<ESC>Z

Note: See Appendix C for detailed explanation on how to format a

graphics data stream.

**Printer Output** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command. See <ESC>GR

Recall Custom Graphics command.

#### **Special Notes**

- 1. You must have the optional Expanded Memory to use this command. Call your SATO representative for details.
- 2. The maximum storage capacity is 999 graphics, up to the capacity of the memory card used.
- 3. If a data transmission error occurs, the printer will beep and the ERROR LED will come on. You must then retransmit the image.
- 4. Each graphic to be stored must be sent in its own data stream.

Example of correct data stream:

- <ESC>A
- <ESC>GIHaaabbb001(DATA)
- <ESC>Z
- <ESC>A
- <ESC>GIHaaabbb002(DATA)
- <ESC>Z

Example of incorrect data stream:

- <ESC>A
- <ESC>GIHaaabbb001(DATA)
- <ESC>GIHaaabbb002(DATA)
- <ESC>Z
- 5. Do not use ASCII <CR> or <LF> characters (carriage return or line feed) as line delimiters within the graphic data or the actual image will not be printed as specified.
- 6. The graphics storage number (ddd) must be specified with this command.
- 7. See Table 1 in Section 1. Programming Concepts for values of Hmax and Vmax. The number of allowable blocks is determined by dividing this number by 8

# **Graphics, PCX Recall**

**Command Structure** <ESC>PYaaa

> aa Storage area number (001 thru 999)

Example: <ESC>PY001

Placement: This command must be placed within its own data

stream specifying the placement of the graphic.

Default: None

**Command Function** To recall for printing a graphic file previously stored in a PCX format in the

Memory Card.

pRINTER INPUT

**Normal Rotation** 

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1 <ESC>V0100<ESC>H0050<ESC>PY001

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

2nd Rotation, Base Reference Point 3rd Rotation, Base Reference Point

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%2

<ESC>V0330<ESC>H0600<ESC>PY001

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Rotate Base Reference Point** 

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%1

<ESC>V0330<ESC>H0160<ESC>PY001

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

<ESC>A<ESC>CC1<ESC>%3

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0800<ESC>PY001

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**





- This command requires Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for details.
- 2. See the <ESC>PI Store PCX Graphics command.

### **PCX Store**

Command Structure <ESC>Plaaa,bbbbb,{data}

aaa = Storage area number (001 thru 999)

bbbbb = Size of PCX file in bytes

{data} = Data

Example: <ESC>PI001,32000,{data}

Placement: This command must be placed within its own

data stream

Default: None

Command Function To store for later printing a PCX graphic file in the Expanded

Memory.

Printer Input BASIC Program to Download a PCX file to Expanded Memory

Area #1, Storage Area #1

OPEN .C:\WIZARD\GRAPHICS\LION.PCX. FOR INPUT AS #2

DA\$ = INPUT\$(3800,#2)

C\$ = CHR\$(27) WIDTH .LPT1:.,255

LPRINT C\$;"A";C\$;"CC1"; LPRINT C\$; .PI001,03800,.;DA\$

LPRINT C\$;"Z"; CLOSE #2

**Printer Output**There is no printer output as a result of this command. See

<ESC>PY PCX Graphics Recall command.

Special Notes:

1. This command requires Expanded Memory option. See your

SATO representative for details.

2. Graphics cannot be stored as part of a format.

3. Only black and white PCX files can be stored.

4. The file size specified by this command is the DOS file size

in bytes.

### **Initialize**

Command Structure <ESC>BJFaaaaaaaa

aaaaaaa = Eight character alphanumeric user ID

Example: <ESC>BJFsatocard

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>CC Memory Area

Select command.

Default: None

Command Function This clears all of the data from Expanded Memory in the specified

memory area and prepares the area to accept data.

Input to Printer <ESC>A

<ESC>CC2<ESC>BJFsatocard

<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output as a result of this command.

Special Notes

1. You must have the optional Expanded Memory to use this command. Call your local SATO representative for information.

- 2. All Expanded Memory must be initialized before it can be used for the first time.
- 3. Care should be exercised when using this command as it destroys any data previously written to the card. It will clear all data from the card and assign the new ID ("satocard" in the above example).

### **Memory Area Select**

Command Structure <ESC>CCa

**Printer Input** 

a = Memory Area 1 Memory Area 1 2 Memory Area 2

Example: <ESC>CC1

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>A Start Code.

Default: Last selected Memory Area.

**Command Function** Selects the Memory Area to be used for following Expanded Memory

commands.

<ESC>**CC1** {commands} <ESC>Z

<ESC>A

**Printer Output** There is no printer output as a result of this command.

**Special Notes**1. This command requires the Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for more information.

2. The Memory Areas specified by this command may be reversed using the LCD menu/configuration panel.

 Unless otherwise modified via the LCD menu/configuration panel (see the printerspecific Operational Manual), CC1 selects the PCMCIA Expanded Memory and CC2 selects the internal Expanded Memory.

### **Status**

Command Structure <ESC>BJS

Example: <ESC>BJS

Placement: After the <ESC>CC Memory Area Select command.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

Casues the printer to print the card status.

Printer Input <ESC>A

<ESC>CC1<ESC>BJS

<ESC>Z

#### **Printer Output**



#### **FLASHME MORY** Slot [2] Print buffer expansion 4096 Kbyte 00000000 192 bytes for 1 formats are used 56 bytes for 1 graphic are used 3816 bytes for 1 PCX files are used 34648 bytes for 1 T.T fonts 1119922 bytes for 1 form overlay are used 4686 bytes for 1 BMP files are used 0 bytes for 0 Download fonts 3030472bytes free Expandable print length 9999 dots

- 1. This command requires the Expanded Memory option. See your SATO representative for more information
- 2. The following information is provided on the status label:
  - Line 1: Memory size in Kbytes
  - Line 2: The ID number assigned with the <ESC>BJF command
  - Line 3: Number of formats stored and bytes used
  - Line 4: Number of graphics stored and bytes used
  - Line 5: Number of PCX files and bytes used
  - Line 6: Number of bit-mapped TT fonts stored and bytes used
  - Line 7: Number of BMP files stored and bytes used
  - Line 7: Remaining free memory
  - Line 8: Max expandable print length

# SECTION 5. TWO-DIMENSIONAL SYMBOLS

The following commands are used to create the two-dimensional symbologies supported by the SATO "e" and PRO printers.

### **Data Matrix, Data Format**

### **Command Structure**

### <ESC>BXaabbccddeeefffghh

aa = Format ID. 01-06. If ECC200 is selected (bb=20), this field is ignored.

bb = Error correction level. 00,05, 08, 10, 14 or 20. All other values will be processed as a 00.

cc = Horizontal cell size. 03 - 12 dots/cell.

dd = Vertical cell size. 03 - 12 dots/cell.

eee = Number of cells in one column. Use 000 to optimize.

fff = Number of cell in one row. Use 000 to optimize.

g = Mirror Image (ignored for ECC200)

0 = Normal Print 1 = Reverse Print

hh = Guide Cell Thickness. 01-15. 01 indicates normal

type. Ignored for ECC200.

Example: = <ESC>BX03080505000000001

Placement: Immediately preceding data to be encoded

Default: None

### **Command Function**

To designate the format for a Data Matrix two-dimensional bar code image on a label.

### **Printer Input**

<ESC>A

<ESC>%0<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>BX0505101000000001

<ESC>DCDATA MATRIX DATA MATRIX

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

### **Printer Output**

There is no printer output as a result of this command. See the <ESC>DC Print Data command for printer output.

### **Special Notes**

- 1. If any of the parameters entered are outside the valid range, a symbol will not be printed when the <ESC>DC Print Data command is sent to the printer.
- 2. The number of cells per line (eee) and the number of cell lines (fff) should be specified as all zeroes, allowing the printer to automatically calculate the optimum configuration for the symbol.
- The Reference Point for the Data Matrix symbol is the upper-left corner.
- 4. The Format ID specified for "aa" is defined by the following table. The printer only supports the Format ID's defined in the table.

| ECC           |     | IFormat ID (aa) |           |                   |      |     |  |
|---------------|-----|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|------|-----|--|
| Level<br>(bb) | 01  | 02              | 03        | 04                | 05   | 06  |  |
| 00 (ECC000)   | 500 | 452             | 394       | 413               | 310  | 271 |  |
| 05 (ECC050)   | 457 | 333             | 291       | 305               | 228  | 200 |  |
| 08 (ECC080)   | 402 | 293             | 256       | 268               | 201  | 176 |  |
| 10 (ECC100)   | 300 | 218             | 190       | 200               | 150  | 131 |  |
| 14 (ECC140)   | 144 | 105             | 91        | 96                | 72   | 83  |  |
| 20 (ECC200)   |     | NUMERIC         |           |                   | 3116 |     |  |
|               |     | ALPHANUMERIC    |           | 2336              |      |     |  |
|               |     | ISO             | 8-віт 01н | ı - FF <b>H</b> ) | 15   | 556 |  |

### 5. The character set or each Format ID is:

| ID<br>Number | Character Set                                          | Encoding<br>Scheme |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
|              | 16 Bit CRC                                             |                    |
| 01           | Numeric, Space                                         | Base 11            |
| 02           | Upper Case Alpha, Space                                | Base 27            |
| 03           | Upper Case Alpha, Space,Comma,<br>Period, Slash, Minus | Base 41            |
| 04           | Upper Case Alphanumeric, Space                         | Base37             |
| 05           | ASCII 7-bit, Full Keyboard (20н -7Fн)                  | ACSCII             |
| 06           | ISO 8-bit, International (20н -FFн)                    | 8-Bit              |

### 6. The ECC200 symbol data capacity is:

| SYMBO | SYMBOL SIZE |         | MAXIMUM DATA CAPACITY |            |  |  |
|-------|-------------|---------|-----------------------|------------|--|--|
| Row   | Column      | Numeric | Alphanumeric          | Full ASCII |  |  |
| 10    | 10          | 6       | 3                     | 1          |  |  |
| 12    | 12          | 10      | 6                     | 3          |  |  |
| 14    | 14          | 16      | 10                    | 6          |  |  |
| 16    | 16          | 24      | 16                    | 10         |  |  |
| 18    | 18          | 36      | 25                    | 16         |  |  |
| 20    | 20          | 44      | 31                    | 20         |  |  |
| 22    | 22          | 60      | 43                    | 28         |  |  |
| 24    | 24          | 72      | 52                    | 34         |  |  |
| 26    | 26          | 88      | 64                    | 42         |  |  |
| 32    | 32          | 124     | 91                    | 60         |  |  |
| 36    | 36          | 172     | 127                   | 84         |  |  |
| 40    | 40          | 228     | 169                   | 112        |  |  |
| 44    | 44          | 288     | 214                   | 142        |  |  |
| 48    | 48          | 348     | 259                   | 172        |  |  |
| 52    | 52          | 408     | 304                   | 202        |  |  |
| 64    | 64          | 560     | 418                   | 278        |  |  |
| 72    | 72          | 736     | 550                   | 366        |  |  |
| 80    | 80          | 912     | 682                   | 454        |  |  |
| 88    | 88          | 1152    | 862                   | 574        |  |  |
| 96    | 96          | 1392    | 1042                  | 694        |  |  |
| 104   | 104         | 1632    | 1222                  | 814        |  |  |
| 120   | 120         | 2100    | 1573                  | 1048       |  |  |
| 132   | 132         | 2608    | 1954                  | 1302       |  |  |
| 144   | 144         | 3116    | 2335                  | 1556       |  |  |
| 8     | 18          | 10      | 6                     | 3          |  |  |
| 8     | 32          | 20      | 13                    | 8          |  |  |
| 12    | 26          | 32      | 22                    | 14         |  |  |
| 12    | 36          | 44      | 31                    | 20         |  |  |
| 16    | 36          | 64      | 46                    | 30         |  |  |
| 16    | 48          | 98      | 72                    | 47         |  |  |

### **Data Matrix, Print Data**

Command Structure <ESC>DCxx...x

xx...x = Data to be encoded

Example: <ESC>**DC00006000** 

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>BC Data Format

<ESC>%0<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>BX05051010000000001

designation command or the <ESC>FX Sequential

Numbering command.

Default None

**Command Function** To print a Data Matrix two-dimensional bar code image on a label.

<ESC>A

<ESC>DCDATA MATRIX DATA MATRIX

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** 

**Printer Input** 





### **Special Notes**

1. If an <ESC>BX Data Format designation command contains any parameters out of the valid range, no symbol will be printed when this command is sent.

### **Sequential Numbering**

#### Command Structure <ESC>FXaaabcccdddeee

aaa = Number of duplicate labels to be printed (001 -999)

b = Increment or Decrement

+ = Increment

- = Decrement

ccc = Increment/Decrement Steps (001 - 999)

ddd = Sequential numbering start position (001 - 999)

Referenced to left side.

eee = Incremented data length measured from start position

(001 - 999)

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>BX Data Format

designation command and preceding the <ESC>DC

Print Data Command.

Default: None

**Command Function** 

To print sequential numbered Data Matrix symbols.

**Printer Input** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100 <ESC>BX03081010000000001

<ESC>FX002+001005003<ESC>DC000060000

<ESC>Q4<E SC>Z

#### **Printer Output**

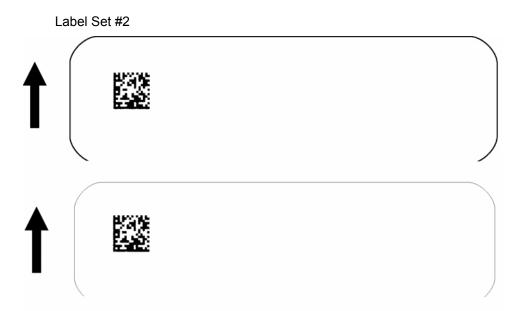
Label Set #1











### **Special Notes**

- 1. The maximum number of <ESC>FX Sequential Numbering commands that can be used in one job is eight.
- In the example above four total labels will be printed
   (<ESC>FX002+005003<ESC>DC00006000), the sequential numbering will start at position 5 and the three digits "600" will be incremented in steps of 1. A total of two sets of labels will be printed, the first set of two labels with the value "00006000" and the next two label set with the value "00006010". Label Set #1 Label Set #2 1st Label 00006000 3rd Label 00006010 2nd Label 00006000 4th Label 00006010
- 3. The <ESC>Q Label Quantity command must be set for the total number of labels to be printed. In the above example, the value for the <ESC>Q command should be 2 sets x 2 labels/set = 4. If, in the above example, it was set to a value of "1", only the first label would be printed.

### **Maxicode**

### Command Structure <ESC>BVa,b,c,ddddddddd,eee,fff,gggg.....<ESC>

- a = Position of Maxicode symbol within the set, when used in a structured append format 1~8.
- b = Total number of Maxicode symbols in the set, when used in a structured format 1~8.
- c = 2 For Mode 2 Structured Carrier Message for Domestic U.S. UPS shipments
  - 3 For Mode 3 Structured Carrier Message for International UPS shipments
  - 4 Standard symbol
  - 5 Not currently supported
  - 6 Reader programming

ddd..dd = 9 digit numeric Postal Code

eee = 3 digit numeric Country Code

fff = 3 digit numeric Service Class

gg..g = Data, terminated by <ESC>

Example: <ESC>BV1,2,3,123456789,222,333,MESSAGE<ESC>

Placement: Immediately preceding data to be encoded

Default None

**Command Function** 

To print a Maxicode two-dimensional bar code image on a label. See Appendix B for specific information on using each individual bar code symbol.

**Command Function** 

To print a UPS Maxicode symbol.

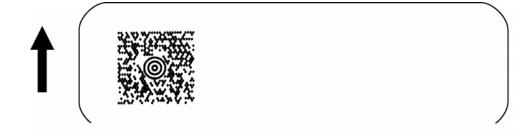
<ESC>A<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100

<ESC>BV1,1,2,123456789,840,001,[)><RS>01<GS>961Z01547089<GS>PSN</GS>056872<GS>349<GS>99999999<GS>001/005<GS>029<GS>N<GS>

<GS>LENEXA<GS>KS<RS><EOT>

<ESC>Q001<ESC>Z

### **Printer Output**



### **Special Notes**

1. <RS> represents Hex 1E, <GS> represents Hex 1D, <EOT> represents Hex 04, <ESC> represents Hex 1B and <SP> represents Hex 20.

### **PDF417**

#### **Command Structure**

<ESC>BKaabbcddeeffffnn...n,g

- aa = Minimum module dimension (01-09 dots). Will not print if values of 01, 02 or greater than 10 are specified.
- bb = Minimum module pitch dimension (01-24 dots). Will not print if values of 01, 02, 03 or greater than 25 are specified.
  - c = Security (error detection) Level (1-8).
- dd = Code words per line (01-30). If 00 is specified for both
   dd and ee, the printer automatically optimizes the
   number of rows per symbol.
- ee = Rows per symbol (00 or 03-40). If 00 is specified for both dd and ee, the printer automatically optimizes the number of rows per symbol.
- ffff = Number of characters to be encoded (0001-2700).

nn...n = Data to be printed.

g = PDF417 type. If not specified, standard PDF417 T Truncated PDF417

M Micro PDF417

Example: <ESC>BK0304400000021

Placement: Immediately preceding data to be encoded.

Default: None

#### **Command Function**

To print a PDF417 two-dimensional bar code image on a label.

**Printer Input** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>BK0607400000021PDF417 PDF417 PDF417

<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z

### **Printer Output**





#### **Special Notes**

- 1. When the code words per line and the number of rows per symbol ("dd" and "ee") are set to all zeroes, the printer will calculate the optimum configuration.
- 2. If the product of the values entered for "dd" and "ee" are not equal to or less than the value of "ffff" (i.e. "ffff" is greater than "dd" x "ee", an error will occur and the symbol will not be printed. It is recommended that these values each be set to "000" and the printer be allowed to automatically calculate the optimum values.
- 3. The values for "dd" and "ee" need to be made larger if the security level is increased.
- 4. The maximum data length is 2700 characters, but may be less depending upon:
  - the minimum module dimension ("aa")
  - the security level specified by "c".
  - the number of data characters
- 5. The Reference Point of the PDF417 symbol is the upper-left corner.
- The <ESC>F Sequential Numbering command cannot be used with this command.
- 7. The <ESC>E Line Feed command cannot be used with this command.
- 8. The values 00H thru 1FH can be specified as print data.
- 9. This command can be stored in a format.
- 10. The print height of the symbol will vary depending upon the data specified; numeric only, alpha only or alphanumeric.
- 11. For module dimensions less than "4", symbol quality may be degraded.

### **QR** Code

### **Command Structure** <ESC>2D3m,a,bb,c,d (,ee,f f,gg) <ESC>DSk,nn.....n <ESC>DNIIII,xx.....x m = Model Model 2 0 = Model 1 1 Micro QR Code = rror Correction Level L 7% M 15% Q 25% H 30% bb Cell Size (01 to 32 dots/cell) d = Connection Mode Normal 0 Connection (parameters "ee", "ff" and "gg" will be used if the file is split into several blocks as independent symbols) Total Connection Number (01 - 16) ee = ff Connection number of each symbol encoded as an independent symbol (01 - 16) Connection Mode Parity Data (00H - FFH) gg k = Input Data Type 1 Numeric 2 Alphanumeric 3 Kanji (shift JIS Code)

nn...n =

xx...x =

Data

data (0001 - 2953 bytes)

Data Size. Used in Automatic or Manual mode with binary

### **Special Notes**

- 1. Contact SATO Technical Support for specific usage information.
- 2. Parameters "c", "d", "ee", "f f" and "gg" are not used for Micro QR Code.
- 3. Parameter "xx...x" is limited to 0001 to 0486 bytes for Model 1 and Micro QR Code.
- 4. The data command should be used according to the input mode or data type.
- 5. In Automatic Mode, the data for 80H to 9FH or E0H to FFH will be interpreted as Kanji, not binary data.
- 6. In Manual Mode, The multiple data fields for numeric, alphanumeric, Kanji and binary can be specified in a job. In this case, the data fields for <ESC>2D30 and each data field must follow the data field. Also, the maximum data size should be less than 7000 bytes and the maximum block number for the data field is 200.
- 7. If the parameters are not correctly specified, the symbol will not be printed.

### Section 5: Two-Dimensional Symbols

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# SECTION 6. CONFIGURATION COMMANDS

| 7D1 1          | 1 4            | 1 ,           | , •          | · ·        | C /1   | • ,      |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------|----------|
| These commands | s are lised to | i change to a | merating con | tiouration | of the | nrinter  |
| These commands | s are useu n   | i change to t | peranng con  | mgaranon   | or the | printer. |

# Custom Protocol Command Codes Download

### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>LD,a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,jj

a = Replacement character for STX
 b = Replacement character for ETX
 c = Replacement character for ESC
 d = Replacement character for ENQ
 e = Replacement character for CAN
 f = Replacement character for NUL
 g = Replacement character for OFFLINE

h = Auto-Online. Printer powers up in the On Line mode.

0 Yes 1 No

i = Zero Slash. Places a slash through the "0" character.

0 Yes 1 No

j = Hexadecimal code for Eurocharacter

Example: <ESC>LD,{,},%,#,&,\*,~,0,0,D5

Placement: Immediately following the <ESC>A Start command and

in an independent data stream.

Default: Standard Protocol command Codes

**COMMAND FUNCTION** Allows the user to defines custom Protocol Command codes.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A

<ESC>LD,{,},%,#,&,\*,~,0,0,D5

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** A Protocol Command code status label will be printed as a result of the a

successful download of a custom set of Protocol Command codes.



OFFLINE = 7E

AUTO ONLINE = YES ZERO SLASH = YES

Press the "FEED" key to activate the User Default or power the printer off to ignore them.

### **Special Notes**

- Commas must be used to separate the parameters. If a parameter is omitted between two commas, the default Non-Standard Protocol Command codes for that parameter will be used.
- 2. This command must be sent as an independent data stream immediately following the <ESC>A Start code and immediately preceding the <ESC>Z Stop code. No other commands can be included in the data stream.
- If more or less than nine commas are included in the command, the entire command sequence will be ignored. The command must contain exactly nine commas.
- 4. If two characters are specified for a parameter, it will be interpreted as a hex value. For example:

Command Parameter Resulting Command Code

2B -

If a combination of characters are outside the hexadecimal range, the entire command sequence will be ignored.

 Downloading Auto Online and Zero Slash settings will overwrite the values selected using the LCD panel. If these settings are changed using the LCD panel, they will overwrite any previously downloaded settings.

### **Printer Setting**

COMMAND STRUCTURE

aa = Setting to be changed (01 to 26). Only relevant setting can be c

| SETTING<br>(ASCII) | COMMAND<br>PARAMETER | ASCII<br>VALUE | DESCRIPTION                          |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 01                 | а                    | 0              | Reserved                             |
| 02                 | b                    | 0              | Reserved                             |
| 03                 | С                    | 0              | Print Speed, 2 ips (50 mm/s)         |
| 03                 |                      | 1              | Print Speed, 3 ips (75 mm/s)         |
| 03                 |                      | 2              | Print Speed, 4 ips (100 mm/s)        |
| 03                 |                      | 3              | Print Speed, 5 ips (125 mm/s)        |
| 03                 |                      | 4              | Print Speed, 6 ips (150 mm/s)        |
| 03                 |                      | 5              | Print Speed, 8 ips (200 mm/s)        |
| 03                 |                      | 6              | Print Speed, 10 ips (250 mm/s)       |
| 03                 |                      | 7              | Print Speed, 12 ips (300 mm/s)       |
| 04                 | d                    | 0              | Reserved                             |
| 05                 | е                    | 0              | Not Used                             |
| 05                 |                      | 1              | Not Used                             |
| 05                 |                      | 2              | Not Used                             |
| 06                 | f                    | 0              | Dispense Mode, Backfeed after print  |
| 06                 |                      | 1              | Dispense Mode, Backfeed before print |
| 07                 | g                    | 0              | Reserved                             |
| 08                 | h                    | А              | Print Darkness Range A               |
| 08                 |                      | В              | Print Darkness Range B               |
| 08                 |                      | С              | Print Darkness Range C               |
| 08                 |                      | D              | Print Darkness Range D               |
| 08                 |                      | Е              | Print Darkness Range E               |
| 08                 |                      | F              | Print Darkness Range F               |
| 09                 | i                    | 1              | Print Darkness Level 1               |
| 09                 |                      | 2              | Print Darkness Level 2               |
| 09                 |                      | 3              | Print Darkness Level 3               |

| SETTING<br>(ASCII) | COMMAND<br>PARAMETER | ASCII<br>VALUE              | DESCRIPTION                                                             |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 09                 |                      | 4                           | Print Darkness Level 4                                                  |
| 09                 |                      | 5                           | Print Darkness Level 5                                                  |
| 10                 | j                    | 0                           | Reflective (Eye-Mark) Sensor                                            |
| 10                 |                      | 1                           | Transmissive (Gap) Sensor                                               |
| 10                 |                      | 2                           | Sensors Disabled                                                        |
| 11                 | k                    | 0                           | Zero Slash disabled                                                     |
| 11                 |                      | 1                           | Zero Slash enabled                                                      |
| 12                 | Ţ                    | 0                           | Reserved                                                                |
| 13                 | m                    | 0                           | Paper Type, Labels                                                      |
| 13                 |                      | 1                           | Paper Type, Fan-Fold                                                    |
| 14                 | n                    | 0                           | Autofeed disabled                                                       |
| 14                 |                      | 1                           | Autofeed enabled                                                        |
| 15                 | 0                    | 0                           | Pitch Fixed                                                             |
| 15                 |                      | 1                           | Pitch Proportional                                                      |
| 16                 | р                    | 0000 to 9999                | Vertical Label Size (0 to Vmanx dots)                                   |
| 17                 | q                    | 000 to Hmax                 | Horizontal Label Size (0 to Hmax dots)                                  |
| 18                 | r                    | 0000 to 792<br>-001 to -792 | Vertical Offset (0 to 792 dots) Vertical Offset (-1 to -792 dots)       |
| 19                 | S                    | 0000 to 792<br>-001 to -792 | Horizontal Offset (0 to 792 dots)<br>Horizontal Offset (-1 to -99 dots) |
| 20                 | t                    | 00 tp 99                    | Pitch Offset (0 to 99 dots)                                             |
| 21                 | u                    | 00 to 99<br>-01 to -99      | Tear Off Offset (0 to 99 dots)<br>Tear Off Offset (-1 to -99 dots)      |
| 22                 | V                    | 0                           | Not Used                                                                |
| 23                 | W                    | 00 to 99<br>-01 to -99      | Dispense Offset (0 to 99 dots)<br>Dispense Offset (-1 to -99 dots)      |
| 24                 | Х                    | 0                           | Reserved                                                                |
| 25                 | у                    | 0 to 64                     | Gap Size (0 to 64 dots)                                                 |
| 26                 | Z                    | 0                           | Buzzer Enabled                                                          |
| 26                 |                      | 01                          | Buzzer Disabled                                                         |

### Section 6: Configuration Commands

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: None

COMMAND FUNCTION

To set the printer default configuration into EEPROM

**INPUT TO PRINTER** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>**PC26,0** 

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command. This command example enables the buzzer.

**SPECIAL NOTES** 

- 1. All command setting values must be in ASCII format.
- 2. These settings are stored in EEPROM and will remain valid until receipt of another <ESC>PC command.
- All positions in this command must be separated by a comma. If the
  parameter. To change multiple settings, the correct number of commas must be placed in the command, i.e. to change the label gap
  sensor to reflective (eye-mark), the command would be:

4. If only one setting is to be changed, the "aa" parameter must be an "F".

### **Pitch Offset**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>POabcc

a = 3 Continuous

b = + Positive Offset

- Negative Offset

cc = 00 to 99, Offset value in dots

Example: See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: Default value set by <ESC>PG command

**COMMAND FUNCTION** 

To set the pitch offset used for a job.

INPUT TO PRINTER

<ESC>A

<ESC>PO3+20

<ESC>Z

PRINTER OUTPUT

Blank label

**SPECIAL NOTES** 

- 1. When power is cycled, the value set by this command is lost and replaced by the default value stored in the EEPROM.
- 2. To change the value stored in the EEPROM, use the <ESC>PC Printer Setting command or use the Printer Setting Utility program contained on the CDROM shipped with the printer.

### **Print Mode**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>PMa

a = 0 Continuous

1 Tear-Off

2 Reserved

3 Reserved

4 Reserved

5 Reserved

6 Reserved

7 Dispense, Backfeed after print

8 Dispense, Backfeed before print

Example: See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: Default value set by <ESC>PC command

COMMAND FUNCTION

To set the print mode for a job.

**INPUT TO PRINTER** 

<ESC>A

<ESC>PM1

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** 

There is no printer output as a result of this command.

**SPECIAL NOTES** 

- 1. When power is cycled, the value set by this command is lost and replaced by the default value stored in the EEPROM.
- 2. To change the value stored in the EEPROM, use the <ESC>PC Printer Setting command or use the Printer Setting Utility program contained on the CDROM shipped with the printer.
- 3. The Print Mode can also be set using DSW3-1, 3-2 and 3-4. The setting priority is determined by the Priority Setting in the LCD Panel Service Mode.

### **Print Type**

#### **COMMAND STRUCTURE** <ESC>PHa

0 Thermal Transfer printing 1 Direct Thermal Printing

See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: Default value set by <ESC>PC command.

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To set the printing method used for a job

INPUT TO PRINTER <ESC>A <ESC>PH1

<ESC>Z

Example:

PRINTER OUTPUT There is no printer output as a result of this command.

> 1. When power is cycled, the value set by this command is lost and replaced by the default value stored in the EEPROM.

2. To change the value stored in the EEPROM, use the <ESC>PC Printer Setting command or use the Printer Setting Utility program contained on the CDROM shipped with the printer.

3. The Print Type can also be set using DSW2-1. The setting priority is determined by the Priority Setting in the LCD Panel Service Mode.

SPECIAL NOTES

### **Sensor Type**

Command Structure <ESC>IGa

a = 0 Reflective (Eye Mark) sensor

1 See-thru (transmissive) sensor

2 Sensor not used

Example: See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: Default value set by <ESC>PC command

**Command Function** To select the label sensing method for a job.

Input to Printer <ESC>A <ESC>IG1

<ESC>Z

**Printer Output** There is no printer output as a result of this command

**Special Notes**1. When power is cycled, the value set by this command is lost and replaced by the default value stored in the EEPROM.

- 2. To change the value stored in the EEPROM, use the <ESC>PC
  Printer Setting command or use the Printer Setting Utility program
  contained on the CD-ROM shipped with the printer.
- 3. The Sensor Type can also be set using DSW3-2 and DSW3-3. The setting priority is determined by the Priority Setting in the LCD Panel Service Mode.

### **Serial Interface Parameters**

#### **COMMAND STRUCTURE**

#### <ESC>I2abcde

- a = 0 Baud rate, 9600 bps
  - 1 Baud Rate, 19200 bps
  - 2 Baud Rate, 38400 bps
  - 3 Baud Rate, 57600 bps
- b = 0 8 Data bits
  - 1 7 Data Bits
- c = 0 No Parity
  - 1 Odd Parity
  - 2 Even Parity
- d = 0 1 Stop Bit
  - 1 2 Stop Bits
- e = 0 Single Item Buffer
  - 1 Multi Item Buffer
  - 2 X-On/X-Off Flow Control
  - 3 Bi-Com 4
  - 4 Bi-Com 3

Example: See above

Placement: Separate data stream sent to printer

Default: Default value set by <ESC>PC command

### **COMMAND FUNCTION**

**INPUT TO PRINTER** 

To set the operating parameters of the RS232 Inferface for a job.

<ESC>

<ESC>1230011

<ESC>Z

#### PRINTER OUTPUT

SPECIAL NOTES

There is no printer output as a result of this command.

- The setting are stored in the EEPROM by this command and they will remain in effect until a new <ESC>I2 command is received. Cycling power will have no effect on these settings.
- To change the value stored in the EEPROM, use the <ESC>PC Printer Setting command or use the Printer Setting Utility program contained on the CDROM shipped with the printer.
- 3. All command parameters must be present in the data stream sent to the printer.
- 4. Selecting X-On/X-Off, Bi-Com3 or Bi-Com4 will automatically place the printer in the Multi Buffer mode.

### **CR/LF Delete**

COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>CLa

a = 0 Do not delete CR/LF

1 Delete CR/LF

Example: <ESC>CL0

Placement: In a separate data stream before label data is

transmitted.

Default: a=o

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To remove CR/LF commands from the dat stream.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A

<ESC>CL0 <ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printed output as a result of this command.

Special Notes 1. This command can also be set using the LCD panel. The last setting

received, whether it is via this command or manually input via the LCD

panel will be active.

### Zero Slash

COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>LHa

a = 0 Print zeroes without slash

1 Print zeroes with slash.

Example: <ESC>LH1

Placement: .In a separate data stream before any label data is

transmitted.

Default: a=0

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To allow printing of numeric zeroes with a slash.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A

<ESC>LH0 <ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printed output as a result of this command.

**Special Notes**1. This command can also be set using the LCD panel. The last setting

received, whether it is via this command or manually input via the LCD

panel will be active.

### **Auto Online**

COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>AOa

a = 0 Printer automacially powers up in the Online mode.

Printer automatically powers up in the Offline

mode.

Example: <ESC>AO1

Placement: In a separate command stream before label data is

transmitted to the printer.

Default: a=1

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To allow the printer to power up in the Online mode ready to receive data.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A <ESC>A01

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printed output as a result of this command.

**Special Notes** 

- 1. TThis command can also be set using the LCD panel. The last setting received, whether it is via this command or manually input via the LCD panel will be active.
- 2. The printer default setting can be set by user download.

### **Online Feed**

COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>LFa

a = 0 Enables label feed when online.

1 Disables label feed when online.

Example: <ESC>**LF1** 

Placement: In a separate command stream before label data is

transmitted.

Default: a=1

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To enable label feeding when in the online mode.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A

<ESC>**LF0**<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** There is no printed output as a result of this command.

**Special Notes**1. This command can also be set using the LCD panel. The last setting

received, whether it is via this command or manually input via the LCD

panel will be active.

### **Test Print**

### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>TPa

a = 0 Small User test print.
1 Large User test print
2 Small Factory test print

3 Large Factory test print

Example: <ESC>**TP3** 

Placement: In a separate data stream.

Default: None

**COMMAND FUNCTION** To allow test labels to be printed via software control.

PRINTER INPUT <ESC>A <ESC>TP2

<ESC>Z

**PRINTER OUTPUT** 

Small Factory test print TBA

**Special Notes** 

1. A test print can also be initiated via the LCD panel.

## SECTION 7. BI-DIRECTIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

This is a two-way communications protocol between the host computer and the printer, thus enabling the host to check printer status. When Bi-Com 4 communications is selected, there is no busy signal from the printer. The host must request the complete status from the printer, including ready/busy. The host may request status in two different ways.

#### **ENQUIRE/ACK/NAK**

In the Bi-Com 4 mode, the host transmits an **ENQ** (05 hexadecimal) to the printer and the printer will respond with its status within five milliseconds. If printing, it will respond upon finishing the current label, then resume printing. In order for this protocol to work properly with an RS232C Interface, pin 6 (**DTR**) and pin 5 (**CTS**) must be held high by the host. One way to ensure these pins are always in the correct state is to tie pin 20 (**DTR**) to pin 6 (**DSR**) and pin 4 (**RTS**) to pin 5 (**CTS**) at the printer end of the cable.

### **ENQUIRE (ENQ)**

Upon receipt of an **ENQ** command, the printer responds with 25 bytes of status information bounded by an **STX/ETX** pair. The Bi-Com protocol works only in the Multi Job Buffer mode. The status information is defined as follows:

#### <STX>{ 2 Byte ID}{1 Status Byte}{6 Byte Label Remaining}{16 Byte Job Name}<ETX>

- ID This is a two byte number identifying the current print job ID. The print job ID is defined using the **ESC>ID** Job ID command transmitted with the print job (see Job ID Store in the command listing for more information on how to use this command). The range is from 00 to 99.
- **Status** A single byte defining the current status of the printer (see the Status Byte Definition table).
- **Label Remaining** Six bytes defining the number of labels remaining in the current print job. The range is from 000000 to 999999 labels.
- **Job Name** 16 bytes of ASCII characters identifying the name assigned to the job by the <ESC>WK Job Name command. If the Job Name is less than 16 characters, the field will be padded with leading zeroes.

If an **ENQ** is received after the print job specified in the ID bytes has been completed, or there is no data in the buffer, the printer will respond with two "space" characters (20 hexadecimal) for the ID number, six "zero" characters (30 hexadecimal) in the Remaining Labels bytes and the 16 byte Job Name.

#### **CANCEL (CAN)**

If a CAN (18 hexadecimal) command is received, it will stop the print job and clear all data from the receive and print buffers. A delay of five milliseconds or more is required before any new data can be downloaded. The CAN command is effective immediately upon receipt, even if the printer is off-line or in an error condition. The printer will return an ACK (06

hexadecimal) if there is no printer error condition and a **NAK** (15 hexadecimal) if an error condition exists.

#### **PRINT JOB**

Upon receipt of a valid print job (**ESC>A... ESC>Z**), an **ACK** (06 hexadecimal) will be returned by the printer if there are no errors and a **NAK** (16 hexadecimal) if a printer error exists (this protocol only works with the RS232C interface).

### PRINT STOP (DLE)

If a **DLE** (10 hexadecimal) is received by the printer, the print process is stopped and an **ACK** (06 hexadecimal) is returned if there are no errors and a **NAK** (16 hexadecimal) if a printer error exists.

### **PRINT START (DC1)**

If the printer has been stopped by receipt of a **DLE** (10 hexadecimal) command, it can be restarted by sending a **DC1** (hexadecimal 11) command. Upon receipt of this command an **ACK** (06 hexadecimal) is returned if there are no errors and a **NAK** (16 hexadecimal) if a printer error exists.

(1) To provide compatibility with older SATO printers, the RS232C interface can be configured to use an earlier Bi-Com 3 ENQ/ACK/NAK protocol selected via DSW2-8 and DSW1-7/8 (on the RS232C Interface module). The earlier protocol did not have provisions for the Job Name and did not respond to the DLE or DCI commands. Also, there are additional Response Codes in the Status Byte Definition. It is recommended that you use the current protocol rather than the earlier version unless it is necessary for compatibility with existing software.

#### STATUS RESPONSE

The second method of determining printer status is to interrograte the printer with specific commands. The response from these commands will provide specific information about the printer status depending upon the command. This allows the controlling application to determine the status of a printer when it is located in a remote location.

### PRINTER STATUS (SOH + MG)

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **MG** causes the printer to return a 30 byte Printer Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the current operating status of the printer.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | HEX VALUE | DESCRIPTION                                           |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1              | 00<br>01  | Thermal Transfer Print Type Direct Thermal Print Type |
| 2              | 00<br>01  | 203 dpi Resolution<br>305 dpi Resolution              |

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | HEX VALUE                                                | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                           |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3              | 00<br>01<br>02<br>03<br>04<br>05<br>06<br>07<br>08<br>09 | 2 ips Print Speed 3 ips Print Speed 4 ips Print Speed 5 ips Print Speed 6 ips Print Speed 7 ips Print Speed 8 ips Print Speed 9 ips Print Speed 10 ips Print Speed 12 ips Print Speed |
| 4              | 00<br>01<br>02<br>03<br>04                               | Not Supported Not Supported Not Supported Label Dispense Print mode Reserved                                                                                                          |
| 5              | 00<br>01<br>02                                           | Not Supported<br>Not Supported<br>Not Supported                                                                                                                                       |
| 6              | 00<br>01                                                 | Dispense at head position Dispense at dispense position                                                                                                                               |
| 7              | 00                                                       | Reserved                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 8              | 41<br>42<br>43                                           | Not Supported<br>Not Supported<br>Not Supported C                                                                                                                                     |
| 9              | 00<br>01<br>02<br>03<br>04                               | Print Density Level 1 Print Density Level 2 Print Density Level 3 Print Density Level 4 Print Density Level 5                                                                         |
| 10             | 00<br>01<br>02                                           | Reflective (Eye-Mark)<br>Sensor Gap (See-Thru) Sensor<br>No Sensor                                                                                                                    |
| 11             | 00<br>01                                                 | Zero Slash Disabled<br>Zero Slash Enabled                                                                                                                                             |
| 12             | 00                                                       | Reserved                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 13             | 00<br>01                                                 | Not Supported<br>Not Supported                                                                                                                                                        |
| 14             | 00<br>01                                                 | Online FeedDisabled Online Feed Enabled                                                                                                                                               |
| 15             | 00<br>01                                                 | Fixed Pitch Proportional Pitch                                                                                                                                                        |

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | HEX VALUE                    | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 16-17          | 00 to C80<br>00 to 12C       | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 18-19          | 00 to 340<br>00 to 4E0       | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 20-21          | 00 to 3E7<br>FFFF to<br>FC19 | Vertical Base Reference Point Offset in dots (0 to 792) Vertical Base Reference Point Offset in dots (-1 to -792)        |
| 22-23          | 00 to 320<br>00 to FCE0      | Horizontal Base Reference Point Offset in dots (0 to 800)<br>Horizontal Base Reference Point Offset in dots (-1 to -800) |
| 24             | 00 tp 63<br>FF to 9D         | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 25             | 00 tp 63<br>FF to 9D         | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 26             | 00 tp 63<br>FF to 9D         | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 27             | 00 tp 63<br>FF to 9D         | Dispense Offset in dots (0 to 99) Dispense Offset in dots (-1 to -99)                                                    |
| 28             | 00<br>01                     | Compatibility Mode Enabled<br>Compatibility Mode Disabled                                                                |
| 29             | 08 to 40                     | Not Supported                                                                                                            |
| 30             | 00<br>01                     | Buzzer Enabled<br>Buzzer Disabled                                                                                        |

### COUNTER STATUS (SOH + ME)

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **ME** causes the printer to return a 28 byte Head Counter Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the current status of the printer life counters.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | HEX VALUE | DESCRIPTION                         |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 - 8          | Hex       | Current Life Counter in dots        |
| 9 - 12         | Hex       | 1st (Current) Head Counter in dots  |
| 13 - 16        | Hex       | 2nd (Previous) Head Counter in dots |
| 17 - 20        | Hex       | 3rd Head Counter in dots            |
| 21 - 24        | Hex       | Not Supported                       |
| 25 - 28        | Hex       | Not Supported                       |

### **SENSOR STATUS (SOH + SG)**

Upon Receipt of an SOH (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **SG** causes the printer to return a 4 byte Sensor Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the values of the printer counters.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE      | DESCRIPTION                   |
|----------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| 1              | Hex        | Reflective Sensor Level       |
| 2              | Hex        | Transmissive Sensor Level     |
| 3              | 00н<br>01н | Out of Paper<br>Paper Present |
| 4              | 00н<br>01н | Head Open<br>Head Closed      |

### **HEAD STATUS (SOH + HC)**

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **HC** causes the printer to return a 1 byte Head Fault Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the current operating status of the print head. Before the printer will respond to this command, it must be in the Head Check Mode (DSW2-3 = On).

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | HEX VALUE | DESCRIPTION                                     |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1              | 00<br>01  | Print Head OK<br>Electrical Fault in Print Head |

### SYSTEM VERSION INFORMATION (SOH + SB)

Upon Receipt of an SOH (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by a ASCII **SB** causes the printer to return a 50 byte Printer Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the system version of the printer.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE | DESCRIPTION                  |
|----------------|-------|------------------------------|
| 1-50           | ASCII | Firmware Version Information |

### **MEMORY STATUS (SOH + EB)**

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **EB** causes the printer to return a 24 byte Memory Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the current user memory allocation.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE | DESCRIPTION               |
|----------------|-------|---------------------------|
| 1-4            | Hex   | Free Font Memory          |
| 5-8            | Hex   | Total Font Memory         |
| 9-12           | Hex   | Free Form Overlay Memory  |
| 13-16          | Hex   | Total Form Overlay Memory |
| 17-20          | Hex   | Free Graphic Memory       |
| 21-24          | Hex   | Total Graphic Memory      |

### FORM OVERLAY STATUS (SOH + FO)

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **FO** causes the printer to return a 18 byte Form Overlay Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the Forms downloaded into the printer.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE    | DESCRIPTION                            |
|----------------|----------|----------------------------------------|
| 1-2            | 01 to 99 | Form Registration Number (ASCII value) |
| 3-18           | ASCII    | Form Name                              |

#### **FONT CONFIGURATION (SOH + FG)**

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an **ASCII FG** causes the printer to return a 102 byte Font/Graphics Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports information on the stored font or graphic.

Note: The printer must be in the Font/Graphic Download (See the specific printer Operators Manual) mode before a response will be received.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE      | DESCRIPTION                      |
|----------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| 1-2            | ASCII Font | ID Number                        |
| 3-4            | 00н 01н    | Font Graphic                     |
| 5-36           | ASCII      | Font Name                        |
| 37-48          | ASCII      | Font Style                       |
| 49-52          | ASCII      | Font Point Size                  |
| 53-54          | Hex        | Character Width in dots          |
| 54-60          | Hex        | Character Height in dots         |
| 57-60          | Hex        | Font Size                        |
| 58-64          | Hex        | Font Registration Number         |
| 65-68          | Hex        | Font Data Top Address            |
| 69-72          | Hex        | Total Size                       |
| 73-74          | Hex        | Vertical/Horizontal Writing Flag |
| 75             | Hex        | Character Pitch, Fixed/Variable  |
| 76             | Hex        | Family Attribute                 |
| 77             | Hex        | Character Set                    |
| 78             | Hex        | Italic Attribute                 |
| 79-80          | Hex        | Weight Attribute                 |
| 81-82          | Hex        | Spread                           |
| 83-84          | Hex        | Assent in dots                   |
| 85-86          | Hex        | Registration Start Code          |
| 86-8           | Hex        | Registration End Code            |
| 88-95          | Hex        | Reserved                         |
| 96-98          | Hex        | Code                             |
| 99-100         | Hex        | Horizontal Valid Size            |
| 101-102        | Hex        | Left Gap Size                    |

#### **INTERFACE STATUS (SOH + IG)**

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **IG** causes the printer to return a 1 byte Interface Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the type of interface connection currently set in the printer.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE       | DESCRIPTION                                              |
|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1              | 0<br>1<br>2 | IEEE 1284 Parallel<br>Serial RS232<br>Local Area Network |
|                | 3           | Universal Serial Bus                                     |

#### **SERIAL INTERFACE SETTINGS (SOH + H2)**

Upon Receipt of an **SOH** (hexadecimal 01) followed immediately by an ASCII **H2** causes the printer to return a 5 byte Serial IF Status Word bounded by an **STX-ETX** pair that reports the current operating parameters of the Serial RS232 Interface.

| BYTE<br>NUMBER | VALUE                 | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1              | 0                     | 9600 BPS                                                                                                                                                             |
|                | 1<br>2<br>3           | 19200 BPS<br>38400 BPS<br>57600 BPS                                                                                                                                  |
| 2              | 0<br>1<br>3           | No Parity<br>Odd Parity<br>Even Parity                                                                                                                               |
| 3              | 0<br>1                | 1 Stop Bit<br>2 Stop Bits                                                                                                                                            |
| 4              | 0<br>1<br>2<br>3<br>4 | Single Item Buffer with Ready/Busy Flow Control<br>Multi-Item Buffer with Ready/Busy Flow Control<br>X-ON/X-OFF Flow Control<br>Status 4 Bi-Comm<br>Status 3 Bi-Comm |

#### STATUS BYTE DEFINITION, BI-COM PROTOCOL

| ASCII | HEX DEFINITION |                                      |
|-------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
|       | 0              | FF-LINE                              |
| 0     | 30             | No Errors                            |
| 1     | 31             | Ribbon Near End                      |
| 2     | 32             | Buffer Near Full                     |
| 3     | 33             | Ribbon Near End and Buffer Near Full |

| ASCII | HEX                       | DEFINITION                           |  |  |  |
|-------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 4(¹)  | 34                        | Print Stop (no error)                |  |  |  |
|       | ON-LINE, WAITING FOR DATA |                                      |  |  |  |
| Α     | 41                        | No Errors                            |  |  |  |
| В     | 42                        | Ribbon Near End                      |  |  |  |
| С     | 43                        | Buffer Near Full                     |  |  |  |
| D     | 44                        | Ribbon Near End and Buffer Near Full |  |  |  |
| E(1)  | 45                        | Print Stop (without error)           |  |  |  |
|       | 0                         | N-LINE PRINTING                      |  |  |  |
| G     | 47                        | No Errors                            |  |  |  |
| Н     | 48                        | Ribbon Near End                      |  |  |  |
| I     | 49                        | Buffer Near Full                     |  |  |  |
| J     | 4A                        | Ribbon Near End and Buffer Near Full |  |  |  |
| K(1)  | 4B                        | Print Stop (without error)           |  |  |  |
|       |                           | ON-LINE, WAITING TO DISPENSE A LABEL |  |  |  |
| М     | 4D                        | No Errors                            |  |  |  |
| N     | 4E                        | Ribbon Near End                      |  |  |  |
| 0     | 4F                        | Buffer Near Full                     |  |  |  |
| Р     | 50                        | Ribbon Near End and Buffer Near Full |  |  |  |
| Q(1)  | 51                        | Print Stop (without error)           |  |  |  |
|       | ON                        | I-LINE, COMPILING PRINT JOB          |  |  |  |
| S     | 53                        | No Errors                            |  |  |  |
| Т     | 5                         | 4 Ribbon Near End                    |  |  |  |
| U     | 55                        | Buffer Near Full                     |  |  |  |
| V(1)  | 56                        | Ribbon Near End and Buffer Near Full |  |  |  |
| W (1) | 56                        | Print Stop (without error)           |  |  |  |
|       | C                         | FF-LINE, ERROR CONDITION             |  |  |  |
| b     | 62                        | Head Open                            |  |  |  |
| С     | 63                        | Paper End                            |  |  |  |
| d     | 64                        | Ribbon End                           |  |  |  |
| е     | 65                        | Media Error                          |  |  |  |

#### Section 7: Bi-Directional Communications

| ASCII                                       | HEX | DEFINITION            |  |
|---------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|--|
| f                                           | 66  | Sensor Error          |  |
| g                                           | 67  | Head Error            |  |
| j                                           | 6A  | Cutter Error          |  |
| k                                           | 6B  | Other Error Condition |  |
| (1)Not supported by legacy Bi-Com protocols |     |                       |  |

# APPENDIX A. COMMAND CODE QUICK REFERENCE

| Instruction        | Descrip                           | otion          |                                                                                               | Page |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| А                  | Start Code. Begins all print jobs |                |                                                                                               | 2-66 |
| A1aaaabbbb         | Media Si                          | <b>ze.</b> Spe | ecifies the label size.                                                                       | 2-46 |
|                    | aaaa                              | =              | Label length in dots (0 to Vmax)                                                              |      |
|                    | bbbb                              | =              | Label width in dots (0 to Hmax)                                                               |      |
| A(space)Z          | Form Fe                           | ed. Fee        | eds a blank tag or label.                                                                     | 2-33 |
| AR                 | Normal F<br>print leng            |                | ength. This command resets the printer to the Standard ches).                                 | 2-52 |
| A3H-aaaa<br>-Vbbbb |                                   |                | e Point. Establishes a new base reference point current label. Units of measurement are dots. | 2-10 |
|                    | -                                 | =              | Optional character.If included, will shift reference point in negative direction.             |      |
|                    | aaaa                              | =              | Horizontal reference point                                                                    |      |
|                    | bbbb                              | =              | Vertical reference point                                                                      |      |
| Babbcccd           | Bar Code                          | es. Prir       | nts a 1:3 ratio bar code.                                                                     | 2-2  |
|                    | a =                               | 0              | Codabar                                                                                       |      |
|                    |                                   | 1              | Code 39                                                                                       |      |
|                    |                                   | 2              | Interleaved 2 of 5 (I 2/5)                                                                    |      |
|                    |                                   | 3              | UPC-A/EAN-13                                                                                  |      |
|                    |                                   | 4              | EAN-8                                                                                         |      |
|                    |                                   | 5              | Industrial 2 of 5                                                                             |      |
|                    |                                   | 6              | Matrix 2 of 5                                                                                 |      |
|                    |                                   | 7              | reserved                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | 8              | reserved                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | 9              | reserved                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | Α              | MSI                                                                                           |      |
|                    |                                   | В              | reserved                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | С              | Code 93                                                                                       |      |
|                    |                                   | D              | reserved                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | Е              | UPC-E                                                                                         |      |
|                    |                                   | F              | Bookland                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | G              | Code 128                                                                                      |      |
|                    |                                   | 1              | UCC 128                                                                                       |      |

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|             | bb =                | Number of dots (01-12<br>space                   | r) for narrow bar and narrow                                               |      |
|             | ccc =               | Bar height in dots (001                          | -999)                                                                      |      |
|             | d =                 | JCC 128 only                                     |                                                                            |      |
|             | 0                   | No human readable te                             | xt                                                                         |      |
|             | 1                   | Human readable at top                            | )                                                                          |      |
|             | 2                   | Human readable at bo                             | ttom                                                                       |      |
| BDabbcccd   | Code 128 ar         |                                                  | except for UPC, EAN, Code 93, are fixed width bar codes. For for Babbcccd. | 2-2  |
|             |                     | codes, this command<br>text below the symbo      | l puts descender bars and<br>l.                                            |      |
| BKaabbcdd   | <b>PDF417</b> . Pri | DF417 2-D symbols.                               |                                                                            | 5-10 |
| eeefffnnn   | aa =                | Minimum module dime<br>print for values of 01, 0 | ension (03-09 dots). Will not<br>02 or greater than 09.                    |      |
|             | bb =                | -                                                | dimension (04-240 dots). Will 01, 02, 03 or greater than 25.               |      |
|             | c =                 | Security level (1-8).                            |                                                                            |      |
|             | dd =                |                                                  | 01-30). If 00 is specified for dd omatically optimize settings.            |      |
|             | ee =                | • •                                              | 3). If 00 is specified for dd and tically optimize settings.               |      |
|             | fff =               | Number of characters                             | to be encoded (0001-2700)                                                  |      |
|             | g =                 | Not specified, standard                          | d PDF417                                                                   |      |
|             |                     | M Micro PDF417                                   |                                                                            |      |
|             |                     | Truncated PDF4                                   | 17                                                                         |      |
|             | nnn =               | Data to be printed.                              |                                                                            |      |
| BPnn        | Postnet. Pri        | ostnet bar codes.                                |                                                                            | 2-49 |
|             | nn =                | digit ZIP (Postnet-32                            | format)                                                                    |      |
|             |                     | digits (Postnet-37 for                           | rmat)                                                                      |      |
|             |                     | digit ZIP+4 (Postnet                             | -52 format)                                                                |      |
|             |                     | l1 digit ZIP+4+DPC (F<br>ormat).                 | Postnet-62, Delivery Point                                                 |      |
| BTabbccddee |                     | those specified throug                           | e ability to print a bar code with the standard bar code                   | 2-8  |
|             | a =                 | Bar code option:                                 |                                                                            |      |
|             |                     | ) Codabar                                        |                                                                            |      |

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|                         | bb =                      | Narrow space in dots (01-99)                                                                                            |      |
|                         | cc =                      | Wide space in dots (01-99)                                                                                              |      |
|                         | dd =                      | Narrow bar in dots (01-99)                                                                                              |      |
| D) (-  -                | ee =                      | Wide bar in dots (01-99)                                                                                                | 5.0  |
| BVa,b,c,<br>ddddddddd,  |                           | ints 2-D Maxicode symbols per AIM I.S.S. specification.                                                                 | 5-8  |
| eee,f f f,ggg           | a =                       | Position of symbol within the set                                                                                       |      |
|                         | b =                       | Total number of symbols in the set                                                                                      |      |
|                         | C =                       | Mode                                                                                                                    |      |
|                         | ddd =                     | 9 digit numeric Postal Code                                                                                             |      |
|                         | eee =                     | 3 digit numeric Country Code                                                                                            |      |
|                         | fff =                     | 3 digit numeric Service Class                                                                                           |      |
| DWoohhh                 | ggg =                     | Data, terminated by <esc></esc>                                                                                         | 2.7  |
| BWaabbb                 |                           | xpansion. Works together with the BT command to<br>ansion factor and the bar code height for the particular<br>printed. | 2-7  |
|                         | aa =                      | Expansion factor by which the width of all bars and spaces is increased (01-12)                                         |      |
|                         | bbb =                     | Bar height by dot (004-999 dots)                                                                                        |      |
| BXaabbccdd<br>eeefffghh | Data Matrix. I symbology. | Data Format. Specifies the format of the Data Matrix 2-D                                                                | 5-2  |
|                         | aa =                      | Format ID (01-06, If ECC200 is selected (bb=20) this field is ignored.                                                  |      |
|                         | bb =                      | Error correction level (00, 05, 08,10,14, 20 or 200. All other values processed as 00.                                  |      |
|                         | cc =                      | Horizontal cell size (03-12 dots/cell)                                                                                  |      |
|                         | dd =                      | Vertical cell size (03-12 dots per cell)                                                                                |      |
|                         | eee =                     | Cells per line. Use 000 for optimized symbol.                                                                           |      |
|                         | fff =                     | Cell lines. Use 000 to optimize.                                                                                        |      |
|                         | g =                       | Mirror image                                                                                                            |      |
|                         |                           | 0 Normal Print                                                                                                          |      |
|                         |                           | 1 Reverse Print                                                                                                         |      |
|                         | hh =                      | Guide cell thickness (01-15) 01 indicates normal type.                                                                  |      |

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| С                   | Repeat La   | bel.                                                                                                                              | Prints a duplicate of the last label printed.                                                                          | 2-57 |  |
| CSa                 | -           | <b>Print Speed Selection</b> . Specifies a unique print speed in in./sec. through software for a particular label.                |                                                                                                                        |      |  |
|                     | а           | =                                                                                                                                 | Speed Range                                                                                                            |      |  |
| Dabbcccd            |             | scen                                                                                                                              | nts 1:2 ratio bar code. For UPC and EAN bar codes, this der bars. For values a, bb, ccc and d see instructions for     | 2-2  |  |
| DCxxx               |             |                                                                                                                                   | int Data. Prints data using Data Matrix format specified nat command.                                                  | 5-5  |  |
|                     | XXX         | =                                                                                                                                 | Data to be printed. Cannot exceed 500 characters.                                                                      |      |  |
| Eaaa                |             |                                                                                                                                   | vides the ability to print multiple lines of the same vithout specifying a new print position for each line.           | 2-45 |  |
|                     | aaa         | =                                                                                                                                 | Number of dots (1-999) between the bottom of the characters on one line to the top of the characters on the next line. |      |  |
| EX0                 | Expanded    | l Prin                                                                                                                            | t Length. Expands the print length to 9999 dots.                                                                       | 2-51 |  |
| Faaaabcccc<br>ddee  | -           | equential Numbering. Allows the printing of sequencing fields (text, ar codes) where all incrementing is done within the printer. |                                                                                                                        |      |  |
|                     | aaaa        | =                                                                                                                                 | Number of times to repeat the same data (0001-9999)                                                                    |      |  |
|                     | b           | =                                                                                                                                 | Plus or minus symbol (+ for increments; - for decrements)                                                              |      |  |
|                     | cccc        | =                                                                                                                                 | Value of step for sequence (001-9999)                                                                                  |      |  |
|                     | dd          | =                                                                                                                                 | No. of digits for sequential numbering (01-99, default = 8)                                                            |      |  |
|                     | ee          | =                                                                                                                                 | No. of digits free from sequential numbering (01-99, default=0)                                                        |      |  |
| FWaabcccc           | Line. Print | s a h                                                                                                                             | orizontal line. Units of measurement are dots.                                                                         | 2-43 |  |
|                     | aa          | =                                                                                                                                 | Width of line                                                                                                          |      |  |
|                     | b           | =                                                                                                                                 | V Vertical line                                                                                                        |      |  |
|                     |             |                                                                                                                                   | H Horizontal line                                                                                                      |      |  |
|                     | CCCC        | =                                                                                                                                 | Length of line                                                                                                         |      |  |
| FWaabbVccc<br>Hdddd |             |                                                                                                                                   | ox. For values aa, bbbb, cc, and dddd, see instructions and vertical lines. Units of measurement are dots.             | 2-43 |  |
|                     | aa          | =                                                                                                                                 | Width of horizontal side                                                                                               |      |  |
|                     | bb          | =                                                                                                                                 | Width of vertical side                                                                                                 |      |  |
|                     | cccc        | =                                                                                                                                 | Length of vertical side                                                                                                |      |  |
|                     | dddd        | =                                                                                                                                 | Length of horizontal side                                                                                              |      |  |

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| FXaaabccc<br>dddeee | Data Matrix<br>Matrix 2-D s | . Sequential Numbering. Prints sequential numbered Data ymbols.                                                                             | 5-6  |
|                     | aaa =                       | Number of duplicate labels (001-999)                                                                                                        |      |
|                     | b =                         | Increment or decrement                                                                                                                      |      |
|                     |                             | + Increment                                                                                                                                 |      |
|                     |                             | - Decrement                                                                                                                                 |      |
|                     | ccc =                       | Increment/decrement steps (001-999)                                                                                                         |      |
|                     | ddd =                       | Sequential numbering start position (001-999). Referenced to left side.                                                                     |      |
|                     | eee =                       | Incremented data length (001-999). Measured from start position.                                                                            |      |
| Gabbbccc(data)      |                             | <b>aphics</b> . Allows the creation and printing of graphic images addressable matrix.                                                      | 2-36 |
|                     | a =                         | Specifies format of data stream to follow                                                                                                   |      |
|                     |                             | B Binary                                                                                                                                    |      |
|                     |                             | H Hexadecimal                                                                                                                               |      |
|                     | bbb =                       | Number of horizontal 8 x 8 blocks (see page 5-XX for range)                                                                                 |      |
|                     | ccc =                       | Number of vertical 8 x 8 blocks (see page 5-XX for range)                                                                                   |      |
|                     | data =                      | Data to describe the graphic image                                                                                                          |      |
| GMaaaaa             | BMP File.                   | Downloads BMP file to the internal graphics image memory.                                                                                   | 2-38 |
|                     | aaaaa =                     | No. of bytes to be downloaded (max DOS file size is 32K                                                                                     |      |
| GPaaaaa             | PCX File. D                 | ownloads PCX file to the internal graphics image memory.                                                                                    | 2-39 |
|                     | aaaaa =                     | No. of bytes to be downloaded (max DOS file size is 32K)                                                                                    |      |
| Наааа               |                             | <b>Position</b> . Specifies a fieldís horizontal location across the label from the current base reference point. The units of nt are dots. | 2-53 |
| IDaa                | Job ID Stor                 | e. Stores the Job ID number.                                                                                                                | 2-40 |
|                     | aa =                        | Job ID number assigned (01-99)                                                                                                              |      |
| J                   |                             | nt. Provides the ability to print text line by line. Fixed ween lines and characters.                                                       | 2-42 |
| Kab90cc             |                             | com Designed Characters. Recalls for printing a custom printing a custom common bred by the Tabcc(data) command.                            | 2-13 |
|                     | a =                         | 1 16 x 16 matrix                                                                                                                            |      |
|                     |                             | 2 24 x 24 matrix                                                                                                                            |      |

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|             | b =                           | Indicates the format that data stream was stored in                                                                     |      |
|             |                               | B Binary                                                                                                                |      |
|             |                               | H Hexadecimal                                                                                                           |      |
|             |                               | Memory location where the character was stored. Valid locations are 21 to 52 or "!" to "R" in hex values.               |      |
| Laabb       | Character Expa                | nsion. Expands characters in both directions.                                                                           | 2-14 |
|             | aa =                          | Multiple to expand horizontally (01-12)                                                                                 |      |
|             | bb =                          | Multiple to expand vertically (01-12)                                                                                   |      |
| M           | Font type. Speci descenders). | ifies the 13W x 20H dot matrix font (including                                                                          | 2-26 |
| OA          | Font type. Speci              | ifies the OCR-A font.                                                                                                   | 2-26 |
| OB          | Font type. Speci              | ifies the OCR-B font dot matrix.                                                                                        | 2-26 |
| Paa         | <b>Character Pitch</b>        | . Designates the number of dots between characters.                                                                     | 2-16 |
|             | aa =                          | Number of dots between characters (01-99)                                                                               |      |
| PR          | Fixed Font Space mode.        | cing. Returns the printer to fixed character spacing                                                                    | 2-18 |
| PS          | •                             | nt Spacing. Places the printer in the proportional g mode. Will not work with U Font.                                   | 2-18 |
| Qaaaaaa     | Print Quantity.               | Specifies the total number of labels to print.                                                                          | 2-55 |
|             | aaaaaa =                      | Total number of labels to print for the job (000001-999999)                                                             |      |
| RDabb,ccc,  | Font Type. Spec               | ifies the internal AGFA raster fonts.                                                                                   | 2-28 |
| ddd,nnn     | a =                           | A Specifies CG Times font                                                                                               |      |
|             |                               | B Specifies CG Triumvirate font                                                                                         |      |
|             | bb =                          | Always 00                                                                                                               |      |
|             |                               | Horizontal Size (16 to 999 dots or P08 to P72 point size)                                                               |      |
|             | ddd =                         | Vertical Size (16 to 999 dots or P08 to P72 point size)                                                                 |      |
|             | nnn =                         | Data to be printed                                                                                                      |      |
| RMaaaa,bbbb |                               | rints mirror image of data. Must be preceded by an A1 mand. Must be preceded by an <esc>A1 Media Size</esc>             | 2-47 |
| S           | Font type. Speci descenders). | ifies the 8W x 15H dot matrix font (including                                                                           | 2-26 |
| Tabcc(data) |                               | resigned Characters. To create and store custom ages in the printeris volatile memory. See Kab90cc to ter for printing. | 2-12 |
|             | a =                           | 1 16 x 16 matrix                                                                                                        |      |

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|              | 2 24 x 24 matrix                                                                                                                              |                           |
|              | b = Specifies data stream format to fo                                                                                                        | llow                      |
|              | B Binary                                                                                                                                      |                           |
|              | H Hexadecimal                                                                                                                                 |                           |
|              | cc = Memory location to store the char locations are 21 to 52 or "!" to "R"                                                                   |                           |
|              | (data) = Data to describe the character.                                                                                                      |                           |
| U            | Font type Specifies a 5W x 9L dot matrix font (ind                                                                                            | cluding descenders). 2-26 |
| Vbbbb        | <b>Vertical Position</b> . Specifies a field's vertical location of the label from the current base reference point. It measurement are dots. | <u> </u>                  |
| WBa          | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 18W x 30L dot matrix font descenders).                                                                       | (including 2-31           |
|              | a = 0 Disables auto-smoothing of for                                                                                                          | nt                        |
|              | <ol> <li>Enables auto-smoothing if exp<br/>than 3</li> </ol>                                                                                  | ansion is greater         |
| WDHaaaaVbbbb | Copy Image Area. To copy an image to another lo                                                                                               | cation of the label. 2-21 |
| XccccYdddd   | aaaa = Horizontal position of the top left of                                                                                                 | corner of image area      |
|              | bbbb = Vertical position of the top left cor                                                                                                  | ner of image area         |
|              | cccc = Horizontal length of image area                                                                                                        |                           |
|              | dddd = Vertical length of image area                                                                                                          |                           |
| WKnnn        | Job Name. Stores the job name.                                                                                                                | 2-41                      |
|              | nnn = Job name, up to 16 ASCII charac                                                                                                         | ters                      |
| WLa          | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 28W x 52L dot matrix font decenders).                                                                        | (including 2-31           |
|              | a = 0 Disables auto-smoothing of for                                                                                                          | nt                        |
|              | <ol> <li>Enables auto-smoothing if exp<br/>than 3</li> </ol>                                                                                  | ansion is greater         |
| XM           | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 24W x 24H dot matrix fon descenders).                                                                        | t (including 2-26         |
| XS           | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 17W x 17H dot matrix fon descenders).                                                                        | t (including 2-26         |
| XU           | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 5W x 9L dot matrix font (in descenders).                                                                     | ncluding 2-26             |
| XWa          | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 48W x 48L dot matrix font descenders).                                                                       | (including 2-31           |
|              | a = 0 Disables auto-smoothing of for                                                                                                          | nt                        |

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|                           | 1 Enables auto-smoothing if expansion is greater than 3                                                                   |      |
| XBa                       | <b>Font type</b> . Specifies the 48W x 48L dot matrix font (including descenders).                                        | 2-31 |
|                           | a = 0 Disables auto-smoothing of font                                                                                     |      |
|                           | <ol> <li>Enables auto-smoothing if expansion is greater than 3</li> </ol>                                                 |      |
| Z                         | Stop Code. Ends all print jobs.                                                                                           | 2-66 |
| 2D3m,a,bb,c<br>d,ee,ff,gg | <b>QR Code</b> . Prints QR Code symbols. See command description for parameter definition and usage.                      | 5-12 |
| %a                        | <b>Rotate</b> . Fixed Base Reference Point. Rotates printing in 90° increments without changing the base reference point. | 2-62 |
|                           | a = 0 Sets print to normal direction                                                                                      |      |
|                           | 1 Sets print to 90° CCW                                                                                                   |      |
|                           | 2 Sets print to 180° rotated (upside down)                                                                                |      |
|                           | 3 Sets print to 270° CCW (90× CW)                                                                                         |      |
| \$a,b,c,d                 | Vector font. Specifies printing of the unique SATO vector font.                                                           | 2-29 |
|                           | a = A Helvetica Bold (proportional spacing)                                                                               |      |
|                           | B Helvetica Bold (fixed spacing)                                                                                          |      |
|                           | b = Font width (50-999 dots*)                                                                                             |      |
|                           | c = Font height (50-999 dots*)                                                                                            |      |
|                           | d = Font variation (0-9) as follows:                                                                                      |      |
|                           | 0 Standard                                                                                                                |      |
|                           | 1 Standard open (outlined)                                                                                                |      |
|                           | 2 Gray (mesh) pattern 1                                                                                                   |      |
|                           | 3 Gray (mesh) pattern 2                                                                                                   |      |
|                           | 4 Gray (mesh) pattern 3                                                                                                   |      |
|                           | 5 Standard, shadow 1                                                                                                      |      |
|                           | 6 Standard, shadow 2                                                                                                      |      |
|                           | 7 Standard mirror image                                                                                                   |      |
|                           | 8 Italic                                                                                                                  |      |
|                           | 9 Italic open (outlined)                                                                                                  |      |
| \$=(data)                 | Data for Vector font.                                                                                                     | 2-29 |
| #Ea                       | <b>Print Darkness</b> . Specifies a new print darkness setting. The lightest setting is "1".                              | 2-50 |
| (aaaa,bbbb                | <b>Reverse Image</b> . Reverse image from black to white and vice versa. Units of measure are dots.                       | 2-60 |

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|             | aaaa = Horizontal length in dots of area to be reversed.                                                                                                                 |      |
|             | bbbb = Vertical height in dots of area to be reversed.                                                                                                                   |      |
| &           | <b>Store Form Overlay</b> . Stores a specified label image in the printer's volatile form overlay memory.                                                                | 2-35 |
| 1           | <b>Recall Form Overlay</b> . Recalls the label image from the printer's formoverlay memory for printing.                                                                 | 2-34 |
| 0 (zero)    | <b>Replace Data (Partial Edit)</b> . Provides the ability to replace a specified area of the previous label with new data.                                               | 2-58 |
| *a          | Clear Print Job(s) and Memory. Clears individual memory and buffers.                                                                                                     | 2-19 |
|             | <ul> <li>a = When not included in command, clears print jobs in<br/>Multi-Buffer mode.</li> </ul>                                                                        |      |
|             | <ul> <li>a = If included in command, specifies memory section to<br/>be cleared</li> </ul>                                                                               |      |
|             | T Custom character memory, printer                                                                                                                                       |      |
|             | & Form overlay memory, printer                                                                                                                                           |      |
|             | X Clears all memory all memory and buffers                                                                                                                               |      |
| @,nnnn      | <b>Off-Line</b> . Signals the printer to go off-line after the completion of a print job.                                                                                | 2-48 |
|             | nnnn = Optional message to be displayed on the LCD panel.  Maximum of 32 characters.                                                                                     |      |
| ~aaaa       | <b>Cut Job</b> . Cuts labels at a specified interval in a print job. Number of labels printed is equal to the product of the Quantity specified times the value of aaaa. | 2-24 |
|             | aaaa = Number of labels between each cut (0001 to 9999)                                                                                                                  |      |
| ~Aaaaa      | <b>Cut</b> . Specifies the number of labels to print between each cut. It is independent of the Quantity command.                                                        | 2-23 |
|             | aaaa = Number of labels between each cut                                                                                                                                 |      |
| ~B          | Cut Last. Cuts any printed labels that remain in the printer                                                                                                             | 2-25 |

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| WA(elements) | from the pr | <b>Calendar Print</b> . Prints the date and/or time field (up to 16 characters) from the printerís internal clock. Use slash to separate date elements and colon to separate time elements. |            |                                                                                        | 3-4  |
|              | elements    | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | YY         | 2 digit Year (00-91)                                                                   |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | YYYY       | 4 digit Year (1981-2080)                                                               |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | MM         | Month (01-12)                                                                          |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | DD         | Day (01-31)                                                                            |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | НН         | 12 Hour Clock (00-11)                                                                  |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | hh         | 24 Hour Clock (00-23)                                                                  |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | mm         | Minutes (00-59)                                                                        |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | SS         | Seconds (00-59)                                                                        |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | TT         | AM or PM                                                                               |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | JJJ        | Julian Date (000-366)                                                                  |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | WW         | Week (00-53)                                                                           |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | ww         | Week (01-54)                                                                           |      |
| WPabbb       |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             |            | add a value to the printeris current date and/<br>the printeris internal time setting. | 3-2  |
|              | а           | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Υ          | Years                                                                                  |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | M          | Months                                                                                 |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | D          | Days                                                                                   |      |
|              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                             | h          | Hours                                                                                  |      |
|              | bbb         | =                                                                                                                                                                                           |            | data, Week (00-99), Years (1-9), Months<br>Days (001-999), Hours (001-999).            |      |
| WTaabbccddee | Calendar S  | Set. 7                                                                                                                                                                                      | To set the | time and date of the printeris internal clock.                                         | 3-6  |
|              | aa          | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Year (00   | 9-99)                                                                                  |      |
|              | bb          | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Month (0   | 01-12)                                                                                 |      |
|              | СС          | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Day (01-   | -31)                                                                                   |      |
|              | dd          | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Hour (00   | 0-23)                                                                                  |      |
|              | ee          | =                                                                                                                                                                                           | Minute (   | 00-59)                                                                                 |      |

#### **EXPANDED MEMORY OPTION COMMANDS**

| Instruction                   | Description                                                                                 | 1                                                                                                                                 | Page |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| BJ(aaabbb                     | Start TrueTyp<br>accept TrueTy                                                              | e Font Storage. Prepares the Expanded Memory to pe font data.                                                                     | 4-4  |
|                               | aaa =                                                                                       | 40 byte font description                                                                                                          |      |
|                               | bbb =                                                                                       | 10 byte date field                                                                                                                |      |
| BJDcccccdddd<br>eee           |                                                                                             | Mapped TrueType Font Data. Downloads the bit ype font data to the memory area specified.                                          | 4-4  |
|                               | ccccc =                                                                                     | Memory Offset (hexadecimal)                                                                                                       |      |
|                               | dddd =                                                                                      | Data size in bytes (max = 2000)                                                                                                   |      |
|                               | eee =                                                                                       | Font data to be downloaded                                                                                                        |      |
| BJ                            | End TrueType<br>storage proces                                                              | • Font Storage.Ends the bit mapped TrueType font ss                                                                               | 4-4  |
| BJFaaaaaaaa                   | formats it for u                                                                            | anded Memory. Initializes the Memory Area and se. Should be preceded by the Memory Area Select the memory area to be initialized. | 4-16 |
|                               | aaaaaaaa                                                                                    | = 8 character alphanumeric password                                                                                               |      |
| BJRabbccdd<br>eeeefff         | <b>TrueType Font Recall</b> . Recalls a previously stored bit mapped TrueType font for use. |                                                                                                                                   | 4-3  |
|                               | a =                                                                                         | Font ID (1-9                                                                                                                      |      |
|                               | bb =                                                                                        | Horizontal Expansion (01-12)                                                                                                      |      |
|                               | cc =                                                                                        | Vertical Expansion (01-12)                                                                                                        |      |
|                               | dd =                                                                                        | Character pitch (01-99)                                                                                                           |      |
|                               | eeee =                                                                                      | Number of characters                                                                                                              |      |
|                               | fff =                                                                                       | Data to be printed using font                                                                                                     |      |
| BJS                           | •                                                                                           | <b>emory Status</b> . Reports the status of the currently active to the host by printing a status label.                          | 4-18 |
| BJTaa,bb,cc,<br>dd,ee,fff,ggg | <b>TrueType For</b> TrueType font                                                           | <b>It Recall</b> . Recalls a previously stored bit mapped for use.                                                                | 4-3  |
|                               | aa =                                                                                        | Font ID (01-99                                                                                                                    |      |
|                               | bb =                                                                                        | Horizontal Expansion (01-12)                                                                                                      |      |
|                               | cc =                                                                                        | Vertical Expansion (01-12)                                                                                                        |      |
|                               | dd =                                                                                        | Reserved, always 00                                                                                                               |      |
|                               | ee =                                                                                        | Character pitch (01-99)                                                                                                           |      |
|                               | ffff =                                                                                      | Number of characters                                                                                                              |      |
|                               | ggg =                                                                                       | Data to be printed using font                                                                                                     |      |

| Instruction         | Descrip              | otion                                                                                            | 1                                                                                        | Page |  |  |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--|--|
| CCa                 | -                    |                                                                                                  | <b>Select</b> . Selects the Memory area for all following mory commands.                 | 4-17 |  |  |
|                     | а                    | =                                                                                                | 1 Memory Area 1                                                                          |      |  |  |
|                     | b                    | =                                                                                                | 2 Memory Area 2                                                                          |      |  |  |
| GCaaa               | Recall Bl<br>Memory. | MP G                                                                                             | <b>Graphic</b> . Recalls BMP graphic files stored in Expanded                            | 4-9  |  |  |
| Glabbbcccddd<br>eee |                      |                                                                                                  | <b>Graphics</b> . Stores a graphic image in the memory card ter for printing on a label. | 4-10 |  |  |
|                     | а                    | =                                                                                                | Specifies format of data stream to follow                                                |      |  |  |
|                     |                      |                                                                                                  | B Binary                                                                                 |      |  |  |
|                     |                      |                                                                                                  | H Hexadecimal                                                                            |      |  |  |
|                     | bbb                  | =                                                                                                | Number of horizontal 8 x 8 blocks                                                        |      |  |  |
|                     | ccc                  | =                                                                                                | Number of vertical 8 x 8 blocks                                                          |      |  |  |
|                     | ddd                  | =                                                                                                | Graphics storage number (001-999)                                                        |      |  |  |
|                     | eee                  | =                                                                                                | Data to describe the graphic image                                                       |      |  |  |
| GRccc               |                      | <b>Recall Custom Graphics</b> . Recalls for printing the graphic image stored by the GI command. |                                                                                          |      |  |  |
|                     | ccc                  | =                                                                                                | Storage number (001-999)                                                                 |      |  |  |
| GTaaa,bbbbb,        | Store BM             | 4-10                                                                                             |                                                                                          |      |  |  |
| nn n                | aaa                  | =                                                                                                | Storage area number (001 to 999)                                                         |      |  |  |
|                     | bbbbb                | =                                                                                                | Size of BMP file in bytes                                                                |      |  |  |
|                     | nnn                  | =                                                                                                | Data                                                                                     |      |  |  |
| Plaaa,bbbbb,        | Store PC             | X Gr                                                                                             | aphics File. Stores a PCX graphic file.                                                  | 4-15 |  |  |
| CCC                 | aaa                  | =                                                                                                | Storage number (001-999)                                                                 |      |  |  |
|                     | bbbbb                | =                                                                                                | Number of bytes in the file to be stored.                                                |      |  |  |
| PYaaa               | Recall Po            | CX G                                                                                             | raphics File. Recalls a PCX graphics file.                                               | 4-14 |  |  |
|                     | aaa                  | =                                                                                                | The storage number assigned to the file (001-999)                                        |      |  |  |
| YR,aaa<br>/D,bb,ccc | Recall For in the me |                                                                                                  | t/Field. To recall a field from a format previously stored card.                         | 4-5  |  |  |
|                     | aaa                  | =                                                                                                | Number of format to be recalled (001 to 999)                                             |      |  |  |
|                     | bb                   | =                                                                                                | Number of field to be recalled (01-99)                                                   |      |  |  |
|                     | CCC                  | =                                                                                                | Data to be placed in field.                                                              |      |  |  |
| YS,aaa              | Store Fo             | rmat                                                                                             | /Field. To store a field in a format in the memory card.                                 | 4-6  |  |  |
| /Nbb,cc             | aaa                  | =                                                                                                | Format number (001 -999)                                                                 |      |  |  |
|                     | bb                   | =                                                                                                | Field number (01-99)                                                                     |      |  |  |
|                     | СС                   | =                                                                                                | Number of characters in the field                                                        |      |  |  |

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| &R,aa           |                 | <b>Recall Form Overlay</b> . Recalls a label image previously stored in Expanded Memory. |                                                     |      |
|                 | aa              | =                                                                                        | Storage number (00 to 99).                          |      |
| &S,aa,bbbb,cccc | Store Fo        | rm O                                                                                     | verslay. Stores a label image in Expanded Memory.   | 4-8  |
|                 | aa              | =                                                                                        | Storage number (00 to 99)                           |      |
|                 | bbbb            | =                                                                                        | Horizontal size of window to be stored (50 to Hmax) |      |
|                 | cccc            | =                                                                                        | Vertical size of window to be stored (50 to Vmax)   |      |
| *a,bbb          | Clear Ex areas. | pande                                                                                    | ed Memory. Clears individual memory and buffer      | 4-2  |
|                 | а               | =                                                                                        | Memory section to be cleared                        |      |
|                 |                 |                                                                                          | G SATO graphic files (001-999)                      |      |
|                 |                 |                                                                                          | P PCX graphic file (001-999)                        |      |
|                 |                 |                                                                                          | F Stored formats (001-999)                          |      |
|                 |                 |                                                                                          | O TrueType fonts, memory card (001-009)             |      |
|                 |                 |                                                                                          | R BMP graphic file (001-999)                        |      |
|                 | bbb             | =                                                                                        | Storage number                                      |      |

#### **CONFIGURATION COMMANDS**

| Instruction                 | Descript                    | tion                          |                                                                                                                                                                                   | Page |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| AOa                         | Auto Onlinenabled or        |                               | e automatic online on power up setting to be                                                                                                                                      | 6-14 |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Printer powers up in Online mode                                                                                                                                                  |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Printer powers up in Offline mode.                                                                                                                                                |      |
| CLa                         | CR/LF Del stream.           | l <b>ete</b> . Deletes        | the occurance of CR/LF characters in the data                                                                                                                                     | 6-12 |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Do not delete CR/LF.                                                                                                                                                              |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Delete CR/LF                                                                                                                                                                      |      |
| LFa                         | Online Fee                  | ed. To enable                 | e or disable online label feed.                                                                                                                                                   | 6-14 |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Enables label feed when online.                                                                                                                                                   |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Disables label feed when online.                                                                                                                                                  |      |
| LHa                         | Zero Slash                  | h. Allows prir                | nting zeroes with or without a slash.                                                                                                                                             | 6-13 |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Prints zeroes without a slash.                                                                                                                                                    |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Prints zeroes with a slash.                                                                                                                                                       |      |
| I2abcde                     | interface. S<br>Interface P | Sets the defa<br>Parameters c | the operating parameters for the Serial RS232C ult printer configuration in Flash ROM. See Serial ommand in the Configuration Commands of g Reference of this manual for details. | 6-11 |
| IGa                         | Sensor Ty                   | pe. Selects                   | the sensor type.                                                                                                                                                                  | 6-10 |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Reflective (Eye-Mark) sensor.                                                                                                                                                     |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Transmissive (See-Thru) sensor                                                                                                                                                    |      |
|                             |                             | 2                             | Sensor not used                                                                                                                                                                   |      |
| LD,a,b,c,d,e,<br>f,g,i, j j | of Alternate                |                               | ommand Codes. Downloads a user defined set ommand Codes. See Appendix E for details on s command.                                                                                 | 6-2  |
| PCaa,bb<br>PCF,a,z          | See Printer                 | r Setting con                 | ne default printer configuration in Flash ROM.<br>nmand in the Configuration Commands of<br>codes of this manual for details.                                                     | 6-4  |
| PHa                         | Print Type                  | . Selects the                 | thermal printing method.                                                                                                                                                          | 6-9  |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | Thermal transfer printing                                                                                                                                                         |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Direct thermal printing                                                                                                                                                           |      |
| РМа                         | Print Mode                  | e. Selects de                 | esired backfeed operation.                                                                                                                                                        | 6-8  |
|                             | a =                         | 0                             | No backfeed, continuous operation                                                                                                                                                 |      |
|                             |                             | 1                             | Tear-Off                                                                                                                                                                          |      |
|                             |                             | 2                             | Cut, backfeed after print                                                                                                                                                         |      |
|                             |                             |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                   |      |

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|             |         |          | 3           | Cut, backfeed before print                  |      |
|             |         |          | 4           | Cut, no backfeed                            |      |
|             |         |          | 7           | Dispense, backfeed after print              |      |
|             |         |          | 8           | Dispense, backfeed before print             |      |
| POabcc      | Pitch O | ffset.   | Sets the p  | pitch type, direction and offset to be used | 6-7  |
|             | а       | =        | 0           | Cutter                                      |      |
|             |         |          | 1           | Dispense                                    |      |
|             |         |          | 2           | Tear-Off                                    |      |
|             |         |          | 3           | Continuous                                  |      |
|             | b       | =        | +           | Positive offset                             |      |
|             |         |          | -           | Negative offset                             |      |
|             | СС      | =        | 00 to 9     | 99, offset value in dots.                   |      |
| TPa         | Test Pr | int. All | lows test I | abels to be printed via host command.       | 6-16 |
|             | а       | =        | 0           | Small user test print.                      |      |
|             |         |          | 1           | Large user test print.                      |      |
|             |         |          | 2           | Small factory test print.                   |      |
|             |         |          | 3           | Large factory test print.                   |      |

#### **LEGACY COMMANDS**

These commands are provided for legacy applications that use command streams created for older SATO printers. It is not recommended that these commands be used for new applications.

- AX **Expanded Print Length**. This command sets the printer to the Expanded print length (14 inches). <ESC>EXO is the recommended replacement.
- N Rotate, Moving Base Reference Point. Sets the original base reference point and returns printing to normal orientation. <ESC>% is the recommended replacement.
- R Rotate, Moving Base Reference Point. Rotates the printing of all subsequent images by 90 degrees counterclockwise each time it is used. Also moves the base reference point. <ESC>% is the recommended replacement.

# APPENDIX B. BAR CODE SPECIFICATIONS

#### **BAR CODE SYMBOLOGIES**

This section contains detailed information on the printing of bar codes on the "e" Series and PRO printers. Information on printing the following bar code symbologies is provided:

- Codbar
- Code 39
- Interleaved 2 of 5
- UPC-A/EAN-13
- EAN-8
- Industrial 2 of 5
- Matrix 2 of 5
- Code 128
- MSI
- Code 93
- UPC-E
- UPC Supplements(Bookland)
- UCC-128
- Postnet
- Data Matrix
- Maxicode
- PDF417

# Codabar

COMMAND STRUCTURE 1:3 ratio <ESC>B0bbcccd (data) d

2:5 ratio <ESC>BD0bbcccd (data) d 1:2 ratio <ESC>D0bbcccd (data) d

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

d = Required Start and Stop character (A, B, C, or D)

data = Bar code data (alphanumeric)

**CHARACTER SET** 0-9, -,\$,:,/,+

A, B, C, D (Start/Stop characters)

**DENSITY TABLE** 

| Printer<br>Resolution | Narrow/<br>Wide<br>Ratio | Value<br>of "bb" | "X"<br>Dimension<br>(mils) | Density<br>(char/inch) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
|                       | 1:3                      | 03               | 5.0                        | 16.96                  |
| 600 dpi               | 2:5                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 27.2                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 25.0                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 25.0                   |
| 300 dpi               | 1:3                      | 02               | 6.7                        | 12.6                   |
| 300 dpi               | 2:5                      | 01               | 6.7                        | 13.6                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 15.1                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 5.0                        | 16.9                   |
| 200 dpi               | 1:3                      | 02               | 10.0                       | 8.5                    |
|                       | 2:5                      | 01               | 10.0                       | 9.2                    |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 5.0                        | 10.2                   |

**EXAMPLE** <ESC>H0400<ESC>V0025<ESC>B002100A12345B

<ESC>H0440<ESC>V0135<ESC>XS12345

**NOTES** 

1. You must add the appropriate (A, B, C or D) Start and Stop characters to the data string. The printer does not automatically add them



12345

# Code 39

#### **COMMAND STRUCTURE** 1:3 ratio:

1:3 ratio: <ESC>Blbbccc\* (data) \*
2:5 ratio: <ESC>BD1bbccc\* (data) \*
1:2 ratio: <ESC>D1bbccc\* (data) \*

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc Bar height in dots (001-999)

\* Required Start and Stop character (asterisk)

(data) Bar code data (alphanumeric)

**CHARACTER SET** 

0-9, A-Z, Space, \$, %, +, -, .,/,\* (Start/Stop character)

**DENSITY TABLE** 

| Printer<br>Resolution | Narrow/<br>Wide<br>Ratio | Value<br>of "bb" | "X"<br>Dimension<br>(mils) | Density<br>(char/inch) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 18.8                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 03               | 5.0                        | 12.7                   |
|                       | 2:5                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 10.3                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 11.56                  |
|                       | 1:2                      | 03               | 5.0                        | 7.0                    |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 18.8                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 6.7                        | 9.5                    |
| 300 dpi               | 2:5                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 10.3                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 6.7                        | 23.1                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 11.5                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 5.0                        | 12.7                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 10.0                       | 6.4                    |
| 200dpi                | 2:5                      | 01               | 10.0                       | 7.0                    |
|                       | 1:2                      | 01               | 5.0                        | 15.6                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 10.0                       | 7.8                    |

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0025<ESC>B103100\*CODE 39\* <ESC>H0230<ESC>V0130<ESC>XS\*CODE 39\*

**NOTES** 

You must add the"\*" Start/Stop characters to the data stream. The printer does not add them automatically.



\*CODE 39\*

# Interleaved Two of Five (I 2/5)

COMMAND STRUCTURE 1:3 ratio:

1:3 ratio: <ESC>B2bbccc (data)
2:5 ratio: <ESC>BD2bbccc (data)
1:2 ratio: <ESC>D2bbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); must be an even number of

digits or else the printer will add a leading zero; start and

stop code are provided by the printer

CHARACTER SET

0-9 (numeric only

**DENSITY TABLE** 

| Printer<br>Resolution | Narrow/<br>Wide<br>Ratio | Value<br>of "bb" | "X"<br>Dimension<br>(mils) | Density<br>(char/inch) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 33.4                   |
| 600 dpi               | 1:3                      | 03               | 5.0                        | 22.6                   |
|                       | 2:5                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 18.86                  |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 3.3                        | 33.4                   |
| 300 dpi               | 1:3                      | 02               | 6.7                        | 16.7                   |
| 300 dpi               | 2:5                      | 01               | 6.7                        | 18.8                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 6.7                        | 21.4                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 3.3                        | 14.3                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 5.0                        | 22.6                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 10.0                       | 11.3                   |
| 200 dpi               | 2:5                      | 01               | 10.0                       | 12.7                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 01               | 5.0                        | 14.5                   |
|                       | 1:2                      | 02               | 10.0                       | 9.7                    |

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>**B20310045676567** 

<ESC>H0140<ESC>V0210<ESC>XM4567 6567

**NOTES** 

To add horizontal guard bars to the top and bottom of the bar code, use the Line and Box command.



45676567

### **UPC-A/EAN-13**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE

<ESC>B3bbccc (data)

<ESC>D3bbccc (data)

<ESC>BD3bbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); must be exactly 13 digits. For

UPC-A, the first digit must be a zero and the last 11 digits are the actual UPC-A data followed by a check digit.

To select UPC-A, 11 digits of data is sent. The printer adds a "0" and automatically generates the check digit. If 12 digits of data are sent, the printer assumes an EAN-13 symbol and automatically generates the check digit. The last digit of the bar code data is a modulo 10 check digit. If 13 digits of data are sent to the printer, the check digit is not created and must be supplied by the programmer. It must be the last character in the 13 digit string and can be determined by using the calculations outlined below.

#### **CHARACTER SET**

0-9 (numeric only)

#### **DENSITY TABLE**

| Printer<br>Resolution | Value of "bb" | Narrow Bar<br>Width (mils) | Magnification<br>Factor |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       | 05            | 8.3                        | Below Minimum           |
| 600 dpi               | 06            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 000 арі               | 07            | 11.7                       | 87.5%                   |
|                       | 08            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 6.7                        | Below Minimum           |
| 300 dpi               | 03            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
|                       | 04            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 200 dpi               | 03            | 15.0                       | 112%                    |
|                       | 04            | 20.0                       | 150%                    |

**NOTES** 

D3 provides guide bars that extend longer than the rest of the bar code. BD3 provides guide bars and the human readable text below the symbol.

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0375<ESC>**BD30215001234567890** 

# CALCULATING THE MOD 10 CHECK DIGIT

If you wish to encode the UPC-A data "01234567890", follow these steps to find the correct check digit.

| ODD  | 0 |   | 2 |   | 4 |   | 6 |   | 8 |   | 0 |    |
|------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| EVEN |   | 1 |   | 3 |   | 5 |   | 7 |   | 9 |   | CD |

1. First add all the numbers in the ODD positions.

i.e., 
$$0+2+4+6+8+0 = 20$$

2. Multiply the result of Step 1 by 3.

i.e., 
$$20 \times 3 = 60$$

3. Add up all the numbers in the EVEN positions.

i.e., 
$$1+3+5+7+9 = 25$$

4. Add the result of Step 2 to that of Step 3.

i.e., 
$$60 + 25 = 85$$

5. Subtract the result of Step 4 from the next highest increment of 10.

i.e., 
$$90 - 85 = 5$$

6. The correct Modulo 10 check digit for the 11 digit string "01234567890" is 5.

# EAN-8

COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>B4bbccc (data)

<ESC>D4bbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001 -999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric). Must be 8 digits.

**CHARACTER SET** 

0-9 (numeric only)

**DENSITY TABLE** 

| Printer<br>Resolution | Value of "bb" | Narrow Bar<br>Width (mils) | Magnification<br>Factor |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       | 05            | 8.3                        | Below Minimum           |
| 600 dpi               | 06            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 000 арі               | 07            | 11.7                       | 87.5%                   |
|                       | 08            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 6.7                        | Below Minimum           |
| 300 dpi               | 03            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
|                       | 04            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 200 dpi               | 03            | 15.0                       | 112%                    |
|                       | 04            | 20.0                       | 150%                    |

**NOTES** 

- 1. D4 provides guide bars that extend longer than the rest of the bar code and the human readable text below the symbol.
- 2. The check digit is automatically calculated for EAN-8.

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0400<ESC>V0375<ESC>BD4031001234567



### **Industrial Two of Five**

COMMAND STRUCTURE 1:3 ratio: B5bbccc (data)

2:5 ratio: BD5bbccc (data)
1:2 ratio: D5bbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); must be an even number of

digits or else the printer will add a leading zero

CHARACTER SET 0-9 (numeric only)

**NOTES**To add horizontal guard bars to the top and bottom of the bar code, use

the Line and Box command.

**EXAMPLE** <ESC>H0100<ESC>V0600<ESC>**BD50310012345** 

<ESC>H0300<ESC>V0710<ESC>XS12345

### **Matrix Two of Five**

COMMAND STRUCTURE 1:3 ratio: <ESC>B6bbccc (data)

2:5 ratio: <ESC>BD6bbccc (data)
1:2 ratio: <ESC>D6bbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric only); must be an even number

of digits or else the printer will add a leading zero.

**CHARACTER SET** 0-9 (numeric only)

**NOTES**To add horizontal guard bars to the top and bottom of the bar code, use

the Line and Box command.

**EXAMPLE** <ESC>H0100<ESC>V0775<ESC>**BD60310012345** 

<ESC>H0230<ESC>V0885<ESC>XS12345



# **Code 128**

#### COMMANDSTRUCTURE <ESC>BGbbcccdd (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

dd = Start code to specify initial subset of bar code data

G Subset A Start code H Subset B Start code I Subset C Start code

(data) = Includes bar code data and subset Shift codes; Shift

codes are used to change the subset type within the bar

code data.

Shift codes:

E Subset A Shift code D Subset B Shift code C Subset C Shift code

CHARACTER SET

See Code 128 Character Table on Page B-23

**DENSITY TABLE** 

| Printer    | Value of | "X"                | Density (char/inch) |          |  |
|------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| Resolution | "bb"     | Dimension<br>(mls) | Subsets A,<br>B     | Subset C |  |
|            | 02       | 3.3                | 27.3                | 54.7     |  |
| 600 dpi    | 03       | 5.0                | 18.2                | 36.5     |  |
|            | 04       | 6.7                | 13.6                | 27.2     |  |
|            | 01       | 3.3                | 27.3                | 54.7     |  |
| 300 dpi    | 02       | 6.7                | 13.6                | 27.2     |  |
|            | 03       | 10                 | 9.1                 | 18.3     |  |
|            | 01       | 5.0                | 18.2                | 36.5     |  |
| 200 dpi    | 01       | 10.0               | 9.1                 | 18.3     |  |
|            | 03       | 15.0               | 13.8                | 12.2     |  |

#### **EXAMPLE**

The following will start in Subset A for the characters "AB", shift to Subset B for "789", then shift to Subset C for "123456".

<ESC>H0200<ESC>V0550<ESC>BG03100>GAB>B789>C123456

<ESC>H0310<ESC>V655<ESC>XSAB789123456



# **MSI**

COMMAND STRUCTURE 1:3 ratio: <ESC>BAbbccc (data) d

2:5 ratio <ESC>BDAbbccc (data) d 1:2 ratio <ESC>DAbbccc (data) d

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); maximum of 15 digits

d = Required check digit

**CHARACTER SET** 0-9 (numeric only)

**EXAMPLE** <ESC>H0100<ESC>V0950<ESC>**BA03100123455** 

<ESC>H0170<ESC>V1060<ESC>XS12345

1234

# Code 93

**COMMAND STRUCTURE** 1:3 ratio

1:3 ratio: <ESC>BCbbcccdd (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

dd = Length of data (number of digits, 00-99)

(data) = Bar code data (alphanumeric); length must match value ofparameter "dd", check digit is supplied by printer.

CHARACTER SET
DENSITY TABLE

0-9, A-Z, -, ., Space, \$, /, +, %

| Printer<br>Resolution | Narrow/<br>Wide<br>Ratio | Value<br>of "bb" | "X" Dimension (mils) | Density<br>(char/inch) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
|                       | 1:3                      | 02               | 3.3                  | 33.6                   |
| 600 dpi               | 1:3                      | 03               | 5.0                  | 22.5                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 04               | 6.7                  | 16.7                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 3.3                  | 33.3                   |
| 300 dpi               | 1:3                      | 02               | 6.7                  | 16.7                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 03               | 10                   | 11.1                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 01               | 5.0                  | 22.5                   |
| 200 dpi               | 1:3                      | 02               | 10.0                 | 11.3                   |
|                       | 1:3                      | 03               | 15                   | 7.5                    |

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V1125<ESC>**BC0310008123**<br/><ESC>H0155<ESC>V1240<ESC>XS1 234ABCD



1234ABC

# **UPC-E**

**COMMAND STRUCTURE** 

<ESC>BEbbccc (data) <ESC>DEbbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-03)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); must be exactly 6 digits

CHARACTER SET DENSITY TABLE

0-9 (numeric only)

| Printer<br>Resolution | Value of "bb" | Narrow Bar<br>Width (mils) | Magnification<br>Factor |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       | 05            | 8.3                        | Below Minimum           |
| 600 dpi               | 06            | 10                         | 75%                     |
| 000 upi               | 07            | 11.8                       | 87.5%                   |
|                       | 08            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 6.7                        | Below Minimum           |
| 300 dpi               | 03            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
|                       | 04            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 200 dpi               | 03            | 15.0                       | 112%                    |
|                       | 04            | 20.0                       | 150%                    |

**NOTES** 

Command **DE** provides guide bars that extend longer than the rest of the bar code.

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0400<ESC>V0550<ESC>**DE03100123456** 

<ESC>H0375<ESC>V0600<ESC>OB0

<ESC>H0408<ESC>V0655<ESC>OB123456



# **Bookland (UPC/EAN Supplements)**

**COMMAND STRUCTURE** <ESC>BFbbccc (data)

bb = Width of narrow element in dots (01-03)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001-999)

(data) = Bar code data (numeric); must be exactly 2 or 5 digits

CHARACTER SET
DENSITY TABLE

0-9 (numeric only)

| Printer<br>Resolution | Value of "bb" | Narrow Bar<br>Width (mils) | Magnification<br>Factor |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       | 05            | 8.3                        | Below Minimum           |
| 600 dpi               | 06            | 10                         | 75%                     |
| ooo api               | 07            | 11.8                       | 87.5%                   |
|                       | 08            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 6.7                        | Below Minimum           |
| 300 dpi               | 03            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
|                       | 04            | 13.3                       | 100%                    |
|                       | 02            | 10.0                       | 75%                     |
| 200 dpi               | 03            | 15.0                       | 112%                    |
|                       | 04            | 20.0                       | 150%                    |

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>H0325<ESC>V0725<ESC>D30315009827721123

<ESC>L0101<ESC>H0295<ESC>V0800<ESC>OB0

<ESC>H0340<ESC>V0878<ESC>OB98277

<ESC>H 0480<ESC>V0878<ESC>OB21123

<ESC>H640<ESC>V0760<ESC>**BF0313021826** 

<ESC>H655<ESC>V0730<ESC>OB21826





# **UCC-128**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>Blbbcccd (data)

bb = Width of the narrow elements in dots (01 to 12)

ccc = Bar height in dots (001 to 999)
d Placement of human readlble text

0 None

1 Text at top of bar code

2 Text at bottom of bar code

(data) 17 digits made up of the following:

1st digit = Container type digits 2-8 = Shipper identification

digits 9-17 = Container Sequential number (not automatically dequenced by the printer)

CHARACTER SET See Code 128 Character Table on Page B-23

**DENSITY TABLE** See Code 128, Page B-10

**NOTES** 

- 1. The Start, Function, Stop and Extension codes will be created by the printer and added automatically.
- 2. The internal Modulo 10 check character will be automatically created and added by the printer. The overall Code 128 symbol check character will be automatically created by the printer and added.
- 3. The automatically created human readable text will be created according to the following rules:
  - The spacing between the bar code and the text is fixed at 10 dots (.
  - If the width of the human readable text is wider than the bar code, it will start at the same position as the bar code and extend past the right of the bar code.
  - If the width of the human readable text is less than the bar code, it will be centered on the bar code.
  - The automatically generated HRI font is OCR-B.
  - If any part of the human readable text extends outside the printable area, none of it will be printed. Care should be exercised when placing the bar code to allow for any automatically created human readable text.

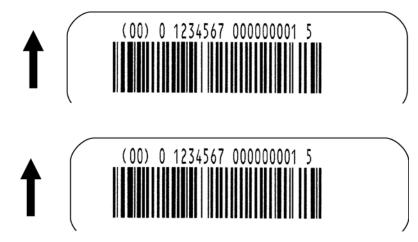
#### **EXAMPLE**

#### Without incrementing

<ESC>A

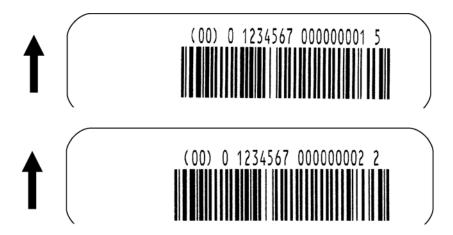
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>BI04150101234567000000001

<ESC>Q2<ESC>Z



#### With incrementing

- <ESC>A
- <ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>F001+001
- <ESC>BI04150101234567000000001
- <ESC>Q2<ESC>Z



## **Postnet**

## **COMMAND STRUCTURE** <ESC>BP (data)

data = 5 digits ZIP

6 digits for Postnet 379 digits for ZIP+4

= 11 digits for Dlelivery Point Bar Code

#### **CHARACTER SET**

1-9 (numeric only)

#### **NOTES**

- 1. Frame bits and check digits added automatically by printer.
- 2. Bar code width and height are fixed and cannot be changed.
- 3. If the number of digits sent to the printer as data does not match one of the formats specified above (i.e. 5, 6, 9 or 11), the command is ignored and nothing will be printed.
- 4. If a "-" is included in the data stream (i.e. 84093-1565), it is ignored.

## **EXAMPLE**

<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0120<ESC>BP94089
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0160<ESC>BP123456
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0200<ESC>BP123456789
<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0240<ESC>BP12345678901

## **Data Matrix**

| COMMAND STRUCTURE | Data F        | ormat | <esc>BXaabbccddeeefffghh</esc>                                                                     |
|-------------------|---------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                   | aa            | =     | Format ID. 01-06 or 11-16. The values 07 and 17 will not be accepted by the printer.               |
|                   | bb            | =     | Error correction level. 00 ,05, 08, 10, 14, 20 or 200. All other values will be processed as a 00. |
|                   | СС            | =     | Horizontal cell size. 03 - 12 dots/cell.                                                           |
|                   | dd            | =     | Vertical cell size. 03 - 12 dots/cell.                                                             |
|                   | eee           | =     | Number of cells in one column. Use 000 to optimize.                                                |
|                   | fff           | =     | Number of cell in one row. Use 000 to optimize.                                                    |
|                   | g             | =     | Mirror Image 0 = Normal Print 1 = Reverse Print                                                    |
|                   | hh            | =     | Guide Cell Thickness. 01-15. 01 indicates normal type.                                             |
|                   | Seque<br>Numb |       | <esc>FXaaabcccdddeee</esc>                                                                         |
|                   | aaa           | =     | Number of duplicate labels to be printed (001 - 999)                                               |
|                   | b             | =     | Increment or Decrement + = Increment - = Decrement                                                 |
|                   | ccc           | =     | Increment/Decrement Steps (001 - 999)                                                              |
|                   | ddd           | =     | Sequential numbering start position (001 - 999)<br>Referenced to left side.                        |
|                   | eee           | =     | Incremented data length measured from start position (001 - 999)                                   |
|                   | PRINT         | DATA  | <esc><b>DC</b>xxxx</esc>                                                                           |
|                   | XXX           | =     | Data                                                                                               |

## **CHARACTER SET**

| ID<br>NUMBER | CHARACTER SET                                           | ENCODING<br>SCHEME |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|              | 16 Bit CRC                                              |                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01           | Numeric, Space                                          | Base 11            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 02           | Upper Case Alpha, Space                                 | Base 27            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 03           | Upper Case Alpha, Space, Comma, Period,<br>Slash, Minus | Base 41            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 04           | Upper Case Alphanumeric, Space                          | Base 37            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 05           | ADCII 7-bit, Full Keyboard (20н - 7Fн)<br>ASCII         | ASCII              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 06           | ISO 8-bit, International (20н - FFн)<br>8-Bit           | 8-Bit              |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**NOTES** 

See AIM USA Technical Specification Data Matrix for information on the structure of this symbology.

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100

<ESC>BX05051010000000001

< ESC > DCDATA MATRIX DATA MATRIX



## **Maxicode**

## COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>BVa,b,c,ddddddddd,eee,fff,gggg.....<ESC>

- a = Position of Maxicode symbol within the set, when used in a structured append format 1~8.
- b = Total number of Maxicode symbols in the set, when used in a structured format 1~8.
- c = 2 For Mode 2 Structured Carrier Message for Domestic U.S. UPS shipments
  - 3 For Mode 3 Structured Carrier Message for International UPS shipments
  - 4 Standard symbol
  - 5 Not currently supported
  - 6 Reader programming

ddd..ddd = 9 digit numeric Postal Codeeee = 3 digit numeric Country Codefff = 3 digit numeric Service Class

gg//g = Data, terminated by <ESC>

| Mode   | Postal Cde                   | Country Code              | Service Class             | Message<br>Length          |
|--------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2      | 9 digits max<br>numeric only | 3 digits max numeric only | 3 digits max numeric only | 84 characters alphanumeric |
| 3      | 6 digits fixed alphnumeric   | 3 digits numeric only     | 3 digits max numeric only | 84 characters alphanumeric |
| 4<br>6 | "000000"<br>fixed data       | "000"<br>fixed data       | "000"<br>fixed data       | 91 characters alphanumeric |

CHARACTER SET NOTES

See AIM I.S.S specification for information on the structure of this symbology.

**EXAMPLE** 

<ESC>A<ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100

<ESC>BV1,1,2,123456789,840,001,[)><RS>01<GS>961Z01547089

<GS>UPSN<GS>056872<GS>349<GS>99999999<GS>001/005

<GS>029<GS>N<GS><GS>LENEXA<GS>KS<RS><EOT>

<ESC>Q001<ESC>Z



## **PDF417**

#### COMMAND STRUCTURE <ESC>BFaabbcddeeffffnnn...n

aa = Minimum module dimension (03-09 dots). Will not print if values of 01, 02 or greater than 10 are specified.

bb = Minimum module pitch dimension (04-24 dots). Will not print if values of 01, 02, 03 or greater than 25 are specified.

c = Security (error detection) Level (1-8).

dd = Code words per line (01-30). If 00 is specified for both dd and ee, the printer automatically optimizes the number of rows per symbol.

ee = Rows per symbol (00 or 03-40). If 00 is specified for both dd and ee, the printer automatically optimizes the number of rows per symbol.

ffff = Number of characters to be encoded (0001-2700).

gg = PDF417 Type. If not specified, standard PDF417
T Truncated PDF417
M Micro PDF417

nn...n = Data to be printed.

CHARACTER SET ASCII 128 character set plus PC437 Extended Character set.

NOTES See AIM USA Uniform Symbology Specification PDF417 for

information on the structure of this symbology.

**EXAMPLE** <ESC>V0100<ESC>H0100<ESC>BK0607400000021PDF417 PDF417 PDF417



## **CODE 128 CHARACTER TABLE**

The Code 128 Table lists 105 data values for the three subsets: A, B, and C. Each subset column displays either a single column of data or a double column of data.

- If the subset column displays a single column of data, that is the data to be entered to produce the result.
- If the subset column displays a double column of data, the first column contains the desired output, and the second column contains the actual characters to be entered.

For example, look at value 99 in the table:

If you are currently using Subset A or Subset B, you can change to Subset C by encoding ">C".

| VALUE | SUBSET A SUBSET B |             | SUBSET C    |
|-------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 99    | Subset C >C       | Subset C >C | 99          |
| 100   | Subset B >D       | FNC4 >D     | Subset B >D |
| 101   | FNC4 >E           | Subset A >E | Subset A >E |
| 102   | FNC1 >F           | FNC1 >F     | FNC1 >F     |

• Note: When Subset C is chosen, you must specify an even number of data positions because of the interleaved encodation method.

## **CODE 128 CHARACTER TABLE**

| VALUE | SUBSET<br>A | SUBSET<br>B | SUBSET<br>C | VALUE | SUBSET<br>A | SUBSET<br>B | SUBSET<br>C |
|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0     | SP          | SP          | 00          | 36    | D           | D           | 36          |
| 1     | !           | !           | 01          | 37    | E           | Е           | 37          |
| 2     | "           | í,          | 02          | 38    | F           | F           | 38          |
| 3     | #           | #           | 03          | 39    | G           | G           | 39          |
| 4     | \$          | \$          | 04          | 40    | Н           | Н           | 40          |
| 5     | %           | %           | 05          | 41    | I           | I           | 41          |
| 6     | &           | &           | 06          | 42    | J           | J           | 42          |
| 7     | í           | í           | 07          | 43    | K           | K           | 43          |
| 8     |             |             | 02          | 38    | F           | F           | 38          |
| 9     | )           | )           | 09          | 45    | M           | М           | 45          |
| 10    | *           | *           | 10          | 46    | N           | N           | 46          |
| 11    | +           | +           | 11          | 47    | 0           | 0           | 47          |
| 12    | ,           | ,           | 12          | 48    | Р           | Р           | 48          |
| 13    | -           | -           | 13          | 49    | Q           | Q           | 49          |
| 14    |             |             | 14          | 50    | R           | R           | 50          |
| 15    | 1           | 1           | 15          | 51    | S           | S           | 51          |
| 16    | 0           | 0           | 16          | 52    | Т           | T           | 52          |
| 17    | 1           | 1           | 17          | 53    | U           | U           | 53          |
| 18    | 2           | 2           | 18          | 54    | V           | V           | 54          |
| 19    | 3           | 3           | 19          | 55    | W           | W           | 55          |
| 20    | 4           | 4           | 20          | 56    | Х           | Х           | 56          |
| 21    | 5           | 5           | 21          | 57    | Y           | Y           | 57          |
| 22    | 6           | 6           | 22          | 58    | Z           | Z           | 58          |
| 23    | 7           | 7           | 23          | 59    | [           | [           | 59          |
| 24    | 8           | 8           | 24          | 60    | 1           | 1           | 60          |
| 25    | 9           | 9           | 25          | 61    | ]           | ]           | 61          |
| 26    | :           | :           | 26          | 62    | ۸           | ٨           | 62          |
| 27    | ;           | ;           | 27          | 63    | _           | _           | 63          |
| 28    | <           | <           | 28          | 64    | NUL>(space) | . >(space)  | 64          |
| 29    | =           | =           | 29          | 65    | SOH >!      | a or >!     | 65          |
| 30    | >J          | >J          | 30          | 66    | STX >"      | b or >"     | 66          |
| 31    | ?           | ?           | 31          | 67    | ETX >#      | c or >#     | 67          |

## **CODE 128 CHARACTER TABLE (CONTINUED)**

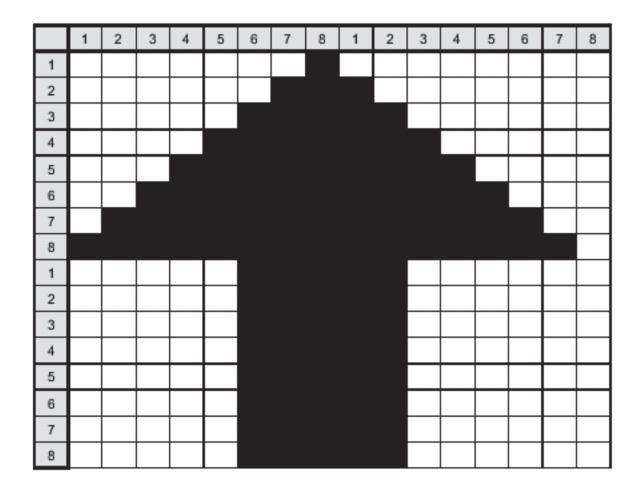
| VALUE | SUBSET<br>A | SUBSET<br>B | SUBSET<br>C | VALUE | SUBSET<br>A | SUBSET<br>B   | SUBSET<br>C |
|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| 32    | @           | @           | 32          | 68    | EOT >\$     | d or >\$      | 68          |
| 33    | Α           | Α           | 33          | 69    | ENQ >%      | e or >%       | 69          |
| 34    | В           | В           | 34          | 70    | ACK >&      | f or >&       | 70          |
| 35    | С           | С           | 35          | 71    | BEL >.      | g or >.       | 71          |
| 72    | BS >(       | h >(        | 72          | 89    | EM >9       | y >9          | 89          |
| 73    | HT >)       | i >)        | 73          | 90    | SUB >:      | z >:          | 90          |
| 74    | LF >*       | j >*        | 74          | 91    | ESC >;      | { >;          | 91          |
| 75    | VT >+       | k >+        | 75          | 92    | FS ><       | ><            | 92          |
| 76    | FF >,       | l >,        | 76          | 93    | GS >=       | } >=          | 93          |
| 77    | CR >-       | m >-        | 77          | 94    | RS >>       | ~ >>          | 94          |
| 78    | SO >.       | n >.        | 78          | 95    | US >?       | DEL >?        | 95          |
| 79    | SI >/       | 0 >/        | 79          | 96    | FNC3 >@     | FNC3 >@       | 96          |
| 80    | DLE >0      | p >0        | 80          | 97    | FNC2 >A     | FNC2 >A       | 97          |
| 81    | DC1 >1      | q >1        | 81          | 98    | SHIFT >B    | SHIFT >B      | 98          |
| 82    | DC2 >2      | r >2        | 82          | 99    | Subset C >C | Subset C >C   | 99          |
| 83    | DC3 >3      | s >3        | 83          | 100   | Subset B >D | FNC4 >D       | Subset B >D |
| 84    | DC4 >4      | t >4        | 84          | 101   | FNC4 >E     | Subset A >E   | Subset A >E |
| 85    | NAK >5      | u >5        | 85          | 102   | FNC1 >F     | FNC1 >F       | FNC1 >F     |
| 86    | SYN >6      | v >6        | 86          | 103   | SUBSE       | T A START CO  | DE >G       |
| 87    | ETB >7      | w >7        | 87          | 104   | SUBSE       | T B START CC  | DE .H       |
| 88    | CAN >8      | x >8        | 88          | 105   | SUBSE       | ET C START CO | DE >I       |

# APPENDIX C. CUSTOM CHARACTERS AND GRAPHICS

## **CUSTOM DESIGNED CHARACTER EXAMPLE**

The following example is presented to help understand the use of the Custom Designed Characters command. It demonstrates the design and printing of an iarrowî in a 16 x 16 matrix.

- 1. Determine which matrix size to use
  - 16 dot x 16 dots
  - 24 dots by 24 dots
- 2. Lay out a grid and draw the image on the grid.
  - Each square represents one dot
  - Blacken squares for each printed dot



3. Transfer the image into two bit map representations and then into hexadecimal or binary format.

| ROW |      | BIT  | HI   | ΞX   |    |    |
|-----|------|------|------|------|----|----|
| 1   | 0000 | 0001 | 0000 | 0000 | 01 | 00 |
| 2   | 0000 | 0011 | 1000 | 0000 | 03 | 80 |
| 3   | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 4   | 0000 | 1111 | 1110 | 0000 | 0F | E0 |
| 5   | 0001 | 1111 | 1111 | 0000 | 1F | F0 |
| 6   | 0011 | 1111 | 1111 | 1000 | 3F | F8 |
| 7   | 0111 | 1111 | 1111 | 1100 | 7F | FC |
| 8   | 1111 | 1111 | 1111 | 1110 | FF | FE |
| 9   | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 10  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 11  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 12  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 13  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 14  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 15  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |
| 16  | 0000 | 0111 | 1100 | 0000 | 07 | C0 |

4. To store the custom designed character in memory using a hexadecimal data stream, the command would be:

<ESC>A

<ESC>Z

<ESC>T1H3F0100038007C00FE01FF03FF87FFCFFE07C007C007C007C007C007C007C007C007C0
ESC>Z

Note: This should be a continuous data string without any CR or LF characters.

5. To recall the custom character from memory, send the following code to the printer. Note that you can print other data as well. Also note how the charactersize was expanded using the <ESC>L command.

```
<ESC>A
<ESC>L0505<ESC>H0150<ESC>V100<ESC>K1H903F
<ESC>L0505<ESC>H0600<ESC>V100<ESC>K1H903F
<ESC>L0303<ESC>H0125<ESC>V0250<ESC>MTHIS SIDE UP!
<ESC>Q1
```

6. To store the custom designed character in memory using a binary data stream, the command would be:

<ESC>A
<ESC>T1B3F 01H 00H 03H 80H 07H C0H 0FH E0H 1FH F0H 3FH F8H 7FH FCH FFH FEH 07H C0H 07H

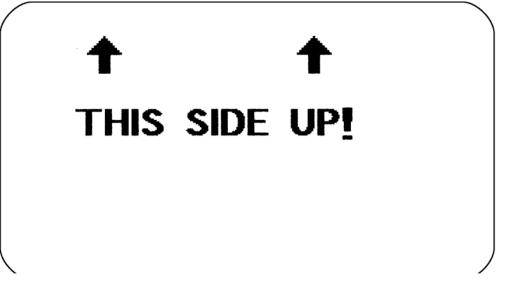
NOTE: Spaces are shown between hexidecimal values in the above example for clarity only and are not included in the data string.

Note that the data stream is only half as long as the hexadecimal format. This is because we can send the binary equivalent of "11111111" (represented above in its hexidecimal value of FFH), for example, using one eight bit word while it takes two eight bit words to transmit the hexadecimal equivalent "F" and "F". To send binary characters using BASIC, the expression iCHR (&HFF) will send the binary equivalent of FF (i.e., 11111111).

7. To recall the custom character from memory, send the following code to the printer:

```
<ESC>A
<ESC>L505<ESC>H0150<ESC>V100<ESC>K1B903F
<ESC>L505<ESC>H0600<ESC>V100<ESC>K1B903F
<ESC>L0303<ESC>H0125<ESC>V0250<ESC>XMTHISSIDE UP!
<ESC>Q1
<ESC>Z
```

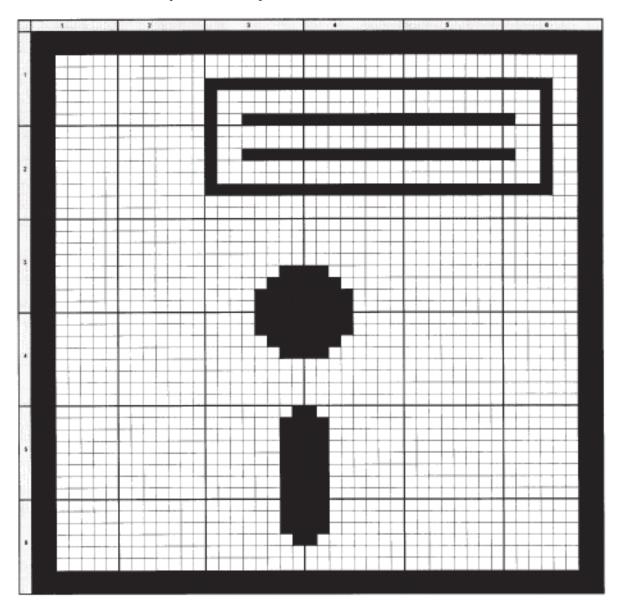
The printer output for both the hexadecimal and binary format examples is:



## **CUSTOM GRAPHICS EXAMPLE**

The following example is presented to help you understand the use of the CustomGraphics command. It demonstrates the design and printing of a idisketteî in a 48 x 48 matrix.

- 1. Determine the matrix size for the graphic. It must be in 8 dot by 8 dot blocks. The example here has six blocks horizontally and six blocks vertically (48 x 48).
- 2. 2. Lay out a grid and draw the image on the grid.
  - Each square represents one dot
  - Blacken squares for each printed dot



3. Transfer the image into a bit map representation and then into hexadecimal format:

| BIT MAP              |          |                      |                      |          |                                         |          | HEXA     | DECIN    | IAL FO   | RMAT     |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1                    | 2        | 3                    | 4                    | 5        | 6                                       | 1        | 2        | 3        | 4        | 5        | 6        |
| 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111FF                              | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       |
| 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111FF                              | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11110011C0                              | 00       | FF       | FF       | FF       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10011111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 9F       | FF       | FF       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10011111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 9F       | FF       | FF       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 10000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00010011C0                              | 00       | 80       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11110011C0                              | 00       | FF       | FF       | FF       | F3       | F3       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 13       | 13       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000111             | 11100000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 07       | E0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00001111             | 11110000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 0F       | F0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00001111             | 11110000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 0F       | F0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00001111             | 11110000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 0F       | F0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00001111             | 11110000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 0F       | F0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000111             | 11100000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 07       | E0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 00       | 00       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000001             | 10000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 01       | 80       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 11000000<br>11000000 | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00<br>00 | 03<br>03 | C0<br>C0 | 00       | 03<br>03 | 03<br>03 |
| 11000000<br>11000000 | 00000000 | 00000011<br>00000011 | 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0<br>00000011C0                | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00<br>00 | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000011             | 1000000              | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03<br>01 | 80       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000001             | 0000000              | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11000000             | 00000000 | 00000000             | 00000000             | 00000000 | 00000011C0                              | 00       | 03       | C0       | 00       | 03       | 03       |
| 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111FF                              | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       |
| 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111             | 11111111             | 11111111 | 11111111FF<br>111111111FF               | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       | FF       |
| 11111111             | 11111111 | (1111111             | 11111111             | (1111111 | 111111111111111111111111111111111111111 | I F      | L.L.     | 1.1      | 1.1      | 1.1      | 1 1      |

4. Using the hexadecimal data, send the following code to print the graphic image as designed.

```
<ESC>A<ESC>H0100<ESC>V0100<ESC>GH006006
FFFFF FFFFF FFFFF C00000 000003
C00000 000003 C000FF FFFFF3 C00080 000013
C00080 000013 C0009F FFFF13 C00080 000013
C00080 000013 C0009F FFFF13 C00080 000013
C00080 000013 C000FF FFFFF3 C00000 000003
C00000 000003 C00000 000003 C00000 000003
C00000 000003 C00000 000003 C00003 C00003
C00007 E00003 C0000F F00003 C0000F F00003
C0000F F00003 C0000F F00003 C00007 E00003
C00003 C00003 C00000 000003 C00000 000003
C00000 000003 C00000 000003 C00001 800003
C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003
C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003
C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003 C00003
C00003 C00003 C00001 800003 C00000 000003
C00000 000003 FFFFFF FFFFFF FFFFFF
<ESC>Q1<ESC>Z
```

Note: Spaces shown in the hexadecimal listing above are for emphasis only. Spaces must not be encoded within the graphic portion of the data stream to the printer. Also, CR and LF characters to separate the lines must not be encoded in the data stream.

5. To send the data in binary format, the software must convert the data into binary format before transmitting it to the printer. Using the BASIC programming language for example, this is done by notation "CHR\$ (&HC0)" which sends the hexidecimal value of iC0î as binary data (11000000). The BASIC program listing for sending this graphic to the printer (using the RS232 port) in binary format is:

```
OPEN .COM2:9600,N,8,1,CS,DS. FOR OUTPUT AS #1
E$ = CHR$(27)
PRINT #1,CHR$(2); E$; .A.; E$; .V0100"; E$; .H0100"; E$; .GB006006";
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HF3);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H9F);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H13);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H9F);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H80);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H13);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRI NT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HF3);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H07);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H0F);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HF0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H0F);CHR$(&HF0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H0F);CHR$(&HF0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H0F);CHR$(&HF0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H07);CHR$(&HE0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H01);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H80);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&HC0);
```

```
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HC0);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H03);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H01);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H01);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);CHR$(&H00);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);CHR$(&HFF);
PRINT #1,E$; .Q1"; E$; .Z"; CHR$(3)
CLOSE #1
```

The printer output for both the hexadecimal and binary format example is:



## **PCX GRAPHICS EXAMPLE**

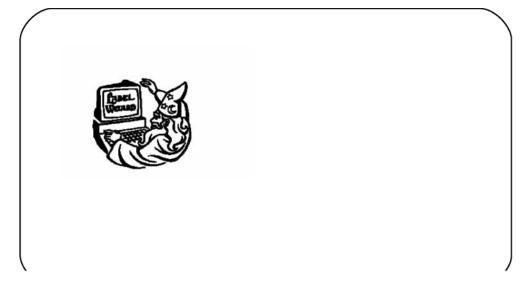
A graphics file in a PCX format may also be transmitted to the printer. The file must not be larger than 32K bytes (DOS file size reported in a DIR listing). For example, the WIZ.PCX image shown below has a file size of 15076 bytes.



The uncompressed size (PCX is a compressed file) of the file must not be greater than 64K bytes. Generally this is not a problem unless the graphic image is surrounded by large amount of white space which the PCX algorithm can compress very efficiently. If this is the case, the file should be recaptured to eliminate the surrounding white space as much as possible. The following basic program will send and print this file:

OPEN .WIZ.PCX. FOR INPUT AS #2
DA\$ = INPUT\$(15706, #2)
C\$ = CHR\$(27)
WIDTH .LPT1:., 255
LPRINT C\$; .A.;
LPRINT C\$; .V150"; C\$; .H100"; C\$; .GP15706,.; DA\$
LPRINT C\$; .Q1"; C\$; .Z";
CLOSE #2

The printer output for this program is:



## APPENDIX D. CUSTOM PROTOCOL COMMAND CODES

## **DESCRIPTION**

This section contains information on creating custom Protocol Command Codes for operating the "e" Series and PRO printers. The Protocol Command codes are used to tell the printer that a specific type of information is being transmitted to it. As an example, the Standard Protocol Command Code specifies the use of an <ESC>character to tell the printer that the following character(s) will represent a specific command. Sometimes the host computer is unable to generate the character or it uses the <ESC> character to control another function. In this case, an Alternate Protocol Command Code set can be selected for use by placing DIP switch 2-7 in the ON position. When the Alternate set is selected, the <ESC> character is not used and is instead replaced with a "carrot" (^) character. A command stream would then start with an "\"instead of an "<ESC>". These two sets of Protocol Command Codes are adequate for the majority of all applications, but ocassionally situations occur where conflicts exist when using the Alternate set. In these cases, the user can define and download a custom set of Protocol Command Codes that are stored in non-voltile memory in the printer. After these are downloaded, they replace the Alternate Command Code set when DIP switch DS2-7 is in the ON position. When DIP switch DS2-7 is in the OFF position, the Standard Protocol Command Codes are used

## DOWNLOAD COMMAND STRUCTURE

The command for downloading a new set of Protocol Command Codes takes the form of "<ESC>LD,a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j j". The parameters specified for "a" through "i" can be transmitted in either ASCII characters or hex notation, allowing a complete 128 character (except for the ",") set to be used for selecting the custom code.

| PARAMETER          | STANDARD SETTING | ALTERNATE SETTING<br>(DEFAULT) |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| а                  | STX              | {                              |
| b                  | ETX              | }                              |
| С                  | ESC              | ٨                              |
| d                  | ENQ              | @                              |
| е                  | CAN              | !                              |
| g                  | OFF-LINE         | ]                              |
| h (Auto ONLINE)    | No               | 0 = Yes<br>1 = No              |
| i (Zero Slash)     | No               | 0 = Yes<br>1 = No              |
| jj (Eurocharacter) | D5               | User Defined                   |

## **RESET**

If the custom Protocol Command codes are incorrect or if the printer does not respond to commands using the custom set, the Alternate Protocol Control Codes can be restored by the following procedure:

- 1. Turn the printer off.
- 2. Place DIP switch **DS2-7** in the **ON** position.
- 3. Turn power on while simultaneously pressing the **FEED** and **LINE** switches.
- 4. 4 When the message "ALT PROTOCOL DEFAULT COMPLETED" appears on the display, turn the printer off.
- 5. When the printer is powered up again, the Alternate Protocol Command Code set will be active. All previous custom settings will be lost.

#### DOWNLOAD PROCEDURE

The procedure for downloading a custom Protocol Command Code set is:

- 1. Reset the printer to the default settings using the Reset procedure.
- 2. Place DIP switch **DS2-7** in the **ON** position.
- 3. Turn the POWER switch ON while simultaneously pressing the **LINE** switch. This places the printer in the USER DOWNLOAD mode.
- 4. Set DIP switch **DS2-7** in the position to accept the Protocol Control codes to be used for downloading (i.e. DS2-7 = OFF for Standard codes and DS2-7 ON to use the Alternate set).
- 5. Press the **LINE** key to place the printer in the ON-LINE mode. The LINE LED should be on and the printer is ready to receive the download command data stream.
- 6. After the command has been sent, the unit will beep and print a status label. If it does not beep and print the label, the printer did not accept the data.
- 7. If the printer does not beep and print a setting label, turn the printer off, check your download command stream for errors and start the download process over at step 1.
- 8. If the custom codes are correct, press the FEED key to accept them and terminate the download process. If they are incorrect, turn the unit off without pressing the FEED key and begin the download process again at step 1.



## Appendix D: Custom Protocol Command Codes

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