Panasonic

Impact Dot Matrix Printer

Operating Instructions

Model No. **KX-P1131**



Please carefully read this manual and keep this documentation in a safe place for future reference.

Thank you for purchasing the Panasonic KX-P1131 Impact Dot Matrix Printer.

This printer is a versatile, high quality 24-pin dot matrix printer which is designed to meet the needs of your office. This printer has been factory set to operate with the most popular software packages. Your application software should control the printer functions. In most cases, there will be no need to change the factory settings.

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IMPORTANT:

FOR YOUR SAFETY PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING TEXT CAREFULLY

This printer is supplied with a moulded three pin mains plug each for your safety and convenience. A 5 amp fuse is fitted in this plug. Should the fuse need to be replaced please ensure that the replacement fuse has a rating of 5 amps and that it is approved by ASTA or BSI to BS 1362.

Check for the ASTA mark ASA



or the BSI mark



on the body of the fuse.

If the plug contains a removable fuse cover you must ensure that it is refitted when the fuse is replaced. If you lose the fuse cover the plug must not be used until a replacement cover is obtained. A replacement fuse cover can be purchased from your local Panasonic Dealer.

IF THE FITTED MOULDED PLUG IS UNSUITABLE FOR THE SOCKET OUTLET IN YOUR HOME THEN THE FUSE SHOULD BE REMOVED AND THE PLUG CUT OFF AND DISPOSED OF SAFELY. THERE IS A DANGER OF SEVERE ELECTRICAL SHOCK IF THE CUT OFF PLUG IS INSERTED INTO ANY 5 AMP SOCKET.

If a new plug is to be fitted please observe the wiring code as shown below. If in any doubt please consult a qualified electrician.

WARNING: THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHED.

IMPORTANT: The wires in this mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Green-and-Yellow: Earth

Blue: Neutral

B

Brown: Live

As the colours of the wire in the mains lead of this appliance may not correspond with the coloured markings identifying the terminals in your plug, proceed as follows.

The wire which is coloured GREEN-AND-YELLOW must be connected to the terminal in the plug which is

marked with the letter E or by the Earth symbol (=



, or coloured GREEN or GREEN-AND-YELLOW.

The wire which is coloured BLUE must be connected to the terminal in the plug which is marked with the letter N or coloured BLACK.

The wire which is coloured BROWN must be connected to the terminal in the plug which is marked with the letter L or coloured RED.

How to replace the fuse: Open the fuse compartment with a screwdriver and replace the fuse and fuse.

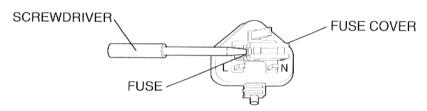


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The Setup Disk contains the following programs and informations. Please refer to this manual how to use.

- Printer Driver for Windows® 3.1*1 (📾 P. 16)
- Printer Driver for Windows® 95*2 (🖙 P. 17)
- Control Panel Software Program (R P. 18)
- Command Reference Program (🔊 P. 21)
- Character Set Tables (R P. 21)
- Proportional Spacing Tables (🖙 P. 21)

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^{*1} Microsoft® Windows® operating system Version 3.1 (hereafter Windows 3.1)

^{*2} Microsoft® Windows® 95 operating system (hereafter Windows 95)

For Your Safety

General

Warning

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose this product to rain or any type of moisture.

Caution

Do not attempt to repair the unit yourself. Refer servicing to qualified personnel.

Power Source

Warning

- The power source voltage of this unit is listed on the nameplate. Only plug the unit into an outlet with the proper voltage.
- When you operate this equipment, the outlet should be near the equipment and accessible.
- To ensure safe operation the three-prong plug supplied must be inserted only into a standard three-prong AC outlet which is effectively grounded (earthed) through the normal wiring.
- Extension cords used with the equipment must be three-core and be correctly wired to provide connection to earth. Improperly wired extension cords are a major cause of fatalities.
- The fact that the equipment operates satisfactorily does not imply that the power point is grounded (earthed) and that the installation is completely safe. For your safety, if in any doubt about the effective grounding (earthing) of the power point, consult a qualified electrician.
- If the plug cannot be inserted into the AC outlet, contact a licensed electrician to replace the outlet with properly grounded (earthed) one. Do not defeat the purpose of the grounding (earthing) plug (ex. do not use a conversion plug).

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Cautions

To avoid machine malfunction, do not use the equipment under the following conditions:



- · Direct exposure to sunlight
- Extremely high or low temperature [temperature range: 10°C to 35°C (50°F to 95°F)]
- Extremely high or low humidity (humidity range: 30% to 80% RH)
- Condensation due to rapid change of temperature



- · Areas of poor ventilation
- Areas of high dust or chemical fume concentration (solvent etc.)



- Unstable or unlevel surface
- Areas with extreme vibration

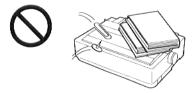


· Liquids near the equipment





 Without paper and a ribbon cassette installed when the printer is operating



- Books, paper or other items on top of the printer
- Obstruction of the printhead movement while the printer is operating





 Prolonged use without allowing the printhead time to cool

■Static Electricity Damage

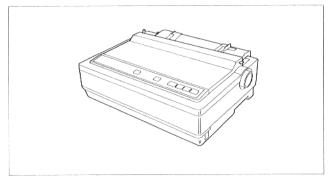
To prevent static electricity damage to parallel/serial interface and printhead, touch a grounded metal surface, such as the screw on the plate cover of an electrical outlet prior to touching the interface or printhead. (However, do not touch the printhead when it is hot.)

Unpacking

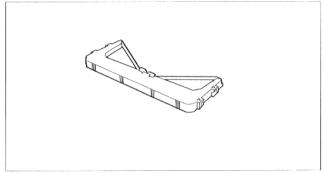
Having unpacked the printer, make sure none of the contents shown below are missing or damaged. Report damages or shortages to the store from which the unit was purchased.

Note:

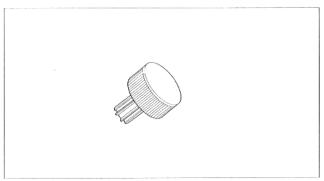
 Save the original carton and packing materials for future shipping and transporting of the unit. They have been specifically designed to protect the equipment during shipment.



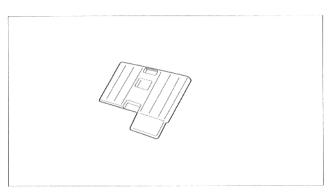
Printer (KX-P1131)



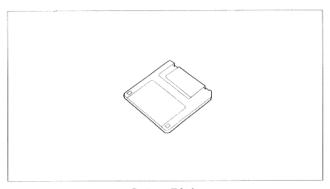
Ribbon Cassette (KX-P181)



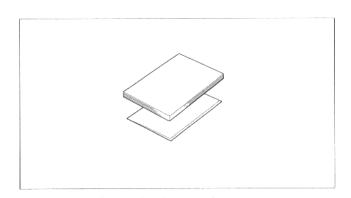
Platen Knob



Extension Plate



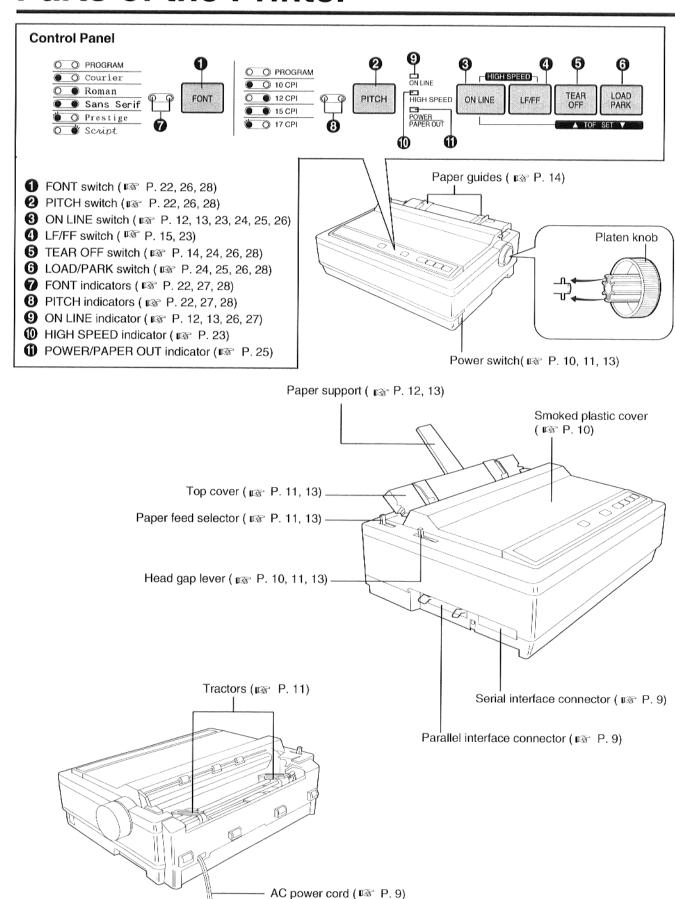
Setup Disk



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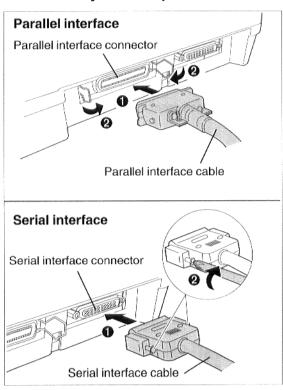
- Extension Plate is used for fanfold paper (PSP P. 12).
- The Setup Disk contains a Printer Driver for Windows 3.1 (P. 16) and Windows 95 (P. 17), a Control Panel Software program (P. 18) and a Command Reference program (P. 21).
- To use this Setup Disk, you need to have an IBM-PC or a compatible computer with 3.5" floppy disk drive.

Parts of the Printer



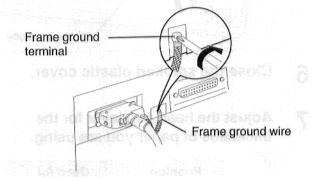
Connecting to a Computer

- 1 Turn the power off on both the printer and the computer.
- Attach the other end of the interface cable from your computer.

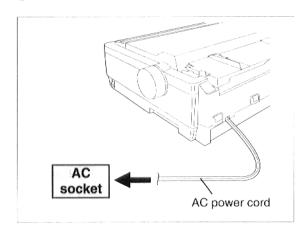


Note:

- Use a shielded cable 1.95 m (6'5") or less in length for both of parallel and serial. If you do not already have a interface cable, you will need to purchase one from your local computer store or dealer. For details, refer to "Interfacing" (PS P. 34).
- If the cable has a frame ground wire, connect it to the frame ground terminal.



3 Connect the AC power cord to a grounded AC socket.

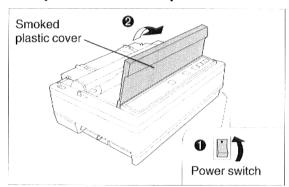


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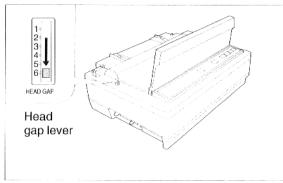
 If the printer is not going to be used for an extended period, unplug the power cord.

Installing Ribbon Cassette

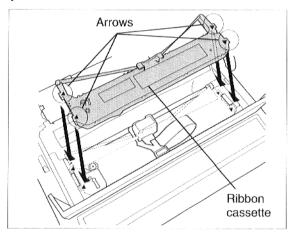
- 1 Turn the power on.
 - Open the smoked plastic cover.



2 Move the head gap lever to position "6".



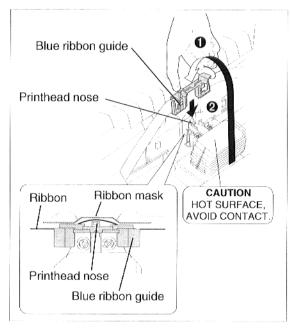
3 Install the ribbon cassette and push down 4 arrows until they click into place.



Note:

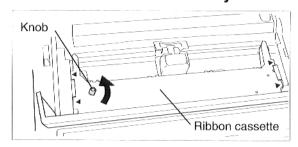
 Do not take off the blue ribbon guide from the ribbon.

- 4 Lift the blue ribbon guide from the ribbon cassette.
 - Slide the blue ribbon guide between the printhead nose and the ribbon mask, and push it down.



Note:

- If the ribbon does not insert easily between the printhead nose and the ribbon mask, rotate the knob on the ribbon cassette to reduce the slack.
- Make sure the ribbon is not twisted and rotate the knob to remove any slack.



- 6 Close the smoked plastic cover.
- 7 Adjust the head gap lever for the thickness of paper you are using.

	1: 2: 3: 4: 5: 6:
HE	CAD GAD

Position	Used for
1 or 2	Thinner sheets
3, 4, 5 or 6	Thick sheets or multi-part forms

Handling Paper

Your Panasonic printer offers two paper feed choices:

- —Fanfold paper (Push tractor mode)
- —Single sheets and envelopes (Friction mode)

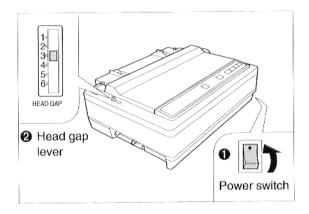
Fanfold Paper (Push Tractor Mode)

1 • Turn the power on.

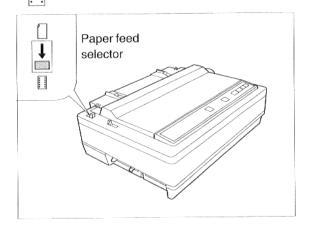
The PAPER OUT indicator will flash indicating that no paper is installed in the printer.

Adjust the head gap lever for the thickness of paper you are using.

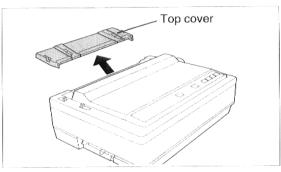
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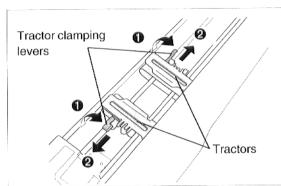
2 Set the paper feed selector to the " position.



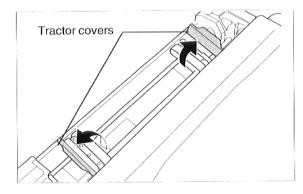
3 Lift off the top cover.



- 4 Unlock the tractors by pulling the tractor clamping levers forward.
 - Slide the tractors to accommodate the approximate width of paper being used.

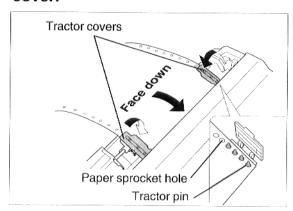


5 Raise the tractor covers.

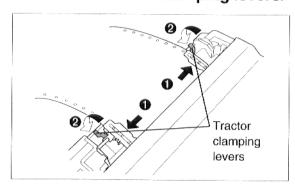


Handling Paper

Align the paper sprocket holes with the tractor pins, then close the tractor cover.



- 7 Adjust the tractors to remove any slack.
 - ② Lock the tractor clamping levers.

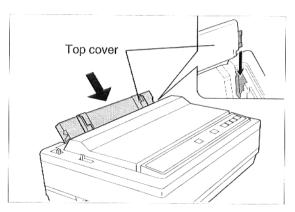


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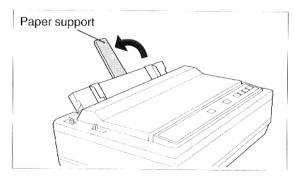
- Make sure the paper is straight.
- 8 Press LOAD/PARK .

This will load the paper to the first print line.

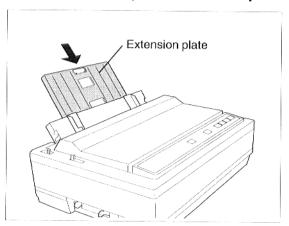
9 Place the top cover along the groove diagonally.



10 Raise the paper support.



11 Insert the paper support into the slot of the extension plate until it stops.



12 If the ON LINE indicator is not lit, press ON LINE to get ready to print.

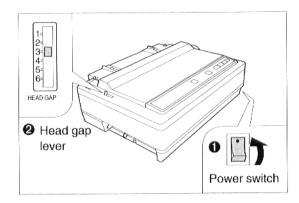
Single Sheets and Envelopes (Friction Mode)

1 0 Turn the power on.

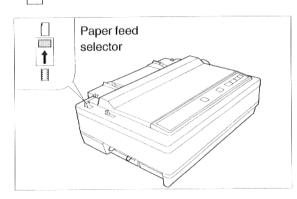
The PAPER OUT indicator will flash indicating that no paper is installed in the printer.

Adjust the head gap lever for the thickness of paper you are using.

Position	Used for
1 or 2	Thinner sheets
3, 4, 5 or 6	Thick sheets or envelopes

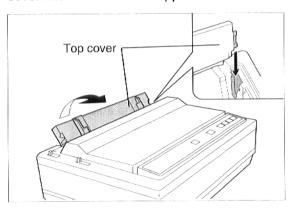


2 Set the paper feed selector to the "position.

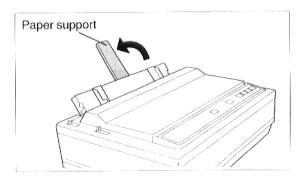


3 Raise the top cover.

This is done by inserting the side pins of the top cover into the slots in the upper cabinet.



4 Raise the paper support.



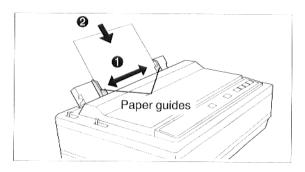
Note:

 If the extension plate is already installed (P. 12), it does not need to be removed. Separate the paper guides to the approximate width of your paper or envelope.

Note:

- To predetermine your left most print position, move the left paper guide until it clicks into place.
- Insert a sheet of paper through the paper guides.

The paper will be automatically loaded to the first print line.



Note:

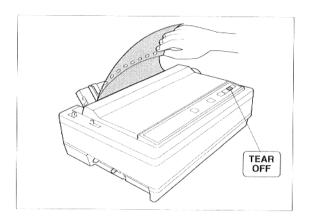
- To disable Auto Loading, turn it OFF in the INSTALL Menu on your Setup Disk (P. 18-20) or by using the Control Panel (P. 26-27).
- If Auto Loading is disabled, you must press LOAD/PARK to load paper.
- If you need to align the paper horizontally or vertically, set the paper feed selector to " ". This releases the paper and allows the paper to be positioned manually as required. Set the selector back to " " before printing.
- 6 If the ON LINE indicator is not lit, press ON LINE to get ready to print.

Tearing off Paper

With fanfold paper installed, this function allows you to advance your paper to the tear position. After tearing off the page you can return your paper to the first printer line by pressing (**TEAR OFF**) again. If (**TEAR OFF**) is not pressed a second time, the printer will automatically reverse to the first print line upon receiving data from the computer.

- 1 Press TEAR OFF to advance the paper to the tear position.
- Press TEAR OFF to reverse the paper back to the first print line.

2 Tear off the page.



Self Test / Printer Driver Selection

Self Test

The printer has a self test feature which allows you to test the printer. When activated, this feature will print 5 lines of each resident font. When complete, it will return to the draft font and continue for approximately 20 minutes.

- Install the ribbon cassette and paper, then turn the power off (1287 P. 10-14).
- While pressing LF/FF, turn the power on, then release.

A sample printout will begin, which serves as a self test.

Once you see that the printer is functioning properly, you may turn the power off during the self test, or you may run the entire test.

Printer Driver Selection

This procedure is the final step before printing and is performed in your application software program. The steps will vary, depending on the software program. Consult your software package for proper procedures. The Panasonic KX-P1131 will be your first choice. However, if the Panasonic KX-P1131 printer is not listed in your software, you must select an alternative from the following table.

Note:

If using Microsoft Windows 3.1 or Windows 95, you will need to install a Windows printer driver. These drivers
are located on the Setup Disk supplied with your printer. Proceed to Installing the Setup Disk on pages 16-17
for the installation procedure.

Printer Selections (in order of priority)

	Panasonic KX-P1131
	Epson LQ-300
	Panasonic KX-P1121
	Panasonic KX-P2023
	Panasonic KX-P1123
	Panasonic KX-P1124
the state of the s	Epson LQ series
	IBM Proprinter X24E *
	IBM Proprinter X24 *

^{*} If selecting the IBM Proprinter X24E or X24 in your software, printer emulation must also be changed through the Setup Disk (R P. 18-20) or using the Control Panel (R P. 26-27).

Installing the Software

This Setup Disk can only be used in an IBM-PC or a compatible computer with a 3.5" floppy disk drive.

Before using the Setup Disk, it is recommended that you make a back-up copy and store the original in a safe place.

The following steps will automatically create a directory called P1131 and copy Control Panel Software (CPS1131.EXE) and Command Reference utility (CMDREF.EXE) from the Setup Disk to your C Drive. (You can change the directory and drive.)

For DOS

Program	Function				
Control Panel Software	Allows you to view and change the printer settings on the computer screen.				
Command Reference utility	Allows you to access a detailed explanation of each software command on the computer screen.				

For installation, follow the steps below.

- 1 Insert the Setup Disk into drive A (or B).
- 3 Type SETUP and press Enter).
- Type A: (or B:) and press Enter.
- 4 Follow the instructions on your computer screen.

For Windows 3.1

Program	Function				
Printer Driver	A printer driver is the part of the software that allows the software to communicate with the printer via the interface in use.				
Control Panel Software	Allows you to view and change the printer settings on the computer screen.				
Command Reference utility	Allows you to access a detailed explanation of each software command on the computer screen.				

For installation, follow the steps below.

1 Start Windows 3.1

- 4. Click Run... .
- 2 Insert the Setup Disk into drive A (or B).
- Type A:\SETUP (or B:\SETUP) and then press [Enter] (or click [OK]).

- Glick File from the Program Manager window.
- 6 Follow the instructions on your computer screen.

For Windows 95

For Printer Driver

Program	pelina thogographic team. Function
Printer Driver	A printer driver is the part of the software that allows the software to communicate with the printer via the interface in use.

For installation, follow the steps below.

1	Insert the Setup Disk into drive A (or B).	6	Select your Panasonic printer model.
2	Click Start , point to "Settings" and "Printers", then click.	7	Click Next .

3	Double click Add Printer , and click	Next .	8	Click	Next	to set up.
. 7	Bouble click Add Filliter , and click	INCAL .				

4	When the option "Local printer" or	9	Select "Yes" and click Next .
	"Network printer" appears, select Local printer then Next.	10	Click Finish .

5 Click Have Disk, OK. 11 Follow the instructions on your computer screen.

For Utilities

Program	Function
Control Panel Software	Allows you to view and change the printer settings on the computer screen.
Command Reference utility	Allows you to access a detailed explanation of each software command on the computer screen.

For installation, follow the steps below.

1 Start computer using Windows 95.	Type A:\ SETUP (or B:\ SETUP)and then press Enter (or click OK).
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2 Click Start, point to "Run..." and click.

4 Follow the instructions on your computer screen.

Using the Software

Control Panel Software Program

The printer allows you to select 42 initial setup items shown in the table below by using the Control Panel Software program.

The printer has been factory set to operate with most of the popular software packages. If no changes are required, you should be ready to print. In most cases there will be no need to change the initial setup items.

You can verify the current settings by pressing **F5** (**P**. 20) after running the Control Panel Software program. You can also verify the factory and current settings by turning the power on while pressing **PITCH**)+ **ON LINE**).

Menu	Item	Menu	Item
PRINT STYLE	FONT *1	CHARACTER SET	CHARACTER SET
	PITCH		COUNTRY
	POINT SIZE *2		CODE PAGE
EMULATION	EMULATION	INSTALL	AGM/IBM
PAGE FORMAT	LINE/INCH		AUTO CR/IBM
	PAGE LENGTH		AUTO LF
	TOP MARGIN		AUTO LOADING
	BOTTOM MARGIN		PAPER OUT DETECT
	LEFT MARGIN		TEAR OFF
	RIGHT MARGIN		CSF MODE *3
	CTR PRINTHEAD		BUFFER CONTROL *4
PRINT MODE	GRAPHIC DIRECTION		AUTO ON LINE
	TEXT DIRECTION		AUTO FEED XT CONTROL
TEXT ENHANCEMENT	BOLD	INTERFACE	INTERFACE
	DOUBLE HIGH		DATA LENGTH
	DOUBLE STRIKE		BAUD RATE *5
	DOUBLE WIDE		PARITY *5
	ITALICS		PROTOCOL *5
	OUTLINE	T.O.F. (Top of Form)	TRACTOR
	SHADOW	SETTING	FRICTION
	ZERO FONT		CUT SHEET FEEDER *3

^{*1 -}SC sequences are displayed only when one of the following CODE PAGE is selected: U.S.A., Multilingual, Portugal, Canada French, Norway, Turkey.

Note:

 This program communicates between printer and computer. Before running this program under Windows 3.1 or Windows 95, be sure printing is completed.

^{*2} displayed only when - SC sequences are selected in FONT.

^{*3} operational when using the optional Auto Cut Sheet Feeder (KX-PT12).

^{*4} Download font function is disabled when ALL is selected.

^{*5} displayed when AUTO or SERIAL is selected in INTERFACE.

To recall the programs, follow the steps below.

<For DOS>

- 1* At your C:\prompt, type CD P1131 and press Enter).
- Type CPS1131 and press Enter .

<For Windows 3.1>

- 1 Select Run from the File menu.
- Type C:\P1131\CPS1131
 and press Enter
 (or click OK).

<For Windows 95>

- Click Start, point to "Run..." and click.
- Type C:\P1131\CPS1131
 and press Enter
 (or click OK).
- * If you changed the directory when installing utilities for DOS, select your changed directory and press [Enter].

Note:

- If you want to run the Control Panel Software program using the Setup Disk, follow the steps below.
- 1. Insert your Setup Disk into drive A (or B).

<For DOS>

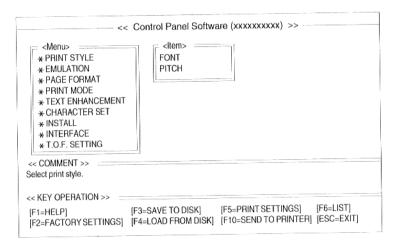
- 2. Type A: (or B:) and press Enter.
 - Type CD DOS and press Enter .
 - Type CPS1131 and press Enter.

<For Windows 3.1>

- 2. Select Run from the File menu.
 - Type A:\DOS\CPS1131 (or B:\DOS\CPS1131).
 - O Press Enter (or click OK).

<For Windows 95>

- Click Start, point to "Run..." and click.
 - Type A:\DOS\CPS1131 (or B:\DOS\CPS1131).
 - O Press Enter (or click OK).
- The first screen is an introduction to the operation of the Control Panel Software program. Please read it through and press any key to continue. (If your display is monochrome, press "M" key.)



4 The <Menu> window will be highlighted.

Using the Software

Note:

You can proceed through the Control Panel Software program using a computer mouse or your arrow keys.

Using the keyboard:

- I / 1 to move within the current window.
- to advance to <Item> and <Setting> windows.
- Enter to make selection in <Setting> window.
- to return to the previous window.

 TAB / SHIFT + TAB to move the cursor in [SAVE TO DISK] and [LOAD FROM DISK] windows.

Using the mouse:

 Highlight the selection and click the left mouse button.

F1	HELP	displays explanation of the functions
F2 *1	FACTORY SETTINGS	resets to the factory settings
F3	SAVE TO DISK	saves the setting as a file*2 to the Disk
F4	LOAD FROM DISK	loads your desired setting saved using F3 from the Disk
F5 * ³	PRINT SETTINGS	prints out the current settings
F6	LIST	displays the current setting list
F10 *3	SEND TO PRINTER	sends the settings to the printer
ESC	EXIT	exits the Control Panel Software program

^{*1} If you want to reset the printer settings to the factory settings when using the Control Panel Software program, press F2 to recall the factory settings and then press F10 to send the settings to the printer.

2 ".DAT" appears in the File Name position. Delete the * and enter a file name (up to 8 characters).

1. Press to highlight PARALLEL (or SERIAL) and press Enter .

2. Press to highlight SERIAL (or PARALLEL) and press Enter .

When sending the data through the Serial Interface (or Parallel Interface), change the option items (INTERFACE and PORT) to the required setting. (ex; INTERFACE)

Command Reference Program

The Command Reference program allows you to access a detailed explanation of each software command on the screen. Each displayed explanation can be printed out if required.

Note:

- You can print the Character Set Tables. On the SELECT COMMAND screen, press (C). Then select your desired table and press (Enter).
- If 7 bit is selected for Data Length, you cannot print the command lists and character set tables.
- There is a list of Proportional Spacing Tables after the software commands lists. If you want to see a proportional spacing table, select your desired table and press (Enter).

To recall the programs, follow the steps below.

<For DOS>

At your C:\prompt, type CD P1131 and press [Enter].

Type CMDREF and press 2 Enter .

<For Windows 3.1>

- Select Run from the File menu.
- Type C:\P1131\CMDREF 2 and press (Enter). (or click OK).

<For Windows 95>

- Click Start, point to "Run..." and click.
- 2 Type C:\P1131\CMDREF and press (Enter) (or click OK).
- * If you changed the directory when installing utilities for DOS, select your changed directory and press (Enter).

• If you want to run the Command Referece program using the Setup Disk, follow the steps below.

1. Insert your Setup Disk into drive A (or B).

<For DOS>

2. 1 Type A: (or B:) and press Enter .

> 2 Type CD DOS and press Enter .

Type CMDREF and press Enter .

<For Windows 3.1>

- 2. Select Run from the File menu.
 - Type A:\DOS\CMDREF (or B:\DOS\CMDREF).
 - O Click OK (or press Enter).

<For Windows 95>

- 2. O Click Start, point to "Run..." and click.
 - ② Type A:\DOS\CMDREF (or B:\DOS\CMDREF).
 - Click OK (or press Enter).

- The first screen is an introduction to 3 the operation of the Command Reference program. Please read it through and press any key to continue. (If your display is monochrome, press "M" key.)
- Select the desired emulation and press 4 Enter (or click OK).

The commands list will be displayed.

Select the desired command and press 5 Enter (or click OK).

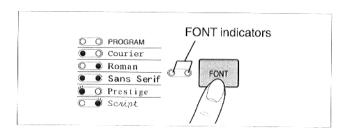
> The detailed explanation of the command will be displayed.

Press E to exit Command Reference. 6

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= = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	: Select emulation : Set emulation : Exit Command Reference	= =

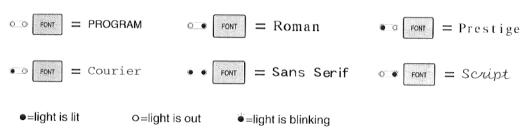
Selecting a Character Font

This printer contains resident fonts which are accessible through the Control Panel. You can select any one of the character fonts by pressing the FONT switch on the Control Panel.



• Press and release **FONT**.

The combination of FONT indicators indicates the current character font selected, as shown on the Control Panel.

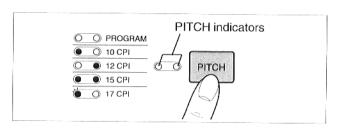


Note:

You must be in PROGRAM (both FONT indicators are off) to allow your software to control your font selection.

Selecting a Character Pitch

This printer contains resident pitches which are accessible through the control panel. You can select any one of the character pitches by pressing the PITCH switch on the control panel.



• Press and release PITCH .

The combination of PITCH indicators indicates the current character pitch selected, as shown on the Control Panel.

Note:

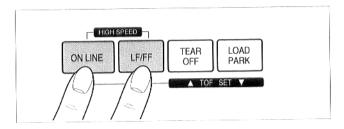
 You must be in PROGRAM (both PITCH indicators are off) to allow your software to control your pitch selection.

High Speed Mode

The High Speed mode is a feature for doubling the print speed only when LQ Font and one of the 120 dpi, 180 dpi or 360 dpi of 24-pin bit image are selected.

When enabled, this feature will lower the print density.

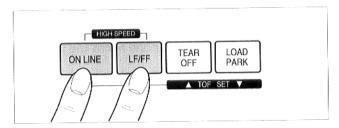
Turning on the High Speed mode:



While pressing ON LINE, press [LF/FF].

The HIGH SPEED indicator is on.

Turning off the High Speed mode:

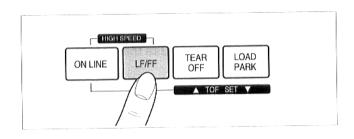


While pressing ON LINE, press LF/FF.

The HIGH SPEED indicator is off.

Line Feed / Form Feed (LF/FF)

You can adjust the paper position by using the front panel switches when the printer is in the OFF LINE mode or when the printer is not printing in the ON LINE mode.



With paper installed, pressing [LF/FF] once advances the paper one line.

With paper installed, holding [LF/FF] moves the printhead to the center and advances the paper to the top of the next page.

Note:

 When pressing LF/FF, the amount of paper which is fed is determined by the current setting for lines per inch as specified through the Control Panel Software program, control panel (Initial Setup mode) or your application software.

Top of Form Function (TOF SET)

This printer has a Top of Form (TOF) function which stores the first print line position and loads the paper to the designated position automatically. The first print line position will be stored even after the power is turned off.

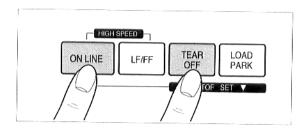
You can adjust the Top of Form position through the Control Panel Software program (🖙 P. 18), or using Micro Line Feed or Reverse Micro Line Feed (🖙 below) from the Control Panel within 125 mm (5") from the top of your paper.

Note:

- Do not rotate the platen knob, otherwise the printer will not be able to count the number of lines properly.
- All adjustments must be made on the first sheet. If you decide to change the setting and save it, remove the
 paper from the tractors, then reset and reload the paper.
- If necessary, redefine the page length of the paper you are using through the Control Panel Software program (R P. 18-20), Control Panel (R P. 26-27) or your application software.
- 2 (Micro Line Feed)

While pressing ON LINE, press

This advances the paper one micro line [0.14 mm (1/180'')].

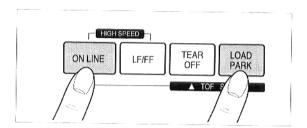


(Reverse Micro Line Feed)

While pressing ON LINE, press LOAD/PARK.

This reverse the paper one micro line [0.14 mm (1/180'')].

The printer cannot reverse the paper past the printable area (P) P. 33 "Printing Area").



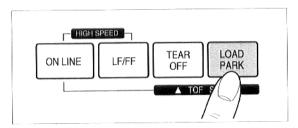
3 At your desired position within 125 mm (5") from the top of your paper, release the switches.

The paper position will be stored automatically as the new Top of Form position.

Paper Parking LOAD/PARK

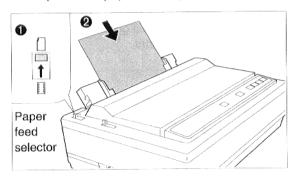
This function moves the fanfold paper to the park position, enabling you to use single sheets or envelopes without removing or wasting your fanfold paper.

- 1 Tear off the printed page(s) of the fanfold paper being used (Representation P. 14).
- Press LOAD/PARK to reverse the fanfold paper to the park position.

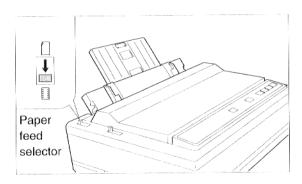


- Move the paper feed selector to " [" (Friction Mode).
 - ② Load single sheets or envelopes.

When you have finished printing, remove the sheet (or envelope) from the printer.



4 Move the paper feed selector to " Tractor Mode).



5 Press LOAD/PARK to reload the fanfold paper to the first print line.

Paper Out Detector

Your printer has a paper out detector. When an out of paper condition occurs, printing stops, the printer goes to the OFF LINE mode, and the POWER/PAPER OUT indicator starts blinking. To continue printing to the end of the current page, follow the steps below.

- 1 Press ON LINE repeatedly until the page is completed.
- If the ON LINE indicator is not lit, press ON LINE.
- 2 Insert the new paper (🖙 P. 11-14).

Note:

- When PAPER OUT DETECT is set to ON (P. 27), printing stops at 1.26 mm (0.5") from the bottom of the paper.
- The paper out detector can be disabled through the Control Panel Software program (🖙 P. 18).

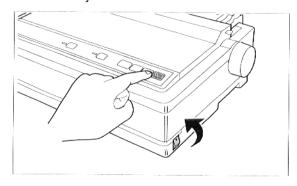
Initial Setup Mode

The 19 features (items) can be set in the Initial Setup mode through the Control Panel. For the features and the indicators condition, refer to page 27. These features can also be set through the Control Panel Software program (R P. 18).

- **1** Load a sheet of paper (P. 11-14), and turn the power off.
- While pressing (LOAD/PARK), turn the power on to enter the Initial Setup mode.

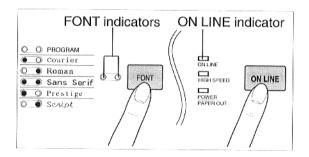
Both FONT indicators and the HIGH SPEED indicator will be blinking.

The current settings will be printed automatically.



Press and release FONT and ON LINE to select the item.

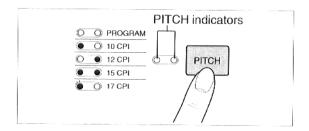
Each time you press **FONT** and **ON LINE**, you will advance to the next item. Select the desired item according to the status of the FONT and ON LINE indicators (on, off, blinking) (1287 P. 27).



4 Press and release (PITCH) to set the item's status.

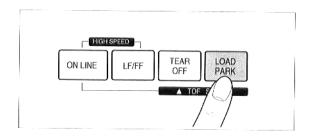
The item's status will change each time you press (PITCH) (LES P. 27).

To change additional settings, repeat step 3 and 4.



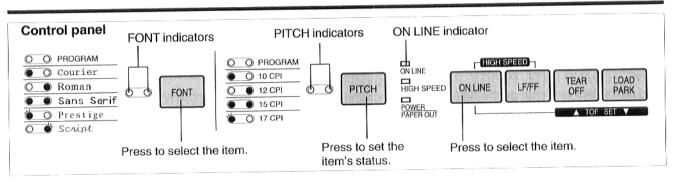
Press (LOAD/PARK) to exit the Initial Setup mode.

FONT indicator will go off and the current conditions will print.



Note:

- To return all current settings to the factory settings, follow the steps below.
 - 1. While pressing (LOAD/PARK), turn the power on, then release.
 - 2. Press TEAR OFF.
 - Press (LOAD/PARK) to exit the Initial Setup mode.



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G.DIRECTION		• 0	ВІ	UNI	_				
CSF MODE		• •	OFF	ON					
TEAR OFF		0 🛎	MANUAL	AUTO	_			_	
PAGE LENGTH	24	⊌ 0	11"	12"	11.66"	14"	8"	8.5"	
LINE/INCH		• 🕳	6 LPI	8 LPI	3 LPI	4 LPI	7.5 LPI	12 LPI	
FONT		*	DRAFT	COURIER	ROMAN	SANS SERIF	PRESTIGE	SCRIPT	
PITCH		00	10 CPI	12 CPI	15 CPI	17 CPI	20 CPI	PS	
AUTO LF		0 •	OFF	ON		_		_	
AGM/IBM		• 0	OFF	ON					
AUTO CR/IBM			OFF	ON	_				
AUTO LOADING		0 🗳	OFF	ON	_				
PAPER OUT DETECT		ĕ 0	OFF	ON				_	
AUTO ON LINE		• 🐇	OFF	ON			_		
BUFFER CONTROL		* •	22 KB	8 KB	0 KB	ALL*1			
ZERO FONT		00	NORMAL	POINT	SLASH		_		
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		• •	CZECH	PC852	ISO LATIN2	HUNGARIAN	BULGARIA	ISO 8859-2	

Indicators condition:

, =light is lit	,○ =light is out	⇒, •=light is blinking
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^{*1} Download font function is disabled when ALL is selected.

^{*2} If the current Country/Code Page setting is located under the other condition of FONT indicators, the both PITCH indicator will blink.

Interface Setup Mode

The following items can be set in the Interface Setup mode through the Control Panel: INTERFACE, DATA LENGTH, BAUD RATE, PARITY, PROTOCOL and SIGNAL POLARITY.

You can select and change the desired item according to the status of the FONT/PITCH indicators.

- 1 Load a sheet of paper (Res P. 11-14), and turn the power off.
- While pressing PITCH, turn the power on to enter the Interface Setup mode.

Both FONT indicators and the HIGH SPEED indicator will be blinking. The current settings will be printed automatically.

Press and release FONT to select the item.

Each time you press **FONT**, you will advance to the next item. Select the desired item according to the status of the FONT indicators (on, off, blinking).

Press and release PITCH to set the item's status.

The item's status will change each time you press **PITCH**. See the table below to verify desired status.

To change additional settings, repeat steps 3 and 4.

Item				4.3	Setting			
	FONT indicators		P	PITCH indica	ators (Pres	s PITCH)	
	(Press	0 0	0 •	• 0	• •	0 ⊌	ŏ o	• •
INTERFACE	0 •	AUTO	PARALLEL	SERIAL				_
DATA LENGTH	• 0	8 bit	7 bit					
BAUD RATE	• •	300	600	1,200	2,400	4,800	9,600	19,200
PARITY	0 🛎	NONE	IGNORE	ODD	EVEN			13,200
PROTOCOL	⊌ 0	DTR	XON/ XOFF	_	_			
SIGNAL POLARITY	• 🛎	MARK	SPACE					

FONT/PITCH indicators condition:

■=light is lit

○=light is out

=light is blinking

Press LOAD/PARK to exit the Interface Setup mode.

FONT indicators will go off and the current conditions will print.

Note:

- To return all current settings to the factory settings, follow the steps below.
 - While pressing LOAD/PARK, turn the power on, then release.
 - 2. Press TEAR OFF.
 - Press LOAD/PARK to exit the Initial Setup mode.

Periodic Maintenance / Troubleshooting

Periodic Maintenance

The printer does not require routine maintenance. However, reasonable care of the printer will extend its life. The following periodic measures are recommended:

- Cleaning the unit is the most important action you can perform.
 - The frequency of cleaning is dependent upon the environment.
 - Turn the power off and unplug the AC power cord.
 - Clean the case and covers with a soft cloth. Use any mild commercial cleaner on the cloth, do not spray directly on to the printer.
 - Raise the top cover and pull up the roller cover.
 Vacuum or dust the inside area of the unit.
 Be very careful not to damage the printhead ribbon cable or the carriage drive belt.

Caution:

 The printhead may be hot, use caution when the cover is open.

- The platen should be cleaned with denatured alcohol only.
- The carriage guide bar can be lubricated with a very light oil. Contact your Authorized Panasonic Service Center for advice when lubrication will be needed.

Ribbon Cassette

Note:

 If the ribbon begins to catch, snag, or tear from the printhead, your printer requires servicing.

Troubleshooting

Most problems associated with the printer can be traced to improper setup, installation, or cabling. The following table will assist you in identifying and correcting some of the more common problems. If you need additional help, contact the reseller from which the unit was purchased.

Possible Cause	Probable Solution
Head gap lever is not in the proper position	Move the lever toward the position "6" until ink doesn't smear (🖙 P. 10)
Head gap lever is not in proper position	Adjust the lever to the proper position (r P. 10, 11, 13)
Ribbon is not installed correctly	Re-insert ribbon (🖙 P. 10)
PAPER OUT DETECT is OFF	Set PAPER OUT DETECT to ON (Reg P. 18, 25)
No AC power	Check AC power cord (🖙 P. 9)
Paper feed selector is set to	Set selector to " []"
Printer is not ON LINE	Press ON LINE
Interface cable is not properly connected	Secure connection (P. 9)
Out of paper	Install new paper (🖙 P. 11-14)
Printhead has become overheated	Allow the printhead some time to cool down. The printer will automatically resume printing
Interface setting is incorrectly set	Set interface setting to match the computer's interface (P P. 18, 28)
Path of printhead is blocked	Turn the power off, clear the path. Turn the power back on to resume printing
	Head gap lever is not in the proper position Head gap lever is not in proper position Ribbon is not installed correctly PAPER OUT DETECT is OFF No AC power Paper feed selector is set to """ Printer is not ON LINE Interface cable is not properly connected Out of paper Printhead has become overheated Interface setting is incorrectly set

(continued)

Periodic Maintenance / Troubleshooting

Symptom	Possible Cause	Probable Solution
Paper wrinkles when using tractor feed	No reverse tension on paper	Set paper supply lower than printer
Printer cannot load single sheet through the top	CSF MODE is ON	Set CSF MODE to OFF when not using the cut sheet feeder (R P. 18, 27)
	Paper feed selector is set to " "	Set paper feed selector to "["
Cut Sheet Feeder (KX-PT12) is installed but does not work	CSF MODE is OFF	Set CSF MODE to ON (R P. 18, 27)
Unexpected characters appear in printing	EMULATION is set incorrectly	Check printer driver of your software package and set EMULATION accordingly (○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○
Fanfold paper is jamming	Paper is not installed correctly in tractor	Set paper feed selector to " " and rotate platen knob to remove jammed paper Reinstall paper correctly into tractor (🖙 P. 11)
Printout is double-spaced	AUTO LF is ON	Set AUTO LF to OFF (P. 18, 27)
Keeps printing on the same line	Computer is not sending a LF command	Set AUTO LF to ON (P P. 18, 27)
Wrong CHARACTER SET prints	Wrong CHARACTER SET is selected	Set the CHARACTER SET as required (ເເຮັ P. 18)
Cannot print ASCII characters with code above 127	DATA LENGTH is set incorrectly	Set DATA LENGTH as required (ເເຮັ P. 18, 28)
When using serial interface, printer does not print or data	Parallel interface is selected on your printer	Set INTERFACE to AUTO or SERIAL (ເଛ P. 18, 28)
loss occurs	BAUD RATE, PARITY, PROTOCOL or DATA LENGTH does not match with the computer	Set BAUD RATE, PARITY, PROTOCOL and DATA LENGTH to match the computer (🖙 P. 18, 28)
When printing is completed, paper is not advanced automatically	TEAR OFF, PAGE LENGTH, TOP MARGIN and BOTTOM MARGIN are set incorrectly	Set Tear off to AUTO and set Page length, Top margin and Bottom margin to meet your software package (🔊 P. 18)
A communication error occurs when running the CPS (Control Panel Software) in Windows 95	Printer Driver of KX-P1131 is spooling the data sent from DOS	 Select "Printers" from "Settings" in Windows 95 Select "Properties" of the KX-P1131 Select "Port Settings" from "Details" and disable "Spool MS-DOS print jobs" by clicking off its check box

Option

Model Number	Description
KX-PT12	Automatic Cut Sheet Feeder (single bin)

Supply

Model Number	Description
KX-P181	Ribbon Cassette (black)

Printer Specifications

Power requirements:	Refer to the n	ameplate locat	ed on the rear	or the printer	•
Frequency:					
Current:					
nterface:	Centronics pa RS-232C/Ser	Centronics parallel RS-232C/Serial interface			
Print fonts:	3 Draft (Pica, Elite, Micron) 7 Letter Quality (Courier, Bold PS, Prestige, Script, Sans Serif, Roman, OCR-B) 6 Scalable Fonts *1 (Courier, Bold PS, Roman, Sans Serif, Prestige, Script)			s Serif, Roman, OCR-B) erif, Prestige, Script)	
Software emulation:		Epson LQ-300 without color IBM Proprinter X24E			
Buffer:	Selectable [0 KB / 8 KB / 22 KB (default) / All (54 KB max.)]				
Character sets:	15 Internation	e ONE Italic ar nal characters s character set	and LEGAL So	rs set tables et	
Dot configuration:	Matrix (H	") dot diamete Hor. × Ver.) Hor.) Ver.)	r	/120 ″)	LQ 30 × 24 0.07 mm (√360″) 0.14 mm (√180″)
Maximum number of characters per line (cpl):	Font Pica [10 cpi (character per inch)] Elite (12 cpi) Micron (15 cpi) Compressed (17 cpi) Elite compressed (20 cpi)		inch)]	Print line size: 203 mm (8") 80 cpl 96 cpl 120 cpl 137 cpl 160 cpl	
Printing speed [characters per second (cps)]:	Draft Letter Quali	ty	Micron 300 cps 100 cps	Elite 240 cps 80 cps	Pica 200 cps 66 cps
Printing direction:	Uni-direction	al / Bi-direction	nal (user selec	table)	
Line feed time:	Approx. 65 msec [with 4.2 mm (1/6") line feeding]				
Paper feed:	Push tractor Friction feed	feed (with fant (with single sh	fold paper) neets or envel	opes)	
Operating environment:	Humidity: 3	e: 10°C to 35°C 0% to 80% Rh perating tempe	t (Please allo	w the printer	to stabilize at room temperature on)
Power consumption:	Max — 180 W Stand by — 10 W Self Test — 55 W				
Storage enviroment:	Temperatur Humidity: 1	Temperature: -20°C to 60°C (-4°F to 140°F) Humidity: 10% to 90% RH			
Head service life:	Approx. 200	million stroke:	s in DRAFT m	ode	
Ribbon:	Endless fabric ribbon Black ribbon cassette KX-P181: Life expectancy (in DRAFT mode/rolling ASCII) Approx. 6 million characters				
Detectors:	Paper out detector Printhead Overheat detector Overload detector				
Dimensions:	434 (W) × 326 (D) × 140 (H) mm [17.1" (W) × 12.8" (D) × 5.5" (H)]				
Mass {Weight}:		kg {11.5 lbs.}			
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^{*1} Scalable Fonts are available only when one of the following Code Page is selected: U.S.A., Multilingual, Portugal, Canada French, Norway, Turkey.

Paper Specifications

Paper which may be used with this unit must be within the specifications provided below.

Fanfold Paper

Width: 102-254 mm (4-10")

Quality and number of sheets:

Type of paper	Sheets	Weight		
		lbs.	g/m ²	
Fine-quality paper	1	16-24	60-90	
Non-carbon	2-5	11-14 (17*)	41-53 (64*)	
Multi-layered with carbon	2	11-14 (17*)	41-53 (64*)	

(*only for the last sheet)

Note:

- To insure optimum print quality, 60-82.5 g/m² {16-22 lbs.} is recommended for graphic printing.
- In multi-layered paper with carbon, the carbon is equivalent to a sheet of paper.
- "Weight in pounds" represents the weight of 500 [432 \times 559 mm (17 \times 22")] sheets.
- The printer will handle multipart forms up to 0.36 mm (0.014") thick. Up to 5 copies of 14 lbs. chemical release paper can be used.

Single Sheet

Width: 102-297 mm (4-11.7") Height: 127-363 mm (5-14.3")

Weight in pounds (g/m²): 53-90 g/m² {14-24 lbs.}

Note:

- Paper should be within operating temperature and humidity ranges at least 24 hours prior to use.
- Due to letter head varying in paper weight and construction, we cannot guarantee print quality and paper handling for all types.

Envelope

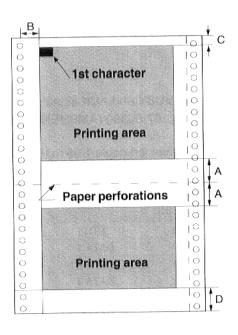
#6 and #10 size envelopes are recommended. Since envelopes vary in size, paper weight and construction, we cannot guarantee print quality and paper handling for all types of envelopes.

Note:

To optimize print quality, printing should not occur in areas where the edges overlap.

Printing Area

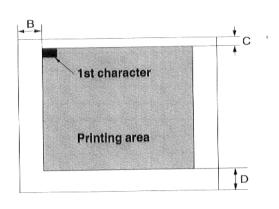
Fanfold Paper



A	25.4 mm (1")
В	17.8 mm (0.7")
С	2 mm (0.08")
D	15 mm (0.6")

- **A:** The area near the paper perforations where the print quality may not be optimum.
- **B:** The minimum distance between the sprockets and first printable character. (When the left tractor is set on the left end and the margin is set to 0.)
- **C:** The area from the top edge of the paper to the top of the first printed character.
- The area from the bottom edge of the paper where the print quality may not be optimum.

Single Sheet and Envelope



В	3 mm (0.12")
С	2 mm (0.08")
D	15 mm (0.6")

- **B:** The minimum distance between the edge of the paper and first printable character. (When the left paper guide is set to the 0 position and the margin is set to 0.)
- **C:** The area from the top edge of the paper to the top of the first printed character.
- **D:** The position where paper out is detected and printing may not be optimum. (When printing on envelopes, do not print on area where edges overlap. Print quality may not be optimum.)

Interfacing

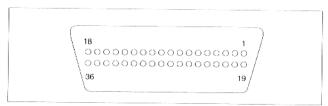
This information should be provided to the company from which you are purchasing the interface cable to ensure the proper wiring of the cable.

Parallel Interfacing

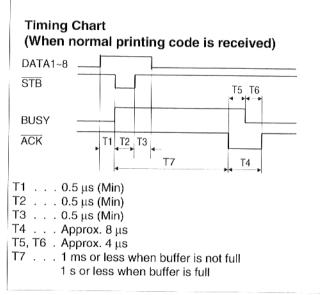
A method of transferring data from a computer to a printer through a parallel interface is based on the Centronics Standard.

Specifications:

- Data transfer speed: 1000 cps minimum
- Synchronization: External STROBE pulse
- Logic levels: TTL (Transistor-Transistor-Logic) levels



Parallel Interface Connector (printer side)



Timing Diagram

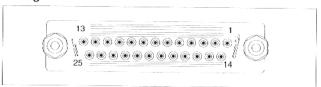
- Handshaking: BUSY and ACK signals
- Connector type: 57-30360 (AMPHENOL) or equivalent
- Cable: Use a shielded cable 1.95 m (6'5") or less in length.

Signal pin	Return side pin	Signal	Direction
1	19	STB	
2	20	DATA 1	1
3	21	DATA 2	
4	22	DATA 3	Input
5	23	DATA 4	input
6	24	DATA 5	
7	25	DTAT 6	
8	26	DATA 7	
9	27	DATA 8	
10	28	ACK	
11	29	BUSY	Output
12		PO	Odipai
13		SLCT	
14		AUTO FEED XT	Input
15			
16		SG	
17		FG	
18		+5 V	Output
31	30	PRIME	Input
32		ERROR	Output
33			
34			
35			
36		SLCT IN	Input

Pin Configuration

Serial Interfacing

 Cable: Use a shielded cable 1.95 m (6'5") or less in length.



Serial Interface Connector (printer side)

Signal pin	Signal	Direction
1	FG	
2	TXD	OUTPUT
3	RXD	INPUT
7	SG	
20	DTR	OUTPUT

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