

**TEC Thermal Printer** 

## **B-570 SERIES**

# User's Manual

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#### Precaution

This service manual, intended for field engineers and technicians, is designed as a guide for maintenance, service and repair of TOSHIBA TEC Thermal Printers on the market.

The following related manuals contain additional information on using the B-570 Series.

Please refer to the detail information for specific purposes. (For instance, please read carefully the supply manual when media or ribbon is needed.)

They are available from TOSHIBA TEC sales headquarters.

- Interface/Communication Manual
- Supply Manual
- Specifications

#### Safety Summary

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

#### Safety Precaution

Energized electrical equipment is dangerous. Electrical shock from energized equipment can cause death. Never work on energized equipment unless authorized to do so by a responsible authority.

If emergency work on energized equipment is authorized, be sure that it is accomplished in strict compliance with approved safety regulations.

The following safety precautions will help to ensure proper use of the printer:

- Turn off the printer before opening the top for any reason.
- Unplug the printer whenever you are working inside the printer.
- · Keep your work environment static free.





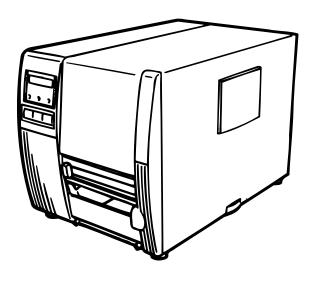
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# **B-570-QQ SERIES**

# Owner's Manual



**TOSHIBA TEC CORPORATION** 

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operations of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense. (for USA only)

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by manufacturer for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

"This Class A digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations."

"Cet appareil numérique de la classe A respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur de Canada."

(for CANADA only)

#### **CAUTION:**

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

#### **CAUTION:**

Do not touch moving parts. To reduce the risk that fingers, jewelry, clothing. etc., be drawn into the moving parts, push the switch in the "OFF" position to stop movement.

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#### **Safety Summary**

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

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

#### **Meanings of Each Symbol**



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



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



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



Any other than the

specified AC voltage

This indicates that there is the risk of **death** or **serious injury** if the machines are improperly handled contrary to this indication.



■ Do not use voltages other than the voltage (AC) specified on the rating plate, as this may cause **fire** or **electric shock**.



■ Do not plug in or unplug the power cord plug with wet hands as this may cause **electric shock**.



■ If the machines share the same outlet with any other electrical appliances which consume large amounts of power, the voltage will fluctuate widely each time these appliances operate. Be sure to provide an exclusive outlet for the machine as this may cause the machines to malfunction.



■ Do not place metal objects or water-filled containers such as flower vases, flower pots or mugs, etc. on top of the machines. If metal objects or spilled liquid enter the machines, this may cause **fire** or **electric shock**.



■ Do not insert or drop metal, flammable or other foreign objects into the machines through the ventilation slits, as this may cause **fire** or **electric shock**.



■ Do not scratch, damage or modify the power cords. Also, do not place heavy objects on, pull on, or excessively bend the cords, as this may cause fire or electrical shock.



■ If the machines are dropped or their cabinets damaged, first turn off the power switches and disconnect the power cord plugs from the outlet, and then contact your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance. Continued use of the machine in that condition may cause fire or electric shock.



■ Continued use of the machines in an abnormal condition such as when the machines are producing smoke or strange smells may cause **fire** or **electric shock**. In these cases, immediately turn off the power switches and disconnect the power cord plugs from the outlet. Then, contact your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance.

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■ If foreign objects (metal fragments, water, liquids) enter the machines, first turn off the power switches and disconnect the power cord plugs from the outlet, and then contact your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative for assistance. Continued use of the machine in that condition may cause fire or electric shock.



Disconnect the plug.



■When unplugging the power cords, be sure to hold and pull on the plug portion. Pulling on the cord portion may cut or expose the internal wires and cause fire or electric shock.



■ Ensure that the equipment is properly grounded. Extension cables should also be grounded. Fire or electric shock could occur on improperly grounded equipment.



■ Do not remove covers, repair or modify the machine by yourself. You may be **injured** by high voltage, very hot parts or sharp edges inside the machine.



**CAUTION** This indicates that there is the risk of personal **Injury** or **damage** to objects if the machines are improperly handled contrary to this indication.

#### **Precautions**

The following precautions will help to ensure that this machine will continue to function correctly.

- Try to avoid locations that have the following adverse conditions:
  - \* Temperatures out of the specification
    - n
- Direct sunlight
- High humidity

\* Shared power source

- \* Excessive vibration
- Dust/Gas
- The cover should be cleaned by wiping with a dry cloth or a cloth slightly dampened with a mild detergent solution. NEVER USE THINNER OR ANY OTHER VOLATILE SOLVENT on the plastic covers.
- USE ONLY TOSHIBA TEC SPECIFIED paper and ribbons.
- DO NOT STORE the paper or ribbons where they might be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperatures, high humidity, dust, or gas.
- Ensure the printer is operated on a level surface.
- Any data stored in the memory of the printer could be lost during a printer fault.
- Try to avoid using this equipment on the same power supply as high voltage equipment or equipment likely to cause mains interference.
- Unplug the machine whenever you are working inside it or cleaning it.
- · Keep your work environment static free.
- Do not place heavy objects on top of the machines, as these items may become unbalanced and fall causing **injury**.
- Do not block the ventilation slits of the machines, as this will cause heat to build up inside the machines and may cause **fire**.
- Do not lean against the machine. It may fall on you and could cause injury.
- Care must be taken not to injure yourself with the printer paper cutter.
- Unplug the machine when it is not used for a long period of time.

#### **Request Regarding Maintenance**

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

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### **CAUTION:**

- 1. This manual may not be copied in whole or in part without prior written permission of TOSHIBA TEC.
- 2. The contents of this manual may be changed without notification.
- 3. Please refer to your local Authorized Service representative with regard to any queries you may have in this manual.

Unpacking Procedure

## 1. INTRODUCTION

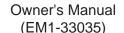
Thank you for choosing the TEC B-570 series thermal/transfer printer. This new generation high performance/quality printer is equipped with the latest hardware including the newly developed high density (12 dots/mm, 306 dots/inch) near edge print head. This will allow very clear print at a maximum speed of 203.2 mm/sec. (8 inches/sec.). Other standard features include an automatic ribbon saver, a built-in rewinder/strip mechanism and an internal media supply spool. Combine this with an optional high speed P.C. interface board which allows vastly reduced graphic data transfer times and you have a printer to suit a variety of applications and environments.

This manual contains general set-up and maintenance information and should be read carefully to help gain maximum performance and life from your printer. For most queries please refer to this manual and keep it safe for future reference.

## 1.1 Applicable Model

B-572-QQ
 Model name description

#### 1.2 Accessories

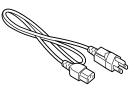




Rewinder guide plate (FMBD0034501)



Power Cord



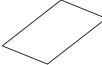
Screw (SM-4x6B)



Head Cleaner (24089500013)



Quality control report



## 2. SPECIFICATIONS

## 2.1 Printer

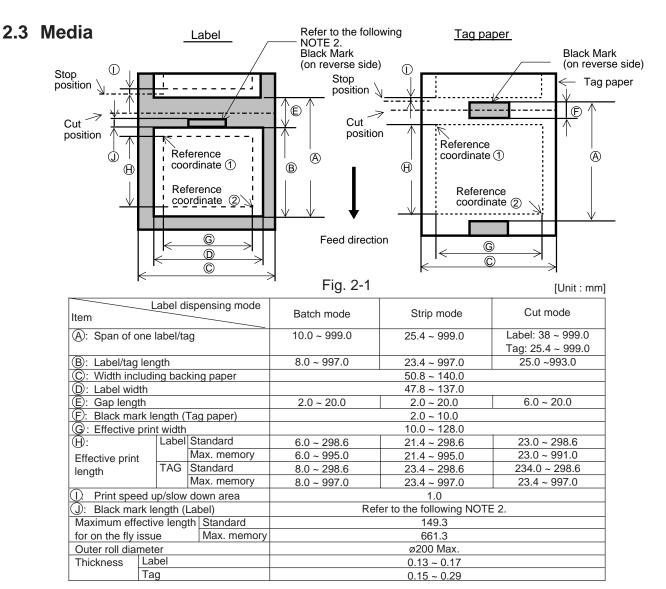
Item Model	B-570-QQ
Supply voltage	AC 100V ~ 120V +10%, -15%, 50/60Hz +2Hz, -2Hz
Power consumption	2A, 198W maximum (standby: 500mA, 51W maximum)
Operating temperature range	5°C ~ 40°C
Relative humidity Print head	25% ~ 85%RH (no condensation) Thermal print head 12 dots per mm (306 dots per inch)
Printing methods	Thermal direct or Thermal transfer
Print speeds	76.2 mm/sec. (3 inch/sec.), 127 mm/sec. (5 inch/sec.),
'	203.2 mm/sec. (8 inch/sec.),
Maximum print width	127.5 mm (5.02 inches)
Dispensing modes	Batch (Continuous), Strip (On-demand) and Cut modes
Magaga display	(Cut mode is only available when optional cutter is fitted.)  20 characters x 1 line
Message display Dimensions	291 mm (width) x 460 mm (depth) x 308 mm (height)
Weight	19 kg (without media and ribbon)
Available bar code types	JAN8, JAN13, EAN8, EAN8+2digits, EAN8+5digits
	EAN13, EAN13+2digits, EAN13+5digits
	UPC-E, UPC-E+2digits, UPC-E+5digits
	UPC-A, UPC-A+2digits, UPC-A+5 digits
	MSI, ITF, NW-7, CODE39, CODE93, CODE128, EAN128 PDF417, DATA MATRIX, Industrial 2 to 5
Fonts	Times Roman (6 sizes), Helvetica (6 sizes), Presentation (1 size),
· ome	Letter Gothic (1 size), Prestige Elite (2 sizes), Courier (2 sizes),
	OCR (2 types), Writable characters (40 types), Outline font (1 type)
Rotations	0°, 90°, 180°, 270°
Standard interface	Serial interface (RS-232C)
	Parallel interface (Centronics)
	Expansion I/O interface Flash memory card interface
Optional interfaces	High speed PC interface

## 2.2 Option

Option Name	Type	Usage	Source
Cutter module	B-4205-QM	A stop and cut swing cutter	See NOTE 1.
High speed PC interface kit	B-4800-PC-QM	This interface kit allows extremely high speed information transfer between the printer and PC.	See NOTE 1.
Fanfold paper guide module	B-4905-FF-QM	This is a paper guide exclusively used for fanfold paper. Attaching it in place of the standard paper guide allows the printer to print on fanfold paper.	See NOTE 1.
D-RAM PC board	FMBC0067801	A 2MB RAM upgrade which enhances the image handling capability of the printer.	See NOTE 2.
Flash memory card		A flash ROM card (1MB and 4MB) for storing logos, writable characters and formats.	See NOTE 3.

NOTES: 1. Available from your nearest TOSHIBA TEC representative or TOSHIBA TEC Head Quarters.

- 2. Available from TOSHIBA TEC Parts Center.
- 3. When purchasing flash memory card locally, select one having the specifications described at page 8-1.



NOTES:

- The media specification other than above are unchanged.
- When marking black marks on label rolls, the following requirements must be satisfied. When the gap length is less than 4 mm:

The black mark length should be longer than the gap length.

When the gap length is 4 mm or more:

The black mark should not overlap the gap for more than 4 mm and the following label.

#### 2.4 Ribbon

Туре	Spool type
Width	68 mm ~ 134 mm
Length	600 m
Outer diameter	ø90 mm (max.)

- **NOTES:** 1. "On the fly issue" means that the printer can draw and print without stopping between labels.
  - 2. To ensure print quality and print head life use only TOSHIBA TEC specified media and ribbons.
  - 3. When using the cutter ensure that label length (B) plus inter label gap length (E) exceeds 35 mm. (i.e. label pitch should be greater that 35 mm.)
  - 4. When rewinding the media onto the take-up spool in batch mode, the max. outer roll diameter should be 180 mm.
  - 5. Use of rough media for the ribbon saving issue may cause ribbon smudges.

## 3. OVERVIEW

#### 3.1 Front/Rear View

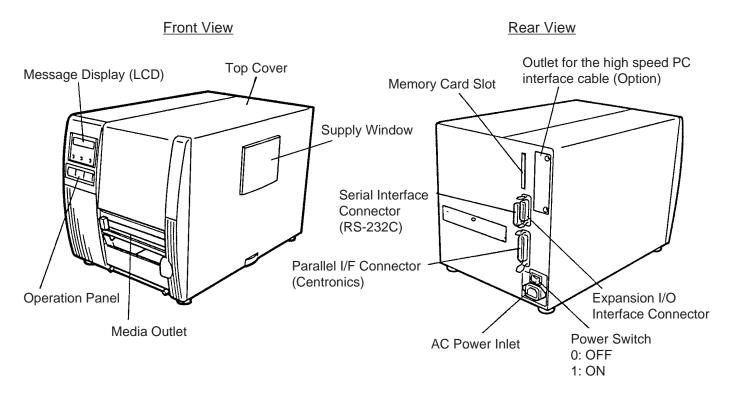


Fig. 3-1

## 3.2 Operation Panel

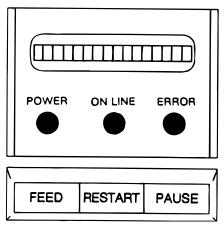


Fig. 3-2

#### **MESSAGE DISPLAY** (LCD)

Displays messages in the language selected by DIP switch. When power is turned on and it is ready to print, "ON LINE" is displayed.

#### **POWER LED (Green)**

Lights when the power is turned on.

#### **ON-LINE LED (Green)**

- 1) Flashes when communicating with a host computer.
- 2) On while printing.

#### **ERROR LED (Red)**

Lights when a communication error occurs, when the media/ribbon ends or the printer does not operate correctly.

#### **FEED key**

Feeds paper.

#### **RESTART** key

Resets the printer when paused or when an error occurs. Used to set the threshold. (Refer to page 10-4)

#### PAUSE key

Pauses printing.

Message display shows "PAUSE" and an unprinted count. Used to set the threshold. (Refer to page 10-4)

## 4. DIP SWITCH FUNCTIONS

The DIP switches are located to the right of the supply shaft.

#### **WARNING:**

Turn the **POWER OFF** before switching the functions.

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Fig. 4-1

#### (1) DIP SW 2

No.	. ON/OFF		Function	·
	1	2	Transmission speed	
1	OFF OFF		2400 BPS	
	ON	ON	4800 BPS	
2	OFF	ON	9600 BPS	
	ON	ON	19200 BPS	
3	C	FF	1 bit	Stop bit length
	(	NC	2 bit	
4		)FF	7 bit	Data length
	(	NC	8 bit	
5	C	)FF	without	Parity check
	(	NC	with	
6	OFF		EVEN	Parity check (effective when DIP
	ON		ODD	SW #5 is set to ON.)
	7	8		
	OFF OFF XON/XOFF (No XON is output at the power on time.)		XON/XOFF (No XON is output at the power on time.)	Data protocol
		(XOFF is output at the power off time.)		
7	ON	OFF	READY/BUSY (DTR)	
'			(No XON is output at the power on time.)	
			(No XOFF is output at the power off time.)	
			READY/BUSY (RTS)	
			(No XON is output at the power on time)	
			(No XOFF is output at the power off time.)	
8	OFF	XON/XOTT TREATMENT		
	(XON is output at the power on time.)		(XON is output at the power on time.)	
			(XOFF is output at the power off time.)	
	ON	ON	XON/XOFF (XON is output at the power on time.)	
	(XOFF is output at the power off time.)		(XOFF is output at the power off time.)	

#### (2) DIP SW 1

No.	ON/OFF			Function	
	OFF		Without	Auto ribbon save function	
1		ON		With	
	2	3	4		
	OFF	OFF	OFF	English	Language to display LCD error
2	ON	OFF	OFF	German	message
	OFF	ON	OFF	French	
3	ON	ON	OFF	Dutch	
	OFF	OFF	ON	Spanish	
4	ON	OFF	ON	Japanese	
	OFF	ON	ON	Italian	
	ON	ON	ON	Not used	
_		OFF		Without	Auto media feed after a cut issue
5		ON		With	(See page 6-5)
6		OFF		Without	Use of the built-in rewinder/Head up
0	ON		With	function in cut mode Refer to Note 2.	
7	OFF		Must be set to OFF.		
'	ON				
8	OFF		Must be set to OFF.		
°		ON			

- NOTES: 1. The shaded settings are the factory default settings. "OFF" means "OPEN".
  - 2. The DIP switch #1-6 functions in accordance with equipment to be used.
  - 3. If you would like to switch to READY/BUSY (DTR) or to READY/BUSY (RTS) of data protocol, please contact your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative.

## 5. INSTALLING THE PRINTER

## **Connecting the Power Cord and Cables**

#### **WARNING!**

Turn the **POWER SWITCH to OFF** before connecting the power cord or cables.

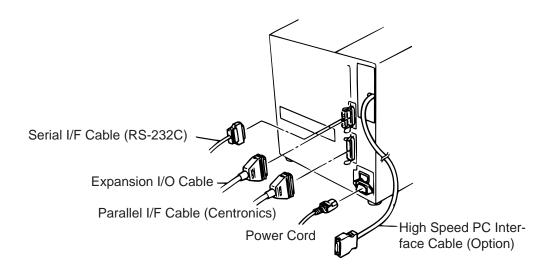


Fig. 5-1

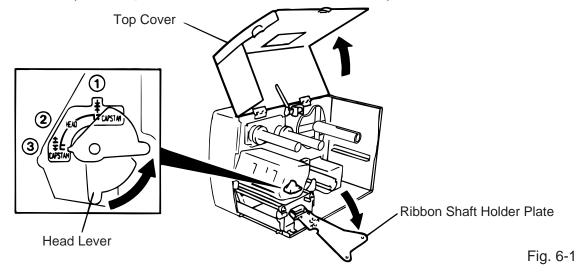
## 6. LOADING THE MEDIA

#### **WARNING:**

- 1. Do not touch moving parts. To reduce the risk that fingers, jewelry, clothing, etc., be drawn into the moving parts, push the switch in the "OFF" position to stop movement.
- 2. To avoid injury, be careful not to catch or jam your fingers while opening or closing the cover.

The printer prints both labels and tags.

- 1. Turn off the power and open the top cover.
- 2. Turn the head lever to position ③, then release the ribbon shaft holder plate.



- **NOTES:** 1. When the head lever is turned to position ②, the print head is raised.
  - 2. When the head lever is turned to position ③, the print head and the pinch roller are raised.
  - 3. To allow printing the head lever must be set to position ①. (This ensures that the print head and the pinch roller are closed.)
- 3. Turn the locking ring counter clockwise and remove the supply holder from the supply shaft.

  \*\*NOTE: Do not turn the force the locking ring too far counterclockwise or it may come off the supply holder.

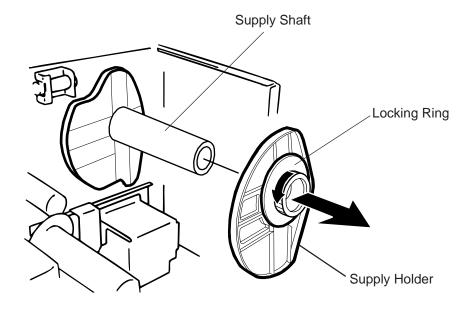
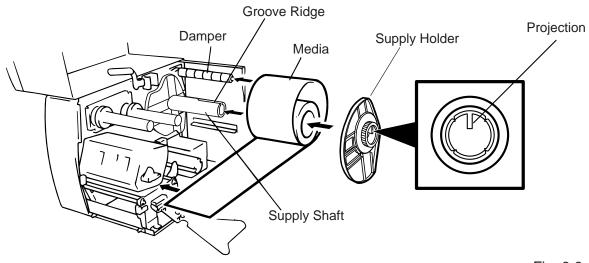


Fig. 6-2

- 4. Put the media on the supply shaft.
- 5. Pass the media around the damper, then pull the media towards the front of the printer.
- 6. Insert the ridge of the supply holder into the groove of the supply shaft until the media is fixed. Then turn the locking ring clockwise to secure the supply holder. This will centre the media automatically.

**NOTE:** Do not over tighten the locking ring of the supply holder.



- Fig. 6-3
- 7. Insert the media into the paper holders of the media guide, adjust the media guides to the media width, and tighten the locking screw.
- 8. Check that the media path through the printer is straight. The media should be centered under the print head.

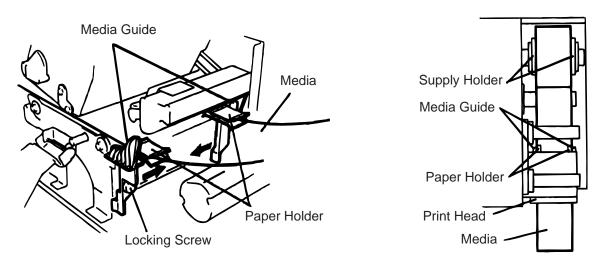


Fig. 6-4

**NOTE:** When using the label rolled with labels facing outside, please remove the upper plates of both paper holders using the following procedure. Failure to do this may cause a paper jam error. If you have any questions, please contact your nearest TOSHIBA TEC service representative.

#### ■ Removing the paper holders' upper plates from the media guide

1) Remove the two T-4x8 screws to detach the media guide from the printer.

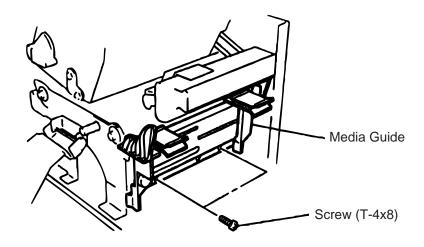


Fig. 6-5

2 Remove the SM-3x6 screw or the SM-3x8 screw to detach the paper holders' upper plates from the media guide.

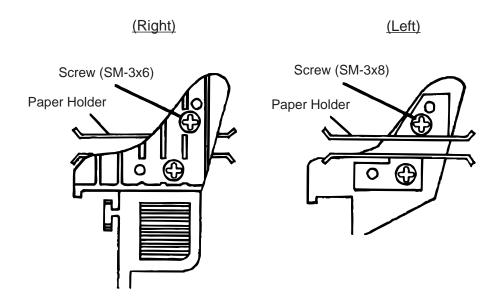


Fig. 6-6

3 Attach the media guide back in position.

**NOTE:** Do not lose the removed upper plates because they are required when using the label rolled with labels facing inside.

9. Set the black mark/feed gap sensor to the correct position by turning the adjusting knob. Turning the knob right will move the sensor towards the center of the media while turning left will move it away from the center of the media.

#### ■ An easy way to set the black mark sensor position

- 1 Pull the media about 500 mm out of the front of the printer, turn the media back on it's self and feed it under the print head past the sensor so that the black mark can be seen from above.
- 2 Adjust the sensor position to that of the black mark (the upper hole indicates the position of the black mark sensor).

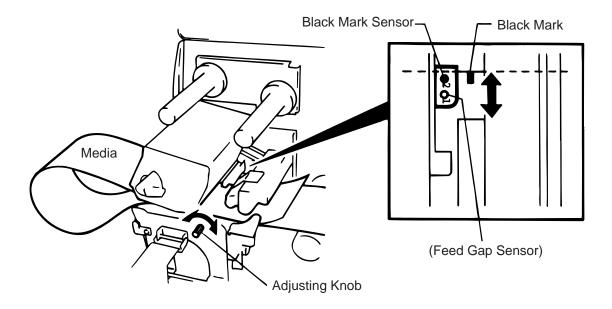


Fig. 6-7

**NOTE:** Make sure to set the sensor to detect the center of the black mark, otherwise a paper jam error could occur.

#### Setting the feed gap sensor position

1) Adjust the sensor to detect on the gap (the lower hole indicates the position of the feed gap sensor.)

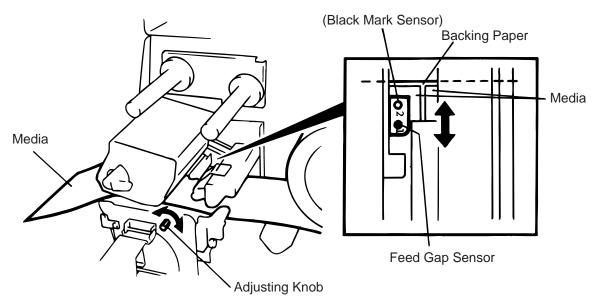
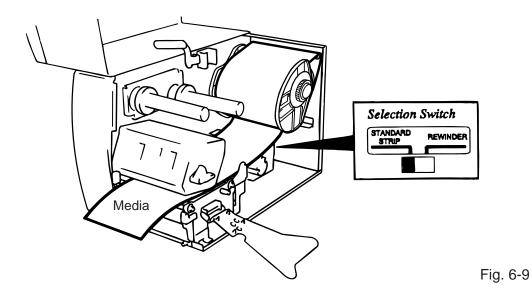


Fig. 6-8

10. The media is now loaded and the sensor position is set.

#### Batch type:



**NOTE:** Set the selection switch to the STANDARD/STRIP position. Improper setting can affect the print quality.

#### Strip type:

- 1) Remove enough labels from the leading edge media to leave 500 mm of backing paper exposed.
- ② Wind the backing paper onto the take-up spool and fix in position with the take-up clip. (Wind the paper counter clockwise around the spool as this is the direction it rotates.)
- 3 Rotate the take-up spool anti-clockwise a few times to take up any slack in the backing paper.

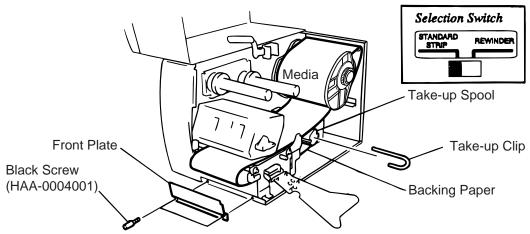


Fig. 6-10

**NOTES:** 1. The backing paper is easier to feed back to the take-up spool if the front plate is removed.

- 2. When fitting the tace-up clip the longer side of the clip should be fitted into the shallow groove on the take-up spool.
- 3. Set the selection switch to the STANDARD/STRIP position.

**<u>Cutter type:</u>** Where a cutter is fitted load the media as standard and feed it through the cutter module.

**NOTES:** 1. Be sure to cut the backing paper of label. Cutting labels will cause the glue to stick to the cutter, which may affect the cutter quality and shorten the cutter life.

- 2. If the top edge of label winds onto the platen in cut issue, set the DIP SW 1-5 to ON.
- 3. For the cutter type, the selection switch can be set to either position.

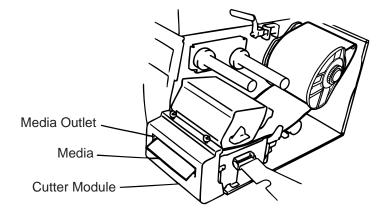


Fig. 6-11

#### **Built-in rewinder type:**

- (1) Remove two black screws and front plate.
- 2) Fit the rewinder guide plate to the tear-off bar, then attach it with the sems screws.

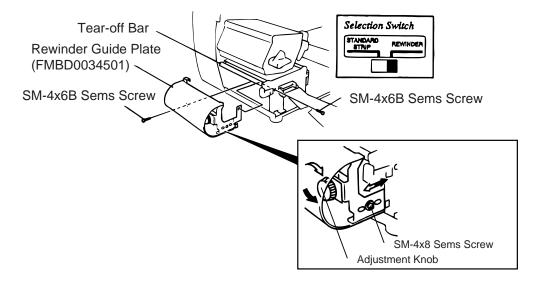


Fig. 6-12

**NOTES:** Set the selection switch to the REWINDER position.

- 3 Follow the procedure for strip type.
- (4) Adjustment

If the label skews when using built-in rewinder unit, turn the adjustment knob of the rewinder guide plate to correct the label feed. Clockwise turn moves the rewinder guide plate forward and counterclockwise moves it backward.

- \* When labels skew to the right: Loosen the SM-4x8 sems screw with a philips-head screw driver. Turn the adjustment knob clockwise, and tighten the SM-4x8 screw when the rewinder guide plate is positioned correctly.
  - When labels skew to the left: Loosen the SM-4x8 screw with a phillips-head screw driver. Turn the adjustment knob counterclockwise, and tighten the SM-4x8 screw when the rewinder guide plate is positioned correctly.

## 7. LOADING THE RIBBON

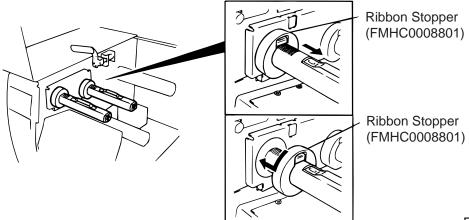
#### **WARNING!**

- 1. Do not touch moving parts. To reduce the risk that fingers, jewelry, clothing, etc., be drawn into the moving parts, push the switch in the "OFF" position to stop movement.
- 2. To avoid injury, be careful not to catch or jam your fingers while opening or closing the cover.

There are two types of media available for printing on, these are standard media and direct thermal media (a chemically treated surface). **DO NOT LOAD** a ribbon when using a direct thermal media.

1. When using a narrow width ribbon, slide the ribbon stoppers along the shafts to a position where the ribbon will be centered when it is fitted. When changing from a narrow width to a wider one rotate the ribbon stoppers by 90°, push them back to the correct position and then rotate back to lock.

**NOTE:** When attaching the ribbon stoppers, fit them to the shafts with the pinchers facing into the printer.



- Fig. 7-1
- 2. Leaving plenty of slack between the spools, fit the ribbon as shown below. When the ribbon is fitted it must be positioned over the ribbon sensor.
- 3. Wind both shafts towards each other to tighten the ribbon.

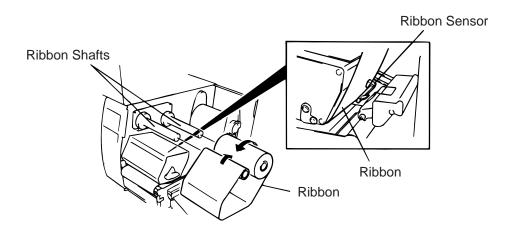


Fig. 7-2

- 4. Reset the ribbon shaft holder plate by aligning it with the ribbon shaft.
- 5. Turn the head lever clockwise to lower the print head.
- 6. Close the top cover.

## 8. INSERTING THE OPTIONAL FLASH MEMORY CARD

#### **WARNING!**

Turn the power OFF when inserting or removing the flash memory card.

#### **CAUTION:**

To protect memory cards, discharge static electricity from your body by touching the printer rear cover prior touching the memory cards.

- 1. Turn the power off.
- 2. Insert the flash memory card into the memory card slot at the rear of the printer.
- 3. Turn the power on.

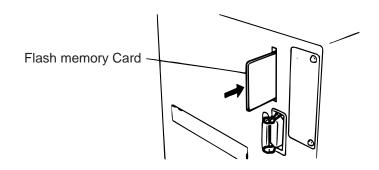


Fig. 8-1

- **NOTES:** 1. Be sure to protect a flash memory card when not in use in the printer by putting it in it's protective cover.
  - 2. Do not subject the card to any shocks or excessive forces.
  - 3. Do not expose the card to extremes of heat by either storing in direct sunlight or close to a heater.
  - 4. Do not expose the card to excessive humidity by wiping it with a wet cloth or storing it in a damp place.
  - 5. Before inserting or removing the card, make sure that the power switch is turned off.
  - 6. The following flash cards can be used. (The 1MB-card is read only and the 4MB card can read/write.)

Capacity	Maker	Туре	Device code	Maker code
1M Byte	Maxell	EF-1M-TB AA	D0H	1CH
	Mitsubishi	MF81M1-GBDAT01		
4M Byte	Maxell	EF-4M-TB CC	88H	В0Н
	Maxell	EF-4M-TB DC	ADH	04H
	Centennial Technologies INC.	FL04M-15-11119-03		01H
	INTEL	IMC004FLSA	A2H	89H
	Simple TECHNOLOGY	STI-FL/4A		
	Mitsubishi	MF84M1-G7DAT01		
	PC Card KING MAX	FJN-004M6C		
	PC Card	FJP-004M6R	A0H	89H

## 9. CARE/HANDLING OF THE MEDIA AND RIBBON

#### **CAUTION:**

Be sure to read carefully and understand the Supply Manual. Use only media and ribbon which meet specified requirements. Use of non-specified media and ribbon may shorten the head life and result in problems with bar code readability or print quality. All media and ribbon should be handled with care to avoid any damage to the media, ribbon or printer. Read the following guideline carefully.

- Do not store the media and ribbon for longer than the manufactures recommended shelf life.
- Store media rolls on the flat end, do not store them on the curved sides as this might flatten that side
  causing erratic media advance and poor print quality.
- Store the media in plastic bags and always reseal after opening. Unprotected media can get dirty and the extra abrasion from the dust and dirt particles will shorten the print head life.
- Store the media and ribbon in a cool, dry place. Avoid areas where they would be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperature, high humidity, dust or gas.
- The thermal paper used for direct thermal printing must not have the specifications which exceed Na<sup>+</sup> 800 ppm, K<sup>+</sup> 250 ppm and CL<sup>-</sup> 500 ppm.
- Some ink used on pre-printed labels may contain ingredients which shorten the print head's product life.
   Do not use labels pre-printed with ink which contain hard substances such as carbonic calcium (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) and kaolin (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 2SiO<sub>2</sub>, 2H<sub>2</sub>O).

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

## 10. GENERAL MAINTENANCE

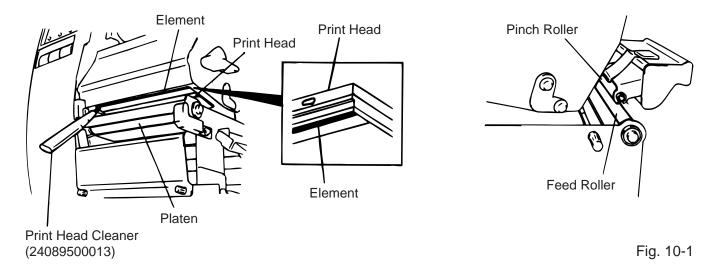
#### **WARNING!**

- 1. Be careful when handling the print head as it becomes very hot.
- 2. Care must be taken not to injure yourself with the printer paper cutter.
- 3. Do not touch moving parts. To reduce the risk that fingers, jewelry, clothing, etc., be drawn into the moving parts, push the switch in the "OFF" position to stop movement.
- 4. To avoid injury, be careful not to catch or jam your fingers while opening or closing the cover.

## 10.1 Cleaning

To help retain the high quality and performance of your printer it should be regularly cleaned. The greater the usage of the printer, the more frequent the cleaning. (i.e. low usage=weekly: high usage=daily).

- 1. Turn the power off.
- 2. Open the top cover.
- 3. Turn the head lever to raise the print head.
- Remove the ribbon and media.
- 5. Clean the element of print head with print head cleaner.
- 6. Wipe the platen, feed roller and pinch roller with a cleaner moistened with alcohol. Remove dust or foreign substances from the internal part of the printer, if any.



#### **WARNING!**

- 1. Be sure to disconnect the power cord prior ot performing any maintenance.
- 2. Do not use any tool that may damage the print head.
- 3. DO NOT POUR WATER directly onto the printer.

#### 10.2 Covers and Panels

The covers should be cleaned by wiping with a dry cloth or a cloth slightly dampened with a mild detergent solution.

NOTE: Clean the printer cover with an electrostatic free cleaner for automated office equipment.

#### **WARNING!**

- 1. DO NOT POUR WATER directly onto the printer.
- 2. DO NOT APPLY cleaner or detergent directly onto any cover or panel.
- 3. NEVER USE THINNER OR OTHER VOLATILE SOLVENT on the plastic covers.
- 4. DO NOT clean the panel covers or the supply window with alcohol as it may cause them to discolor, loose their shape or develop structural weakness.

## 10.3 Removing Jammed Paper

- 1. Turn the power off.
- 2. Open the top cover.
- 3. Turn the head lever to position ③, then release the ribbon shaft holder plate.
- 4. Remove the black screw to detach the media guide plate. (See Fig. 10-2.)
- 5. Remove the ribbon and media.
- 6. Remove the jammed paper. DO NOT USE any sharp implement or tool as these could damage the printer.
- 7. Clean the print head and platen, then remove any further dust or foreign substances.
- 8. Place the portion (B) of the media guide plate on the media sensor. Secure the media guide plate with the black screw.

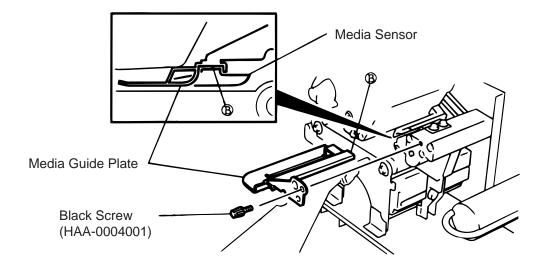


Fig. 10-2

9. Paper jams in the cutter unit can be caused by wear or residual glue from label stock on the cutter. Do not use none specified media in the cutter. If you get frequent jams in the cutter contact your Authorized Service representative.

#### ■ Cleaning the Cutter Unit

#### **WARNING!**

- 1. Be sure to turn the power off before cleaning the cutter unit.
- 2. The cutters are sharp and care should be taken not to injure yourself when cleaning.
- 1. Loosen two screws and remove the cutter cover.
- 2. Remove the white screw and media guide.
- 3. Remove the jammed paper and trash.
- 4. Clean the cutter with dry cloth.

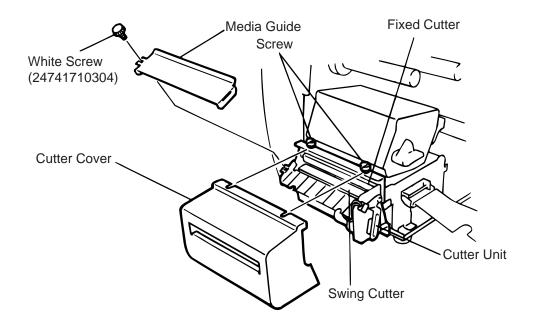


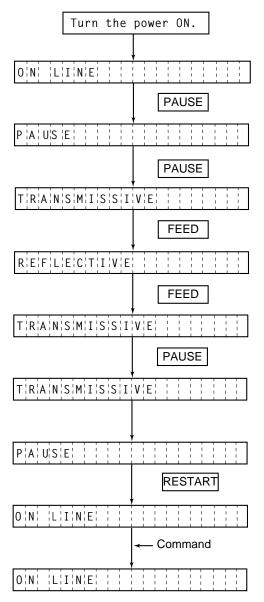
Fig. 10-3

5. Assembling is reverse order of removal.

## 10.4 Threshold Setting

For the printer to maintain a constant print position it uses the transmissive sensor to detect the gap between labels by measuring the amount of light passing through the media. When the media is preprinted, the darker (or more dense) inks can interfere with this process causing paper jammed errors. To get around this problem a minimum threshold can be set for the sensor in the following way.

#### ■ Threshold setting procedure



- (1) The printer is in stand-by.
- (2) Load a media roll in the usual way.
- (3) Press the [PAUSE] key.
- (4) The printer enters the pause mode.
- (5) Press and hold the **[PAUSE]** key for at least 3 seconds in the pause state.
- (6) The sensor type is displayed.
- (7) Press the [FEED] key.
- (8) The reflective sensor (black mark sensor) is selected.
- (9) Press the [FEED] key again.
- (10) The transmissive sensor (feed gap sensor) is selected.
- (11) Press and hold the [PAUSE] key.
- (12) The media is advanced until the **[PAUSE]** key is released.
- (13) Release the [PAUSE] key when more than 1.5 labels (tags) are advanced. (Threshold setting is completed by this operation.)
- (14) Press the [RESTART] key.
- (15) The printer is in stand-by.
- (16) Send an issue command from the PC to the printer.

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. If the [PAUSE] key is released within 3 seconds whilst in pause state, paper will not feed.
- 2. Failure to feed more than 1.5 to 2 labels may result in an incorrect threshold setting.
- 3. While the print head is raised, the [PAUSE] key does not work.
- 4. Error such as paper end and cutter error are not detected during paper feed.
- 5. Selecting the transmissive sensor (for pre-printed labels) within software commands allows the printer to detect the proper print start position correctly even when using pre-printed labels.
- 6. If the printer continues to print out of position after setting the threshold, adjust the feed gap sensor in the system mode. Reset the threshold again. Make sure that the transmissive sensor (for pre-printed labels) is selected in the feed and issue commands.

#### ■ Threshold setting procedure (For firmware version 2.5 or earlier)

- 1 Turn the power on.
- 2 Load the pre-printed label. (Any position)
- ③ Press the [PAUSE] key once.
- 4 Hold down the **[PAUSE]** key for more than 3 seconds and it will begin to feed. After it has fed the 2 label, release the **[PAUSE]** key.
- ⑤ Press the [RESTART] key for ON LINE mode.
- (6) Threshold setting is now completed.
- **NOTES:** 1. If the **[PAUSE]** key is not held down for more than 3 seconds in PAUSE mode the threshold will not be set.
  - 2. If the **[PAUSE]** key is released before 2 labels have been issued the setting may not be correct and will have to be re-set.

## 10.5 Auto Ribbon Saving Mode

Auto ribbon saving function is activated when it is selected by DIP switch (Refer to page 4-1) and no print area extends more than 20 mm.

**NOTE:** According to the relation between the outer diameter of rewound ribbon and print speed, ribbon loss per saving varies as follows:

Print speed	Ribbon loss
3"/sec.	Approx. 5 mm
5"/sec.	Approx. 8 mm
8"/sec.	Approx. 17 mm

## 11. TROUBLESHOOTING

#### **WARNING!**

If you cannot solve a problem with the following solutions, do not attempt to repair it yourself. Turn the power off, unplug the printer, then contact your Authorized Service representative for assistance.

Error Message	Problem	Solution
PAPER JAM	1. The media is not fitted correctly.	Re-fit the media correctly.     Press the [RESTART] key.
	The media path is jammed and does not feed smoothly.	<ul> <li>2. Remove the cause of the jam and replace the media correctly.</li> <li>→ Press the [RESTART] key.</li> </ul>
	The installed media type does not match the selected sensor.	<ul><li>3. Turn the power off then on again.</li><li>Select the correct sensor.</li><li>→ Feed the media.</li></ul>
	The black mark position on the media does not match the sensor position.	<ul><li>4. Adjust the sensor position.</li><li>→ Press the [RESTART] key.</li></ul>
	5. The installed media size is different from the programmed size.	<ul><li>5. Turn the power off then on again.</li><li>Set the correct media size.</li><li>→ Feed the media.</li></ul>
	6. The feed gap sensor cannot see the difference between the print area and the gap.	6. Set the threshold (see page 10-4). Else Turn the power off and call your Authorized Service representative.
HEAD OPEN	Feed or printing has been attempted while the print head is raised.	Lower the print head. → Press the [RESTART] key.
NO PAPER	The media has run out.	Load new media. → Press the [RESTART] key.
NO RIBBON	The ribbon has run out.	Load a new ribbon.  → Press the [RESTART] key.
REWIND FULL	Too much backing paper or media is wound on the internal take-up spool.	Remove the backing paper or media from the internal take-up spool. Then press the [RESTART] key.

Error Message	Problem	Solution
EXCESS HEAD TEMP	The print head is too hot.	Turn the power off and decrease the print head temperature.
HEAD ERROR	This message is displayed when sending the head broken check command ([ESC] HD001 [LF] [NUL]) and the print head has a broken element.	<ol> <li>Restart the printing by pressing the [RESTAERT] key.</li> <li>Replace the print head.</li> </ol>
RIBBON ERROR	There is a fault with the ribbon sensor.	Turn the power off. Contact your Authorized Service representative.
CUTTER ERROR ****	Media is jammed in the cutter.	Remove the jammed media and feed the undamaged media through the cutter.  → Press the [RESTART] key. Else Turn the power off and contact your Authorized Service representative.
FLASH WRITE ERROR	An error has occurred when loading data onto a flash memory card.	<ol> <li>Turn the power off, re-seat the flash memory card and try again.</li> <li>Replace the flash memory card and retry.</li> <li>Turn the power off and contact your Authorized Service representative.</li> </ol>
FORMAT ER- ROR	An error has occurred while formatting a flash memory card.	<ol> <li>Turn the power off, re-seat the flash memory card and try again.</li> <li>Replace the flash memory card and retry.</li> <li>Turn the power off and contact your Authorized Service representative.</li> </ol>
FLASH MEMORY FULL	No more data can be saved in the flash memory card.	Replace the card with a new one and re-send data. (Only 1MB and 4MB cards can be used.)
COMMUNICATION ERROR	A communication error has occurred with the host.	Turn the power off then on again or press the [RESTART] key. Check the program data.  → Call your Authorized Service representative if necessary.

Error Message	Problem	Solution	
example) PC001; 0A00, Command error 0300, 2, 2	When an error is detected in a command 20 bytes of the command are displayed. (ESC, LF, NUL are not displayed.)	Correct the command and re-send it again.	
Other Error Message	Hardware or software trouble.	Turn the power off then on again. If the problem still exists turn the power off and contact your Authorized Service representative.	

**NOTE:** If an error is not cleared by pressing the **[RESTART]** key, the power must be switched off then on again.

After the power has been switched off and on, all print data in the printer is cleared.

\*\*\*\* denotes a remaining count of unprinted labels.

Problem	Solution
No print.	<ol> <li>Check that media and the ribbon is loaded correctly.</li> <li>Check whether the print head is set correctly or not.</li> <li>Check the cabling between the printer and the host.</li> </ol>
Dots missing in the print.	Dirty print head. → Clean the print head. Call your Authorized Service representative if necessary.
Unclear (or blurred) printing.	<ol> <li>Dirty print head. → Clean the print head.</li> <li>Bad or faulty ribbon. → Replace ribbon.</li> <li>Poor media quality. → Change media type.</li> </ol>
Power does not come on.	<ol> <li>Plug power cord into an AC socket.</li> <li>Check the circuit breakers or fuses.</li> <li>Plug another appliance into the AC socket to check if there is power supplied.</li> <li>Call your Authorized Service representative if necessary.</li> </ol>
Printer does not cut.	Check for a paper jam in the cutter. Call your Authorized Service representative if necessary.
You see a raised nap where the media has been cut.	<ol> <li>Clean the cutter blades.</li> <li>The blades are worn.</li> <li>Call your Authorized Service representative.</li> </ol>









## **TEC Thermal Printer**

# **B-570 SERIES**

# **Product Description**

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

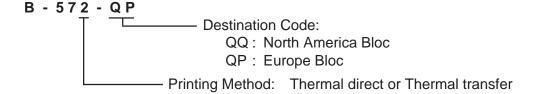
# 1. OUTLINE OF THE SYSTEM

#### 1.1 FEATURES OF THE B-570 SERIES

- 1) Various bar codes, characters and graphic data can be printed using both thermal transfer and thermal direct methods.
  - This printer can also print writable characters and logos at designated coordinates by using a graphic command.
- 2) The RS-232C and Centronics are available as standard interfaces between the printer and a PC. In addition, a flash memory card interface for data storage and an expansion interface for connecting external devices except PCs are provided.
- 3) A 16-bit CPU and a Gate Array equipped with several peripheral LSIs realizes high system performance.
- 4) With the element positioned at the edge of the print head, print quality is improved because the media passes straight through. No adjustment of media thickness or printing pressure is necessary.
  - A high dot density of 12 dots/mm produces a clear print and the heat history control system optimizes applied pulse signal to the head.
- 5) This printer accommodates a max. format size of 138 mm wide, by 997 mm long and a max. print speed of 203.2 mm/sec.
- 6) High throughput can be obtained with "on-the-fly" formatting.
- 7) Installation space is minimized because the media is loaded internally.
- 8) The metal cover and damper provide a heavy-duty enclosure.
- 9) A strip unit and rewinder are provided as standard equipment on this printer. And a high-speed ribbon saving function which economizes ribbon usage is available.
- 10) Optional devices such as a cutter module, high speed interface board, flash memory card (1MB or 4MB) and a memory module (max. 4MB) are available.

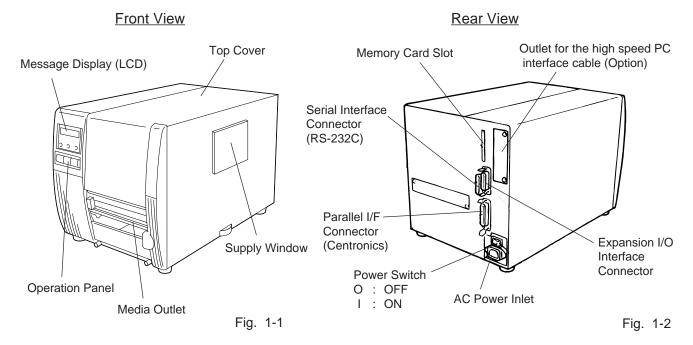
**NOTE:** Every size is written in millimeter (mm) in this manual. To obtain the size in inch, divide by 25.4.

#### 1.2 DESCRIPTION OF MODEL NUMBER



### 1.3 OVERVIEW AND DIMENSIONS (APPROXIMATE)

#### 1.3.1 Front View/Rear View



## 1.3.2 Operation Panel

#### **MESSAGE DISPLAY (LCD)**

Displays messages in the language selected DIP switch.

When power is turned on and it is ready to print, "ON LINE" is displayed.

#### POWER LED (Green)

Lights when the power is turned on.

#### ON-LINE LED (Green)

- 1) Flashes when communicating with a host computer.
- 2) On while printing.

#### ERROR LED (Red)

Lights when the printer does not operate correctly.

#### **FEED Button**

Feeds paper.

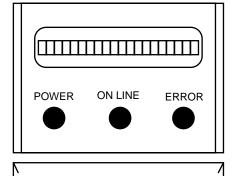
#### **RESTART Button**

Resets the printer when paused or when an error occurs. Used to set the threshold. (Refer to Owner's Manual)

# PAUSE Button

Pauses printing.

Message display shows "PAUSE" and an unprinted count. Used to set the threshold. (Refer to Owner's Manual)



FEED RESTART PAUSE

Fig. 1-3

#### 1.3.3 Dimensions (Approximate)

Standard : 291 mm (W) x 460 mm (D) x 308 mm (H) With cutter module : 291 mm (W) x 521 mm (D) x 308 mm (H)

#### 1.4 BASIC SPECIFICATIONS

- 1) Printing method ....... Thermal direct printing or thermal transfer printing For the thermal transfer printing it may occur that horizontal lines printed within 20 mm from the print start position of the first label become lighter than other. Please adjust the print tone according to what you print.
- 2) Print head (5 inches)
  - 1) Total number of dots .... 1536 dots
- ③ Effective print width .... 127.5 mm
- 2 Dot density ...... 12 dots/mm
- (4) Thermal pitch ...... 0.083 mm

NOTE: These print speeds are available when printing ratio is less than 15% of the entire label or tag paper.

- 4) Format size (W) x (L) ...... Label: 137.0 x 995.0 max.
  - Tag Paper: 137.0 x 997.0 max.
- 5) Issuing mode ...... Batch or Strip printing (standard)

Auto cut (Auto cut mode is only available when an optional cutter is attached.)

- Type of bar code
  - 1) UPC-A, UPC-A+2digits, UPC-A+5digits
  - 2 UPC-E. UPC-E+2digits. UPC-E+5digits
  - ③ EAN8, EAN8+2 digits, EAN8+5 digits, EAN13, EAN13+2digits, EAN13+5digits, EAN128
  - (4) JAN8, JAN13
  - ⑤ NW-7
  - (6) CODE39 (standard/full ASCII)
  - (7) CODE93, CODE128 (auto code switch with/without)
- (8) ITF
- (9) MSI
- 10 Data Matrix
- (1) PDF417
- 12 Industrial 2 or 5
- (13) Customer Bar Code
- (14) Priority Customer Bar Code (20) QR Code
- 15 POSTNET

(6) RM4SCC

(ROYAL MAIL 4STATE CUSTOMER CODE)

- KIX CODE
- 18 Micro PDF
- (19) Maxi Code
- 21 CP Code

- 7) Bar code rotation ............. 0°, 90°, 180°, 270°
- 8) Magnification of bar code
  - UPC/EAN/JAN/CODE93/128/PDF417....... Up to 6 modules can be automatically calculated using 1-module width disignation (1 to 15 dots).

Bar code	Dots/Module	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
UPC-A/E EAN8/13	Min. Module Width (mm)	-	0.25	0.33	0.42	0.50	0.58	0.66
JAN8/13	Magnification (times)	-	0.76	1	1.27	1.52	1.76	2
CODE93 EAN128 CODE128 PDF417	Min.Module Width (mm)	0.166	0.25	0.33	0.42	0.50	0.58	0.66
	ł							
Bar code	Dots/Module	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
UPC-A/E	Dots/Module  Min. Module Width (mm)	9	10	11	12	13	14	15 -
		9 -	10 - -	11 - -	12 - -	13 - -	14 - -	15 - -

- NW-7/CODE39/ITF/MSI/Industrial 2 of 5 ...... The width of narrow bars, wide bars and spaces can be optionally changed in a range of 1 to 99
- Data Matrix ...... The width of one cell can be changed in a range of 1 to 99 dots.
- 9) Type of characters
  - 1 Times Roman medium (8, 10 point)
  - 2 Times Roman bold (10, 12, 14 point)
  - ③ Times Roman Italic (12 point)
  - 4 Helvetica medium (6, 10, 12 point)
  - (5) Helvetica bold (12, 14 point)
  - 6 Helvetica Italic (12 point)
  - 7 Presentation bold (18 point)

- 8 Letter Gothic medium (9.5 point)
- Prestige Elite medium (7 point)
- Prestige Elite bold (10 point)
- (1) Courier medium (10 point)
- (12 Courier bold (12 point)
- (3) OCR-A, B (12 point)
- (14) Outline font (Helvetica bold)
- (5) Writable characters (40 types) (224 char./types)

- 10) Character code
  - ① PC-850
- (2) PC-8
- 11) Character magnification
  - ① Regular font: 0.5 ~ 9.5 times (magnified by 0.5 times in each direction)
  - ② Outline font: 2.0 ~ 85.0 mm (magnified by 0.1 mm in each direction)

**NOTE:** When the outline font size is large, the ribbon may winkle according to the quality of the ribbon or print tone.

- 12) White or black background ....... All types of characters are available

- 15) Type of line
  - 1) Horizontal line 2) Vertical line 3) Slant line 4) Square 5) Rounded Rectangle 6) Circle
- 17) Mechanism
  - (1) Batch mechanism

This is the standard mechanism which let the printer print continuously without winding the label and tag paper. By attaching the rewinder guide printed media can be wound onto the take-up spool. The auto-cut function is available when the optional cutter module is installed.

② Strip mechanism

A printed label is separated from its backing paper by the stripf shaft. The next label will not be printed until the preceding label is taken away. The backing paper is wound onto the take-up spool.

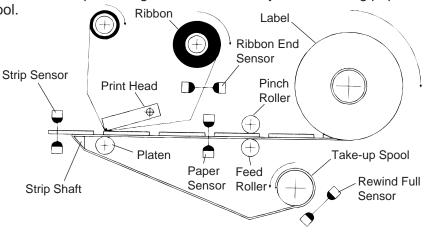
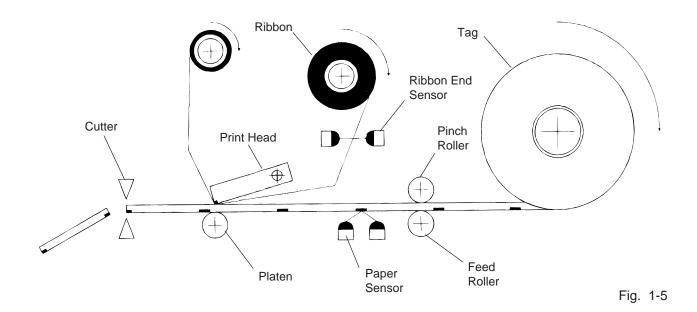


Fig. 1-4

#### 3 Auto cut mechanism

When the cutter module is installed, the backing paper and tag paper are cut individually (stop and cut). Minimum cut length is 25.4 mm (tag paper) or 38 mm (label).



18) Power supply

QQ model: AC 100 ~ 120 V + 10%, -15%, 50/60Hz  $\pm$  2Hz QP model: AC 220 ~ 240 V + 10%, -15%, 50Hz  $\pm$  2Hz

19) Current consumption

Printing: 198 W max., QQ model: 2 A max., QP model: 1 A max.

(Stand by: 51 W, QQ model: 500 mA, QP model: 250 mA)

20) Rush current ..... 30A or less

#### 1.5 ELECTRONICS SPECIFICATIONS

1) CPU ...... μPD70236AGD-16-588

2) Memory

(1) Program + Character generator: Flash ROM 1 MB

② Backup: EE-PROM 128 Bytes

③ Image buffer + Work: D-RAM 2MB (max. 4MB: option)

3) Interface

1 RS-232C interface

(1) Communication mode: Full-duplex

(2) Transmisson speed: 2400,4800,9600,19200 BPS (selectable)

(3) Synchronization: start-stop synchronization

(4) Transmission parameter

■ Parity: None, EVEN, ODD

■ Start bit: 1-bit

■ Stop bit: 1-bit or 2-bit
■ Word length: 7-bit or 8-bit

(5) Error detection

■ Parity check: VRC (Vertical parity check)

■ Framing error: This error occurs when no stop bit is found in the frame specified starting

with the start bit.

Overrun error: This error occurs when subsequent data is input before the data input to

the UART from the host is read by the printer.

(6) Data entry code: ASCII, 8-bit code for European characters, 8-bit code for graphic

(7) Receiving buffer: 5KB

(8) Protocol

#### ■ XON/XOFF (DC1/DC3) protocol

- When initialized after power on, this printer becomes ready to receive data and sends an XON code (11H). (Trasmission or non-transmission of XON code is selectable by means of the DIP switch.)
- The printer sends an XOFF code (13H) when the blank positions in the receive buffer becomes 800 Bytes or less.
- The printer sends an XON code (11H) when the blank positions in the receive buffer are 2KB or more.
- When there are no blank positions in the receive buffer, the printer discards data received which exceeds the receive buffer capacity, without storing it in the buffer. (After detecting the XOFF code, the host computer must stop transmission before the printer receive buffer becomes full.)
- The printer sends an XOFF code (13H) at power off time. (XOFF code send is selectable with Dip switch.)

#### ■ READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol

- When initialized after power on, this printer becomes ready to receive data and converts the DTR signal to "High" level (READY).
- The printer converts the DTR signal to "Low" level (BUSY) when the blank positions in the receive buffer amount to 800 Bytes or less.
- The printer converts the DTR signal to "High" level (READY) when the blank positions in the receive buffer amount to 2KB or more.
- When there are no blank position in the receive buffer, the printer discards data received which exceed the receive buffer capacity, without storing it in the buffer. (After detecting a BUSY signal, the host computer must stop transmission before the printer receive buffer becomes full.)

#### ■ XON/XOFF (DC1/DC3) protocol + READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol

- When initialized after power on, this printer becomes ready to receive data and converts the DTR signal to "High" level (READY). The printer sends an XON code (11H).
- When the blank positions in the receive buffer are 800 Bytes or less, the printer converts the DTR signal to "LOW" level (BUSY) and sends an XOFF code (13H).
- When the blank positions in the receive buffer are 2KB or more, the printer converts the DTR signal to "High" level (READY) and sends an XON code (11H).
- When there are no blank positions in the receive buffer, the printer discards data received which exceeds the receive buffer capacity, without storing it in the buffer. (After detecting the XOFF code or BUSY signal, the host computer must stop transmission before the printer receive buffer becomes full.)
- The printer sends an XOFF code (13H) at power off time.

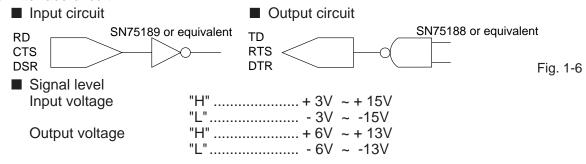
#### ■ READY/BUSY (RTS) Protocol

- When initialized after power on, this printer becomes ready to receive data and converts the RTS signal to "High" level (READY).
- The printer converts the RTS signal to "Low" level (BUSY) when the blank positions in the receive buffer amount to 800 Bytes or less.
- The printer converts the RTS signal to "High" level (READY) when the blank positions in the receive buffer amount to 2 KB or more.
- When there are no blank position in the receive buffer, the printer discards data received
  which exceed the receive buffer capacity, without storing it in the buffer. (After detecting
  a BUSY signal, the host computer must stop transmission before the printer receive
  buffer becomes full.)
- Both the DTR signal output from the printer and the DSR signal output from the PC are always "High".
- **NOTES:** 1. When performing the flow control with Windows, in the port setting screen, select "Hardware" for flow control. [set to the READY/BUSY (RTS) protocol]
  - 2. Under the READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol, after turning the printer power ON, send data 200ms after the DTR signal is converted to "High" level (READY). And under the READY/BUSY (RTS) protocol, after turning the printer power ON, send data 200ms after the RTS signal is converted to "High" level (READY).

١	<u>(9)</u>	PIN	<u>descri</u>	<u>ption</u>
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	description		
Pin No.	Signal	I/O	Description
1	FG (Framed Ground)	-	Ground line for circuit protection.
2	RD (Received Data)	ı	Data line from which the priter receives data from the host (receive data line). Logic "1" is "Low", and "0" "High". It is LOW (MARK) while no data is being sent.
3	TD (Transmit Data)	0	Data line from which the printer sends data to the host (send data line). Logic "1" is "Low", and "0" "High". It is LOW (MARK) while no data is being sent.
4	CTS (Clear to Send	ı	Input signal from the host. It must be "High" for the printer to send data.
5	RTS (Request to Send)	0	Output signal to the host.  (1) READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol     It indicates there is data to send to the host.     After power is ON, it is always "High".  (2) READY/BUSY (RTS) protocol     Indicates whether the printer is ready to receive data.     The signal is at the Low level when the data amount in the data buffer is near full, and at the high level when near empty.
6	DTR (Data Terminal Ready)	0	Output signal to the host.  (1) READY/BUSY (RTS) protocol     It indicates there is data to send to the host.     After power is ON, it is always "High".  (2) READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol     Indicates whether the printer is ready to receive data amount in the data buffer is near full, and at the high level when near empty.
7	SG (Signal Ground)	-	Ground line for all data and control signals.
20	DSR (Data Set Ready)	I	Input signal from the host. It must be "High" for the printer to receive data.

#### (10) Interface circuit



② Centronics interface

(1) Data input method: 8-bit parallel (DATA 1 ~ 8)

(2) Control signals: ACK, BUSY, PAUSE, DATA; STB, INPUT; PRIME, FAULT, PE
(3) Data input code: ASCII, JIS 8-bit code for European characters, 8-bit code for graphic

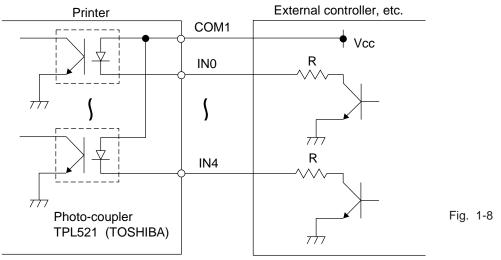
(4) Receiving buffer: 5KE

(5) Input/Output crcuit configuration and Input/Output conditions

Туре	Signal Name	Configuration	
	DATA 1 ~ 8	+5V SN74LS14 or equivalent	Logical level (input) "1" = 2~5 V
Input	INPUT•PRIME DATA•STB	+5V SN74LS14 or equivalent	$"0" = 0 \sim 0.4 \text{ V}$
Output	BUSY FAULT PAUSE ACK PE	SN7406 or equivalent +5V  1K  100P	Logical level (input) "1" = 2.4~5 V "0" = 0~0.4 V  Fig. 1-7

### ③ External I/O interface

- (1) Interface circuit
  - Input circuit



There are five input circuits, and each input is a current loop using a photo-coupler. The anode of the photo-coupler is connected to common pin COM1 in each of the five circuits. Each cathode is independent. The voltage of Vcc is 24 V (max.) while the diode operating current is 16 mA.

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#### Output circuit

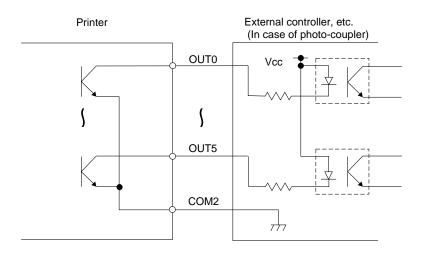


Fig. 1-9

There are six output circuits, and each output is an open collector. The voltage of Vcc is 24 V (max.) while the operating current is 150 mA.

For other details, please refer to the Expansion I/O specification.

#### 4) Sensor/switch

1) Head up switch (micro switch)

This switch, attached at the lower left of the print head as viewed from the media outlet, detects that the print head is ready to print (head is down). When the head lever is lowered, the head down cam pushes up the print head, the micro switch is turned on and the print head prepares to print.

(2) Paper sensor

This sensor is comprised of the black mark sensor and feed gap sensor. It is positioned 92.1 mm from the platen.

The sensor position is adjustable according to the media width. It moves toward the main frame a max. of 70 mm by turning the knob counterclockwise.

■ Black mark sensor (Reflective sensor)

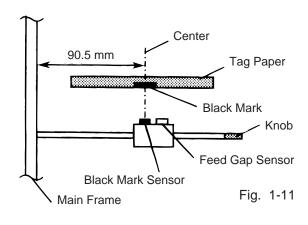
This sensor detects the difference of potential between the black mark and tag paper to find the print position of the tag paper.

It is located at the home position with the tag paper or print head before shipment.

#### Side detection (max.)

# 20.5 mm Center Tag Paper Black Mark Knob Feed Gap Sensor Black Mark Sensor Fig. 1-10

#### Center detection

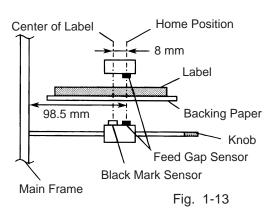


Feed gap sensor (Transmissive sensor)
This sensor detects the difference in potential between the backing paper and the label to find the print position of the label. The feed gap sensor is located 8 mm to the right of the black mark sensor.

#### Side detection limit position

# Center of Label Home Position 70 mm Backing Paper Feed Gap Sensor Black Mark Sensor Main Frame Fig. 1-12

#### Home position



3 Strip sensor (Transmissive sensor)

This sensor detects whether or not the label has been removed and controls the label feed. It is positioned 13.7 mm from the platen.

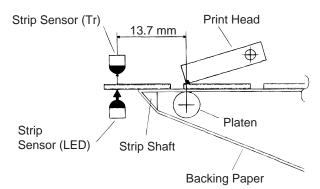
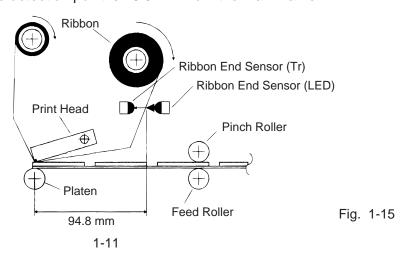


Fig. 1-14

4 Ribbon end sensor (Transmissive sensor)

When printing in thermal transfer mode, this sensor detects the difference in potential between the ribbon and the ribbon end to indicate the ribbon end. It is positioned 94.8 mm from the platen and the detection point is 76.5 mm from the main frame.



#### 5 Rewind full sensor (Transmissive sensor)

This sensor detects excessive winding when winding backing paper or label onto the take-up spool. It is positioned 195.3 mm (Tr side) and 150.9 mm (LED side) from the platen, and the detection point is 92.5 mm from the main frame. Excessive winding is detected when backing paper blocks the light from the LED.

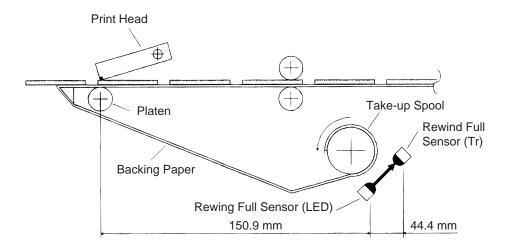
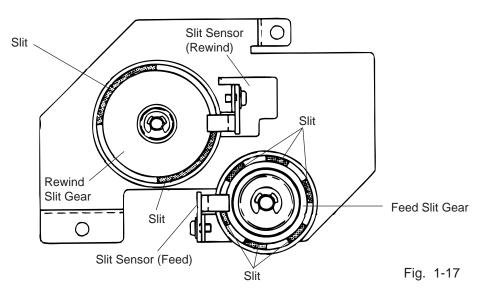


Fig. 1-16

#### 6 Slit sensor (Transmissive sensor)

This sensor detects the rotation count of the ribbon shaft and the ribbon motors. The ribbon motors toque works to take up slack in the ribbon and is dependent on the detected count. The slit sensor is a photo coupler combining an LED and a transistor.



#### 7 Cutter home position switch (micro switch)

A cam positioned at the end of the cutter motor arm turns the micro switch on/off in accordance with the cycle of the cutter motion (one rotation). The micro switch status indicates if the cutter is in the home position.

For details, please refer to the Maintenance Manual section 4.1 Cutter Drive.

# 2. SUPPLY SPECIFICATIONS

Information regarding the supply specifications contained in Product Description is essential to service engineers. Detail specifications and other information on the media and ribbon are described in Supply Manual by model. It is issued by and sent from TOSHIBATEC H.Q. (Sales Division) upon release of new model or manual's revision. When purchasing the supplies locally, be sure to refer to the Supply Manual for details, or trouble may occur. Be sure to read carefully and understand the Supply Manual since it also includes the details about notes, precision of the print start position, limitations on printing, etc.

#### 2.1 MEDIA

Туре	Thermal Label			Tag Paper			
Item	Batch	On-demand	Auto-cut	On-demand	Auto-cut		
Width (mm)		50.8 ~ 140.0			50.8 ~ 140.0		
Length (mm)	10.0 ~ 999.0	0.0 ~ 999.0   25.4 ~ 999.0   38.0 ~ 999.0		10.0 ~ 999.0	25.4 ~ 999.0		
Thickness (mm)		0.13 ~ 0.17			- 0.29		
Outer roll diameter (mm)	200.0 max.			200.0	max.		
Recommended paper	RICOH: 140l	RICOH: 140LA / OSAKA SEALING: C6TB			I-BEST W		

**NOTES:** 

- 1. When rewinding the media onto the take-up spool in batch mode, the max. outer roll diameter should be 180 mm.
- 2. When cutting the thermal label, secure a gap of 6 mm or more and cut in the middle of the gap.
- 3. The thermal paper used for direct thermal printing must not have the specifications which exceed Na<sup>+</sup> 800 ppm, K<sup>+</sup> 250 ppm and Cl<sup>-</sup> 500 ppm.
- 4. Some ink used on pre-printed labels may contain ingredients which shorten the print head's product life. Do not use labels pre-printed with ink which contain hard substances such as carbonic calcium (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) and kaolin (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 2SiO<sub>2</sub>, 2H<sub>2</sub>O).
- 5. The label should be at least three times as long as the detection gap.
- 6. Relations between media roll length and core diameter.

$$L = \frac{(D^2 - d^2) \times \pi}{4t}$$

L: Media length

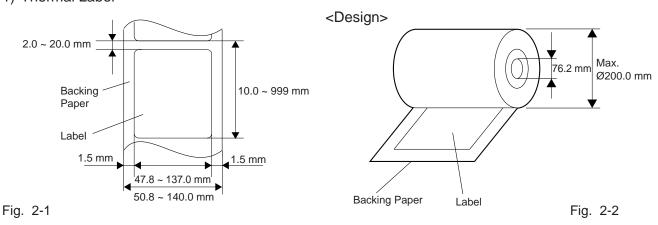
d: Media core outside diameter

4t D: Max. roll diameter

t: Media thickness

7. Use of media with a width less than the minimum media width may shorten the print head life.

#### 1) Thermal Label



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#### 2) Tag Paper

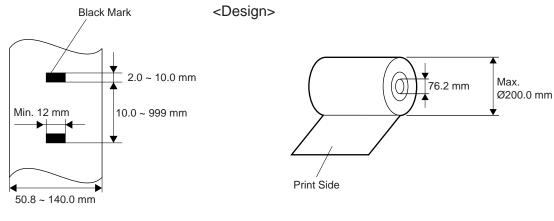
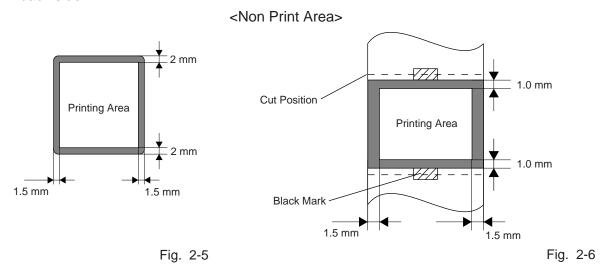


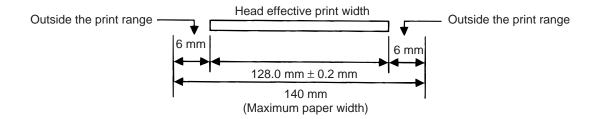
Fig. 2-3 Fig. 2-4

**NOTE:** The reflection rate of the black mark is 10% or less at wavelength of 950 nm. A square hole can substitute for the black mark. When the square hole is used, no printing is allowed on the back side.



**NOTE:** Max. effective print area is 128.0 mm (W) x 995 mm (L) for label, 128.0 mm (W) x 997 mm (L) for tag paper.

3) Relationship between the head effective print width and paper



#### 2.2 RIBBON

No.	Item		Specification
1	Shape		Spool type
2	Width		68 ~ 134 mm
3	Max. length		600 m
4	Max. OD		ø 90 mm
5	Back treatment		Coated
6	Core		Cardboard
6	Core	Shape	See Fig. 2-7.
7	Leader tape		Polyester film (Opaque), $300 \pm 5$ mm long
8	End tape		Polyester film (Opaque), 250 $\pm$ 5 mm long
9	Winding method		The ink side is outside of ribbon winding.

#### **■** Ribbon Core Shape

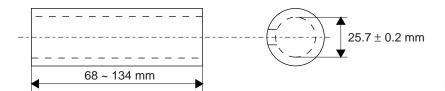
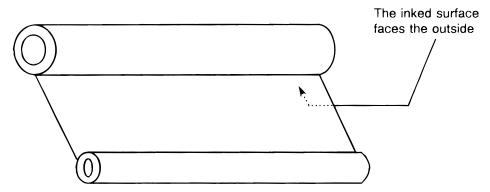


Fig. 2-7

**NOTE:** When purchasing ribbons locally, they must meet the above size. There may be TOSHIBA TEC-approved ribbons which do not fall within the above size, however, they have to functional problem.



The ribbon should be would at center of the core.

Fig. 2-8 Positional relationship between core and ribbon

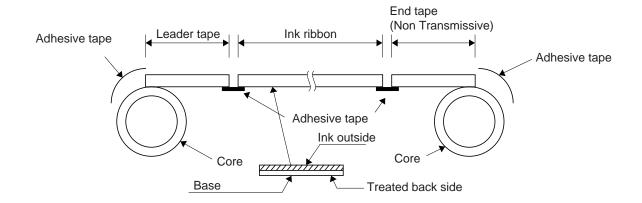


Fig. 2-9 Connection between leader tape and ribbon

## 2.3 CARE AND HANDLING OF THE MEDIA AND RIBBON

#### **CAUTION:**

Be sure to read carefully and understand the Supply Manual. Use only media and ribbon which meet specified requirements. Use of non-specified media and ribbon may shorten the head life and result in problems with bar code readability or print quality. All media and ribbon should be handled with care to avoid any damage to the media, ribbon or printer. Read the following guideline carefully.

- Do not store the media and ribbon for longer than the manufactures recommended shelf life.
- Store media rolls on the flat end, do not store them on the curved sides as this might flatten that side causing erratic media advance and poor print quality.
- Store the media in plastic bags and always reseal after opening. Unprotected media can get dirty and the extra abrasion from the dust and dirt particles will shorten the print head life.
- Store the media and ribbon in a cool, dry place. Avoid areas where they would be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperature, high humidity, dust or gas.
- The thermal paper used for direct thermal printing must not have the specifications which exceed Na<sup>+</sup> 800 ppm, K<sup>+</sup> 250 ppm and CL<sup>-</sup> 500 ppm.
- Some ink used on pre-printed labels may contain ingredients which shorten the print head's product life. Do not use labels pre-printed with ink which contain hard substances such as carbonic calcium (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) and kaolin (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 2SiO<sub>2</sub>, 2H<sub>2</sub>O).
- Avoid using media containing SiO<sub>2</sub> or talc which wears the print head protection layer.

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

EM10-33006A (Revision Date: Feb. 10. 2000) 3.1 CUTTER MODULE: B-4205-QM

# 3. OPTIONAL KIT

Option Name	Туре	Use
Cutter module	B-4205-QM	This cutter module uses a swing cutter. It cuts backing paper of labels and tag paper automatically in "stop and cut" mode. To purchase the cutter module, please contact your distributor or TOSHIBA TEC H.Q. can assist in finding one for you.
High speed PC interface board	B-4800-PC-QM	This interface board quickly controls command transfer and printing. To purchase the high speed PC interface board, please contact your distributor or TOSHIBA TEC H.Q. can assist in finding one for you.
Memory module (D-RAM PC board)	Part No. FMBC0067801	The image buffer can be extended up to 4 MB by installing the 2 MB of D-RAM PC board. Necessary parts are available from the Parts Center.
Flash memory card		This flash memory card of 1 MB or 4 MB is used to save logos, writable characters and print format. It is available at retail outlets.

# 3.1 CUTTER MODULE: B-4205-QM

This compact cutter module uses a built-in swing cutter. The specification is provided below:

- 1) Cutting method ......Swing cut
- (2) Cut mode ......Stop cut
- (3) Minimum cut length......Tag paper: 25.4 mm, Label: 38 mm
- (4) Home position switch ...... Micro switch

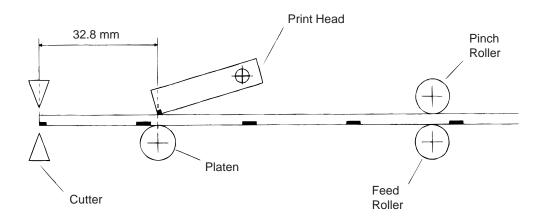


Fig. 3-1

#### 3.2 HIGH SPEED PC INTERFACE BOARD: B-4800-PC-QM

Command transfer and printing can be processed quickly by connecting a PC and the printer via a FIFO (first-in first-out) IC on the high speed PC interface board. For details, refer to the specification for high speed PC interface.

#### (1) Configuration of interface

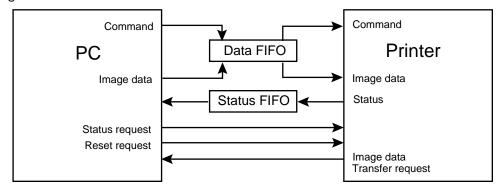


Fig. 3-2

#### (2) Signal description

Signal	Direction	Description
Data FIFO	PC / Printer	FIFO to transfer commands and image data. In case of a command, FIFO data reading is performed by the CPU. In case of image data, reading is performed by DMA transfer.
Status FIFO	PC , Printer	FIFO to transfer status. The status for a status autosending or for status request is written by the BPE.
Status request signal	PC / Printer	The PC turns this signal high-level to request for a status. It is cleared when reading is performed.
Reset request signal	PC / Printer	The PC turns this signal high-level to request for reset. It is cleared when reading is performed.
Image data transfer request signal	PC , Printer	The printer turns this signal high-level when ready for an image data transfer. When transfer is completed, it is turned low-level.  The PC must not write the image data to the FIFO until this signal turns high level. Also, the PC must confirm that this signal is low-level for sending a command.

#### (3) Transmission control

- When a command is sent from the PC to the printer: Confirms that the image data transfer request bit has not been ON and the FIFO is vacant, then writes a command to the FIFO.
- When image data is sent from the PC to the printer: Confirms that the image data transfer request bit has been ON, then writes the image data to the FIFO.
- When the printer transfers image data from the PC using DMA: Turns the image data transfer request bit high-level to start DMA. When DMA transfer of all the image data is completed, turns the image transfer request bit low-level.
- When a status is sent from the printer to the PC: Writes a status to the FIFO.

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#### 3.3 MEMORY MODULE

This memory module is a D-RAM PC board used to extend the image buffer. An image buffer, equipped with 2MB (2MB x 1) as standard, can be expanded up to 4MB by installing the 2MB of D-RAM PC board.

RAM Capacity IC No. Pa		Part No.	Max. drawing size (normal (W) x (H) (mm)		,	Max. drawing size (on-the-fly) (W) x (H) (mm)			Remarks
Capacity			Batch	Strip	Auto-cut	Batch	Strip	Auto-cut	
2MB	IC17~20	CAC-0293001	13	88.0 x 640	0.0	1:	38.0 x 320	0.0	Option
4MB	IC17~24	CAC-0293001	*138.0	k 995.0	*138.0 x	1:	38.0 x 661	.3	Option
					991.0				

<sup>\*:</sup> The size for the tag paper is 138.0 x 997.0.

D-RAM PC board is available from the Parts Center.

When purchasing please refer to the following.

8DRAM PC Board Ass'y

Part No. FMBC0067801 (Service No. B-249-01)

NOTE: Common use as B-672/872 Series.

#### 3.4 FLASH MEMORY CARD

This flash memory card of 1 MB or 4 MB is used to save logs, writable characters and print format data. It is directly connected to CN1 on the I/F PC board, and stored data can be overwritten by down-line-loading from the PC.

When purchasing flash memory cards, refer to the following table. The proper operation of these memory cards have been verified.

Capacity	Maker	Туре	Device code	Maker code
1M	Maxell	EF-1M-TB AA	D0H	1CH
Byte	Mitsubishi	MF81M1-GBDAT01		
	Maxell	EF-4M-TB CC	88H	B0H
	Maxell	EF-4M-TB DC	ADH	04H
	Centennial Technologies INC.	FL04M-15-11119-03		01H
4M	INTEL	IMC004FLSA	A2H	89H
Byte	Simple TECHNOLOGY	STI-FL/4A		
	Mitsubishi	MF84M1-G7DAT01		
	PC Card KING MAX	FJN-004M6C		
	PC Card	FJP-004M6R	A0H	89H

#### 3.5 FANFOLD PAPER GUIDE MODULE: B-4905-FF-QM

This is paper guide exclusively used for fanfold paper. Attaching it in place of the standard paper guide allows the printer to print on fanfold paper.

For the installation procedure, refer to the Maintenance Manual.







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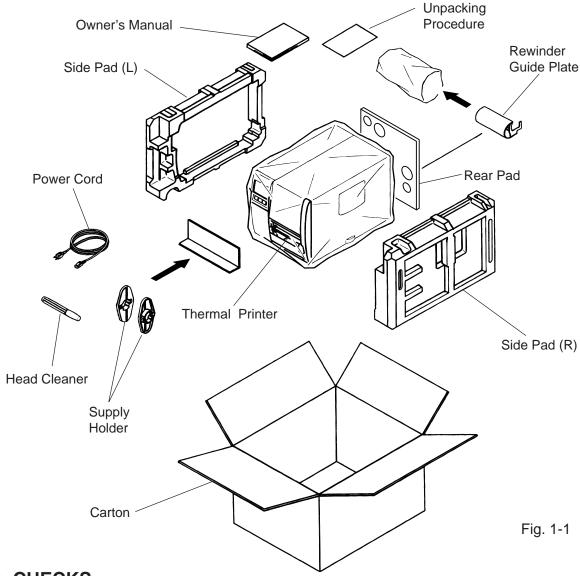
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# 1. UNPACKING

#### 1.1 PROCEDURE

- 1) Open the carton.
- 2) Unpack the accessories from the carton.
- 3) Unpack the side pad (L)/(R) and the printer from the carton.
- 4) Place the printer on a level surface.



#### 1.2 CHECKS

- 1) Check for any damage or scratches on the machine.
- 2) Confirm that none of the accessories are missing.

NOTE: Keep the carton and side pads for later transport.

# 2. MAJOR UNIT REPLACEMENT

#### **WARNING!**

Disconnect power cord before replacing important parts.

#### **CAUTION:**

- 1. NEVER separate the ribbon motors from the attaching plate (bracket), because doing so will change their adjustment. (See Fig. 2-8)
- 2. NEVER remove the two screws painted red on the side of the print block. (See Fig. 2-13)
- 3. NEVER remove the four screws on the side of the print block. (See Fig. 2-13)
- 4. NEVER remove the four screws painted red fixing the right plate and reinforcing plate. (See Fig. 2-16) However, the machine with a serial number of 4T x x x x x x or later is not equipped with the red screws because of the change in the right plate shape.
- 5. NEVER remove unmentioned screws because doing so will change their adjustment.
- 1) Turn the power off.
- 2) Open the top cover to remove the four FL-3x5 screws. Slide the top cover to the left to release the damper and remove the top cover.
- 3) Remove the seven screws (FL-4x5 and B-4x5) to remove the left side cover.
- 4) Disconnect the FAN motor connector from the PS unit.

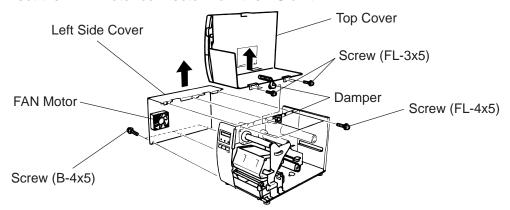


Fig. 2-1

**NOTE:** Instructions to remove the top cover and left side cover are omitted from each removal/ installation procedure provided below.

#### Lubrication

**CAUTION:** 

- 1) Lubrication: During parts replacement
- 2) Kinds of oil: FLOIL G-488: 1 Kg can. (Part No. 19454906001).

Any machine is generally in its best condition when delivered; therefore, it is necessary to try to keep this condition. Unexpected failure occurs due to lack of oil, debris or dust. To keep its best condition, periodically clean the machine and apply proper kinds of oil to each part in which lubrication is needed.

Although the frequency of lubrication varies according to how much the machine is used, at least it is necessary to lubricate before the machine becomes dry. It is also necessary to wipe off excessive oil as it collects dirt.

**CAUTION:** 

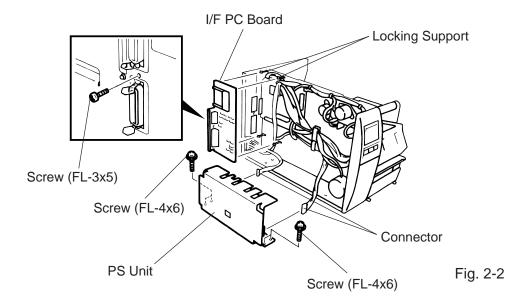
Do not spray the inside of the printer with lubricants. Unsuitable oil can damage the mechanism.

# 2.1 REPLACING THE PS UNIT, I/F PC BOARD AND CPU PC BOARD

#### **CAUTION:**

Replace only with same type and ratings of fuse for continued protection against risk of fire.

- 1) Remove the three FL-4x6 screws and disconnect the two connectors to detach the PS unit.
- 2) Remove the FL-3x5 screw and the four locking supports to remove the I/F PC board.



- 3) Disconnect the 13 connectors from the CPU PC board.
- 4) Remove the six screws (SM-3x6B, SM-3x6C) to detach the CPU PC board from the printer.

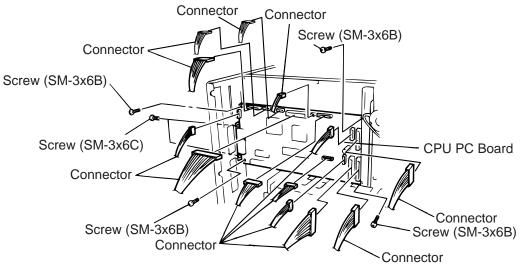


Fig. 2-3

5) Replace the PS unit, I/F PC board and CPU PC board. Insert the connectors correctly and install in the reverse order of removal above. Do not mount the left side cover and top cover.

- 6) Adjust the ribbon end sensor.
  Use the following Ribbons; TTM-78 (Maker: Fujicopian)
  - ① Set the ribbon so that the ribbon end sensor can detect the ribbon. Turn the power on.
  - ② Turn the VR1 so that the voltage between Pin 1 (GND) and Pin 7 of CN12 is  $3.0 \pm 0.2$  V with an oscilloscope.
  - ③ Turn the power off and mount the left side cover and top cover.

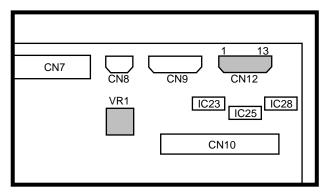


Fig. 2-4

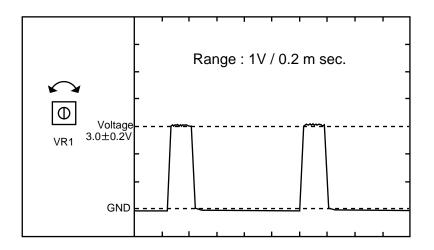


Fig. 2-5

- 7) Adjust the black mark sensor.
  - As the black mark sensor is adjusted by key entries in system mode, refer to page 6-39 for the adjustment procedure.
- 8) Adjust the feed gap sensor.
  As the feed gap sensor is adjusted by key entries in system mode, refer to page 6-40 for the adjustment procedure.

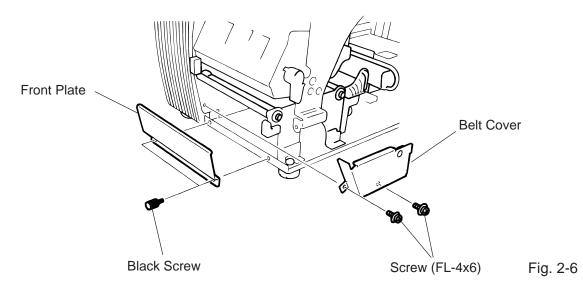
#### **CAUTION:**

Be careful when replacing the CPU PC board, since a non-resettable counter (IC12) is installed on this board. (Refer to Section 6.2.1 Maintenance Counter Printing.)

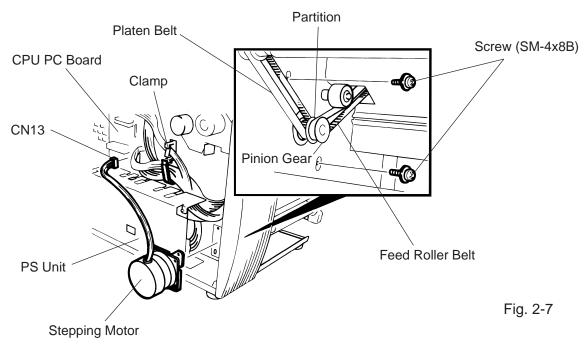
If this counter should be reset, replace IC12.

#### 2.2 REPLACING THE STEPPING MOTOR

1) Remove the two black screws to detach the front plate, remove the two FL-4x6 screws to detach the belt cover.



- 2) Unclamp and disconnect the connector from CN13 on the CPU PC board.
- 3) Remove the two SM-4x8B screws, loosen the two belts from the pinion gear, and remove the stepping motor.



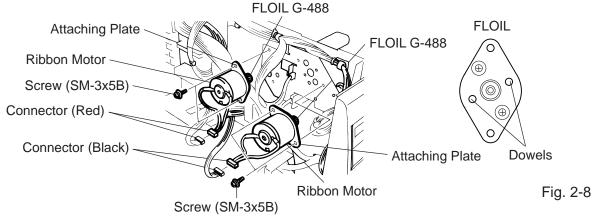
- 4) When replacing the stepping motor, place the platen belt first then the feed roller belt around the pinion gear so that the partition is positioned between two belts. Hold down the stepping motor at  $3.5 \text{ kg} \pm 300 \text{ g}$  force and secure it so that the belts have no slack or disengagament.
- 5) Reassemble in the reverse order of removal.

#### 2.3 REPLACING THE RIBBON MOTORS

#### **CAUTION:**

NEVER separate the ribbon motors from the attaching plate because doing so will change their adjustment.

1) Disconnect the connector and remove the two SM-3x5B screws to detach the ribbon motors.



2) Replace the ribbon motors, then align the dowels to attach the ribbon motors. Reassemble in the reverse order of removal.

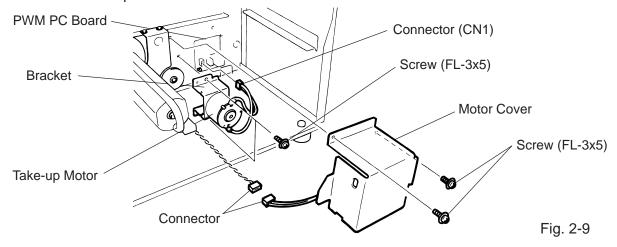
#### 2.4 REPLACING THE TAKE-UP MOTOR

#### **CAUTION:**

NEVER separate the take-up motor from the bracket because doing so will change the adjustment.

**NOTE:** The following procedure can be employed without removing the top cover and left side cover.

- 1) Remove the four FL-3x5 screws to detach the motor cover.
- 2) Remove the connector for the rewind full sensor (LED).
- 3) Disconnect the connector from the CN1 on the PWM PC board and remove the two FL-3x5 screws to detach the take-up motor.

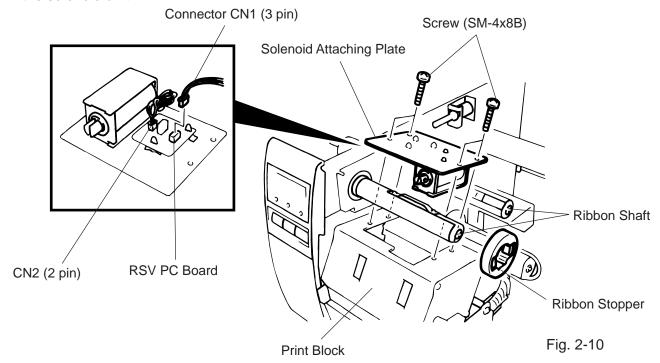


4) Replace the take-up motor, then align the dowels to attach the motor cover and rewind full sensor (Tr).

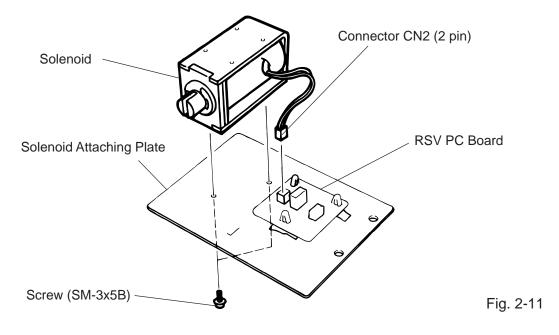
#### 2.5 REPLACING THE SOLENOID

**NOTE:** The following procedure can be employed without removing the top cover and left side cover.

- 1) Before removing the ribbon stopper, check its attaching direction for later installation. Remove the ribbon stopper from the ribbon shaft on which the ribbon is wound.
- Remove the two SM-4x8B screws, disconnect the connector CN1 on the RSV PC board to detach the solenoid unit.

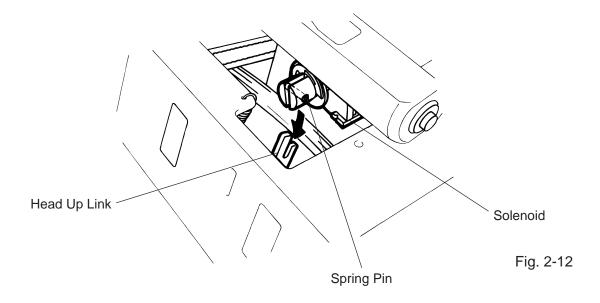


3) Remove the two SM-3x5B screws and disconnect the CN2 connector on the RSV PC board to detach the solenoid.



**NOTE:** Make sure to remove any dust that appears during removal or installation because it may affect the print quality.

- 4) Replace the solenoid and attach it to the solenoid attaching plate.
- 5) Assemble the solenoid unit so that the head up link engages the spring pin.



#### **CAUTION:**

Take care to orient the screws so that they are vertically aligned with the solenoid attaching plate.

6) Reassemble in the reverse order of removal.

#### 2.6 REPLACING THE PRINT HEAD

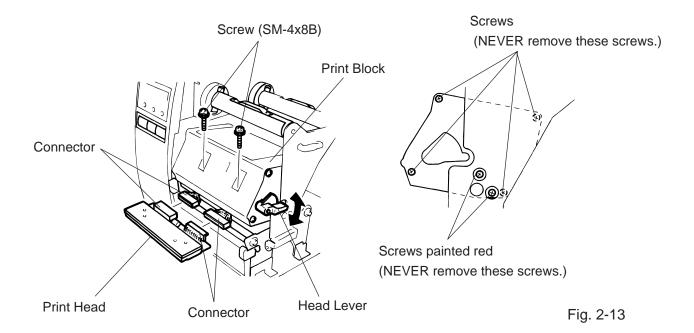
#### **CAUTION:**

- 1. NEVER touch the element when handling the print head.
- 2. NEVER touch the connector pins to avoid a breakdown of the print head by static electricity.
- 3. NEVER remove the two screws painted red on the side of the print block.
- 4. NEVER remove the four screws on the side of the print block.
- 5. NEVER remove the print block, otherwise it requires the adjustment of the position when reassembling.

**NOTE:** The following procedure can be employed without removing the top cover and the left side cover.

#### 2.6.1 Old type print head

- 1) Turn the head lever clockwise to lower the print head. Remove the two SM-4x8B screws.
- 2) Turn the head lever counter clockwise and disconnect the two connectors to detach the print head from the print block.



- 3) Replace the print head, connect the connectors and install it in the print block.
- 4) Turn the head lever clockwise. Push the print head and secure it temporarily. Follow the procedure on the next page.

# ■ Adjusting the print head position

- 1) Fit the jig in the platen and strip shaft.
- 2 Press the jig at an angle of 45° until it is sung against the print head. Then secure the print head.

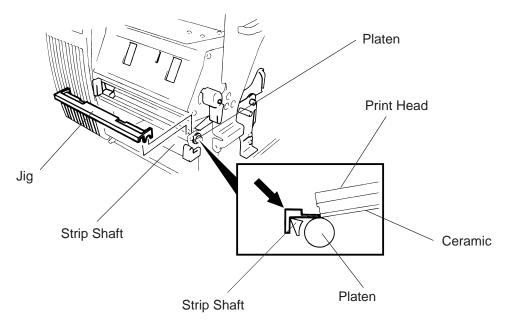


Fig. 2-14

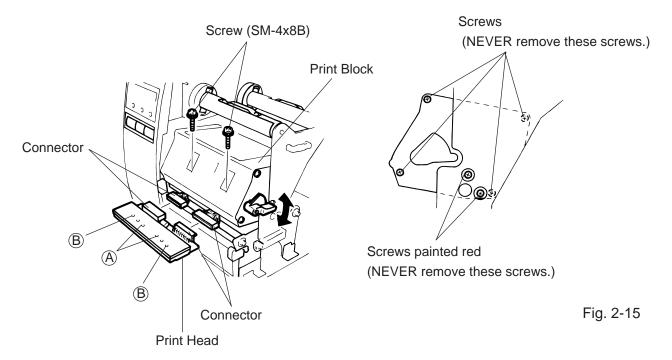
- 3 Remove the jig.
- 4 Refer to page 6-43 and clear the maintenance counter.
- ⑤ Refer to page 6-31 and perform test print.

**NOTE:** Use caution to prevent damage to the element during adjustment of the print head.

#### 2.6.2 New type print head

NOTE: NEVER loosen screws other than two SM-4x8B.

- 1) Turn the head lever clockwise to lower the print head. Remove the two SM-4x8B screws.
- 2) Turn the head lever counterclockwise and disconnect the two connectors to detach the print head from the print block.



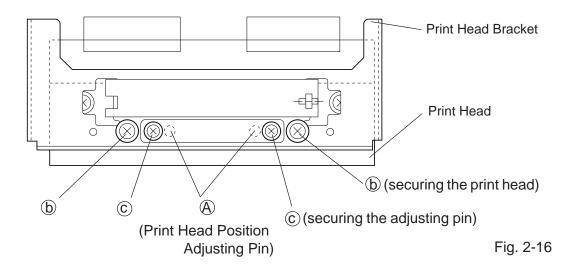
- 3) Replace the print head and connect the connectors.
- 4) Align the two holes (A) in the middle of the print head with the print head position adjusting pins provided in the print block and fit the print head into the print block.
- 5) Turn the head lever clockwise and secure the print head with screws in the holes **(B)**.

#### Adjusting the print head position

When print tone becomes light from using special paper with improper print head position, please follow the procedure below and adjust the print head position.

#### NOTE:

Never loosen screws © unless print position fine adjustment is required because they have been adjusted properly. Doing so will change the adjustment.



- (1) Loosen the screws © securing the print head position adjusting pin.
- (2) Loosen the screws (b) one by one, slightly move the print head backward or forward, and then tighten the screws (b) and (c). Ensure that the print head is parallel to the platen. If not, print tone will be uneven.
- (3) Make a test print and if necessary, repeat Step 2) until the printer prints properly.

#### 2.7 REPLACING THE PLATEN AND FEED ROLLER

#### **CAUTION:**

- 1. NEVER remove the four screws painted red fixing the right plate and reinforcing plate. (See Fig. 2-16)
- 2. The pinch roller belt assembled inside the printer does not need to be replaced because it receives less load.
- 1) Remove the front plate and belt cover. (See Fig. 2-6.)
- 2) Turn the head lever counterclockwise, then release the ribbon shaft holder plate.

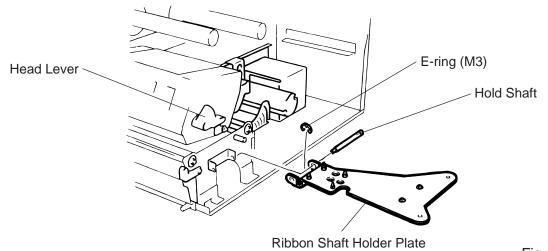
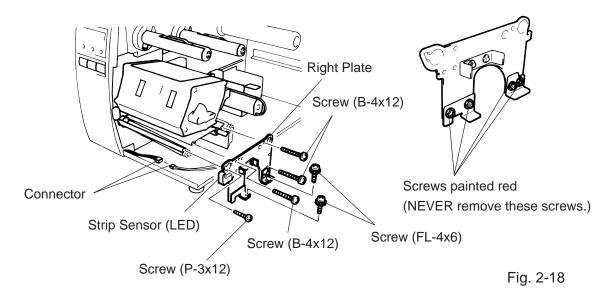


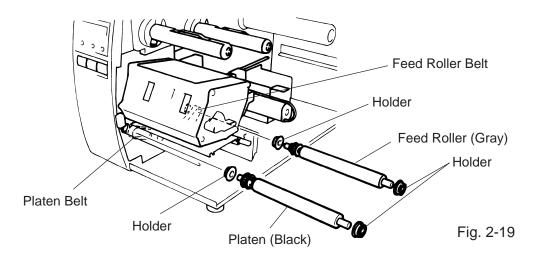
Fig. 2-17

- 3) Disconnect the connector for the strip sensor (LED).
- 4) Remove the six screws (FL-4x6, B-4x12 and P-3x12) to detach the right plate ass'y.



**NOTE:** The machine with a serial number of 4T x x x x x x or later is not equipped with the red screws because of the change in the right plate shape.

- 5) Loosen the two screws (SM-4x8B) fixing the stepping motor to loosen the platen belt and feed roller belt.
- 6) Remove the platen belt to detach the platen. Remove the feed roller belt to detach the feed roller.
- 7) Remove both bearings from the platen or feed roller.

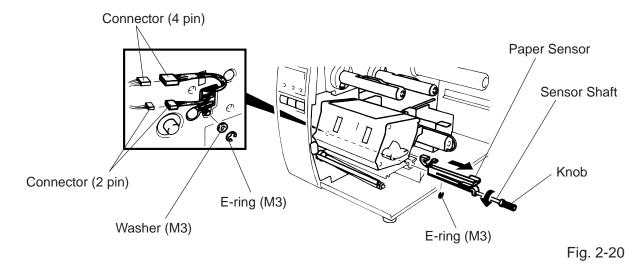


- 8) Replace the platen and feed roller, put on the belt and assemble it with the printer. The longer belt is the platen belt.
- 9) Attach the right plate.
- 10) Hold down the stepping motor and secure it so that the belts have no slack or disengagement.
- 11) Reassemble in the reverse order of removal.

#### 2.8 REPLACING THE PAPER SENSOR

**NOTE:** Turn the knob until the paper sensor reaches full forward.

- 1) Disconnent the connector for the strip sensor (LED) to remove right plate ass'y. (See Figs. 2-17 and 2-18.)
- 2) Disconnect the connectors for the paper sensor.
- 3) Remove M1.5 E-ring, M3 washer and paper sensor unit.
- 4) Remove M1.5 E-ring, turn the knob counter clockwise, then remove the paper sensor.



- 5) Replace the paper sensor and reassemble in the reverse order of removal.
- 6) After replacing the paper sensor, refer to page 6-32/6-33 and adjust the voltage.

#### 2.9 REPLACING THE RIBBON BACK TENSION BLOCK

- 1) Turn the head lever counterclockwise, then release the ribbon shaft holder plate.
- 2) Remove the M3 E-ring and the two M3 washers to remove the ribbon back tension block. At this time, remove the back tension stopper and ribbon back tension washer from the ribbon back tension block.

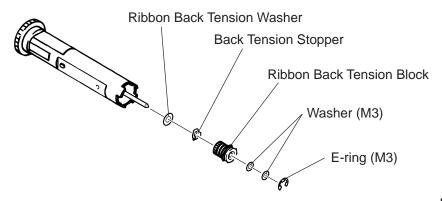
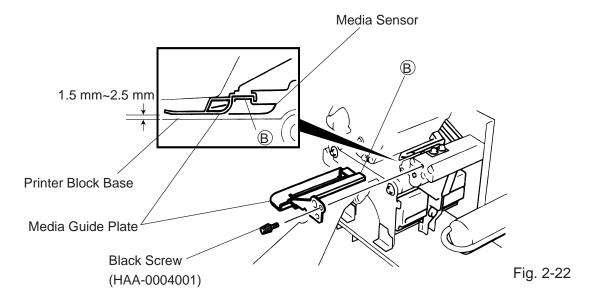


Fig. 2-21

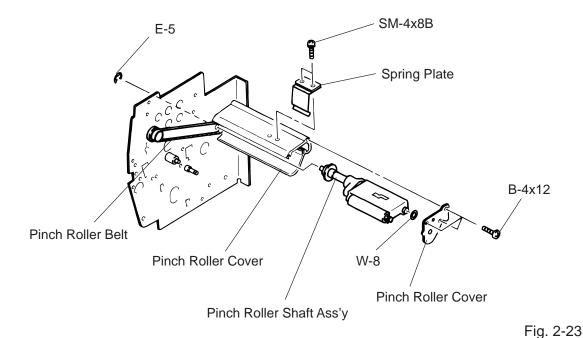
3) Replace the back tension block and reassemble in the reverse order of removal.

#### 2.10 REPLACING THE PINCH ROLLER SHAFT ASS'Y

- 1) Turn the head lever to position ③, and release the ribbon shaft holder plate.
- 2) Remove the black screw to detach the media guide plate.



- 3) Remove the SM-4x8B screw to detach the spring plate.
- 4) Remove the six B-4x12 screws to detach the pinch roller cover.
- 5) Remove the E-5 E-ring to loosen the pinch roller belt, and remove the pinch roller shaft ass'y.



6) After replacing the pinch roller shaft ass'y, make the following adjustment while you reassemble the pinch roller shaft ass'y in the reverse order of removal.

#### ■ Adjustment

1. Install the pinch roller unit so it parallels the base. If it does not, change the engaging position of the pinch roller belt and the pulley.

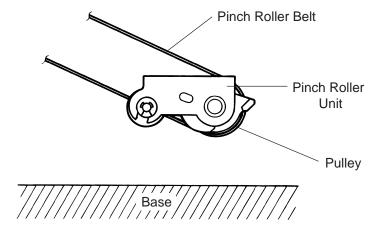


Fig. 2-24

2. Attach the jig to the platen, feed roller and pinch roller shaft as shown in the figure below. Then attach the pinch roller cover to the pinch roller frame with the three B-4x12 screws. Then secure the pinch roller frame with the three B-4x12 screws.

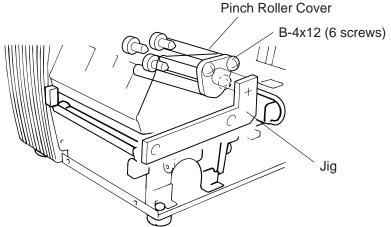


Fig. 2-25

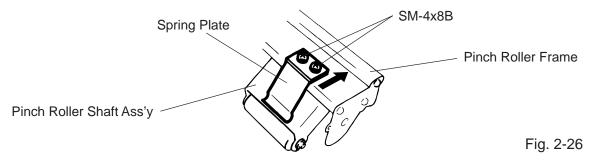
NOTES: 1. Replace the platen and the feed roller prior to attaching the jig.

- 2. Attach the jig while the pinch roller frame is tentatively attached to the main frame with the B-4x12 screws. Secure the pinch roller cover to the pinch roller frame with the three B-4x12 screws, then tighten the other side of the screws.
- 3. The flat top of the pinch roller frame must be installed in parallel to bosses on the printer frame.

Check

- ① Check if excessive load is applied to the jig after the above NOTE 2. (For example, check if the pinch roller frame moves when the jig is removed.)
- ② Check that there is no gap caused by a slant shaft between the pinch roller and the feed roller when the pinch roller is lowered.

3. Turn the head lever clockwise to lock the pinch roller shaft ass'y. Attach the spring plate to the pinch roller frame with the two SM-4x8B screws, pushing the spring plate toward the rear of the printer.



**NOTE:** Check that the pinch roller shaft ass'y moves up and down smoothly when turning the head lever clockwise and counterclockwise.

4. Install the media guide plate to the printer so there is a 1.5 to 2.5 mm gap between the media guide plate and the printer block base.

#### 2.11 CORRECTING SKEW PRINTING

- If media still skews after adjusting the pinch roller shaft ass'y with the jig, follow the procedure below to correct the skew problem.
- 1. Check if the media skews right or left.

2. Loosen the B-4x12 screw to move the pinch roller cover to the front or rear of the printer depending on the skew direction.

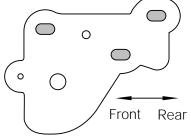


Fig. 2-27

When the media skews right, move the pinch roller cover to the front.

When the media skews left, move the pinch roller cover to the rear.

- If a paper skew problem should occur when using rolls would with labels facing outside after completing the modification, adjust the paper guide as follows.
  - \* In case the label skews to the right side of the print head, move the guide downward.
  - \* In case the label skews to the left side of the print head, move the guide upward.

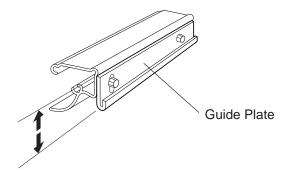


Fig. 2-28

3.1 HIGH SPEED PC INTERFACE BOARD (B-4800-PC-QM)

# 3. INSTALLATION PROCEDURE FOR THE OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

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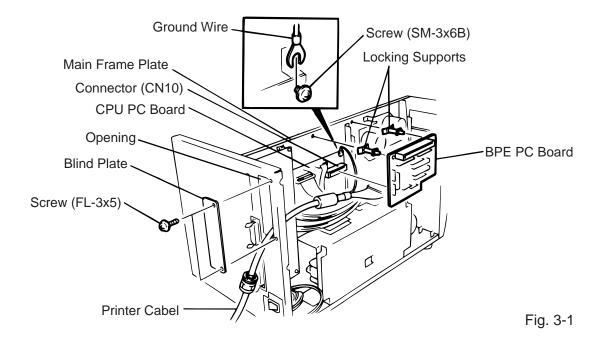
Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing the optional equipment.

#### 3.1 HIGH SPEED PC INTERFACE BOARD (B-4800-PC-QM)

The high speed PC interface board can be used together with the IBM PC-AT or its compatible machine only.

Description	Q'ty/Unit	Description	Q'ty/Unit
BPE PC board	1	Locking support	2
BPC PC board	1	Program diskette	1
Printer cable	1	Owner's Manual	1
Cable support	1		

- 1. Remove the top cover and left side cover. (See Fig. 2-1.)
- 2. Remove the two FL-3x5 screws to detach the blind plate.
- 3. Pass the printer cable through the opening.
- 4. Fasten the ground wire of the printer cable to the CPU PC board at the upper right with the SM-3x6B screw securing the CPU PC board.
- 5. Attach the two locking supports to the main frame plate. Install the BPE PC board aligning with the connector (CN10) and locking supports.



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- 6. Connect the printer cable to the connector (CN1) on the BPE PC board.
- 7. Put the cable strain relief of the printer cable in the notch of the cable support plate. Secure the cable strain relief to the cable support plate by turning the nut.
- 8. Attach the cable support plate to the printer with the FL3x5 screws removed in step 2.

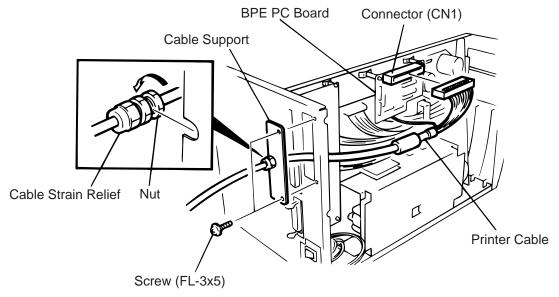


Fig. 3-2

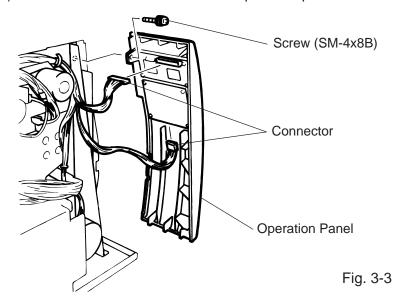
- 9. Reassemble in the reverse order of removal.
- 10. Following procedure should be employed with your PC after this.
- 11. Set the DIP SW. on the BPC PC board for the I/O address according to your PC.
- 12. Install the BPC PC board on the expansion port bus line of your PC.
- 13. Connect the printer cable mentioned in step 5 to the BPC PC board.
- 14. Insert the attached FDK into the FDD and install the data in the hard disk. Since the installation procedure is different between MS-DOS and Windows, refer to each owner's manual.
- 15. Perform a motion check.

# 3.2 CUTTER MODULE (B-4205-QM)

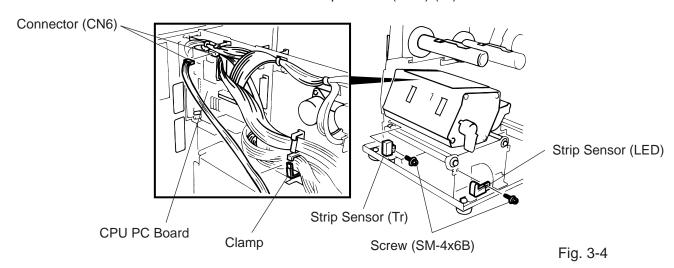
Description	Q'ty/Unit	Description	Q'ty/Unit
Cutter Unit	1	Cutter Attaching Screw	2
Cutter Cover	1	Screw (FL-4x6)	1
Take-up/Cutter Harness	1	Cleaner	1

**NOTE:** For the B-570 series, the take-up/cutter harness enclosed with the B-4205-QM is not used but the take-up harness connected to CN2 on the PWM PC board.

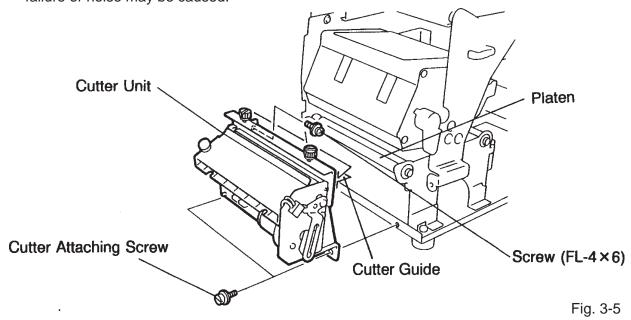
- 1. Remove the top cover and left side cover. (See Fig. 2-1.)
- 2. Remove the I/F PC board. (See Fig. 2-2.)
- 3. Remove the front plate. (See Fig. 2-6.)
- 4. Remove the screw (SM-4x8B) and two connectors to detach the operation panel.



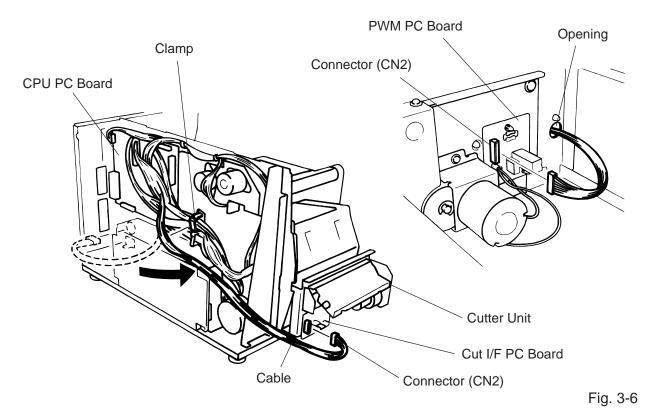
- 5. Unclamp and disconnect the connector for the strip sensor from CN6 on the CPU PC board.
- 6. Remove the SM-4x6B screw to detach the strip sensor (LED)/(Tr).



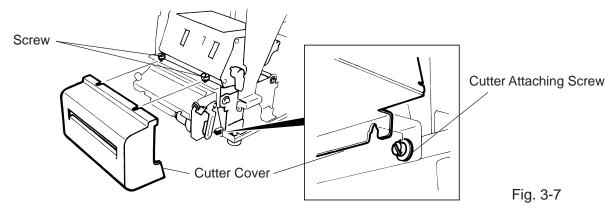
7. Install the cutter unit with the attached screws (cutter attaching screw, FL-4x6). When installing the cutter, make sure that the cutter guide is not in contact with the platen. If it is, print failure or noise may be caused.



- 8. Remove the motor cover. (See Fig. 2-9.)
- 9. Disconnect the connector from CN2 on the PWM PC board.
  Clamp and pass the cable through the opening and connect it to the CN1 on the Cutter I/F PC board.



10. Mount the cutter cover with the two screws.



- 11. Reassemble the motor cover, rewind full sensor (Tr), I/F PC board, left side cover and top cover in order.
- 12. After reassembly is complete, perform a test print to confirm that the cutter works properly.

  After printing a print sample at a speed of 8"/sec., feed the media about 33 mm and check that the swing cutter works without error. After cutting the media, feed the media about 33 mm in the reverse direction and check that it correctly stops at the print start position.
- **NOTES:** 1. If the top edge of label winds onto the platen in cut issue, set DIP SW. 1-5 to ON. (Refer to the Owner's Manual.)
  - 2. Retain the parts that are removed during installation of the cutter unit. They will be required when the printer is modified to a standard type.

Removed Parts	Q'ty/Unit	Removed Parts	Q'ty/Unit
Front plate	1	Strip sensor (LED)/(Tr)	1
Black screws	2	Screw (P-4x6)	2

#### Adjusting the Cutter Guide Plates

After replacing the cutter unit the following adjusting procedure should be employed to prevent paper jams.

- 1. Attach the cutter guide plate A with two SM-4x6C screws so that the fixed cutter is positioned 0.1 mm to 0.4 mm above the bottom of the cutter guide plate A.
- 2. Attach the cutter guide plate B with two FL-4x8 screws so that there is a clearance of 0.5 mm between the cutter guide plate A and cutter guide plate B using a clearance gauge.

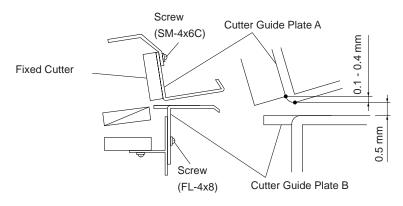
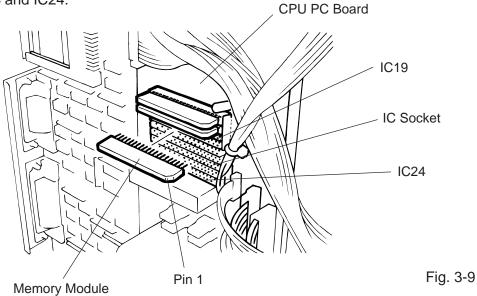


Fig. 3-8

#### 3.3 MEMORY MODULE

#### 3.3.1 For Old CPU Board

- 1. Remove the top cover and left side cover. (See Fig. 2-1.)
- 2. Hold the memory module so that the Pin 1 is on the upper right, then attach the memory module to the IC socket. Expanding the memory must be performed in sequence, IC19, IC20, IC21, IC22, IC23 and IC24.



- 3. Reassemble the left side cover in the reverse order of removal.
- Expansion memory and drawing size

RAM	IC No.	Max. drawing size (normal (W)x(H) (mm)				Max. drawing size (on-the-fly) (W)x(H) (mm)		Remarks
Capacity		Batch	Strip	Auto-cut	Batch	Strip	Auto-cut	
1MB	IC17, 18	1	38.0 x 298.	6	1	38.0 x 149.	3	Standard
1.5MB	IC17~19	1	138.0 x 469.3			138.0 x 234.6		
2MB	IC17~20	138.0 x 640.0			138.0 x 320.0			Option
2.5MB	IC17~21	138.0 x 810.7			138.0 x 405.3			Option
3MB	IC17~22	1	38.0 x 981.	4	1	138.0 x 490.7		
3.5MB	IC17~23	*120 A	v 005 0	*138.0 x	1	138.0 x 576.0		Option
3.31010	1017~23	130.0	*138.0 x 995.0 991.0			00.0 X 07 0.	O	Option
4MB	IC17-24	*120.0 × 005.0		*138.0 x	138.0 x 661.3		3	Option
HIVID			991.0	150.0 x 001.5		Option		

<sup>\*:</sup> The size for the tag paper is 138.0x997.0.

#### 3.3.2 For New CPU PC Board

- 1. Open the right side cover and the top cover. (Refer to Fig. 2-1.)
- 2. Remove the left side cover. (Refer to Fig. 2-1.)
- 3. Directly connect the D-RAM PC board to CN16 on the CPU PC board, and then secure it with the two locking support.

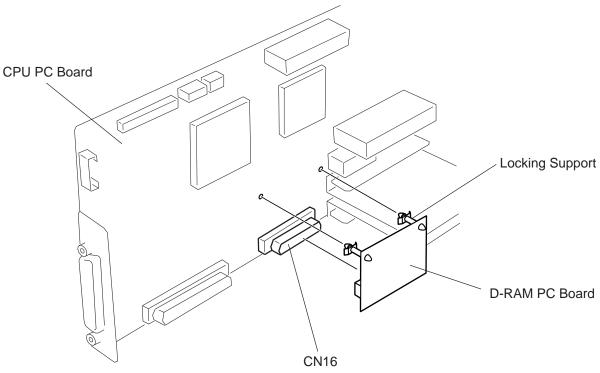


Fig. 3-10

#### **■** Expansion memory and drawing size

RAM Capacity	Max. drawing size (normal) (W) x (H) (mm)				wing size ( (W)	Remarks		
Capacity	Batch	Strip	Auto-cut	Batch	Strip	Auto-cut		
2MB	138.0 x 640.0			138.0 x 320.0			Standard	
							((IC19)	
4MB	991.		138.0 x 991.0 (NOTE 1)	130.8 x 661.3			Option (IC19 and DRAM PCB)	

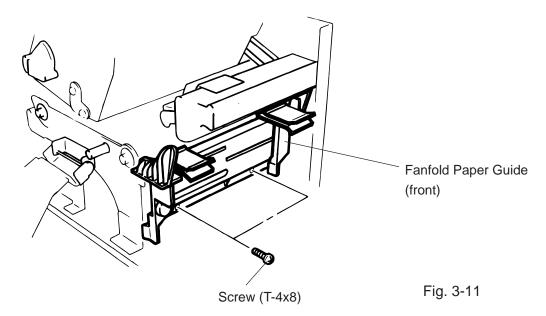
**NOTES:** 1. The size for the tag paper is 79.68 x 997.0

2. Addition of the D-RAM and the DRAM PC board can expand the memory up to 4MB of the old CPU PC board and the new CPU PC board, respectively.

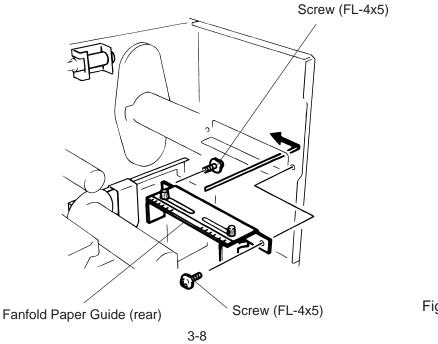
# 3.4 FANFOLD PAPER GUIDE MODULE (B-4905-FF-QM)

Description	Q'ty/Unit
Fanfold Paper Guide(rear)	1
Fanfood Paper Guide (front)	1

- 1. Open the top cover.
- 2. Remove the T-4x8 screws to detach the paper guide ass'y at the center of the printer and attach the fanfold paper guide (front) with these same screws.



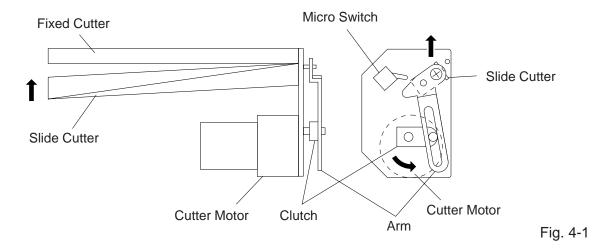
3. Remove the FL-4x5 screw to detach the blind plate on the back of the printer and attach the fanfold paper guide (rear) with the same screw.



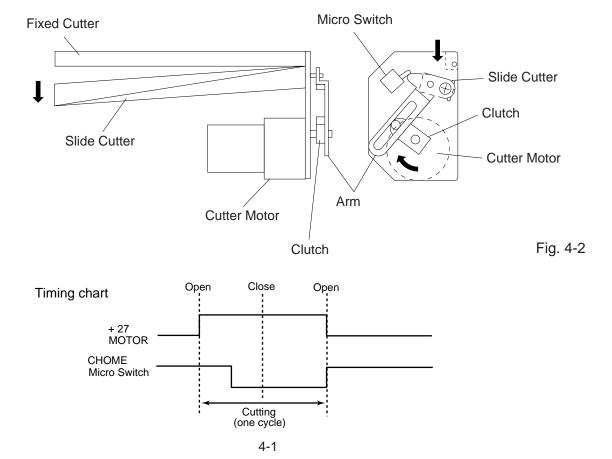
# 4. MECHANISM DESCRIPTION

# 4.1 CUTTER DRIVE (CUTTER MODE)

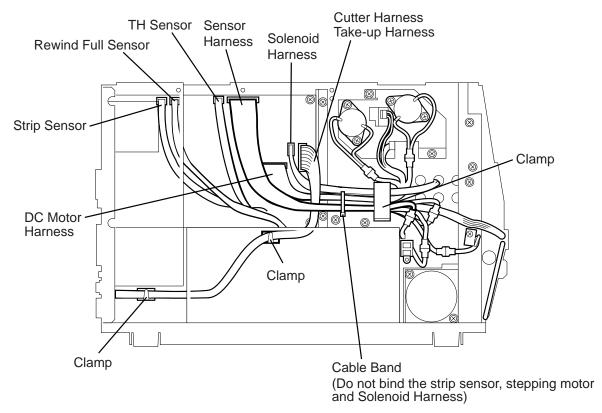
The printer supplies DC + 27 V to the cutter motor to rotate the cutter motor and clutch counter clockwise. The arm swings like a pendulum and moves the fixed slide cutter up and down to make a cut.



After making a cut, the arm turns the micro switch off and the cutter home position is detected. When the cutter does not return to the home position because of a paper jam, an error occurs and the next piece of paper will not be cut.



#### 4.2 HARNESS WIRING



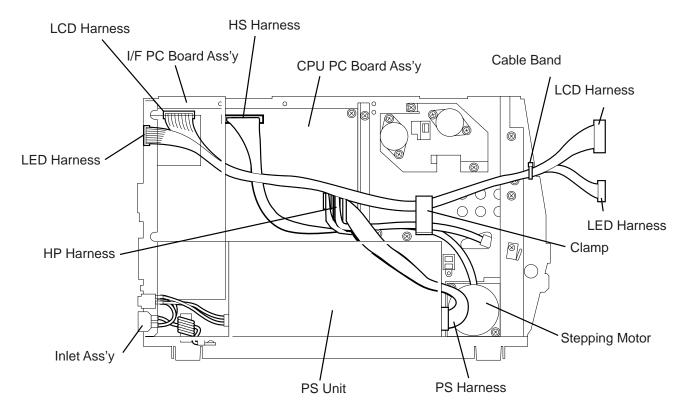


Fig. 4-3

# **5. TROUBLESHOOTING**

Problems	Cause	Solution
Power is not turned ON.	<ol> <li>Input voltage to the printer is not within the rated voltage.         (Check by CN1 on the PS unit.)</li> <li>Output voltage from the printer is not within the rated voltage.         (Check that the voltage between Pin 4 and Pin 6 (GND) of CN2 on the PS unit is 27 V.         And check the voltage between Pin 1 and Pin 3 (GND) is 5 V.)</li> <li>CPU PC board is not applied with voltage.         (Check the voltage between Pin 1 and Pin 3 (GND) of the CN18 on the CPU PC board is 27 V.)</li> <li>Failure of CPU PC board.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Replace the power cable or power inlet.</li> <li>Replace the PS unit.</li> <li>Replace the power harness.</li> <li>Replace the CPU PC board.</li> </ul>
LED or LCD does not light.	Failure of the LED board/LCD     Failure of the LCD/LED harness     Failure of the CPU PC board	<ul> <li>Replace the LED board/LCD.</li> <li>Replace the LCD/LED harness.</li> <li>Replace the CPU PC board.</li> </ul>
Poor printing	<ol> <li>The print paper is of poor quality.</li> <li>Dirty print head</li> <li>The head lever fastens the print head incompletely.</li> <li>Alignment adjustment of the print head is improper.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Use the media approved by TOSHIBA TEC.</li> <li>Clean the print head.</li> <li>Fasten the head lever completely.</li> <li>Re-adjust the print head.</li> </ul>
Printer does not print.	<ol> <li>Print head failure</li> <li>Connection of the print head connector is incomplete, a bad contact, or broken wires.</li> <li>Failure in rewinding/feeding of the ribbon.</li> <li>Failure of the CPU PC board</li> <li>Failure of the software</li> <li>Failure of the printer cable</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Replace the print head.</li> <li>Connect the harness completely, or replace the harness.</li> <li>Replace the ribbon rewind motor, ribbon feed motor or CPU PC board.</li> <li>Replace the CPU PC board.</li> <li>Check the program.</li> <li>Replace the printer cable.</li> </ul>

Problems	Cause	Solution
Dot missing	Broken element of print head     Broken wires of print head cable     Reallure of the CPU PC board	<ul> <li>Replace the print head.</li> <li>Replace the print head harness.</li> <li>Replace the CPU PC board.</li> </ul>
Blurred print	Poor quality of media.     Dust is attached to the media.	<ul> <li>Use only TOSHIBA TEC specified media.</li> <li>Clean the print head and remove the dust from the media.</li> </ul>
Ribbon wrinkle	Poor quality of the ribbon     Ribbon is not rewound or fed smoothly.	<ul> <li>Use only TOSHIBATEC specified ribbon.</li> <li>Replace the ribbon rewind motor or ribbon feed motor.</li> </ul>
Ribbon end error	<ol> <li>Poor quality of the ribbon.</li> <li>Improper voltage applied to the ribbon end sensor.</li> <li>Failure of the ribbon end sensor</li> <li>Failure of the circuit which controls the ribbon end sensor.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Use only TOSHIBATEC specified ribbon.</li> <li>Refer to page 2-3 to adjust the ribbon end sensor.</li> <li>Replace the ribbon end sonsor.</li> <li>Replace the CPU PC board.</li> </ul>
Label feed failure	<ol> <li>Paper is not set properly.</li> <li>Paper of poor quality</li> <li>Improper adjustment of the feed gap sensor or black mark sensor.</li> <li>Failure of the feed gap sensor or black mark sensor</li> <li>Labels cannot be stripped off the backing paper or the backing paper with labels cannot be wound properly.</li> <li>The cutter mechanism is not installed properly.</li> <li>Failure of the stepping motor</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Set the paper properly.</li> <li>Use the paper approved by TOSHIBA TEC.</li> <li>Re-adjust the sensor.</li> <li>Replace the feed gap sensor or black mark sensor.</li> <li>Replace the take-up motor or CPU PC board.</li> <li>Install the cutter mechanism properly.</li> <li>Replace the stepping motor or CPU PC board.</li> </ul>
Communication error	Failure of the communication cable     Failure of the RS-232C connector     Failure of the communication connector     Failure of the PC or application software     Failure of the CPU PC board	<ul> <li>Replace the cable.</li> <li>Replace the connector.</li> <li>Replace the connector.</li> <li>Modify the program.</li> <li>Replace IC3 (MC145407). If the trouble is not solved, replace the CPU PC board.</li> </ul>

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#### **CAUTION:**

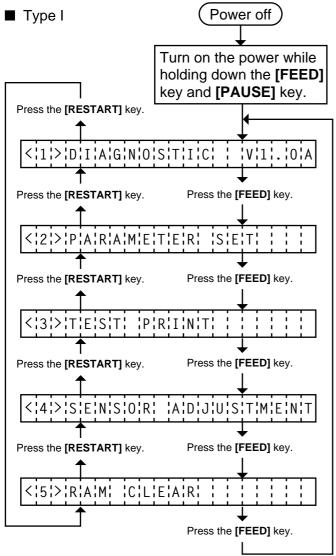
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# 6. DIAG. TEST OPERATION

#### 6.1 OUTLINE OF THE DIAG. TEST OPERATION

In system mode the diag. test operation is used to diagnose the printer and to set the parameters by using the **[FEED]**, **[RESTART]** and **[PAUSE]** keys on the operation panel. Diag. test operation (Type I) is started from the power off state and the parameter setting (Type II) is started while the printer is on-line or printing. For further details, please refer to the corresponding pages.

**NOTE:** Every size in this manual is written in millimeter. To obtain the size in inch, divide by 25.4.



- Self Test Mode (See page 6-3)

  Data from the maintenance counter and automatic diagnosis are printed on the media. The result of the head broken element check is indicated in the display.
- Parameter Setting Mode (See page 6-13)
  Fine adjustment of the feed length, cut/strip position, back feed, X axis, print tone, and thresholds of the black mark sensor and feed gap sensor, and selection of character font, font zero, control code, ribbon type, ribbon motor torque, strip wait status, Euro font code, transmission control mode, reset ON/OFF when the INPUT PRIME signal is ON and Stacker are available in this mode.
- Test Print Mode (See page 6-41)
  Print condition and test print type (slant line, characters and bar code) are selectable.
- Sensor Setting Mode (See page 6-48)
  A thermistor check and the setting of the black mark and feed gap sensors are available in this mode.

A transmission check is made to both a print head thermistor and an environmental temperature thermistor.

■ RAM Clear Mode (See page 6-53)

Data from the maintenance counter is cleared and parameter setting is initialized in the RAM clear mode.

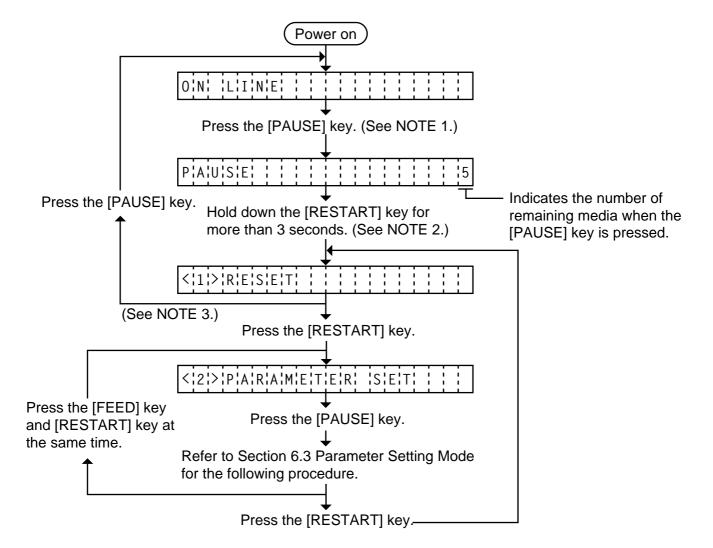
In system mode the [FEED], [RESTART] and [PAUSE] keys function as described below.

#### ■ Key Function Table

Key Name	Function				
[FEED] key  Used to start the system mode as the [PAUSE] key does. Used to select the parameters in the negative direction(-).					
[RESTART] key	Used to select the parameter mode or to fine adjust the parameters in the positive direction (+).				
[PAUSE] key	Used to start the system mode as the <b>[FEED]</b> key does and to select the parameter mode. Used as an enter key.				

#### n Type 2

The parameter setting such as feed length fine adjustment or cut/strip position fine adjustment can be changed while the printer is on-line or printing. Pressing the [PAUSE] key causes the printer to enter parameter setting mode. Reset mode is provided for this procedure to cancel the steps which follow the [PAUSE] key without turning the power off.



#### **NOTES:**

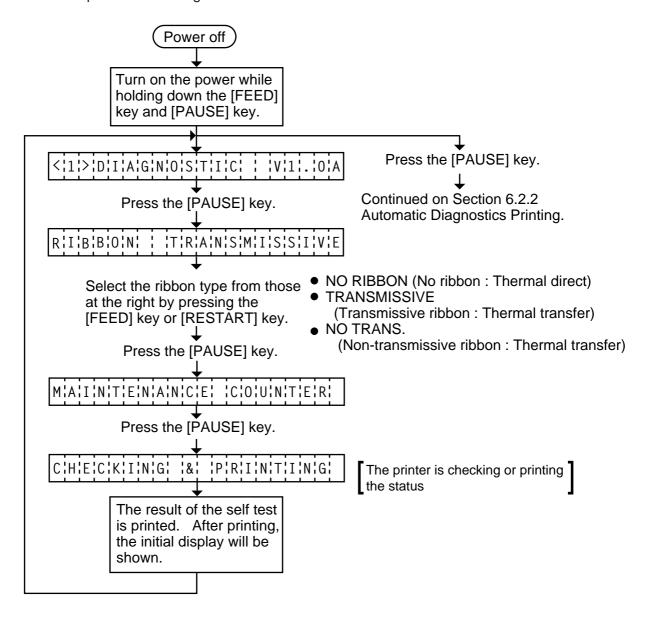
- 1. Pressing the [PAUSE] key during printing causes the printer to pause printing and show the number of remaining media.
- 2. If the [RESTART] key is released within 3 seconds, the printer will resume printing because the [RESTART] key is activated.
- 3. Since the reset is performed when terminating this mode, the printer cancels the remaining media and returns to on-line mode. This reset will not clear the changed parameter settings.

#### 6.2 SELF TEST MODE

In self test mode the printer status is printed in two types of sample print. The result of the head broken element check is indicated in the display.

#### **6.2.1 Maintenance Counter Printing**

The data from 1 to 31 on a sample print is printed. This data is the printer status and the value set in the parameter setting mode.



NOTES: 1. If the maintenance counter printing results in an error, the printer will display the error message and stop printing. The error status can be cleared by the [PAUSE] key, however, the display will return to the initial display "<1> DIAGNOSTIC V1.0A". Printing is not automatically resumed after the error is cleared.

2. Both label and tag paper can be used for printing.

<ul> <li>Supply length</li> <li>Issuing mode</li> </ul>	: 1 : 127 mm/sec. : No sensor : Thermal transfer : 50 mm : Batch printing (without rewinder)	(1) — (2) — (3) — (4) — (5) — (6) — (7) — (8) — (10) — (11) — (13) — (25) — (26) — (27) — (28) — (29) — (30) — (31) — (32) — (33) —	CODE [	D IIID R IPC-{ [ESC [TRA J. [PC OLD OLD YPE ODE R [OI ) [DT	C] + 0 +0   F] R 1.0V T 1.4V 1] B0H FF] R]	[PC] FEED CUT BACK TONE(T) TONE(D) [KEY] FEED CUT BACK TONE(T) TONE(D) X ADJ. [KEY] + 0 +0	-10.0mm -5.0mm +3.0mm +3step +5step +5.0mm -1.5mm +0.5mm +0step +1step +35.0mm	` '
Maintenance Co	unter	(33)		XIIVIL	- [OIV]			JFig. 6-1

#	Item	Count Condition	Range			
(1)	Total media distance covered	Counted when the feed motor drives to feed, print and issue the media. (Counted also during ribbon save	0.0 ~ 3200.0 km			
(2)	Media distance	operation and back feed.) [See NOTE 2].	0.0 ~ 200.0 km			
(3)	Print distance	t distance  Counted while printing. (Feeding and issuing media, and ribbon saving operation are not counted.)  [See NOTE 2.]				
(4)	Cut count	Counts every cut. [See NOTE 3.]	0 ~ 1000000 times			
(5)	Head up and down count	Counts every up and down of the print head using the solenoid for ribbon save operation.  (Up + Down = 1 count) [See NOTE 3.]	0 ~ 2000000 times			
(6)	Ribbon motor driving time					
(7)	Solenoid driving time	Counted during ribbon saving operation. [See NOTE 4.]	0 ~ 1000 hours			
(8)	RS-232C hardware error count	ardware Counted when a parity, overrun or framing error occurs. [See NOTE 5.]				
(9)	System error count	Counted when a zero-dividing error occurs or undefined command is retrieved.	0 ~ 15 times			
(10)	Momentary power failure count	Counted when a momentary power failure occurs.	0 ~ 15 times			

**NOTES:** 1. Item from (2) through (10) are initialized to "0" after RAM clear.

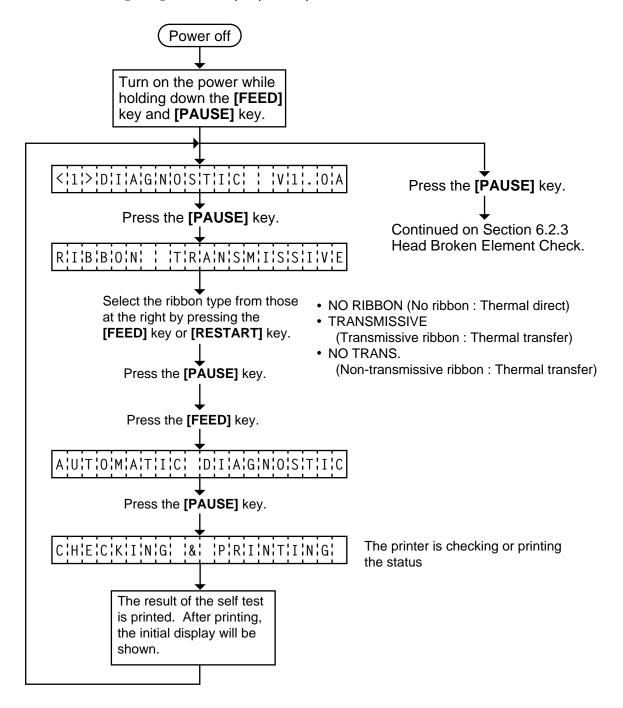
- 2. If the distance is 5.5 m or less, it is rounded down and no data is added to the memory at power off.
- 3. If the count is 31 counts or less, it is rounded down and no data is added to the memory at power off.
- If the driving time is 27 sec. or less, it is rounded down and no data is added to the memory at power off.
- 5. When a sent command results in an error, the same number as the data capacity of the command is counted by byte.

#### 2) Parameters

#	Item	Contents	
(11)	Character code selection	PC-850 : PC-850 PC-8 : PC-8	
	Font zero selection	0 : No slash used. Ø : Slash used.	
(12)	Control code selection	AUTO : Automatic selection ESC LF NUL : ESC LF NUL mode {	
(13)	Ribbon type selection	TRANS. : Transmissive ribbon NON TRANS. : Non-transmissive ribbon	
(14) (19)	Feed length fine adjustment (PC), (KEY)	-50.0 mm to +50.0 mm	
(15) (20)		-50.0 mm to +50.0 mm	
(16) (21)	Back feed length fine adjustment (PC), (KEY)	-9.9 mm to +9.9 mm	
(17) (22)	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal transfer) (PC), (KEY)	-10 step to +10 step	
(18) (23)	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal direct) (PC), (KEY)	-10 step to +10 step	
(24)	X axis fine adjustment	-99.5 mm to +99.5 mm	
(25)	Ribbon Motor	+15 step to +0 step	
(26)	Strip wait status	1: Strip wait status is not sent to the PC.	
		2: Strip wait status is sent to the PC.	
(27)	Threshold manual fine adjustment for the black mark sensor	0.0 V to 4.0 V	
(28)	Threshold manual fine adjustment for the feed gap sensor	0.0V to 4.0 V	
(29)	Kanji code type	TYPE 1: Windows code	
	(not supported by QQ/QP models.)	TYPE 2: Original code	
(30)	Euro font code setting	20H to FFH	
(31)	Stacker	OFF: No stacker	
	(not supported by QQ/QP models.)	ON: with stacker	
(32)	Transmission Control Mode	DTR: READY/BUSY (DTR) protocol (DTR/DSR) RTS: READY/BUSY (RTS) protocol (RTS/CTS)	
(33)	Reset selection when the	ON: The printer will restore to the initial status.	
` '	INPUT • PRIME signal is ON.	OFF: The printer will not restore to the initial status.	
	<u> </u>		

#### 6.2.2 Automatic Diagnostic Printing

The data from ① to ⑨ on a sample print is printed.



**NOTES:** 1. If the automatic diagnosis printing results in an error, the printer will display the error message and stop printing. The error status can be cleared by the **[PAUSE]** key, however, the display will return to the initial display "<1> DIAGNOSTIC V1.0A". Printing is not automatically resumed.

2. Both label and tag paper can be used for printing.

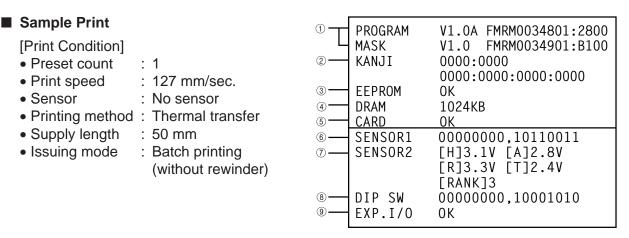
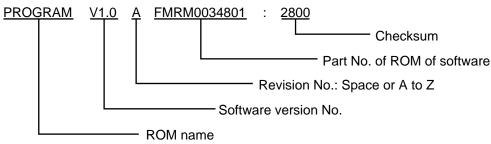


Fig. 6-2

#### 1) PROGRAM/MASK ROM Check

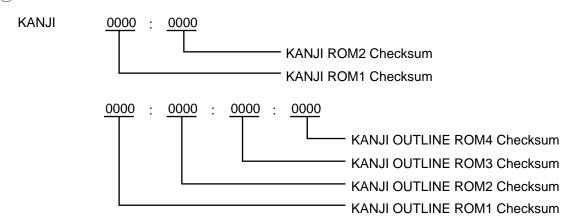


PROGRAM: Program ROM (Flash ROM)
MASK: Mask ROM (Character generator)

**NOTES:** 1. Software version No., part No. of ROM and checksum vary according to the software version of PROGRAM/MASK ROM.

2. The last two digits of the checksum are usually 0.

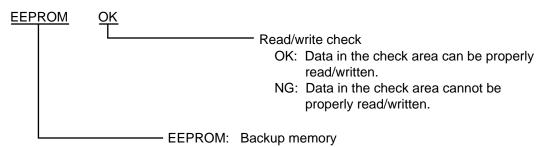
#### ② KANJI ROM Check



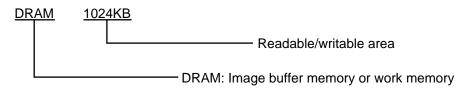
NOTES: 1. Checksum varies according to the software version.

- 2. When the KANJI ROM or KANJI OUTLINE ROM is not installed, the checksum becomes "0000".
- 3. The last two digits of the checksum are not 0.

#### ③ EEPROM Check

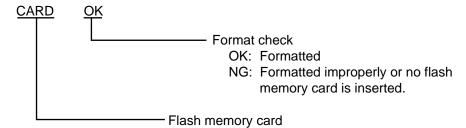


#### **4** DRAM Check

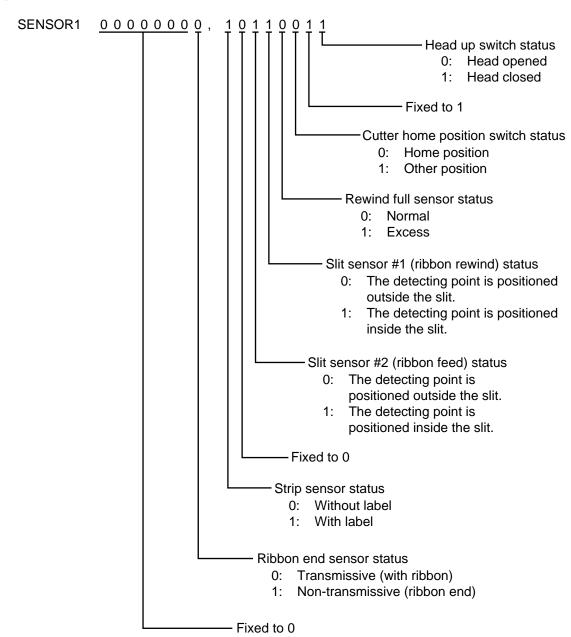


**NOTE:** If an error is detected during DRAM check, the display od readable/writable area will stop when the error occurs.

#### **5** Flash Memory Card Check



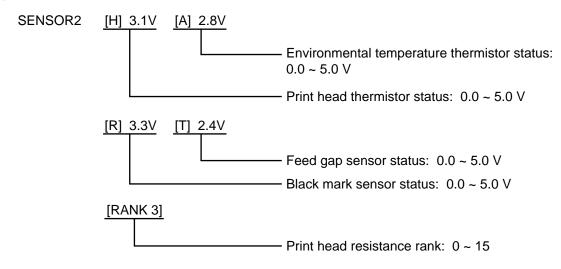
#### 6 Sensor 1 Check



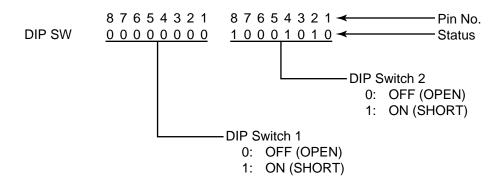
#### ■ Print status content description of each sensor/switch

Sensor/Switch	Print status content description			
Head up switch	Indicates whether the print head is opened or closed.			
Cutter home position switch	Indicates whether the cutter is at the home position or not.			
Rewind full sensor	Indicates whether the media is wound to peak capacity on the built- in take-up spool or not.			
Slit sensor #1 (ribbon rewind) Slit sensor #2 (ribbon feed)	Controls ribbon motor rotation by detecting the slit on the ribbon rewind motor and the ribbon feed motor. Indicates the position of the slit sensor.			
Strip sensor	Indicates the existence of label in strip mode. When no label is detected (0), the subsequent label is issued, when a label is detected (1), the subsequent label will not be issued until the current label is removed.			
Ribbon end sensor	The display of the ribbon end sensor only shows whether the ribbon is transmissive or non-transmissive. The status of the ribbon end detection differs according to the parameter setting. The following table shows the parameter settings in the parameter setting mode.			
	Type of ribbon Ribbon end sensor	Transmissive	Non-transmissive	
	Transmissive	With ribbon	Ribbon end	
	Non-transmissive	Ribbon end	With ribbon	

#### 7 SENSOR2 Check

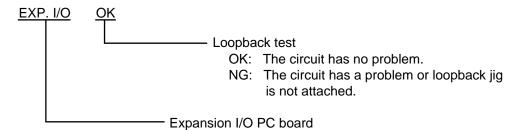


#### (8) DIP SW Check

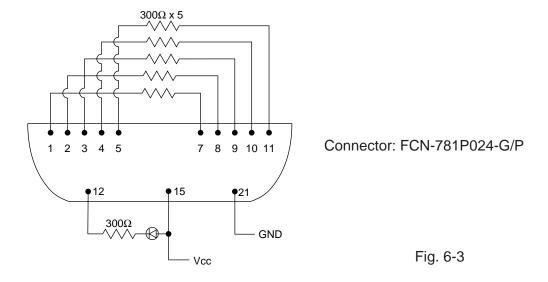


**NOTE:** The DIP switch 1-7 is to be set to 0 (OFF:OPEN) regardless of setting item.

#### 9 EXP. I/O Check

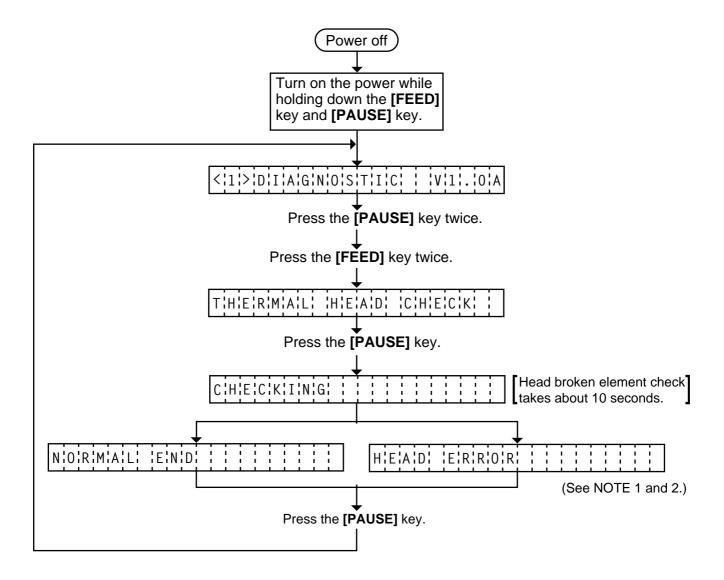


For the loopback test, connect jig as shown below and check HIGH output / HIGH input and LOW output / LOW input.



#### 6.2.3 Head Broken Element Check

The printer automatically performs the head broken element check. The result of the head broken element check is indicated in the display.

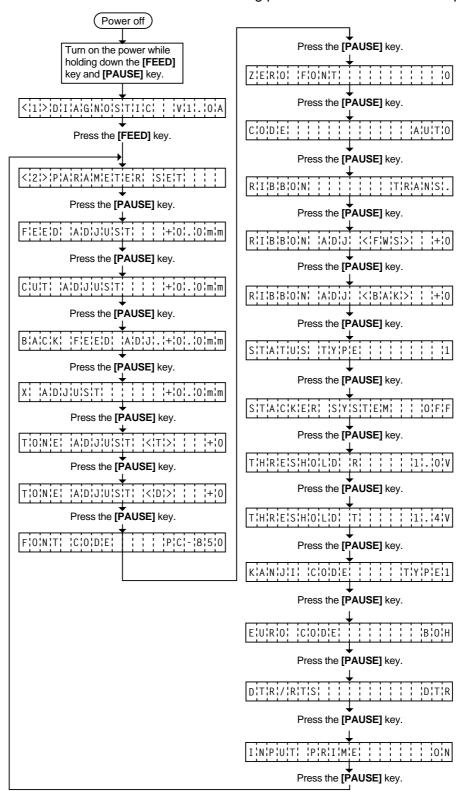


**NOTES:** 1. If the head broken element check results in 'HEAD ERROR', the print head must be replaced after referring to Section 2.6 Replacing the Print Head.

2. After replacing the print head, clear the maintenance counter as described in Section 6.6.1 and perform a test print in Section 6.4 TEST PRINT MODE.

#### 6.3 PARAMETER SETTING MODE

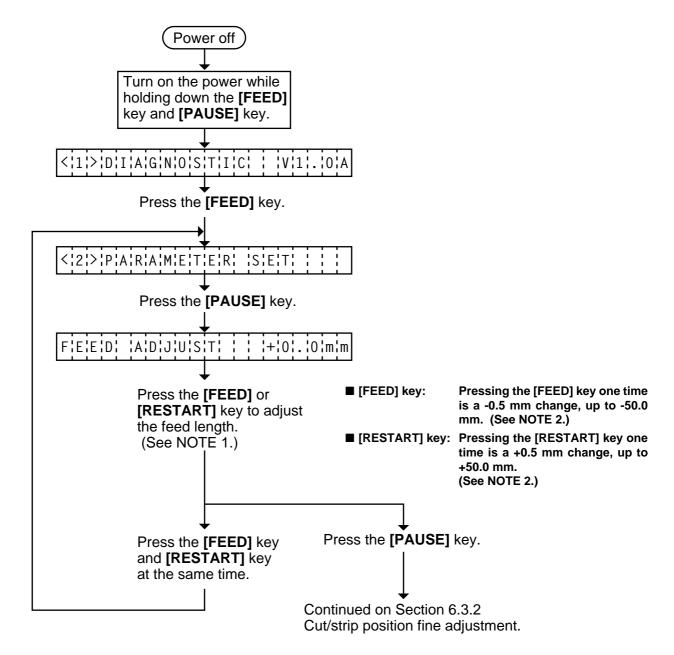
The following items are set in the parameter setting mode. The values set in this mode are printed on the sample print of the maintenance counter. Setting procedure and functions are provided below.



# **■** Parameter Setting Mode Table

Mode Name	Function		
FEED ADJUST	Using this parameter the feed length is fine adjusted.		
CUT ADJUST	Using this parameter the cut position or strip position is fine adjusted.		
BACK FEED ADJ.	Using this parameter the back feed length from the cut/strip position to the home position is fine adjusted.		
X ADJUST	This setting is used to finely adjust print position in the X axis.		
TONE ADJUST <t> (Thermal transfer printing)</t>	Using this parameter the print tone is fine adjusted. The longer the print pulse width, the darker the print tone becomes. The shorter, the lighter the print tone becomes.		
TONE ADJUST <d> (Thermal direct printing)</d>			
FONT CODE	The character code either PC-850 or PC-8 is selected.		
ZERO FONT	The font zero either 0 or ø is selected.		
CODE	The command code out of AUTO, ESC/LF/NUL, or { \ \ \ } is selected.		
RIBBON	Ribbon type either transmissive or non-transmissive is selected.		
RIBBON ADJ <fwd> (Ribbon feed motor)</fwd>	Using this parameter the torque of the ribbon motors is fine adjusted.		
RIBBON ADJ <bak> (Ribbon feed motor)</bak>			
STATUS TYPE	Whether or not the strip wait status (05H) is sent in response to the status request command from the PC is selectable.		
STACKER SYSTEM	Use of the Stacker is selected. (not supported by QQ/QP models.)		
THRESHOLD R	The threshold of the black mark sensor is manually fine adjusted.		
THRESHOLD T	The threshold of the feed gap sensor is manually fine adjusted.		
KANJI CODE	Kanji code either Windows code or original code is selected. (not supported by QQ/QP models.)		
EURO CODE	EURO code is selected from 20H to FFH.		
DTR/RTS	Transmission Control mode is selected from DTR and RTS.		
INPUT PRIME	Reset ON/OFF when the INPUT • PRIME signal on is selcted.		

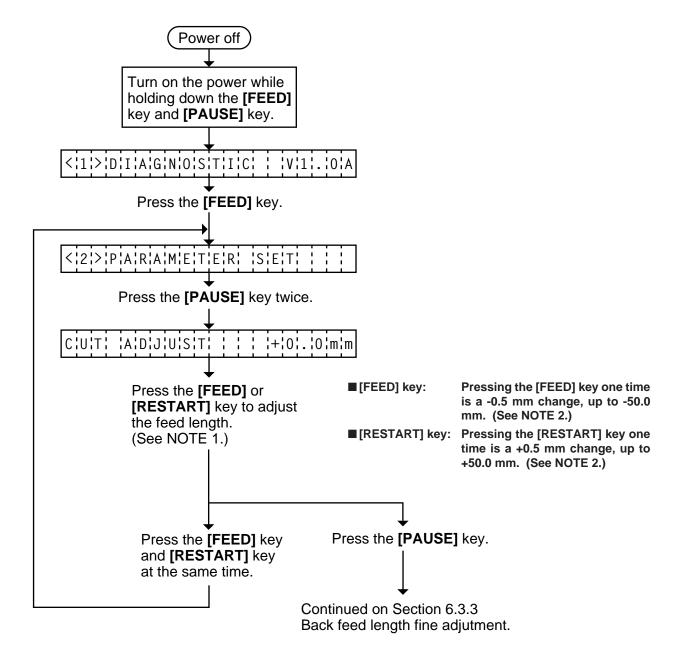
#### 6.3.1 Feed Length Fine Adjustment



- **NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.
  - 2. Max. fine adjustment  $\pm 50.0$  mm = Key fine adjustment value ( $\pm 50.0$  mm) + PC fine adjust ment value ( $\pm 50.0$  mm)

    When the value reaches the maximum, the value remains unchanged even if the subsequent fine adjustment is performed.
  - 3. A change feed value is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

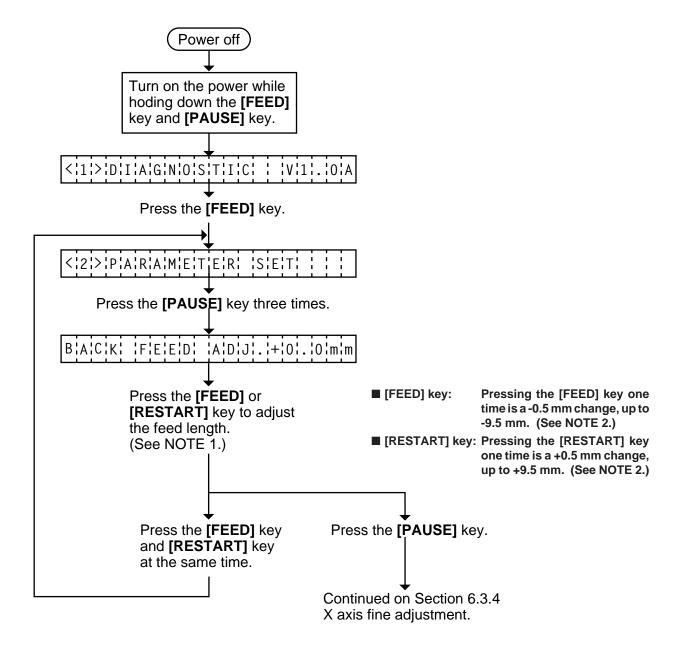
#### 6.3.2 Cut/Strip Position Fine Adjustment



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

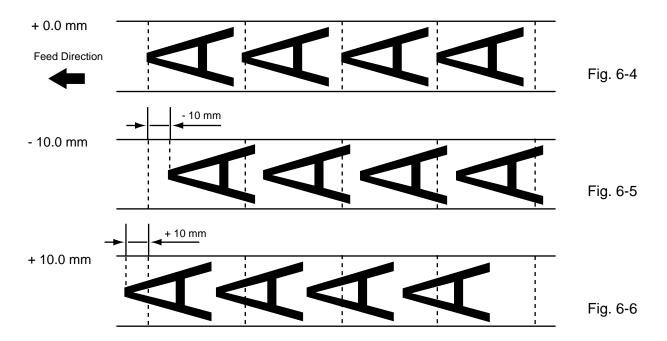
- 2. Max. fine adjustment ±50.0 mm = Key fine adjustment value (±50.0 mm) + PC fine adjustment value (±50.0 mm) When the value reaches the maximum, the value remains unchanged even if a subsequent fine adjustment is performed.
- 3. A changed cut/strip position value is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.
- 4. When using label with length of less than 38 mm, calculate the cut position fine adjustment value using the expression provided on page 6-19.

#### 6.3.3 Back Feed Length Fine Adjustment

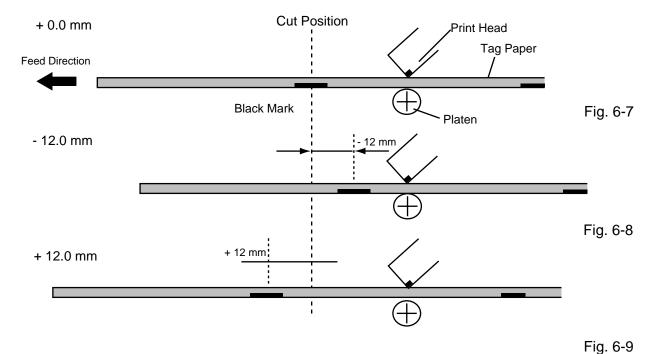


- **NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.
  - 2. Max. fine adjustment  $\pm 9.9$  mm = Key fine adjustment value ( $\pm$  9.5 mm) + PC fine adjustment value ( $\pm 9.9$  mm)
    - When the value reaches the maximum, the value remains unchanged even if the subsequent fine adjustment is performed.
  - 3. A changed back feed value is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

# **■** Feed Length Fine Adjustment Example



# ■ Cut Position Fine Adjustment Example



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### ■ When using a label with a length of less than 38 mm:

#### Case 1

Condition: Issue command [ESC]XS, feed command [ESC]T and eject command [ESC]IB are received.

Label pitch: 38.0 mm or less, with cut, feed gap sensor, cut position fine adjustment value  $\pm$  10 mm or less, and issue mode set to C (cut). When the above conditions are all met, the issue operation in cut issue mode is as follows:

- (1) Head lifted  $\rightarrow$  (2) Forward feed to the cut position  $\rightarrow$  (3) Head lowered  $\rightarrow$  (4) Cut  $\rightarrow$
- (5) Head lifted  $\rightarrow$  (6) Backfeed to the home position  $\rightarrow$  (7) Head lowered.

## Case 2

Generally the minimum label length which is available in cut mode is 38.0 mm. When using a label with a length of less than 38 mm, the edge of the label may be caught on the print head during back feed to the print start position after cutting the label gap, causing a improper print start position.

In this case set the cut position fine adjustment value after calculating the value using the following formula so that the unprinted label returns to the correct print start position.

However, use of this method will leave one or two printed label(s) between the print head and the cutter. Feed or print the label(s) to remove them.

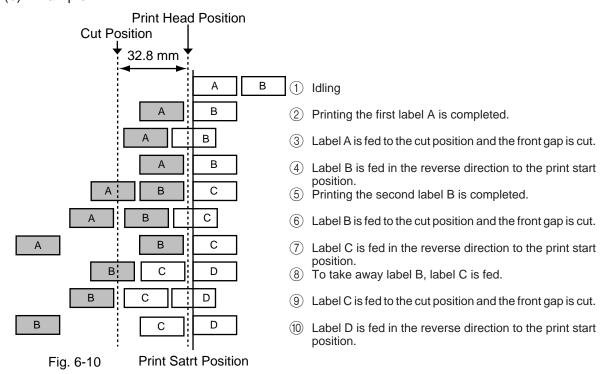
(a) Formula for cut position the adjustment value

Cut position fine adjustment value

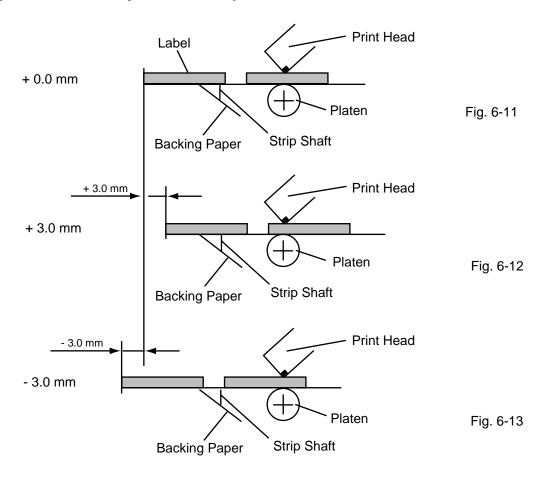
- = (the number of labels left between the print head and the cutter) x (span of label)
- = (32.8 mm/label length) x (span of label)
- \* Omit the decimals of the value obtained by dividing 32.8 mm by the label length for one unit.

(example) Span of label: 30.0 mm (32.8 mm/30.0 mm) x 30.0 mm = 1 x 30.0 mm = +30.0 mm

#### (b) Example



### ■ Strip Position Fine Adjustment Example



**NOTE:** The print stop position when printing the label in strip mode varies according to label length as the strip mode printing stops so that the edge of the strip shaft is 4 mm from the middle of the gap. This is because the gap length is programmed as 2mm. When the gap length is 5 mm or more, the effective print length should be set to the value obtained by subtracting 2 mm from the label pitch, that is, set the gap length to 2 mm. If the print format hangs over the gap as a result, correct the print start position. If the print stop position is improper, refer to Section 6.3.2 and make a fine adjustment.

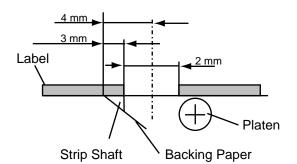
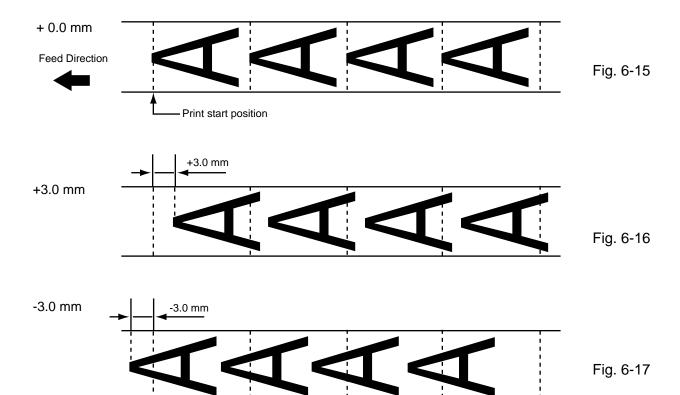
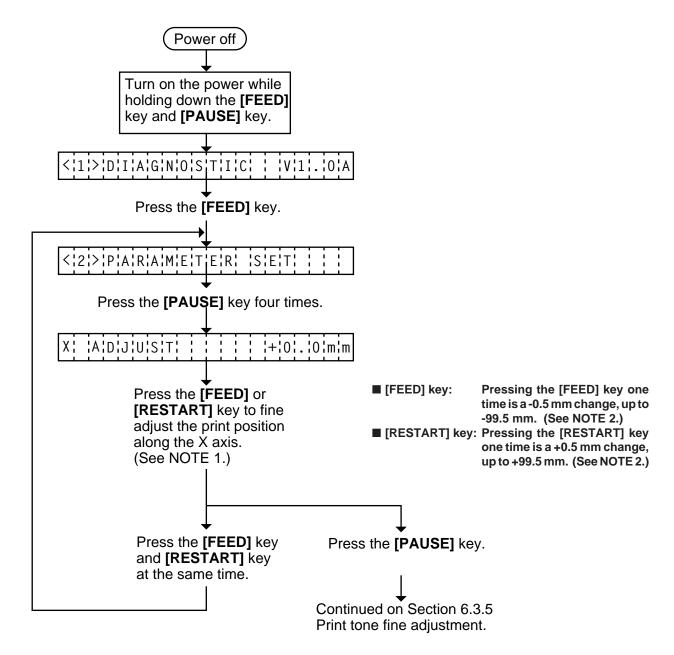


Fig. 6-14

# ■ Back Feed Length Fine Adjustment Example



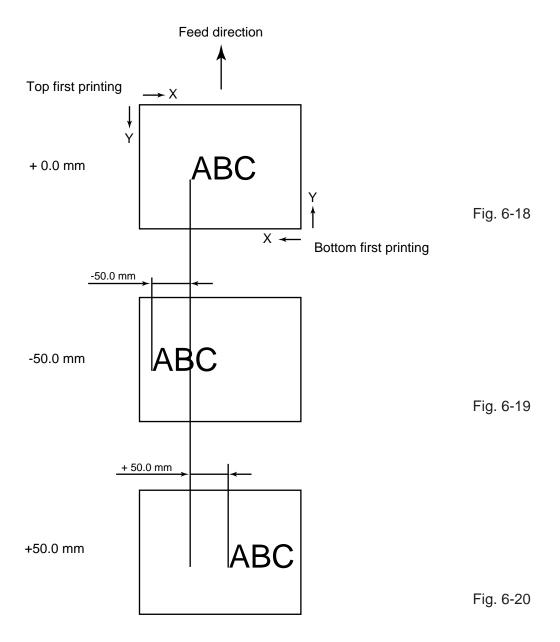
## 6.3.4 X Axis Fine Adjustment



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. Max. fine adjustment  $\pm$  99.5 mm = X axis value When the value reaches the maximum, the value remains unchanged even if the subsequent fine adjustment is performed.
- 3. A changed X axis is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

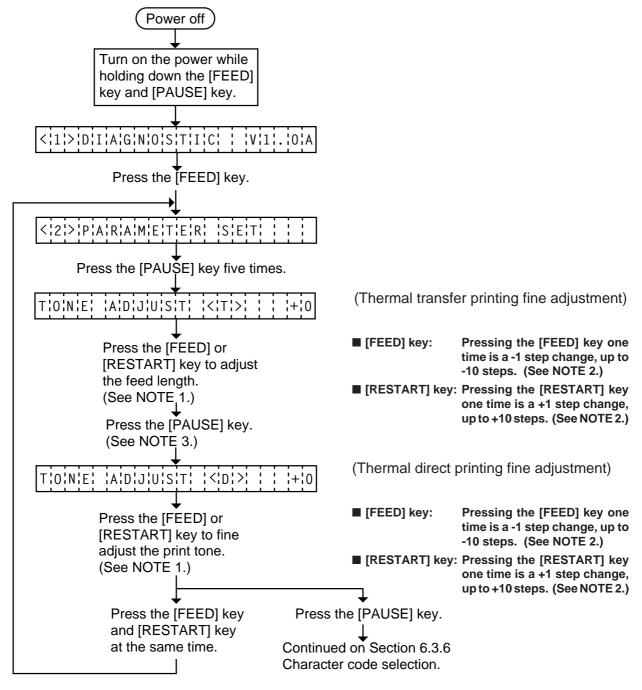
## ■ X Axis Fine Adjustment Example



**NOTES:** 1. The X axis fine adjustment is performed to fine adjust the X axis of the drawing in the left or right direction.

- 2. Adjust the X axis in the effective print range. (After the value reaches the coordinate "0", the value remains unchanged even if the subsequent fine adjustment is performed in the negative direction.)
- 3. X axis fine adjustment cannot be used in self test mode or test printing.

## 6.3.5 Print Tone Fine Adjustment

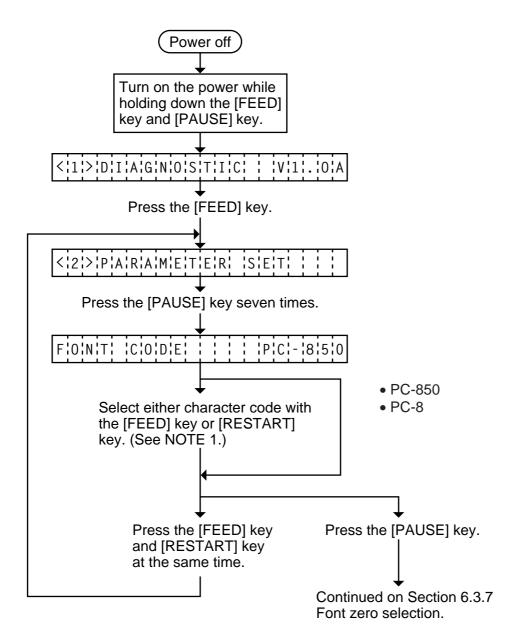


**NOTES:** 1 Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. A changed print tone value is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.
- 3. Fine adjustment value equals to the sum of the values set by the PC command and system mode (key operation) and each max. value is  $\pm$  10 step. However, the upper limit of the adjustment value is decided according to the print speed to protect the print head. If the set value exceeds the following upper limit, it is automatically corrected to the proper value.

Upper Limit: 3"/sec.: +10 step, 5"/sec.: +5 step, 8"/sec,: +2 step

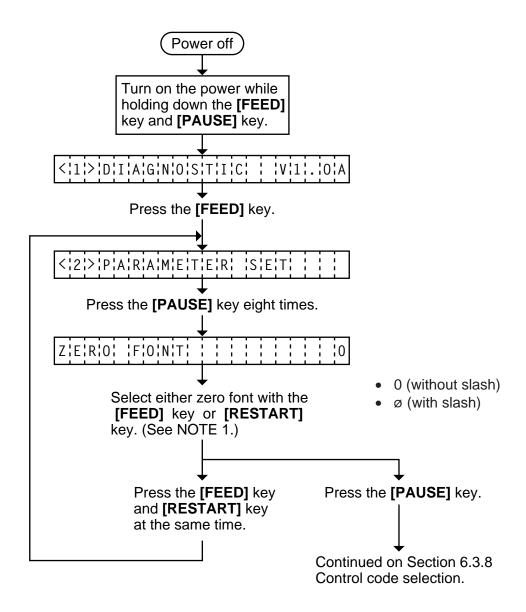
### 6.3.6 Character Code Selection



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

2. A changed font code is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

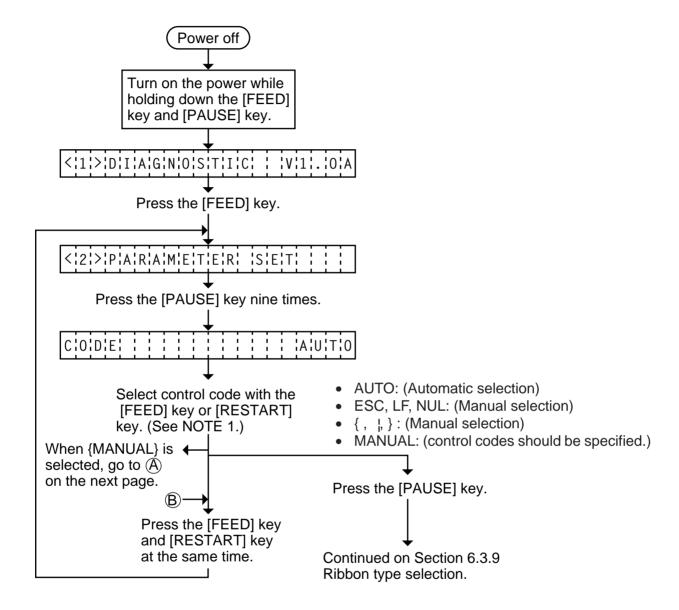
### 6.3.7 Font Zero Selection



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

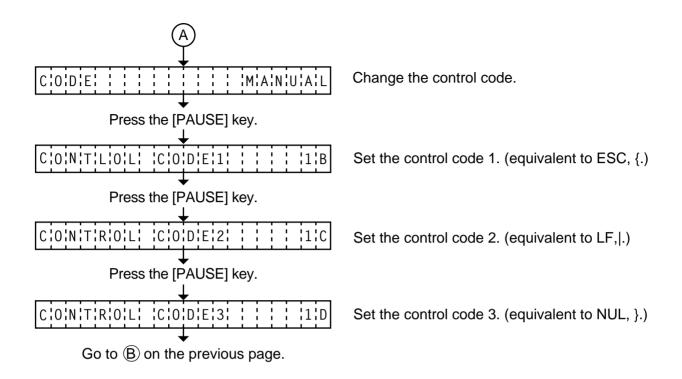
2. A changed zero font is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

#### 6.3.8 Control Code Selection

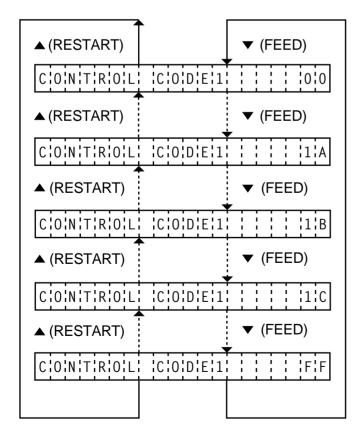


**NOTES:** 1. Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

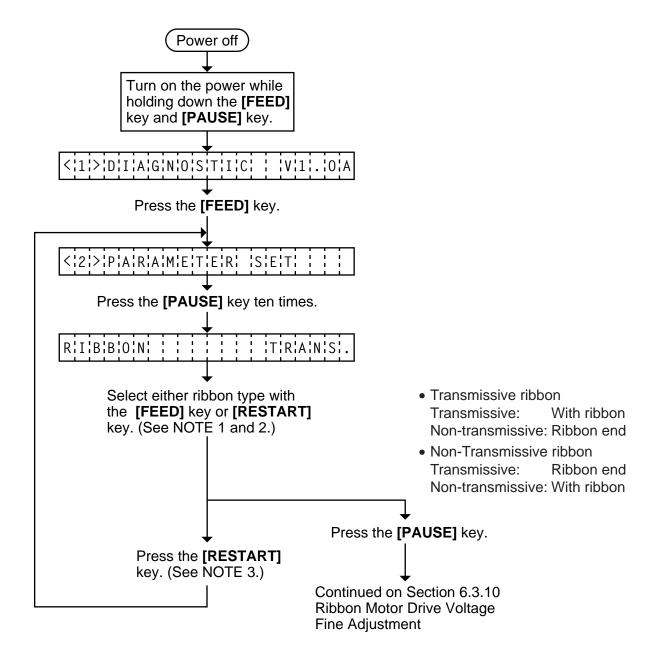
- 2. A changed control code is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.
- 3. When "AUTO", "ESC, LF, NUL", or "{, /,}" is selected, be sure to select the Non-transmissive ribbon in the ribbon type selection operation.
- 4. When "MANUAL" is selected, be sure to specify all the control codes 1 to 3. Failure to do this disables selection of "MANUAL".



**NOTES:** Refer to the following for the selection of the control codes 1 to 3.



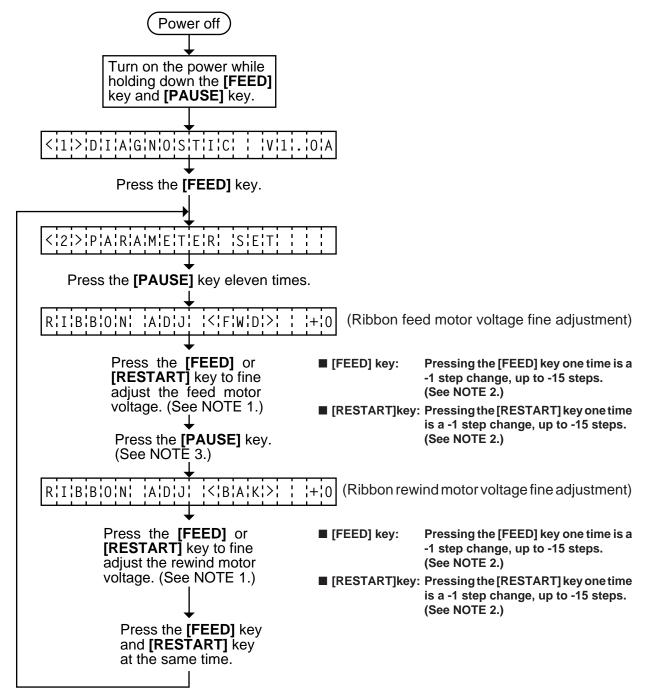
## 6.3.9 Ribbon Type Selection



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. Non-transmissive (NON TRANS.) ribbon cannot be used so the ribbon type must be set to transmissive (TRANS.) ribbon.
- 3. A changed ribbon type is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

## 6.3.10 Ribbon Motor Drive Voltage Fine Adjustment

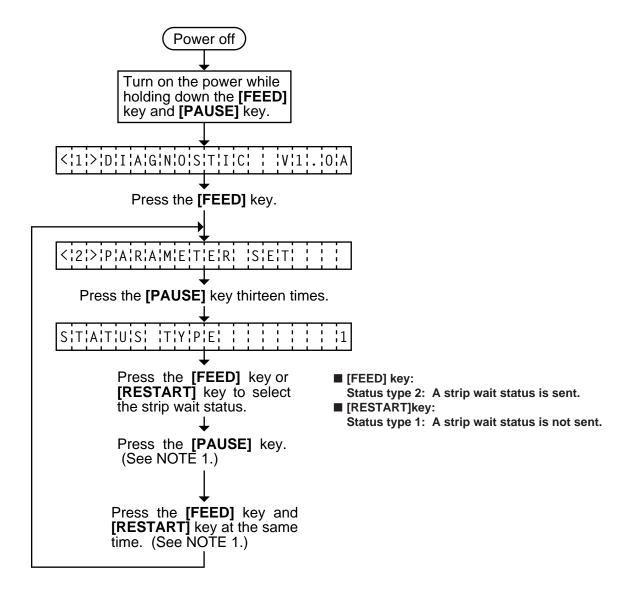


**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. Max. fine adjustment -15 steps = Key fine adjustment value (-15 steps) + PC fine adjustment value (-15 steps)

  When the value reaches the maximum, the value remains unchanged even if the subsequent fine adjustment is performed.
- 3. A changed motor voltage value is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.
- 4. One step corresponds to 5% of the standard voltage and up to 75% of the voltage can be decreased.

### 6.3.11 Strip Wait Status Setting

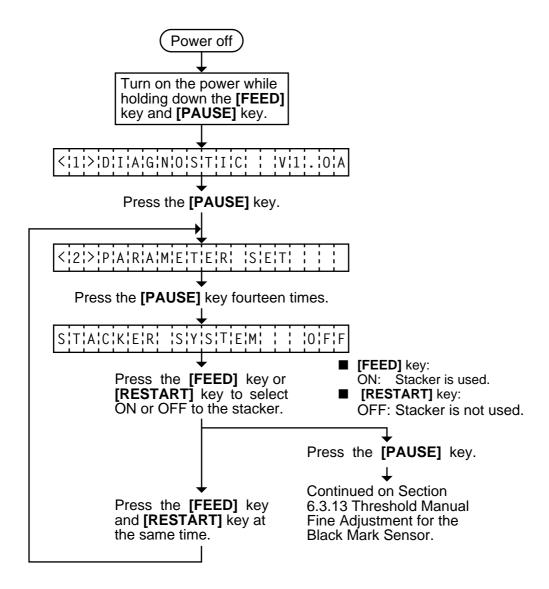


**NOTE:** When the status type 1 is selected, the printer will send (00H) in response to the status request command sent from the PC while a label stays at the strip sensor (when idling, after feeding, or all printing finished).

When the status type 2 is selected, the printer will send (05H) in response to the status request command sent from the PC while a label stays at the strip sensor (when idling, after feeding, or all printing finished.)

If the status request command is sent during printing, the printer will always send (05H) regardless of the setting.

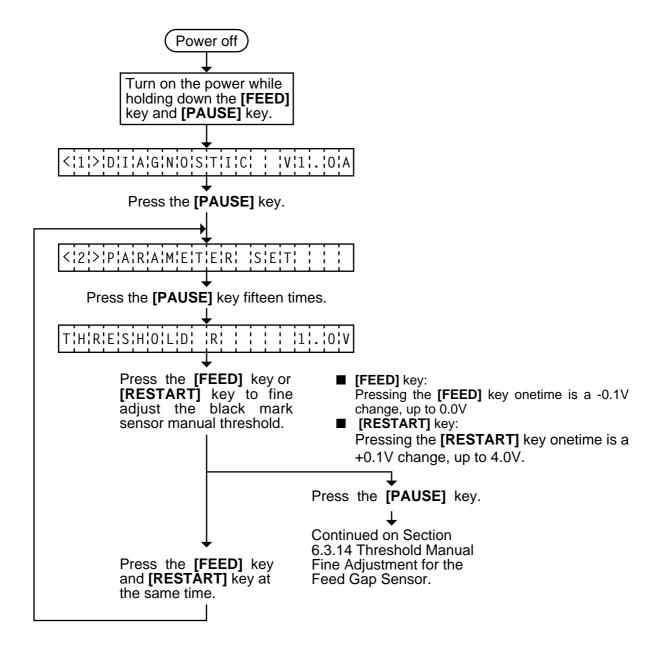
#### 6.3.12 Stacker Selection



**NOTE:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

2. A changed Stacker selection is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

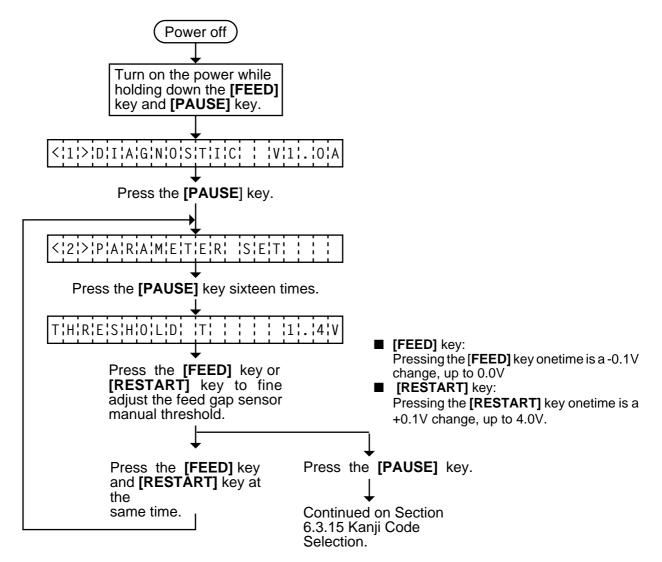
## 6.3.13 Threshold Manual Fine Adjustment for the Black Mark Sensor



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. A changed threshold fine adjustment value is stored in memory by pressing the **[PAUSE]** key.
- 3. The above operations do not require any more threshold setting.

## 6.3.14 Threshold Manual Fine Adjustment for the Feed Gap Sensor



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

- 2. A changed threshold fine adjustment value is stored in memory by pressing the **[PAUSE]** key.
- 3. The above operations do not require any more threshold setting.

## ■ How To Calculate The shold Fine Adjustment Value

If the following cases occurred, threshold value for the paper sensors should be fine adjusted after referring to the next page.

#### Case 1:

When using tag paper, the black mark and the print area are distinguished from each other by the 1.5V or more difference of sensor output voltage. <u>If a low-sensitive sensor is installed in the printer</u>, it may not detect 1.5V or more difference between the black mark and the print area. This may cause the printer to feed over one and a half tags, and then stop with "PAPER JAM" displayed.

#### Case 2:

The presence and lack of label are distinguished from each other by the reflective sensor voltage. When the voltage is more than 1.5V, it is regarded as the presence of paper. And less than 1.5V is regarded as the paper end. If a low-sensitive-sensor is used, 1.5V or more may not be detected at the backing paper since the reflectance of backing paper is low. In such case, more than 5mm-long gap is regarded as the no paper. And trying to print or feed the label when the sensor stops at the gap results in a NO PAPER error. This problem tends to occur when using labels with thin backing paper.

#### Case 3:

If the reflective sensor's output voltage when detecting no paper is 1.5V or more, the sensor does not recognize the actual paper end during printing. Accordingly, the printer continues to print despite of the paper end. This problem may occur on printers of which the resistors on the CPU PCB have been changed according to the Technical Information #SVM7A1010/1 (issued on April 16, 1997).

#### Case 4:

When using perforated fanfold labels, the transmissive sensor mistakes the perforation on the gap for a print area, resulting in a PAPER JAM error.

#### Case 5:

When using such a particular label stock that a black mark is printed on every two or three gaps, the sensor detects three different voltages at the label, unmarked gap and black mark, respectively. The sensor cannot distinguish the unmarked gap from the black mark, so the printer stops with displaying "PAPER JAM".

**NOTE:** The following operation cannot be performed unless the sensor type is changed by the issue command or feed command.

(1) Using the sensor adjustment in Diag. mode, measure the sensor voltage at the following four points.

Label: Print area Backing paper
Tag paper: Print area Black mark

Example:

[REFLECTIVE] 2.8V

[TRANSMISSIVE] 4.1V

(2) Using the following formula, calculate the threshold from the measured voltage:

#### When using labels (transmissive sensor):

Threshold = (Max. voltage at the backing paper) - (Voltage at the print area) - 0.7V

e.g.) 
$$2.0V = 4.2V - 1.5V - 0.7V$$

## When using perforated labels (transmissive sensor):

Threshold = (Max. voltage at the backing paper) \_ Min. voltage at the backing paper \_ 2

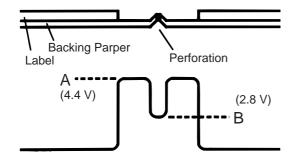
Max. voltage at the backing paper \_ 2

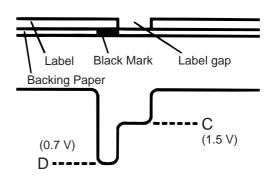
e.g.) 
$$2.2V = 4.4V - (2.8V/2) - (1.6V/2)$$

#### When using labels with black marks (reflective sensor):

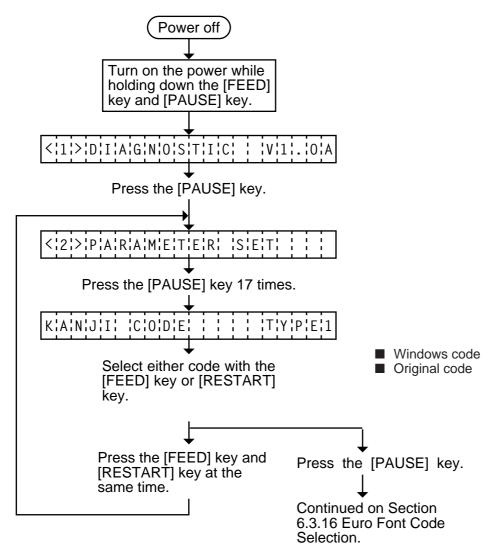
Threshold = (Min. voltage at the print area) - (Min. voltage at the black mark)

e.g.) 
$$0.4V = (1.5V - 0.7V)/2$$





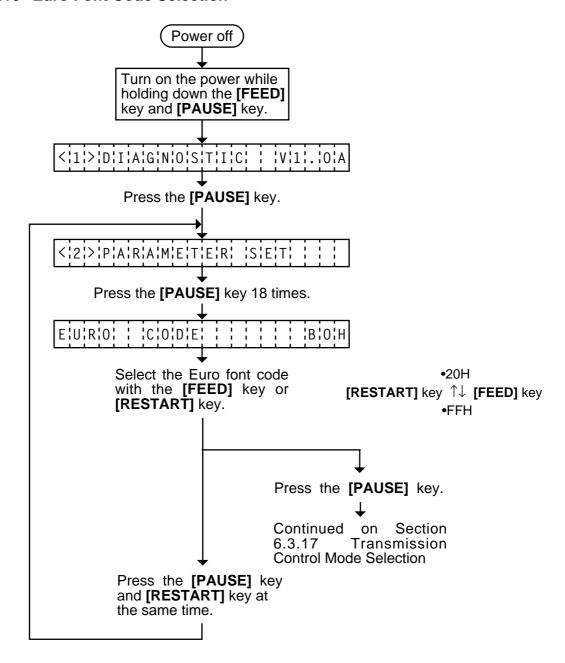
# 6.3.15 Kanji Code Selection



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

2. A changed Kanji code is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

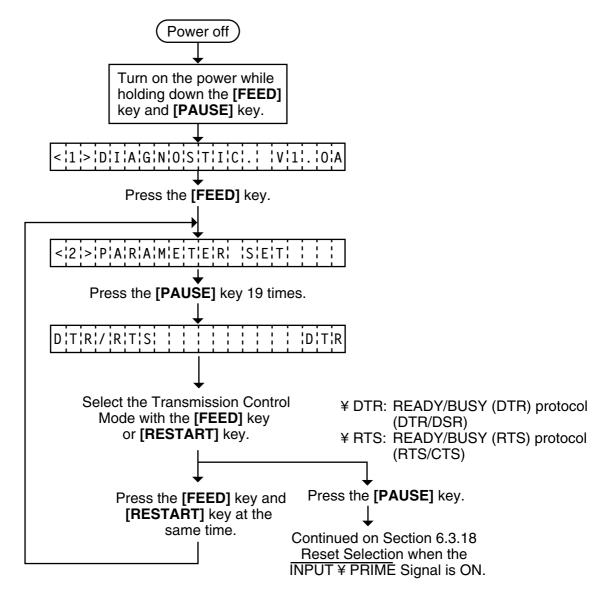
#### 6.3.16 Euro Font Code Selection



**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.

2. A changed Euro font code is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

#### 6.3.17 Transmission Control Mode Selection

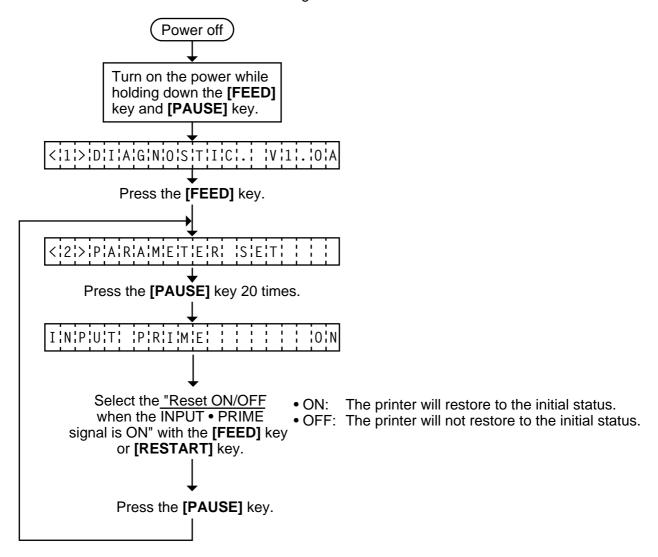


**NOTES:** 1. Holding the **[FEED]** key or **[RESTART]** key down for more than 0.5 seconds enable.

2. A changed Transmission Control Mode is memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

# 6.3.18 Reset Selection when the INPUT • PRIME Signal is ON.

Reset ON/OFF when the INPUT • PRIME signal ON is selected.



NOTES: 1. Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enable.

2. A changed "Reset ON/OFF when the INPUT • PRIME signal is ON" is stored in memory by pressing the [PAUSE] key.

#### 6.4 TEST PRINT MODE

Test print mode contains normal test print and process test print.

#### 6.4.1 Normal Test Print

Five kinds of test prints are provided in the test print mode. When performing the test print, 7 parameters should be set. The default parameter at power on is as below:

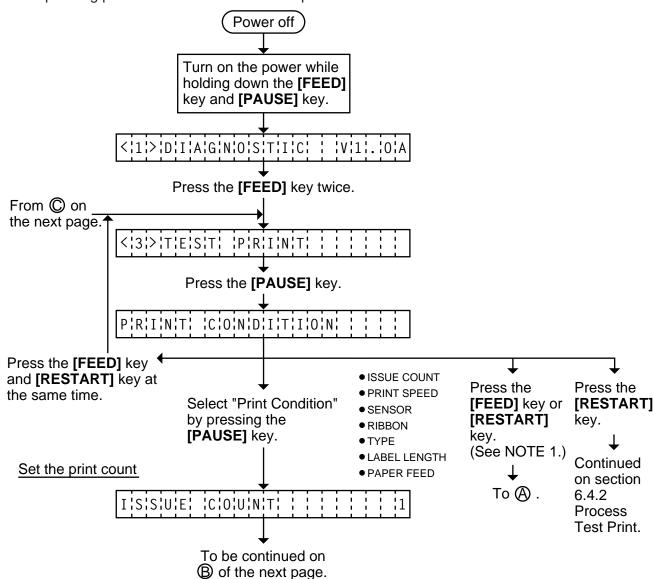
• ISSUE COUNT : 1

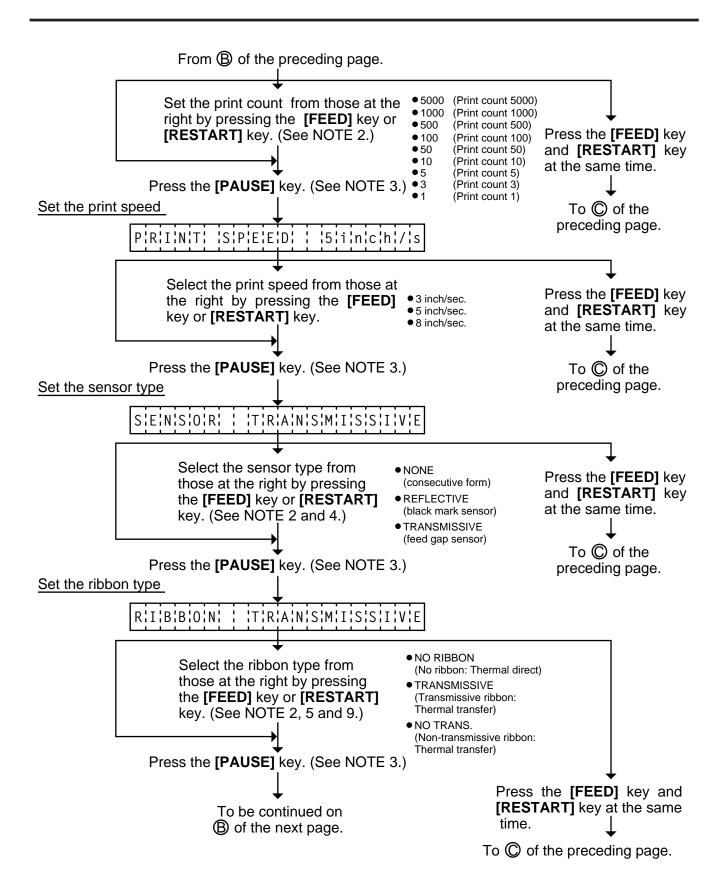
PRINT SPEED : 5 inch/sec.

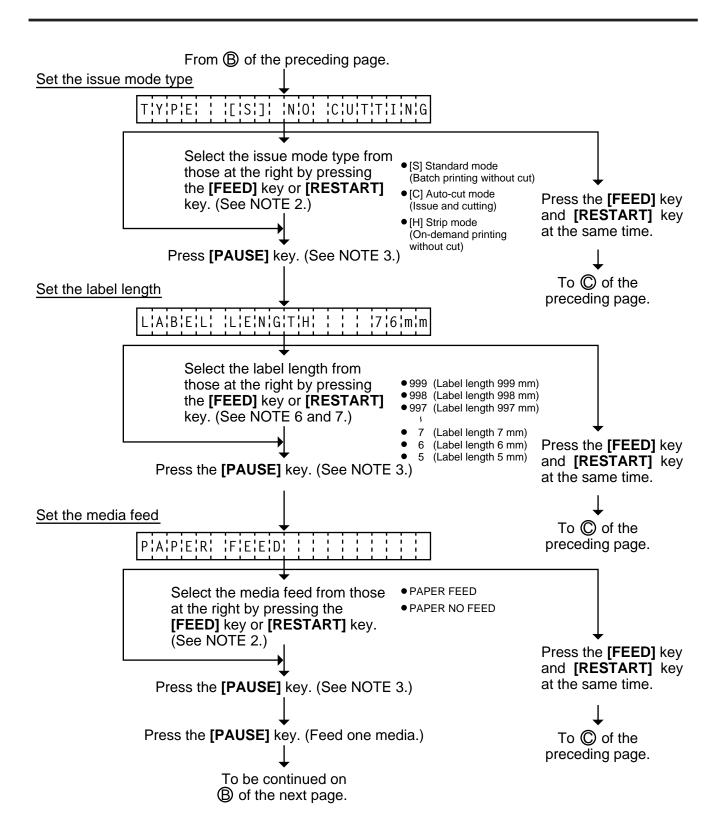
SENSOR : Transmissive sensor
 RIBBON : Transmissive ribbon
 TYPE : Batch (without cut)

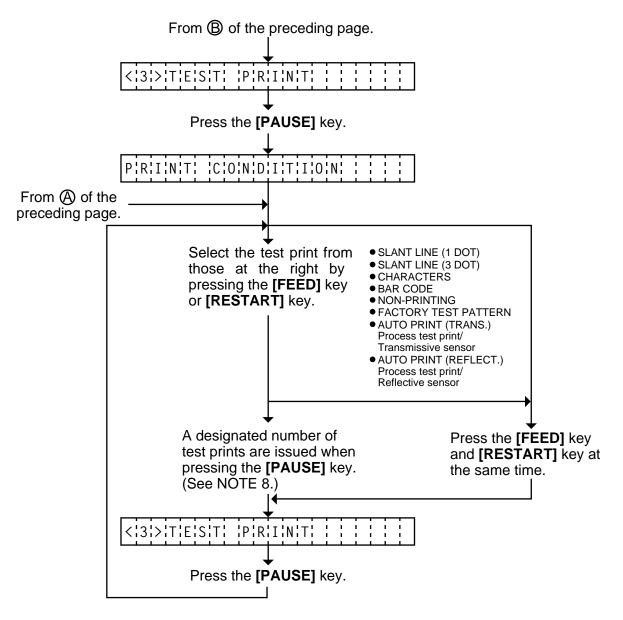
LABEL LENGTH: 76 mmPAPER FEED: Feed

Operating procedure for the test mode is provided below.









#### **NOTES:**

- 1. When there is no change to the print condition, select one of the test print options to issue the test print.
- 2. Holding the [FEED] key or [RESTART] key down for more than 0.5 seconds enables a fast forward.
- 3. A selected print condition is activated when the [PAUSE] key is pressed.
- 4. When the feed gap sensor is selected, the gap between labels becomes 3mm long.
- 5. Non-transmissive (NON TRANS.) ribbon cannot be used so the ribbon type must be set to transmissive (TRANS.) ribbon or no ribbon.
- 6. A label size greater than the image buffer length cannot be designated. The image buffer length differs according to memory size. If designated, the printer prints in the image buffer, or the printer stops because of an error.
- 7. Pressing the [FEED] key changes the label length -1 mm, pressing the [RESTART] key changes +1 mm.
- 8. When an error occurs during a test print, the error message is displayed and printing is stopped. The error is cleared by pressing the **[PAUSE]** key and the display shows "<3> TEST PRINT". Printing is not automatically resumed after the error is cleared.

- 9. When the transmissive ribbon is selected and DIP SW. 1-1 is set to ON, and the space area is also 20 mm or more, the printer automatically enters ribbon saving print mode.
- 10. When "AUTO PRINT" is selected, 5 pcs. of the 3-dot slant line labels, bar code labels and character labels are printed respectively after one label is fed.

### **■ Test Print Sample**

• Slant line (1 dot)

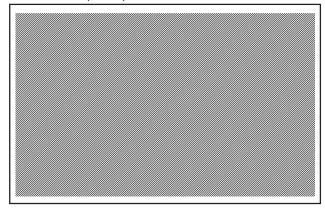


Fig. 6-21

• Slant line (3 dot)

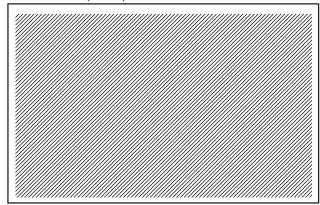


Fig. 6-22

#### Characters



Fig. 6-23

• Bar code

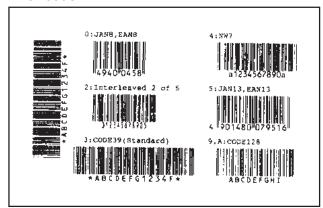


Fig. 6-24

### Factory Test Pattern

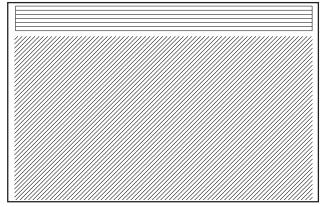


Fig. 6-25

#### 6.4.2 Process Test Print

In the process test print, the test print is automatically performed on the following conditions. Parameter setting and print tone fine adjustment value is ignored.

• OPERATION : One label feed, 3-dot slant line print, bar code print, character print

ISSUE COUNT : 5 labels eachPRINT SPEED : 8 inches/sec.

• SENSOR : Transmissive sensor (feed gap sensor) or reflective sensor (black mark

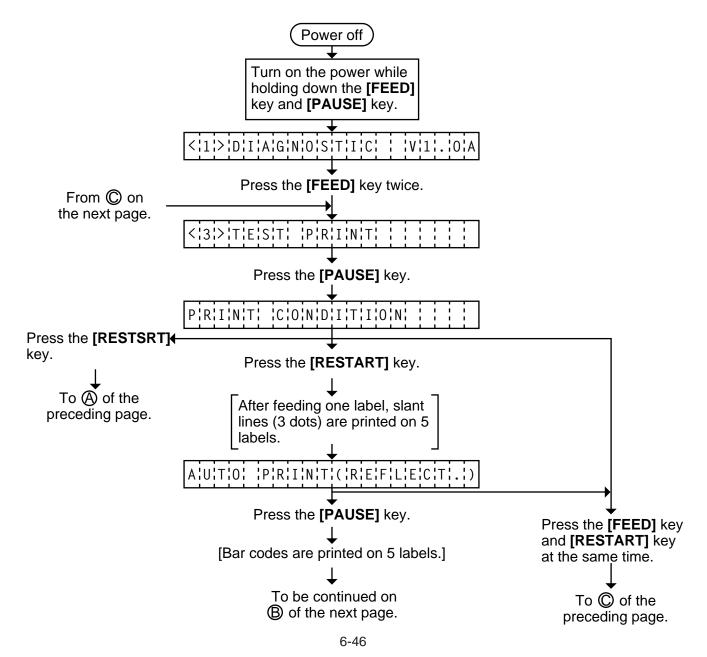
sensor)

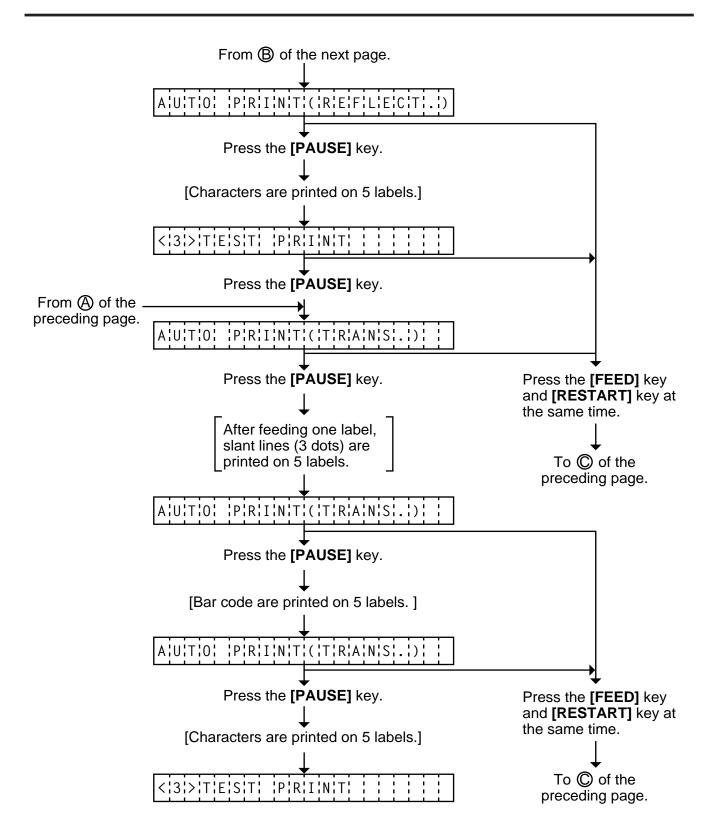
RIBBON : Transmissive ribbonTYPE : Batch (without cut)

• LABEL LENGTH: 76 mm

• PRINT TONE FINE ADJUSTMENT VALUE: +0

Operating procedure for the test mode is provided below.



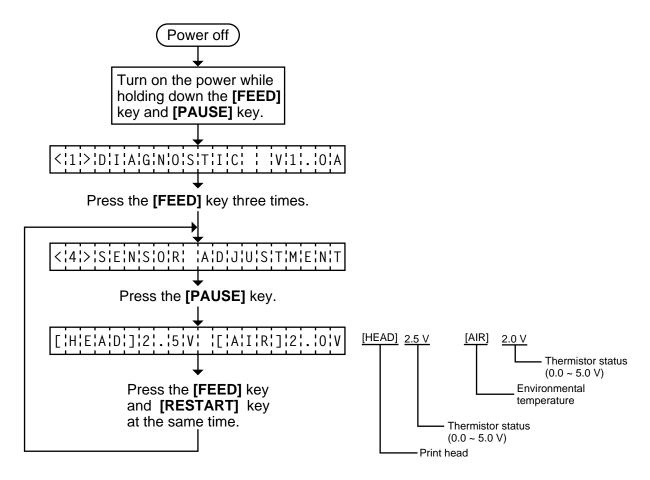


#### 6.5 SENSOR SETTING MODE

Thermistor check and black mark/feed gap sensor settings are provided in the sensor setting mode. The value set in this mode is printed as data of sensor 2 in Automatic diagnosis printing in self test mode.

#### 6.5.1 Thermistor Check

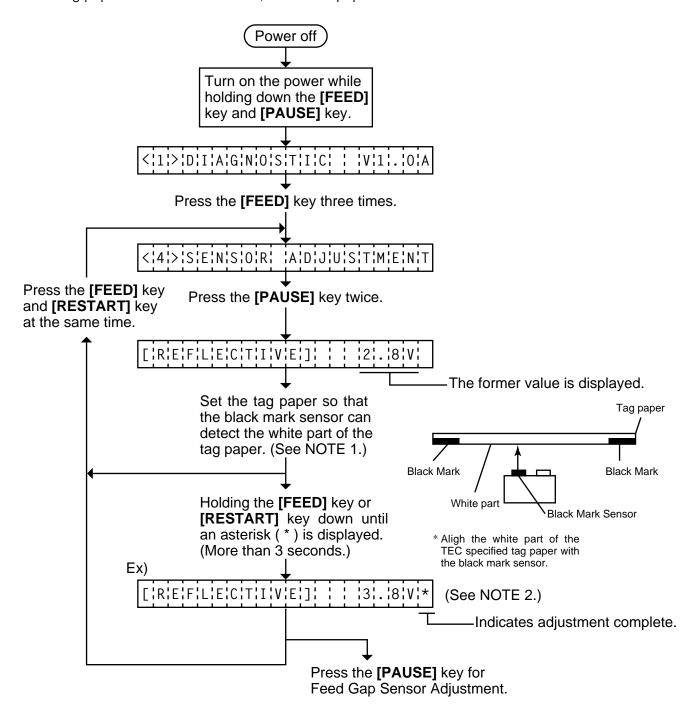
Thermistor check should be performed to check the environmental temperature and print head temperature after the excess head temp. error occurs or batch printing is performed for a long time.



**NOTE:** Since the thermistor is supervised every 200 ms while displaying the status, the display could vary.

## 6.5.2 Black Mark Sensor Adjustment

Black mark sensor setting should be performed after replacing the CPU PC board or changing the tag paper to other maker's one, or when a paper feed error occurs.

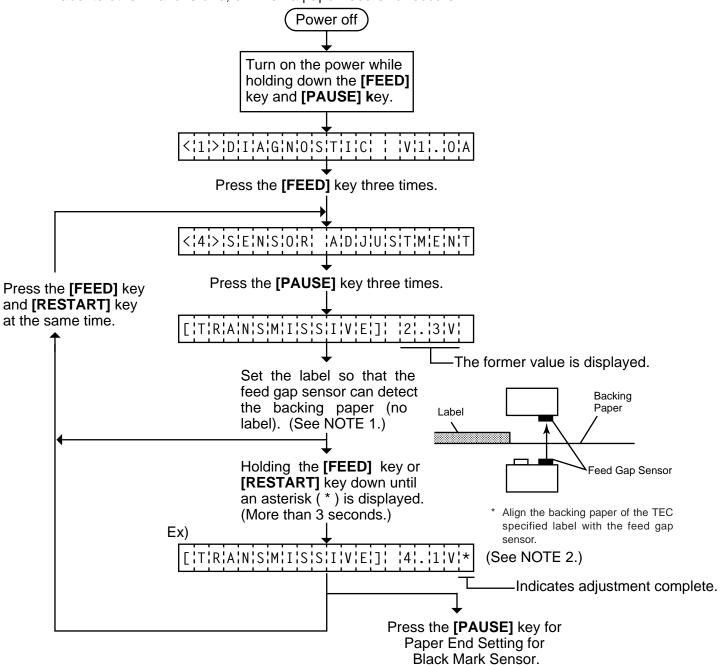


**NOTES:** 1. Make sure to adjust the black mark sensor using the white part of the tag paper as a criterion. Though an adjustment can be performed with the black mark, it may cause a paper jam error.

2. Pressing the **[PAUSE]** key validates the sensor adjustment. The value of the sensor is displayed up to 5.0 V.

## 6.5.3 Feed Gap Sensor Adjustment

Feed gap sensor setting should be performed after replacing the CPU PC board or changing the label to other maker's one, or when a paper feed error occurs.

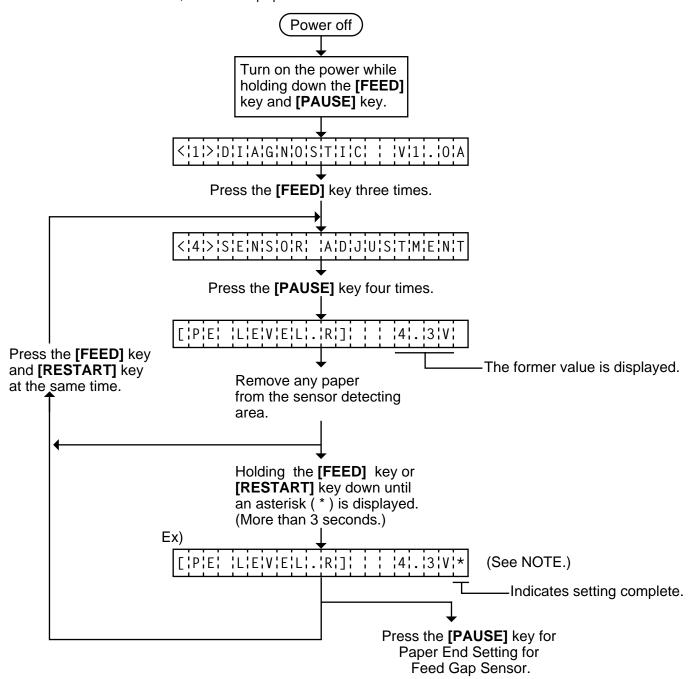


**NOTES:** 1. Make sure to adjust the feed gap sensor using the backing paper with no label as a criterion. Though an adjustment can be performed with the label, it could cause a paper jam error.

2. Pressing the **[PAUSE]** key validates the sensor adjustment. The value of the sensor is displayed up to 5.0 V.

## 6.5.4 Paper End Setting for Black Mark Sensor

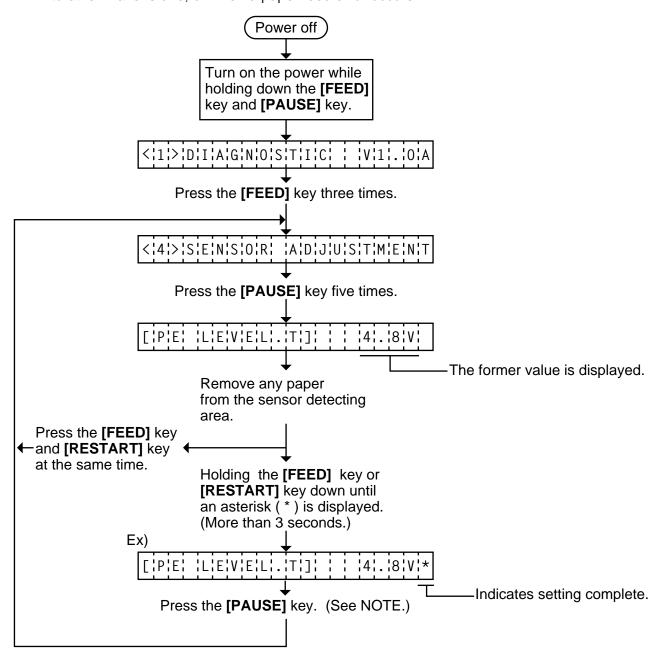
Paper end setting should be performed after replacing the CPU PC board or changing the tag paper to other maker's one, or when a paper feed error occurs.



**NOTE:** Pressing the **[PAUSE]** key validates the sensor setting. The value of the sensor is displayed up to 5.0 V.

## 6.5.5 Paper End Setting for Feed Gap Sensor

Paper end setting should be performed after replacing the CPU PC board or changing the label to other maker's one, or when a paper feed error occurs.



**NOTE:** Pressing the **[PAUSE]** key validates the sensor setting. The value of the sensor is displayed up to 5.0 V.

## 6.6 RAM CLEAR MODE

In RAM clear mode, various data written on the EEP-ROM can be initialized. There are two clear functions; Maintenance counter clear and parameter clear in the parameter setting mode. After referring to the following table specify and clear or initialize the data.

### **■** RAM Clear Mode Table

Mode Name	Function		
NO RAM CLEAR	If you enter the RAM clear mode by mistake, specify this mode to escape from the RAM clear mode without executing RAM clear.		
MAINTE. COUNTER CLEAR	After replacing the print head, cutter module, ribbon feed/rewind motor, solenoid and CPU PC Board, clear the maintenance counter. The following data will be cleared to zero. Confirmation can be made through the maintenance counter procedure in self test mode. (See NOTE 1 and 2.)		
	Item	Initial Value	
	Media distance covered	0.0 Km	
	Print distance	0.0 Km	
	Cut count	0 times	
	Head up and down count	0 times	
	Ribbon motor driving time	0 hours	
	Solenoid driving time	0 hours	
	RS-232C hardware error count	0 times	
	System error count	0 times	
	Momentary power failure count	0 times	
PARAMETER CLEAR	This clear should be employed when initializing the following parameters to the settings before shipment. Confirmation can be made through the automatic diagnostic procedure in self test mode. (See NOTE 1 and 2.)		
	Item	Initial Value	
	Feed length fine adjustment (PC)	0.0 mm	
	Cut/strip position fine adjustment (P	C) 0.0 mm	
	Back feed length fine adjustment (P	C) 0.0 mm	
	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal transfer) (PC)	0 step	
	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal direct) (PC)	0 step	
	Feed length fine adjustment (KEY)	0.0 mm	
	Cut/strip position fine adjustment (KE	EY) 0.0 mm	
	Back feed length fine adjustment (KI	EY) 0.0 mm	_]
	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal transfer) (KEY)	0 step	

Mode Name	Function	
PARAMETER CLEAR	Item	Initial Value
	Print tone fine adjustment (Thermal direct) (KEY)	0 step
	X axis fine adjustment	0.0 mm
	Character code selection	PC-850
	Font zero selection	"0"(without slash)
	Control code selection	Auto.
	Ribbon type selection	Trans.
	Ribbon motor drive voltage fine adjustment (PC)	0
	Ribbon motor drive voltage fine adjustment (KEY)	0
	Strip wait status setting	1
	Stacker	OFF
	Status response	ON
	Threshold manual fine adjustment for the black mark sensor	1.0 V
	Threshold manual fine adjustment for the feed gap sensor	1.4 V
	Label pitch	76.2 mm
	Effective printing length	74.2 mm
	Effective printing width	128 mm
	With/Without ribbon	With
	Sensor type	Transmissive sensor (Feed gap sensor)
	Feed Speed	5 inch/sec.
	Issue mode	Standard (Batch printing)
	PC save automatic calling	ON
	Kanji code	TYPE 1
	Euro font code	B0H
	Transmission Control Mode	DTR
	Reset selection when the INPUT • PRIME signal is ON.	ON

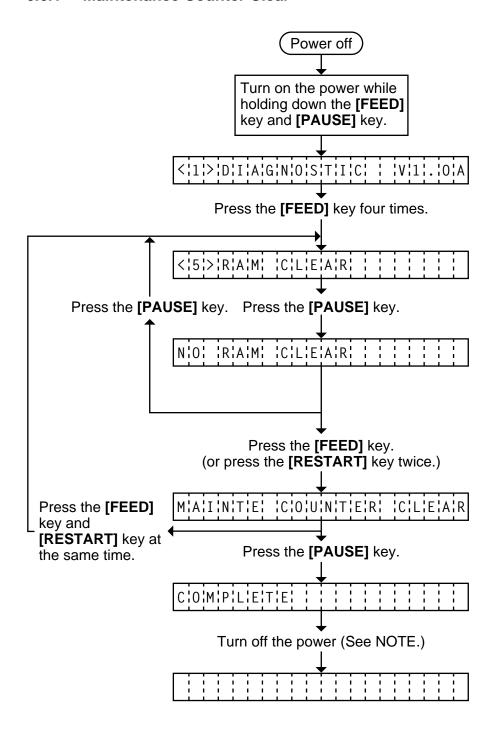
NOTES:

- 1. Total media distance covered (TL FEED) and the adjustment value for the sensors cannot
- 2. Data stored on the flash memory card cannot be cleared with this procedure. To clear dada on the flash memory card, send the format command to ini tialize the card. For details, refer
- to the External Equipment Interface Specification.

  3. For data to be cleared in the RAM clear mode, refer to the RAM clear mode table.

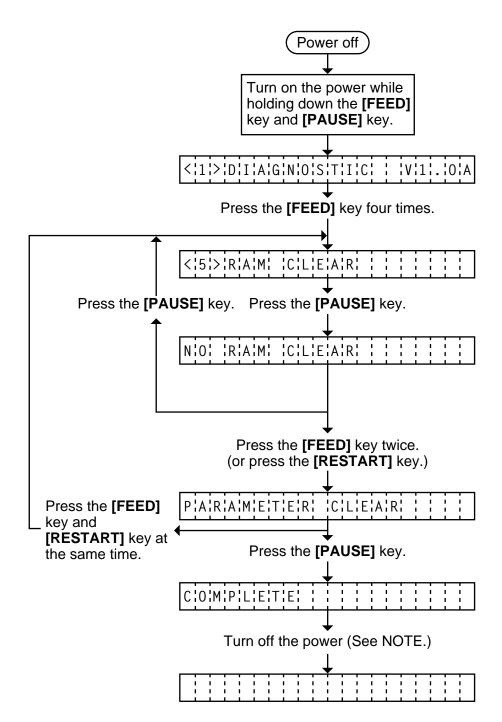
  4. After RAM clear is performed, the threshold setting value will turn to the default (0). When using pre-printed labels, be sure to set the threshold after referring to the Owner's Manual.

### 6.6.1 Maintenance Counter Clear



**NOTE:** Confirm that "COMPLETE" is displayed, then turn the power off.

### 6.6.2 Parameter Clear



**NOTE:** Confirm that "COMPLETE" is displayed, then turn the power off.

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# 7. PROGRAM DOWN LOAD

### 7.1 DOS VERSION

The main program for the printer has been written onto the flash ROM. If the main program is upgraded, due to the addition/change of the specification, down load the main program from the PC to the printer with the down-load floppy disk and RS-232C interface or high speed PC interface.

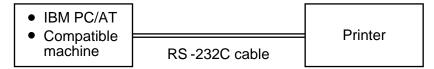
#### 7.1.1 FLOPPY DISK

- (1) Media......3.5 inches (2DD)
- (2) System disk ........... 1 disk (This floppy disk contains the main program written onto the printer and the tool program for down load.)

### 7.1.2 **SETUP**

The transmission control code for the printer must be set to either the automatic selection or manual selection (ESC, NUL, LF). For details, refer to Section 6.3.8 Control Code Selection.

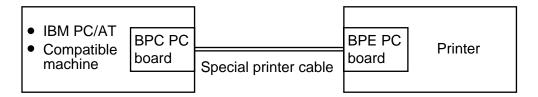
(1) Program down load with RS-232C interface



Connect the PC to the printer with an RS-232C cable. Set the DIP SW2 on the CPU PC board of the printer as follows:

SW#	Status	Function	Description	
1	OFF	0600 BBS	Transmission Chood	
2	ON	9600 BPS Transmission Speed		
3	OFF	1 bit	Stop bit length	
4	ON	8 bits	Data length	
5	OFF	No	Presence/absence of parity	

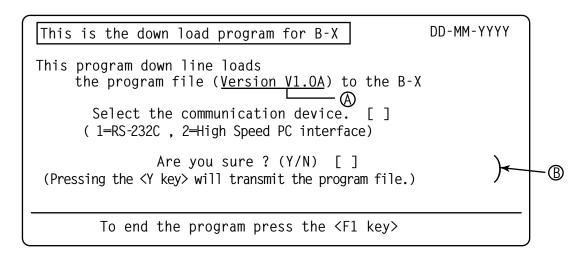
#### (2) Program down load with high speed PC interface



Install the BPC and BPE PC boards in the PC and printers, respectively, and connect both boards to each other with the special printer cable after referring to the Maintenance Manual Section 3.1. Refer to the Owner's Manual enclosed with the high speed PC interface board kit to set the DIP SW on the BPC PC board and to install the BPC driver in the PC (hard disk drive).

### 7.1.3 DOWN LOAD PROCEDURE

- (1) Turn the PC power on.
- (2) Turn the printer power on.
- (3) Insert the program down load floppy disk into the PC.
- (4 Change the drive to A. Type A : □
- (5) Start the batch file "PDL". Type PDL \[ \bullet \]
  Or copy the contents of the floppy disk in to the hard disk and start the program in the hard disk.
- (6) After starting the batch file "PDL", the following menu is displayed. (a) indicates the main program version.



- (7) Select the interface.
  - RS-232C interface
  - High speed PC interface 2 □
- (8) Start the main program transmission.
  - When changing the interface, press N ☐ and go back to step (7).
- (9) While the main program is being transmitted, the following message is displayed in line (B). "###" in the message, a running count, from 0 through 128 is shown indicating the number of KB transferred.
  - \*\* Now transmitting (###/128KB)\*\*
- (10) When the transmission is successfully completed, the following message is displayed in line (B).

End of Transmission. Continue (Y/N) ? []

- To continue
  - (1) Turn the printer power off and exchange the printer with another one.
  - ② Turn the printer power on.
  - ③ Start the main program transmission.

To terminate N →

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(11) When an error occurs, the following message is displayed together with the error code in line B.

The following error occurred during transmission. (
$$\underline{\mathsf{ERROR}} = \#\#$$
)

Press any key to retry.

 $\underline{\mathsf{Error}}$ 

code

Doing so will revert to the displayed described in step (6). Refer to the error code to find the cause of the error, then retry the down load.

(12) After terminating the down load, refer to the Maintenance Manual Section 6.2 SELF TEST MODE and perform diagnostic printing. Check that the printer operates properly and the main program version and checksum is printed on the label.

#### 7.1.4 ERROR CODE

Error Code (#)	Error	Remarks	
00	Communication error	Status from the printer	
06	(Error is detected during command analysis.)		
	Communication error		
07	(Parity error, overrun error or framing error occurred during communication with RS-232C.)		
50	Write error occurred during formatting of the flash ROM.		
51	Delete error occurred while data was being written onto the flash ROM.		
57	Chacksum error occurred in the transmission program data.		
81	Image data transmission request signal is not converted to "L"		
82	Data FIFO of the high speed PC interface is not empty.		
88	Underfined status is received when a wating data in RS-232C.	Error detected in PC	
89	An IOCTL carry is detected in the high speed PC interface.		
90	A parameter error occurred.		
92	An overrun occurred in RS-232C.		
93	A parity error occurred in RS-232C.		
94	A framing error occrred in RS-232C.		
95	A break is detected in RS-232C.	]	
97	COM1 open error occurred in RS-232C.		
98	Undefined status is received against the loading setup command.		
99	Underfined status is received when the loading operation is terminated.		

Check the following when an error occurs:

- The printer power is turned on.
- The RS-232C cable or high speed PC interface cable is connected properly.
- The DIP SW on the CPU PC board or BPC PC board is set correctly.
- With the high speed PC interface, that the BPC/BPE PC boards are installed in the PC/printer properly. That the BPC driver is installed in the PC (hard disk drive) properly.

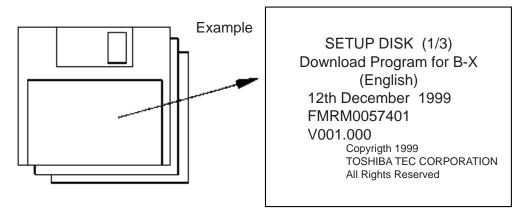
### 7.2 WINDOWS VERSION

The main program for the printer has been written onto the flash ROM. If the main program is upgraded, due to the addition/change of the specification, download the main program from the PC to the printer with the download floppy disks and RS-232C interface.

## 7.2.1 Flopply Disk

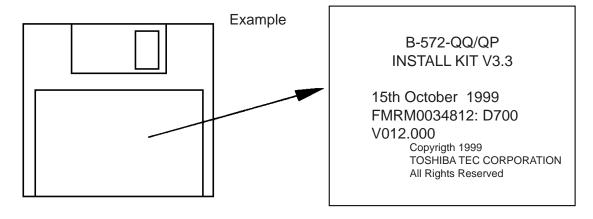
(1) Program Loader Setup Disk Media 3.5 inch (2HD)

Disk Program Loader Setup Disks1, 2 and 3 (Total 3 pcs.)



(2) Program Data Disk (Firmware Disk)

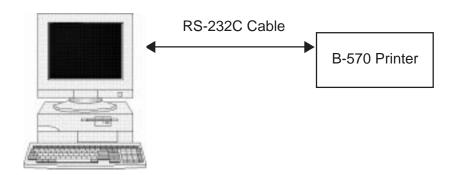
Media 3.5 inch (2DD0 Disk Install Kit (Total 1pc.)



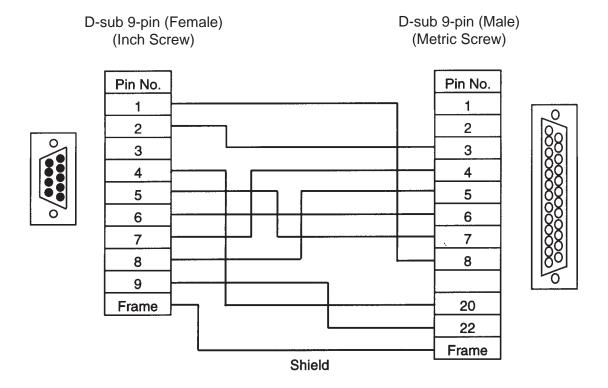
**NOTE:** This program data disk is used to download the program and character generator to the printer. The program download can also be performed from the PC hard disk, therefore, copy the binary file (\*.BIN) contained on the program data disk to any folder of the PC hard disk, if necessary.

## 7.2.2 Setup and System requirements

Connect the B-570 printer to the PC via the RS-232C cable.



- (1) System Windows 95 or Windows 98 (Windows 3.1 is not supported.)
- (2) Interface Serial Interface only
- (3) Memory 16M byte minimum (32M byte or more recommended)
- (4) Hard Disk 5M byte minimum (10M byte or more recommended)
- (5) Wiring of RS-232C Interface Cable

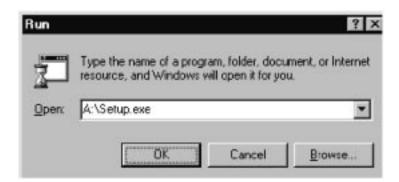


## 7.2.3 Installation Procedure of Down Load Program

- (1) Start up Windows 95 or Windows 98, and then insert the Program Loader Setup Disk (1/3) into the PC floppy drive.
- (2) Click on the Start button then highlight Run and click on Run.



(3) When the Run display appears, type in A:\SETUP.EXE and click on OK button.



(4) When requested, insert the Program Loader Setup Disk (2/3) and then the Program Loader Setup Disk (3/3) to complete the program download.

**NOTE:** In some PCs, the Program Loader Setup Disks (1/3) and (2/3) may complete the program download. In this case, installing the Program Loader Setup Disk (3/3) is not required.

### 7.2.4 Installation Procedure of Firmware

(1) Before performing the program download to the Printer, set the DIP SW2 on the CPU PC board as shown below.

DIP SW2

NO.	Status	Description	Function
1	OFF	Transmission speed	9600 bps
2	ON		
3	OFF	Stop bit length	1 bit
4	ON	Data length	8 bit
5	5 OFF Presence/absence of parity		No

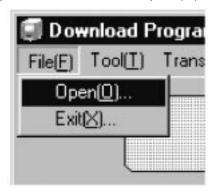
- (2) Connect the printer to the PC via the RS-232C cable, and then start up the PC. (Refer to section 7.2.2)
- (3) Click on the Start button to access the program menu.
- (4) Highlight "Programs" then highlight "TOSHIBA TEC" and click on Download Program for B-X.



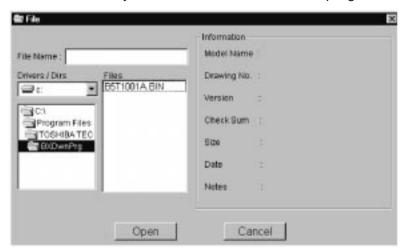
(5) The screen will change to display the initial screen of the Download Program for B-X.



(6) From the File (F) drop down menu, select Open (O).



(7) The file open screen will appear. Select the drive and the folder in which the binary file is stored. If you copy the binary file into the C:\Program Files\Toshiba TEC\BXDwnPrg folder which appears as the default, you will reduce the time for the program download.



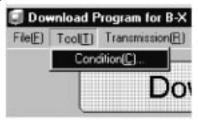
(8) Confirm the data in the Information column to select the desired download file (\*.BIN), and then click on Open button.



(9) The display restores to the Download Program for B-X. Make sure of the Download file.



(10) Select the Tool (T) drop down menu and then select Condition (C).



(11) The communication setting window will appear. Choose COM1 or COM2 and then click on OK button.

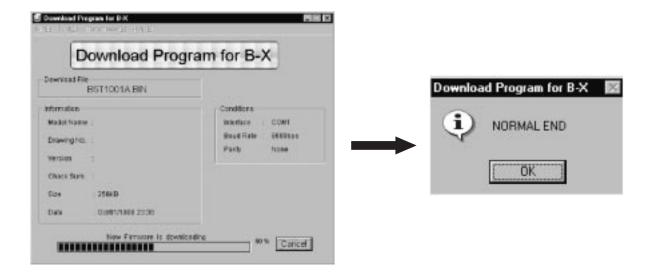


(12) Select the Transmission (R) drop down menu and then select Start (S).

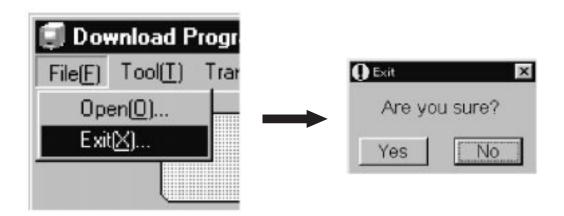
If the desired download file is not selected, start (S) cannot be selected. Therefore, be sure to open the file before selecting start (S).



(13) When the program has been successfully downloaded, the following message will appear. If an error occurs during downloading, make sure of the connection of the RS-232C cable, the DIP SW setting, the condition of the communication, and then retry the program download.



**NOTE:** If you terminate the program download, select the File (F) drop down menu and then select Exit (X). When the following message appears, click on Yes button.







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