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Thermal Series Printers

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# 1 Introduction

# **About this Manual**

This manual explains how to use the IGP<sup>®</sup>/PGL<sup>®</sup> (Intelligent Graphics Printing/Printronix Graphics Language). Use this manual in conjunction with your printer's *Administrator's Manual* for complete printer-IGP/PGL compatibility.

# **Warnings and Special Information**

Information requiring special attention is highlighted under special headings. Always read and comply with this information. The heading reveals the nature of the information:

WARNING WARNING tells you about conditions that could cause you physical harm.

CAUTION CAUTION tells you about conditions that could damage the printer or related

equipment.

**IMPORTANT** IMPORTANT gives you information vital to proper operation.

**NOTE:** Provides information affecting IGP/PGL operation considered important enough to emphasize.

## **Related Documentation**

For RFID commands, refer to the RFID Labeling Reference Manual.

# The IGP/PGL Emulation

IGP/PGL is the Intelligent Graphics Printing software for the Printronix Graphics Language, which is designed for Printronix printers. The IGP/PGL provides on-line forms, bar codes, and many alphanumeric text-generation capabilities and is compatible with earlier versions of Printronix IGP protocol and programming. IGP/PGL graphics processing features are detailed below.

#### **Features**

**On-Line Form and Label Generation** makes it easy to create forms or labels—with a "preprinted" look for each application. IGP/PGL programs control all—graphic functions, dramatically reducing host computer programming and processing time.

Graphic capabilities include boxes, vertical and horizontal lines with user- selectable thickness, logos, and special alphanumeric print features. Forms and graphic designs can be duplicated horizontally and vertically.

Alphanumeric data can appear as prepositioned "fixed" information (entered when the form is created), can be overlaid onto the form (positioned in a specific location after the form is created), or may be dynamically merged with the form.

**Selectable Bar Codes** provide you with the appropriate bar code for your application using standard wide-to-narrow ratios. A wide selection of bar codes are available: Australian 4-State, Codabar, Code 39, Code 93, Code 128 Subset A, B and C, Data Matrix, EAN 8, EAN 13, FIM, Interleaved 2 of 5, German I-2/5, ITF 14, Matrix, Maxicode, MSI A through D, PDF-417, Planet, Plessey, POSTNET, USPS Intelligent Mail, PostBar, Royal Mail,

UCC/EAN-128, UPC-A, UPC-E, UPCSHIP, and UPS 11. UPC and EAN bar codes can also specify add-on data. See Table 11 on page 125 for a complete list of bar codes.

**Expanded and Compressed Character Print** attract attention where needed. Alphanumeric height and width are controlled independently for a wide range of character sizes up to 139 times the standard character size (up to 13.9 inches wide and tall). Compressed print sizes of 10 to 30 characters per inch (cpi) are available.

**Rotated Alphanumerics** permit new concepts in form design. Normal, expanded, and compressed character strings can be rotated 90 degrees clockwise or counterclockwise, or they can be printed upside down.

**Logos** are easily created using alphanumeric commands and add a variety of print and shading features for a "customized" appearance to forms, reports, and labels. You can define the format of the logo using TIFF, PCX, PNG, and BMP raster data as well as the standard IGP/PGL dots. Logos can also be dynamically merged with the form.

**Reversed Print** permits highlighting and contrasting by printing white characters on a dark background.

**Automatic Increment/Decrement Capability** allows batch form processing. You can identify individual numeric and bar code data fields, which includes automatic increment or decrement functions.

# **How the IGP/PGL Operates**

IGP/PGL is an emulation that allows you to print sophisticated graphics and bar codes.

The printer is always in a particular mode, which is transparent to the user. When the printer is receiving text or printing text, it is in Normal mode. Any time the printer is on and is not processing IGP/PGL commands, it is in Normal mode.

When a Create Form command is issued, the printer moves from the Normal mode to the Create Form mode. During this phase, the user sends text, images, and bar code data to the IGP/PGL. All of this data is stored in memory. An END statement terminates the IGP/PGL data string. The printer returns to Normal mode.

You can create as many forms as you wish and store them on your host. You can also save forms to the Onboard Flash Memory, SD card (if available), or Extended Memory Cartridge (if available).

All forms have filenames. You may want to print the form, label it, and store it for future reference. Or, you can devise another method for easy retrieval.

These forms can then be downloaded from your host to the printer.

When you Execute a form, you can print it as many times as you wish. This saves you time from downloading the form each time you want to print it.

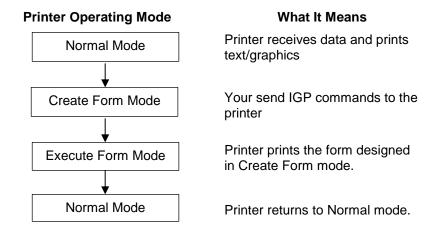


Figure 1 IGP/PGL Modes

# Standard Typefaces

Table 1 represents the typefaces that are standard within the printer and accessible to the IGP/PGL emulation.

**Table 1 Standard Fonts for Thermal Printers** 

Font Name	Font Face Number
Letter Gothic Bold	93779
Courier New Bold	93952
CG Triumvirate Bold Condensed	92250
CG Times*	92500
CG Triumverate*	92244
CG Triumverate Bold*	92248
OCR-A	90993
OCR-B	91409

## **Modes of Operation**

The IGP/PGL has six modes of operation that use specific command sequences to control the IGP/PGL.

- In Quiet mode all IGP/PGL commands (except LISTEN) are ignored.
- In the Normal mode, the printer waits for an SFCC in order to perform IGP/PGL functions.
- In the Create Logo and Create Form modes, the printer produces graphics such as forms, logos, bar codes, and alphanumeric data.
- The Configuration mode allows you to select specific IGP/PGL operations for running IGP/PGL files on your printer.
- The Execute mode is the IGP/PGL printing mode, which controls when the actual printing of the bar codes and graphics occurs.

#### **Quiet Mode**

In this mode, the host passes all data to the LinePrinter+ emulation without any IGP/PGL interpretation. The IGP/PGL is disabled and all IGP/PGL commands are ignored. The IGP/PGL looks only for the LISTEN command.

#### **Normal Mode**

Normal mode commands print data in a line printer format until a Special Function Control Code (SFCC) is detected.

Commands accessible in the Normal mode are summarized in

Table 2 on page 14 and fully described on the referenced pages. Some Normal mode commands can also be used in other modes: Compressed Print, Expand, Ignore, Select Format, and Vertical Line Spacing, which are Normal mode commands, can also be used in the Execute Form mode; the Multinational Character Set command can be used in the Normal or Create modes. Carriage Return, Form Feed, Line Feed, and Paper Slew commands also operate in the Normal mode.

**NOTE:** All IGP/PGL commands must be entered in UPPERCASE, and each command line must be followed immediately by a line feed (or carriage return with line feed terminator), a paper motion command, or an inline command.

**Table 2 Normal Mode Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Cancel	CANCEL	Cancels the print job immediately as soon as the command is sent to the printer during the print job.	42
Change SFCC	SFCC	Changes the Special Function Control Code character.	121
Compressed Print	DENSITY	Defines the horizontal print density in characters per inch (cpi).	44
Configuration	CONFIG	Reconfigures IGP/PGL parameters.	46
Create	CREATE	Places the IGP/PGL in the Create Form mode where all the Create Form mode commands are available to design form elements.	52
Create Logo	LOGO	Places the IGP/PGL in the Create Logo mode, where logos can be defined using the appropriate dot placements.	78
Delete Font	DELETE FONT	Deletes the font identified by the font name which resides in flash memory only.	53
Delete Form	DELETE FORM	Deletes a selected form name from the directory and IGP/PGL memory.	54
Delete Logo	DELETE LOGO	Deletes a selected logo name from the directory and IGP/PGL memory.	54
Directory	DIRECTORY	Provides a list of all defined forms and logos, logo assignments to forms, and memory usage and availability.	55
Emulation Switch	EMULATION	Switch emulation from IGP/PGL to IGP/VGL (if VGL is present).	58
Enquiry	ENQUIRY	Sends information about the printer state to the host through the serial port.	59
Execute	EXECUTE	Executes a previously created form.	59
Expanded Print	EXPAND	Expands fonts vertically and horizontally.	66
Font	FONT	Selects a specific typeface, bold, slant (italic) factor, and symbol set.	67
Font Load	FONTLOAD	Load binary TrueType Font or Intellifont into RAM or Flash memory.	69
Hex Sequence On/Off	HEXON HEXOFF	Enables the IGP to interpret all data as hex characters 0-9, A-F. Any data not sent as hex digits is ignored until the HEXOFF command is sent.	71

# **Table 2 Normal Mode Commands**

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Ignore Sequence On/Off	IGON IGOFF	Enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all characters after the Ignore Sequence On command is sent until the Ignore Sequence Off command is sent. See Note on page 18.	71
Line Spacing, Vertical	LPI	Defines the lines per inch (lpi) printing format.	71
Link	LINK	Prints forms created in the CREATE mode, used exclusively for XML driven forms.	74
Listen	LISTEN	Removes IGP/PGL from the Quiet state and enables IGP/PGL operation.	77
Month Name	MONTH	Allows the creation of user–defined strings to be used as full and abbreviated month strings in the clock elements.	53
Multinational Character Set	USET ISET	Use a multinational character set or create a custom user- defined character set.	323
Normal Mode	NORMAL	Places the IGP/PGL in the Normal mode, where it does not change the data stream but awaits the SFCC followed by an IGP/PGL command.	81
Optimize	OPTIMIZE	Optimizes the flash file in memory and then reboots.	82
Paper	PAPER	Controls printer paper options, such as page orientation, intensity and ribbon use.	83
Paper Instruction Enable/Disable	EN-PI DIS-PI	Enables or disables use of the PI line with a parallel interface.	86
Paper Instruction On/Off for Data Bit 8	PION PIOFF	Enables or disables Data Bit 8 as the paper instruction signal in a serial interface.	86
Print File	PRINT	Prints a file from the flash memory.	87
Printer Identification	IDENTITY	The printer identification command.	91
Printer Status	STATUS	Requests the printer status.	92
Quiet	QUIET	IGP/PGL operation is disabled until a Listen command is received. Any data sent to the LinePrinter Plus Emulation is unaffected by IGP/PGL commands.	93
Recall	RECALL	Recalls forms or logos from memory.	93
Reset	RESET	Deletes all forms and logos from the IGP/PGL memory or the printer flash memory.	94

**Table 2 Normal Mode Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Set Clock	SETCLOCK	Sets the internal printer–clock to the current time and date.	119
Select Format On/Off	SFON SFOFF	Ignores all host-generated paper movement commands. See Note on page 18.	119
Set Up	SETUP	Automatically executes and loads the IGP/PGL commands into the printer at power-up or after a RESET command is sent.	120

#### **Create Form Mode**

Create Form mode commands design forms, all form components, and bar codes. The forms are not printed in the Create Form mode; forms are printed in the Execute Form mode after all form design is completed. To begin form design, access the Create Form mode using the Create command. The Create command is always used to enter the Create Form mode to begin form design. Remember that the CREATE command must be entered in UPPERCASE.

Each element has its own specific set of commands and parameters that determine size, location, and content. Listed in alphabetical order, Create Form mode commands are summarized in Table 3 and fully described on the referenced pages.

The following commands are included for compatibility, and are not recommended for use: CUT, ENQUIRY, PMODE, SMODE, and XON.

#### **Print Boundaries**

Print area boundaries exist for the paper size selected. All Create Form mode commands require you to identify the location for the components in your form. Boundary checking for form elements is performed only when the form length is specified. This ensures that forms can be created regardless of the type of paper you have loaded or margins you have set. The IGP/PGL checks the boundaries before the form is executed to assure that it fits on the loaded paper size. If the debug option is used in the create statement, the boundaries are checked against the current paper size. Refer to Appendix B for more information regarding page boundary guidelines.

**Table 3 Create Form Mode Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Alphanumerics	ALPHA	Defines size, location, and content of alphanumeric characters and dynamic alphanumeric data fields.	28
Alpha, Incremental	ALPHA	Defines starting data and increment amount for fixed auto- increment fields.	32
Bar Codes	BARCODE	Each bar code type has its own command to define size, location, orientation, and data as described in the Bar Codes chapter.	125
Boxes	вох	Defines size, location, and thickness of boxes.	40
Circle	CIRCLE	Produces a circle on the printed table.	43

**Table 3 Create Form Mode Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Corners	CORNER	Defines vertical and horizontal length, location, and thickness of a set of four corners.	50
Duplication, Horizontal	HDUP	Defines the number of horizontal duplications of an element and the spacing between duplications.	55
Duplication, Vertical	VDUP	Defines the number of vertical duplications of an element and the spacing between duplications.	57
Ellipse	ELLIPSE	Produces an Ellipse.	58
End	END	Terminates the Create Form mode.	59
Font	FONT	Selects a specific typeface, bold, slant (italic) factor, and symbol set.	67
Form Length	LFORM	Specifies form length by total number of lines at 6 or 8 lpi.	70
Ignore Sequence On/Off	IGON IGOFF	Enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all characters after the Ignore Sequence On command is sent until the Ignore Sequence Off command is sent. See Note on page 18.	71
Lines, Diagonal	DIAG	Defines the location, size, and thickness of diagonal lines.	72
Lines, Horizontal	HORZ	Defines the location, size, and thickness of horizontal	72
Lines, Vertical	VERT	Defines the location, size, and thickness of vertical lines.	73
Logo Call	LOGO	Specifies the location of a previously defined logo.	77
Logo Mode, Create	LOGODEF	Defines vertical and horizontal length and dot placement for logos.	78
Multinational Char Set	ISET	Use a multinational character set or create a custom user- defined character set.	323
Page Number	PAGE	Defines the location for automatically incremented page numbers.	83
Printer Mode	PMODE	This is a legacy command for IMPACT printers and is absorbed but has no affect.	91
Reset	RESET	Deletes all forms and logos from the IGP/PGL memory or the printer flash memory.	94
Reverse Print	REVERSE	Defines the location for white-on-black printing and selects the background shade.	94
RFWTAG	RFWTAG	Specifies the RFWTAG command.	97
RFRTAG	RFRTAG	Specifies the RFRTAG command.	107
Scale	SCALE	Defines the vertical spacing and horizontal pitch for data positioning in character or dot columns and rows.	110

**Table 3 Create Form Mode Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Scaling	SMODE	This is a legacy command for IMPACT printers and is absorbed but has no affect.	118
Select Format On/Off	SFON SFOFF	Ignores all host-generated paper movement commands. See Note on page 18.	119
VERIFY	VERIFY	The command to verify data of a dynamic field.	122

## **Create Logo Mode**

The Create Logo mode is used in the Create Form mode. The Create Logo mode creates a logo design; this predefined logo is then "called" into a form in the Create Form mode. (The logo must be defined before it is "called.")

#### **Execute Form Mode**

The Execute Form mode prints forms created in the Create Form mode. Execute Form mode commands are summarized in Table 4 and fully described on the referenced pages. Carriage Return, Form Feed, and Line Feed commands also operate in the Execute Form mode. Remember that the EXECUTE Form command must be entered in UPPERCASE, and that a single line spacing (or a line containing overlay data) must separate an EXECUTE command from a NORMAL command.

**NOTE:** Some systems pad the data stream with characters and spaces. If the IGP/PGL file on your system contains padded characters or spaces before the SFCC, this data must be ignored before the IGP/PGL can operate. The Ignore Sequence (IGON/IGOFF) command, discussed on page 71, is provided for this purpose.

Similarly, at times you may also need the IGP/PGL to ignore host- originated paper movement commands (carriage return, line feed, form feed, etc.) in lengthy data streams. Select Format (SFON/ SFOFF), discussed on page 119, is provided for this purpose. In addition, the Quiet command, (page 93), can be used to pass data unchanged to the printer.

**Table 4 Execute Form Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Compressed Print	DENSITY	Defines the horizontal print density in characters per inch (cpi).	44
Dynamic Alphanumeric Data	AF <i>n</i>	Executes the dynamic alphanumeric data provided after the (cc) EXECUTE command.	62
Dynamic Bar Code Data	BF <i>n</i>	Executes the dynamic bar code data provided after the (cc)EXECUTE command.	63
Dynamic Logo	GFn	Executes the dynamic logo data provided after the (cc)EXECUTE command.	63
Expanded Print	EXPAND	Expands fonts vertically and horizontally.	66
Font	FONT	Selects a specific typeface, bold, slant (italic) factor, and symbol set.	67

**Table 4 Execute Form Commands** 

Command	Mnemonic	Description	Page #
Hex Sequence On/Off	HEXON HEXOFF	Enables the IGP to interpret all data as hex characters 0-9, A-F. Any data not sent as hex digits is ignored until the HEXOFF command is sent.	71
Ignore Sequence On/Off	IGON IGOFF	Enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all characters after the Ignore Sequence On command is sent until the Ignore Sequence Off command is sent. See Note on page 18.	71
Incremental Alphanumeric Dynamic Data	IAF <i>n</i>	Executes the incremental dynamic alphanumeric data provided after the (cc) EXECUTE command.	65
Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data	IBF <i>n</i>	Executes the incremental dynamic bar code data provided after the (cc)EXECUTE command.	65
Line Spacing, Vertical	LPI	Defines the lines per inch (lpi) printing format.	71
Multinational Character Set	ISET	Selects one of the multinational character sets.	323
Normal Mode	NORMAL	Places the IGP/PGL in the Normal mode, where it does not change the data stream but awaits the SFCC followed by an IGP/PGL command.	81
Paper	PAPER	Controls printer paper options, such as page orientation, intensity and ribbon use.	83
Reset	RESET	Deletes all forms and logos from the IGP/PGL memory or the printer flash memory.	94
Repeat	REPEAT	Repeats a form a given number of times including all the dynamic data.	94
Select Format On/Off	SFON SFOFF	Ignores all host-generated paper movement commands. See Note on page 18.	119

#### **Alphanumeric Data**

Based on the requirements of a specific application, you can use one of three methods to print alphanumeric data on a form: Fixed data, Overlay data, and Dynamic data. These methods are described in more detail in the Commands chapter.

- Fixed data prints on each form in the same "prepositioned" location, unless the location changes in the form definition. Company name, address, logo, and phone number are typical examples of alphanumeric data that can be "fixed" onto the form.
- Overlay data is variable alphanumeric data positioned on the page with line feeds and spaces to fit into
  exact locations. For example, specific data can be "overlayed" onto a blank form as if you were typing
  data into the appropriate blanks on a preprinted form. Customer names, addresses, and order numbers
  are examples of data overlayed onto a form.
- Dynamic data is variable data entered into specific locations on each form. Each time the form prints, a command enters new data in those locations. Customer names, addresses, or any type of variable alphanumeric or bar code data can be provided dynamically.

#### Incremental Data

The incremental data feature allows you to update alphanumeric and bar code data fields in an alphabetical or numeric manner automatically with just one set of data sent from the host computer.

Alphanumeric and bar code incremental fields can be used with fixed (static) data input as part of the Create Form mode or with dynamic data supplied in the Execute Form mode.

The incremental fields can be increased or decreased, repeated at specified intervals before updating, and reset to the starting value after a specified number of increments.

# **Configuring The IGP/PGL With the Control Panel**

Matching certain printer operational settings to those of the host computer is known as printer configuration. The settings, or configuration parameters, such as selecting the host interface, active emulation, and printer control options, are adjusted according to the printer function switch descriptions in your printer's *Administrator's Manual*. Configure the IGP/PGL in the same way you would configure the printer for other features.

You can select IGP/PGL default parameters directly from the control panel as explained in your *Administrator's Manual*, or by control codes as explained in the "Commands" chapter. Your *Administrator's Manual* also contains detailed configuration menus and diagrams, as well as descriptions of each configuration parameter available with your printer.

# **Barcodes within Logos**

There are cases in which graphics are sent to the IGP/PGL emulation using the LOGO or LOGODEF commands. Some of these graphics will contain barcodes. Information about these barcodes in terms of the symbology used, position, and data being encoded can be beneficial in terms of optimal performance when the ODV units are installed. This section explains how to include that information when defining a LOGO.

#### **Barcode Information**

The following information is important to convey when barcodes are included in graphics:

- The symbology used
- The rotation of the barcode
- The minimum module width (e.g., X-dimension in dots).
- The location of the barcode (defining a box surrounding the barcode)
- The data being encoded

With this information, the data being verified and validated by the ODV option will be greatly enhanced and provide the user with the assurance that their barcodes will be printed and verified properly in an efficient manner.

#### **INFO** within LOGO commands

For the LOGO and LOGODEF commands using the PCX, PNG, BMP, or TIFF formats, there is an optional INFO parameter than can be included in which the barcode information is then supplied:

```
(cc)LOGO;logoname;TYPE[;TRIM][;ROT][;DISK][;INFO]

SYM [;MICRO][;ROT];MODULE;SR;SC;ER;EC

...

SYM [;MICRO][;ROT];MODULE;SR;SC;ER;EC
INFO
```

#### raster data (cc)RASTEREND END

The bold text shows where the INFO information is required:

- The first line uses the optional parameter INFO to declare barcodes are present
- The subsequent lines include information about each barcode
- A final INFO is used to terminate the sequence

This format allows up to 20 barcodes to be declared within a single logo.

#### **INFO Parameter Details**

Each barcode will be described by the information given in the line:

#### SYM [;MICRO][;ROT];MODULE;SR;SC;ER;EC

STIVE THE DAILOUE SYMBOLOGY. THIS WOULD MALE HIS SYMBOLOGY MAINE PROVIDED WILL	SYM	The barcode symbology. This would match the symbology name provide	d with
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BARCODE commands (e.g., C3/9, CODABAR, C128).

MICRO An optional parameter used to specify MICRO PDF417.

ROT Optional parameter for images scanned in orientations other than upright. Enter

either **NOR** (for 0 degrees), **CW** (for 90 degrees clockwise rotation), **CCW** (for 90-degree counterclockwise rotation), or **INV** (for inverted characters; 180 degrees

rotations.)

MODULE Required parameter to specify the minimum module width in printer dots.

SR Defines the upper left-hand corner row of the barcode with respect of the logo

image. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the height of the logo. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the upper left-hand corner column of the barcode with respect of the logo

image. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the logo. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

ER Defines the lower right-hand corner row of the barcode with respect of the logo

image. Enter a value ranging from row 2 through the last row of the form. The ending row must be greater than the starting row. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the

CP.DP format (page 26).

EC Defines the lower right-hand corner column of the barcode with respect of the logo

image. Enter a value ranging from column 2 through the last column of the form. The ending column must be greater than the starting column. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command ((page 110),

or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

# **Examples**

Figure 2 clarifies how the SR, SC, ER, and EC are defined relative to the barcode within a graphic. It is important to note the following:

- The SR, SC is always the upper left-hand corner regardless of rotation.
- The ER, EC is always the lower right-hand corner regardless of rotation.
- The SR, SC, ER, EC are offsets with respect to the logo origin not the final position within the form.
- Barcodes with addons (UPC, EAN) are all included within the SR, SC, ER, EC area.

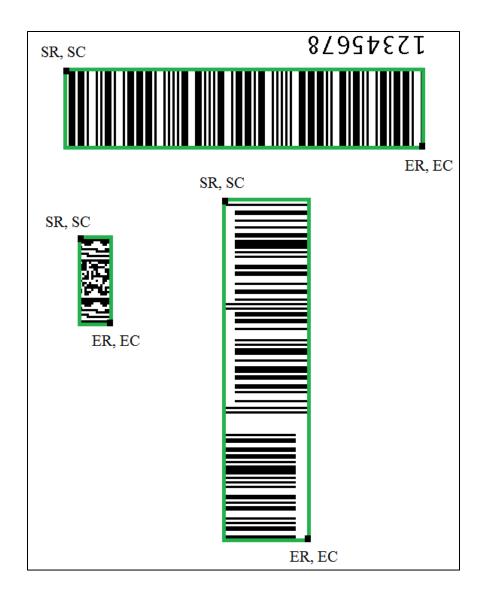


Figure 2 Barcode INFO Positioning

# **Flash Memory Storage**

# **Flash Memory Utilization**

All printers have a certain amount of onboard, non-removable flash memory on the main controller board that can be used for permanent storage.

Depending on the application, this Onboard Flash Memory may not be sufficient. Certain models of Printronix printers can be ordered with a removable flash memory cartridge called Expanded Memory Cartridge (EMC), while other models have an SD card slot. Both the SD card and EMC can be used to extend the range of permanent data storage for applications. For printers with SD capability, the extended range of data storage can be significant (GB).

Since SD/EMC capable printers have two storage choices (allowing the same file name to exist on both SD/EMC and Onboard Flash Memory), a hierarchy (search order) is required for finding, reading, writing, and deleting files. This hierarchy is described below.

# **Printers with SD or EMC Capability**

For printers that support SD or EMC, files can exist on one or more memory types (SD/EMC, Onboard Flash Memory, and DRAM). The parameter **DISK** is used within different PGL commands to select Onboard Flash Memory as the permanent storage location. The parameter **EMC** selects either Extended Memory Cartridge or SD card depending on the printer's capabilities. A hierarchy for finding, reading, writing, and deleting files is necessary and is described below.

#### Read

**NOTE:** For commands including EXECUTE, LOGO in create mode, PRINT, RECALL, DIRECTORY, FONT, and XML data stream.

Regardless of which parameters are used, all objects are first searched in DRAM.

When an SD card or EMC is installed, the printer searches them, along with Onboard Flash Memory regardless of the parameter, EMC and DISK. The search stops at the first occurrence when the file is found. If the file is not found, an error message is printed.

When the SD card or EMC is not installed, only DRAM and Onboard Flash Memory are searched.

#### Write

**NOTE:** For commands including CREATE, LINK, LOGO in normal mode for PCX, PNG, BMP, TIFF, SETUP, and FONTLOAD.

Regardless of which parameters are used, all objects are stored in DRAM.

When an SD card or EMC is installed, using the parameter EMC will also store the object there. The parameter DISK will either write to Onboard Flash Memory or SD/EMC based on the "Storage Select" front panel menu.

When an SD card or EMC is not installed, the parameter EMC will result in an error message. The parameter DISK, however, will write to Onboard Flash Memory regardless of the "Storage Select" menu setting.

#### Delete

**NOTE:** For commands including DELETE FONT, DELETE FORM, DELETE LOGO, DELETE LINK, RESET, and OPTIMIZE.

Regardless of which parameters are used, all objects are deleted from DRAM.

When an SD card or EMC is installed, the parameter EMC will also delete the file from that location. The parameter DISK deletes the file from either Onboard Flash Memory or SD/EMC based on the "Storage Select" front panel menu.

When the SD card or EMC is not installed, the parameter EMC causes an error message to print. The parameter DISK, however, will delete data from Onboard Flash Memory regardless of the "Storage Select" menu setting.

## **Printers without SD or EMC Capability**

When the EMC parameter is included with a PGL command, printers without SD or EMC capability will access Onboard Flash Memory instead, since the EMC is not supported on these printers.

# **2** Commands

# **IGP/PGL Command Standards**

IGP/PGL commands have many options and a specific format that you must follow to obtain the desired results. Certain elements are standard for all IGP/PGL commands. These command standards are described in the following sections. Familiarize yourself with the meaning and use of these standards before operating the IGP/PGL.

# **Special Function Control Code (SFCC)**

The SFCC identifies a command directed to the IGP/PGL to enable a specific IGP/PGL function. Based on the host computer interface requirements, various characters can be selected as the SFCC, such as the caret (^) or a tilde (~). The SFCC must be placed before a command or data is entered.

The examples in this manual use the tilde as the SFCC; always substitute the actual SFCC required by your system wherever the tilde is shown. In the general command formats, the SFCC is represented by (cc).

You can select the SFCC using the CONFIG command (page 46), the Special Function Control Code Change command (page 121) or the control panel (see the *Administrator's Manual*).

# Semicolon (;)

Each parameter (alpha data, options, etc.) on the command line is separated by a semicolon. Blank spaces between the semicolon and the next parameter are not allowed. A missing or misplaced semicolon causes an error message.

# **Uppercase**

The IGP/PGL is "case sensitive." ALL commands must be entered in uppercase.

#### **Inline Commands**

The SFCC, usually a "~", was required to be the first character on a new line. It may now appear anywhere on the command line. There is a configuration option that determines whether any data preceding a command is printed or ignored.

All IGP/PGL commands begin with the Special Function Control Code (SFCC) and end with a valid line terminator. When the command does not end with a valid line terminator, it must end with the SFCC to form an inline command line. This syntax applies only to the commands in Normal mode.

## Example:

~DIRECTORY~~DELETE LOGO;\*ALL~~DIRECTORY

Another inline command syntax is to replace the valid line terminator with the inline terminator command (~CR, ~LF, ~FF, or ~LT), and to enclose the entire command line with the SFON/SFOFF command. This syntax applies to all PGL commands.

#### Example:

~SFON~DIRECTORY~LF~DELETE LOGO;\*ALL~LF~DIRECTORY~LF~SFOFF

The following example is to use no motion line terminator, ~LT, to print two Normal mode texts on the same line with the different font.

~SFON~FONT;FACE 93952;POINT 12~LT~FONT;FACE

#### **Line Terminator**

Each command line must be terminated by a line feed (or a carriage return with a line feed), or a paper motion command. When an inline command is not followed by a valid line terminator, it must also end with the SFCC. The command line will not be accepted if not properly terminated. Refer to your system *Administrator's Manual* for your system keyboard and your printer configuration codes to determine which key(s) (such as ENTER, LINE FEED, RETURN, etc.) perform a line feed, carriage return with line feed, or form feed function.

#### **Printable Character**

To print, alphanumeric and bar code data must be enclosed by a printable character (a delimiter). This delimiter is represented by (D) in the command format. In this manual, an asterisk (\*) is used in most examples as the printable character. (The parentheses are not entered.) Any printable character can be used as this delimiter except a slash (/) or the SFCC. The same printable character must be used at both the beginning and end of the text to be printed and cannot be used within the text.

# **Spaces**

Spaces are used in the general command formats to visually separate individual command parameters. Supply the appropriate information for the command parameter, but do not enter the spaces in the command sequence; they are shown simply as a visual aid to illustrate where one command parameter ends and another begins.

#### **Command Parameters**

Most commands include a number of parameters. Some are optional, and some are required. Each parameter must be separated by a semicolon (;) unless noted otherwise. Throughout this manual, actual commands required for input are shown exactly as they must be entered and all parameters associated with that command are shown in italics. Optional parameters are enclosed in brackets [], but do not enter the brackets.

Parentheses indicate variable data. You have a choice of what to enter, but you must enter something. Do not enter the parentheses themselves.

#### **Form Name**

You must use alphanumeric characters to identify the document (form or logo) you are creating (a maximum of 15 alphanumeric characters). The Form Name is also used to identify the form during the Execute Form mode. The valid Form Name characters are listed below and also apply to Logo Name. The SFCC can also be used in the Form Name. No spaces are allowed between any of the Form Name characters.

#### **Table 5 Valid Form Name Characters**

A through Z (upper and lowercase)	Left and right parentheses ()
0 through 9	Tilde ~
Dollar sign \$	Single quotes ''
Percent sign %	Exclamation Point!
Dash -	Pound sign #
At sign @	Ampersand &
Left and right braces { }	

# **Prompt**

The prompt is the symbol (e.g., a dollar sign, period or greater than symbol) used to indicate that the host computer is ready for data input. In this manual, the prompt is shown as a period (.).

#### **Numeric Values**

In this manual, a lowercase n in the command represents a numeric value. If a command parameter includes a lowercase n, it must be substituted with an appropriate numeric value. If the lowercase n is part of an optional parameter and the option is not selected, a value for n is not required.

#### **Comments in Command Lines**

To aid in maintenance of a form or logo, comments can be added to many command lines within the CREATE or CREATE LOGO mode. Comments must be preceded by a slash (/). Do NOT use the /comment feature on lines containing an SFCC (e.g., commands used within NORMAL or EXECUTE mode). Throughout this manual, comments are provided in parenthesis beside most command lines for better understanding of IGP/PGL operation but should not be included in your IGP/PGL files. See Form Examples on page 288 for some examples.

# **Storing Data**

To send data to the IGP/PGL, use a system command, such as PRINT. (Entering data through the keyboard does *not* store data in nonvolatile IGP/PGL memory.) Once stored in memory, the data remains until deleted, the IGP/PGL is reset with the RESET command, or until the printer is turned off.

IGP/PGL files can be permanently stored to, deleted from, and retrieved from the Onboard Flash Memory by ending CREATE, CREATE LOGO, DELETE FORM, DELETE LOGO, EXECUTE, and DIRECTORY commands with ;DISK.

For example, the following command creates a form named ORDER and stores it in the Onboard Flash Memory:

(cc) CREATE; ORDER; DISK

Executing a form or calling a logo will access the flash memory automatically if the object is not found in RAM.

**NOTE:** While the printer does not contain a floppy disk drive, the ;**DISK** command has been retained to provide backward compatibility with earlier printer models and command syntax.

## **Uncompressed and Packed Bits Compression**

PGL logos support uncompressed and packed bits compression methods. CCITT and LZR (used for color) compression methods are not supported. Refer to your application's documentation about TIFF files.

#### **Character Position.Dot Position (CP.DP) Format**

The CP.DP format is a special parameter available with the IGP/PGL commands. CP.DP format allows two elements plotted at nearly the same character location to be offset to eliminate overlapping. Specifying starting and ending rows and columns is its most frequent use.

Each character location is a cell. Each cell is a grid 12 dot rows high by 6 dot columns wide (printing at 6 lpi and 10 cpi). The CP.DP format allows a character cell position (CP) and a specific dot position (DP) within the cell to be identified as shown in

Figure 3. The DP portion of the CP.DP format specifies a location down (in reference to rows) and to the right (in reference to columns) within the character cell position.

Figure 3. Suppose a line runs along character position column 13 (CP = 13). At the same time, an alphanumeric string must begin in column 13. With CP.DP format, the alphanumeric string can be offset 2 dot positions (DP = 2) in column 13 to avoid overlap. Specify 13.2 (CP = 13, DP = .2) for the starting column of the alphanumeric string. Similarly, to place a horizontal line 8 dot rows beneath another horizontal line in character row position 11, specify row 11 for one line and row 11.8 for the other line.

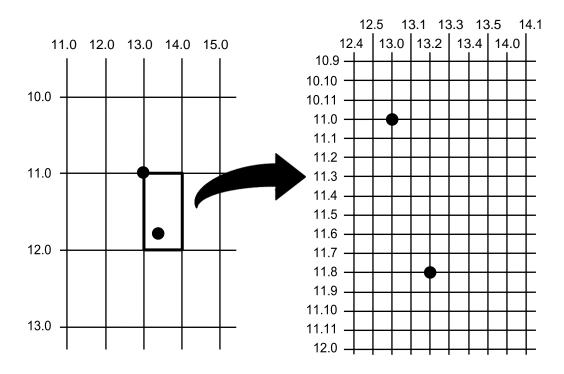


Figure 3 CP.DP Format Example

# **Command Codes**

# **Data Fields for Alphanumeric and Incremental Data**

Based upon the requirements of a specific application, three methods are used to print alphanumeric data on the form: fixed (or prepositioned) data, overlay data, and dynamic data.

#### **Fixed Data**

Fixed data is entered during the Create Form mode as part of the form definition. It appears as prepositioned information similar to other form elements. The fixed data is printed on each form in the same location and can only be changed by changing the form definition. Your company's name, address, logo, or phone number are typical examples of alphanumeric data that can be fixed onto the form.

#### **Overlay Data**

Overlay data is variable alphanumeric data entered during the Execute Form mode by positioning the information with line feeds and spaces into an exact location. In general, a page of data is overlaid onto a form similar to typing data in the appropriate blanks of a preprinted form. Each page of overlay data is separated by form feeds to correspond to each form printed. Customer names, addresses, and order numbers are examples of variable data that can be overlaid onto the form.

#### **Dynamic Data**

Dynamic data is variable data entered by command during the Execute Form mode. The dynamic data is entered into a location previously defined in the Create Form mode. Any number of locations can be identified during the Create Form mode as part of the form definition. A command during the Execute Form mode enters new data in the identified location(s) each time the form prints. Dynamic data is the most efficient method of supplying variable data to the form. Again, customer names, addresses, or any type of logo, variable alphanumeric, or bar code data can be provided dynamically.

#### **Incremental Data Fields**

The incremental data fields feature allows alphanumeric (and bar code) data fields to automatically update numerically or alphabetically with just one set of data sent from the host computer. A maximum of 65,535 fields can print with incremental fields automatically updated. Alphanumeric incremental fields can be used with fixed (static) data input as part of the Create Form mode or with dynamic data supplied in the Execute Form mode. Incremental data fields cannot be used with Overlay data.

# **Alphanumerics**

**Purpose** Defines and positions alphanumeric data on a "preprinted" static data field or as a dynamic

data field.

Mode CREATE Format ALPHA

[R;] [E;] [Cn;] [AFn;L;] [T;] [RJUST; or CJUST;] [NLZ;] [DIR;] [UC;] [DARK;] [POINT;]

[HSn; or HSDn;] SR; SC; VE; HE; (D)text(D)

STOP

**NOTE:** The **D** parameter, used in earlier IGP/PGL versions, is ignored in IGP/PGL. In addition, the **L** parameter, also used in earlier IGP/PGL versions to specify a long reverse field for descending characters in dynamic alphanumeric data, is now provided automatically in IGP/PGL. The IGP/PGL ignores these parameters if found in a command line.

ALPHA The Alphanumeric command; enter **ALPHA**.

R The optional reverse printing (white on black) parameter. Enter **R** to specify a black

background.

Е

The optional elongated character parameter. Enter **E** to specify elongated character printing. Elongated characters are double height and single width. If used, the *VE* and *HE* parameters must be set to 0, or an error message will result. Elongated character printing is also available with rotated alphanumerics.

Cn

The optional horizontal compression parameter. Enter  $\mathbf{C}$ . n =any number between  $\mathbf{10}$  and  $\mathbf{30}$ , specifying the number of horizontal characters per inch (cpi). 10 cpi is the default value.  $\mathbf{10A} = 10$  cpi OCR-A.  $\mathbf{10B} = 10$  cpi OCR-B. If used, the VE and HE parameters must be set to 0, or an error message will result.

AFn;L

The optional dynamic data field parameters for identifying the alphanumeric string location on a form and for designating the length of the alphanumeric string. If these parameters are used, the actual text cannot be entered during the Create Form mode; it must be entered dynamically during the Execute Form mode. Dynamically entering data during the Execute Form mode permits changes to the alphanumeric text without redefining or recreating the form. To use this field, perform the following steps:

- a. Enter AF.
- b. Replace *n* with a number ranging from **0 through 512** to identify the alphanumeric string location on the form. The *SR* and *SC* parameters are used to specify the exact location of the alphanumeric field identified by *n*.
- c. Replace *L* with a number equal to the number of characters in the dynamic alphanumeric string ranging from **0** through **255**.
- d. Dynamically enter the alphanumeric string itself in the Execute Form mode. The length of the alphanumeric string must be equal to or less than the value assigned to the length (*L*) parameter. Refer to Execute Form: Dynamic Alphanumeric Data on page 62.
- e. If the dynamic data field is used, do not enter the *text* parameter.

Т

Optional parameter which truncates the dynamic data field when it exceeds the maximum length defined by the L parameter. When  $\mathbf{T}$  is not used, a data length error is printed instead.

**RJUST** 

Right text alignment where the starting column (SC) points to the right end of the text string. If RJUST is not specified, the default is left alignment.

**CJUST** 

Center text alignment where the starting column (SC) points to the center of the text string. If CJUST is not specified, the default is left alignment.

NLZ

Suppresses the leading zero.

DIR

Optional parameter for rotating a character string. Use the following codes to indicate the direction of character rotation and to specify an uppercase-only character string:

- Enter CW for 90 degree clockwise rotation.
- b. Enter **CCW** for 90 degree counterclockwise rotation.
- c. Enter **INV** for inverted characters (180 degree rotation).

The default orientation prints character strings in the standard horizontal format.

UC

Enter **UC** to specify uppercase-only characters. When uppercase-only is specified, all lowercase alpha character codes are converted automatically to uppercase. Consequently, do not specify uppercase-only characters if lowercase characters are required.

DARK

Optional parameter to produce bolder text. Enter **DARK** or **D**. (**D** is also allowed in the ALPHA command only.) More information about dark printing is provided on page 53.

**POINT** 

Optional parameter that changes the units for the vertical and horizontal expansion values.

Enter **POINT**. When the POINT parameter is present the *VE* value defines the font height in 1/72 of an inch (i.e. points). If the *HE* value is non-zero, it defines the character width in 1/72 of an inch, otherwise the character width is the standard width for the chosen height. Cannot be used with elongated (E) and compressed (Cn) parameters.

HSn or HSDn

Horizontal Spacing. The value n indicates the number of extra dots to add between each character.

**HS** = the value is in 60 DPI dots **HSD** = the value is in printer dots.

This parameter is used only for proportional fonts.

SR

Defines the starting row of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

VΕ

Defines the vertical expansion factor to enlarge characters vertically. Enter a value from **0** through **139**. Zero specifies the standard font (no expansion). A *VE* value must be entered. Use vertical expansion with 12 point font size only. Elongated (E) and compressed (C*n*) characters cannot be used with a vertical expansion other than zero.

ΗE

Defines the horizontal expansion factor to enlarge characters horizontally. Enter a value from **0** through **139**. Zero specifies the standard font (no expansion). An *HE* value must be entered. Use horizontal expansion with 12 point font size only. Elongated (E) and compressed (C*n*) characters cannot be used with a horizontal expansion other than zero.

(D)

The printable character identifying the start and finish of the alphanumeric string. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the alphanumeric string itself. You must use the same character at both ends of the alphanumeric string, but it will not print with the data.

text

The group of ASCII characters (the alphanumeric string) to print. Enter any of the standard ASCII printable characters (except the character used to delimit the string in the (D) parameter). The data appears as "prepositioned" information on the form beginning at the location specified by SR and SC. This is the "fixed" or static alphanumeric data; once defined on the form, it is changed only by redefining the form using the Alphanumerics command.

When DBCS character set is selected by ISET or SYMSET, and DBCS font is selected by FONT NAME, DBCS data will print.

**STOP** 

Stop indicates the end of the Alphanumeric command; enter **STOP**, and the IGP/PGL will wait for a new command. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will wait for another set of Alphanumeric command parameters.

#### **Comments**

As dynamic data, the location of the alphanumeric field is established in the Create Form mode and the actual alphanumeric data is continuously redefined before placement on the form in the Execute Form mode. You can also rotate and reverse print the alphanumeric string using this command.

#### **Example**

The following program and example in Figure 4 illustrates the Alphanumeric command capabilities. To illustrate positioning, starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page. Notice the same starting row is used for all "EXAMPLE" characters, and they are all aligned on the same baseline (or bottom), regardless of expanded or compressed parameters. The

string rotates around the point of intersection of the starting row and columns shown by the "pinwheel" E. A rotated 10 cpi character establishes the baseline for all character sizes.

```
ALPHA 36;37;4;4;*E*
36;41;2;3;*X*
36;44;2;2;*A*
36;46;1;1;*M*
                                         (Single-size character, expanded font)
C13;36;47;0;0;*P*
C15;36;48;0;0;*L*
C17;36;49;0;0;*E*
CW; 36; 60; 2; 2; *CLOCK*
CW; 42; 60; 4; 4; *WISE*
CCW; 58; 26; 2; 3; *COUNTER*
CCW; 45.5; 26; 2; 2; *CLOCK*
CCW; 39.2; 26; 1; 1; *WISE*
INV;54.5;58;0;0;*INVERTED*
R; INV; 54.5; 49; 0; 0; *REVERSE PRINT*
45;48;0;0;*E*
CW; UC; 45; 48; 0; 0; *e*
                                         (Lowercase converted to uppercase)
CCW; 45; 48; 0; 0; *E*
INV;45;48;0;0;*E*
STOP
```

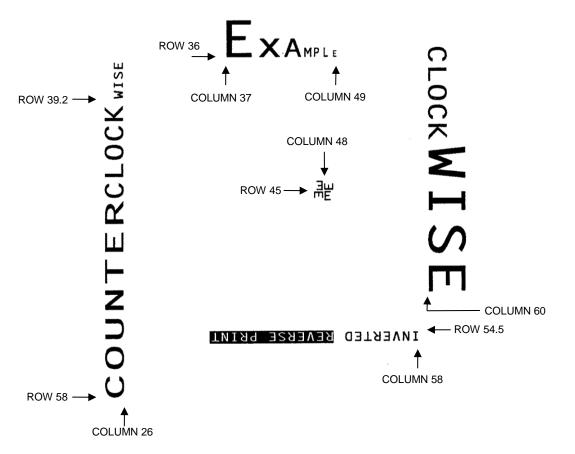


Figure 4 Alphanumeric Example

# Alphanumerics, Incremental Fields

Purpose The incremental fields feature updates alphanumeric (and bar code) data fields in a

numeric or alphabetical manner automatically using just one set of data sent from the host computer. Incremental alphanumeric data fields can be applied to fixed (static) data (page

35), or dynamic data (page 37).

Mode CREATE (for fixed data) or EXECUTE (for dynamic data)

**NOTE:** Throughout the discussion of incremental fields, the term "increment" or "incremental" means the field is automatically updated by a specified amount (or increment). The field can be increased/decreased in specified increments/decrements within the command.

#### **Comments**

Incremental fields can increase or decrease, repeat at specified intervals before updating, and reset to the starting value after a specified number of increments. A maximum of 65,535 fields can be defined.

#### **Using Incremental Alphanumeric Data**

Incrementing is controlled with the STEPMASK and STARTDATA command parameters as described in Table 6. The parameters are part of the Incremental Alphanumeric Fixed Data command or part of the Execute command when using incremental alphanumeric dynamic data.

The STEPMASK parameter performs the following three functions:

- 1. It defines the increment amount (step);
- 2. It defines the number of characters allowed in the data field (STARTDATA); and
- 3. It provides a "mask" to link or unlink subfields of the data to be incremented independently. The data provided in the STEPMASK field combined with the data in the STARTDATA field determine the result of these functions.

The increment amount is defined by the numeric value of the STEPMASK data. For example, a STEPMASK value of 1 increments the STARTDATA by 1; a STEPMASK value of 2 increments the STARTDATA by 2.

The maximum number of characters allowed in the STARTDATA field is defined by the number of characters in the STEPMASK field; the STARTDATA field cannot contain more characters than used in the STEPMASK field.

Linked and unlinked masking of subfields within the STARTDATA is defined by the **L** value in the STEPMASK field. **L** indicates linked but non-incremental data in the corresponding position of the STARTDATA field; any alpha character other than **L** in the STEPMASK field indicates a non-incremental, non-linked STARTDATA subfield.

**Table 6 Increment Alphanumeric** 

STEPMASK	START DATA	Character Type and Function
0 - 9	A - Z	Alpha characters incremented by amount in STEPMASK field
0 - 9	0 - 9	Numeric characters incremented by amount in STEPMASK field
0 - 9	Space	Same character type as character in the next right adjacent, linked increment position. Character type will be numeric if in least significant position.
0 - 9	Not A - Z or 0 - 9	Error
Not 0 - 9 or L	Any	Non-incrementing alphanumeric character
L	Any	Linked, non-incrementing alphanumeric character

The examples on the following pages illustrate incremental alphanumeric data fields. All cases in the examples use a repeat count parameter value of 1 and a reset count parameter value of 0. The three vertical dots illustrate the natural progression for each column and unit of data based on the incremental count and its impact on linked and unlinked data fields.

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	ABC123 000001	Linked subfields: ABC and 123 RPT = 1
Printed Results:	ABC123 ABC124	- RST = 0
	• • • • • •	
	• • • • •	
	ABC999	
	ABD000	
	• • • • •	
	ZZZ999	
	000AAA	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	1ABC123 0LLL001	Two separate but linked numeric subfields: 1 and 123, while fixed data
Printed Results:	1ABC123 1ABC124 	<ul><li>ABC is non-incrementing</li><li>RPT = 1</li><li>RPT = 0</li></ul>
	1ABC999 2ABC000	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	ABC123 001XX1	Two separate unlinked subfields: ABC and 3, while fixed data 1 and 2
Printed Results:	ABC123 ABD124	<ul><li>is non-incrementing</li><li>RPT = 1</li><li>RPT = 0</li></ul>
	ABI129 ABJ120	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	$\frac{1}{0001}$	Single numeric field with leading spaces (_)
Printed Results:	1 2	
	10	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	_AA98 0LL01	Two separate but linked numeric subfields: AA and 98, with leading
Printed Results:	AA98	space (_); fixed data AA is non- incrementing
		RPT = 1
		RST = 0
	1AA00	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	42AR 0LL01	Two separate but linked alpha subfields: A and R, with leading
Printed Results:	_42AR _42AS 	<ul><li>space (_); fixed data 42 is non-incrementing</li><li>RPT = 1</li><li>RST = 0</li></ul>

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	9AA02 -XXX01	Single numeric field decremented by 1, while fixed data 9 and AA are non-incrementing.
Printed Results:	9AA02 9AA01 9AA00 9AA99	
	9AA03	

# Alphanumerics, Incremental: Fixed Data Fields

**Purpose** To automatically increment/decrement fixed alphanumeric data fields.

Mode CREATE

**NOTE:** In the command format below, incremental alphanumeric command parameters are shown in **boldface** type; standard alphanumeric command parameters and optional non-incremental parameters are shown in *italics*. Due to space constraints, the command parameters are separated into two lines. During actual IGP/PGL input, DO NOT separate command parameters.

Format ALPHA

[R;] [E;] [Cn;] I; [DIR;] [UC;] [DARK;] [POINT;] [HSn or HSDn;] SR; SC; VE; HE;[idir]

STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)

STOP

Identifies this alphanumeric command as an Incremental Alphanumeric command; enter I.

*idir* The optional increment direction parameter to specify an increment (add) or decrement (subtract) to the data. Enter a plus sign (+) or leave the field blank to increment (the default).

Enter a minus sign (-) to decrement.

**STEPMASK** Defines the increment amount (step), the number of character positions in the data field,

and provides a mask to control the increment function on specific parts of the data. Enter the appropriate value. Refer to Table 6 on page 33 for complete information on STEPMASK

parameter values.

**RPT***n* The optional incremental repeat count parameter to specify the number of times a particular field value is repeated before it is incremented. A repeated field value is useful when

printing multiple rows/columns of identical labels before increasing to the next value.

To use the repeat count parameter, enter **RPT** and replace *n* with a numeric value ranging from **1** through **65535** to specify the repeat count. The default repeat count parameter is 1,

which will increment the field value each time it prints.

RSTn

The optional incremental reset count parameter to specify the number of times an incremented field is printed (on one or more forms) before it is reset to the starting value. A reset count is useful when printing a hierarchy of fields where a low-level field generates a sequence of numbers, is reset, and the next higher field level is incremented (such as in a unit/box/carton application). To use the reset count parameter, enter **RST** and replace n with a number ranging from 1 through 65535 to specify the reset count. The default reset count value is 0.

STARTDATA

Defines the starting value of the incrementing field. Enter the appropriate value. Refer to Using Incremental Alphanumeric Data on page 32 for complete information on STARTDATA and STEPMASK parameter values.

The maximum amount of STARTDATA characters must be equal to or less than the number of characters in the STEPMASK field. If the number of data characters is less than the number used in STEPMASK, the data will print right justified with preceding spaces. Characters allowed for incrementing fields (STEPMASK values of 0 - 9) are numeric 0 - 9 and alpha A - Z (uppercase only). Any printable character is allowed in non- incrementing fields (STEPMASK values not 0 - 9). The STARTDATA must be enclosed within standard printable character delimiters just as a standard alphanumeric data field is enclosed within delimiters.

#### Comments

The Incremental Alphanumeric Fixed Data Fields command is a revised version of the standard IGP/PGL alphanumeric command, but it does not replace the standard alphanumeric command.

~CREATE; TEST; 288 VDUP; 3; 6 ALPHA I; 6; 5; 4; 4; -00001; \*12345\* STOP VDUP; OFF END ~EXECUTE; TEST (Enters Create Form mode)
(Repeat alpha string)
(Alpha command)

(Ends Alpha command)

(Terminates Create Form mode)
(Prints form)

~NORMAL

12345

12344

12343

# Alphanumerics, Incremental: Dynamic Data Fields

Purpose Automatically increments/decrements dynamic alphanumeric data fields. Specifies the

location and size of the incremental dynamic data field during the Create Form mode; STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters are supplied in the Execute command during

the Execute Form mode.

**NOTE:** In the command format below, incremental alphanumeric command parameters are shown

in **boldface** type; standard alphanumeric command parameters and optional non-

incremental parameters are shown in italics.

Mode CREATE

Format ALPHA

[R;] [E;] [Cn;] **IAF**n;L;[T;] [DIR;] [UC;] [DARK;] [POINT;] [HSn or HSDn;] SR;

SC; VE; HE STOP

IAFn;L

Identifies this alphanumeric command as an Incremental Alphanumeric Dynamic Data Field command. The command parameter string identifies the incremental dynamic data field location on the form and defines the length of the alphanumeric data. If these parameters are used, the STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters cannot be entered in the Create Form mode; they are entered dynamically during the Execute Forms mode. To use the incremental dynamic data field, perform the following steps:

- a. Enter IAF to specify an incremental alphanumeric dynamic data field.
- b. Replace *n* with a number ranging from **0** through **512** to identify the alphanumeric string location on the form. The standard alphanumeric *SR* and *SC* command parameters specify the exact location of the field identified by *n*.
- c. Replace *L* with a number equal to the number of characters in the dynamic alphanumeric string (STARTDATA) ranging from **1** through **255**.
- d. Dynamically enter the STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters in the Execute Form mode. The length of the data must be equal to or less than the value assigned to the length (*L*) parameter. Refer to Execute Form: Incremental Dynamic Data on page 64 for more information.

#### Comments

The Incremental Alphanumeric Dynamic Data Fields command is a variation of the standard IGP/PGL Alphanumeric command but does not replace the standard alphanumeric command.

As with standard dynamic data fields, incremental dynamic data fields allow the starting data to be changed without changing the form definition program. Increment parameters can also change with each new job without changing the form definition program.

**Duplicating Incremental Alphanumeric Fields** — Incremental alphanumeric fixed and dynamic data fields are duplicated horizontally using the HDUP command and vertically using the standard VDUP command. Duplicated incremental fields increment in left-to-right, top-to-bottom order. The following examples illustrate the results of duplicated incremental fields.

	Value			Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	01 01			Single numeric field (01) RPT = 1 RST = 0 HDUP = 3 VDUP = 2
Printed Results:	01	02	03	VD01 = 2
Page #1:	04	05	06	
Page #2:	07	08	09	
	10	11	12	

STARTDATA: STEPMASK:		Field A A01 X01			Unlinked subfields, alpha (A), numeric (01) RPT = 3 RST = 9 HDUP = 3 VDUP = 3
		Field	В		
STARTDATA:		B01			Unlinked subfields, alpha (B),
STEPMASK:	X01			numeric (01) RPT = 1 RST = 0	
Printed Results:					(No HDUP or VDUP)
Page #1:	A01	A01	A01	B01	
	A02	A02	A02		
	A03	A03	A03		
Page #2:	A01	A01	A01	B02	
	A02	A02	A02		
	A03	A03	A03		

## **Example**

ALPHA

I;1;1;0;0;001;RPT3;RST9;\*A01\*

The following program will produce the Incremental Alphanumeric data example above. The program elements are also defined. (Refer to the command format on page 35.)

```
I;3;1;0;0;001;RPT1;RST0;*B01*
STOP
       where:
       I;1;1;0;0;001;RPT3;RST9;*A01*
              Incremental alphanumeric command;
               SR of 1; SC of 1;
               VE and HE are 0:
              001 stepmask increments by 1;
              RPT3 repeats each field value 3 times;
              RST9 prints and increments each field 9 times before resetting;
              * identifies the start and finish of the alphanumeric string;
              A01 is the starting value.
       I;3;1;0;0;001;RPT1;RST0;*B01*
              Incremental alphanumeric command;
               SR of 1; SC of 1;
               VE and HE are 0;
              001 stepmask increments by 1;
              RPT1 repeats each field value once;
              RST0 prints and increments each field 0 times before resetting;
              * identifies the start and finish of the alphanumeric string;
              B01 is the starting value.
~CREATE; TEST; 288
                                             (Enters Create Form mode)
VDUP; 3; 6
                                             (Repeats alpha string)
                                            (Alpha ommand)
ALPHA
IAF1;5;6;5;4;4
STOP
                                             (Ends Alpha command)
VDUP; OFF
                                            (Terminates Create Form mode)
END
~EXECUTE; TEST
                                             (Prints form)
~IAF1;+00002;*45678*
~NORMAL
                                 45678
```

45680 45682

#### **Boxes**

**Purpose** Produces any variety of rectangular boxes.

Mode CREATE

Format BOX

LT;SR;SC;ER;EC[;RD]

**STOP** 

BOX The Box command; enter BOX. Boxes expand down and to the right from the given row

and column.

LT Defines the line thickness, measured in dots. Line thickness is based on dot dimensions of

1/72" both horizontally and vertically, so that line thickness is equal in both directions. Enter

a value of 1 or greater.

SR Defines the starting row of the box. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the box. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified

based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

ER Defines the ending row of the box. Enter a value ranging from row 2 through the last row

of the form. The ending row must be greater than the starting row. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP

format (page 26).

EC Defines the ending column of the box. Enter a value ranging from column 2 through the

last column of the form. The ending column must be greater than the starting column. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command

((page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

RD Optional parameter. Defines the degree of corner-rounding. Accept values from 0 (no

rounding) to 8 (heaviest rounding). The default value is 0. This option is currently applicable

for non-impact printers only.

STOP Stop indicates the end of the Box command; enter **STOP**, and the IGP/PGL will wait for a

new command. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will wait for another set of Box command

parameters.

## **Example**

The following program and example in Figure 5 defines two boxes. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page. (Note the position of the ending row and column; line thickness is not included.)

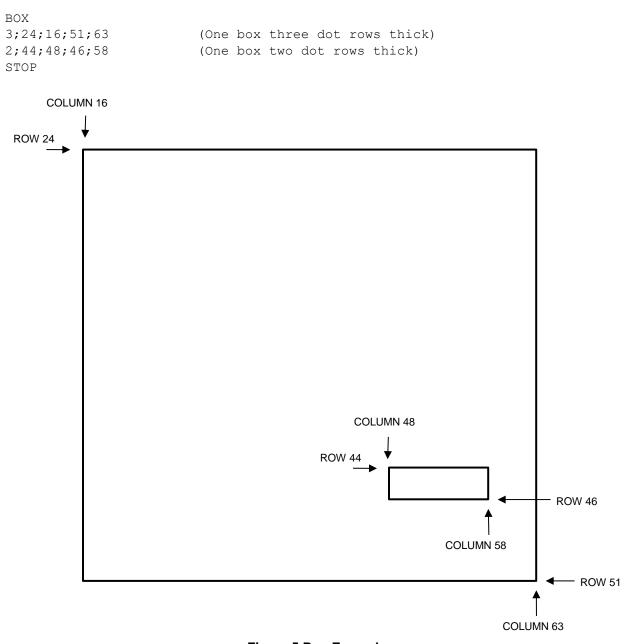


Figure 5 Box Example

### Cancel

Purpose To cancel the print job immediately when the command is sent to the printer. When

received, printing will stop and any data received prior to the CANCEL command will be

cleared from the buffers.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc) CANCEL

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

CANCEL The cancel command. Enter CANCEL.

#### Comment #1

The cancel command will take effect only when a snooper (preparser) is enabled. Any of the following commands will enable the snooper for all ports. You can also enable preparser by using the front panel. Send the following command to the printer before sending the job.

~CONFIG

SNOOP;CANCEL;PAR

**END** 

~CONFIG

SNOOP; CANCEL; ETH

**END** 

~CONFIG

SNOOP; CANCEL; SER

**END** 

The CANCEL command works if it is received from any port. PAR, ETH, and SER are listed as compatible with old PGL commands.

To disable a snooper, send the following command to the printer before sending the job.

~CONFIG

SNOOP;OFF

**END** 

#### Comment #2

After the snooper is enabled, the cancel command can be sent to the printer during the print job through any port.

# Circle

**Purpose** Produces a circle on the printed table.

Mode CREATE

Syntax CIRCLE

LT; SR; SC; DA

**STOP** 

CIRCLE The Circle command.

LT Defines the border thickness, measured in vertical IGP dots (1/72 inch increments).

SR Defines the starting row of the circle (CP.DP format, dot rows, or direct measurement in

millimeters based on the SCALE command).

SC Defines the starting column of the circle (CP.DP format, dot rows, or direct measurement

in millimeters based on the SCALE command).

DA Defines circle diameter, measured in vertical IGP dots. Circle diameter is based on dot

dimensions of 1/72 inch both horizontally and vertically. The circle diameter is equal in both

directions. Enter a value greater than the border thickness.

## **Example**

The following program and example in Figure 6 define a circle.

CIRCLE 2;5;5;72 STOP

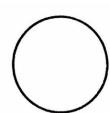


Figure 6 Circle Example

# **Compressed Print (Density)**

**Purpose** Defines the horizontal print density in characters per inch (cpi).

Mode NORMAL, EXECUTE

Format (cc) DENSITY; n

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

DENSITY The Density command; enter DENSITY.

n Selects the density in cpi, OCR-A, or OCR-B; enter a value of 10, 12, 13, 15, 17 or 20 to

specify the density in characters per inch (the default is 10 cpi), or 10A to select 10 cpi

OCR-A or **10B** to select 10 cpi OCR-B.

## Comments

Print density formats of 10, 12, 13, 15, 17 or 20 cpi are available. If you need to print at 30 cpi, use the Alphanumerics command Cn parameter, as described on page 29. Standard print density is 10 cpi. After a Density command is entered, all subsequent alphanumerics print at the specified density until another Density command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered. The Density command also permits the standard printer editing function (carriage return editing). After the Density command is entered, data in the print buffer can be edited as described in your printer *Administrator's Manual*.

### **Example**

The following command selects 15 cpi printing format until another Density command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered.

~DENSITY;15

#### **Clock Element Format**

Purpose Embeds Realtime Clock information in an ALPHA and/or BARCODE data field.

Format <CI><SIGN><OFFSET><DOT or COMMA><TYPE>

<CI> The Clock Indicator character, as defined by the CLOCK parameter in the ALPHA and/or

BARCODE commands. See the ALPHA and BARCODE command descriptions for details.

<SIGN> Sign for the offset, can be "+" to add or "-" to subtract.

<OFFSET> Offset to the selected clock type. This is an amount of time to add to or subtract from the

selected clock element value. Also referred to as "Sell-By" Date.

<DOT or COMMA>

The "." character indicates that this sequence will be printed, and the given offset will be

used.

The comma (,) indicates that this sequence will not be printed. It will only be used to specify

the offset.

TYPE The clock element to display. See the following table for available elements.

**Table 7 Clock Element Types** 

Туре	Description	Range
d	Day of the month	0131
n	Month number	0112
М	Full Month name	JanuaryDecember
А	Abbreviated month name	JanDec
у	2-digit Year number	0099
Υ	4-digit Year number	00009999
h	Hour, 12hr clock	0112
Н	Hour, 24hr clock	0023
р	AM/PM designation	AM/PM
m	Minute	0059
S	Second	0059

When the CLOCK parameter is not specific in the BARCODE/ALPHA command, the Clock Format is treated as text.

The offset is the total of all offsets in the data field.

Adding months or years that result in days beyond the end of the new month will roll over into the following month. For instance, adding one year to Feb 29 will result in Mar 1st. Or, adding 1 month to Jan 31 2002 will result in Mar 3. (Jan 31 + 1 Month = Feb 31, Feb 2002 only has 28 days).

**NOTE:** By default, the time stamp on the label reflects the time the label (bitmap page) is drawn, not the time when the label prints from the engine. As a result, there is a time lapse between when the label is drawn and when the label is printed. Only in Tear Off and Peel Off mode does the time stamp on the label reflect the time when the label is printed by the engine.

#### **Example**

```
~MONTH;F (define a new name for January)
JANUARY (the rest of the months use default)
~CREATE; CLOCK; 0
ALPHA
CLOCK%; AF1; 60; 3; 2; 1; 1 (these Dynamic Alpha fields will)
CLOCK%; AF2; 60; 4; 2; 1; 1 (be scanned for Clock data)
CLOCK%; AF3; 60; 5; 2; 1; 1 (which must start with a % sign)
STOP
END
(Set clock to Jan/31/2002, 23 hr, Minutes & Seconds don't change)
~SETCLOCK; DA 31; MO 01; YE 2002; HO 23;
~EXECUTE; CLOCK
\sim AF1; *Today = %+0.M / %+0.d / %+0.Y*
(Add 1 Hr to current time, but don't print the hours)
~AF2;*1 Hr later = %+0.M / %+0.d / %+0.Y %+1.H*
(Add 1 month)
~AF3;*1 Month Later = %+1.A / %+0.d / %+0.y*
```

#### Result

Today =  $\_\_JANUARY_/31/2002$ 

1 Hr Later = February / 01 / 2002

1 Month Later = March / 03 / 02

# Configuration

Purpose Places the IGP/PGL in the Configuration mode, where changes to any or all the IGP/PGL

configuration parameters via software control can be made instead of from the printer

control panel.

Mode NORMAL

**NOTE:** A separate line is required for the CONFIG command, the parameters and values, and the

END command.

Format (cc)CONFIG

parameter, value

**END** 

(cc) The SFCC.

CONFIG The Configuration command; enter **CONFIG**.

parameter, value

The parameter for which a configuration change is desired, and the value associated with

that parameter. The available parameters and the values associated with these

parameters are listed in Table 8.

END Terminates the CONFIG command; enter **END**.

**NOTE:** All CONFIG parameters except RESET must be followed by a semicolon (;). Any CONFIG parameters not entered in UPPERCASE and exactly as listed in Table 8 will result in an Error 156. (Refer to the Error Codes chapter.)

Check marked cells in Table 8 means full compatibility for thermal product lines. If left unchecked, these options were for line matrix or other products. In some cases, specific options are required (e.g., RFID, RTC for real time clock, ODV for Online Data Validation).

**Table 8 Configuration command parameters** 

Configuration Parameter	Value	Thermal
AI 00 SPACES	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	<b>✓</b>
AUTO EJECT	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
AUTO WRAP	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
BLOCK FONTS	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
BOUNDARY CHECK	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓

Configuration Parameter	Value	Thermal
C39 COMPATBL	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
CARRIAGE RETURN DEF	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
CHECK DYNAMIC BCD	0 = Off; 1=On	✓
COMPRESSED CPI	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	
CPI	10, 12, 13, 15, 17, or 20	✓
CR EDIT	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
DISK STORAGE	0 = Onboard Flash Memory 1 = SD card 2 = DRAM	<b>✓</b>
ERROR REPORT	0 = Off; 1 = On; 2 = Debug; 3 = Fault	<b>√</b>
EXT EXECUTE COPY	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
FF AT TOF	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
FF AT TOF	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
FONT STYLE	Ignored (Hangul Only)	
FORM HANDLING	0 = Disabled 1 = Auto eject2 = Auto TOF	<b>√</b>
HANGUL	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	
HOST FORM LENGTH	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
I-2/5 SELECTION	1 = Trailing Spaces 2 = X2DPD 3 = Modulo 7 CD any other value = Leading Zero	<b>√</b>
IGNORE CHAR	0-255 = the selected ignore char; any other value = ignore mode off	✓

Configuration Parameter	Value	Thermal
IGNORE TEXT	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
IGP100 COMPATBL	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	<b>✓</b>
LINE FEED DEF	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
LPI	1-1000	✓
LEFT MARGIN	Horz. IGP Dots (60 dpi)	✓
OPTIMIZED RATIO	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
PGL NORMAL	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
POWER ON IGP/PGL	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
POWER ON S-MODE	0 = Disabled; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 for different printer mode (refer to the table for printer mode)	
PRINT QUALITY	0 = Data Processing 1 = High 2 = Best	
PRINTER PI LINE	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	<b>✓</b>
PRINTER TYPE	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	<b>✓</b>
REPEAT FORM OPT	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	<b>✓</b>
RESET	N/A	✓
ROTATION	0, 90, 180, or 270	✓
PTX SETUP	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
SFCC	1-255	<b>✓</b>
SLEW RANGE	0 = 15; Non-Zero = 16	<b>✓</b>
SKIP PREFIX	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
SLASH ZERO	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
SNOOP	"STATUS" or "CANCEL" = Enabled "OFF" = Disabled	<b>✓</b>
SO CHAR	0 - 255	✓

Configuration Parameter	Value	Thermal
TOP/BOTTOM MARGIN	Vert. IGP Dots (72 dpi)	✓
TRUE FORM SLEW	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	
TRUNC DYN DATA	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
UPC DESCENDERS	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
UPPERCASE	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
UPCASE DOT 0	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
USER-DEF RATIO	0 = Disabled; Non-Zero = Enabled	✓
VAR FORM ADJUST	0, 1,, 30	✓
VAR FORM TYPE	0 = Add Nothing 1 = Add 2 = Add; X	<b>√</b>

#### **Comments**

The IGP/PGL configuration parameters available are defined in your Administrator's Manual.

Any or all parameters can be used within one CONFIG command, and they can be listed in any order. List each *parameter*, *value* on a separate line, terminating with the END command. Default configuration values can be reset using the CONFIG command.

Parameters not followed by a value, and parameters followed by any non-zero value are interpreted as "true" or "enabled" values. For carriage return and line feed definitions, a zero value does not change the data stream. However, for non-zero values, a carriage return character or line feed character will be interpreted as a carriage return plus a line feed.

Parameters not listed in this command remain unchanged. If a parameter error is detected for parameters other than 0 or 1 (i.e., SFCC, Top/Bottom Margin, Left Margin), the value will default to the current configuration from flash memory.

## **Example 1**

The following command enables IGP/PGL Auto Wrap, disables Auto Eject, and selects 6 lpi printing.

~CONFIG AUTO WRAP;1 AUTO EJECT;0 LPI;6 END

#### Example 2

The following command resets all control panel IGP/PGL configuration parameters back to default values.

~CONFIG RESET END

#### Corners

Purpose Defines corner sets.

Mode CREATE
Format CORNER

LT;SR;SC;ER;EC;VL;HL

**STOP** 

CORNER The Corner command; enter CORNER. Corners expand down and to the right from the

given row and column.

LT Defines the line thickness, measured in dots. Line thickness is based on dot dimensions of

1/72" both horizontally and vertically, so that line thickness is equal in both directions. Enter

a value of 1 or greater.

SR Defines the starting row of the corner. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less

than the length of the form. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on

the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the corner. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through

one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

Defines the ending row of the corner. Enter a value ranging from row 2 through the last row

of the form. The ending row must be greater than the starting row. Character row or dot row in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP

format (page 26).

EC Defines the ending column of the corner. Enter a value ranging from column 2 through the

last column of the form. The ending column must be greater than the starting column. Character column or dot column in millimeters is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

VL Defines the length of the vertical arm (including the line thickness) of each corner in the

set. Enter a value of 1 or greater specified in character or dot rows based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

HL Defines the length of the horizontal arm (including the line thickness) of each corner in the

set. Enter a value of 1 or greater specified in character or dot columns based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

STOP Stop indicates the end of the CORNER command; enter **STOP**, and the IGP/PGL will wait

ER

for a new command. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will wait for another set of Corner command parameters.

# **Example**

## The following program specifies a corner set as shown in

Figure 7. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page. (Note the position of the ending row and ending column; they do not include the line thickness.)

CORNER
5;27;27;42;55;4;6 (Each corner in the set is 5 dot rows thick, 4 character stop rows high, 6 character columns wide)

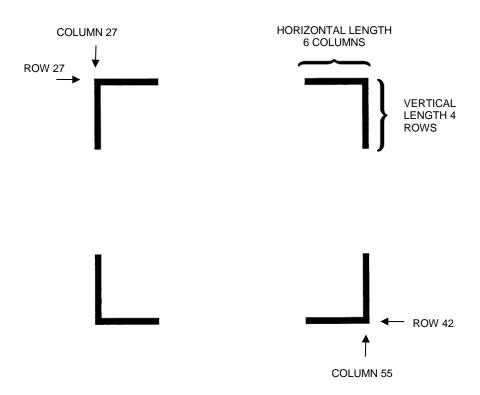


Figure 7 Corner Example

## **CREATE**

Places the IGP/PGL in the Create Form mode, where forms and form elements can be **Purpose** 

defined using the appropriate commands.

Mode **NORMAL** 

**Format** (cc)CREATE; [/]formname [:FL] [:NOMOTION] [:DISK] (cc)

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

**CREATE** The Create Form mode command; enter CREATE.

> The optional debug character to check the program line by line for incorrect parameters and print boundaries using the current page size; enter the slash symbol (/) to debug the program. No checks are made until the completed program is sent to the IGP/PGL for storage (when the form is executed by printing the file with the IGP/PGL program). Then the form name is entered into the directory, and the program is evaluated. If errors are detected, the program will print, line by line (including the error on the line where the error occurs), followed by the error-free sections of the form. Correct all errors and delete the slash. Refer to Solving Program Errors on page 318.

> Defines the form name of the form being created. The form name should be no more than 15 characters in length. Refer to page 25 for a list of allowable form name characters. If a form is created with the same name as a form already existing in memory, the newly created form will replace the existing form. All future reference to the form (editing, executing, or deleting the form from the directory) must be made using the assigned name.

> The optional forms length parameter to specify the length of the form in IGP dot rows. (Form length cannot exceed the physical length of the page. Refer to Appendix B). Specify the form length in one of four ways:

- a. Enter **0** to define a form of unspecified length. The form ends after the longest element specified in CREATE mode.
- Enter a value for the form length ranging from 1 through 65535 to specify the forms length in IGP dot rows.
- Do not specify this parameter. A default of 792 IGP dots (11 inches) is then selected.
- d. Enter X to define the form length of undetermined length Upon EXECUTE mode, the form's length is determined by the physical page length setting (which depends on the paper orientation).

NOMOTION NOMOTION is primarily used in RFID applications to program RFID tags. The optional parameter that tells the printer not to move the paper after execution of the form if the form does not print anything on the paper. If the form has commands such as Alpha or Barcode commands that require printing, this parameter will have no effect and the paper will always move. By default, PGL will always move the paper with or without the print graphic command.

formname

FL

DISK Optional parameter to store the form to the Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **DISK**. For XML

driven forms, use the DISK option. See Link on page 74 for a description and example on XML forms. Enter **EMC** to store the form to the SD card or External Memory Cartridge. See

"Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

## **Example**

The following command creates a form named ORDER with the default forms length:

(cc) CREATE; ORDER

# **Dark Printing**

A DARK parameter, available in the Alpha, Reverse, and Bar Code commands, is like the double-strike feature in impact printers which produces bolder, darker text, denser black backgrounds for reverse print, and extra- dark, more readable bar codes. In thermal printers, it has no effect.

#### **Define Month Names**

Purpose Allows the creation of user-definable strings to be used as full and abbreviated month

strings in the clock elements. This allows users to create these names in any language.

Mode NORMAL

**Format** (cc) MONTH;F or A;

Name01 Name02

..

Name12

**END** 

MONTH The define Month Names command.

F Define Full Month Names (Translations for clock element "M")

A Define Abbreviated Month Names (Translations for clock element "A")

END Ends the command.

### Comments

Every Month Name to be defined must be entered on it's own line, terminated by a line terminator.

Empty Names will be set to their full default value. Defaults for "F" are the English month names (January–December). For the "A" parameter, the defaults are the 3–letter abbreviated English month names (Jan–Dec).

The command may be ended without defining all 12 names, the non-defined names will not change.

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See Clock Element Format on page 44.

#### **Delete Font**

Purpose Deletes the font identified by the font name which resides in flash memory or RAMDISK

memory.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc) DELETE FONT;fontname;[DISK]

(cc) The Special Function Control.

**DELETE FONT** 

The Delete Font Command; enter DELETE FONT.

fontname Identifies the font to be deleted. Enter the font name exactly as it was created.

DISK Optional parameter. Enter **DISK** to delete the font from Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **EMC** 

to delete the font from the SD card or External Memory Cartridge. When DISK is not

specified, the font is deleted from RAMDISK.

See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

#### Comment

When loading fonts to RAMDISK, the printer files will not be saved to RAMDISK when the printer is powered off. When loading fonts to flash memory, the printer files will be saved when the printer is powered off. Both RAMDISK and flash memory support file operations such as saving, reading, and deleting files. Removing all font files with \*ALL as fontname is not currently supported.

## **Example**

The following example deletes a downloaded true type font named times.ttf from flash memory.

~DELETE FONT; times.ttf; DISK

NOTE:

The space of files deleted from flash are not reclaimed for general use within the flash file system until a *System > Flash File Edit > Optimize & Reboot* operation is performed. It is not recommended to frequently store or delete files to flash. If the *Optimize & Reboot* operation is not available in the menu system, then deleted files are reclaimed by the printer for general use.

#### **Delete Form**

**Purpose** Deletes the form identified by the form name from memory.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)DELETE FORM; formname [;DISK]

**DELETE FORM** 

The Delete Form command.

formname Identifies the form to be deleted. You can delete all forms by entering \*ALL as the form

name.

DISK If applicable, the form deletes from both RAM and FLASH. Enter **DISK** to delete the form

from Onboard Flash Memory. Enter EMC to delete the form from the SD card or External

Memory Cartridge. See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

**NOTE:** The space of files deleted from flash are not reclaimed for general use within the flash file

system until a *System > Flash File Edit > Optimize & Reboot* operation is performed. It is not recommended to frequently store or delete files to flash. If the *Optimize & Reboot* operation is not available in the menu system, the deleted files are reclaimed by the printer

for general use.

**Delete Logo** 

**Purpose** Deletes the logo identified by the logo name from memory.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)DELETE LOGO; logoname [;DISK]

**DELETE LOGO** 

The Delete Form command.

logoname Identifies the logo to be deleted. You can delete all logos by entering \*ALL as the logo

name.

*DISK* If applicable, the logo deletes from both RAM and FLASH.

Enter **DISK** to delete the logo from Onboard Flash Memory.

Enter EMC to delete the logo from the SD card or External Memory Cartridge. See "Flash

Memory Storage" on page 22.

NOTE: The space of files deleted from flash are not reclaimed for general use within the flash file

system until a System > Flash File Edit > Optimize & Reboot operation is performed. It is not recommended to frequently store or delete files to flash. If the Optimize & Reboot operation is not available in the menu system, the deleted files are reclaimed by the printer

for general use.

**Directory** 

Purpose Prints the following information: (1) all defined forms and logos, (2) logo assignment to

forms, and (3) memory usage and availability for DRAM, Onboard Flash Memory, and

SD/EMC (if available).

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)DIRECTORY[;DISK or ;EMC]

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

DIRECTORY The Directory command; enter **DIRECTORY**.

DISK or EMC Optional parameter to specify the forms and logos stored in permanent memory. Enter

**DISK** for Onboard Flash Memory or enter **EMC** to include the SD card or Extended Memory

Cartridge.

**Comments** 

As many forms and logos as printer memory allows may be stored in IGP/PGL memory. If the memory is full, the form will not print; available space in the memory must be at least the size of the form being executed.

For more information, refer to the Directory Example on page 317.

**Duplication, Horizontal** 

Purpose Defines both the number of times form elements are duplicated horizontally and the

spacing between each duplication.

Mode CREATE

Format HDUP; dup#; offset#

elements to be duplicated

HDUP:OFF

HDUP The Horizontal Duplication command; enter **HDUP**.

dup# Specifies the duplication number, which is the number of times the entered form element(s)

will repeat horizontally. Enter a value ranging from 1 through 255.

offset# Specifies the horizontal offset to establish the horizontal spacing between each duplication

of the form element(s) specified in the body of the command. Enter a value in terms of dot or character columns based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26). The offset is from starting column to starting column.

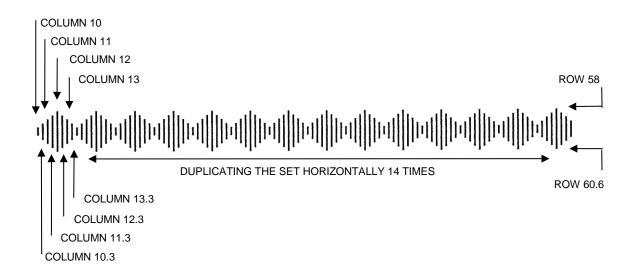
HDUP:OFF

Terminates the Horizontal Duplication command; enter **HDUP;OFF**. If not entered, the IGP/PGL expects another form element to be defined for duplication. A single HDUP command can define different types of elements for duplication.

#### **Example**

The following example is a horizontal duplication of a series of vertical lines. To illustrate positioning, starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page.

```
HDUP; 14; 4
                               (14 dupes with 4-character column spacing)
VERT
                               (Command to duplicate horizontally)
1;10;59;59.6
                               (Note CP.DP format: 59.6)
1;10.3;58.9;59.9
1;11;58.6;60
1;11.3;58.3;60.3
1;12;58;60.6
1;12.3;58.3;60.3
1;13;58.6;60
1;13.3;58.9;59.9
STOP
                               (Stops the command to duplicate element)
HDUP; OFF
                               (Terminates the horizontal duplication)
```



# **Duplication, Vertical**

Purpose Defines both the number of times elements are duplicated vertically and the

spacing between each duplication.

Mode CREATE

Format VDUP; dup#,offset# elements to be duplicated

VDUP;OFF

VDUP The Vertical Duplication command; enter **VDUP**.

dup# Specifies the duplication number, which is the number of times the entered form element(s)

will repeat vertically. Enter a value ranging from 1 through 255.

offset# Specifies the vertical offset to establish the vertical spacing between each duplication of

the form element(s) specified in the body of the command. Enter a value in terms of dot or character columns based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format

(page 26). The offset is from starting row to starting row.

VDUP;OFF Terminates the Vertical Duplication command; enter VDUP;OFF. If not entered, the

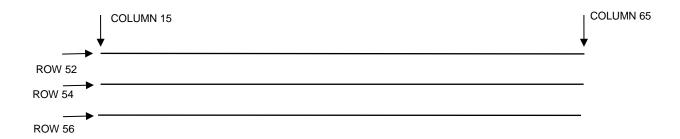
IGP/PGL expects another form element to be defined for duplication. A single VDUP

command can define different types of elements for duplication.

#### Example

The following example is a vertical duplication of one horizontal line. The line is duplicated three times. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page.

```
VDUP;3;2 (3 duplications with 2-char. row spacing)
HORZ (Command to duplicate vertically)
1;52;15;65
STOP (Stops the command to duplicate element)
VDUP;OFF (Terminates the vertical duplication)
```



**Ellipse** 

Purpose Produces an Ellipse.

Mode CREATE
Syntax ELLIPSE

LT; SR; SC; ER; EC

**STOP** 

ELLIPSE The Ellipse command.

LT Defines the line thickness, measured in vertical IGP dots (1/72 inch increments).

SR Defines the starting row of the ellipse (CP.DP format, rows, or direct measurement in

millimeters based on the SCALE command).

SC Defines the starting column of the ellipse (CP.DP format, dot rows or direct measurement

in millimeters based on the SCALE command).

ER Defines the ending row of the ellipse (CP.DP format, dot rows, or direct measurement in

millimeters based on the SCALE command).

EC Defines the ending column of the ellipse (CP.DP format, dot rows, or direct measurement

in millimeters based on the SCALE command).

## **Example**

The following program and example in Figure 8 define an ellipse.

ELLIPSE 2;5;5;10;20 STOP

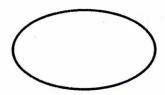


Figure 8 Ellipse Example

# **Emulation Switching**

**Purpose** To switch the active emulation from IGP/PGL to the emulation selected.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)EMULATION; emulation

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

EMULATION The Emulation Switch command.

emulation Specifies the emulation to activate. Enter **V** to switch to VGL and **P** to switch to ZGL.

### Comments

The switching of emulations causes IGP/PGL to perform a soft reset. Therefore, front panel selections return to their saved state, and all forms and logos resident in RAM memory are deleted.

Enter V to select VGL and P for ZGL.

#### End

**Purpose** Terminates the current mode of operation and must be used before entering a new mode

command (EXECUTE, LOGO, NORMAL, or even CREATE).

Mode CREATE Format END

#### **Comments**

After the End command is received, the IGP/PGL flushes program errors, stores the error-free portions of the form program just completed, and then returns to the Normal mode. If the debug slash (/) is included in the Create command, the program prints with any corresponding error messages.

# **Enquiry**

**Purpose** To send information (a status byte) about the printer state to the host through the serial

port. This command is ignored if the current host interface is not the serial port. This is an

online command and is not required to be followed by a terminator.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, or EXECUTE

Format (cc) ENQUIRY

ENQUIRY The Enquiry command. Enter ENQUIRY.

#### **Execute Form Mode**

#### How to Use the Execute Command

Forms are printed in the Execute Form mode. In addition to printing the form in the Execute Form mode, variable data can also be entered onto the form "dynamically" during the Execute Form mode. This dynamic data input during the Execute Form mode includes page numbers, alphanumeric data fields, and bar code data fields. Pagination, described on page 83, is performed in the Execute Form mode. Dynamic alphanumeric and bar code data require additional commands within the Execute Form mode.

The fastest method for repeated forms printing is to use the form feed character. Rather than sending a series of Execute/Normal commands, which slows the process by performing an *open-print-close* form sequence, the form feed character instructs the IGP/PGL to start a new page with new EVFU, dynamic and overlay data using the existing Execute commands for the form. The *EVFU Data-Dynamic Data-Overlay Data-Form Feed Character* sequence can be repeated indefinitely while maintaining the optimum print speed within the original Execute command.

Remember, when a form count is not specified, a single line spacing (or a line containing overlay data) must always separate an EXECUTE command from a NORMAL command.

#### To Execute Forms Rapidly

In order to save reloading time, the IGP/PGL remembers the last form executed. However, a form must be loaded if it was not the last form executed, if it was used with a CREATE command since the last EXECUTE, or if any logo has been created.

When the form to be executed is found in memory, it is loaded and execution resumes; otherwise, the "FORM NOT FOUND" error is printed.

## **Print Formats in the Execute Form Mode**

The Execute Form mode has two print formats. The *standard* execute command format, shown on page 60, is used for executing non-incremental data and incremental fixed data. An *incremental* Execute command format, containing two additional parameters, is used for executing incremental dynamic data and is discussed on page 64.

During the Execute Form mode, the IGP/PGL responds to regular print format commands such as 8 lpi, and elongated characters. Some commands can be used in other modes in addition to the Execute Form mode. For example, Compressed Print, Expanded Print, Execute, Ignore, Select Format, and Vertical Line Spacing, which are also Normal mode commands, can be used in the Execute or Create Form modes. The IGP/PGL alternate character set can also be used in the Execute Form mode.

## **Execute Form: General Format**

**Purpose** Prints forms created in the CREATE mode.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)EXECUTE: formname [:SAVEDYN] [:PAGE n] [:FC] [:ICNTn] [:FCNTn] [:IRSTn]

[;DISK]

[;DISK] [EVFU Data]
[(cc)AFn; (D)ASCII text(D)]
[(cc)BFn; (D)data(D)]
[(cc)DFn; (D)data(D)]
[(cc)AFn; <DFn>]
[(cc)BFn; <DFn>]

[(cc)GFn; (D)logoname(D)]

[(cc)IAFn; [idir] STEPMASK;[RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)] [(cc)IBFn; [idir] STEPMASK;[RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)] [(cc)IDFn; [idir] STEP;[RPTn;][RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)]

[Overlay Data]

[Form Feed character]

(cc)NORMAL

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

EXECUTE The Execute Form command; enter EXECUTE.

formname Identifies a previously defined form by name. Enter the form name exactly as used when

created.

SAVEDYN The optional command to have dynamic fields saved across forms that are separated with

a form feed character.

PAGE *n* The optional Pagination command; enter **PAGE**, a space, and replace *n* with the decimal

number of the starting page in a sequence of multiple pages. The number may be eight digits long and range between  $\bf 0$  and  $\bf 99999999$ . The next page after 99999999 is 0. Be sure to leave a blank space between the PAGE command and the n value. The page number will print on the form in the location defined by the Page Number command in the Create Form mode. If the location of the pagination field was not specified in the Create

Form mode, the page field is printed in the upper left corner of the form.

FC The optional form count parameter specifies the number of copies of the form to print. Enter

the appropriate number. When the last page prints, the IGP/PGL returns to the Normal mode automatically. Do not use the form count parameter if dynamic data (AFn and BFn parameters), incremental data (FCNT, ICNT, or IRST parameters), overlay data, or EVFU

data are used in the Execute command.

FCNT*n* The optional incremental form count. Enter **FCNT** (functions the same as ICNT and the

form count value). However, with FCNT, both incremental dynamic data (IAF or IBF) and non-incremental dynamic data (AF or BF) will be printed on each page. With ICNT, only incremental dynamic data will be printed on each page and non-incremental dynamic data

will only be printed on the first page.

ICNT*n* The optional incremental form count. Enter **ICNT** and the Incremental value as described

in the Execute Incremental Dynamic Data command described on page 64.

IRST*n* The optional incremental reset count parameter. Enter **IRST** and the reset value as

described in the Execute Incremental Dynamic Data command described on page 64.

DISK Optional parameter that specifies to recall the form from Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **DISK**. To recall the form from the SD Card or Expanded Memory Cartridge, enter **EMC**. This option is not required since the printer automatically searches DRAM, the Expanded Memory Cartridge, and Flash. See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

EVFU Data Optional parameter to use the EVFU to overlay data onto the form. ("EVFU Data" is not part of the Execute command. It is shown in the command sequence to indicate that actual EVFU data can be entered following the Execute command.) Enter EVFU data as described in Appendix C and on page 62.

(cc)AFn;(D)ASCII text(D)

The Execute Dynamic Alphanumeric Data command. Enter the dynamic alphanumeric data during the Execute Form mode as described in Execute Form: Dynamic Alphanumeric Data on page 62.

(cc)BFn;(D)data(D)

The Execute Dynamic Bar Code Data command. Enter the dynamic bar code data during the Execute Form mode as described in Execute Form: Dynamic Bar Code Data on page 63

(cc)DFn;(D)data(D)

Refer to RFWTAG on page 97.

(cc)AFn;<DFn>

Prints RFID tag data as ALPHA TEXT, refer to RFWTAG on page 97 for an example.

(cc)BFn;<DFn>

Prints RFID tag data as Barcode data. Refer to RFWTAG on page 97 for an example.

(cc)DFn;<DFm>

Use the contents of dynamic RFID field DFm in the dynamic RFID field DFn.

(cc)GFn;(D)logoname(D)

The Execute Dynamic Logo Command. Enter the name of the logo during the Execute Form mode as described in Execute Form: Dynamic Logo on page 63.

(cc)IAFn; [idir] STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)

The Execute Incremental Dynamic Alphanumeric Data command. Supply the data as described on page 65.

(cc)IDFn; [idir] STEP; [RPTn;][RSTn;](D)STARTDATA(D)

Refer to RFWTAG on page 97.

(cc)IBFn; [idir] STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)

The Execute Incremental Dynamic Bar Code Data command. Supply the data as described on page 65.

Overlay Data Overlay data can be entered during the Execute Form mode. (The words "Overlay Data" are not part of the Execute command. They are shown in the command sequence to indicate that actual overlay data can be entered following the Execute command.) Refer to Execute Form: Overlay Data on page 66.

#### Form Feed Character

Optional command instructing the IGP/PGL to start a new page with new EVFU, dynamic, and overlay data using the existing Execute commands for the current form. This *EVFU Data-Dynamic Data and Overlay Data-Form Feed Character* sequence can be repeated indefinitely, while maintaining the optimum print speed, within the original Execute command.

(cc)NORMAL

The Normal mode command. If the form count parameter was not used in the Execute command, enter the SFCC and **NORMAL** to return the IGP/PGL to the Normal mode. The Normal mode command is input following all other Execute commands to enter variable data. (Refer to the following sections.) Input a line terminator to leave a blank line before entering the Normal command.

### **Execute Form: Electronic Vertical Format Unit**

Purpose Provides an efficient method of automatically skipping to a specified print line

during repetitive printing tasks.

Mode EXECUTE

Format See Appendix Error! Reference source not found...

#### **Comments**

The Electronic Vertical Format Unit (EVFU) is used as overlay data within the Execute Form mode. Detailed EVFU information is provided in Appendix D.

The EVFU must be loaded while in the Execute Form mode and immediately following the Execute command. After executing the form and returning to Normal mode, the EVFU information is automatically deleted from printer memory. To print the form again, re-send the EVFU command.

Several key points to operating the EVFU are listed below.

- Send EVFU commands immediately following the Execute command or the format form feeds.
- The EVFU can be unloaded by issuing an END LOAD command only.
- The number of lines slewed is dictated by the current line spacing (lpi) setting.
- In those circumstances where the EVFU is being used to control the forms length only, the IGP/PGL forms length parameter can be used in place of the EVFU.
- The maximum number of EVFU channels is 192.
- Changing the LPI unloads the EVFU.

# **Execute Form: Dynamic Alphanumeric Data**

**Purpose** Incorporates the dynamic alphanumeric data into a previously identified location

of a form.

Mode EXECUTE

Format (cc)AFn;(D)ASCII text(D)

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

AF*n* Indicates a dynamic alphanumeric field (AF) and its data (*n*). Enter **AF** and replace *n* with

the number of the data field corresponding to the number used to identify the field when it

was defined with the Alphanumeric command in the Create Form mode.

(D) The printable character identifying the start and finish of the alphanumeric data. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but will not be printed with

the data.

ASCII text The group of ASCII characters (the alphanumeric string) to print. Enter any of the standard

ASCII printable characters (except the character used as delimiters described in the (D)

parameter). The data appears on the form at the location identified by n.

**NOTE:** Commands can appear anywhere in the overlay text with IGP/PGL, but it is recommended

they are placed at the beginning.

#### **Comments**

The location for the Dynamic alphanumeric data must have been previously identified using the AF*n*;*L* parameters of the alphanumerics command in the Create Form mode. Inputting individual commands enters the new data into the identified location each time the form is printed.

You can repeat the (cc)AFn; (D)ASCII text(D) sequence to complete as many data fields as you defined on the form in the Create Form mode. You can also combine the Execute Dynamic Bar Code Data command in the same Execute command sequence. Each "page" of dynamic data (the dynamic fields, data, and overlay data) for the form must be separated from the next page of new dynamic data by a form feed.

# **Execute Form: Dynamic Bar Code Data**

**Purpose** Incorporates the dynamic bar code data into a previously identified location of a

form.

Mode EXECUTE

**Format** (cc)BFn;(D)data field(D)

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

BFn Indicates a dynamic bar code field (BF) and its data (n). Enter **BF** and replace n with the

number of the data field corresponding to the number used to identify the field when it was

defined with the bar code command during the Create Form mode.

(D) The printable character (quotation marks for example) identifying the start and finish of the

bar code data. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but

will not be printed with the data.

data field Enter the characters for the bar code data. The type of characters allowed in the data varies

with the type of bar code. Refer to the data field descriptions for the selected bar code

types. The data appears on the form at the location identified by n.

**NOTE:** Commands can appear anywhere in the overlay text with IGP/PGL, but it is recommended

they are placed at the beginning.

#### **Comments**

The bar code location must have been previously identified using the BF*n*;*L* parameters of a bar code command in the Create Form mode. Then use the appropriate bar code command to enter the bar code data in that location. Inputting individual commands enters new bar code data into the identified location each time the form is printed.

You can repeat the (cc)BFn;(D)data field(D) sequence to complete as many bar code data fields as were defined on the form in the Create Form mode. You can also combine the Execute Dynamic Alphanumeric Data command in the same Execute command sequence. Each "page" of dynamic data (the dynamic fields, data, and overlay data) for the form must be separated from the next page of new dynamic data by a form feed.

# **Execute Form: Dynamic Logo**

**Purpose** Incorporates the dynamic graphic logo into a previously identified location of a

form.

Mode EXECUTE

**Format** (cc)GFn;(D)logoname(D)

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

GFn Indicates the dynamic logo field. Enter **GF** and replace n with the number of the field

corresponding to when it was defined with the Logo Call command during the CREATE

form mode.

(D) The printable character identifying the start and finish of the alphanumeric data. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but will not be included in

the logo name.

logoname Enter the logo name. If the logo is not found in DRAM, the flash memory is searched.

#### **Comments**

The logo location must have been previously identified using the GF*n* parameters of a logo command in the Create Form mode. Then use the appropriate logo command to enter the logo data in that location. Inputting individual commands enters new logo data into the identified location each time the form is printed.

You can repeat the (cc)GFn;(D)logoname(D) sequence to complete as many logo data fields as were defined on the form in the Create Form mode. You can also combine the Execute Dynamic Alphanumeric Data command in the same Execute command sequence. Each "page" of dynamic data (the dynamic fields, data, and overlay data) for the form must be separated from the next page of new dynamic data by a form feed.

# **Execute Form: Incremental Dynamic Data**

Purpose Incorporates incremental/decremental capability to dynamic alphanumeric or bar code data

supplied as a part of the Execute Form mode.

Mode NORMAL

NOTE: In the command below, incremental Execute parameters are shown in boldface type; standard

Execute command parameters are shown in italics. The general Execute format is shown

on page 60.

Format (cc)EXECUTE; formname [;PAGEn] [;FC] [;ICNTn] [;IRSTn]

ICNT*n* Identifies the incremental form count to specify the number of forms to generate with the

incremental fields automatically updated. Enter ICNT and replace n with a value ranging

from 1 through 65535 to specify the number of forms.

IRST*n* The optional incremental reset count parameter to specify the number of forms to generate

before resetting all incremental fields to their starting values. The reset count parameter is useful in dividing the total number of forms generated into multiple groups of identical copies. To use this parameter, enter **IRST** and replace n with a value ranging from 1 through **65535** to specify the reset count (how many forms generated before resetting the incremental fields). If the reset count value is equal to or greater than the incremental count

value, the reset will never occur.

### **Example**

The following forms were generated from ICNT6, IRST2. (To duplicate incremental fields within a form, refer to page 37.)

0	3	0	3	0		3	
1	4	1	4	1		4	
2	5	2	5	2		5	
form1	form2	form3	form4	form5	•' '•	form6	= ICNT6

# **Supplying Dynamic Data for Incremental Fields**

idir

RPTn

RSTn.

STARTDATA

STEPMASK

Incremental dynamic data fields are created in the Create Form mode using the incremental alphanumeric or bar code commands. The incremental dynamic data itself is supplied during the Execute Form mode at the top of the form prior to any overlay data. The incremental dynamic data (either alphanumeric or bar code data) can be changed with each new batch of forms. Incremental dynamic data fields specified in the Create Form mode will not appear on the form if corresponding incremental dynamic data is not supplied in the Execute Form mode.

Format	For incremental dynamic alphanumeric data:
	(cc)IAFn; [idir] STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)
	For incremental dynamic bar code data:
	(cc)IBFn; [idir] STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)
(cc)	The Special Function Control Code.
IAF	Identifies the command as an incremental alphanumeric dynamic data; enter IAF.
IBF	Identifies the command as an incremental bar code dynamic data; enter IBF.
n	Identifies the field number of the dynamic data field as entered in the Create Form mode. Replace $n$ with the number used to identify the field when it was defined.

The optional increment direction parameter to specify an increase or decrease of the data. Enter a plus sign (+) or leave the field blank to increment (the default). Enter a minus sign (-) to decrement.

Defines the increment amount (step), the number of character positions in the data field, and provides a mask to control the increment function on specific parts of the data. Refer to Incremental Bar Code Fields on page 282 or Alphanumerics, Incremental Fields on page 32 for complete information on STEPMASK parameter values.

The optional incremental repeat count parameter to specify the number of times a particular field value is repeated before it is incremented. A repeated field value is useful when printing multiple rows/columns of identical labels before incrementing to the next value. To use the repeat count parameter, enter **RPT** and replace *n* with a numeric value ranging from **1** through **65535** to specify the repeat count. The default repeat count parameter is 1, which will increment the field value each time it is printed.

The optional incremental reset count parameter to specify the number of times an incremented field is printed (on one or more forms) before it is reset to the starting value. A reset count is useful when printing a hierarchy of fields where a low-level field generates a sequence of numbers, is reset, and the next higher field level is incremented (such as in a unit/box/carton application). To use the reset count parameter, enter **RST** and replace *n* with a number ranging from **1** through **65535** to specify the reset count. The default reset count value is 0.

Defines the starting value of the incrementing field. The maximum amount of STARTDATA characters must be equal to or less than the number of characters in the STEPMASK field. If the number of data characters in dynamic alphanumeric data commands only is less than the number used in STEPMASK, the data will print right justified with preceding spaces. (Leading spaces are not provided for bar code data.) For dynamic bar code data, the type

of characters allowed for incrementing fields is based on the type of bar code. Refer to the individual bar code descriptions in the Bar Codes chapter for information on valid type and quantity of data characters. The STARTDATA must be enclosed within standard printable character delimiters just as a standard data field is enclosed within delimiters.

# **Execute Form: Overlay Data**

Overlay data is variable alphanumeric data entered onto a predefined form. The form is completed by positioning the data in the exact location it will appear on the form when printed. The data is placed horizontally using tabs and spaces, and vertically using line feeds, form feeds, and the EVFU.

For example, if the serial number field on the form begins at character row 22, and column 14, enter 22 line feeds, space over 14 columns, and input serial number overlay data. An entire form can be completed with a page of overlay data in this manner. Overlay data at the end of a form is printed on a new form until all overlay data is used. Then, to advance to the next form, use a form feed.

The IGP/PGL Electronic Vertical Format Unit can be used to control vertical spacing of the overlay data. In place of line feed commands input individually, the EVFU can be programmed (during the Execute Form mode) to slew the overlay data page to the predetermined lines with a single command.

When using the IGP/PGL, the Dynamic Data command and Overlay IGP/PGL commands may be issued on the same line as the overlay text to synchronize the printer with systems that count lines (e.g., I.B.M.). See the IGP/PGL command standard for inline command format on page 24.

# **Expanded Print**

**Purpose** Selects font sizes other than the default font.

Mode NORMAL, EXECUTE
Format (cc)EXPAND; VE; HE

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

EXPAND The Expanded Print command; enter **EXPAND**.

VE Specifies the vertical expansion factor; enter a value ranging from 0 through 139. Use

vertical expansion with 12 point font size only.

HE Specifies the horizontal expansion factor; enter a value ranging from **0** through **139**. Use

horizontal expansion with 12 point font size only.

**NOTE:** Both VE and HE parameters must be zero or non-zero. One expansion value cannot be

specified as 0 if the other is not. A VE or HE setting of 1 expands the appropriate plane but produces single- size characters. A VE and HE setting of 0 produces standard-size

characters.

#### Comments

The Expanded Print command uses the 0.10-inch, 10 cpi Gothic typeface as the default base value from which alphanumeric characters are expanded. (Refer to the Font command on page 67 for more information about available typefaces and styles.)

The character height can be up to a maximum of 13.9 inches, which means if a page is 13.9 inches high, you can print a character that fills the entire height of the page.

After an Expanded Print command is entered, all subsequent alphanumerics print at the specified expansion until another Expanded Print command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered. An Expanded Print command with *VE* and *HE* set to 0 selects standard character printing.

## **Example**

The following command results in character printing at 25 times its vertical and 40 times its horizontal size.

**Font** 

**Purpose** Selects typefaces other than the default Gothic font.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, EXECUTE

Format (cc)FONT [;FACE #] [NAME #] [;BOLD #] [;BLOCK #] [;SLANT #] [;SYMSET #] [;POINT #]

[;SPACE #] [;ZERO #] [WIDTH#]

**NOTE:** The standard fonts are as follows:

Letter Gothic Bold (FACE 93779, NAME 93779.sf)

Courier New Bold (FACE 93952, NAME 93952.sf)

CG Triumvirate Bold Condensed (FACE 92250, NAME 92250.sf)

OCR-A (FACE 90993, NAME 90993.sf)

OCR-B (FACE 91409, NAME 91409.sf)

CG Times (FACE 92500, NAME 92500.sf)

GC Triumverate (FACE 92244, NAME 92244.sf)

CG Triumverate Bold (FACE 92248, NAME 92248.sf)

(cc) The Special Function Control Code. (If you are using the Font command in the CREATE

mode, do not enter the SFCC.)

FONT The Font command; enter **FONT**.

FACE # Identifies the specific typeface. Enter FACE, a space, and the 5-digit typeface number

representing the selected typeface. Other font numbers correspond to optional typefaces.

Refer to the font instructions for typeface numbers.

Do not use this command to select OCR-A and OCR-B. Instead, use either the C*n* parameter in the Alphanumeric command or use the Compressed Print Density command.

NOTE: FACE # 1, 2 and 3 are for importing HP Soft Fonts. Please contact your distributor for

further information.

NAME # Selects a font by its file name. Enter **NAME**, a space, and the file name of the font, including

its extension. The maximum length of the name is 8 characters and the maximum length

of the extension is 3 characters.

For example, "93952.sf" specifies Courier New Bold (Intellifont), and "arial.ttf" would

represent Arial (TrueType).

If this parameter is used, then the FACE parameter should not be used.

BOLD # Selects a bold attribute. Enter **BOLD**, a space, and **ON** or **1** to turn bold on, or **OFF** or **0** 

for no bold attribute.

BLOCK # Is used to select block fonts. A value of zero turns the block fonts off and uses scalable

fonts (the default). A value of 1 uses the block font set, and a value of 2 uses the first

alternate block font set.

SLANT # Selects a slanting factor. (Slant is similar to italic, but also offers a backward slant.) Enter

**SLANT**, a space, and **RIGHT** or **1** for a typical italic slant, **LEFT** or **-1** for a backward slant,

or OFF or 0 for no slant attribute.

SYMSET # Selects a font symbol set other than the default ASCII symbol set. Enter **SYMSET**, a space,

and 'UTF8' to select the UTF8 character set or enter a number following the space to select

the corresponding symbol set.

POINT # Selects the point size for the current typeface. Enter **POINT**, a space, and a point size

ranging from 4 through 999. Point sizes are available in quarter-point increments.

Horizontal pitch is automatically adjusted based on the point size selected.

The POINT parameter cannot be used when in CREATE mode. Use the point parameter

of the ALPHA command for the text in CREATE mode.

SPACE # Selects a spacing alignment scheme, where applicable. Enter **SPACE**, a space, followed

by a value 0 through 3.

ZERO # It is used to select the slash zero option. A value of 0 turns off the slash zero, and a non-

zero value turns on the slash zero. All ALPHA commands and text printer are affected.

WIDTH # Selects the character width for the current typeface. Enter WIDTH, space, and a width size

(from 4 to 999). Width sizes are available in quarter point increments.

The WIDTH parameter cannot be used when in CREATE mode. Use the point parameter

of the ALPHA command for the text in CREATE mode.

#### Comments

Font parameters in Normal and Execute modes do not affect the fonts that have already been established and saved on a form.

Font commands issued in the Create mode affect only the current form being created and not any of the fonts on other forms or for Execute or Normal mode text.

You can use any or all Font parameters, listed in any order, in a single Font command. (Do not list font parameters on separate lines.) Parameters and symbol sets not specified retain the previously selected value.

All Font command parameters are reset to default values upon receiving a NORMAL, RESET, CONFIG;RESET, or new CREATE command. Multiple font commands within a single form will save the *last* font command parameters specified. Symbol sets can also be selected using the ISET or USET commands. (Refer to the Character Sets chapter 5.)

To change font width and height, use the Compressed Print (Density) or Expanded Print commands described on page 44 and page 66, respectively.

## **Example**

The following command selects the Letter Gothic font (#93779) with a right slant. This font will continue to print until another Font command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered.

~FONT; FACE 93779; SLANT RIGHT

The FONT; NAME command also supports Andalé fonts from four different Andalé cartridges (Traditional Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Korean, and Japanese). All Andalé fonts support UTF-8, ASCII, and DBCS data which cover most of the characters in Unicode 3.0.

To select an Andalé font with the FONT; NAME command, use one of the following commands:

FONT; NAME anmdt.ttf (Traditional Chinese Andalé)

FONT; NAME anmds.ttf (Simplified Chinese Andalé)

FONT; NAME anmdk.ttf (Korean Andalé)

FONT; NAME anmdj.ttf (Japanese Andalé)

### **Font Load**

**Purpose** Load binary TrueType Font (.ttf) or Intellifont (.sf) into RAMDISK or Flash memory.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)FONTLOAD; name; size [;DISK]

data

END

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

FONTLOAD The Font Load command; enter **FONTLOAD**.

name Specify associated binary TrueType font or Intellifont data by name. Enter the name of the

font, including its extension. The maximum length of the name is 8 characters and the maximum length of the extension is 3 characters. For example, **93952.sf** specifies Courier

New Bold (Intellifont) and arial.ttf would represent Arial (TrueType).

size Enter the size, in bytes, of the binary TrueType font or Intellifont data.

DISK Optional parameter to store the binary data to Onboard Flash Memory. Enter DISK for

Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **EMC** for the SD card or External Memory Cartridge. When DISK is not specified, the font is stored on RAMDISK. See "Flash Memory Storage" on

page 22.

data The binary TrueType font or Intellifont data to be stored in memory.

END Ends the FONTLOAD command. Enter **END**.

#### Comment

When loading fonts to RAMDISK, the printer files will not be saved to RAMDISK when the printer is powered off. When loading fonts to flash memory, the printer files will be saved when the printer is powered off. Both RAMDISK and flash memory support file operations such as saving, reading, and deleting files.

# Example 1

Example 1 loads the Arial TrueType font (arial.ttf) to RAMDISK with 10489 bytes of binary data.

```
~FONTLOAD; arial.ttf;10489 <font data=10489 bytes>END
```

#### Example 2

The following command loads the Arial TrueType font (arial.ttf) to Onboard Flash Memory, SD card, or Extended Memory Cartridge based on the front panel menu "Storage Select" with 10489 bytes of binary data

```
~FONTLOAD; arial.ttf;10489; DISK <font data=10489 bytes>END
```

## Example 3

The following command loads the Arial TrueType font (arial.ttf) to SD card or Extended Memory Cartridge with 10489 bytes of binary data. For printers without this external storage capability, this font will be loaded into Onboard Flash Memory.

```
~FONTLOAD; arial.ttf; 10489; EMC <font data=10489 bytes>END
```

# Form Length

n

**Purpose** Sets the length of the form to a specific number of lines at 6 or 8 lpi.

Mode CREATE

**Format** LFORM6;*n* **or** LFORM8;*n* 

LFORM6 The Form Length command for 6 lpi forms; enter **LFORM6**. LFORM8 The Form Length command for 8 lpi forms; enter **LFORM8**.

Specifies the forms length in total number of lines allowed per form. The range depends on the paper size used and the top/bottom margin setting. Table 9 shows the appropriate form lengths for the paper size used when the top and bottom page margin settings are zero. An error message will result if the maximum line values are exceeded.

**Table 9 Paper Sizes and Maximum Page Length** 

Paper Size	Dimensions (inches)	Maximum Lines Per Page (when top/bottom margins = 0)			
	(illes)	6 lpi	8 lpi		
Letter	8.5 x 11	66	88		
Legal	8.5 x 14	84	112		
A4	8.268 x 11.693	70	93		
B5	6.929 x 9.842	59	78		
AIAG Label	4 x 6	36	48		
AIAG Label	6 x 5	30	40		
Odette Label	8 x 5	30	40		
Computer	14 x 11	66	88		

NOTE:

This command affects only printed text inside of IGP/PGL forms, not the printer lpi. The LFORM8 command considers a line as 9 dot rows; the LFORM6 command considers a line as 12 dot rows. The 9 and 12 dot rows per line matches the dot rows of the printer in

the DP mode if set to 8 or 6 lpi, respectively.

## **Example**

The following example establishes a forms length of 8 inches (48 lines at 6 lpi):

LFORM6:48

NOTE: Additional information about page boundaries can be found in Appendix B.

# **Hex Character Encoding**

**Purpose** Enables the IGP to process the data in the hex character format, which only accepts

characters 0-9 and A-F. This format is useful when the user needs to send down binary data in an ASCII format and does not want control codes such as line feed or carriage return to be part of the binary data. The command HEXOFF will disable this feature and

return the IGP to normal data processing.

NOTE: A line terminator is not required in the Hex Character Encoding Sequence.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, and EXECUTE

**Format** (cc)HEXON or (cc)HEXOFF

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

**HEXON** Hex character encoding enabled; enter HEXON.

**HEXOFF** Hex character encoding disabled; enter HEXOFF.

#### Comments

HEXON and HEXOFF can be used anywhere in the data stream.

## Ignore Sequence

Enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all characters after the Ignore Sequence On (IGON) **Purpose** 

command is entered. All characters are ignored until the Ignore Sequence Off (IGOFF)

command is entered

NOTE: A line terminator is not required in the Ignore Sequence.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, or EXECUTE

**Format** (cc)IGON or (cc)IGOFF

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

**IGON** Ignore Sequence On command. Enter IGON.

**IGOFF** Exits Ignore Sequence. Enter IGOFF.

### Comments

IGON and IGOFF can also be used anywhere in the data stream.

NOTE: Commands in PTX\_SETUP are not ignored.

## **Line Spacing**

**Purpose** Defines the lines per inch (lpi) printing format.

Mode NORMAL, EXECUTE Format (cc)LPI;n

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

LPI The Vertical Line Spacing command; enter LPI.

n Selects the line spacing in lpi; enter a value from 1 through 1000. The accuracy of the

line spacing is limited to the resolution of the target printer.

#### Comments

Standard line spacing is 6 lpi. After a Vertical Line Spacing command is entered, all subsequent alphanumerics print at the specified lpi until another Vertical Line Spacing command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered.

## **Example**

The following command selects 9 lpi printing format until another Line Spacing command, a Normal mode command, or a Reset command is entered.

~LPI;9

# Lines, Diagonal

**Purpose** Produces a diagonal line.

Mode CREATE
Syntax DIAG

LT; SR; SC; ER; EC

**STOP** 

DIAG The Diagonal command.

LT Defines the border thickness, measured in vertical IGP dots (1/72 inch increments).

SR Defines the starting row of the diagonal line (CP.DP format, dot rows or direct

measurement in millimeters based on SCALE command).

SC Defines the starting column of the diagonal line (CP.DP format, dot rows or direct

measurement in millimeters based on SCALE command).

ER Defines the ending row of the diagonal line (CP.DP format, dot rows or direct measurement

in millimeters based on SCALE command).

EC Defines the ending column of the diagonal line (CP.DP format, dot rows or direct

measurement in millimeters based on SCALE command).

#### **Example**

DIAG

2;2;2;5;10

STOP

# Lines, Horizontal

**Purpose** Defines horizontal lines.

Mode CREATE

Format HORZ LT;R;SC;EC STOP

HORZ The Horizontal Line command; enter **HORZ**.

LT Defines the line thickness, measured in 1/72-inch dots. Enter a value of 1 or greater. Horizontal line thickness expands downward from the given row.

R Defines the row to draw the horizontal line. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the horizontal line. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26)

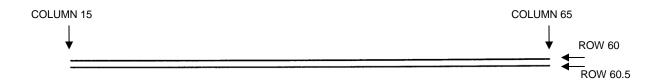
EC Defines the ending column of the horizontal line. Enter a value ranging from column 2 through the last column of the form. The ending column must be greater than the starting column. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26)

STOP Stop indicates the end of the HORZ command; enter STOP. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will expect another set of Horizontal Line command parameters.

## **Example**

The following example specifies 2 horizontal lines. The first line uses the character row in the R parameter, and the second line uses CP.DP format. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page.

HORZ 1;60;15;65 1;60.5;15;65



## Lines, Vertical

**Purpose** Defines vertical lines.

Mode CREATE

**Format** VERT LT;C;SR;ER STOP

**VERT** The Vertical Line command; enter VERT.

LT Defines the line thickness, measured in 1/60-inch dots. Enter a value of 1 or greater.

Vertical line thickness expands to the right from the starting column.

CDefines the column where the vertical line begins. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified

based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SR Defines the starting row of the vertical line. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one

less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

ER Defines the ending row of the vertical line. Enter a value ranging from row 2 through the

> last column of the form. The ending row must be greater than the starting row. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP

format (page 26).

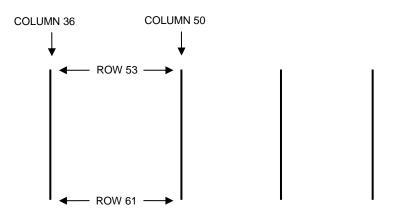
**STOP** 

Stop indicates the end of the VERT command; enter **STOP**. If not entered, the IGP/PGL expects another set of Vertical Line command parameters.

## **Example**

The following program specifies 4 vertical lines. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page.

VERT 2;36;53;61 2;50;53;61 2;60;53;61 2;70;53;61 STOP



# Link

**Purpose** Prints forms created in the CREATE mode, used exclusively for XML driven forms.

Mode NORMAL

**Format** (cc)LINK;formname[;PAGEn][;IRSTn];DISK

[EVFU Data]

[(cc)AFn; (D)ASCII text(D)]

[(cc)BFn; (D)data(D)]

[(cc)DFn; (D)data(D)]

[(cc)AFn; <DFn>]

[(cc)BFn; <DFn>]

[(cc)GFn; (D)logoname(D)]

[(cc)KFn; (D)DBCS data(D)]

[(cc)IAFn; [idir] STEP; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)]

 $[(\mathsf{cc})\mathsf{IBFn}; [\mathit{idir}] \ \mathsf{STEP}; [\mathit{RPTn};] \ [\mathit{RSTn};] \ (D) \ \mathsf{STARTDATA}(D)]$ 

[(cc)IDFn; [idir] STEP; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)]

[Overlay Data]

[Form Feed character]

(cc)NORMAL

LINK

Enter LINK. The rest of the parameters are the same as the one listed for ~EXECUTE except for the incremental data; use STEP instead of STEPMASK. This command is exclusively for XML driven forms. When the LINK command is used, the command line ~LINK and the data following it up to ~NORMAL will be saved into flash memory under the same file name with the extension .Ink. When XML data stream prints the form with the same name, the files (.nol, .frm, and .Ink) of the same corresponding name will be retrieved

from flash memory and executed in this order. \*.nol includes all the command in NORMAL mode, \*.frm includes all the command in CREATE mode, and \*.lnk includes all the command in EXECUTE mode. \*.nol is an optional file for printing XML forms, but both \*.frm and \*.lnk are required for printing XML forms. See the ~SETUP command on how to save .nol files into flash memory. See the ~CREATE command on how to save .frm files into flash memory.

formname Identifies a previously defined form by name. The form name is not case sensitive.

PAGEn PAGEn is the same as the one listed in the ~EXECUTE command. Refer to the ~EXECUTE

command for a parameter description.

IRSTn is the same as the one listed in the ~EXECUTE command. Refer to the ~EXECUTE

command for a parameter description.

DISK Enter DISK to save the LINK file into FLASH. This parameter is required for the LINK

command.

[(cc)AFn; (D)data(D)] [(cc)BFn; (D)data(D)] [(cc)CFn; (D)data(D)]

data The data will be the tag name defined in XML data file, which will be replaced with the tag

value defined in XML data file and be printed as print data on the label.

For incremental dynamic alphanumeric data:

(cc)IAFn;[idir] STEP[idir]step;[RPTn;] [RSTn;](D)STARTDATA(D)

For incremental dynamic barcode data:

(cc)IBFn;[idir] STEP[idir]step;[RPTn;] [RSTn;](D)STARTDATA(D)

For incremental dynamic radio frequency identification data:

(cc)IDFn;[idir] STEP[idir]step;[RPTn;] [RSTn;](D)STARTDATA(D)

STEP Define the step increment or decrement. Use this parameter for incremental dynamic data

used in an XML driven form.

STARTDATA The data will be the tag name defined in XML data file, which will be replaced with the tag

value defined in XML data file and be printed as print data on the label. The tag value will

increment.

## Comments

The form count option FC/ICNT/FCNT used in the EXECUTE command is ignored in the LINK command. The form count of XML driven forms is determined by the \_QUANTITY attribute in XML data stream.

For XML driven forms, since both SETUP (\*.nol) and LINK file (\*.lnk) are stored only in FLASH, the user can delete the flash files through the front panel option. (See the SETUP command for a description.)

## Example 1

The following is an example of how the ~LINK command works with XML driven forms.

~SETUP; ROLL // saved in FLASH as ROLL.nol ~CONFIG TOP/BOTTOM MARGIN; 0 SLASH ZERO; 0 HOST FORM LENGTH; 0

```
END
~PAPER; CUT 0; INTENSITY 0; ROTATE 0; SPEED IPS 4; LABELS 2; WIDTH 41
~SETUPEND
~CREATE; ROLL; 432; DISK
                              //saved in FLASH as ROLL.fm
ALPHA
IAF1;10;5;5;3;3
AF2;10;10;5;3;3
15;5;3;3;*This is an XML driven form*
STOP
END
~LINK; ROLL; DISK
                               //Saved in FLASH as ROLL.Ink
~IAF1; STEP+1; "employee"
~AF2; *company*
~NORMAL
```

The following is a complete XML data stream which will print three copies of the above form, where "employee" and "company" are the tag names. The tag names will be replaced with the tag value "1234567" and "IBM". The tag value will print as print data.

#### Example 2

The following is an example of how the ~LINK command works with XML driven forms for RFID label.

```
~CREATE; EPC; 144; DISK
SCALE; DOT; 203; 203
RFWTAG; 64
64; IDF1; H
STOP
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF2; H
STOP
ALPHA
POINT; 90; 60; 16; 8; "EPC:"
IAF1;16; POINT; 90;160;16;8
STOP
END
~LINK; EPC; DISK
~IDF1;STEP+1; "employee"
~IAF1;<DF2>
~NORMAL
```

The following is a complete XML data stream which will print three copies of the above form, where "employee" is the tag name. The tag name will be replaced with the tag value "1000000007788506". The XML tag value is also the RFID tag write data in this example. The RFID read data will print on paper as ALPHA field.

#### Listen

**Purpose** Disables the IGP/PGL from the "quiet" state and enables the IGP/PGL for

standard operation. (The Quiet command is explained on page 93).

Mode NORMAL Format (cc)LISTEN

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

LISTEN The Listen command; enter **LISTEN**.

**NOTE:** When the IGP/PGL is in the quiet state, the currently selected line printer emulation commands are active. Refer to your printer's *LinePrinter Plus Emulation Programmer's Reference Manual* for a description of these commands.

# Logo Call

**Purpose** 

Selects and positions previously defined logo(s). (The logo itself is actually defined separately in the Create Logo mode.) The logo may be defined using TIFF, PCX, PNG, or BMP raster data, or IGP/PGL dots.

Mode CREATE

Format LOGO

[GFn;]SR;SC;logoname[;ROT] [;DISK]

**STOP** 

LOGO The Logo Call command; enter **LOGO**.

GF<sub>n</sub>

The optional dynamic field for identifying the logo location on the form. If this parameter is used, the actual logo name cannot be entered here; it must be entered dynamically in Execute Form mode (see page 63). Dynamically entering the logo name permits changes to the graphics without redefining the form. To use this field, perform the following steps:

- a. Enter GF.
- b. Replace *n* with a number from **0 through 512** to identify the logo location on the form. The *SR* and *SC* parameters are used to specify the exact location of the logo identified by *n*.

SR Defines the starting row of the logo. The SR (and SC) parameter specifies the location for the logo based on the upper left corner of the grid in which the logo was defined. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the logo. The SC (and SR) parameter specifies the location for the logo based on the upper left corner of the grid in which the logo was defined. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

logoname

Identifies a previously defined logo by name for use on the form. Enter the logo name exactly as used to define and store the logo. This logo name is not entered when the GF*n* parameter is used.

**ROT** 

Optional parameter for images scanned in orientations other than upright. Either CW (for 90 degree clockwise rotation), CCW (for 90 degree counterclockwise rotation), or INV (for Inverted characters; 180 degree rotations), or NOR (for normal rotation). If not specified, the rotation will be the rotation when it is defined in NORMAL mode. When specified, this option will override the rotation option specified in NORMAL mode (with ~LOGO command).

DISK

Optional parameter to retrieve the logo from Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **DISK**. The DISK parameter is not needed for dynamic logos (GFn). The Onboard Flash Memory is automatically searched when the logo name is specified in Execute Form mode. To retrieve the logo from the SD card or Expanded Memory Cartridge, enter **EMC**. See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

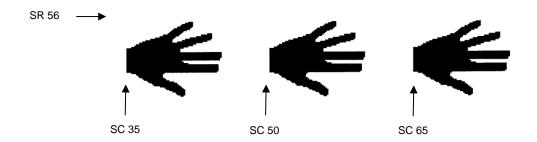
**STOP** 

Stop indicates the end of the LOGO command; enter **STOP**, and the IGP/PGL will wait for a new command. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will expect another set of Logo Call command parameters.

## **Example**

The following sample program specifies three logo calls placing the same logo at three different locations. (The logo was previously defined and stored.) The starting row and column specify the upper left corner of the grid in which the logo was defined. To illustrate positioning, the starting row and column are indicated on the example but do not necessarily reflect actual location on the page.

LOGO 56;35;HAND 56;50;HAND 56;65;HAND STOP



NOTE:

When the logo to be executed is not found in memory, the "LOGO NOT FOUND" error is printed.

# Logo Mode (Row), Create

**Purpose** 

Places the IGP/PGL in the Create Logo mode, where logos can be defined using the appropriate dot placements.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE

Format (NORMAL)

(cc)LOGO; logoname; VL; HL [;DOT] [;DISK]

row#;dot;dot1-dot2;dot

**END** 

Format (CREATE)

LOGODEF; logoname; VL; HL(T)]

row#;dot;dot1-dot2;dot

END

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.LOGO The Logo command; enter LOGO.

LOGODEF The CREATE mode Logo command; enter **LOGODEF**.

logoname Enter a maximum of 15 alphanumeric characters for the name of the logo. (Refer to page

25 for a list of allowable Logo Name characters.) All future references to this logo (Delete Logo or Logo Call commands) must use this name. If a logo is defined with the same name as a logo already existing in memory, the newly defined logo will replace the existing logo.

VL Defines the vertical length of the logo grid in dot rows; enter a value sufficient for the vertical

size of the logo, not exceeding 252. The dot rows are vertically spaced 1/72-inch apart.

HL Defines the horizontal length of the logo grid in dot columns; enter a value sufficient for the

horizontal size of the logo, not exceeding 240. On each row, the dots are horizontally

spaced 1/60-inch apart.

DOT Optional parameter. Enter **DOTS**. If used, the logo description and dimensions *VL;HL* are

given in printer dots, which are based on the printer DPI. Otherwise, the DOT default is 60x72. Also, when the DOT parameter is used, there is no limit on the size of the logo as

there is when using IGP dots.

(T) A line terminator (i.e., LF, FF) must separate the LOGO line from the beginning of the raster

data.

DISK In NORMAL mode use this parameter to store the logo to Onboard Flash Memory. Enter

**DISK**. Do not use this parameter in CREATE mode. To store the logo in the SD card or Expanded Memory Cartridge, enter **EMC**. See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

row# Identifies the row number for each row of dots in the logo. Enter each row number on a

separate command line. Rows are numbered sequentially from top to bottom.

dot Identifies a single dot position in the row. Enter each dot number used. Dots are numbered

sequentially from left to right.

dot1-dot2 Identifies a series of dot positions within the row, including dot1 on the left end and dot2 on

the right end. Enter the series of dot rows. Series of dot rows can be combined with single

dot positions in the same command line.

END Terminates the Create Logo mode; enter **END**.

STOP Ends the Create Logo command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

STOP. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

## **Comments**

The logo is defined by specifying the overall size and the rows of data used. The actual number of logos you can create and store depends on the memory required for each logo.

The maximum logo size allowed is 252 rows high (3.5 inches) and 240 columns wide (4 inches). Values exceeding either of these dimensions will produce an error. To maximize memory space, do not define the vertical and horizontal length of the logo grid larger than is required to capture the design.

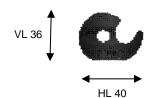
The printer produces a grid with 72 dots per inch vertically and 60 dots per inch horizontally. Consequently, a logo must be designed using this scale.

The Logo Call command (page 77) in the Create Form mode brings the predefined logo into a form. The starting row and column parameters refer to the upper left corner of the logo grid. Once created, the logo is ready to be used in any form and will print at the size shown.

## Example

The following program produced the tape holder logo.

```
~LOGO; TAPEHOLD; 36; 40 1; 12-18
2;10-20
3;9-22
4;8-24
5;7-25
6;6-26
7;5-26
8;4-25
9:4-25
10;3-24
11;3-24
12:2-23
13;2-23
14;2-14;17-23
15;1-12;19-22;38-39
16;1-12;20-23;37-40
17;1-11;20-23;37-40
18;1-11;20-23;36-40
19;1-11;20-23;36-40
20;1-11;20-23;35-40
21;1-12;20-24;35-40
22;1-12;19-24;34-39
23;1-14;17-25;33-39
24;1-28;31-39
25;1-39
26;2-38
27;2-38
28;2-37
29;3-37
30;3-36
31;3-36
32;4-35
33;5-34
34;6-33
35;7-32
36;9-30
END
```



# Logo Mode (Raster), Create

Purpose Places the IGP/PGL in the Create Logo mode, where logos can be defined using the PCX,

TIFF, PNG, or BMP raster file formats.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE

Format (NORMAL)

(cc)LOGO;logoname;TYPE[;TRIM][;RO7][;DISK][;INFO](T)

raster data (cc)RASTEREND END

Format (CREATE)

LOGODEF; logoname; TYPE[; TRIM][; ROT][; INFO] (T)

raster data (cc)RASTEREND STOP

NOTE: The logos defined in CREATE mode are independent of the forms being defined at the

same time. The logo can be used by other forms and must be deleted by using the ~RESET

or ~DELETE LOGO command.

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

LOGO The Logo command; enter **LOGO**.

LOGODEF The CREATE mode LOGODEF command; enter **LOGODEF**.

logoname Enter a maximum of 15 alphanumeric characters for the name of the logo. (Refer to page

25 for a list of allowable Logo Name characters.) All future references to this logo (Delete Logo or Logo Call commands) must use this name. If a logo is defined with the same name as a logo already existing in memory, the newly defined logo will replace the existing logo.

TYPE The type of raster data; enter PCX, TIFF, PNG, or BMP depending on the raster data type.

TRIM Optional parameter that removes extra white space bounding the image, which saves

memory inside the printer. Also helps position the image in an IGP/PGL form. Enter TRIM.

ROT Optional parameter for images scanned in orientations other than upright. Enter either CW

(for 90 degrees clockwise rotation), **CCW** (for 90-degree counterclockwise rotation), or **INV** (for inverted characters; 180 degrees rotations.) (This parameter is not for printing rotated logos but rather for handling scanned rotated images. Logos are rotated automatically to match the current page orientation when they are called from an IGP/PGL form being

executed.)

DISK Optional parameter to store the logo to Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **DISK**. Do not use

this parameter in CREATE mode. To store the logo in the SD card or Expanded Memory

Cartridge, enter **EMC**. See "Flash Memory Storage" on page 22.

INFO Optional parameter to provide information about barcodes that are located within the raster

data. This information will be used to inform the ODV-2D unit to verify the barcodes at the location given. For more information on how to use this parameter, see Section "INFO

within LOGO commands" on page 20.

(T) A line terminator (i.e., LF, FF) must separate the LOGO line from the beginning of the raster

data.

raster data

Scanned data in the original raster format; data must be black and white. Grey scales or color files may not be supported. Some compressed formats are not supported either

depending on the raster type.

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

RASTEREND Denotes the end of the raster data. Enter RASTEREND.

END Terminates the logo; enter **END**.

STOP Ends the Create Logo command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

### **Comments**

The size and number of raster image logos are bounded by printer memory. Also note that each rotation used requires a copy of the image; therefore, the number of rotations used affects the printer memory available.

The logo call command in the Create Form mode brings the predefined logo into a form. The starting row and column parameters refer to the upper left corner of the logo grid. Once created, the logo is ready to be used in any form.

Raster images may contain data that is interpreted by your host as control codes. This may affect the way the host sends data to the printer. Consult your host's *Administrator's Manual* for sending binary data.

Be careful when editing raster files because most TEXT editors insert carriage returns and line feeds. If a raster file must be edited, use a binary or hex editor.

The LOGO line must be terminated with an LF (hex 0A) or FF (hex 0C), and then immediately followed by the raster data. The IGON and IGOFF commands can be used with the raster data to ignore extraneous control or ASCII characters.

### **Normal Mode**

Purpose Places the IGP/PGL in the Normal mode of operation, where the data stream is not

changed but monitored for a Special Function Control Code followed by an IGP/PGL

command.

Mode NORMAL, EXECUTE

Format (cc)NORMAL

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

NORMAL The Normal mode command; enter NORMAL.

#### **Comments**

Normal mode is entered automatically when the printer is powered on with IGP/PGL. In Normal mode, the IGP/PGL uses the default font and line spacing values, unless otherwise configured with explicit commands.

A blank line or overlay data must always separate an EXECUTE command from a NORMAL command, unless a form count is given for the EXECUTE.

## **Optimize**

**Purpose** Performs the same function as the front panel menu System > Flash File Edit > Optimize

& Reboot. Optimizes the flash file in memory and then reboots.

**NOTE:** The Optimize command is not supported on all printer models. Some models do not require

this function to reclaim flash. If this command is not supported, it will be absorbed.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc) OPTIMIZE

(cc) The Special Function Control Code

OPTIMIZE The optimize command. Enter OPTIMIZE.

# **Page Number**

**Purpose** Defines where a page number is placed on a form and automatically increases the page

number on each page.

Mode CREATE

Format PAGE; SR; SC

PAGE The Page Number command; enter **PAGE**.

SR Defines the starting row of the page number. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one

less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the page number. Enter a value ranging from column 1

through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified

based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

If the SR or SC extends beyond the page boundaries, an Error 76 will occur in the Execute

Form mode, and default page number SR SC values (row 1, column 1) are used.

#### **Comments**

To begin automatically incrementing the page numbers, the starting page number must be specified during the Execute command.

## **Example**

The following command places the page numbers at row 60 column 70 on the form.

PAGE; 60; 70

## **Paper**

**Purpose** Controls printer paper options, such as page orientation, intensity and ribbon use.

Mode NORMAL, EXECUTE, CREATE

Format (cc)PAPER[;option #][;option #]

**NOTE:** Not all options may be available with your printer. Consult your *Administrator's Manual* to

determine which options are available. If an option is not available, the emulation will ignore

the corresponding command.

(cc) The Special Function Control Code. SFCC should not be used in the CREATE mode.

Checkmarked cells in Table 10 means full compatibility for thermal product lines. If the columns are left blank, the command is ignored for the given product line. Some options are specific to options that are installed with the printer.

### **Table 10 Paper command parameters**

Paper Parameter Description		Thermal
ABORT	Stops printing all remaining pages in the engine and flushes all partial job in progress. Enter <b>ABORT</b> .	✓

Paper Parameter	Description	Thermal
CALIBRATE	Calibrates the paper, allowing the printer to detect the notch, gap, or black stripe, depending on the paper type being used. Run this option every time there is a change in paper type. Consult your <i>Administrator's Manual</i> for more information on paper types. Enter <b>CALIBRATE</b> .	<b>✓</b>
CLEAR REPORT	CLEAR REPORT Clears the validator data report which are shown on a few menu option under VALIDATOR. Enter CLEAR REPORT.	
CONT MODE #	Sets continuous mode. Same as the "Continuous Mode" menu. Enter <b>CONT MODE</b> , a space, and <b>0</b> for standard, or <b>1</b> for tear off.	
CUT#	Sets the printer to cut a page after a specified number of pages. Enter <b>CUT</b> , a space, and a number from <b>0</b> through <b>256</b> (0 = no cutting).	<b>√</b>
CUTONCE	Sets the printer to cut only once at the end of the job. Enter <b>CUTONCE</b> . The command is sent to the printer after the job, (in NORMAL after ~EXECUTE).	✓
EJECT	Prints all pages that are in the buffer. Enter <b>EJECT</b> .	✓
ERROR RECOVERY	Changes the error recover option from the front panel. Allows creation of common PGL label formats. Syntax: ~ PAPER;ERROR RECOVER 1[0]	✓
FEED#	Feeds the media in tenths of an inch. Enter <b>FEED</b> , a space, and a number in the range of <b>-100</b> to <b>100</b> . A positive value will move the media forward, a negative value will retract the media. Negative movements may be limited by the product.	<b>✓</b>
FEED SHIFT #	Adjusts the Tear-off position in hundredths of an inch. Enter <b>FEED SHIFT</b> , a space, and a number consistent with the menu Media > Image > Paper Feed Shift.	✓
INTENSITY#	Specifies the darkness of the dots. Enter <b>INTENSITY</b> , a space, and a number in the range of <b>-15</b> through <b>15</b> . This parameter varies the amount of energy sent to the printhead. Actual darkness is determined by a combination of print media type, ribbon type, and platen pressure.	<b>✓</b>
INVERT	Set the printer to print texts in inverted image. Enter <b>INVERT</b> .	✓
LABELS#	Specifies the label sensor. Enter LABELS, a space, and one of the following:  0 for no sensor 1 for mark 2 for gap 3 for advanced gap (T8 only) 4 for advanced notch (T8 only)	<b>✓</b>

Paper Parameter	Description	Thermal
LANDSCAPE	Prints in landscape mode. Enter <b>LANDSCAPE</b> .	<b>✓</b>
LENGTH#	LENGTH# Specifies the length of the form in tenths of an inch. Enter LENGTH, a space, and number from 1 through 9999.	
MEDIA #	Specifies the type of media handling. Enter MEDIA, a space, and either one of the following:  0 for continuous mode 1 for tear-off strip 2 for tear-off mode 3 for peel-off mode, 4 for cut mode (paper is cut after printing each page) 5 for rewind (if product supports rewinder)	<b>✓</b>
MIRROR	Set the printer to print texts in mirror image. Enter <b>MIRROR</b> .	✓
NUM CODES #	Sets the number of the barcodes per page for the validator. Same as the "Number of Codes" menu. Enter <b>NUM CODES</b> , a space, and <b>0</b> for auto detect mode. 1 through 99 specifies the number of barcodes on the page.	ODV-1 only
PAPOUT SENS#	Sets paper out sensor. Same as the "Paper Out Sensor" menu. Enter <b>PAPOUT SENS</b> , a space, and <b>0</b> for Transmissive, or <b>1</b> for Reflective.	<b>✓</b>
PAUSE #	Sets the printer to pause (offline) after a specified number of <i>physical</i> pages printed. Enter <b>PAUSE</b> , a space, and a number from <b>0</b> through <b>9999</b> . ( <b>0</b> = no pause).	<b>✓</b>
PORTRAIT	Prints in portrait mode. Enter <b>PORTRAIT</b> .	✓
PRINT DIR #	Sets the printer print direction. Enter <b>PRINT DIR</b> , a space, and <b>0</b> to select Head First, or <b>1</b> to select Foot First.	<b>✓</b>
REV SLEW IPS	Specifies the slew speed in inches per second to allow the user to set the slew speed for reverse paper motion. Enter <b>REV SLEW IPS</b> , a space, and number that is consistent with the menu <i>Media</i> > <i>Speed</i> > <i>Reverse Speed</i> .	<b>✓</b>
ROTATE #	Specifies the page rotation. Enter <b>ROTATE</b> , a space, and either <b>0</b> (default) for portrait, <b>180</b> for inverted portrait, <b>90</b> for landscape, and <b>270</b> for inverted landscape.	<b>✓</b>
SIZE #,#	Specifies the page size (width and length) in 1/1000ths of inches. Enter <b>SIZE</b> , a space, and the width, a comma, and the length value. If the width or length should remain unchanged, enter a <b>0</b> instead.	<b>✓</b>
SLEW IPS #	Specifies the slew speed in inches per second. Enter <b>SLEW IPS</b> , a space, and number that is consistent with the menu <i>Media</i> > <i>Speed</i> > <i>Slew Speed</i> .	<b>√</b>

Paper Parameter	aper Parameter Description	
SPEED IPS #	Specifies the print speed in inches per second. Enter <b>SPEED IPS</b> , a space, and a number from <i>Media</i> > <i>Speed</i> > <i>Print Speed</i> .	<b>√</b>
TEAR #	Sets the printer to tear-off media handling and forces the printer to pause after a specified number of pages. The paper must be completely torn before the printer can resume normal operation. Enter <b>TEAR</b> , a space, and a number from <b>0</b> through <b>256</b> ( <b>0</b> = no tear).	T8 only
TYPE #	Specifies the type of paper being used. Enter <b>TYPE</b> , a space, and <b>0</b> for thermal transfer paper or <b>1</b> for direct thermal paper.	<b>✓</b>
WIDTH #	Specifies the width of the form in tenths of an inch. Enter <b>WIDTH</b> , a space, and number from <b>1</b> to <b>9999</b> .	✓

#### **Comments**

You can use any or all Paper parameters, listed in any order, in a single Paper command. (Do not list any parameters on separate lines.) Parameters not specified or specified incorrectly retain the previously selected value. All Paper command parameters are reset to default values upon receiving a RESET command. Multiple paper commands within a single form will save the *last* paper command parameters specified.

Changing orientation between Portrait and Landscape may cause previously defined forms to produce boundary error messages when the form is executed because width and height values are switched.

### **Example**

Based on power-up printer defaults, the following command selects the inverted portrait orientation.

~PAPER;ROTATE 180

## Paper Instruction - Data Bit 8

**Purpose** Enables or disables data bit 8 as the paper instruction signal when the IGP/PGL is

configured for a serial interface. (This command has no effect on a parallel interface.)

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)PION or (cc)PIOFF

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

PION The Data Bit 8 Paper Instruction On command; enter **PION**. When this command is sent,

7 data bits are allowed; data bit 8 is enabled as the paper instruction.

When data bit 8 is set high, the PION command skips to a specified print line. When data

bit 8 is set low, the PION command prints data characters.

PIOFF The Data Bit 8 Paper Instruction Off command; enter **PIOFF**. When this command is sent,

8 data bits are allowed for character data because data bit 8 is disabled as the paper instruction. Subsequent occurrences of data bit 8 in the data stream cause printing from

the extended character set.

# Paper Instruction (PI) Enable/Disable

**Purpose** Enables or disables use of the PI line using a parallel I/O device. (This command does not

enable/disable PI line sensing; it enables or disables use of the "sensed" PI line.)

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)EN-PI or (cc)DIS-PI

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

EN-PI The Enable PI command; enter EN-PI. When this command is enabled, the IGP/PGL

senses PI line, the 8 bits of data are interpreted as a paper instruction command, and the

PI line itself is ignored.

DIS-PI The Disable PI command; enter **DIS-PI**. When the Disable PI command is sent, the 8 bits

of data are interpreted as printable characters, and not as a paper instruction command.

### **Print File**

Purpose Prints files from the Onboard Flash Memory. Print File can be used to show the

SETUP functions that exist.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)PRINT; filename

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

PRINT The Print File command; enter **PRINT**.

filename The filename to be printed.

#### Comments

Do not use wildcard characters because the Print File command will attempt to print any file in the Onboard Flash Memory.

### **Example**

Example of how to print SETUP.PTR:

~PRINT; SETUP.PTR

#### **Printer Alert**

**Purpose** To set the printer alert condition. After the alert condition is set and the condition event

occurs, the printer responds immediately with an alert message for the corresponding

condition. The alert message is sent back to the host.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc) ALERT; TYPE n; DEST n; SET n; CLEAR n

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

ALERT The printer alert command. Enter ALERT.

TYPE n The condition type. Enter TYPE, a space, and a letter from the following list:

A = paper out B = ribbon out

C = printhead over-temp
D = printhead under-temp

E = head open

F = power supply over temp

G = ribbon-in warning (direct thermal mode)

H = rewind full

I = defaulted printer

J = cut error

K = printer paused

L = batch job completed

M = label take

N = head element out O = runtime error P = forced error

= binary flags

DEST n The destination to route alert to. Enter DEST, a space, and a letter:

A = serial port

B = ethernet data port C = ethernet status port

R = Return Status Port (return port determined by FP setting)

SET n Enable condition set alert. Enter SET, a space, and 1 to enable or 0 to disable.

CLEAR n Enable condition clear alert. Enter CLEAR, a space, and 1 to enable or 0 to disable.

#### Comment

Currently, only the condition type L (batch job completed) and b (binary flags) are supported.

## Example 1

The following example shows the format of printer alert command, where the printer responds with an alert message "BATCH JOB NOT COMPLETED" before the job is completed, and an alert message "BATCH JOB COMPLETED" when the batch job is completed. The alert message is sent back to the host through Serial.

~ALERT; TYPE L; DEST A; SET 1; CLEAR 1

### Example 2

The following example shows the alert command format in which the printer will respond with an alert message whenever one of the supported states change. The alert message is sent to the host through the port selected by the 'Ret. Status Port' FP setting.

**NOTE:** The CLEAR setting will have no effect on this alert type. The response send will always be 10 bytes long. The meaning of the status bytes is explained in the table below.

~ALERT;TYPE b;DEST R;SET 1;CLEAR 0

Status Byte	Bit	Status	Description
Byte 0	70	Response Start Marker	STX character
	7	Online	1 = printer online, 0 = printer offline
	6	Error	1 = error, 0 = no error
	5	Not Used	Always 1
	4	Processing	1 = processing, 0 = not processing
Byte 1	3	Printing	1 = printing, 0 = not printing
	2	Power Save	1 = in power save mode, 0 = not in power save mode
	1	Warning	1 = warning state, 0 = no warning state
	0	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	7	Print Head Open	1 = print head open, 0 = print head closed
	6	Paper	1 = paper out, 0 = no paper out
	5	Not used	Always 1
Byte 2	4	Ribbon Out	1 = ribbon out, 0 = no ribbon out
	3	Cutter Fault	1 = cutter fault, 0 = no cutter fault
	2	ODV max retry fail	1 = max retry fail, 0 = no max retry fail
	1	RFID max retry fail	1 = max retry fail, 0 = no max retry fail
	0	TOF Detect Fault	1 = TOF detect fault, 0 = no TOF detect fault
	7	Ribbon Low	1 = ribbon low, 0 = no ribbon low
	6	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	5	Not used	Always 1
D. d. O	4	FEXP	For Future Expansion
Byte 3	3	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	2	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	1	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	0	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	7	Label Fed	1 = label fed, 0 = no label fed
Distr. 4	6	Label OK	1 = label OK, label not OK
Byte 4	5	Not used	Always 1
	4	Label Failed	1 = label failed, 0 = label not failed

Status Byte	Bit	Status	Description
	3	Label Present	1 = label present, 0 = label taken
	2	Label Cut	1 = label cut, 0 = no label cut
	1	FEXP	For Future Expansion
	0	FEXP	For Future Expansion
Byte 58	70	FEXP	Bit 5 always 1
Byte 9	70	Response End Marker	ETX character

## **Printer Identification**

Purpose To request the printer identification. When the command is sent to the printer, the

information containing the printer identification is sent back to the host. The information contains the model, software version, dots per millimeter setting, and memory size.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc) IDENTITY

(cc) The Special Function Control Code

IDENTITY The printer identification command. Enter IDENTITY.

**Command** When the printer receives this command it will return the information to the host as

such:

T53060, V1.16K, 12, 512KB

T53060 = printer model V1.16K = software version

12 = dots/mm 512KB = memory

## **Example**

The following example shows the format of printer identification command.

~IDENTITY

# **Printer Mode (Compatibility Only)**

**Purpose** Selects the print mode of the printer for the next set of data and allows different print modes

to be specified for use within the form.

**NOTE:** This command is for line matrix printers and has no function for thermal. If encountered, it

will be absorbed.

Mode CREATE

**Format** PMODE; *type* [;*width*][;*rmode*]

MODE:SR

STOP

PMODE The Printer Mode command. Enter **PMODE**. The PMODE command must be the first

command entered following the CREATE command.

type Indicates the type of printer used with the IGP/PGL. Enter L to specify L150 or L150B

printers, enter S to specify standard MVP and MVP 150B printers, 3 to specify P3000

printers, 6 to specify P6000 printers, and 9 to specify P9000 printers.

width An optional parameter specifying a forms width of 136-character columns. Currently, this

parameter is not supported; the default value forms width is 132 character columns.

rmode An optional parameter specifying the "return mode" of the printer following the Execute

Form Mode.

Enter 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 to specify printer modes 1 through 5, respectively. If this mode is not specified, the printer remains in the mode effective at the end of the Execute Form Mode. The return print mode is effective when new data is received following the Execute Form

Mode.

**MODE** 

Specifies up to 8 different print modes to be used within the form beginning on the row defined by the SR parameter. Enter the appropriate print mode number. This mode will remain effective within the form until a new print mode is defined by another MODE;SR sequence or the end of form is reached.

As described in your printer *Administrator's Manual*, print densities and maximum line lengths vary with each print mode. Form elements such as boxes or vertical lines may be printed at varying densities or suffer horizontal compression due to a print mode change in the body of the form.

SR

Defines the starting row of the print mode used within the form. The row number can range from 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command, which refers to the SMODE command table of densities (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26)

## **Printer Status**

**Purpose** To request the printer status. When the printer status command is sent to the printer, data

containing the printer status is sent back to the host.

Mode NORMAL
Format (cc) STATUS

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

STATUS The printer status command. Enter STATUS.

#### Comment

1. The printer status command will take effect when a snooper (preparser) is enabled. Any of the following commands will enable the snooper for all ports. You can also enable preparser by using the front panel. Send the following command to the printer before sending the job.

```
~CONFIG
SNOOP; STATUS; PAR
END
~CONFIG
SNOOP; STATUS; ETH
END
~CONFIG
SNOOP; STATUS; SER
END
```

The STATUS command works if it is received from any port. PAR, ETH, and SER are listed as compatible with old PGL commands.

To disable a snooper, send the following command to the printer before sending the job.

```
~CONFIG
SNOOP;OFF
END
```

- 2. After the snooper is enabled, the printer status command can be sent to the printer through any port.
- 3. When the printer status command is sent to the printer, a data string is sent back to the host through the serial port in the following format:

```
~STATUS
BUSY;n (n=0 no data in buffer, n=1 data in buffer)
PAPER;n (n=0 paper not out, n=1 paper out)
```

```
RIBBON;n (n=0 ribbon not out, n=1 ribbon out)

PRINT HEAD;n (n=0 print head down, n=1 print head up)

COUNT;n (n = the number of pages that remains to be printed)

GAP;n (n=0 gap detected, n=1 gap not found)

HEAD HOT;n (n=0 head not hot, n=1 head hot)

CUT COUNT;n (n=number of times the cutter has cut)

PRINT DIST;n (n=distance in inches printed by this print head)

PRCT COMPLETE;n (n=percentage of last label printed when an error occurred)

TOF SYNCED;n (n=0 not synchronized with TOF, n=1 synchronized)

SENSED DIST;n (n=sensed label length in dots2)
```

The status response values depends on the printer model. If the status value is not supported by a printer model it will return 0 for that status value.

## Quiet

Purpose Places the IGP/PGL in the Quiet mode, where all data passed to the LP+ emulation is

unaffected by IGP/PGL commands except for the LISTEN, SFON/SFOFF, IGON/IGOFF

and PTX\_SETUP commands, or another QUIET command.

Mode NORMAL
Format (cc)QUIET

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

QUIET The Quiet command; enter QUIET. The IGP/PGL remains in the guiet state until the

Listen command is received.

#### **Comments**

In the Quiet mode IGP/PGL ignores all commands except LISTEN, SFON/SFOFF, IGON/IGOFF, PTX\_SETUP or another QUIET command. All commands for the currently selected protocol in the LinePrinter+ will be interpreted. See the *LinePrinter Plus Programmer's Reference Manual* for details.

The IGP/PGL remains quiet until the Listen command (page 77), enables standard IGP/PGL operation. The Quiet command is ignored if the IGP/PGL is in the Execute Form mode. The Quiet command is ignored for printers that do not have the LP+ emulation resident.

## Recall

**Purpose** Loads the user pre-stored program setup file, SETUP.PTX, from the Onboard Flash Memory into the printer. This is done without sending a system reset.

Mode NORMAL

**Format** (cc)RECALL[;filename]

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

RECALL The Recall command; enter **RECALL**.

filename The name of the file to recall. This parameter is optional. If not present, the default file

SETUP.PTX is loaded.

#### **Comments**

The file SETUP.PTX is also automatically recalled into the printer upon a RESET command.

# Repeat

Purpose Used during EXECUTE mode to repeat a form a given number of times including

all the dynamic data. This command is ignored if the Form Count or incremental

parameter is used in the EXECUTE command.

Mode EXECUTE

**Syntax** (cc)REPEAT;n

REPEAT The REPEAT command. Enter REPEAT.

*n* The number of times to repeat the form with the same dynamic data.

#### **Comments**

When a REPEAT command is encountered in EXECUTE mode, PGL will store the repeat count. Actual printing of the form will not be initiated by the REPEAT command. The form will be printed repeatedly (depending on the repeat count) with the same dynamic data after a NORMAL (or FF) command is encountered. Incremental data will be automatically incremented/decremented after each form. There are no limits to the number of times the REPEAT command can be used within any given EXECUTE sequence. Overlay text will not be repeated.

## Reset

**Purpose** 

Deletes all forms and logos from IGP/PGL memory. The Reset performs the following tasks:

- Prints any objects in the current page
- · Selects the portrait orientation
- Deletes all forms and logos resident in memory
- Sets the font to the default Gothic 12 point/10CPI
- Releases all user-defined character mappings
- · Runs the SETUP.PTX file if present

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, or EXECUTE

Format (cc)RESET

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

RESET The Reset command; enter **RESET**.

### **Reverse Print**

**Purpose** Defines an area of the form where form elements are reverse printed (white on

black).

Mode CREATE
Format REVERSE

SR;SC;ER;EC

STOP

REVERSE The Reverse Printing command; enter **REVERSE**.

SR Defines the starting row of the reverse print field. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through

one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the reverse print field. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified

based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

ER Defines the ending row of the reverse print field. Enter a value ranging from row 2 through

the last row of the form. The ending row must be greater than the starting row. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP

format (page 26).

EC Defines the ending column of the reverse print field. Enter a value ranging from column 2

through the last column of the form. The ending column must be greater than the starting column. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page

110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

STOP Stop indicates the end of the REVERSE command; enter **STOP**, and the IGP/PGL will wait

for a new command. If not entered, the IGP/PGL will expect another set of Reverse Print

command parameters.

#### **Comments**

You can use reverse print with all form elements (alpha, lines, boxes, etc.). The IGP/PGL can also reverse print bar codes, but reverse printed bar codes are unreadable by bar code scanning devices.

## **RFLOCK**

**Purpose** Perform different types of RFID lock operations on available RFID data fields.

Mode CREATE

**Format** RFLOCK;**type**[;field list][;BlockStart;BlockQuantity]

Format;Passcode

**STOP** 

RFLOCK The command to lock or unlock RFID data fields, enter RFLOCK;

type The type of lock command. Legal options are LOCK, PERMALOCK,

PERMABLOCK, PERMACHIP, UNLOCK, PERMAUNLOCK (Lock, Permalock, Block Permalock, Full Chip Permalock, Unlock, Permaunlock). If "Type" is PERMACHIP, all other parameters, including "Format" and

"Passcode", are ignored and should be left blank.

field list Identify the desired field(s) for the lock request. Legal options are EPC,

USR, ACS, KIL. Multiple fields may be listed in any order, separated by commas (e.g. ACS,KIL,EPC). Any fields not listed will not be affected by this command. "Field List" does not apply to PERMABLOCK or

PERMACHIP and should be left blank for these types.

BlockStart;BlockQuantity The USR field is the only field that can be affected by

Block Permalock. Use "BlockStart" to specify the first "block" to be permalocked. The size of one block is silicon-specific and determined by the chip manufacturer. The legal minimum is zero, and the maximum depends on the tag size. Use "BlockQuantity" to specify the number of blocks to be permalocked. The legal minimum is one, and the maximum depends on the tag size. If "Type" is PERMABLOCK and

"BlockStart;BlockQuantity" is omitted, an error will be reported.

Format The format in which the passcode will be defined. Legal options are B for

binary, D for decimal, S for alphanumeric, and H for hexadecimal. Ignored

when "Type" is PERMACHIP.

Passcode

The value of the passcode for the lock operations. The size for the passcode is 32 bits. The passcode must be non-zero when "Type" is *LOCK* or *UNLOCK*. The passcode can also be in dynamic format; for dynamic format, enter <DFn>, where DFn is the dynamic field defined in EXECUTE mode. Ignored if "Type" is *PERMACHIP*.

## Example 1

This example performs a 12 byte RFID Write operation in the EPC field and RFID Lock operations in the EPC, USR, ACS, and KIL fields using the hexadecimal Passcode: 12345678.

## Example 2

This example performs a 12 byte RFID Write operation in the USR field and a RFID Block Permalock operation that permalocks blocks 0, 1, and 2 of the USR field using the binary Passcode: 10010001101000101101001111000.

## Example 3

This example performs a 12 byte RFID Write operation in the EPC field and a Full Chip Permalock.

~NORMAL

### **Example 4**

This example performs a RFID Permaunlock operation in the EPC and ACS fields using the hexadecimal Passcode: 12345678.

~NORMAL ~CREATE; TEST1; X RFLOCK; PERMAUNLOCK; EPC, ACS H; 12345678 STOP

END

~EXECUTE; TEST1

~NORMAL

## **RFWTAG**

Purpose The RFWTAG command is used to program an RFID tag (embedded in a smart label)

using structured data format. The data structure of an RFID tag can consist of one or more bit fields. Each bit field specifies its own field length, the data format, the field type plus

additional options if the type is incremental, and finally the field value.

Mode CREATE

Format RFWTAG[;LOCKn[;format]][;SECUREn[;format]];size[;off-

set][;mem bank][;mask]

(Bit Field)+

**STOP** 

RFWTAG Specifies the RFWTAG command, enter **RFWTAG**;

LOCKn[;format]

PERMALOCKn[;format]

Optional parameter to lock the data block to prevent it from being overwritten. By default, the data are not locked initially. n is the passcode. The acceptable values for n are 1 to FFFFFFFF in hex, a 4 bytes data. When the LOCKn option is used to lock any memory bank, which at the same time is programmed with the write data, the same passcode will be written on ACS memory bank. The ACS memory bank will also be locked if ACS is not locked at the time of the operation. If ACS is already locked at the time of the operation, the passcode needs to match the current content of ACS so that the memory bank lock takes effect. The passcode (n) can also be in dynamic format. For dynamic format, enter LOCK<DFn>, where DFn is the dynamic field defined in EXECUTE mode. Both LOCK and PERMALOCK share the same syntax. The "RSV" mem bank is not allowed for LOCK or PERMALOCK. For differences in functionality, see Comment 11. Cannot be used together with SECUREn[;format] in the same command instance.

format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified.

## SECUREn[;format]

Optional parameter to include a passcode with the RFID Write operation. A passcode must be included to perform Write operations to specific portions of memory that may only be accessed when the tag is in the Secured State. n is the passcode. The acceptable values for n are 1 to FFFFFFFF in hex, a 4 bytes data. The passcode (n) can also be in dynamic

format. For dynamic format, enter SECURE<DFn>, where DFn is the dynamic field defined in EXECUTE mode. format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified. Cannot be used together with LOCK*n[;format]* in the same command instance.

format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified.

size

A decimal number specifying the overall bit length of the memory bank that will be written starting at the *offset* position (not necessarily the total bank size). Regardless of the overall bank size, any given write segment cannot exceed 256 bytes (2048 bits). The entire size of a bank can be written by entering "FULL" instead of a number. Data will be padded if the full size is not specified in (Bit Field). Only use "FULL" for banks up to 2048 bits.

offset

This optional parameter of starting position to do the write relative to the start of the mem bank. The position is a word value (16 bits).

mem bank

Specifies which tag logical memory area that this command will be applied. If omitted, it defaults to the EPC memory area. Other areas include Identification, User Data, Access area and Kill area. Different tags will support different sizes of each logical memory type. Enter one of the following values:

'EPC' - EPC field, default start block "2"

'TID' - Tag identification field (currently not applicable for RFWTAG)

'USR' - User field

'ACS' - 4 bytes access code area

'KIL' - 4 bytes kill code area

'PC' - 2 bytes PC code area (Gen 2 tags only)

'RSV' - Reserved field

mask

The PC mask can be used to specify certain bits to be honored in the *Bit Field*, and others omitted. The mask must be 2 bytes long and specified in Hex format. The mask is only allowed when *mem bank* is "PC". If no mask is specified, a default mask with all bits set will be used and will cause the PC data from the *Bit Field* to be written as is. A mask specified with no bits set will result in an error. The first 5 bits of the mask (the PC length bits) can be omitted as a whole. Otherwise, if the length bits of the mask interfere with the length bits of the *Bit Field*, an error will result.

Bit Field

A line description of a bit field and must have one of the following syntax formats:

For non-incremental data (both static and dynamic):

length;[DFn;]format;(D)datafield(D)

For incremental fixed data:

length;I;format;STEP[idir]step;[RPTn;] [RSTn;](D)startdata(D)

For dynamic incremental data:

length;IDFn;format;

length

A decimal number specifying the bit length of a field within a tag. The maximum length for each DFn field or static field of NON-HEX format is 64 bits. For hexadecimal format, the bit length can be up to the maximum bit length specified for the corresponding memory bank.

**DF**n

Optional parameter to indicate this field has dynamic data. Replace n with a number ranging from 1 to 512 to identify the field number of this particular field. If this option is used, *datafield* is ignored, and dynamic data must be entered via the DF command in the EXECUTE mode.

**IDF**n

Enter **IDF** to indicate this field is a bit field with dynamical assignment of increment (or decrement) data. The *step* and *startdata* parameters will be supplied by the IDF command in the EXECUTE mode. Replace *n* with a number ranging from 1 to 512 to identify the field number of this bit field. Dynamically enter the *step* and *startdata* parameters using the IDF command in the EXECUTE mode.

- 1. The same field number cannot be used in both DFn and IDFn.
- 2. If a field is defined as IDFn, it must be referenced as IDFn later for consistency. The same applies for DFn.
- If <IDFn> syntax is used for merging data into AFn or BFn, neither DFn, AFn, or BFn will be incremented. The increment only takes place in the ~DFn command where the STEP is specified.

format

A letter specifying the format of the data field.

**B** – binary, **D** – decimal, **S** – string, **H** – hexadecimal, **6** – 6 bit character set (ISO 17360), **U** – URN Code 40 character set (ISO/IEC 18000-63); see tables for H, 6, and U information in (see section A Data Formats for more detail)

(D)

Delimiter designating the start and end of static data for this bit field. Replace (D) with any printable character, except the SFCC and the slash character (/).

datafield

The static data of this static field. It is a mandatory parameter of bit field with static data.

Identifies this field is an incremental bit field.

**STEP** 

Specifies that the incremental data field will use the step method. Enter **STEP**; The STEP option replaces the STEPMASK option that is used in Alpha and Barcode.

idir

Enter a plus sign (+) or leave the field blank to increment (default). Enter a minus sign (–) to decrement.

step

A decimal number specifies the amount to increment/decrement each time the form is executed. The increment is at bit level and will automatically wrap based on the field size.

RPTn

The optional incremental repeat count parameters to specify the number of times a particular field value is repeated before it is incremented. The default repeat count parameter *n* is 1, which will increment the field value each time it prints. The repeat count can range from 1 to 65535.

**RST**n

The optional incremental reset count parameter to specify the number of times an incremented field is printed before it is reset to the starting value. By default, there is no reset count. The reset count parameter n can range from 1 to 65535.

startdata

Defines the value of the field or the starting value of the incremented field. If the field is dynamic, the value will be specified later in the EXECUTE mode. The data must be specified within a pair of delimiters (D). The delimiter (D) cannot be a "/" or SFCC character since the "/" will comment out the rest of the line and SFCC is reserved for PGL commands. If "R" or "S" is used as delimiters, the data pattern must not comprise of the keywords in the incrementing options. Since the delimiters could be different from one value to another, proper care must be taken to avoid one of the letters mentioned above.

#### **Comments**

- 1. The RFWTAG command cannot be mixed with the legacy RFWRITE in the same form.
- 2. Each field structure must be specified in a single line and in the order it appears in the RFID tag from MSB bits to LSB bits (left to right). The sum of all the field lengths must match the size of the tag.
- 3. The host data are read in as ASCII characters. They would be converted to binary representation for the base field on the field format. Therefore, if the converted value is larger than the maximum value that a field can hold, an error will be reported. If the data value is smaller than the specified field length, on the other hand, the field will be padded to the left with zero bits.
- 4. Unlike the Alpha and Barcode command which use STEPMASK for incremental data, RFWTAG uses the STEP which will increment or decrement at bit level.
- 5. ACS and KIL are similar to other memory banks. ACS contains the passcode which is used for LOCK and UNLOCK operations. KIL contains the killcode which is used to kill a tag. The user can write to or read from KIL memory bank, but the functionality of killing a tag is not currently applicable. Also, once ACS and KIL are locked, both cannot be written to or read from. For other memory banks, EPC, USR, and TID, once locked, they can be read from but not written to.
- 6. There are two ways to program the ACS memory area. One is to write to the ACS memory area directly with RFWTAG. The other is to use the LOCK option while writing to other memory banks. If ACS is not previously locked, then LOCK option will lock the memory bank and also write the passcode to ACS and lock ACS. When write to ACS with RFWTAG, ACS is not automatically locked. To lock ACS, use LOCKn with RFWTAG, where the passcode (n) should be the same as the write data to ASC.
- 7. There is only one passcode, the content of ACS memory bank, for each tag. The same passcode is used to lock or unlock any memory bank in that tag.
- 8. For LOCKn and UNLOCKn, the passcode (n) (which includes the dynamic format <DFn>) does not accept incremental data. This also applies to the ACS and KIL memory banks. The write data to the ACS and KIL memory banks do not accept incremental data because the ACS memory bank contains passcodes for LOCK and UNLOCK operations, and the KIL memory bank contains a killcode to kill a tag. Incremental data do not apply to passcodes or killcodes.
- 9. When LOCK<DFn> and UNLOCK<DFn> are used in the same form with the same dynamic data (the passcode), the dynamic format <DFn> needs to be a different dynamic number for LOCK and UNLOCK since it is designed with a unique dynamic number that can be linked to only one object type. In this case, LOCK is linked to RFWTAG object and UNLOCK is linked to RFRTAG object. Although both options use the same passcode, the dynamic format needs to be in a different dynamic number in the same form.
- 10. Both LOCK and PERMALOCK requires the user to enter the password. Once the tag is permanently locked with the PERMALOCK command, it cannot be unlocked again; the tag can only be read from and never be written to once it is permanently locked. On the other hand, after the tag is locked with the LOCK command, it can be unlocked again with the same password.
- 11. For PERMALOCK (ex, EPC), the password must match the current content of ACS bank for PERMALOCK to work. If the current content of ACS bank is null (0x0) which could be the case for the brand new tag, the password for PERMALOCK EPC will be 0x0. If you use a different password for PERMALOCK, you need to write (RFWTAG) the new content (password) to ACS first, and then use this new password to PERMALOCK EPC.
- 12. For LOCK (ex, EPC), the password may be different from the current content of ACS. When a new password is used to lock EPC where ACS is not locked, this new password is written to ACS and locks ACS at the same time while locking EPC. For new tags where ACS is not locked and has all null data, you can lock EPC with a new password directly without writing to ACS first.

The following example programs an SGTIN–64 value into the RFID tag that is embedded in a 4x6 smart label. Assume that the SGTIN–64 value is provided as a single number.

```
~CREATE; SGTIN-64; 432
RFWTAG; 64
64; H; *87D0034567ABCDEF* /EPC number
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; SGTIN-64; 1
~NORMAL
```

Same as Example 1, except the EPC number is broken into its component parts. Assume that the SGTIN–64 value has the Header = 2d, Filter Value = 5d, EPC Manager Index = 15383d, Object Class = 703710d or 0xABCDE, and the Serial Number = 0123456d.

```
~CREATE;SGTIN-64;432
RFWTAG;64
2;B;*10* /Header
3;D;*5* /Filter Value
14;D;*15383* /EPC Manager Index
20;H;*ABCDE* /Object Class
25;D;*0000123456* /Serial Number
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;SGTIN-64;1
~NORMAL
```

### Example 3

Same as Example 2, except it uses a dynamic method. This example also shows how to program another RFID tag without redefining the data structure of the SGTIN–64.

```
~CREATE; SGTIN-64; 432
RFWTAG; 64
2;DF1;B
                     /Header
3;DF2;D
                     /Filter Value
14;DF3;D
                     /EPC Manager Index
20; DF4; H
                     /Object Class
25; DF5; D
                     /Serial Number
STOP
ALPHA
AF1;18;10;5;3;3
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; SGTIN-64
~DF1; *10*
                      /Header
~DF2;*5*
                     /Filter Value
~DF3;*15383*
                    /EPC Manager Index
~DF4; *ABCDE*
                    /Object Class
~DF5;*0000123456*
                     /Serial Number
~AF1;<DF5>
                     /Print serial number on label
~NORMAL
~EXECUTE; SGTIN-64
~DF1;*10*
                     /Header
~DF2;*5*
                     /Filter Value
~DF3;*15383*
                     /EPC Manager Index
~DF4; *ABCDE*
                     /Object Class
~DF5;*0000123456*
                     /Serial Number
~AF1;<DF5>
                     /Print serial number on label
```

This example shows the EPC Write and Read with the alphanumeric format.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFWTAG; 128; EPC
64; S; *12811111*
64; S; *11111128*
STOP
RFRTAG; 128; EPC
64; DF1; S
64; DF2; S
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; S; *EPC = *; *\r\n*
VERIFY; DF2; S; *EPC = *; *\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

## Example 5

This example shows how to program a roll of 1500 smart labels with SGTIN-64 values, where the Header = 2d, Filter Value = 5d, EPC Manager Index = 15383d, Object Class = 703710d or 0xABCDE, and the Serial Number starting from 0000000 to 0001499d.

```
~CREATE;SGTIN-64;432
RFWTAG;64
2;B;*10* /Header
3;D;*5* /Filter Value
14;D;*15383* /EPC Manager Index
20;H;*ABCDE* /Object Class
25;I;D;STEP1;*0* /Serial Number
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;SGTIN-64;ICNT1500
~NORMAL
```

# Example 6

This example shows how to program a 96 bit RFID tag. A SGTIN-96 format is used and the EPC number is broken into its component parts. Assume that the SGTIN-96 value has the Header = 48, Filter Value = 5d, EPC Manager Index = 123456d, Object Class = 777777d or 0xBDE31, and the Serial Number = 123456d.

**NOTE:** 96 bit tags must be broken up as in Examples 2, 3, and 4, and no field can be more than 64 bits in length if the format is binary or decimal. There is no restriction on the bit length if the format is hexadecimal.

```
~CREATE;SGTIN-96;432
RFWTAG;96
8;B;*00110000* /Header
3;D;*5* /Filter Value
3;D;*6* /Partition
20;D;*123456* /EPC Manager Index
24;D;*777777* /Object Class
38;D;*123456* /Serial Number
STOP
```

```
END ~EXECUTE; SGTIN-96;1 ~NORMAL
```

This example shows memory bank usage, where multiple RFWTAG and RFRTAG can be used.

```
~CREATE; SGTIN; 216
SCALE; DOT; 203; 203
RFWTAG; 96; EPC
96; IDF1; H
STOP
RFRTAG; 96; EPC
96;DF3;H
STOP
RFWTAG; 256; USR
256; IDF2; H
STOP
RFRTAG; 256; USR
256; DF4; H
STOP
ALPHA
IAF1;24; POINT; 90; 60; 16; 6
IAF2;64;POINT;130;60;16;4
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;X1;IBF1;64;170;60
PDF
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *EPC W= *; *\r\n*
VERIFY; DF3; H; *EPC R= *; *\r\n*
VERIFY; DF2; H; *USR W= *; *\r\n*
VERIFY; DF4; H; *USR R= *; *\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; SGTIN; ICNT4
~IDF1;STEP+1;*313233343536373839414243*
~IDF2;STEP+1;*3132333435363738394142434445464748494A
4B4C4D4E4F*
~IAF1;<DF3>
~IAF2;<DF4>
~IBF1;<DF3>
~NORMAL
```

#### Example 8

This example shows the LOCK and UNLOCK options used with RFWTAG and RFRTAG.

```
~NORMAL

~CREATE; TEST1; X

RFRTAG; UNLOCK12345678; H; 96; EPC

96; DF1; H

STOP

RFWTAG; LOCK12345678; H; 96; EPC

96; H; *960101010101010101010196*

STOP

END

~EXECUTE; TEST1
```

This example shows memory bank usage with LOCK and UNLOCK option, where multiple RFWTAG and RFRTAG can be used, and the passcode for lock and unlock can be in dynamic format.

```
~CREATE; SGTIN; 432
SCALE; DOT; 203; 203
RFWTAG; LOCK<DF6>; D; 96; EPC
96; DF1; H
STOP
RFRTAG; UNLOCK<DF7>; D; 96; EPC
96; DF2; H
STOP
RFWTAG; LOCKA1B2C3; H; 32; KIL
32; DF3; H
STOP
RFRTAG; UNLOCKA1B2C3; H; 32; KIL
32; DF4; H
STOP
RFWTAG; LOCK<DF8>; H; 32; ACS
32; DF6; D
STOP
RFRTAG; UNLOCK<DF9>; H; 32; ACS
32; DF10; H
STOP
ALPHA
AF1;24; POINT; 400; 60; 16; 6
AF2;8;POINT;600;60;16;6
AF3;6;POINT;800;60;16;6
AF4;8;POINT;1000;60;16;6
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *DF1 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF2; H; *DF2 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF4; H; *DF4 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF6; H; *DF6 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF7; H; *DF7 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF8; H; *DF8 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF9; H; *DF9 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF10; H; *DF10 = *; * \r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; SGTIN; FCNT3
~DF1;*313233343536373839414243*
~DF3; *44454647*
~DF6; *10597059*
~DF7; *10597059*
~DF8; *A1B2C3*
~DF9; *A1B2C3*
~AF1;<DF2>
~AF2;<DF6>
~AF3;<DF8>
~AF4;<DF10>
~NORMAL
```

This example shows the usage of RFWTAG with PC field which needs to be followed immediately by RFWTAG with EPC field. There is not restriction for RFRTAG with PC filed.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; 432
RFWTAG; 16; PC
16;H;*3000*
STOP
RFWTAG; 96; EPC
96;H;*313233343536373839414243*
RFWTAG; 256; USR
256;H;*3132333435363738394142434445464748494A4B*
STOP
RFRTAG; 16; PC
16; DF1; H
STOP
RFRTAG; 96; EPC
96;DF2;H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *DF1 = *; * \r\n*
VERIFY; DF2; H; *DF2 = *; * \r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

### **Example 11**

This example shows the usage of PERMALOCK.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; RFID; 432
IAF1;24; POINT;4;5;10;10
STOP
RFWTAG; 32; ACS
32;H;*ABC*
STOP
RFWTAG; PERMALOCKABC; H; 96; EPC
96; IDF1; H
STOP
RFRTAG; 96; EPC
96; DF2; H
STOP
VERIFY;DF2;H;* *
~EXECUTE; RFID; ICNT5
IDF1;STEP+1;*22222222222222222220011*
IAF1; <DF2>
~NORMAL
```

### Example 12

This example shows the access of 240 bits EPC and 512 bits USR.

```
~CREATE; TEST; X; NOMOTION
RFWTAG; LOCKOCODOEOF; H; 240; EPC
```

```
240; I; H; STEP+1; *0102030405060708091011121314
15161718192021222324252627282930*
STOP
RFWTAG; LOCKOCODOEOF; H; 512; USR
512; I; H; STEP+1; *0102030405060708091011121314
151617181920212223242526272829303132333435
363738394041424344454647484950515253545556
5758596061626364*
STOP
RFWTAG; LOCKOCODOEOF; H; 32; KIL
32;H;*08090A0B*
STOP
RFRTAG; UNLOCKOCODOEOF; H; 32; ACS
32; DF31; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF31; H; *#ACS=*; "\r\n"
RFRTAG; UNLOCKOCODOEOF; H; 32; KIL
32; DF22; H
STOP
VERIFY;DF22;H;*KIL=*;"\r\n"
RFRTAG; UNLOCKOCODOEOF; H; 240; EPC
240; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *EPC=*; *\r\n
RFRTAG; UNLOCKOCODOEOF; H; 512; USR
512; DF7; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF7; H; *USR=*; *\r\n*
~EXECUTE; TEST; 10
~NORMAL
```

This example shows the EPC and PC Write with the PC mask.

#### Example 14

This example shows the offset option used with RFWTAG and RFRTAG.

~NORMAL

```
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFWTAG; 32; 4; USR
32; H; *32000032*
STOP
RFRTAG; 32; 4; USR
32; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *USR = *; *\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

This example shows the "FULL" size option used with RFWTAG.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE;TEST1;X
RFWTAG;FULL;EPC
48;H;*961111111111*
48;H;*1111111111196*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;TEST1
~NORMAL
```

## Example 16

This example shows a Secured-State write with the SECURE syntax of the RFWTAG command. The passcode is 32000032h, and the memory written is the USR field at address 168d.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFWTAG; SECURE32000032; H; 16; 168; USR
16; H; *1010*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# **RFRTAG**

Purpose To read the content of an RFID tag (embedded in a smart label) into a dynamic field. This

command cannot be mixed with the RFREAD command.

Mode CREATE

**Format** RFRTAG[;UNLOCKn[;format]][;SECUREn[;format]];size[;offset][;mem

bank][;KEY1 AES Key Value]

(Bit Field)+ STOP

RFRTAG Specifies the RFRTAG command, enter **RFRTAG**;

size A decimal number specifying the overall bit length of the RFID tag memory bank.

offset

This optional parameter of starting position to do the read relative to the start of the mem bank. The position is a word value (16 bits).

## UNLOCKn[;format]

## PERMAUNLOCKn[;format]

Optional parameter to unlock the data block so it can be overwritten later. n is the passcode. The acceptable values for n are 1 to FFFFFFFF in hex, a 4 bytes data. The value of n should be the same passcode used for the LOCK option to unlock the protected data block. When the UNLOCKn or PERMAUNLOCKn option is used to unlock any memory bank, which at the same time is programmed to read the tag, the operation will unlock ACS memory area. The passcode (n) can also be in dynamic format. For dynamic format, enter LOCK<DFn>, where DFn is the dynamic field defined in EXECUTE mode. Cannot be used together with SECUREn[;format] in the same command instance.

format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified.

## SECUREn[;format]

Optional parameter to include a passcode with the RFID Read operation. A passcode must be included to perform Read operations to specific portions of memory that may only be accessed when the tag is in the Secured State. n is the passcode. The acceptable values for n are 1 to FFFFFFFF in hex, a 4 bytes data. The passcode (n) can also be in dynamic format. For dynamic format, enter SECURE<DFn>, where DFn is the dynamic field defined in EXECUTE mode. format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified. Cannot be used together with UNLOCK*n*[;format] in the same command instance.

format is the optional parameter to specify the format for the passcode data. Enter B for binary, D for decimal, S for ASCII, and H for hexadecimal. The default is decimal if format is not specified.

mem bank

Specifies which tag logical memory area that this command will be applied. If omitted, it defaults to the EPC memory area. Other areas include Identification, User Data, Access area, and Kill area. Enter one of the following values:

'EPC' - EPC field, default start block "2", PC dependent

**'EPCRAW'** – EPC field, default start block "2", PC independent

'TID' - Tag identification field

'USR' - User field

'ACS' - 4 bytes access code area

'KIL' - 4 bytes kill code area

'PC' – 2 bytes PC code area (Gen 2 tags only)

### KEY1 AES KEY Value

Enter KEY1 for Authentication or Encrypt/Decrypt followed by a space and then the 16-byte AES Key Value, containing exactly 32 Hex Characters (0-9, A-F) in left-right order Byte 0 .. Byte 15.

Bit Field

A line description of a bit field; must have one of the following syntax formats:

length; DFn; format

length A decimal number specifying the bit length of a field within a tag. The

maximum length is 64 bits for binary or decimal format. For hexadecimal format, the bit length can be up to the maximum bit

length specified for the corresponding memory bank.

**DF***n* Indicate dynamic data field to store the read result. Replace *n* with

a number ranging from 1 to 512 to identify the field number of this

particular field.

format A letter specifying the representation format of the field

data.

B - binary, D - decimal, S - string

H - hexadecimal

### **Comments**

1. Multiple RFRTAG commands are allowed in the same form but the same DFn field cannot be defined multiple times.

- 2. The DF field length is restricted to 64 bits for binary or decimal format and must be a multiple of 8 bits. The sum of all field lengths must be equal to the tag size.
- 3. The first field always start at the MSB bit. The bit length of a field dictates the start bit of the next field, etc. As a result, DF fields will not overlap each other.
- 4. RFRTAG does not allow incremental fields (with the "I" prefix).
- 5. When the "mem bank" parameter is "EPC", the RFID Read operation will Read data in the EPC field but will not read data beyond the amount indicated in the PC "length bits" (EPC bits 10h-14h). When the "mem bank" parameter is "EPCRAW", the RFID Read operation will read data in the EPC field and will not be limited by the PC "length bits".

# Example 1

Same as Example 4 on page 102, except the increment is dynamic and the result is merged into Alpha to print on the smart label.

```
~CREATE; SGTIN-64; 432
RFWTAG; 64
2;B;*10*
                       /Header
3;D;*5*
                       /Filter Value
14;D;*15383*
                       /EPC Manager Index
20;D;*123456*
                       /Object Class
                       /Serial Number STOP
25; IDF1; H
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF2; H;
STOP
ALPHA
IAF1;16;3;12;0;0
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; SGTIN-64; ICNT1500
~IDF1;STEP+1;*0*
~IAF1;<DF2>
~NORMAL
```

### **Comments**

1. The <IDF1> usage does not increment the DF1 field. It merges the DF1 content into the AF1 field, keeping the same representation previously defined for IDF1.

2. The use of IAF1 is to print alpha on every label. If AF1 is used instead, only the first label is printed. The AF1 field is not incremented either since it is using the result from the DF1 merge.

# Example 2

This example performs Permaunlock on the EPC and ACS fields using the hex passcode: 12345678.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFRTAG; PERMAUNLOCK12345678; H; 64; EPC
64; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *EPC = *; *\r\n*
RFRTAG; PERMAUNLOCK12345678; H; 32; ACS
32; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *ACS = *; *\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# Example 3

This example performs a Secured-State read from the Reserved Field. The passcode is 32000032h.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFRTAG; SECURE32000032; H; 16; 52; RSV
16; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *RSV = [ *; * ] \r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# RFWGS1

Purpose The RFWGS1 command is used to program an RFID tag. This command will write

data into the EPC memory bank according to the memory portions that are

specified.

Mode CREATE

Format RFWGS1;LEN;Data

ATT;Data

EPC;Data

**STOP** 

RFWGS1 The command identifier; enter **RFWGS1**.

LEN;Data	This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the PC length bits located
	in the EPC bank at bit addresses 10h to 14h. The Data must be in hex format, or enter
	"FULL" to set the max amount of length bits supported by the tag installed.
ATT;Data	This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the Attribute bits located in the EPC bank at bit addresses 18h to 1Fh. The Data must be in hex format.
EPC;Data	This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the EPC bank starting from

bit address 20h. The Data must be in hex format.

### **Comments**

- 1. Any portion of data can be omitted. Omitted portions of the PC will not be overwritten and the existing values will be preserved.
- 2. The T-Bit of the PC data (bit address 17h) is always written to zero with the RFWGS1 command.

# Example 1

This example performs a 12 byte RFID Write operation in the EPC field starting from bit address 20h...

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFWGS1; EPC; 961111111111111111111111196
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# Example 2

This example performs RFID write operations for the PC length field, Attribute bits, and EPC data field.

# Example 3

This example performs RFID write operations for the PC length bits and the EPC data field. The length bits are written to the max size allowed on the installed tag.

```
~NORMAL 
~CREATE; TEST1; X
```

RFWGS1; LEN; FULL EPC; 96111111111111111111196 STOP END ~EXECUTE; TEST1

**RFWISO** 

**Purpose** 

~NORMAL

......

The RFWISO command is used to program an RFID tag. This command will write

data into the EPC memory bank according to the memory portions that are

specified.

Mode CREATE

Format RFWISO;LEN;Data

AFI;Data

UII;Data

**STOP** 

RFWGS1 The command identifier: enter **RFWISO**.

LEN;Data This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the PC length bits located

in the EPC bank at bit addresses 10h to 14h. The Data must be in hex format, or enter

"FULL" to set the max amount of length bits supported by the tag installed.

AFI;Data This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the AFI bits located in the

EPC bank at bit addresses 18h to 1Fh. The Data must be in hex format.

UII;Data This optional parameter identifies the data that will be written to the EPC bank starting from

bit address 20<sub>h</sub>. The Data must be in hex format.

### **Comments**

- 1. Any portion of data can be omitted. Omitted portions of the PC will not be overwritten and the existing values will be preserved.
- 2. The T-Bit of the PC data (bit address 17h) is always written to one with the RFWISO command.

### Example 1

This example performs RFID write operations for the PC length field, AFI bits, and UII data field.

~NORMAL

### RFSERL

**Purpose** 

Insert serialization data obtained from reading RFID fields into other RFID Write operations and print commands. Serialization data is saved into separate fields identified by an index number and can be used inside static data fields. Serialization fields can have a predefined length and "source" RFID field, or a custom field can be made with a user-specified length and "source" RFID field. Serialization data is inserted using the SO character, which can be configured using a printer menu: Settings > Application > PGL Setup > Select SO Char.

Mode

CREATE

**Format** 

RFSERL;n;Field;StartBit;Length

**RFSERL** 

The command identifier; enter RFSERL.

n

Parameter to indicate field-serialization data. Replace "n" with a hex number between 0x01 and 0xFF to identify the number of this field. A value between 0x01 and 0x0F indicates a predefined serialization option, and a value larger than 0x0F indicates a custom serialization option. If a predefined serialization option is used, the other parameters "Field", "StartBit", and "Length" should not be used and will result in a syntax error.

# Predefined Serialization Options (n | n < 0x10)

"01" - Form 96 bits of data using the most significant 58 bits of the EPC field from start block "2" and the least significant 38 bits of the first 96 bits of the TID field. The data from the "01" option must be used in hexadecimal format.

```
(96 bits) = (58 bit EPC) ... (38 bit TID)
```

"02" – create 5 bytes of data according to the Impinj Serialization formula for the currently installed chip type. Impinj Serialization formulas define 38-bit formats for serialization data obtained from the TID field and can vary for different types of Impinj chip types. The data from the "02" option must be used in hexadecimal format. (40 bits) = (2 bit 00) + (38 bit formula)

"03"- create 12 bytes of data according to the Impinj Serialization formula for the currently installed chip type. Impinj serialization formulas define 96-bit formats for serialization data obtained from the TID field and can vary for different types of Impinj chip types. The data from the "03" option must be used in hexadecimal format (96 bits) = (96 bit formula)

### Define Custom Serialization Option ( $n \mid n > 0x0F$ )

Field

The RFID field that will be read to supply the field-serialization data. The legal options are EPC, USR, ACS, KIL, TID, PC.

StartBit

Indicate the first bit to save into the field-serialization data from the RFID field specified by "Field". The minimum is zero, and the maximum depends on the tag type, but cannot be larger than 2048. If non-zero, the value must be a multiple of 8.

Length

Indicate how many bits beyond the "StartBit" to save into the field serialization data. The value must be a multiple of 8, and the maximum depends on the tag type, but cannot be larger than 2048.

# Example 1

Field-Serialization data can be inserted into the static data used in other RFID Write operations. Use the shift-out character **SO** defined by **Settings > Application > PGL Setup > Select SO Char** to indicate usage of the field-serialization, then insert "n", where n is the index of the field-serialization data.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFSERL; 10; TID; 64; 32
RFWTAG; 96; USR
96; H; *9622222228010222222296*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

## Example 2

Field-Serialization data can be inserted into the static data used in print commands. Use the shift-out character **SO** defined by **Settings > Application > PGL Setup > Select SO Char** to indicate usage of the field-serialization, then insert "n", where n is the index of the field-serialization data.

```
~NORMAL

~CREATE; TEST1; X

RFSERL; 50; EPC; 0; 64

ALPHA

2;5;0;0;*1234so505678*

STOP

END

~EXECUTE; TEST1

~NORMAL
```

### Example 3

Field-Serialization data can be inserted into the data used in dynamic format <DFn> fields. Use the shiftout character **SO** defined by **Settings** > **Application** > **PGL Setup** > **Select SO Char** to indicate usage of the field-serialization, then insert "n", where n is the index of the field-serialization data.

```
~NORMAL

~CREATE; TEST1; X

RFSERL; 01

RFWTAG; 96; USR

96; DF1; H

STOP

END

~EXECUTE; TEST1

~DF1; *SO01*

~NORMAL
```

# **RFCRYPT**

Purpose Perform certain RFID Security commands that make use of RFID Untraceable and

Authenticate capabilities or that write AES encryption keys.

Mode CREATE

**Format** RFCRYPT;KEYn;AES Key Value[;STORE][;AUTH][;Private List]

<u>CAUTION!</u>: The RFCRYPT commands will only work on special RFID tags that support Gen2v2 security capabilities. The RFCRYPT implementation is fully compatible with Ucode

DNA security tags. Other security tags might not be fully compatible.

RFCRYPT The command identifier; enter **RFCRYPT**.

KEYn Enter either KEY0 for Authentication only or KEY1 for Authentication or Encrypt/Decrypt.

This is a mandatory field.

AES Key Value This is a 16-byte Key Value associated with the first parameter KEY0 or KEY1. This is a

mandatory field and must contain 32 Hex Characters (0-9, A-F) in left-right order Byte 0 ...

Byte 15.

STORE Optional parameter to store an AES Key within the tag.

<u>CAUTION!</u>: On many tag types, each AES Key only be stored a single time. Once an AES Key has been written to the tag and locked in, that key can never again be changed. The STORE option should only be used on a fresh tag that has never yet had that particular

AES key stored.

AUTH Optional parameter to confirm that a tag with a stored encryption key is authentic. If this

parameter is included in the command and the tag does not contain the AES Key Value given in the command, the tag will be failed. This command is useful in cases where the AES key is already stored in the tag and the user wants to confirm that the tag is authentic

(contains the correct AES key).

Private List Optional parameter to either make all memory fields in the tag public or to identify a list of

desired memory field(s) to be made private. Private memory fields can no longer be read by normal read command; they can only be read by special read commands with a KEY1 option and the correct AES Key Value specified. If a field which has been made private is

later attempted to be read without an AES Key with the wrong AES key value, the operation

will fail and no data will be returned.

Legal options are EPC n, USR, TID, CLR.

The CLR selection will reset all banks to public and should not be mixed with other fields.

If the CLR selection is not used, multiple fields may be listed in any order, separated by commas (e.g. USR,TID,EPC n). When USR or TID are listed, the entire fields will be made private and will not be readable without the proper AES Key Value. The EPC field has a

special functionality where it can be made either fully private, partially private, or fully public. The n value following EPC indicates the starting block of the area of the EPC to be made private. For example, "EPC 2" would leave the first two words (four bytes) of the EPC bank public and make the remaining bytes of the EPC field private.

<u>CAUTION!</u>: Although it is AES keys that are used to read fields that have been made private, this functionality also requires a non-zero ACS password to be stored in the tag. Any print job that makes one or more fields private must also provide an ACS field value.

<u>CAUTION!</u>: Any print job that makes fields private will automatically lock the ACS field to prevent that value from being read as it could compromise the security for that value to be exposed.

# Example 1

Write out AES encryption key, write out the EPC bank memory, and make the EPC bank partially public and partially private

On a fresh tag which has never had the AES Key1 stored, write the value 0x0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF to AES Key1, write 28 bytes to the EPC bank, and make all but the first 32 bits of the EPC bank private. Note that this job writes a non-zero value to the ACS as all jobs that make fields public must.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFWTAG; 32; ACS
32; H; *12345678*
STOP
RFWTAG; 224; EPC
224; H; *123456789ABCDEF0112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF1020304050*
STOP
RFCRYPT; KEY1; 0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF; STORE; EPC 2
RFRTAG; 224; EPC; KEY1 0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF
224; DF2; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF2; H; *EPC = *; *\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# Example 2

Read 28 bytes out of a private EPC bank by providing a known AES encryption key that was previously stored on the tag.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE;TEST1;X
RFRTAG;224;EPC;KEY1 0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF
224;DF2;H
STOP
```

```
VERIFY;DF2;H;*EPC = *;*\r\n*
END
~EXECUTE;TEST1
~NORMAL
```

# Example 3

Confirm that a tag is authentic by providing a known AES encryption key that was previously stored on the tag.

The tag is authenticated with KEY1 and the AES encryption key previously stored in the tag was 0x0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF. If this example job was sent to a tag with no encryption key or the wrong encryption key stored in it, the tag would be failed.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE;TEST1;X
RFCRYPT;KEY1;0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF;AUTH
END
~EXECUTE;TEST1
~NORMAL
```

### Example 4

Make all the banks on a tag public by supplying a known AES encryption key and a known ACS password.

Unlock the ACS bank with the known password, and then make all banks on the tag public using the known AES encryption key in AES Key1.

```
~NORMAL
~CREATE; TEST1; X
RFRTAG; UNLOCK12345678; H; 32; ACS
32; DF1; H
STOP
RFCRYPT; KEY1; 0123456789ABCDEF0123456789ABCDEF; CLR
END
~EXECUTE; TEST1
~NORMAL
```

### Scale

**Purpose** Defines the vertical line spacing and the horizontal pitch of the form for data positioning specified by character row and column or dot row and column.

NOTE: Scale affects how the data position is interpreted, not the printed data itself. For example,

alphanumeric data printed at 10 cpi will still print at 10 cpi after a Scale change; however, where the data is placed on the page is affected. Also, Scale affects line thickness if dot

scale and horizontal/vertical scaling are given.

Mode CREATE

**Format** SCALE;DOT[;horz;vert]

or

SCALE;CHAR[;lpi] [;cpi] or SCALE;MM

SCALE The Scale command; enter **SCALE**.

DOT Specifies the dot scale. Enter **DOT**.

horz/vert Gives resolution for the dot parameter. Default is 60 dpi horizontal) by 72 dpi (vertical).

CHAR Specifies the character scale. Enter **CHAR**.

MM Specifies the scale will be in millimeters. Enter **MM**.

*lpi* The optional vertical line spacing parameter (in lines per inch) for character scaling. Enter:

any integer value from 1 through 1000. The default is 6 lpi. For line matrix printers, enter

6, 8, 9, or 10.

cpi The optional horizontal pitch parameter (in characters per inch) for character scaling. Enter

10, 12, 13, 15, 17, or 20. The default is 10 cpi.

#### Comments

If the character scale is selected, starting row/column or ending row/column parameters are specified by character row and column. The lines per inch (lpi) value for a character scale form can be set to any integer value from 1 through the target DPI. Characters per inch (cpi) horizontally can be either 10, 12, 13, 15, 17, or 20. For example, on a printer with a maximum print width of 80 columns, an 8-1/2 x 11-inch form at the 6 lpi 10 cpi default has 66 rows and 80 columns in the character scale. (Refer to your printer *Administrator's Manual* to determine your maximum print boundaries.)

If the dot scale is selected, the parameters are specified in dot row and column. For example, based on a 60 dpi horizontal and 72 dpi vertical dot scale, a form of 8-1/2 x 11 inches has 792 rows (72 dpi x 11 inches) and 510 columns (60 dpi x 8-1/2 inches), and a form of 8 x 11 inches has 792 rows and 480 columns. Refer to Appendix B for more information about maximum values with other paper sizes.

The default scale factor uses character row and column (6 lpi and 10 cpi). Anytime CP.DP format (page 26) is used, the scale assumes 6 lpi and 10 cpi and a 60 x 72 dpi format.

You can change the Scale at any time during forms creation by using either of the Scale commands. Elements designed before the scale change will print at the former scale, while those elements following the scale change will print at the current scale.

# Scaling (Compatibility only)

Purpose Permits graphic elements (such as corners or boxes) to retain their physical shapes and

sizes when printed in a horizontal and vertical density other than the base density of 60 x 72 dpi (60 horizontal x 72 vertical dots per inch). This command allows IGP/PGL programs developed for other printers to be automatically scaled for execution on MVP and P3000

Series printers so that the printed output appears the same as the original output.

NOTE: This command is for line matrix printers and has no function for thermal. If encountered, it

will be absorbed.

Mode CREATE

**Format** SMODE: pt; sm [:em]

SMODE The Scale command: enter **SMODE**.

pt Defines the printer type. Enter one of the Printer Type codes shown in Table 12 to select

the type of printer.

sm Defines the scale mode. Enter one of the Scale Mode codes shown in Table 12 to select

the scaling mode and corresponding dot density.

em Optional parameter to define the exit mode. This optional parameter is useful when the

normal print mode is different from the print mode used for IGP/PGL graphics. The exit

mode returns the IGP/PGL to a specified printer mode after the form is printed. Enter a new Scale Mode code (according to the printer type selected) from Table 12.

# **Select Format**

**Purpose** Enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all host-generated paper movement (hex 00-1F).

Mode NORMAL, CREATE or EXECUTE

Format (cc)SFON or (cc)SFOFF

**NOTE:** A line terminator is not required in the Select Format Sequence.

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

SFON The Select Format On command. Enter SFON.

SFOFF Exits Select Format. Enter **SFOFF**.

### Comments

During Select Format, you may enter the following IGP/PGL paper movement commands. All the commands must be entered in UPPERCASE. These commands can only be used with the Select Format command. If used at any other time, an error condition may result.

Command Paper Movement Function

(cc)CR Sends a carriage return (hex 0D)

(cc)LF Sends a line feed (hex 0A)
(cc)FF Sends a form feed (hex 0C)

(cc)LT Sends a no motion line terminator (hex 03)

Although the Select Format command enables the IGP/PGL to ignore all host-generated paper movement commands, you can input IGP/PGL paper movement commands with Select Format on.

SFON/SFOFF cannot be used during Ignore Sequence (page 71).

### **Set Time or Date**

**Purpose** To set the internal printer clock to the current time and date. All the parameters are optional.

**NOTE:** Since this command sets time, it is important that it is received and processed by the printer

quickly. This command should be sent when the printer is online and no other data is in

the buffer.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)SETCLOCK;[DA nn;] [MO nn;] [YE nnun;] [HO nn;] [MI nn;] [SE nn;]

SETCLOCK The Set Clock command

DA Sets the day of the month. Enter DA followed by a space then a two-digit value 00–31.

MO Sets the month. Enter MO followed by a space then a two–digit value from 01–12.

YE Sets the year. Enter YE followed by a space than a four-digit value from 0000–9999.

HO Sets the hour. Enter HO followed by a space then a two-digit value from 00–23.

MI Sets the minutes. Enter MI followed by a space then a two-digit value from 00–59.

SE Sets the seconds. Enter SE followed by a space then a two–digit value from 00–59.

### **Example**

See Clock Element Format on page 44.

# Setup

**Purpose** 

The SETUP command can be used in two different ways, with the form name and without the form name. When the form name is not entered, the given data under SETUP will be stored into FLASH under the name setup.ptx. This file is then loaded from FLASH and processed as host data whenever printer power is applied or when the RESET or RECALL command is sent. When the form name is entered, SETUP is currently being used in XML driven form to save all commands in NORMAL mode into a FLASH file with the extension .nol, and later to be processed along with two other FLASH saved files, \*.frm and \*.lnk to print an XML form.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)SETUP [;formname] [;DISK]

host data

(cc)SETUPEND

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

SETUP The Setup command; enter **SETUP**.

formname This is a parameter used exclusively for XML driven form. When the formname is

entered, the host data following ~SETUP and up to ~SETUPEND will be saved into FLASH under the same formname with the extension, \*.nol. The data following SETUP can be only the commands in NORMAL mode. When XML data stream comes in to print the form under the same formname, the file with the same name and extension, .nol will be retrieved from the FLASH and executed along with two other FLASH file of the same name, \*.frm (CREATE form) and .lnk (LINK form). See the description and example listed for the ~LINK command, on page 74. The form name is not case sensitive.

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Optional parameter to store the file to Onboard Flash Memory. Enter **DISK**. Enter **EMC** to store the file to the SD card or Expanded Memory Cartridge. When the option is not

specified, it stores the file to Onboard Flash Memory by default. See "Flash Memory

Storage" on page 22.

host data When the parameter form name is not entered, the host data can be any IGP/PGL

command, form definition, text, etc. to be stored and executed at power-up. However, when the parameter form name is entered, the host data can only be any IGP/PGL

command in NORMAL mode.

SETUPEND Finishes storing host data and returns the printer to the NORMAL mode. Enter

SETUPEND.

### **Comments**

When SETUP is used for non–XML driven form, the form name is not given because the RESET command causes the setup routine to be executed, the RESET command cannot be in the SETUP information or an infinite loop will occur.

If IGP/PGL commands have not been added between the SETUP and SETUPEND commands, the SETUP.PTX file on the Onboard Flash Memory automatically deletes, and no IGP/PGL SETUP commands execute upon printer power-up.

SETUP.PTX is automatically created by the IGP/PGL when the

~SETUPEND command is received. When the SETUP.PTX file is not in the Onboard Flash Memory, no

extra IGP/PGL commands are performed on power-up.

When SETUP is used for XML driven form (the form name is given), the DELETE FORM command (\*.frm) used under SETUP to delete both FLASH or DRAM form cannot be the same name as the form name used in SETUP. \*ALL cannot be used because XML form relies on the successful execution of \*.frm which happens after the execution of the SETUP file (\*.nol).

For XML driven form, since both SETUP (\*.nol) and LINK file (\*.lnk) are stored only in FLASH, the users can delete the flash files through the front panel option. See the Link command on page 74 for a description and example.

# Example 1 (for XML form)

```
~SETUP; TESTXML
~DELETE LOGO; epc300.tif
~DELETE LOGO; PCXLOGO
~LOGO; PCXLOGO; PCX
<Raster Data>~RASTEREND
~SETUPEND
~CREATE; TESTXML; 432; DISK
SCALE; DOT; 100; 100
LOGO
40;40; PCXLOGO
STOP
LOGO
40;292;epc300.tif
STOP
ALPHA AF1;16; POINT;140;180;14;11
STOP
END
~LINK; TESTXML; DISK
~AF1;$BUSINESS PARTNER$
~NORMAL
```

# **Special Function Control Code Change**

**Purpose** Changes the current Special Function Control Code (SFCC).

Mode NORMAL or EXECUTE

**Format** (cc)SFCC; *n* 

or

(cc)SFCC; 'n'

(cc) The current Special Function Control Code.

SFCC; Specifies the Special Function Control Code change command. Enter SFCC; (the

semicolon is required.)

n Represents the ASCII numeric value for the new SFCC. Replace n with an ASCII value

from 0 through 255.

'n' Represents the hexadecimal value for a printable character as the new SFCC. Replace 'n'

with a hexadecimal value from 20 through 7F. If representing the new SFCC in

hexadecimal, it must be enclosed in single quotes.

### **Comments**

When the SFCC is changed using the SFCC command, the change is effective immediately and the old SFCC is no longer recognized.

When printer power is turned off and on, the SFCC returns to the configuration default. The configuration default SFCC can also be re-selected by sending the command: (cc)SFCC; ''

### **Example**

The following example, using both the ASCII and hexadecimal values, changes the SFCC from the tilde (~) to the caret (^).

~SFCC;94 or ~SFCC;'5E'

# **VERIFY**

Purpose Request the printer to send to the host the ASCII representation of a dynamic field. The

dynamic field could be one of AFn, BFn, or DFn, but cannot be RFn.

Mode CREATE

**Format** VERIFY;**field**;*format*;(D)*ASCIIheader*(D);(D)*ASCIITrailer*(D)

VERIFY The command to verify data of a dynamic field, enter VERIFY;

field The dynamic field AFn, BFn, or DFn that contains the data to be sent to the host.

format A letter specifying the format of the outgoing data to be sent to the host.

**B** – binary, **D** – decimal, **S** – string, **H** – hexadecimal, **6** – 6 bit character set (ISO 17360), **U** – URN Code 40 character set (ISO/IEC 18000-63); see tables for H, 6, and U information in (see section A Data Formats for more detail)

Based on the incoming format of the data field, a format conversion may be performed if the outgoing format is not the same. The AFn and BFn format is always S type. The DFn format could be either B, D, or H. Due to the possible conversion the outgoing data stream could be longer than the incoming one. The maximum length for the outgoing data is 512 bytes. If the format request will result in a data stream exceeding the maximum length, an error would be reported.

ASCIIheader A mandatory parameter to specify an ASCII string of characters, which is followed by the

RFID data, to be sent by the printer to the host.

ASCIItrailer An optional parameter to specify an ASCII string of characters, which will follow the RFID

data, to be sent by the printer to the host.

(D) Delimiter designating the start and end of a character string. Replace (D) with any printable

character, except the SFCC and the slash character (/). The string could be empty, i.e.

there are not headers preceding the field data.

### Comments

- The DFn field must be defined previously in the CREATE mode before it can be specified in the VERIFY command otherwise it will be considered as a syntax error and the VERIFY command will abort.
- 2. All RFID Read/Write commands are executed first in the order they appear in CREATE mode, followed by Alpha and Barcode commands, and finally VERIFY commands. The VERIFY commands are always executed last although they may appear before other commands in the CREATE mode. The reason for this is to make sure the data are sent back to the host only if other commands are completed and the form is not aborted.

3. If the data comes from a DFn field, the DFn format is the original format before any conversion. If the VERIFY command specifies a different format, the data would then be converted to the new format. If the data comes from an AFn or BFn, the original format is S format.

# **Special Characters**

Below is the possible syntax for header and trailer string,

```
VERIFY; DF2; H; *Head = * //Header only
VERIFY; DF2; H; *Head = *; *Tail* //Header & trailer
VERIFY; DF2; H; **; *Tail* //Trailer only
VERIFY; DF2; H; *Head = *; ** //Header only
```

To insert the CR/LF character, add "\r" and "\n" as CR/LF characters, such as:

If the user wants to display "\r" or "\n" as normal text character, do the following with double backslashes:

```
VERIFY;DF2;H;*Header\\r\\n*
```

### **Example 1**

This example requests the printer to send to the host the content of the RFID tag, in hexadecimal format, both before and after the RFWTAG command writes data to the tag. Also, the label is not moved.

```
~CREATE; VERIFY; 432; NOMOTION
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *TagBefore=*
RFWTAG; 64
2;B;*01*
6;D;*29*
24;H;*466958*
17;H;*ABC*
15;D;*1234*
STOP
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF2; H
STOP
VERIFY;DF2;H;*TagAfter=*
END
~EXECUTE; VERIFY; 1
~NORMAL
TagBefore =A5A500005D055E04 <== Whatever data inside the tag before
           =5D466958055E04D2 <== Should match with RFWTAG command
TagAfter
```

# Example 2

This example reads a roll of 1500 pre-programmed smart labels.

```
~CREATE; READONLY; 432
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; **
END
```

```
~EXECUTE; READONLY; 1500
~NORMAL

A5A500005D055E04 <== Whatever data was in the tag #1
A5A50000000550D4 <== Whatever data was in the tag #2
..
A5A50000000551B4 <== Whatever data was in the tag #1500
```

# Example 3

This example requests the printer to program a roll of 2000 smart labels using the RFWTAG command with incremental field. Then, it sends the actual data from each of the 2000 tags to the host.

```
~CREATE; SIMPLE; 432; NOMOTION
RFWTAG; 64
2;B;*01*
6;D;*29*
24;H;*466958*
17;H;*ABC*
15; I; D; STEP+1; *0000*
STOP
RFRTAG; 64
64; DF1; H
STOP
VERIFY; DF1; H; *Data=*
~EXECUTE; SIMPLE; ICNT2000
~NORMAL
Data=5D466958055E0000
                          <== Should be the newly programmed data.
Data=5D466958055E0001
                          ....another 1996 lines of RFID data ....
Data=5D466958055E07CE
Data=5D466958055E07CF
                         <== Should be the newly programmed data</pre>
```

# 3 Bar Codes

# **Overview**

A bar code is a graphic representation of alphanumeric characters. Bar codes are produced by entering bar code data in the Create Form Mode. The IGP bar codes are listed in Table 11, with detailed bar code information provided on the referenced pages. All parameters must be separated by a semicolon (;) unless noted otherwise. Throughout this chapter, actual commands required for input are shown exactly as they must be entered, while all parameters associated with that command are shown in italics. Optional parameters are enclosed in brackets. Spaces are used only to visually separate the command parameters, but *do not* enter these spaces in your command.

The single most important consideration when printing a bar code is to ensure the bar code will be scanned properly. Incorporating a bar code quality procedure in the printing process is the best way to ensure that bar codes are being printed correctly. A properly implemented validation procedure will increase overall bar code quality, reduce waste from misprinted bar codes, and achieve high first-time read rates, which is an increasingly important factor in newer, more efficient systems where manually entered data is not acceptable as a backup function. Validation also minimizes the costs of returned products due to poor reading or unaccountable bar codes. For more information on bar code validation, contact your Printronix representative or visit our web site at <a href="https://usca.tscprinters.com/en/printronix-auto-id-enterprise-printers">https://usca.tscprinters.com/en/printronix-auto-id-enterprise-printers.</a>

**Table 11 Available Bar Codes** 

Bar Code	Mnemonic	Symbol Length	Code Set	Page No.
Australian 4-State	AUSTPOST	Variable	Alphanumeric	133
Aztec (Thermal)	AZTEC	Variable	Alphanumeric	137
BC412 (Thermal)	BC412	Variable	Alphanumeric	141
Codabar	CODABAR	Variable	Alphanumeric	145
Code 35	C35	Variable	Alphanumeric	149
Code 39	C3/9	Variable	Alphanumeric	151
Code 93	CODE93	Variable	Alphanumeric	156
Code 128 – A, B or C	C128A C128B C128C	Variable	Alphanumeric	160
EAN8	EAN8	7 digits	Numeric	170
EAN13	EAN13	12 digits	Numeric	174
FIM	FIM	n/a	A, B, C or D	179
German I-2/5	I25GERMAN	11 or 13	Numeric	216

**Table 11 Available Bar Codes** 

Bar Code	Mnemonic	Symbol Length	Code Set	Page No.
GS1-128, formerly UCC/EAN-128	UCC-128	Variable	Alphanumeric	184
GS1 Databar, formerly RSS <sub>14</sub>	RSS14	Variable	Alphanumeric	195
GS1 Datamatrix, formerly Datamatrix	DATAMATRIX	Variable	Alphanumeric	203
Intelligent Mail 4-State	INTMAIL	20, 25, 29, 31	Numeric	214
Interleaved 2/5	I-2/5	Variable	Numeric	216
ITF-14	ITF14	13 digits	Numeric	216
Matrix	MATRIX	Variable	Numeric	220
Maxicode (Thermal)	MAXICODE	Variable	Alphanumeric	224
MSI	MSI	13 or 14	Numeric	229
PDF417	PDF417	Variable	Alphanumeric	233
Planet	PLANET	11 digits	Numeric	240
Plessey	PLESSEY	Variable	Alphanumeric	244
POSTNET	POSTNET	5, 9, or 11	Numeric	248
PostBar	POSTBAR	Variable	0-3	252
QR Code	QRCODE	Variable	Alphanumeric	255
Royal Mail	ROYALBAR	Variable	Alphanumeric	252
Telepen	TELEPEN	Variable	Alphanumeric	260
UPC-A	UPC-A	11 digits	Numeric	265
UPC-E and UPC-E0	UPC-E UPC-E0	11 or 6	Numeric	269
UPCSHIP	UPCSHIP	13 digits	Numeric	275
UPS11	UPS11	10 digits	Alphanumeric	279

# **User-Defined Variable Bar Code Ratios**

The user-defined variable ratio for bar codes is an optional parameter. The default ratios shown in Table 12 are overridden by the variable ratio feature. Four- and eight-digit ratios can be used, depending upon the bar code selected. Ratio data must be decimal values greater than 0. Enter **R**, followed by the actual bar code ratio. A colon must separate each element of the ratio.

Like standard bar code ratios, user-defined ratios are also interpreted from left to right, measuring the size of each bar or space, in dot width, in the following pattern: narrow bar : narrow space : wide bar : wide space. See Table 12 for the number of values needed. If the  $\bf D$  parameter is specified, the ratios are represented in printer dots instead of IGP dots (60 x 72 dpi).

User-defined ratios can be disabled from the front panel menu. See your Administrator's Manual for details.

**NOTE:** The IGP does not verify that ratio data creates acceptable wide/narrow element relationships for bar code readability. When designing unique ratio data, carefully plot wide and narrow ratios to conform to readable bar codes.

### **User-Defined Variable Ratios for Postal Barcodes**

The user-defined variable ratio can also be used for Postal barcodes including Postnet, Planet, Australian 4-State, PostBar, Royal Mail, and Intelligent Mail 4-State. The **D** parameter can also be used for printer dots.

The user-defined ratio follows the same general syntax rules but with the following pattern:

bar width: space width: short bar height: full bar height

User-defined ratios can be disabled from the control panel menu *Applicatoin > PGL Setup > User-Def Ratio*.

**NOTE:** The IGP does not verify that ratio data creates acceptable wide/narrow element relationships for barcode readability. When designing unique ratio data, carefully plot wide and narrow ratios to conform to readable barcodes.

# **Example**

~CREATE; TEST (Enters Create Form mode) SCALE; CHAR (Alpha command) ALPHA 2;5;1;1;1;\*Std. Ratio\* STOP (Ends Alpha command) (Bar code command) BARCODE C3/9;X1;H7;3;5 "CODE39" PDF;B;N (Printable data field) STOP (Ends bar code command) (Alpha command) ALPHA 2;30;1;1;\*Var. Ratio\* (Ends bar code command) STOP (Bar code command) BARCODE C3/9; XRD2:2:5:5; H7; 3; 30 "CODE39" PDF;B;N (Printable data field) STOP (Ends bar code command) END (Terminates Create Form mode) ~EXECUTE; TEST; 1 (Prints the form) ~NORMAL

Std. Ratio



Var. Ratio

# **PDF Command Format**

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

For UPC and EAN bar codes, a smaller Letter Gothic font will be substituted for OCR-A or OCR-B when the bar code symbol is not large enough to accommodate a 10 CPI font.

For all other bar codes, OCR-A and OCR-B will print at 10 CPI. The PDF will be automatically sized to fit the length of the bar code symbol, if necessary.

**PDF** 

Optional parameter to enable printing of the human readable data field. Enter **PDF** to print the data field. If the parameter is not used, the human readable data will not print. This parameter is not allowed if a null data field was specified.

LOC

Optional parameter to identify the location of the printable data field. The default value is **B**, locating the human readable data below the bar code. **A** locates the printable data field above bar code. To compensate for printing the 0.1-inch high data, the height of the bar code body is reduced 0.1 inch.

**FONT** 

Optional parameter to select the font for the human readable data field. Enter **O** to select OCR-A font; enter **X** to select OCR-B font; enter **N** to select 10 cpi; enter **P** to select 12 cpi; enter **Q** to select 13 cpi; enter **R** to select 15 cpi; enter **T** to select 17 cpi; enter **V** to select 20 cpi.

To select a scalable font with user-defined size, enter **Nh:w** or **F;Nh:w**. The parameters h (height) and w (width) can each range from 1-96 and are expansion factors of a 10 cpi character. Nh:w prints in Letter Gothic (font 93779) regardless of the current active font. By default F;Nh:w uses the Letter Gothic as the current font selection. You can change the default by using the FONT command.

NOTE:

Nh:w and F;Nh:w will not print the PDF wider or taller than the barcode. If the height parameter h causes the PDF to print above the horizontal barcode start row or vertical barcode start column, a barcode font Error will occur. If the width parameter w causes the PDF to exceed the barcode width, the PDF width factor w will automatically reduce to fit within the barcode width without causing an error.

# **Dynamic Barcode Data Fields**

PGL Barcode Commands allow the use of dynamic data using the BF*n* parameter within the command instead of supplying the data in the CREATE mode. Typical use of the dynamic data definition include the BF command, the number of the dynamic field, and the maximum length of the dynamic data to be supplied as follows:

BFn:L

Optional parameters for assigning a dynamic bar code data field location on a form and for designating the length of the data field. With these parameters, the actual data for the bar code data field is dynamically provided during the Execute Form Mode; the data is not specified during the Create Form Mode. To use this field, perform the following steps:

- a. Enter BF.
- b. Replace *n* with a number ranging from **0 through 512** to identify the bar code field. The *SR* and *SC* parameters specify the exact location of the bar code field identified by *n*.
- c. Replace *L* with a number equaling the total number of characters in the field. (The actual data provided dynamically during the Execute Form Mode can be less than *L*.)
- d. The information for the data field is entered dynamically during the Execute Form Mode. (Refer to Execute Form: Dynamic Bar Code Data on page 63.) Do not use the data field parameter to enter data when the BFn;L parameters are used. However, refer to the data field description for available characters.

NOTE:

Some barcodes have fixed data lengths such as UPC and EAN codes. In those cases, the dynamic data definition does not require or allow the *L* parameter to be included.

# **Magnification Specifications**

The magnification specifications for each bar code differ whether the bar code is printed horizontally or vertically, and whether it is printed on a 203 dpi or 300 dpi printer. Table 12 summarizes the specifications for each bar code. 600 DPI barcodes are the same as 300 DPI barcodes.

**Table 12 IGP Bar Code Specification Summary** 

Magnification			Element \		w	ide:Narr	ow (ratio	p)	Barco	de Char (cr		ensity
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.
				Co	de 39 a	nd Tele	pen					
X1	196	199	183	200	2.1:1	2.8:1	2.6:1	2.5:1	3.9	3.3	3.7	3.5
X2	344	350	367	283	2.7:1	1.9:1	2.5:1	2.8:1	1.9	2.3	1.9	2.3
X3	492	501	550	416	3:1	2:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.6
X4	738	600	667	550	2.2:1	2.4:1	2.7:1	2.9:1	1	1.2	1	1.2
X1A	320	149	150	151	1.9:1	2.7:1	2.6:1	2.5:1	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.6
X1B	172	199	183	182	2.3:1	3.3:1	2.1:1	3.8:1	4.2	3	4.1	3
X1C	98	98	133	133	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.8:1	2.8:1	7.1	7	5	5
X1D	98	100	133	133	2:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.2:1	7.9	7.8	5.5	5.5
X1E	98	99	99	100	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	7.1	7	6.7	6.8
X1F	98	100	99	100	2.5:1	2:1	2.4:1	2.3:1	7.1	7.8	7.2	7.2
X1G	48	77	66	95	3.1:1	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.2:1	12.8	8.8	10.4	7.8
X1H	99	98	98	96	3.1:1	3.1:1	3.1:1	3.2:1	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3
X2A	344	299	367	299	1.9:1	2.7:1	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.3	2.2	1.9	2.3
X2B	344	399	366	365	2.3:1	3.3:1	2.1:1	3.8:1	2.1	1.5	2.1	1.5
X2C	196	198	267	266	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.8:1	2.8:1	3.5	3.5	2.5	2.5
X2D	196	200	267	266	2:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	3.9	3.9	2.8	2.8
X2E	196	199	200	534	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4
X2F	197	200	200	467	2.5:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	3.5	3.9	3.6	3.6
ХЗА	517	449	450	451	1.9:1	2.7:1	2.6:1	2.6:1	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5
X3B	516	598	550	549	2.3:1	3.3:1	2.1:1	3.7:1	1.4	1	1.4	1
X3C	295	299	400	400	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.8:1	2.4	2.3	1.7	1.7
X3D	295	301	400	401	2:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	2.6	2.6	1.8	1.8
X3E	295	300	300	300	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2
X3F	295	300	300	301	2.5:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.4
X4A	689	599	600	598	1.9:1	2.7:1	2.6:1	2.6:1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2
X4B	689	801	716	732	2.3:1	3.3:1	2.1:1	3.7:1	1.1	0.8	1.1	0.8
X4C	393	399	534	533	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.8:1	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.2
X4D	394	400	533	533	2:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	2	1.9	1.4	1.4
X4E	393	399	401	400	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7
X4F	393	400	400	400	2.5:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	2.8	1.9	1.8	1.8

Magnification	_		Element (		w	ide:Narr	ow (ratio	p)	Barcode Character Density (cpi)			
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.
	Interleaved 2/5, ITF-14, German I-2/5, Matrix, and UPCSHIP											
X1	196	199	182	184	2.3:1	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.8:1	6.8	6.2	6.6	6.3
X2	344	302	367	282	2.7:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	3.4	4.1	3.4	4.2
Х3	493	498	550	416	2.7:1	2:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	3.4	2.8	2.3	2.9
X4	591	600	667	551	3.2:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.8:1	2.8	2.1	1.8	2.1
X1A	246	150	198	168	2:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	2.2:1	5.8	8	6	8.1
X1B	147	150	165	169	2.3:1	2.7:1	2:1	2.2:1	8.8	8	8.6	8.1
X1C	98	100	133	135	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	12.7	12.5	9.4	9.4
X1D	98	100	133	133	2:1	2:1	2.8:1	2.7:1	14.5	14.2	8.8	8.8
X1E	98	98	100	100	2.5:1	2.6:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	12.7	12.5	12	12
X1F	98	101	99	101	2.5:1	2:1	2.4:1	2.3:1	12.7	14.2	13	13
X1G	48	78	66	94	3.1:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.2:1	22.6	15.9	18.9	14.4
X2A	320	274	333	232	2.2:1	2.1:1	2.1:1	2.7:1	4.3	5	4.2	5.1
X2B	295	300	333	332	2.3:1	2.7:1	2:1	2.2:1	4.4	4	4.3	4
X2C	196	200	267	267	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	6.3	6.2	4.7	4.7
X2D	196	200	267	267	2:1	2:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	7.3	7.1	4.4	4.4
X2E	196	200	199	199	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	6.3	6.2	6	6
X2F	196	200	198	200	2.5:1	2:1	2.4:1	2.4:1	6.3	7.1	6.5	6.5
ХЗА	738	449	602	499	2:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	2.2:1	1.9	2.7	1	2.7
X3B	443	450	501	499	2.3:1	2.7:1	2:1	2.2:1	2.9	2.7	2.9	2.7
X3C	295	300	401	400	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	4.2	4.1	3.1	3.1
X3D	296	304	400	398	2:1	2:1	2.8:1	2.8:1	4.8	4.7	2.9	2.9
X3E	295	300	300	299	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	4.2	4.1	4	4
X3F	295	302	298	300	2.5:1	2:1	2.4:1	2.3:1	4.2	4.7	4.3	4.3
X4A	984	602	801	666	2.1:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	2.2:1	1.3	1	1.5	2
X4B	591	601	667	668	2.3:1	2.7:1	2:1	2.2:1	2.2	1	2.1	2
X4C	394	400	534	533	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.5:1	3.2	3.1	2.3	2.3
X4D	393	402	533	534	2:1	2:1	2.8:1	2.8:1	3.6	3.5	2.2	2.2
X4E	394	401	401	399	2.5:1	2.5:1	2.7:1	2.7:1	3.2	3.1	3	3
X4F	394	401	400	401	2.5:1	2:1	2.3:1	2.3:1	3.2	3.6	3.3	3.3

•	Avg. Narrow Element Width  Magnification (in 0.0001 inches)					Wide:Narrow (ratio)				Barcode Character Density (cpi)			
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi dpi hor	203 dpi iz. vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 vert.	
			Cod	le 93, C	ode 128	3, and U	CC/EAI	N-128					
X1	148	158	165	135	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	6.2	6	5.4	6.8	
X1.5	246	150	265	135	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	3.7	6	3.6	6.8	
X2	311	285	300	285	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.2	
Х3	492	413	468	398	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.8	2.2	1.9	2.2	
X4	644	569	635	568	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.6	
X5	810	803	798	705	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	
X1A	128	100	165	132	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	7.1	9	5.4	6.8	
X2A	257	200	330	267	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	3.5	4.5	2.7	3.4	
X3A	385	301	500	400	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	2.4	3	1.8	2.3	
X4A	513	402	663	535	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.8	2.3	1.4	1.7	

Magnification	· ·	rg. Narrow Element Width (in 0.0001 inches)  Wide:Narrow (ratio)				p)	Barcode Character Density (cpi)					
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.
					UPC a	nd EAN						
X0.5	100	100	165	138	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
X1	195	152	163	133	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
X1.5	146	163	168	140	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
X2	395	299	295	268	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

•	Avg. Narrow Element Width  Magnification (in 0.0001 inches)					Wide:Narrow (ratio)				Barcode Character Density (cpi)			
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi dpi hor	203 dpi iz. vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 vert.	
					UP	S 11							
X0.5	148	150	167	131	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	6.2	6.1	5.5	6.9	
X1	174	150	167	132	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	5.2	6	5.4	6.9	
X1.5	246	148	252	131	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	3.7	6.1	3.6	6.9	
X2	348	301	333	264	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	2.6	3	2.7	3.4	
Х3	523	452	500	396	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.7	2	1.8	2.3	
X4	696	602	668	528	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	1.1	1.5	1.2	1.7	
X5	870	750	835	660	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	0.9	1.1	1	1.2	
X1A	147	150	167	131	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	6.2	6	5.5	6.9	
X2A	295	301	333	264	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	3.1	3	2.7	3.4	
X3A	443	452	500	396	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	2.1	2	1.8	2.3	
X4A	590	603	668	528	4:1	4:1	4:1	4:1	2.5	1.5	1.2	1.7	

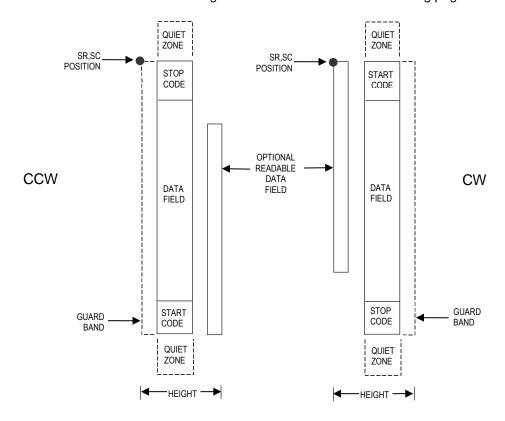
Magnification	,					Wide:Narrow (ratio)				Barcode Character Density (cpi)			
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	
					N	ISI							
X1	146	125	149	148	2.4	2.4	2.4	1.8	4.7	5.5	4.7	5.6	
X2	221	300	215	283	2.5	1.8	2.5	2	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.8	
Х3	320	425	300	422	2.2	2	2.3	1.9	2.3	1.8	2.3	1.8	
X4	415	575	347	628	2	1.9	2.6	1.7	1.8	1.3	1.8	1.3	
X5	517	726	450	696	1.9	1.9	2.3	2	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.1	
X6	591	853	517	885	2	2	2.4	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.2	0.9	
X7	689	954	602	1053	1.9	2.1	2.3	1.8	1.1	0.7	1.1	0.7	
X8	738	1153	651	1154	2	1.9	2.5	1.9	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.6	

Avg. Narrow Element Width  Magnification (in 0.0001 inches)					w	Wide:Narrow (ratio)				Barcode Character Density (cpi)			
Parameter	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	203 dpi horiz.	203 dpi vert.	300 dpi horiz.	300 dpi vert.	
					Coc	labar							
X1	246	199	233	180	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.7	4	4.8	3.9	4.8	
X1A	147	100	166	164	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.2	6.2	8.9	5.7	5.7	
X1B	122	198	133	131	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.5	7.1	4.2	6.7	6.8	
X1C	98	99	133	131	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.8	9.1	8.9	6.4	6.5	
X2A	294	200	333	327	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.2	3.1	4.4	2.8	2.9	
X2B	246	399	267	263	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.3	3.3	
X4A	591	400	668	659	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.2	1.5	2.2	1.4	1.4	
X4B	492	802	533	527	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.5	1.8	1	1.6	1.7	

# **Bar Codes**

# **Australian 4-State**

The Australian 4-State structure is shown in Figure 9 and described on the following pages.



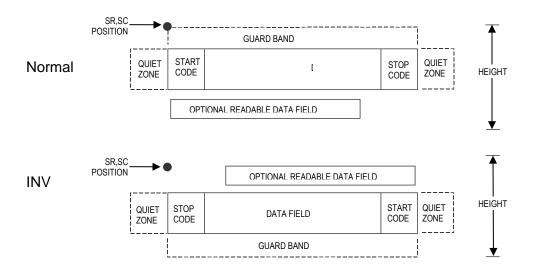


Figure 9 Australian 4-State Structure

The Australian 4-State bar code supports the Australian Postal Service. Australian 4-State bar codes are similar to POSTNET in terms of bar space and width but have four different types of bars (Full Height, Ascender, Descender, and Tracker), whereas POSTNET only has two bar types (Tall and Short).

The Australian 4-State symbology converts alphanumeric characters into patterns of four bars, using combinations of Full Height, Ascender, Descender, and Trackers. It also adds start and stop bar codes as well as Reed-Solomon parity information.

#### **Quiet Zone**

Quiet zones extend on both ends of the bar code to permit the scan to begin and end in a blank area. The quiet zones should be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You are responsible for providing sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

### Start/Stop Code

The start and stop bars identify the orientation of the bar code. The start bar consists of an ascender bar and is positioned at the left-most end of the bar code. The stop bar consists of a full height bar and is positioned at the right- most end of the bar code adjacent to the check digit.

### **Data Field**

Australian 4-State bar codes use four types of bars to encode its data: Full Height, Ascender, Descender, and Tracker. Each Full Height bar is 0.198 inch  $\pm 0.030$  inch. The Ascender and Descender bars are about 62.5% of the Full Height bar in length, while the Tracker bar is about 25% of the Full Height bar.

Each bar width is equal and must be .020-inch  $\pm$  .005-inch. Horizontal spacing between bars (pitch) must be 22 bars  $\pm$  2 bars per inch over any 0.50-inch portion of the bar code.

The Australian 4-State bar code data field consists of four different sections: the FCC, Sorting Number, Customer Data, and Reed-Solomon parity information. The FCC is a two-digit code specifying the format of the barcode (see Table 13). The Sorting Number is an 8-digit code used to sort the mail item. Customer Data is optional and is only allowed on certain formats (as indicated by the FCC selected). The IGP emulation automatically generates the Reed-Solomon parity information and includes it in the barcode.

Table 13 FCC Codes, Customer Inforamation Fields and Maximum Bar Code Lengths

FCC (FCCn)	Customer Information (INFO <i>n</i> )	Valid Data	Maximum Length (Sorting Number + Customer Data)
11, 87, 45, or 92	n/a	Any	8 + 0
59	1	A-Z, a-z, 0-9, space, #	8 + 5
59	2	0-9	8 + 7
59	3	0-3	8 + 15
44, 62	1	A-Z, a-z, 0-9, space, #	8 + 10
44, 62	2	0-9	8 + 15
44, 62	3	0-3	8 + 30

### **Check Digit**

No check digit is calculated for the Australian 4-State bar code. The Reed- Solomon parity information is automatically included.

### **Australian 4-State Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

AUSTPOST;[FCCn;][INFOn;][DIR;][MAG;][BFn;L;]SR;SC

(D) [data field] (D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

STOP

**Parameter Description** 

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

AUSTPOST Designates bar code type Australian 4-State; enter AUSTPOST.

FCCn Specifies the FCC code, which defines the format of the barcode and its size. If no value

is specified, the FCC defaults to a value of 11. Enter FCC, then one of the values shown

in Table 13.

INFOn Specifies the format of the customer information field. If no value is specified, the

information field defaults to a value of 1. Enter INFO, then one of the values shown in Table

13.

**NOTE:** For an **INFO***n* value of 3, the digits 0 through 3 represent the following bars: 0 = Full Height;

1 = Ascender; 2 = Descender; 3 = Tracker. Since this is a proprietary encoding, the

Customer Data is not included in the optional readable data field.

DIR Optional parameter to orient the bar code structure vertically. Enter CW for clockwise

rotation. Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted

rotation. If DIR is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density.

**NOTE:** The User-Defined variable ratio is not allowed for this barcode.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with

the data.

data field Contains the bar code characters. See Data Field on page 134 for a description of the

Australian 4- State bar code data field.

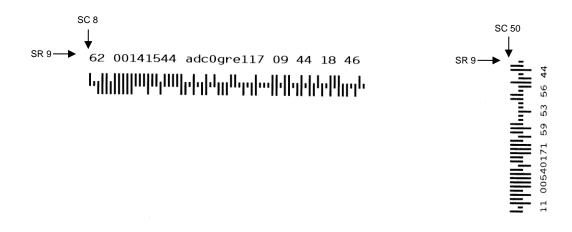
PDF [;LOC] [;FONT] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Example**

~CREATE; TEST (Enter Create Form mode) BARCODE (Bar code command) AUSTPOST; FCC62; INFO1; 9; 8 (Australian 4-State bar code, FCC=62, INFO=1, SR 9, SC 8) \*00141544adc0gre117\* (Data Field; 8-digit Sorting Number + 10 alphanumeric customer data) PDF;A (Printable data field above bar code) STOP (Ends bar code command) BARCODE (Bar code command) AUSTPOST; VSCAN; 9; 50 (Vertical Australian 4-State bar code, FCC=11, INFO=1, SR 9, SC 50) \*00540171\* (Data Field; 8-digit Sorting Number) PDF (Printable data field) STOP (Ends bar code command) (Terminates Create Form mode) ~EXECUTE; TEST; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~NORMAL



### **Aztec Barcode**

Aztec barcode is a 2-D matrix symbology designed to combine the best characteristics of several 1st generation symbologies, with special attention paid to ease of printing, ease of finding in any orientation, allowance for field distortion, high data security with user-selected redundancy, and efficient storage over the range from small to large data messages. Aztec symbols are made up of an array of square cells with square bullseye in the center.

### **Quiet Zone**

The minimum quiet zone is one module width on all four sides.

### GuardBand

There are no guardbands for Aztec.

#### **Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

AZTEC; [DIR;][X[D]n;][Hn;] [FORMATx,y;] [APPENDx,y;] [INIT;][BFn;L;] SR; SC  $[(D)Data\ Field(D)]$  STOP

# **Parameter Description**

X[D]n

Optional parameter that designates the x-dimension width of a single square data module in IGP dots, or printer dots if the option [D] is used. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots. The y-dimension is calculated by converting the printer dots in the x-direction to printer dots in the y-direction. This parameter is overridden by the H parameter below.

Hn

Optional parameter that selects the target height of the entire symbol. When the H parameter is used, the y-dimension of the single square module is computed by dividing the target height by the number of symbol rows. Thus, both the x and y dimension of the square data module will be overridden by this value.

FORMATx,y

Optional parameter that specifies the format x (includes error correction), and number of layers y in the symbol as shown in the table below. Note that in formats with x = 0, 1-99, and 102, the number of layers is optimally chosen by PGL.

Format x	Description	Layers y
0	Default with Error Correction of 23% + 3 codewords.	0
1–99	Fixed Error Correction Percentage of 1–99	0
100	Compact format	1–4
101	Full-range format	1–32
102	Rune format	0

APPENDx,y

Optional parameter that specifies that invokes message append (multiple symbols linked together) across x number of symbols. The minimum value of x is 1 and the maximum is 26. The parameter y specifies the length of the Message Append ID string, which is the first y bytes in the data field. Since the Message Append ID string is included with the data, it should be part of the L parameter when dynamic data BF parameter is used.

**INIT** 

Optional parameter that specifies that the symbol is a Reader Initialization symbol.

### **PDF**

There is no PDF allowed for the Aztec barcode.

### **Data Field**

The format of the data is as follows:

[Message Append ID String][Message Encode String]

The length of the Message Append ID string is based on the values given with the APPEND parameter. If there is no Message Append ID string, then the data is simply the Message Encode string. There is no delimiter between the Message Append ID string and the Message Encode string. For example, if the Message Append ID string is "ABC" and defined to be 3 bytes long while the Message Encode string is "12345", then the complete data field would be "ABC12345".

The Message Encode string can consist of any 8-bit data. The maximum number of data depend on three things: (1) format selected (which includes error correction level), (2) number of layers (only valid for Compact and Full- Range formats), and (3) type of data.

# **ESC signals FNC1 and Extended Channel Escape Character**

In the data stream, an ESC character signals the presence of a non-data characters such as FNC1 or Extended Channel Escape characters. To encode a true ESC character, the data stream should have an ESC followed by a second ESC character. Otherwise, the values following ESC have the meaning shown below:

ESC n	Description	Required Data Following
ESC ESC	Represents an ESC character	N/A
ESC 0	Represents a FNC1 character	N/A
ESC1	ECE character	1 digit
ESC 2	ECE character	2 digits
ESC 3	ECE character	3 digits
ESC 4	ECE character	4 digits
ESC 5	ECE character	5 digits
ESC 6	ECE character	6 digits
ESC ??	Invalid	N/A

# **Symbol Characteristics**

The following tables illustrate the maximum data capacities for the Aztec barcode for the Compact and Full-Range Format with all possible layer values.

**Table 14 Compact Format Characteristics (Layers 1-4)** 

Layers	Symbol Size	Codeword Count x Size	Max Text	Max Text	Max 8-Byte
1	15 X 15	17 x 6	13	12	6
2	19 X 19	40 x 6	40	33	19
3	23 X 23	51 x 8	70	57	33
4	27 X 27	76 x 8	110	89	53

Table 15 Full Format Characteristics (Layer 1-32)

Layers	Symbol Size	Codeword Count x Size	Max Text	Max Text	Max 8-Byte
1	19 X 19	21 x 6	18	15	8
2	23 X 23	48 x 6	49	40	24
3	27 X 27	60 x 8	84	68	40
4	31 X 31	88 x 8	128	104	62
5	37 X 37	120 x 8	178	144	87
6	41 X 41	156 x 8	232	187	114
7	45 X 45	196 x 8	294	236	145
8	49 X 49	240 x 8	362	291	179
9	53 X 53	230 x 10	516	414	256
10	57 X 57	272 x 10	516	414	256
11	61 X 61	316 x 10	601	482	298
12	67 X 67	364 x 10	691	554	343
13	71 X 71	416 x 10	793	636	394
14	75 X 75	470 x 10	896	718	446
15	79 X 79	528 x 10	1008	808	502
16	83 X 83	588 x 10	1123	900	559
17	87 X 87	652 x 10	1246	998	621
18	91 X 91	720 x 10	1378	1104	687
19	95 X 95	790 x 10	1511	1210	753
20	101 X 101	864 x 10	1653	1324	824
21	105 X 105	940 x 10	1801	1442	898

**Table 15 Full Format Characteristics (Layer 1-32)** 

Layers	Symbol Size	Codeword Count x Size	Max Text	Max Text	Max 8-Byte
22	109 X 109	1020 x 10	1956	1566	976
23	113 X 113	920 x 12	2116	1694	1056
24	117 X 117	992 x 12	2281	1826	1138
25	121 X 121	1066 x 12	2452	1963	1224
26	125 X 125	1144 x 12	2632	2107	1314
27	131 X 131	1224 x 12	2818	2256	1407
28	135 X 135	1306 x 12	3007	2407	1501
29	139 X 139	1392 x 12	3205	2565	1600
30	143 X 143	1480 x 12	3409	2728	1702
31	147 X 147	1570 x 12	3616	2894	1806
32	151 X 151	1664 x 12	3832	3067	1914

# **Aztec Example**

~CREATE AZTEC;792
BARCODE
AZTEC;FORMAT100,4;10;5
\*ABCDE511111\*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;AZTEC;1



# **BC412 BARCODE**

The BC412 barcode was invented by IBM in 1988 to meet the needs of the semiconductor wafer identification application. The word BC stands for binary code (presence or absence of a bar) and 412 means 4 bar modules in a total of 12 module positions in every character. It is a one-dimensional barcode that meets the following requirements: small space, easy scribing, and robust decoding even if the barcode symbols are under poor light contrast. It can achieve a density of 23 characters in less than an inch with a 3.3 mil bar width.

# **Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

BC412; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

[(D)Data Field(D)] [PDF [;LOC][;FONT]]

**STOP** 

### **Start Code**

The start code is bar, space, space in all cases.

### **Termination Code**

The stop code is bar, space, bar" in all cases.

### **Data Field**

BC412 can accommodate 35 characters, 0 - 9 and A - Z. The number 0 is used in place of the letter O. The following table lists the character with its module sequence and the character value.

$$I = Bar, - (dash) = Space$$

Character	Module Sequence	Character Value
0	I-I-I-I	00
1	I-I-II	15
2	I-I-II	17
3	I-I-II	29
4	I-I-II-	11
5	I-II-I	33
6	I-III	19
7	I-III	21
8	I-II I-	08
9	I-II-I	02
А	I-II	07
В	I-II-	25
С	I-II-I	20

Character	Module Sequence	Character Value
D	I-II-	22
Е	I-II-I-	09
F	II-I-I	30
G	II-II	03
Н	II-II	06
I	II-I I-	27
J	III-I	16
K	III	24
L	III-	04
M	III-I	34
N	III-	12
Р	III-I-	32
Q	II-I-I	18
R	II-II	01
S	II-II-	14
Т	II-I-I	13
U	III-	26
V	II-I-	05
W	II-I-I	31
Х	II-II-	28
Y	II-I-	23
Z	II-I-I-	10
Start	I	
Stop	I-I	

# **Check Code**

The BC412 has a mod 35 check character. The check character is placed in the second position behind the first data character. The check code is automatically included in the bar structure; however, it is not included in the PDF. The check digit computation is shown below:

Let D = D1D2....Dn be a string of n data characters and C = C1C2....Cn+1 be a string value of n+1 encoded characters.

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V1 = Character value of C1. (refer to the table above)
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Fo = (Sum of Odd V1) Mod 35.

Fe = (Sum of Even V1) Mod 35

$$F = (Fo + 2Fe) Mod 35$$

The second character is the check character. Hence, designate the second character of C1C2.... to be the check character of D.

Set C2 = 0. Therefore C1C3C4....Cn+1 = D1D2D3....Dn

Calculate Fo, Fe, and F

C2 = the character that has the check character value 17F Mod 35

### Example:

Assume that the data character string is AQ1557 Form the character string C = A0Q1557

Character value of the check character is = 17\*7 Mod 35

= 119 Mod 35

= 14

Cross reference in the table above, 14 is the character value of character 'S'. Hence the check character is 'S'.

# GuardBand

Normally, there are guardbands 0.10 inches both above and below the bars of the barcode. However, if it is a non-rotated barcode with the PDF below, then the bottom guardband is reduced to 0.07 inches (1/14 inch). The difference (0.03 inches) is then subtracted from the overall height of the barcodes. This is done to provide compatibility with IGP-X00 products.

### Magnification

There is only one pre-defined magnification for BC412, X1 which is the default magnification.

There are two values that comprise the dot ratio: bar and a space. Therefore, user-defined ratios for this barcode should have these two values defined, in the order previously specified.

# Height

The barcode can range from 0.3 - 9.9 inches tall. Default is 0.9 inches. If the minimum height of 0.3 inch is selected, the PDF is not allowed.

**NOTE:** The maximum VE allowed in the PDF is dependent on the height of the entire barcode.

# PDF

The PDF is not included unless requested. If included, it is separated from the bars by a guardband. The default font type used for the PDF is N. The check character is not included in the PDF.

# Example:

~CREATE; TEST BARCODE BC412; H10; 5; 5 \*12345ABCDE\* STOP END

~EXECUTE; TEST

~NORMAL

Figure 10 BC412 Barcode

# Codabar

The Codabar structure is shown in Figure 11 and described on the following pages.

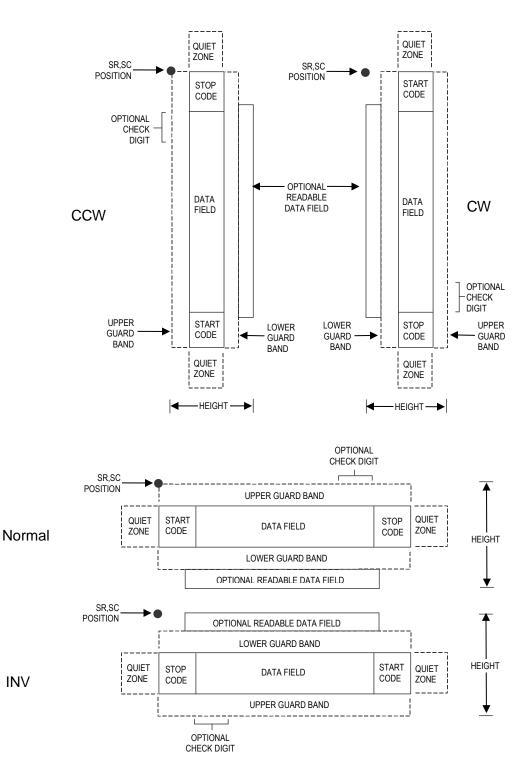


Figure 11 Codabar Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

### **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop code is a unique character identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent standard alphanumeric characters. Each wide or narrow bar or space is one element; each character in the data field has nine elements. The structure is three wide elements (bars or spaces) out of the nine total elements which compose one character.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

### **Check Digit**

The optional modulo-43 check digit can be inserted into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

#### **Codabar Command Format**

BARCODE CODABAR [CD];[DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR;SC (D) [ $data\ field$ ] (D) [ $PDF\ [;<math>LOC$ ] [;FONT]] STOP

### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

CODABAR Designates bar code type Codabar; enter **CODABAR**.

CD To calculate and plot the optional modulo-43 check digit with the bar code symbol

automatically, enter CD.

DIR Optional parameter to orient the bar code structure vertically. Enter CW for clockwise

rotation. Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted

rotation. If *DIR* is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

**NOTE:** You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values

that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to

select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE: If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn;LSee the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one SC less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with

the data.

data field Contains the bar code characters. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The data field can contain any of the characters listed in Table 16 except the SFCC, and the first

character and the last character in the data field must be either A, B, C, or D. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters

to minimize potential reading errors.

See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127. PDF [:LOC] [:FONT]]

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

Table 16 Codabar Character Set

Character	Hex	Character	Hex
0	30	-	2D
1	31	\$	24
2	32	:	3A
3	33	/	2F
4	34	•	2E
5	35	+	2B
6	36	Α	41
7	37	В	42
8	38	С	43
9	39	D	44

# **Example**

~CREATE; TEST; 288
BARCODE
CODABAR; VSCAN; X1; H7; 5; 20
\*A12345B\*
PDF; B; N
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; TEST

~NORMAL

(Enter Create Form mode)
(Bar code command)
(Vertical Codabar bar code, MAG 1, SR 5, SC 20)
(Data Field)
(Printable data field)
(Ends bar code command)
(Terminates Create Form mode)



# Code 35

The Code35 barcode is used in high speed processing and postal automation. The bar structure to be composed is simple and the safety of the barcode is excellent. Print speed is fast, so it is suitable for high speed reader of optical character. Each number in the data field contains the bar that indicates the start, so self-search is possible. The barcode is good for the error check.

#### **Command Format**

BARCODE C35; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC [(D)Data Field(D)] STOP

### **Start Code**

Each number in the data field contains the bar that indicate the start.

#### **Data Field**

Code 35 can accommodate 10 characters, 0 - 9. The following table lists the character with its module sequence. Each character is composed of 6 bars of same kind which include 2 empty bars (bars removed from their place) and one start bar. Data Field is written form left to right, but barcode symbol is composed in an order of left to right which starts with the rightmost character in the data field to the leftmost character.

Character	Module Sequence
0	I-I-I-E-E-S-
1	E-E-I-I-I-S-
2	E-I-E-I-I-S-
3	I-E-E-I-I-S-
4	E-I-I-E-I-S-
5	I-E-I-E-I-S-
6	I-I-E-E-I-S-
7	E-I-I-I-E-S-
8	I-E-I-I-E-S-
9	I-I-E-I-E-S-

#### **Check Code**

The Code 35 has a mod 10 check character. The check character is automatically calculated and inserted in the end of barcode symbol. The check character verifies accurate scanning. The start bar is included in the check character.

### GuardBand

Normally, there are guardbands 0.10 inches both above and below the bars of the barcode.

# Magnification

There is only one pre-defined magnification for Code 35, X1, which is the default magnification.

**NOTE:** The User Defined variable ratio is not allowed for this barcode.

# Height

The barcode can range from 0.3 - 9.9 inches tall. Default is 0.3 inches.

# **PDF**

PDF is not included for Code 35.

# **Example**

~CREATE; TEST
BARCODE
C35; X1; H4; 10; 10
\*137130\*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; TEST; 1



Code 39
The Code 39 structure is shown in Figure 12 and described on the following pages.

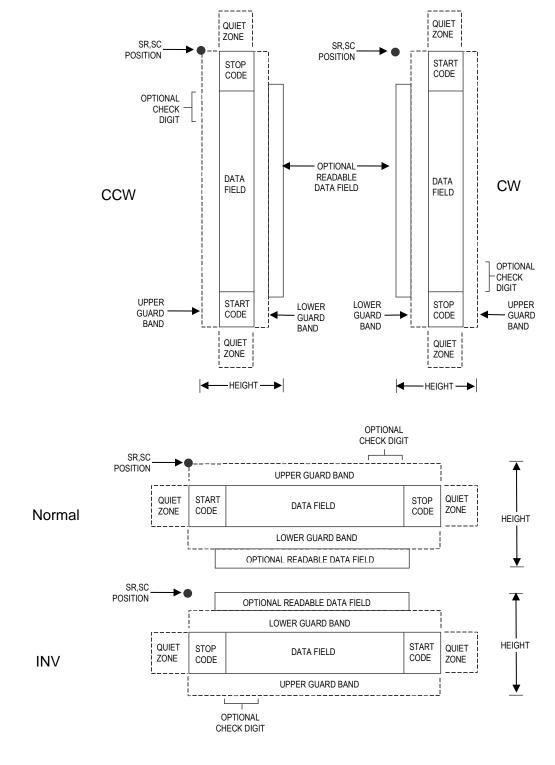


Figure 12 Code 39 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

### **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop code is a unique character identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent standard alphanumeric characters. Each wide or narrow bar or space is one element; each character in the data field has nine elements. The structure is three wide elements (bars or spaces) out of the nine total elements which compose one character.

For HIBC barcode, the data field is a variable length field consisting of only the following characters: 1-9, A-Z, -, ., \$, /, +, %, and space.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

The optional modulo-43 check digit can be inserted into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

For HIBC barcode, a mandatory modulo-43 checkdigit is inserted at the end of the data.

#### **PDF**

Unless requested, the PDF is not included. If included, it is separated from the bars by a guardband. The default font type used for PDF is N. Non-printable characters are printed as spaces. The check digit is included in the PDF.

For HIBC barcode, PDF is preceded with '+', a Flag Character which is an identifier used to differentiate HIBC symbols from other non-healthcare related barcode symbols. A pair of asterisks (\*) encloses the human readable field, including the check digit.

# **Code 39 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

C3/9 [CD]; [HIBC;] [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;]SR;SC [(D) [data field] (D)[PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** 

**HIBC** 

#### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command: enter **BARCODE**.

C3/9 CD Designates bar code type C39; enter **C3/9**. To calculate and plot the optional modulo-43

check digit with the bar code symbol automatically, enter CD.

The Health Industry Bar Code (HIBC) is encoded in either Code 128 or Code 39 symbology. Enter **HIBC**. In a global setting, HIBC identifies health industry products, in any quantity, of any lot or serial number, with any expiration date. HIBC represents two kinds of information: Primary and Secondary Identification. Primary Identification represents product identity and Secondary Identification represents the attributes of Lot or Batch

Code, Serial Number, and Expiration date.

When encoding HIBC barcode in UCC-128, HIBC is essentially a UCC-128 barcode. The encoding uses the same module 10 check digit and data format. The only addition is an Application Identifier (AI) parameter. For Primary Data Structure use AI (01), and for Secondary Data Structure use AI (22) or AI (240). To use UCC-128 to encode HIBC, be sure to use the correct AI parameter to obtain the desired results.

DIR

Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation. Enter **CCW** or **VSCAN** for counterclockwise rotation. Enter **INV** for inverted rotation. If *DIR* is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG

Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

NOTE:

You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments plus dots; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE:

If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn;L

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with the data.

data field

Contains the bar code characters. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The data field can contain any of the characters listed in Table 17 except the SFCC. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters to minimize potential reading errors.

PDF [;LOC] [;*FONT*]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

**Table 17 Code 39 Character Set** 

ASCII	CODE 39	ASCII	CODE 39	ASCII	CODE 39	ASCII	CODE 39
NUL	%U	SP	Space	@	%V	`	%W
SOH	\$A	!	/A	Α	Α	а	+A
STX	\$B	"	/B	В	В	b	+B
ETX	\$C	#	/C	С	С	С	+C
EOT	\$D	\$	/D	D	D	d	+D
ENQ	\$E	%	/E	E	E	е	+E
ACK	\$F	&	/F	F	F	f	+F
BEL	\$G	'	/G	G	G	g	+G
BS	\$H	(	/H	Н	Н	h	+H
HT	\$I	)	/I	I	I	i	+1
LF	\$J	*	/J	J	J	j	+J
VT	\$K	+	/K	K	K	k	+K
FF	\$L	,	/L	L	L	I	+L
CR	\$M	<u> </u>	<del></del>	М	M	m	+M
SO	\$N			N	N	n	+N
SI	\$O	/	/O	0	0	0	+O
DLE	\$P	0	0	Р	Р	р	+P
DC1	\$Q	1	1	Q	Q	q	+Q
DC2	\$R	2	2	R	R	r	+R
DC3	\$S	3	3	S	S T	s	+S
DC4	\$T	4	4	Т		t	+T
NAK	\$U	5	5	U	U	u	+U
SYN	\$V	6	6	V	V	V	+V
ETB	\$W	7	7	W	W	w	+W
CAN	\$X	8	8	X	Χ	х	+X
EM	\$Y	9	9	Υ	Υ	у	+Y
SUB	\$Z	:	/Z	Z	Z	Z	+Z
ESC	%A	·,	%F	[	%K	{	%P
FS	%B	<	%G	\	%L		%Q
GS	%C	=	%H	]	%M	}	%R
RS	%D	>	%l	^	%N	~	%S
US	%E	?	%J	_	%O	DEL	%T %X
							%Y %Z

**NOTE:** Character pairs /M, /N, and /P through /Y are reserved for future control character pairs.

# Example

Figure 13 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Code 39 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; C39 (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code Command) C3/9;40;15 (Code 39 at SR 40, SC 15) \*SAMPLE C3/9\* (Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code Command) BARCODE (New Bar Code Command) C3/9; VSCAN; H14; 27; 58 (Vert Code 39, H 1.4, at SR 27, SC 58) \*SAMPLE C3/9\* (Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code Command) END (Terminates Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; C39;1 (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~NORMAL

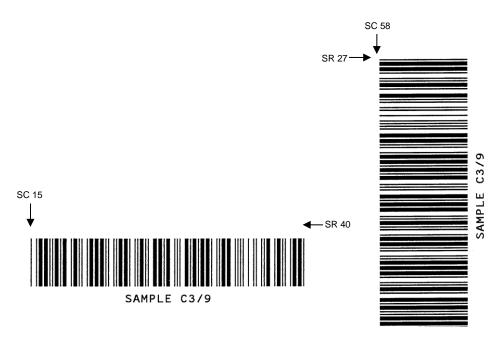


Figure 13 Sample Code39 Bar Codes

Code 93
The Code 93 structure is shown in Figure 14 and described on the following pages.

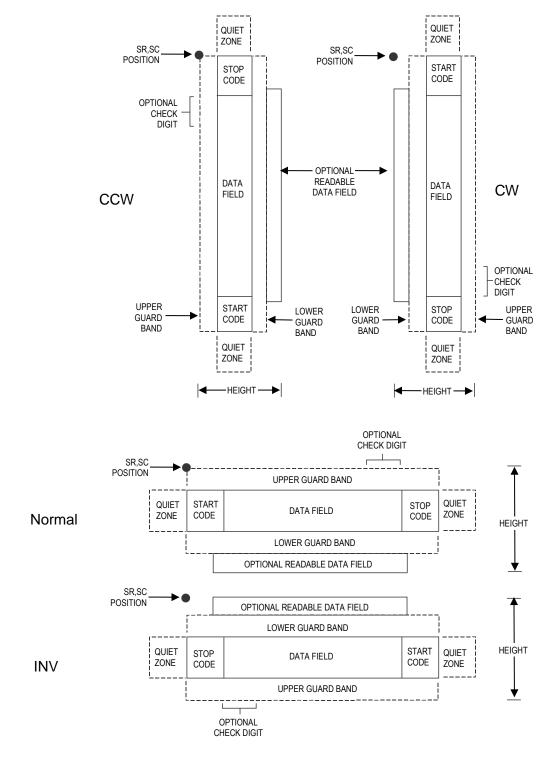


Figure 14 Code 93 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

### Start/Stop Codes

The start/stop code is a unique character identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent an extensive character set. The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of three bars and three spaces that total 11 modules.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

Two modulo-47 check digits are automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The start code is included in the check digit algorithm.

#### **Code 93 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

CODE93; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;]SR;SC

(D) [data field] (D)

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

**STOP** 

### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

CODE93 Designates bar code type Code 93; enter **CODE93**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is X1. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on

page 126. (You must specify 8 digits for MAG for variable ratio.)

**NOTE:** There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow

bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order

specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter  $\bf H$  and a value from  $\bf 3$  through  $\bf 99$  to

select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot

scale.)

**NOTE:** If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the

data.

data field Enter the data for the bar code. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The length of

the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters to minimize potential reading errors. The data field can contain any of the characters listed

in Table 18, except the system SFCC.

PDF [;LOC] [;*FONT*]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

### **Example**

The illustration below shows a horizontal Code 93 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; TEST; 288 (Enters Create Form mode)

BARCODE (Bar code command)

CODE93;X1;H7;10;20 (Code 93 bar code, MAG 1, H 0.7 inches, SR 10, SC 20)

\*ABCD5678\* (Data Field)

PDF;B;N (Printable data field, 10 cpi font)

STOP (Ends bar code command)

END (Terminates Create Form mode)

~EXECUTE; TEST (Prints form)

~NORMAL



**Table 18 Code 93 Character Set** 

Character	Hex	Character	Hex
0	30	P	50
1	31	Q	51
2	32	R	52
3	33	S	53
4	34	T	54
5	35	Ü	55
6	36	V	56
7	37	W	57
8	38	X	58
9	39	Υ	59
Α	41	Z	5A
В	42	_	2D
С	43		2E
D	44	SPACE	20
E	45	\$	3F
F	46	/	2F
G	47	+	2B
Н	48	%	25
1	49	S1	N/A
J	4A	S2	N/A
K	4B	S3	N/A
L	4C	S4	NA
М	4D	Start	N/A
N	4E	Stop	N/A
0	4F		

# Code 128A, 128B and 128C

The Code 128 structure is shown in Figure 15 and described on the following pages.

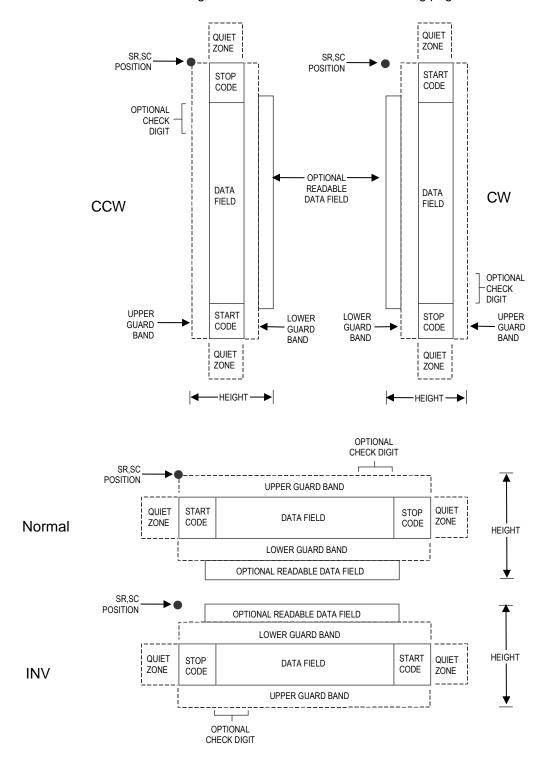


Figure 15 Code 128 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

# **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop codes identify the leading and trailing end of the bar code. Each of the Code 128 subsets uses a unique start code and a common stop code, both automatically provided by the IGP. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### Code 128A Data Field

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent an extensive character set (64 ASCII characters and 32 control characters). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of three bars and three spaces that total 11 modules.

#### Code 128B Data Field

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent an extensive character set (96 ASCII characters and seven control characters). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of three bars and three spaces that total 11 modules.

#### Code 128C Data Field

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent 100 pairs of numeric digits (00 through 99) and 3 control characters. The bars and spaces vary in width from 1 through 4 modules. Each character consists of three bars and three spaces that total 11 modules.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Data Field**

For HIBC barcode, the data filed is a variable length consisting of only the following characters: 1-9, A-Z, -, ., \$, /, +, %, and space.

**NOTE:** The Health Industry Bar Code (HIBC) is encoded in either Code 128 or Code 39 symbology. In a global setting, HIBC identifies health industry products, in any quantity, of any lot or serial number, with any expiration date. HIBC represents two kinds of information: Primary and Secondary Identification. Primary Identification represents product identity and Secondary Identification represents the attributes of Lot or Batch Code, Serial Number, and Expiration date.

# **Check Digit**

The modulo-103 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The start code is included in the check digit algorithm.

For HIBC barcode, a mandatory modulo-43 checklist is inserted at the end of the data.

#### **Code 128 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

C128A or C128B or C128C; **[HIBC;]** [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC (D) [data field] (D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT] [;MAX]] STOP

### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

C128A, C128B or C12BC

Designates bar code type Code 128; enter C128A, C128B or C128C.

**HIBC** 

The Health Industry Bar Code (HIBC) is encoded in either Code 128 or Code 39 symbology. Enter **HIBC**. In a global setting, HIBC can uniquely identify any health industry product, in any quantity, of any lot or serial number, with any expiration date. HIBC represents two kinds of information: Primary and Secondary Identification. Primary Identification represents product identity and Secondary Identification represents the attributes of Lot or Batch Code, Serial Number, and Expiration date.

When encoding HIBC barcode in UCC-128, HIBC is essentially a UCC-128 barcode. The encoding uses the same module 10 check digit and data format. The only addition is an Application Identifier (AI) parameter. For Primary Data Structure use AI (01), and for Secondary Data Structure use AI (22) or AI (240). To use UCC-128 to encode HIBC, be sure to use the correct AI parameter to obtain the desired results.

DIR

Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation. Enter **CCW** or **VSCAN** for counterclockwise rotation. Enter **INV** for inverted rotation. If *DIR* is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG

Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The magnification default value is **X1**. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126. (You must specify 8 digits for *MAG* for variable ratio.) There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order as specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE:

If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn;L

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

data field

Enter the data for the bar code. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. Whenever a string of 6 or more contiguous numeric digits are detected, the IGP automatically inserts a Code C at the start of the numeric string and outputs numeric digit pairs packed into single

bar code characters. When the string is broken (non-numeric data or an unpaired numeric digit occurs), the IGP automatically inserts a Code B and returns to normal C128B symbols. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters to minimize potential reading errors. The data field can contain any of the characters listed in Table 19 through Table 21, except the system SFCC.

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

MAX

Optional parameter to specify the maximum number of data printed in the PDF. If all data should be printed, do not use this parameter. Valid values are from **1** through **128**. For example, if the barcode data is "12345" and a *MAX* value of 3 is specified, the PDF would print "123".

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

**Table 19 Code 128A Character Set** 

Characte	r Hex	Characte	er Hex	Characte	er Hex	Character	Hex	
NUL	00	SUB	1A	4	34	N	4E	
SOH	01	ESC	1B	5	35	0	4F	
STX	02	FS	1C	6	36	Р	50	
ETX	03	GS	1D	7	37	Q	51	
EOT	04	RS	1E	8	38	R	52	
ENQ	05	US	1F	9	39	S	53	
ACK	06	SP	20	:	3A	Т	54	
BEL	07	!	21	;	3B	U	55	
BS	08	"	22	<	3C	V	56	
HT	09	#	23	=	3D	W	57	
LF	0A	\$	24	>	3E	X	58	
VT	0B	%	25	?	3F	Υ	59	
FF	0C	&	26	@	40	Z	5A	
CR	0D		27	А	41	[	5B	
so	0E	(	28	В	42	\	5C	
SI	0F	)	29	С	43	]	5D	
DLE	10	*	2A	D	44		5E	
DC1	11	+	2B	E	45	^	5F	
DC2	12	,	2C	F	46	FNC 3	23	See NOTE
DC3	13	-	2D	G	47	FNC 2	22	See NOTE
DC4	14		2E	Н	48	SHIFT	28	See NOTE
NAK	15	/	2F	I	49	CODE C	27	See NOTE
SYN	16	0	30	J	4A	FUNC 4	24	See NOTE
ETB	17	1	31	K	4B	CODE B	26	See NOTE
CAN	18	2	32	L	4C	FNC 1	21	See NOTE
EM	19	3	33	М	4D	START A	(N/A	۸)
						STOP	(N/A	۸)

**NOTE:** Access for the alternate set of control function characters is by using SO (Shift Out, hex 0E). The SO control code identifies the next character as the control function character, and must be inserted before *each* alternate character required. The SO character is selectable from the printer's front panel (see your *Administrator's Manual*).

**Table 20 Code 128B Character Set** 

Characte	r Hex	Hex Character Hex		Characte	er Hex	Character	Hex	
SP	20	÷	3A	Т	54	n	6E	
!	21	;	3B	U	55	О	6F	
"	22	<	3C	V	56	р	70	
#	23	=	3D	W	57	q	71	
\$	24	>	3E	Х	58	r	72	
%	25	?	3F	Υ	59	s	73	
&	26	@	40	Z	5A	t	74	
,	27	Α	41	[	5B	u	75	
(	28	В	42	\	5C	V	76	
)	29	С	43	]	5D	w	77	
*	2A	D	44		5E	х	78	
+	2B	Е	45	-	5F	У	79	
,	2C	F	46	`	60	z	7A	
-	2D	G	47	а	61	{	7B	
	2E	Н	48	b	62	1	7C	
/	2F	I	49	С	63	}	7D	
0	30	J	4A	d	64	~	7E	
1	31	K	4B	е	65		7F	
2	32	L	4C	f	66	FNC 3	23	See NOTE
3	33	М	4D	g	67	FNC 2	22	See NOTE
4	34	N	4E	h	68	SHIFT	28	See NOTE
5	35	0	4F	i	69	CODE C	27	See NOTE
6	36	Р	50	j	6A	FUNC 4	24	See NOTE
7	37	Q	51	k	6B	CODE A	25	See NOTE
8	38	R	52	I	6C	FNC 1	21	See NOTE
9	39	S	53	m	6D	START B STOP	(N/A) (N/A)	

**NOTE:** Access for the alternate set of control function characters is by using SO (Shift Out, hex 0E). The SO control code identifies the next character as the control function character and must be inserted before *each* alternate character required. The SO character is selectable from the printer's front panel (see your *Administrator's Manual*).

Table 21 Code 128C Character Set

Character	Hex	Character	Hex	Character	Hex	Character	Hex
00	30 30	27	32 37	54	35 34	81	38 31
01	30 31	28	32 38	55	35 35	82	38 32
02	30 32	29	32 39	56	35 36	83	38 33
03	30 33	30	33 30	57	35 37	84	38 34
04	30 34	31	33 31	58	35 38	85	38 35
05	30 35	32	33 32	59	35 39	86	38 36
06	30 36	33	33 33	60	36 30	87	38 37
07	30 37	34	33 34	61	36 31	88	38 38
08	30 38	35	33 35	62	36 32	89	38 39
09	30 39	36	33 36	63	36 33	90	39 30
10	31 30	37	33 37	64	36 34	91	39 31
11	31 31	38	33 38	65	36 35	92	39 32
12	31 32	39	33 39	66	36 36	93	39 33
13	31 33	40	34 30	67	36 37	94	39 34
14	31 34	41	34 31	68	36 38	95	39 35
15	31 35	42	34 32	69	36 39	96	39 36
16	31 36	43	34 33	70	37 30	97	39 37
17	31 37	44	34 34	71	37 31	98	39 38
18	31 38	45	34 35	72	37 32	99	39 39
19	31 39	46	34 36	73	37 33	CODE E	3 26 See NOTE
20	32 30	47	34 37	74	37 34	CODE A	25 See NOTE
21	32 31	48	34 38	75	37 35	FNC 1	21 See NOTE
22	32 32	49	34 39	76	37 36	START	C (N/A)
23	32 33	50	35 30	77	37 37	STOP	(N/A)
24	32 34	51	35 31	78	37 38		
25	32 35	52	35 32	79	37 39		
26	32 36	53	35 33	80	38 30		

**NOTE:** Access for the alternate set of control function characters is by using SO (Shift Out, hex 0E). The SO control code identifies the next character as the control function character, and must be inserted before *each* alternate character required. The SO character is selectable from the printer's front panel (see your *Administrator's Manual*).

**NOTE:** There are three subsets of the C128 barcode. Subset A contains numbers, punctuation, uppercase letters and control characters. Subset B contains numbers, punctuation, uppercase and lowercase letters. Subset C encodes pairs of numbers as a single character. Each printed character is three bars and three spaces. One given character may be interpreted as, for example, a carriage return, the letter "m" or the two numbers "77", depending on the subset that is active at the time. Each subset has a start code character which sets the initial subset, and a switch code character which changes the subset. Start code is embedded in the barcode symbology to tell the barcode reader how a character should be interpreted. Switch code is the user input data, 0x25 (to subsetA), 0x26 (to subsetB), and 0x27 (to subsetC), which needs to be preceded with the SO (Shift Out, 0x0E)

character to tell which subset to switch to, and will be replaced with the corresponding start code during the data parsing.

There are three different commands to invoke a C128 barcode in PGL. They are C128A, C128B and C128C. However, these commands do not set the initial subset as you might expect. Instead, the default behavior is that the subset is automatically switched, so that the number of printed characters is minimized by using subset C to print pairs of numerals as a single character, and by avoiding unnecessary subset changes.

The default behavior is called "automatic mode". In automatic mode, no switch codes are included in the data by the user to force one of the subsets to be active. The starting subset as well as any subset switching are selected by the printer automatically. Manual mode is started if the subset switching codes are inserted in the data sent to the printer.

In automatic mode, the starting subset selection criteria are: long strings of number pairs will cause a start in set C; a letter, punctuation, or an unpaired number will cause a start in set B, and a control character will cause a start in set A. After starting in one set, a switch will be automatically be made by PGL if the number of printed characters can be reduced (i.e. a switch to set C to print pairs of numbers with a single character), or if the data cannot be found in the current subset. The printer will switch from A to B for a lowercase letter, from A to C for a long string of paired numbers, from B to A for a control character, from B to C for a long string of paired numbers, from C to A for a control character, and from C to B for an unpaired number or any letter or punctuation. In automatic mode, the printer puts the start codes into the barcode itself; they are not part of the user input data in the PGL barcode command.

If a subset switch code is inserted in the barcode data to start the desired subset, the printer leaves automatic mode and enters "manual mode". However, in manual mode, automatically subset switches can still take place when the data cannot be found in the current subset. Once a different subset is automatically switched due to the data cannot be found in the current specified subset, the switched subset will stay until the end of the data or the encounter of another subset switch code.

If a subset switch code is inserted as the first character in the data string, the barcode will start in that subset. No effort is made to minimize the barcode character count. That means sending the PGL barcode command C128C with data starting with the switch to A code (shiftout and %) followed by ten numerals, will result in barcode characters of Start-A followed by ten numeral characters using subset A.

If a subset switch code is the first character and the next character is not in that character set, the printer may start in the commanded set and then immediately switch to the set that includes the second character. For example, sending a Switch-to-C code followed by a carriage return and 10 numerals may result in a data field of Start-C, Switch-to-A, and ten numerals using subset A. In other words, once manual mode is entered by using a switch code, the user is presumed to be selecting the desired data field; the printer will automatically switch subsets when required to print the correct data characters, but is not required to optimize the barcode length. There is no way to exit manual mode and re-enter automatic mode in the same data stream.

# Code 128B Example

Figure 16 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Code 128B bar code generated by the following program:

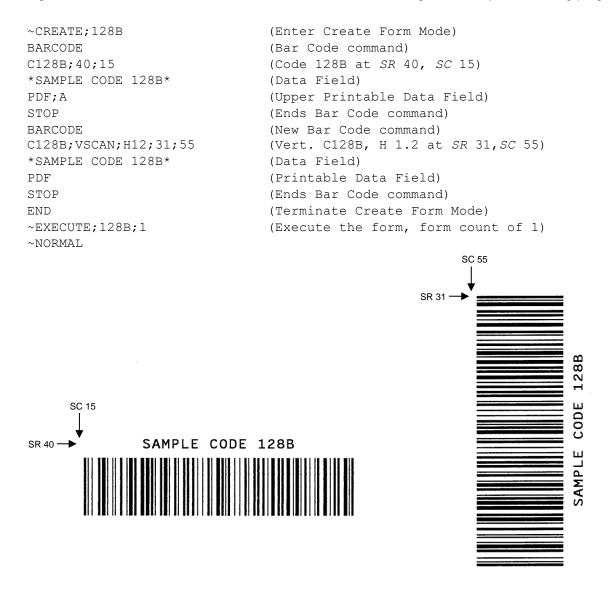


Figure 16 Sample Code 128B Bar Code

# Code 128C Example

1234567890

Figure 17 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Code 128C bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; 128C (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) C128C;35;15 (Code 128C at SR 35, SC 15) \*1234567890\* (Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) (Ends Bar Code command) STOP (New Bar Code command) BARCODE C128C; VSCAN; H1227; 50 (Vert. C128C, H 1.2 at SR 27, SC 50) \*1234567890\* (Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) (Terminates Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; 128C; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~NORMAL



Figure 17 Sample Code 128C Bar Code

**EAN 8**The EAN 8 bar code structure is shown in Figure 18 and described on the following pages.

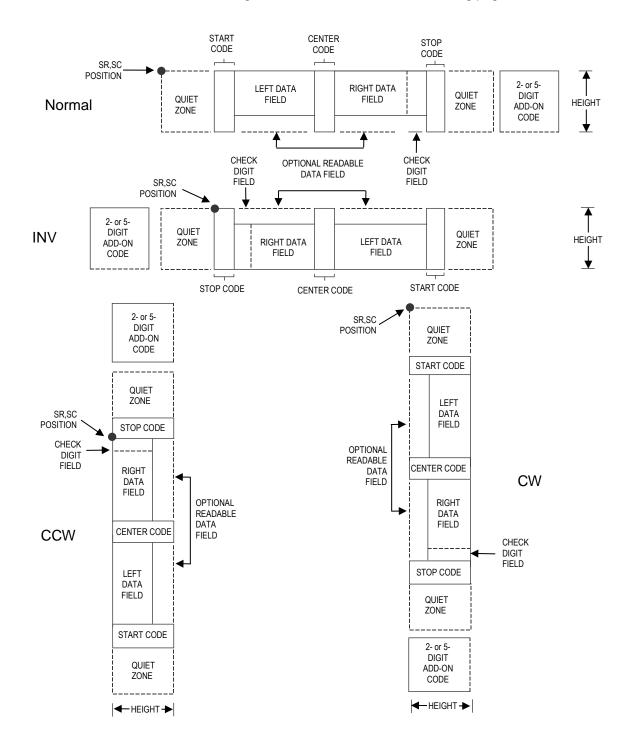


Figure 18 EAN 8 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure have blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. The IGP automatically produces the left quiet zone; you must provide sufficient space on the form for the right quiet zone.

### Start/Center/Stop Codes

The start/center/stop codes are special character codes marking those portions of the bar code. These codes are automatically provided.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent a limited character set (numbers 0-9 and Special Characters Start, Center, and Stop). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of two bars and two spaces that total seven modules. The symbol coding of the left data field is different from the right data field to permit read direction sensing.

The optional 2- or 5-digit add-on data, placed within the quotes at the end of the bar code, typically identifies a periodical issue number or price, respectively.

#### Readable Data

The human readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can either be suppressed or printed below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning.

### **EAN 8 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

EAN8 [+n]; [DIR;] [SCB;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

**STOP** 

# **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

EAN8 Designates bar code type EAN 8; enter **EAN8**.

+n Optional parameter to provide a 2- or 5-digit add-on code at the end of the bar code data

field. Enter a plus sign (+) and a value of 2 or 5. The first bar of the add-on code is separated by nine modules from the last bar of the EAN symbol and a left guard pattern. No center

or right guard pattern exists.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

SCB This option shortens the length of the center guard bars, which are normally full length.

Enter SCB.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is X1. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character

density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on

page 126. You must specify 8 digits for MAG for variable ratio.

**NOTE:** There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **2** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.2 through 9.9 inches. If any value less than 3 is selected, then the PDF must be suppressed using the **PDF** Font parameter **S**. The default value is 1.3 inches. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

BF*n* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with the data.

The characters of the bar code data are restricted to exactly seven digits. If the 2- or 5-digit add-on data option is used, include this data at the end of the data field. The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

data field

# **EAN 8 Example**

Figure 19 illustrates a horizontal and vertical EAN 8 bar code generated by the following program:

```
~CREATE; EAN8
                               (Enter Create Form Mode)
BARCODE
                               (Bar Code command)
                               (Code EAN8, 2-digit add-on, H 0.9, SR 33, SC 15)
EAN8+2; H9; 33; 15
*123456722*
                               (Data Field + 2-digit add-on Data Field)
PDF
                               (Printable Data Field)
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
BARCODE
                               (New Bar Code command)
                               (Vertical EAN 8, 2-digit add-on, H 1.0,
EAN8+2; VSCAN; H10; 33; 55
                               SR 33, SC 55)
*123456722*
                               (Data Field + 2-digit add-on Data Field)
                               (Printable Data Field)
PDF
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
                               (Terminates Create Form Mode)
END
~EXECUTE; EAN8; 1
                               (Execute the form, form count of 1)
~NORMAL
```



Figure 19 Sample EAN 8 Bar Codes

**EAN 13**The EAN 13 bar code structure is shown in Figure 20 and described on the following pages.

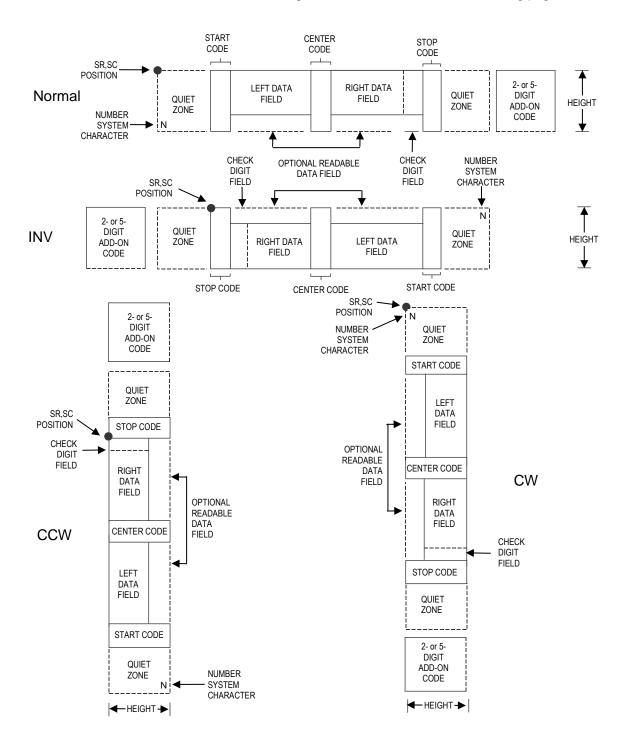


Figure 20 EAN 13 Structure

Quiet zones extend on both ends of the bar code to permit the scan to begin and end in a blank area. The IGP automatically produces an 11-module wide left quiet zone; you are responsible for providing sufficient space (minimum of seven modules) on the form for the right quiet zone. The number system character is also printed automatically in the left quiet zone.

### Start/Center/Stop Codes

The start/center/stop codes are special character codes marking those portions of the bar code. These codes are automatically provided.

# **Number System Character**

The number system character field allows you to provide a code to a class or type of item. The first character in the data field is used as the number system character.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent a limited character set (numbers 0-9 and Special Characters Start, Center, and Stop). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of two bars and two spaces that total seven modules. The symbol coding of the left data field is different from the right data field to permit read direction sensing.

The optional 2 or 5-digit add-on data field is placed within the quotes at the end of the bar code data and typically identifies a periodical issue number or price, respectively.

#### Readable Data

The human readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can either be suppressed or printed below the bar code symbol.

### **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The number system character is included in the check digit algorithm.

#### **EAN 13 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

EAN13 [+*n*]; [*DIR*;] [SCB;] [*MAG*;] [H*n*[.*m*];] [BF*n*;] *SR*;*SC* (*D*)data field(*D*) [PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]] STOP

# **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

EAN13 Designates bar code type EAN 13; enter **EAN13**.

+n Optional parameter to provide a 2- or 5-digit add-on code at the end of the bar code data field. Enter a plus sign (+) and a value of 2 or 5. The first bar of the add-on code is separated by nine modules from the last bar of the EAN symbol and a left guard pattern. No center

or right guard pattern exists.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

SCB This option shortens the length of the center guard bars, which are normally full length.

Enter SCB.

MAG

Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The magnification default value is **X1**. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126. (You must specify 8 digits for *MAG* for variable ratio.)

NOTE:

There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **2** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.2 through 9.9 inches. If any value less than 3 is selected, then the PDF must be suppressed using the **PDF** Font parameter **S**. The default value is 1.3 inches. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

BFn

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field need not be specified, since it is fixed at 12 digits, plus any add-on data. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with the data.

data field

Enter the characters of the bar code data, restricted to exactly 12 digits. If the 2- or 5-digit add-on data option is used, include this data at the end of the data field. The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39). The first character is interpreted as the number system character.

The left side of the data field (or lower side on vertically oriented symbols) can be encoded in either format A or format B as determined by the value of the number system character. (A bar code character is not produced for the number system character.) The number system character is derived from the left side data field encoding. The right side of the data field (or upper side on vertically oriented symbols) and check digit are always encoded in format C. Table 22 defines the left side data field format based on the number system character.

PDF [;LOC] [;*FONT*]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

**Table 22 Left Side Data Field Format** 

	Format for Left Side Data Field Positions							
Number System Character Value	12	11	10	9	8	7		
0	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α		
1	Α	Α	В	Α	В	В		
2	Α	Α	В	В	Α	В		
3	Α	Α	В	В	В	А		
4	Α	В	Α	Α	В	В		
5	Α	В	В	Α	Α	В		
6	Α	В	В	В	Α	А		
7	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В		
8	Α	В	Α	В	В	А		
9	Α	В	В	А	В	А		

# **EAN 13 Example**

Figure 21 illustrates a horizontal and vertical EAN 13 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; EAN13 (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code Command) (Code EAN 13, 5-digit add on, at SR 28, SC 15) EAN13+5;28;15 \*12345678987655555\* (Data Field + 5-digit add-on Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) BARCODE (New Bar Code command) EAN13+5; VSCAN; H12; 27; 39 (Vertical EAN 13, 2-digit add on, H 1.2, at SR27, SC 39) \*12345678987655555\* (Data Field + 5-digit add on Data Field) (Printable Data Field) PDF STOP (Ends Bar Code command) END (Terminates Create Form Mode) (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~EXECUTE; EAN13;1  $\sim$ NORMAL

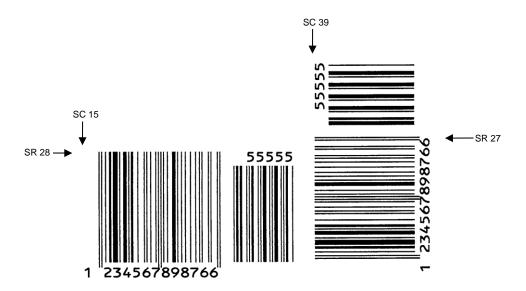


Figure 21 Sample EAN 13 Bar Codes

# FIM

The FIM (Facing Identification Mark) bar code structure is shown in Figure 22 and Figure 23 and described on the following pages. The left boundary must begin 3 inches from the right edge of the mail piece. The right-most bar must be 2 inches  $\pm$  1/8-inch from the right edge of the mail piece. Bars must be 5/8- inch  $\pm$  1/8-inch tall; the top of the bars must be no lower than 1/8-inch from the top edge of the mail piece (and may touch the top edge of the mail piece). The bar code baseline must be within 1/8-inch from the bottom edge of the clear zone.

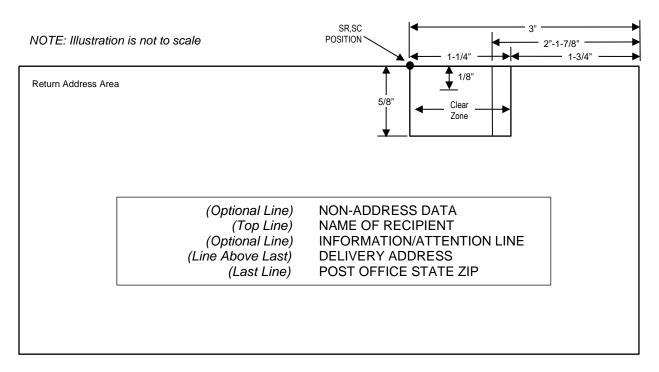
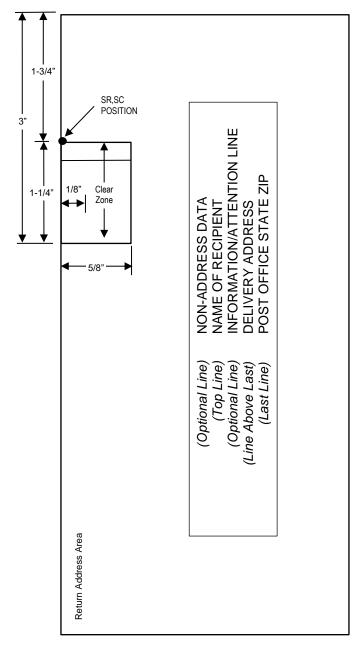


Figure 22 FIM Structure



NOTE: Illustration is not to scale

Figure 23 FIM Structure (VSCAN or CCW)

**NOTE:** Additional information regarding FIM bar code requirements can be obtained from the U.S. Postal Service's Publication 25: *A Guide to Business Mail Preparation.* 

### Clear Zone

The bar code structure requires a completely blank, 1/4-inch wide, 5/8-inch tall clear zone, reserved for only the appropriate FIM pattern. You must provide sufficient space for this zone.

# Start/Stop Code

The start/stop code is a unique character identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a nine-position bar/no-bar pattern of tall (full) bars of uniform height. Minimum height must be 5/8-inch  $\pm$  1/8-inch. (Bar height may be longer to wrap around the top of the envelope.) Minimum bar width is .031-inch  $\pm$  .008-inch. Spacing (pitch) between each bar/no-bar must be 1/16- inch. Bar tilt (slant) can vary  $\pm$  5 degrees (relative to a line perpendicular to the top edge of the envelope).

#### **FIM Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

FIM; [DIR;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR;SC

(D)data field(D)

**STOP** 

# **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

FIM Designates bar code type FIM; enter **FIM**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **2** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.2 through 9.9 inches. If any value less than 3 is selected, then the PDF must be suppressed using the **PDF** Font parameter **S**. The default value is 1.3 inches. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the

current dot scale.)

BF*n* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field

need not be specified, since it is fixed at 1 character. When this parameter is used, the

data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value 1/8-inch from the top edge of the

mail piece. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110),

or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with

the data.

data field A single-character data field to designate one of four available FIM patterns: A, B, C, or D.

Based on your application (check with your Postal Service for more information), enter one

of the following FIM types:

A Used only on courtesy reply envelopes bearing a preprinted POSTNET bar code (page

248); it requires a luminescent stamp or meter mark to be accepted in the facer/canceler.

**B** Used on Business Reply Mail, Penalty Mail, and Franked Mail without a preprinted POSTNET bar code, and does not require luminescent indicia.

**C** Used on Business Reply Mail, Penalty Mail, or Franked Mail bearing a preprinted POSTNET bar code (page 248).

**D** Used on OCR readable mail (usually courtesy reply window envelopes) without a preprinted POSTNET bar code.

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **FIM Example**

Figure 24 below illustrates a horizontal FIMB bar code generated by the following program without the POSTNET preprinted bar code (POSTNET is discussed on page 248.)

```
~CREATE; FIMB
                                      (Enter Create Form Mode)
                                      (Alpha command)
ALPHA
23;11;0;0;*ACME MOTOR, INC.*
25;11;0;0;*ATTN: CUSTOMER SERVICE*
27;11;0;0;*P.O. BOX 200*
29;11;0;0;*USCITY, CA 12345-6789*
STOP
                                      (Ends Alpha command)
                                      (Bar Code command)
BARCODE
FIM; 15; 22
                                      (FIM Bar Code at SR 15, SC 22)
*B*
                                      (Data field selecting FIMB Bar Code)
STOP
                                      (Ends FIMB Bar Code command)
END
                                      (Terminates Create Form Mode)
                                      (Executes the form, form count of 1)
~EXECUTE; FIMB; 1
~NORMAL
```

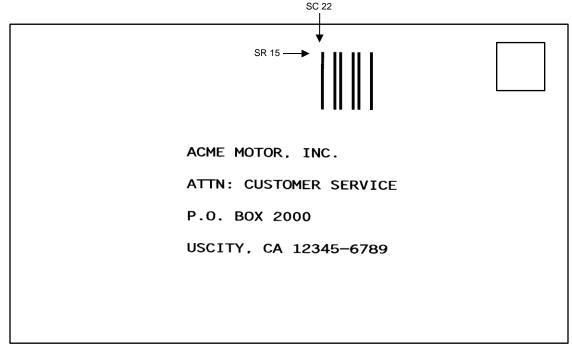


Figure 24 Sample FIMB Bar Code

Figure 25 illustrates a horizontal FIMC bar code generated by the following program and bears the preprinted POSTNET bar code.

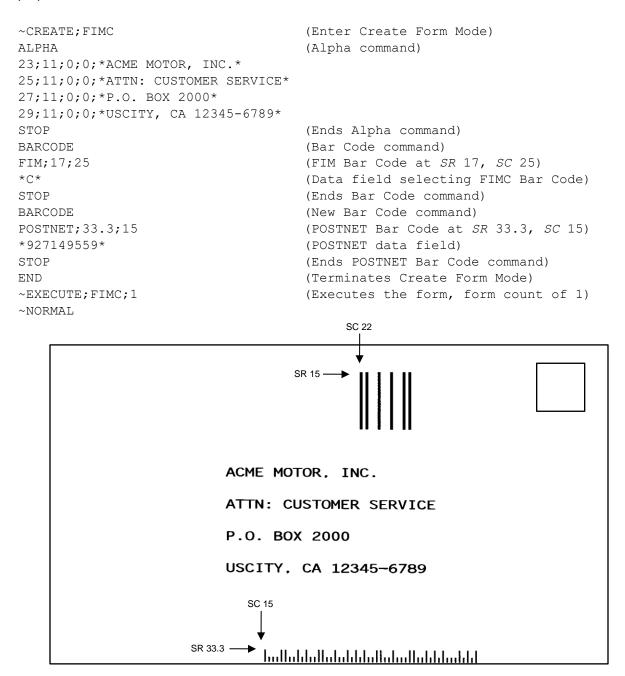


Figure 25 Sample FIMC Bar Code

# **GS1-128**

NOTE: GS1-128 is formerly known as UCC/EAN-128.

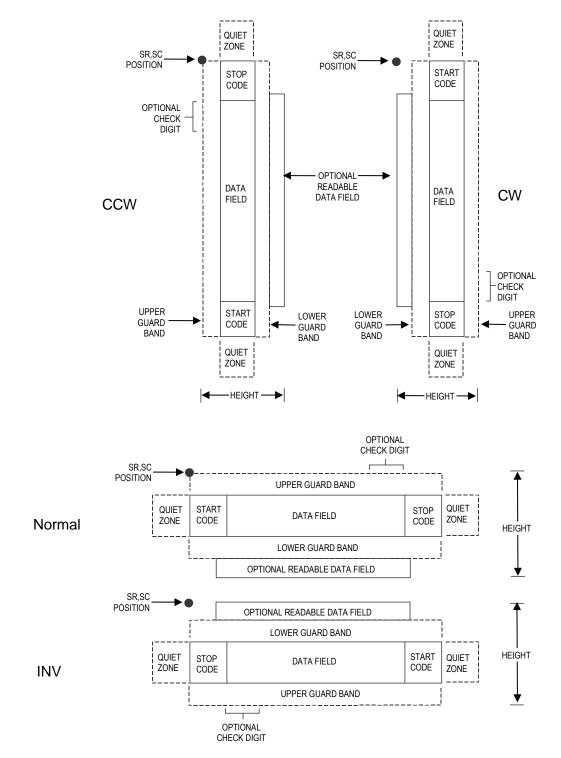


Figure 26 GS1-128 Structure

UCC/EAN-128 uses the same bar code and character set as Code 128. However, in UCC/EAN-128, the Function 1 character FNC1 immediately follows the start code. The FNC1 character has been reserved exclusively for UCC/EAN-128.

The UCC/EAN-128 data structure requires an Application Identifier (AI) at the beginning of bar code data. Each AI determines the format and length of the data which follows. Refer to Table 23 for more details. Each AI field in the barcode data needs to be separated with <SO>!, where <SO> is the default OxE.

**Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers** 

Application Identifier (AI)	Content	Format
00	Serial Shipping Container Code	n2+n18
01	Global Trade Item Number <sup>TM</sup>	n2+n14
02	Item Num. of Goods Within Another Unit	n2+n14
10	Batch or Lot Number	n2+an20
11 (*)	Production Date (YYMMDD)	n2+n6
12	Due Date (YYMMDD)	n2+n6
13 (*)	Packaging Date (YYMMDD)	n2+n6
15 (*)	Sell By Date (Quality) (YYMMDD)	n2+n6
17 (*)	Expiration Date (Safety) (YYMMDD)	n2+n6
20	Product Variant	n2+n2
21	Serial Number	n2+an20
22	HIBC = Quantity, Date, Batch and Link	n2+an29
23 (**)	Lot Number (Transitional Use)	n3+n19
37	Quantity of Units Contained (For Use With AI 02 Only)	n2+n8
240	Additional Product ID Assigned By Manufacturer	n3+an30
241	Customer part number	n3+an30
242	Made-to-Order Variation Number	n3+n6
250	Secondary Serial Number	n3+an30
251	Reference to source entity	n3+an30
253	Global Document Type Identifier (GDTI)	n3+n13+n17
254	GLN Extension Component	n3+an20
30	Quantity	n2+n8
310 (***)	Net Weight, Kilograms	n4+n6
311 (***)	Length or 1st Dimension, Meters	n4+n6
312 (***)	Width, Diameter or 2nd Dimension, Meters	n4+n6
313 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height or 3rd Dimension, Meters	n4+n6
314 (***)	Area, Square Meters	n4+n6
315 (***)	Volume, Liters	n4+n6
316 (***)	Volume, Cubic Meters	n4+n6

Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers

Application Identifier (AI)	Content	Format
320 (***)	Net Weight, Pounds	n4+n6
321 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Inches	n4+n6
322 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Feet	n4+n6
323 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Yards	n4+n6
324 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Inches	n4+n6
325 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Feet	n4+n6
326 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Yards	n4+n6
327 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height, or 3rd Dimension, Inches	n4+n6
328 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height, or 3rd Dimension, Feet	n4+n6
329 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height, or 3rd Dimension, Yards	n4+n6
330 (***)	Gross Weight-Kilograms	n4+n6
331 (***)	Length or 1st Dimension, Logistics	n4+n6
332(***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Meters, Logistics	n4+n6
333 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height or 3rd Dimension, Meters, Logistics	n4+n6
334 (***)	Area, Square Meters, Logistics	n4+n6
335 (***)	Gross Volume, Liters	n4+n6
336 (***)	Gross Volume, Cubic Meters	n4+n6
337 (***)	Kilograms Per Square Meter	n4+n6
340 (***)	Gross Weight, Pounds	n4+n6
341 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Inches, Logistics	n4+n6
342 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Feet, Logistics	n4+n6
343 (***)	Length Or 1st Dimension, Yards, Logistics	n4+n6
344 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Inches, Logistics	n4+n6
345 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Feet, Logistics	n4+n6
346 (***)	Width, Diameter, or 2nd Dimension, Yards, Logistics	n4+n6
347 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height or 3rd Dimension, Inches, Logistics	n4+n6
348 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height or 3rd Dimension, Feet, Logistics	n4+n6
349 (***)	Depth, Thickness, Height or 3rd Dimension, Yards, Logistics	n4+n6
350 (***)	Area, Square Inches	n4+n6
351 (***)	Area, Square Feet	n4+n6
352 (***)	Area, Square Yards	n4+n6
353 (***)	Area, Square Inches, Logistics	n4+n6
354 (***)	Area, Square Feet, Logistics	n4+n6
355 (***)	Area, Square Yards, Logistics	n4+n6

Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers

Application Identifier (AI)	Content	Format
356 (***)	Net Weight, Troy Ounce	n4+n6
357 (***)	Net Volume, Ounces	n4+n6
360 (***)	Volume, Quarts	n4+n6
361 (***)	Volume, Gallons	n4+n6
362 (***)	Gross Volume, Quarts	n4+n6
363 (***)	Gross Volume, Gallons	n4+n6
364 (***)	Volume, Cubic Inches	n4+n6
365 (***)	Volume, Cubic Feet	n4+n6
366 (***)	Volume, Cubic Yards	n4+n6
367 (***)	Gross Volume, Cubic Inches	n4+n6
368 (***)	Gross Volume, Cubic Inches	n4+n6
369 (***)	Gross Volume, Cubic Inches	n4+n6
390 (n)	Amount payable-single monetary area	n4+n15
391 (n)	Amount payable with ISO currency code	n4+n3+n15
392 (n)	Amount payable for a Variable Measure Trade Item single monetary unit	n4+n15
393 (n)	Amount payable for a Variable Measure Trade Item - with ISO currency code	n4+n3+n15
400	Customer's Purchase Order Number	n3+an30
401	Consignment Number	n3+an30
402	Shipment Identification Number	N3+n17
403	Routing code	N3+an30
410	Ship To (Deliver To) Location Code Using EAN-13	n3+n13
411	Bill To (Invoice To) Location Code Using EAN-13	n3+n13
412	Purchase From (Location Code of Party from Whom Goods Are Purchased)	n3+n13
413	Ship For UCC/EAN Location Code	n3+n13
414	EAN Location Code for Physical Identification	n3+n13
415	EAN.UCC Global Location Number of the invoicing party	n3+n13
420	Ship To (Deliver To) Postal Code Within a Single Postal Authority	n3+an20
421	Ship To (Deliver To) Postal Code With 3-Digit ISO Country Code Prefix	n3+n3+an9
422	Country of origin of a trade item	n3+n3
423	Country of initial processing	N3+n3+n12
424	Country of processing	n3+n3

Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers

Application Identifier (AI)	Content	Format
425	Country of disassembly	n3+n3
426	Country covering full process chain	N3+n3
703(s)****	Approval number of processor with ISO country code	n4+n3+an27
7001	NATO stock number	n4+n13
7002	UN/ECE meat carcasses and cuts classification	n4+an30
7003	Expiration Date and Time	n4+n10
8001	Roll Products-Width, Length, Core Diameter, Direction and Splices	n4+n14
8002	Electronic serial identifier for cellular mobile telephones	n4+an20
8003	UPC/EAN Number and Serial Number Or Returnable Asset	n4+n14+an16
8004	UCC/EAN Serial Identification	n4+an30
8005	Identifies the Price Per Unit of Measure	n4+n6
8006	Component of an Article	n4+n14+n2+n2
8007	International Bank Account Number	n4+an30
8008	Date and time of production	n4+n8+n4
8018	Service Relation Number	n4+n18
8020	Payment Slip Reference Number	n4+an25
8100	Coupon Extended Code-Number System Character and Offer	n4+n1+n5
8101	Coupon Extended Code-Number System Character, Offer and End of Offer	n4+n1+n5+n4
8102	Coupon Extended Code-Number System Character Preceded by Zero	n4+n1+n1
8110	Coupon Code Identification for Use in North America	n4+an30
90	Mutually Agreed, Between Trading Partners	n2+an30
91	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
92	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
93	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
94	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
95	Internal-Carriers	n2+an30
96	Internal-Carriers	n2+an30
97	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
98	Intra-Company (Internal)	n2+an30
99	Internal	n2+an30

- (\*) To indicate only year and month, DD must be filled with "00"
- (\*\*) Plus one digit for length indication
- (\*\*\*) Plus one digit for decimal point indication
- (\*\*\*\*) The fourth digit of this AI, "s," indicates the sequence of the processors in the supply chain.

# **Data Value Representation:**

a - alphabetic characters n - numeric characters

an - alpha-numeric characters n3 - 3 numeric characters, fixed length an..3 - up to 3 alpha-numeric characters n..3 - up to 3 numeric characters

#### **Quiet Zone**

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

## **Start/Stop Codes**

The start and stop codes identify the leading and trailing ends of the bar code. UCC/EAN-128 uses unique start codes for character subsets B and C, and a stop code common to both. An automatic mode switching feature is used to generate the correct start code based on the first four data field characters.

# **Data Field**

UCC/EAN-128 bar codes require a special character called "Function 1" (FNC1) to immediately follow the start code. IGP automatically supplies this character, so it must not be included in the data field by the user.

A character is made up of three bars and three spaces, each varying in width from 1 through 4 modules, for a total of eleven modules. The number of modules making up the bars is even. The stop code has four bars and is 13 modules wide.

The character set for UCC/EAN-128 is the same as the character set for Code 128. Every character is interpreted according to the currently active character subset. UCC/EAN-128 uses subset B and subset C only. Subset B, shown in Table 20 (page 165), includes all standard alphanumeric keyboard characters, lowercase alphabetical characters, and special characters. Subset C interprets the characters as pairs of numbers 00 through 99, along with some special characters, as shown in Table 21 (page 166). The start code or subset switch code determines whether a particular bar code character is decoded as one character or as a pair of numbers.

#### Readable Data

The optional printed data field (PDF) provides a human-readable interpretation of the bar code data. When the printed data field is enabled by use of the "PDF" parameter, the overall height of the bars is reduced to make room for a guard band and the human-readable characters. The printed data field will be formatted with spaces or parentheses denoting particular data fields such as the application identifier. Special characters such as start, stop, subset switch, modulo-103 check digit, and FNC1 do not appear in the human-readable data.

The readable data is oriented along the bar code from start code to stop code. It may be positioned above or below a bar code, and the bar code may be horizontal, vertical, or inverted.

#### Modulo-103 Check Digit

A modulo-103 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol immediately in front of the stop code, in the same manner as the Code 128 bar code. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The start code is included in the check digit algorithm. The modulo-103 check digit is not displayed in the readable data field.

# Modulo-10 Data Field Check Digit for SSCC-18 and SCC-14

Al 00 (called the Serial Shipping Container Code, or SSCC-18) takes eighteen additional numerical data bytes. The last data byte is a modulo-10 check digit on the preceding seventeen data bytes. Counting the two zeros of the application identifier, the modulo-10 check digit is the twentieth byte in the data field.

Al 01 (called the Shipping Container Code, or SCC-14) takes fourteen additional numerical data bytes. The last data byte is a modulo-10 check digit on the preceding thirteen data bytes. Counting the zero and the one of the application identifier, the modulo-10 check digit is the sixteenth byte in the data field.

The modulo-10 data field check digit for both SSCC-18 and SCC-14 is printed in the bar code as the second half of the last number pair using subset C. It is displayed in the human-readable data field as the twentieth byte for SSCC-18 or the sixteenth byte for SCC-14.

IGP automatically calculates the modulo-10 check digit for SSCC-18 if only 17 data digits are provided following the application identifier of 00. This is also true for SSCC-14 if only 15 digits are supplied. For concatenated barcodes, an FNC1 must be inserted for the checkdigit character so that PGL will calculate it.

#### **GS1-128 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

UCC-128; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR;SC

(D)data field(D)

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

UCC-128 Designates bar code type Code UCC-128; enter **UCC-128**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify the bar code symbol by increasing the width of the bars and

spaces. The magnification default value is **X1**. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as

defined on page 126.

NOTE: A valid UCC/EAN-128 bar code can be no larger than 165 mm (6.5 inches) wide.

**NOTE:** There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space. 2x narrow

bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order

specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height of the bar code symbol (including the upper

and lower 0.1 inch guard bands and any human-readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1 inch increments; enter  $\bf H$  and a value from  $\bf 3$  through  $\bf 99$  to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch. [.m] is an additional

number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current scale).

**NOTE:** If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command, or use the CP.DP format.

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command, or use the CP.DP format.

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used on both ends of the data field. It will not print with the data.

data field

The bar code data. The data field for UCC/EAN- 128 consists of an "application identifier" (AI) of two to four numbers, followed by data of appropriate length (variable or fixed) and type (numeric or alphanumeric). See Table 23 for a list of application identifiers and their associated data fields.

The FNC1 character is required as the first character after the start code for UCC/EAN-128 bar codes, and IGP will always generate it automatically. It will appear in the bar code but not in the human-readable field. Do not supply FNC1 in the data field.

The start code and subset switching is done automatically by IGP based on the data field contents so that the bar code length is minimized. Subset C encodes each pair of numbers as a single bar code character, providing a higher character density. If the first four data digits are numbers, the bar code starts in subset C; otherwise it starts in subset B. The subset will switch from B to C at any point in the data field if the next four characters are numbers, and will switch from C to B if the next two characters are not numbers or only one character remains.

The data field can contain any of the characters listed in Table 23 except the system SFCC and the character used as a delimiter.

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the bar code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not encountered, an error message results.

#### Code UCC/EAN-128 Examples

The following example generates the SSCC-18 variant of a UCC/EAN-128 bar code in horizontal orientation at the default ratio, and vertically at a user defined ratio of double normal size.

**NOTE:** The fields of Al=00 are seen here separated by spaces. By default, the Al is separated from the rest of the data by parenthesis. This is controlled by the front panel option "Al 00 Spaces" in the IGP menu (see your *Administrator's Manual*).

```
~CREATE;UCCTEST
/ Horizontal bar code is dark, nominal width, start row 35, start column
15.
/ Human-readable field is below the bar code in OCR-B font.
BARCODE
UCC-128;35;15
*0034567890123456789*
PDF;X
STOP
/ Vertical bar code is dark, double width, start row 35, start column 50.
/ Human-readable data field is above the bar code in normal 10 cpi font.
BARCODE
UCC-128;VSCAN;XR2:2:4:4:6:6:8:8;H12;35;50
```

\*0034567890123456789\* PDF;A STOP END

- ~EXECUTE; UCCTEST
- ~NORMAL



00 3 4567890 123456789 5



Figure 27 UCC/EAN-128 Example 1

The program below illustrates incremental UCC/EAN-128 barcodes. Incremental UCC/EAN-128 barcode syntax for non-impact printers requires that the STARTMASK be exactly as wide as the data field.

~CREATE; UCCINC; 140
BARCODE
UCC-128; I; 3; 20
+XXXXXXXXXX00001; \*400P0119600001\*
PDF; B
STOP
ALPHA
DARK; 1; 20; 0; 0; \*PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER\*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; UCCINC; 3

~NORMAL

#### PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER



(400)P0119600001

# PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER



(400)P0119600002

# PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER



(400)P0119600003

Figure 28 UCC/EAN-128 Example 2

The following example shows the use of dynamic data. The ship-to-postal code, AI 420, is used to encode 5 digit ZIP Codes.

~CREATE; UCCDYN; 140

BARCODE

UCC-128;BF1;8;3;20

PDF;X

STOP

ALPHA

DARK;1;20;0;0;\*SHIP TO POSTAL\*

STOP

END

~EXECUTE; UCCDYN

~BF1;\*42092614\*

~NORMAL

~EXECUTE; UCCDYN

~BF1; \*42090210\*

~NORMAL

~EXECUTE; UCCDYN

~BF1;\*42090028\*

~NORMAL

SHIP TO POSTAL



SHIP TO POSTAL



SHIP TO POSTAL



Figure 29 UCC/EAN-128 Example 3

#### **GS1** Databar

NOTE: GS1 Databar is formerly known as RSS<sub>14</sub> Barcode.

The GS1 Databar barcode is a linear symbology that encodes the primary data in UCC/EAN-128 format. In addition, the RSS14 barcode can have an optional 2-D composite portion that encodes any secondary data the user wants to include (such as additional AI element information).

This primary data portion follows the UCC/EAN-128 format. For all RSS14 variations except RSS-Expanded, the primary data portion is restricted to the AI (application identifier) of "01". Given a maximum of 15 digits, it drops the AI of "01" and encodes a 13-digit identification number for use on small items. The symbol consists of five regions, namely the left guard, the left data character, the check character, the right data character and the right guard. The mod-10 checkdigit is not encoded in the actual barcode but is included in the PDF data automatically by PGL.

#### **RSS-14 Databar**

The RSS14 Databar barcode type uses AI of 01 and must come with 13 digits following the AI. The symbol consists of a left guard, 1st data character, left finder pattern, 2nd data character, 4th data character, right finder pattern, 3rd data character, and finally the right guard. The height of the bars for the symbol is 33x the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter.

#### **RSS-14 Databar Truncated**

The RSS14TRU barcode type is the same as the RSS-14 Databar barcode except that the height of the bars for the symbol is only 13x the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter.

#### **RSS-14 Databar Stacked**

The RSS14STK barcode type is a RSS-14 Databar Truncated format in which the symbol is split into two rows. The top row is 5x the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter, a row separator is 1x the vertical element, and the bottom row is 7x the vertical element in height. RSS-14 Stacked is used when the available space is too narrow for RSS Limited.

#### **RSS-14 Databar Stacked Omnidirectional**

The RSS14OMNI barcode type is a full height RSS-14 Databar in which the symbol is split into two rows. The top row is thus 33x the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter, a row separator is 3x the vertical element, and the bottom row is 33x the vertical element in height. RSS-14 Omnidirectional is used when the available space is too narrow for RSS-14 Databar.

## **RSS-14 Databar Limited**

The RSS14LIM is also an RSS-14 Databar barcode type but cannot be read by omnidirectional scanners and has a height that is only a fraction of what is used for the full height RSS-14 Databar symbol.

# **RSS-14 Databar Expanded**

The RSS14EXP is a superset of the RSS-14 Databar barcode type because it is not restricted to just an AI of "01". The RSS14EXP barcode can encode up to 74 numeric or 41 alphabetic characters, including multiple (concatenated) AI formats. The height of the bars for the symbol is 34x the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter.

## **RSS-14 Databar Expanded Stacked**

RSS-14 Expanded Stacked uses the same identifier RSS14EXP in the PGL command but also uses the SEG parameter to determine the maximum number of segments to use per row. RSS-14 Databar expanded is capable of encoding 22 segments of data and by default the barcode will encode the entire 22 segments in one row (SEG parameter equivalent of 22). However, the SEG parameter can be used to limit the number

of segments per row (2 segments per row minimum without composites, 4 minimum with composites) such that the barcode will be stacked from 1-11 rows. The height of each row of the symbol is 34 times the vertical element supplied in the MAG parameter. When stacking, a row separator of 3 times the vertical element supplied is used between each set of rows. Since the number of segments in the barcode might not be a multiple of the value selected, all rows of the RSS Expanded barcode might not be the same width.

#### UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN-8 and EAN-13

These types (**UPCACOMP**, **UPCECOMP**, **EAN8COMP**, **EAN13COMP**) combine a linear barcode of the EAN/UPC symbology (EAN–13, EAN–8, UPC–A or UPC–E), with a 2D Composite Component.

#### UCC/EAN-128 & Composite Component A or B

## UCC/EAN-128 & Composite Component C

These RSS types (**UCCACOMP** and **UCCCCOMP**) encode the linear barcode in UCC/EAN–128 format just like RSS Expanded, and are not restricted to an IA of "01". The linear barcode portion can encode up to 48 characters.

# Left & Right Guard

All RSS-14 variations always starts with a left guard which is space followed by a bar. It ends with a right guard which is a space followed by a bar. The left & right guards are automatically added.

#### **Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

TYPE;[DIR;] [MAG;][SEGn;][BFn;L;] SR; SC [(D)Data Field(D)]
[PDF [;LOC][;F][;FONT[VE:HE]]]
STOP

#### **Parameter Description**

TYPE One of the following barcode symbology types: RSS14 or RSS14LIM or RSS14STK or

 ${\bf RSS14TRU} \ \ {\bf or} \ \ {\bf RSS14OMNI} \ \ {\bf or} \ \ {\bf RSS14EXP} \ \ {\bf or} \ \ {\bf UPCACOMP} \ \ {\bf or} \ \ {\bf UPCECOMP} \ \ {\bf or} \ \ \\$ 

EAN8COMP or EAN13COMP or UCCACOMP or UCCCCOMP.

SEGn Optional parameter that designates the maximum number of segments of data to encode

in a row for RSS-14 Expanded (RSS14EXP). This parameter is ignored for all other RSS

types.

#### **Data Field**

Format of the Data Field: "primary data | 2-D composite data"

NOTE: 2-D composite data is included by putting a "|" character after the primary data. This character must be included when counting data for the L parameter within the dynamic data declaration BFn;L.

The sections below list the specific format requirements for each individual RSS-14 subtype:

#### Data Field for RSS-14 Limited

The item number for Al of "01" must be less than 19999999999 or an error flagging invalid data will be printed.

#### Data Field for RSS-14 Expanded

Format of the Data Field: "primary data"

For RSS-14 Expanded, multiple sets of UCC/EAN-128 AI values and their data can be included in the primary data, up to 74 digits or 41 alphabetic characters. The data field can also include FNC1 characters, encoded the same way as done for PGL Code 128 and UCC/EAN-128 barcodes. If the data field is using an AI of "00" and/or AI of "01" and the mod-10 checkdigit character is not included, then the data field must include a FNC1 character in its place so that PGL inserts the checkdigit character at the right position. If the mod-10 checkdigit character, it will be used and not overwritten by PGL.

Table 24 Various Encoding Methods and Characteristics for RSS-14 Expanded

Al Element Strings	Description
(01) and other Als	Used for leading AI of (01) with supplementary AIs.
any Als	Used for encoding data that does not lead with an Al of (01).
(01) and (3103)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (3103) variable weight element must have a weight of 0-32, 767 kilograms.
(01) and (3202)/(3203)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (3202) weight field must have a weight of 0-99,999 pounds. The AI (3203) must have a weight of 0-22,767 pounds.
(01) and (392x)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (392x) price may only have from zero to three digits to the right of the decimal point (x=0 to 3).
(01) and (393x)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (393x) price may only have from zero to three digits to the right of the decimal point (x=0 to 3).
(01), (310x), and (11)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (310x) metric weight must be 0-99,999. The AI (11) production date has no limitations.
(01), (320x), and (11)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (320x) english weight must be 0-99,999. The AI (11) production date has no limitations.
(01), (310x), and (13)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (310x) metric weight must be 0-99,999. The AI (13) packaging date has no limitations.
(01), (320x), and (13)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (320x) english weight must be 0- 99,999. The AI (13) packaging date has no limitations.
(01), (310x), and (15)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (310x) metric weight must be 0-99,999. The AI (15) "best before" date has no limitations.

Table 24 Various Encoding Methods and Characteristics for RSS-14 Expanded

Al Element Strings	Description
(01), (320x), and (15)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (320x) english weight must be
	0-99,999. The AI (15) "best before" date has no limitations.
(01), (310x), and (17)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (310x) metric weight must be 0-99,999. The AI (17) expiration date has no limitations.
(01), (320x), and (17)	The AI (01) must have an indicator digit of 9. The AI (320x) english weight must be
	0-99,999. The AI (17) expiration date has no limitations.

#### **Data Field for other RSS-14 Variations**

Format of the Data Field: "primary data"

All other RSS-14 types (not including RSS-14 Expanded) have primary data that is restricted to a maximum of 15 digits from 0 through 9. The first two digits MUST be "01" or an error is returned. The value "01" is not encoded in the barcode data, nor is the mod 10 checkdigit that is used for UCC/EAN-128 symbols with Al of "01". However, they show up in the printable data field. If less than 15 is encoded, the leading zeros (following the 2-digit Al of "01") are encoded to make a 15-digit barcode. A check digit mod 89 is automatically added. The data characters are positioned in the barcode as the left data character and the right data characters.

## Data Field for Composite UPC-A

Encodes a UPC-A linear barcode, up to 11 digits are accepted, the check digit will be added by the printer. If less than 11 digits are supplied, the printer will left-pad the data with zeros. Sending data longer than 11 digits can result in an incorrect barcode.

# Data Field for Composite UPC-E

Encodes a UPC-E linear barcode, up to 10 digits are accepted, which should comply with the UPC-E standards or an error will generate.

#### Data Field for Composite EAN-13

Encodes an EAN13 linear barcode, up to 12 digits are accepted, the check digit will be added by the printer. If less than 12 digits are supplied, the printer will left-pad the data with zeros.

#### Data Field for Composite EAN-8

Encodes an EAN8 linear barcode, up to 7 digits are accepted, the check digit will be added by the printer. If less than 7 digits are supplied, the printer will left-pad the data with zeros. Sending data longer than 7 digits can result in an incorrect barcode.

#### Data Field for Composite UCC/EAN-128 & Composite Component A/B or C

Encodes a UCC/EAN–128 linear barcode, up to 48 characters are accepted for the primary data. Similar to RSS–14 Expanded, these types can combine multiple Application Identifiers in the primary data. Type UCCACOMP uses Composite Component A or B, and UCCCCOMP uses Composite Component C as 2D Barcode. See the following descriptions of the 2D Composite Components.

## 2D Composite Component Data Field

The type of 2D Composite Component is chosen based on the selected linear component, and on the amount of supplementary data to be encoded.

# Composite Component -A

You can encode up to 56 digits of alphanumeric data. It is designed for efficient encoding of supplemental application identifier data. CC–A can be combined with any of the EAN.UCC System symbols except for ITF–14. This code is based on MicroPDF417.

# Composite Component-B

You can encode up to 338 digits of alphanumeric data. CC–B can be combined with any of the EAN.UCC System symbols except for ITF–14. This code is based on MicroPDF417. It is only used if the data string is too long to be encoded in CC–A.

# Composite Component-C

You can encode up to 2361 digits of alphanumeric data. It can only be combined with UCC/EAN–128 (type UCCCCOMP). This code is based on PDF417 and has multiple widths to match the UCC/EAN–128 width and can have from 3 to 90 rows.

#### **Check Code**

The RSS family has a mod 89 check character with respect to the primary data. This check digit is not implicitly added, but is calculated from digits 2-15 of the data entered. The check digit is positioned between the left data character and the right data character.

#### GuardBand

There is no guardband for RSS-14 barcodes.

#### Magnification

The default magnification is X1, which is about 10 mils for a narrow element width. Pre-defined magnifications for horizontal and vertical barcodes are defined for X0.5 and X1. The ratio format is narrow bar element: vertical height element. The narrow space element is the same as the narrow bar element. The user-defined ratios for this barcode should have these two values defined in the order specified.

#### Height

The height command is not included as a valid parameter for the RSS-14 barcode because the height is determined by the declared barcode type. The height of the barcode is directly affected by the second parameter in the magnification ratio.

The height of the linear portion of the barcode however can be specified, but only for types UCCACOMP and UCCCCOMP. This height is to be specified as a required third ratio element for the user-defined magnification parameter **XR**[D].

narrow bar element:vertical height element:linear height element

**NOTE:** The linear height element is also affected by second parameter. For example, when specifying a user-defined ratio of XRD4:4:6, the vertical height element is 4, so the height of the linear portion of the barcode will be 24 (4 x 6).

#### **PDF**

The PDF is not included unless requested. It only represents the primary data of the barcode and not the 2-D composite portion. If included, it is separated from the bars by a guardband of 0.10 inches. It can be printed above or below the barcode. The default font type used for the PDF is N. The format of the PDF is identical as for UCC/EAN-128 symbols. Thus, the mod-10 check character is included in the PDF as well. The mod 89 checkdigit is not included in the PDF.

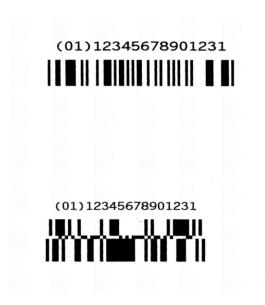
The PDF is automatically resized to the smallest available font when the PDF selected does not fit within the width of the barcode. Because RSS-14 is designed to be narrow, it is likely that the PDF size selected will result in a smaller PDF. Since OCR fonts must be printed at 10 CPI, a Gothic (type N) might be used in its place if the PDF needs to be resized.

If the PDF (with the smallest font) does not fit within the width of a RSS-14 barcode, the PDF will be the widest element of the barcode and thus the position SR;SC of the barcode will be with respect to the PDF, not the bars. For this reason, it might be more efficient to suppress the PDF and use ALPHA commands to position the PDF independently of the BARCODE command to avoid shifting the starting position of the barcode. Using an ALPHA command will also prevent the PDF to being reduced to an undesired size.

NOTE: Please refer to the AIM Specification document for detailed information about this barcode.

# **RSS14 Example 1**

~CREATE;RSS14;792 BARCODE RSS14LIM;XRD8;8;10;5 \*011234567890123\* PDF;A STOP BARCODE RSS14STK;XRD10:10;20;5 \*011234567890123\* PDF;A STOP END ~EXECUTE;RSS14;1



# **RSS14 Example 2**

```
~CREATE; RSS; 432
ALPHA
3;3;2;2; * UPC/EAN COMPOSIT *
04;3;1;1;* UPCACOMP *
11;3;1;1; * UPCECOMP *
20;3;1;1;* UCCACOMP *
04;22;1;1;* UCCCCOMP *
11;22;1;1; * EAN13COMP *
20;22;1;1; * EAN8COMP * STOP
BARCODE
UPCACOMP; X0.5; 5; 3
*12345678901|Composite data for UPCA barcode*
STOP
BARCODE
UPCECOMP; 12; 3
*1230000045|Composite data for UPCE barcode*
BARCODE
UCCACOMP; XRD2:2:50;21;3
*12345678901|Composite data for UCCA barcode, userdef Linear Height*
STOP
BARCODE
UCCCCOMP; 5; 22
*12345678901|Composite data for UCCC barcode, Default Linear Height*
STOP
BARCODE
EAN13COMP; 12; 22
*12345678901|Composite data for EAN13 barcode*
BARCODE
EAN8COMP; 21; 22
*1234567|Composite data for EAN8 barcode*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; RSS; 1
~NORMAL
```

# UPC/EAN UPCACOMP COMPOSIT







**UPCECOMP** 





EAN13COMP



EAN8COMP



## **GS1 Datamatrix**

**NOTE:** GS1 Datamatrix is formerly known as Datamatrix.

Datamatrix is a two-dimensional barcode containing small dark and light square data modules. It has a finder pattern of two solid lines and two alternating dark and light lines on its perimeter. This barcode is capable of storing up to 3116 numeric digits, 2335 alphanumeric in a symbol 144 modules square. It is also capable of encoding in a number of different schemes.

Two main subsets for Datamatrix exist, which differ in terms of error correction. The first subset uses ECC-000 through ECC-140 and uses convolution coding for error correction. The second subset is ECC-200, which uses Reed-Solomon error correction techniques. ECC-200 format is recommended.

#### **Quiet Zone**

The minimum quiet zone is one module width on all four sides.

#### **Readable Data**

There is no printable data field allowed for the Datamatrix barcode.

#### **Data Field**

The data allowed within the data field depends on the error correction subset you are using.

For ECC-000 through ECC-140, the data allowed within the data field depends on the format ID parameter. The allowed data for these ECC types are given in Table 25. For Format ID #5 which accepts control characters and Format ID #6 which accepts codes greater than 127, you can enter these values using a SO character followed by an identifier. When encoding special characters, you must enter a SO character followed by at least one other identifier and its field (i.e., ASCII 254 = ^d254). This is only considered to be one character, even though the data field holds 5 characters (^d254). If you intend to code the SO character by itself (no special encoding), then the SO character should be followed by another SO character. Table 26 illustrates how to use these special characters.

For ECC-200, format ID has no meaning and is ignored. Instead, you can enter data of any type (ASCII 0-255) and it will be automatically optimized into the proper encoding scheme. See the Special Characters Using SO section for examples of methods to enter special characters such as FNC1 into the data stream.

Format ID #	Data
1	Numeric 0-9, Space
2	Uppercase A-Z, Space
3	Uppercase A-Z, Numeric 0-9, Space
4	Uppercase A-Z, Numeric 0-9, Space, Period, Comma, Minus, Forward Slash
5	Full 128 ASCII set (0-127)
6	User defined (0-255)

Table 25 Data Field for ECC-000 through ECC-140

The maximum number of data depend on three factors: (1) size of the matrix, (2) ECC level, and (3) type of data. The size of the matrix is automatically chosen by IGP unless the parameters of row and/or column are supplied (see Cn and Rn parameters). The maximum number of data can then be found by finding the proper table based on ECC type. For each different valid matrix combination, the maximum number of data are given for numeric, alphanumeric, and full 8-byte data. You do not have to enter the maximum: a pad character is automatically inserted into the barcode when necessary.

#### **Data Matrix Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

DATAMATRIX; [DIR;] [X[D]n;] [Y[D]n;] [Cn;] [SHn;] [Rn;] [ECCn;] [IDn;] [BFn;L;] SR;SC

(D)data field(D)

**STOP** 

Cn

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

DATAMATRIX Designates bar code type Data Matrix; enter **DATAMATRIX**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

X[D]n Optional parameter designating the x-dimension width of a single square data module in

IGP dots, or printer dots if the **D** option is used. Enter **X**, then the optional **D** parameter if necessary, then a value from **1** through **1000** printer dots. If the y-dimension is not specified, it is calculated by converting the printer dots in the x-direction to printer dots in

the y-direction.

Y[D]n Optional parameter designating the y-dimension width of a single square data module in

IGP dots, or printer dots if the D option is used. Enter Y, then the optional D parameter if necessary, then a value from 1 to 1000 printer dots. If the x-dimension is not specified, it

is calculated by converting the printer dots in the y-direction to printer dots in the x-direction.

Optional parameter that sets the number of columns in the symbol. A value of **0** (the default) automates this process. See Table 28 through Table 34 for the combination of columns

and rows allowed and the maximum amount of data that can be encoded.

Rn Optional parameter that specifies the number of rows in the symbol. A value of **0** (the

default) automates this process. See Table 28 through Table 34 for the combination of

columns and rows allowed and the maximum amount of data that can be encoded.

SH*n* Optional parameter (**ECC 200 only**) that specifies the desired shape of the symbol. A value of **0** or **1** (the default) selects the smallest square symbol. A value of **2** selects the smallest

of **0** or **1** (the default) selects the smallest square symbol. A value of **2** selects the smallest rectangular symbol from Table 34. A value of 3 selects a DMRE symbol size for rectangular

extensions in Table 35.

Optional parameter that specifies the error correction level. Enter **ECC**, then one of the following values: **0**, **50**, **80**, **100**, **140**, or **200**. Levels 0 through 140 use increasing levels of

convolutional error coding. Level 200 (the default) uses Reed-Solomon block error

correction and is the recommended level of error correction.

ID*n* Optional parameter that specifies the format ID. This field only has meaning for ECC-000

through ECC-140 and is ignored for ECC-200. This specifies the type of data that is encoded in the symbol. Enter **ID**, then a value from **1** through **6**. The default value is 3.

Table 25 shows the type of data encoded for the various format IDs.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

data field See the description in the "Data Field" section.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode.

Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Special Characters Using SO**

Table 26 and Table 27 illustrate the methods of encoding special characters, and shows the special characters supported. These special characters are identified by using SO. The default value for the SO character is hex 0E, but this value can be changed using the printer's front panel (see *Administrator's Manual* for details). Examples are given with the SO character represented by "^" for clarity.

**Table 26 Special Character Encoding (All ECC Levels)** 

Special Characters	Method	Example
Control Characters 0-31	<so> + @ <so> + _</so></so>	NUL = ^@, BEL = ^G
Any ASCII value 0 - 255	<so> + <b>d</b> + 3 digit</so>	ASCII 10 = ^d010
ASCII value SO	<so> + <so></so></so>	M

Table 27 Special Character Encoding (ECC-200 Only)

Special Characters	Method	Example	
FNC1	<so> + 1. If FNC1 is 2nd codeword, previous data must be A-Z, a-z, or 01-99</so>	01^1 <data></data>	
Structured Append	<so> + 2 + 3 digit number representing symbol sequence and file identifier</so>	^2042 <file id=""></file>	
Reader Programming	<so> + 3 Must be first in the data field</so>	^3 <data></data>	
MH10.8.3 Abbreviated Format 05 Header	<so> + 5 Must be first in the data field</so>	^5 <data></data>	
MH10.8.3 Abbreviated Format 06 Header	<so> + 6 Must be first in the data field</so>	^6 <data></data>	
Extended Channel Interpretation	<so> + <b>7</b> + 6 digit EC (000000-999999)</so>	^7112233 <data></data>	

# **Symbol Characteristics**

The following tables illustrate the maximum data capacities for the Data Matrix barcode as a function of symbol size (column x row) and data type. Note that all ECC-000 through ECC-140 symbols are square

and always have an odd number of rows and columns. ECC-200 symbols have square or rectangular sizes and have an even number of rows and columns.

**Table 28 ECC-000 Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
9 X 9	3 characters	2 characters	1 character
11 X 11	12 characters	8 characters	5 characters
13 X 13	24 characters	16 characters	10 characters
15 X 15	37 characters	25 characters	16 characters
17 X 17	53 characters	35 characters	23 characters
19 X 19	72 characters	48 characters	31 characters
21 X 21	92 characters	61 characters	40 characters
23 X 23	115 characters	76 characters	50 characters
25 X 25	140 characters	93 characters	61 characters
27 X 27	168 characters	112 characters	73 characters
29 X 29	197 characters	131 characters	86 characters
31 X 31	229 characters	153 characters	100 characters
33 X 33	264 characters	176 characters	115 characters
35 X 35	300 characters	200 characters	131 characters
37 X 37	339 characters	226 characters	148 characters
39 X 39	380 characters	253 characters	166 characters
41 X 41	424 characters	282 characters	185 characters
43 X 43	469 characters	313 characters	205 characters
45 X 45	500 characters	345 characters	226 characters
47 X 47	560 characters	378 characters	248 characters
49 X 49	596 characters	413 characters	271 characters

**Table 29 ECC-050 Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
11 X 11	1 character	1 character	not supported
13 X 13	10 characters	6 characters	4 characters
15 X 15	20 characters	13 characters	9 characters
17 X 17	32 characters	21 characters	14 characters
19 X 19	46 characters	30 characters	20 characters
21 X 21	61 characters	41 characters	27 characters
23 X 23	78 characters	52 characters	34 characters
25 X 25	97 characters	65 characters	42 characters
27 X 27	118 characters	78 characters	51 characters
29 X 29	140 characters	93 characters	61 characters
31 X 31	164 characters	109 characters	72 characters
33 X 33	190 characters	126 characters	83 characters
35 X 35	217 characters	145 characters	95 characters
37 X 37	246 characters	164 characters	108 characters
39 X 39	277 characters	185 characters	121 characters
41 X 41	310 characters	206 characters	135 characters
43 X 43	344 characters	229 characters	150 characters
45 X 45	380 characters	253 characters	166 characters
47 X 47	418 characters	278 characters	183 characters
49 X 49	457 characters	305 characters	200 characters

**Table 30 ECC-080 Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
13 X 13	4 characters	3 characters	2 characters
15 X 15	13 characters	9 characters	6 characters
17 X 17	24 characters	16 characters	10 characters
19 X 19	36 characters	24 characters	16 characters
21 X 21	50 characters	33 characters	22 characters
23 X 23	65 characters	43 characters	28 characters
25 X 25	82 characters	54 characters	36 characters
27 X 27	100 characters	67 characters	44 characters
29 X 29	120 characters	80 characters	52 characters
31 X 31	141 characters	94 characters	62 characters
33 X 33	164 characters	109 characters	72 characters
35 X 35	188 characters	125 characters	82 characters
37 X 37	214 characters	143 characters	94 characters
39 X 39	242 characters	161 characters	106 characters
41 X 41	270 characters	180 characters	118 characters
43 X 43	301 characters	201 characters	132 characters
45 X 45	333 characters	222 characters	146 characters
47 X 47	366 characters	244 characters	160 characters
49 X 49	402 characters	268 characters	176 characters

**Table 31 ECC-100 Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
13 X 13	1 character	1 character	not supported
15 X 15	8 characters	5 characters	3 characters
17 X 17	16 characters	11 characters	7 characters
19 X 19	25 characters	17 characters	11 characters
21 X 21	36 characters	24 characters	15 characters
23 X 23	47 characters	31 characters	20 characters
25 X 25	60 characters	40 characters	26 characters
27 X 27	73 characters	49 characters	32 characters
29 X 29	88 characters	59 characters	38 characters
31 X 31	104 characters	69 characters	62 characters
33 X 33	121 characters	81 characters	53 characters
35 X 35	140 characters	93 characters	61 characters
37 X 37	159 characters	106 characters	69 characters
39 X 39	180 characters	120 characters	78 characters
41 X 41	201 characters	134 characters	88 characters
43 X 43	224 characters	149 characters	98 characters
45 X 45	248 characters	165 characters	108 characters
47 X 47	273 characters	182 characters	119 characters
49 X 49	300 characters	200 characters	131 characters

**Table 32 ECC-140 Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
17 X 17	2 characters	1 character	1 character
19 X 19	6 characters	4 characters	3 characters
21 X 21	12 characters	8 characters	5 characters
23 X 23	17 characters	11 characters	7 characters
25 X 25	24 characters	16 characters	10 characters
27 X 27	30 characters	20 characters	13 characters
29 X 29	38 characters	25 characters	16 characters
31 X 31	46 characters	30 characters	20 characters
33 X 33	54 characters	36 characters	24 characters
35 X 35	64 characters	42 characters	28 characters
37 X 37	73 characters	49 characters	32 characters
39 X 39	84 characters	56 characters	36 characters
41 X 41	94 characters	63 characters	41 characters
43 X 43	106 characters	70 characters	46 characters
45 X 45	118 characters	78 characters	51 characters
47 X 47	130 characters	87 characters	57 characters
49 X 49	144 characters	96 characters	63 characters

**Table 33 ECC-200 Square Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
10 X 10	6 characters	3 characters	1 character
12 X 12	10 characters	6 characters	3 characters
14 X 14	16 characters	10 characters	6 characters
16 X 16	24 characters	16 characters	10 characters
18 X 18	36 characters	25 characters	16 characters
20 X 20	44 characters	31 characters	20 characters
22 X 22	60 characters	43 characters	28 characters
24 X 24	72 characters	52 characters	34 characters
26 X 26	88 characters	64 characters	42 characters
32 X 32	124 characters	91 characters	60 characters
36 X 36	172 characters	127 characters	84 characters
40 X 40	228 characters	169 characters	112 characters
44 X 44	288 characters	214 characters	142 characters
48 X 48	348 characters	259 characters	172 characters
52 X 52	408 characters	304 characters	202 characters
64 X 64	560 characters	418 characters	278 characters
72 X 72	736 characters	550 characters	366 characters
80 X 80	912 characters	682 characters	454 characters
88 X 88	1152 characters	862 characters	574 characters
96 X 96	1392 characters	1042 characters	694 characters
104 X 104	1632 characters	1222 characters	814 characters
120 X 120	2100 characters	1573 characters	1048 characters
132 X 132	2608 characters	1954 characters	1302 characters
144 X 144	3116 characters	2335 characters	1556 characters

**Table 34 ECC-200 Rectangular Characteristics** 

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
8 X 18	10 characters	6 characters	3 characters
8 X 32	20 characters	13 characters	8 characters
12 X 26	32 characters	22 characters	14 characters
12 X 36	44 characters	31 characters	20 characters
16 X 36	64 characters	46 characters	30 characters
16 X 48	98 characters	72 characters	47 characters

Table 35 ECC-200 Rectangular Extensions (DMRE)

(Row x Column)	Maximum Numeric	Maximum Alphanumeric	Maximum 8-Byte Data
8 X 48	36 characters	25 characters	10 characters
8 X 64	48 characters	34 characters	22 characters
12 X 64	86 characters	63 characters	41 characters
24 X 48	160 characters	118 characters	78 characters
24 X 64	216 characters	160 characters	106 characters
26 X 48	180 characters	133 characters	88 characters
26 X 64	236 characters	175 characters	116 characters

# **Data Matrix Example**

Figure 30 illustrates a Data Matrix bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; DATAMATRIX (Enters Create Form mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) DATAMATRIX; XD8; C18; R18; ECC200; ID5; 10; 10 (Data Matrix barcode, x-dimension width of 8 printer dots, 18 columns and 18 rows, Error Correction level 200, SR 10, SC 10) \*A1B2C3D4E5F6G7H8I9J0\* (Data Field) (Ends Bar Code command)

(Terminates Create Form mode)

(Execute the form, form count of 1)

STOP END ~EXECUTE; DATAMATRIX; 1

~NORMAL

SR 10 -

Figure 30 Data Matrix Example

#### **HIBC Barcode**

The Health Industry Business Communications (HIBC) has developed a barcode called HIBC (Health Industry Bar Code). In a global setting, HIBC identifies health industry products, in any quantity, of any lot or serial number, with any expiration date. HIBC represents two kinds of information: Primary and Secondary Identification. Primary Identification represents product identity and Secondary Identification represents the attributes of Lot or Batch Code, Serial Number, and Expiration date. Each structure has its own barcode data format. HIBC can be encoded in Code 128, Code 39, or UCC 128 symbology.

# **HIBC Barcode Command Format**

BARCODE

C3/9 or C128A or C128B or C128C; HIBC; [DIR;] [MAG]...

<Data Field>

PDF...

STOP

HIBC Enter **HIBC** to print HIBC encoded barcode.

# **Check Digit**

A mandatory modulo-43 check digit is inserted at the end of data for both Code 39 and Code 128 symbology.

#### **Data Field**

The data field is a variable length consisting of only the following characters: 1-9, A-Z, -, ., &, /, +, %, and space.

For HIBC barcode, PDF is preceded with '+', a Flag Character which is an identifier used to differentiate HIBC symbols from other non-healthcare related barcode symbols. A pair of asterisks (\*) encloses the human readable field, including the check digit. For example, if the user enters PDF "+123BJC5D6E71" the barcode data will print as "\*+A123BJC5D6E71G\*".

#### **HIBC Encoded in UCC128**

When encoding HIBC barcode in UCC-128, HIBC is essentially a UCC-128 barcode. The encoding uses the same module 10 check digit and data format. The only addition is an Application Identifier (AI) parameter. For Primary Data Structure use AI (01), and for Secondary Data Structure use AI (22) or AI (240). To use UCC-128 to encode HIBC, be sure to use the correct Al parameter to obtain the desired results.

# **Example**

```
~CREATE; XYZ; 432
BARCODE
C128B; HIBC; X1; H10; 5; 5
"+A123BJC5D6E71"
PDF;B
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9; HIBC; X1; H10; 15; 5
"+A123BJC5D6E71"
PDF;B
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; XYZ; 1
```

# HIBC BARCODES



\*+A123BJC5D6E71G\*



\*+A123B.1C5D6F71G\*

Figure 31 HIBC Barcodes

# **Intelligent Mail 4-State Barcode**

Intelligent Mail 4-state is a barcode symbology, introduced by USPS to support the US Mail 4-state customer barcode. It is also known as the USPS OneCode Solution or USPS 4-State Customer Barcode. This barcode is identified by four different types of bars:

- Full Height fixed height
- Tracker a small center section
- Ascender extends from the top of the Full Height limit to the bottom of the Tracker limit.
- Descender extends from the top of the Tracker Limit to the bottom of the Full Height limit.

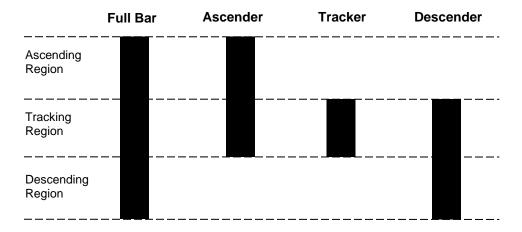


Figure 32 Intelligent Mail Barcode Bar Types

Customer Data must be in numeric format only. PDF is not allowed for Intelligent Mail Barcode.

Additional information regarding use of this barcode can be obtained from the USPS publication *Intelligent Mail Barcode Technical Resource Guide*.

## **Intelligent Mail 4-State Command Format**

BARCODE
INTMAIL;[DIR;] [BFn;L;] SR; SC
[(D)Data Field(D)]
STOP

# **Parameter Description**

INTMAIL	Intmail has a predefined magnification (width). The height of the Full Height bar is 0.145 inches with 0.020 inch margin and cannot be adjusted by the user. Human-readable data field is not allowed.
DIR	Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter <b>CW</b> for clockwise rotation. Enter <b>CCW</b> or <b>VSCAN</b> for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter <b>INV</b> for inverted rotation. If <i>DIR</i> is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.
BF <i>n</i> ; <i>L</i>	See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The data field must be numeric and contain exactly 20, 25, 29, or 31 digits. An empty field is also allowed. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.
SR	Defines the starting row for the barcode. Enter a value within the range of the 4-inch vertical address block. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page

110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the barcode. Enter a value between the 1/2-inch left and right margins of the mail piece. Character column or dot column is specified based on the SCALE command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used on both ends of the data field. It will not print with the data.

data field

The bar code data. Table 36 shows the valid parameters for the all the fields. The Tracking Code is 20 digits in length. The Routing Code is optional, but if it is included, it must be 5, 9 or 11 digits in length. The maximum total input data is 31 numeric digits. PGL encodes any length of input data into a 4-state customer barcode string consisting of 65 bars.

**Table 36 Data Field Parameters** 

Туре	Field	Digits
Tracking Code	Barcode Identifier	2 Second digit must be 0 - 4.
	Service Type Identifier	3
	Mailer Identifier	6 or 9
	Serial Number	9 when Mailer ID is 6 digits
		6 when Mailer ID is 9 digits
Routing Code	Delivery Point Zip Code	0, 5, 9, 11
Total		20 minimum, 31 maximum

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message will result.

# **Intelligent Mail 4-State Barcode Example**

~CREATE;INTELBARCODE;432 BARCODE INTMAIL;5;5 \*01234567094987654321012345678\* STOP END

~EXECUTE; INTELBARCODE

~NORMAL

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# Interleaved 2/5 (I-2/5), German I-2/5, and ITF-14

The structure for the I-2/5, German I-2/5 and ITF-14 bar codes is shown in Figure 33 and described on the following pages.

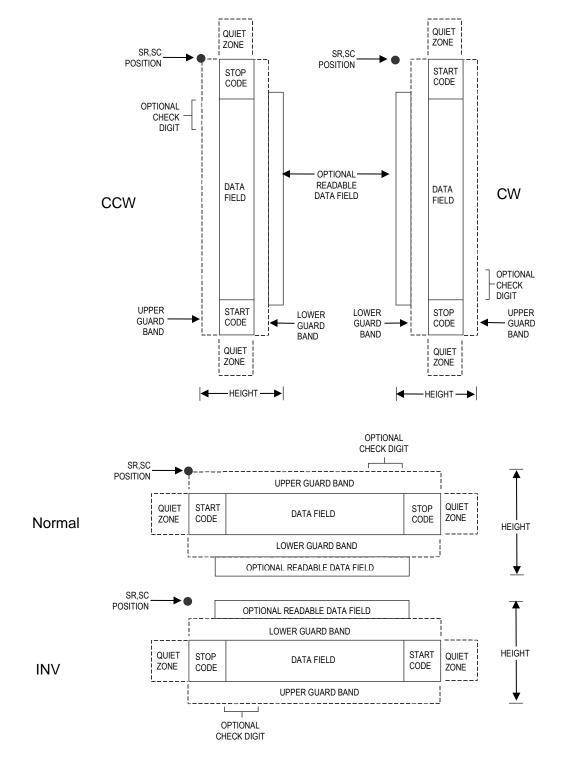


Figure 33 I-2/5, German I-2/5 and ITF-14 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure have blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

## Start/Stop Codes

Unique start and stop codes permit bidirectional scanning. Both start and stop codes contain bars and spaces. They are automatically produced.

### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent numeric characters. The structure is 2 wide elements (bars or spaces) and 3 narrow elements. In the bar code, two characters are interleaved (paired); bars are used to represent the first character in the pair and spaces are used to represent the second character in the pair.

German I-2/5 and ITF-14 are special cases of Interleaved 2/5 bar codes. While Interleaved 2/5 has a variable data field, German I-2/5 is restricted to 11 or 13 digits, and ITF-14 is restricted to 13 digits.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit can be inserted into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

Interleaved 2/5 can be printed with or without a check digit, but German I-2/5 and ITF-14 have the check digit automatically included.

# I-2/5, German I-2/5, and ITF-14 Command Format

**BARCODE** 

I-2/5 [CD]; or I25GERMAN; or

ITF14; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

STOP

### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

I-2/5 CD Designates bar code type Interleaved 2/5; enter I-2/5. To calculate and plot the optional

modulo-10 check digit with the bar code symbol automatically, enter CD.

I25GERMAN Designates German Interleaved 2/5; enter I25GERMAN. The mod-10 check digit is

automatically included.

ITF14 Designates ITF-14; enter **ITF14**. The mod-10 check digit is automatically included.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

NOTE:

You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9-inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE:

If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn;L

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

data field

**Interleaved 2/5:** Enter the characters for the bar code data. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters to minimize potential reading errors. An even number of characters are required for the interleaving process. Consequently, if an odd number of characters are entered in the data field, a leading zero is added automatically. The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

**German I-2/5:** The data field must be 11 or 13 digits exactly.

**ITF-14:** The data field must be 13 digits exactly.

PDF [;LOC] [;FONT] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# I-2/5 Example

Figure 34 illustrates a horizontal and vertical I-2/5 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; I25 (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) (Code I-2/5, at SR 49, SC 27) I-2/5;49;27\*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF;A (Upper Printable Data Field) (Ends Bar Code command) STOP (New Bar Code command) BARCODE I-2/5; VSCAN; H12; 44; 52 (Vertical I-2/5, H 1.2 at SR 44, SC 52) \*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) (Terminates Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; I25;1 (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~NORMAL



Figure 34 Sample I-2/5 Bar Codes

# **Matrix**

The structure for the Matrix bar code is shown in Figure 35 and described on the following pages.

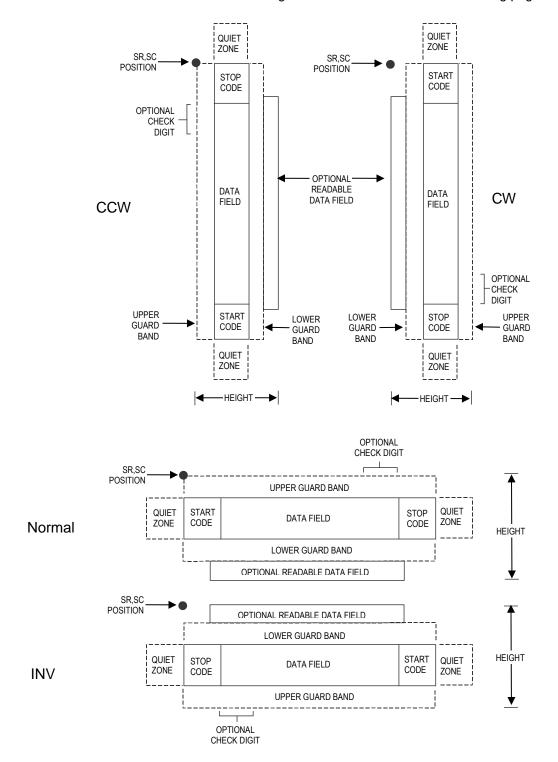


Figure 35 Matrix Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure have blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for quiet zones.

### **Start/Stop Codes**

Unique start and stop codes permit bidirectional scanning. Both start and stop codes contain bars and spaces. They are automatically produced.

### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent numeric characters. The structure is 2 wide elements (bars or spaces) and 3 narrow elements. In the bar code, each character encoded is separated by a narrow space.

### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

## **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit can be inserted into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

### **Matrix Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

MATRIX [CD]; [*DIR*;] [*MAG*;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] *SR*; *SC* 

(D) [data field] (D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

MATRIX CD Designates bar code type Matrix; enter MATRIX. To calculate and plot the optional modulo-

10 check digit with the bar code symbol automatically, enter CD.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter **CCW** or **VSCAN** for counterclockwise rotation. Enter **INV** for inverted rotation. If *DIR* 

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

**NOTE:** You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values

that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter  $\bf H$  and a value from  $\bf 3$  through  $\bf 99$  to

select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9-inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

**NOTE:** If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BF*n;L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the

data.

data field Enter the characters for the bar code data. A null data field (no characters) is permitted.

The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters to minimize potential reading errors. An even number of characters are required for the interleaving process. Consequently, if an odd number of characters are entered in the data field, a leading zero is added automatically. The characters available

for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Matrix Example**

Figure 36 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Matrix bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; MATRIX (Enter Create Form Mode)

BARCODE (Bar Code command)

MATRIX;49;27 (Code Matrix, at SR 49, SC 27)

\*24688642\* (Data Field)

PDF (Printable Data Field)
STOP (Ends Bar Code command)
BARCODE (New Bar Code command)

MATRIX; VSCAN; H12; 44; 52 (Vertical Matrix, H 1.2 at SR 44, SC 52)

\*24688642\* (Data Field)

PDF (Printable Data Field)
STOP (Ends Bar Code command)
END (Terminates Create Form Mode)

~EXECUTE; MATRIX; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1)

~NORMAL

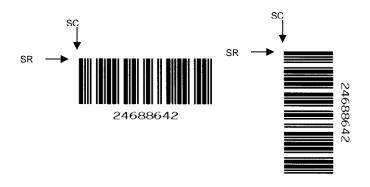


Figure 36 Sample Matrix Bar Codes

## Maxicode

The Maxicode bar code is a fixed size matrix symbology made up of an offset of rows of hexagonal elements arranged around a unique finder pattern.

Maxicode is suitable for high speed scanning applications and is capable of encoding all of the 256 ASCII characters.

### Readable Data

The Maxicode bar code does not support a human readable form.

#### **Data Field**

The data field of a Maxicode bar code is divided into a primary message and a secondary message. The primary message has a fixed structure, while the secondary message has a free format. The maximum number of characters encoded in the message depends on the error correction mechanism used. When the Standard Error Correction (SEC) method is in use (see the Mn definition, below) a maximum of 84 symbol characters can be encoded. Each segment in the secondary message is 21 characters long.

## **Maxicode Command Format**

BARCODE
MAXICODE [Mn;] [Z;] [DIR;] [BFn;L;] SR; SC
(D)data field(D)
STOP

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

MAXICODE Designates bar code type Maxicode; enter **MAXICODE**.

Mn Parameter that specifies the bar code mode. Valid values are 2, 3, 4, 6, and D. Default

value is 2. Table 37 defines the modes supported.

**Table 37 Maxicode Bar Code Modes** 

Mode	Definition
2	Primary and secondary messages employ SEC. Primary message is a structured carrier message with a numeric postal code.
3	Primary and secondary messages employ SEC. Primary message is a structured carrier message with an alphanumeric postal code.
4	Primary and secondary messages together encode up to 93 characters.
6	Primary and secondary messages together encode up to 93 characters. For reader configuration purposes only.
D	Optional parameter that allows for postponing the definition of the mode until form execution. When used, the first character of the dynamic barcode data is used as the mode. The character is extracted and not used as barcode data. This mode should be used with <i>BFn</i> .

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation. Enter **CCW** or **VSCAN** for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter **INV** for inverted rotation. If *DIR* is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

BF*n;L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

Optional parameter that allows for postponing the definition of the mode until form execution. When used, the first character of the dynamic barcode data is used as the mode. The character is extracted and not used as barcode data. This mode should be used with *BFn*.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

data field There are two different ways the Maxicode data field can be formatted:

## Standard Data Field

D

The modes 2 and 3 have their primary message structured as shown in Table 38. The data following the primary message is the secondary message and has a free format.

Character Title **Data Positions** 0 - 2Class of Service Numeric 3 - 5 Numeric Country Code 9 Digit Numeric for 6 - 14Postal Code US OR 6 Digit Alphanumeric for Canada '>A' 15, 16 Separator Free Format 17 - ... Secondary Message

**Table 38 Standard Data Fields** 

# **UPS Shipping Data Field**

This syntax begins with seven encoded data characters followed by a date (yy). The first four characters are the Message Header and the next five are the Transportation Data Format Header. The format of the Message Header is "[)>Rs". The Transportation Data Format Header is "01Gs<yy>" where <yy> is the year, and "G's" and "R's" are control characters. The structure is shown in Table 39.

**Table 39 UPS Shipping Data Fields** 

Character Positions	Title	Data
0 - 3	Message Header	[)>Rs
4 - 8	Transportation Data Format Header	01Gs <yy></yy>
9 - 17	Postal Code	9 Digit Numeric for US or 6 Digit Alphanumeric for Canada
18	Separator	Gs
19 - 21	Country Code	Numeric
22	Separator	Gs
23 - 25	Class of Service	Numeric
26	Separator	Gs
27	Secondary Message	As per the UPS Guide To Barcoding

STOP

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Maxicode Control Characters**

The non-printable control characters can be generated by using the switch characters defined in Table 40.

**NOTE:** <pp> = Shift Out Character

**Table 40 Maxicode Control Characters** 

Control Character	Alternate Character		
NUL	<pp>SP</pp>		
SOH	<pp>!</pp>		
STX	<pp>"</pp>		
ETX	<pp>#</pp>		
EOT	<pp>\$</pp>		
ENQ	<pp>%</pp>		
ACK	<pp>&amp;</pp>		
BEL	<pp>'</pp>		
BS	<pp>(</pp>		
HT	<pp>)</pp>		
LF	<pp>*</pp>		
VT	<pp>+</pp>		
FF	<pp>,</pp>		
CR	<pp>-</pp>		
SO	<pp>.</pp>		
SI	<pp>/</pp>		
DLE	<pp>`</pp>		
DC1	<pp>a</pp>		
DC2	<pp>b</pp>		
DC3	<pp>c</pp>		
DC4	<pp>d</pp>		
NAK	<pp>e</pp>		
SYN	<pp>f</pp>		
ETB	<pp>g</pp>		
CAN	<pp>h</pp>		
EM	<pp>i</pp>		
SUM	<pp>j</pp>		
ESC	<pp>k</pp>		
FS	<pp>I</pp>		
GS	<pp>m</pp>		
RS	<pp>n</pp>		
US	<pp>o</pp>		

# **Maxicode Examples**

Figure 37 illustrates a Maxicode bar code generated by the following program:

**NOTE:** "|" in the bar code represents the Shift Out Character.



Figure 37 Sample MAXICODE Bar Code

Figure 38 illustrates a MAXICODE bar code generated by the following program:

**NOTE:** "|" in the bar code represents the Shift Out Character.

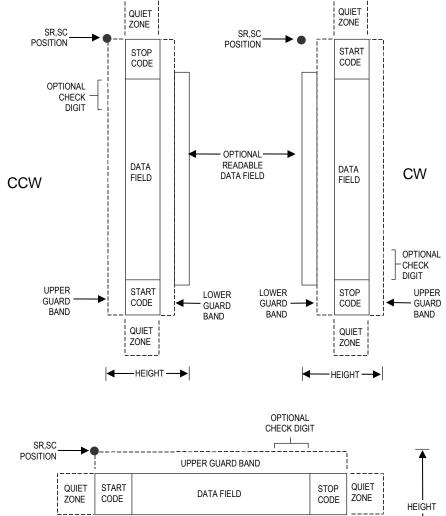
```
(Enter Create Form Mode)
~CREATE; MAXI
BARCODE
                                     (Bar Code command)
MAXICODE; 32; 54
                                     (Dark Bar Code MAXICODE at SR 32, SC 54)
*[)>|n01|m96841706672|m840|m001|m1Z12345675|mUPSN|m12345E|m089|
m|m1/1|m10.1|mY|m|m|mUT|n|$*
                                    (Data Field)
STOP
                                     (Ends Bar Code command)
END
                                     (Terminates Create Form Mode)
                                     (Execute the form, form count of 1)
~EXECUTE; MAXI; 1
~NORMAL
```



Figure 38 Sample MAXICODE Bar Code

# MSI

The MSI bar code structure is shown in Figure 39 and described on the following pages.



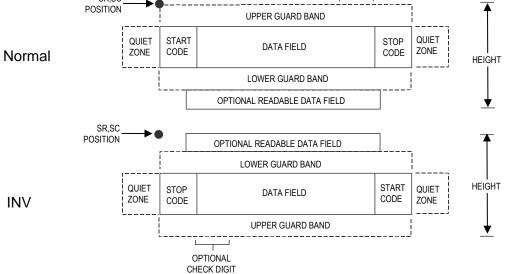


Figure 39 MSI Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25-inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

## Start/Stop Code

Unique start and stop codes permit bidirectional scanning. Both start and stop codes contain bars and spaces. They are automatically produced.

### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent each numeric character. The structure is four wide elements (bars or spaces) and four narrow elements. Each character contains four data bits, with each 0-bit made up of a narrow bar/wide space arrangement and each 1- bit made up of a wide bar/narrow space arrangement.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

If specified, the modulo-10 or modulo-11 (or both) check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning.

#### **MSI Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

MSI n; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC (D) [data field] (D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]] STOP

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

MSI Designates bar code type MSI; enter **MSI**.

n Designates the type of check digit combinations for the bar code. Replace n with one of

the following codes to specify the check digit.

A single-digit modulo-10 followed by a second modulo-10 digit

B single-digit modulo-11 followed by a single modulo-10 digit

C single-digit modulo-10

D single-digit modulo-11

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density.

You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

NOTE:

You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9-inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE:

If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn;L

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

data field

Enter the characters for the bar code data. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The length of the data field is variable; however, a maximum of 14 data characters are allowed if a one-character check digit field is specified; a maximum of 13 data characters are allowed if a two-character check digit field is specified. The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **MSI Example**

Figure 40 illustrates a horizontal and vertical MSI bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; MSI (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) MSIA; 32; 27 (Bar Code MSIA at SR 32, SC 27) \*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF;X (Printable Data Field, OCR-B) (Ends Bar Code command) STOP BARCODE (New Bar Code command) MSIB; VSCAN; X2; H12; 32; 54 (Vertical MSIB, Mag 2, H 1.2, SR 32, SC 54) \*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF;A (Upper Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) END (Terminates Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; MSI; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1)

~NORMAL

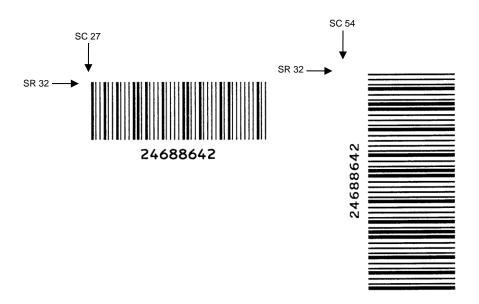


Figure 40 Sample MSI Bar Codes

# **PDF417**

The PDF417 structure is shown in Figure 41 and described on the following pages.

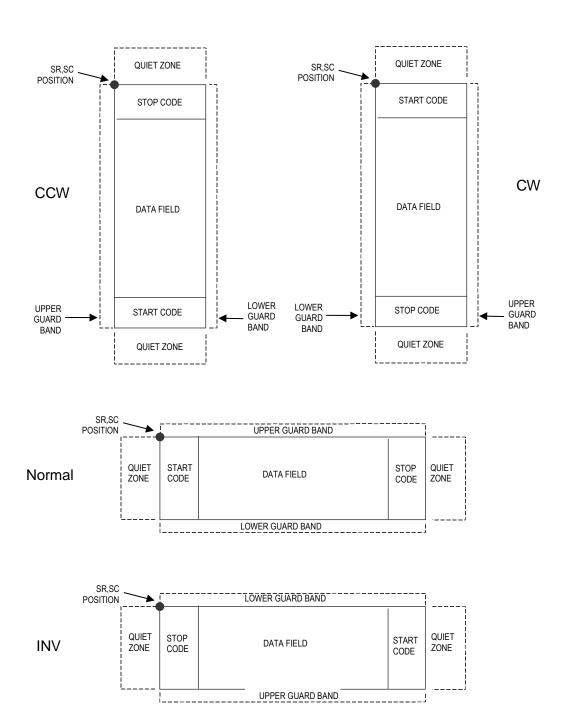


Figure 41 PDF417 Structure

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the guiet zones.

## **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop codes identify the leading and trailing end of the bar code.

### **Data Field**

PDF417 provides twelve modes to encode data. The first three are pre- established (the remaining nine are user modes, which can be defined by users or industry associations according to specific applications):

- 1. Extended Alphanumeric Compaction mode (EXC). Comprised of four sub-modes, this mode offers encodation of all printable ASCII characters. This is the default mode; the IGP uses shift or latch characters to enable other modes.
- 2. Binary/ASCII Plus mode. This offers encodation for all uppercase ASCII characters only, printable or not, and binary values.
- 3. Numeric Compaction mode. This offers encodation for numeric values to a density of almost 3 digits per code word.
- 4. The IGP will automatically switch between modes to provide the smallest encodation for the data.

## **Security Level**

PDF417 can detect and correct errors. Each label has 2 code words of error detection. You can select the error correction capacity based on application needs. Specify a security level in the range of 0 - 8, at the time of printing. PDF417 can also recover from omissions and misdecodes of code words. Since it requires two code words to recover from a misdecode, one to detect the error and one to correct for it, a given security level can support half the number of misdecodes that it can of undecoded words.

### PDF

Print Data Field is not offered due to the large amount of data that can be encoded.

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

## **PDF417 Command Format**

BARCODE

PDF417; [MICRO or MACRO;] [DIR;] [X[D]n;] [Y[D]n;] [(Hn)|(Wn);] [ASPECTh:w;] [(Rn) | (Cn);] [BIN;] [S[%]n;][BFn;L;]SR; SC [(D)data field(D)] STOP

# **Parameter Description**

BARCODE	The Bar Code command; enter <b>BARCODE</b> .
PDF417	Designates bar code type PDF417; enter <b>PDF417</b> .
MICRO	Selects Micro-PDF417. See Table 41 on page 237.
MACRO	Selects Macro-PDF417. This enables encoding of a Macro Control Block in the data field using escape sequences. See Table 42 and Table 43 on page 239.
DIR	Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter <b>CW</b> for clockwise rotation. Enter <b>CCW</b> or <b>VSCAN</b> for counterclockwise rotation. Enter <b>INV</b> for inverted rotation. If <i>DIR</i>

X[D]n Optional parameter that designates the width of a narrow element in IGP dots, or printer

dots if option [D] is used. The default is one IGP dot. For horizontal barcodes, this results in 2/72 inch. For rotated barcodes, this equal 3/120 inch. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots.

Y[D]n

Optional parameter that designates the height of the narrow element in IGP dots, or printer dots if option [D] is used. The default is one IGP dot. For horizontal barcodes, this results in 2/72 inch. For rotated barcodes, this equals 3/120 inch. Values range from 1 to 100 printer dots.

Ηn

Optional parameter to adjust the maximum height of the bar code symbol. Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **4** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.4 through 9.9 inches.

NOTE:

The default aspect ratio will be used until the resulting barcode height exceeds the specified maximum. Parameters Wn, Rn, Cn or ASPECT cannot be entered if this parameter is used.

NOTE:

The Micro-PDF417 values range from 1 to 99.

Wn

Optional parameter to adjust the maximum width of the symbol based on the narrow element width. Enter **W***n*; where *n* is the overall width in tenths of an inch.

NOTE:

The default aspect ratio will be used until the resulting barcode width exceeds the specified maximum. Parameters Hn, Rn, Cn or ASPECT cannot be entered if this parameter is used.

ASPECTh:w

Optional parameter for specifying the symbol height-to-width ratio where h is the height and w is the width, both expressed as integers. The default is 1:2. Parameters Hn, Wn, Rn, or Cn cannot be entered if this parameter is used. This parameter is not applicable to Micro PDF417.

Rn

Optional parameter that specifies the number of rows the symbol will have. Enter **R** followed by the number of rows in the range of **3** through **90** in multiples of 3. Parameters Hn, Wn, Cn or ASPECT cannot be entered if this parameter is used. Micro-PDF417 only allows for a certain predefined combination of Rows and Columns. Therefore, both R and C parameters can be specified to select a valid combination. See Table 41 on page 237 for allowed combinations.

NOTE:

When these parameters are omitted, the printer automatically determines the smallest possible values.

Cn

Optional parameter that specifies the number of columns the symbol will have. Enter  $\bf C$  followed by the number of columns in the range of  $\bf 1$  through  $\bf 90$ . Parameters  $\bf Hn$ ,  $\bf Wn$ ,  $\bf Rn$  or ASPECT cannot be entered if this parameter is used. Micro-PDF417 only allows for a certain predefined combination of Rows and Columns. Therefore, both  $\bf R$  and  $\bf C$  parameters can be specified to select a valid combination. See Table 41 on page 237 for allowed combinations.

NOTE:

When these parameters are omitted, the printer automatically determines the smallest possible values.

BIN

Force Micro-PDF417 to encode the data using byte-compaction mode. This provides the best encoding for 8-bit binary data.

S[%]*n* 

Optional parameter that specifies the security level. Enter **S** followed by the security level in the range of **0** through **8**. The default is 2. If [%] is included, the security level is specified as a percentage. Valid values range from 0 to 100. Changing the security level can affect the amount of data in the barcode symbol, hence its size. This parameter is not applicable to Micro-PDF417

BFn;L

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the data.

Enter the data for the bar code. A null data field (no characters) is not permitted. The data field can contain any uppercase ASCII characters including carriage returns and line feeds. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 1024 bytes to minimize potential reading errors.

**NOTE:** New lines (i.e. carriage returns/line feeds) are allowed in the PDF417 data field and as PDF417 dynamic data field input.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# PDF417 Example

data field

Figure 42 illustrates a horizontal PDF417 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; PDF417 (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) PDF417; XD3; YD9; S0; 37; 21 (PDF417; width; height, security level, SR 37, SC 21) \*ACME MOTOR SUPPORTS PRINTING OF PDF417 TWO-DIMENSIONAL BAR CODE SYMBOLOGY 123456789012345678901234567890123456789\* STOP (Ends Bar Code command) END (Terminate Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; PDF; 1 (Execute the form) ~NORMAL



Figure 42 Sample PDF417 Bar Code

# Micro-PDF417

Micro-PDF417 is a multi-low symbology which may be utilized by applications needing to encode a moderate amount of data in a two-dimensional symbol (up to 150 bytes, 250 to alphanumeric characters, or 366 numeric digits), and when minimizing symbol size is a primary concern. Micro-PDF417 is identical to PDF417 in terms of its encodation modes, error correction method, and symbol character sets. However, Micro-PDF417 replaces PDF417's 17 module wide start/stop patterns and left/right row indicators with a unique set of 10-module wide Row Address Patterns, which were designed both to reduce overall symbol width and to facilitate linear scanning at row heights as low as 2X.

Unlike PDF417, Micro-PDF417 may only be printed in certain defined combinations of r (number of rows), c (number of columns), and k (number of error correction codewords), up to a maximum of four data columns by 44 rows.

See Table 41 on page 237 for the possible combinations of rows and columns, the maximum allowed data amount, and the error-correction level for each combination.

**Table 41 Micro-PDF417 Combinations** 

Number of Data Columns	Number of Data Rows	% of Codewords for Error Correction	Max Uppercase Alpha Characters	Max Digits	Max 8-bit Characters
1	11	64	6	8	3
	14	50	12	17	7
	17	41	18	26	10
	20	40	22	32	13
	24	33	30	44	18
	28	29	38	55	22
2	8	50	14	20	8
	11	41	24	35	14
	14	32	36	52	21
	17	29	46	67	27
	20	28	56	82	33
	23	28	64	93	38
	26	29	72	105	43
3	6	67	10	14	6
	8	58	18	26	10
	10	53	26	38	15
	12	50	34	49	20
	15	47	46	67	27
	20	43	66	96	39

**Table 41 Micro-PDF417 Combinations** 

Number of Data Columns	Number of Data Rows	% of Codewords for Error Correction	Max Uppercase Alpha Characters	Max Digits	Max 8-bit Characters
	26	41	90	132	54
	32	40	114	167	68
	38	39	138	202	82
	44	38	162	237	97
4	4	50	14	20	8
	6	50	22	32	13
	8	44	34	49	20
	10	40	46	67	27
	12	38	58	85	34
	15	35	76	111	45
	20	33	106	155	63
	26	31	142	208	85
	32	30	178	261	106
	38	29	214	313	128
	44	28	250	366	150

# MACRO-PDF417

When the MACRO parameter is specified in the PDF417 Command, the data field is scanned for special escape sequences describing a "Macro Control Block" as defined in Appendix G of the Uniform Symbology Specification PDF417.

The escape sequences start with the SO (Shift Out) Character followed by three digits. The default SO character is 14 (0x0E hex), however the examples in this document will use a backslash (92, 0x5C hex) for clarity. The SO character is configurable on the control panel.

The Macro PDF417 Control Block is located at the end of the data field, following the normal PDF417 user data. The parameter uses the following format as shown in Table 42.

**Table 42 Mandatory Macro-PDF-417 Fields** 

Field	Description	
\928	Macro Block Control Header Indicates the start of a Macro block.	
0 - 99998	Segment Index Each barcode in a Macro PDF sequence must have a unique segment index that indicates the position of the barcode within the sequence.	
\nnn\nnn	File ID  A variable number of escape sequences containing values from \000 to \899.  Each barcode in a Macro PDF sequence must have the same File ID assigned to it. Zero or more optional Fields may follow the File ID.  See the next section for a description of the optional fields.	
\922	Terminator The barcode that represents the last segment of a Macro PDF sequence should have the \922 escape sequence at the end of the Macro Block.	

A Macro PDF sequence may contain zero or more optional fields. Except for the Segment-Count field, these fields describe global file attributes of the Macro PDF sequence, and therefore do not need to be present in all segments. The optional fields, if present, should be placed after the File ID, and have the layout described in Table 43.

**NOTE:** Other than the data type and length, the printer does not verify the contents of the optional fields.

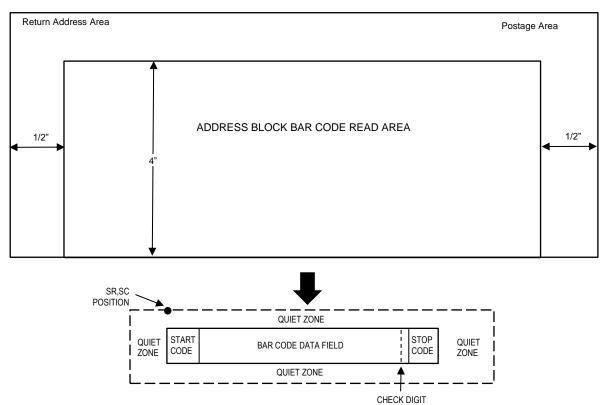
**Table 43 Optional Macro-PDF-417 Fields** 

Field	Description	Data Type	Field Length
\923\000	File Name	Text	Variable
	<b>Segment Count</b> 00001 - 99999.		
\923\001	NOTE: If this field is used, it must be present in all segments.	Numeric	5
\923\002	Time Stamp Time in seconds since January 1, 1970 00:00 GMT	Numeric	11
\923\003	Sender	Text	Variable
\923\004	Addressee	Text	Variable
\923\005	File Size	Numeric	Variable
\923\006	Checksum 16-bit CRC checksum over the entire source file. This checksum value must be a decimal value from 0 through 65,535.	Numeric	5

# **Planet**

The Planet bar code was introduced by the U.S. Postal Service under the product name "Confirm." Planet is a 12-digit bar code used to track mail electronically, both inbound and outbound. Under the "Confirm" process, the first two digits of the Planet data field defines the service expected. The next nine digits are customer information, and the last digit is the check digit.

The Planet bar code structure is illustrated in Figure 43 and Figure 44 and described on the following pages. The Planet code can be a part of the address block and appear anywhere within a vertical 4-inch area across the length of the mail piece.



NOTE: Illustration is not to scale

**Figure 43 Planet Structure** 

**NOTE:** Additional information regarding Planet bar code requirements can be obtained from the U.S. Postal Service's Publication 25: *A Guide to Business Mail Preparation.* 

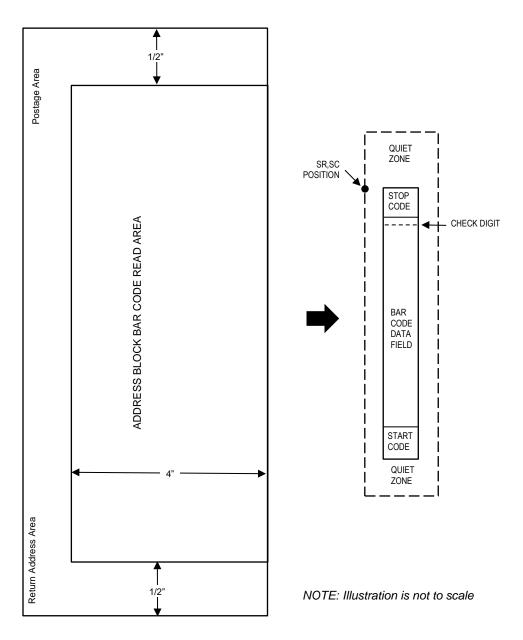


Figure 44 Planet Structure (VSCAN or CCW)

The bar code structure requires a completely blank quiet zone which extends 4.75 inches from the right edge of the mail piece. In addition, a minimum quiet zone of 0.040-inch above and below the bar code data must also be provided. You must provide sufficient space for this zone.

# Start/Stop Code

The start and stop codes are referred to as "framing bars" in Planet. The start and stop codes are each one tall bar, one identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bar code scanning in a left-to- right direction only.

### **Data Field**

The bar code data produces a single field of 60 bars for an 11-digit data field. The bars are grouped in sets of five. Each set of five bars (comprised of three tall bars and two short bars) represents one of the five digits of the zip code, plus the four-digit zip code extension. If the Advanced Bar Code is used, an additional two-digit code is also added to make an 11-digit data field.

Each bar width is equal and must be .020-inch  $\pm$  .005-inch. Each bar height is either a tall (full) or short (half) bar, representing a 1 or 0, respectively. Each tall bar must be .125-inch  $\pm$  .010-inch; each short bar must be .050-inch  $\pm$  .010-inch. Horizontal spacing between bars (pitch) must be 22 bars  $\pm$  2 bars per inch over any 0.50-inch portion of the bar code. Horizontal spacing at 24 and 20 bars per inch is 0.0416-inch and .050-inch, respectively, with a clear vertical space ranging from 0.012-inch to 0.040-inch between bars.

# **Check Digit**

The twelfth digit represents the automatic check digit character. The check digit is added automatically to verify accurate scanning.

### **Planet Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

PLANET; [DIR;] [NLQ;] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

PLANET Designates bar code type Planet; enter **PLANET**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

NLQ Optional parameter optimized to print barcodes at NLQ print density (180x96). This may

cause line matrix printers to reverse motion when the form prints. This parameter is ignored

for other printer types.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The data field must be

numeric and contain exactly 11 digits. When this parameter is used, the data field

parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value within the range of the 4-inch

vertical address block. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value between the 1/2-inch left and

right margins of the mail piece. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/) the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but it will not print with the

data.

data field The bar code data. Enter 11 digits.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message will result.

# **Planet Example**

Figure 45 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Planet bar code generated by the following program:

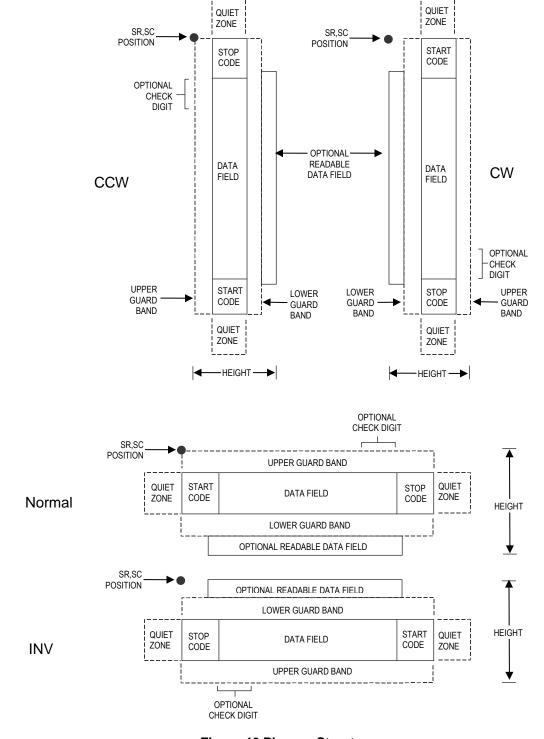
```
~CREATE; TEST
                                        (Enter Create Form Mode)
BARCODE
                                        (Bar code command)
                                        (Planet bar code at SR 11, SC 15)
PLANET; 11; 15
*01675433738*
                                        (11-digit data field)
STOP
                                        (Ends Bar Code command)
BARCODE
                                        (Bar code command)
PLANET; VSCAN; 5; 48
                                        (Vertical Planet at SR 5, SC 48)
*01858022199*
                                        (11-digit data field)
STOP
                                        (Ends Bar Code command)
END
                                        (Terminates Create Form Mode)
~EXECUTE; TEST; 1
                                        (Execute the form, with form count of 1)
\simNORMAL
```



Figure 45 Sample Planet Bar Codes

# **Plessey**

The Plessey bar code structure is shown in Figure 46 and described on the following pages.



**Figure 46 Plessey Structure** 

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25-inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

## Start/Stop Code

Unique start and stop codes permit bidirectional scanning. Both start and stop codes contain bars and spaces. They are automatically produced.

### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent each character. The structure is four wide elements (bars or spaces) and four narrow elements. Each character contains four data bits, with each 0-bit made up of a narrow bar/wide space arrangement and each 1-bit made up of a wide bar/narrow space arrangement.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

# **Check Digit**

If specified, a "logical division" check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning.

# **Plessey Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

PLESSEY;[DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;]SR; SC

[(D)data field(D)]

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

PLESSEY Designates bar code type Plessey; enter **PLESSEY**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If

DIR is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density.

**NOTE:** You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values

that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order

specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9-inch.

The [.m] provides an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

NOTE: If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is BFn;L

used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print

with the data.

data field Enter the characters for the bar code data. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The length of the data field is variable; however, a maximum of 16 data characters is

allowed. The characters available for the data field are 0 through 9 and A through F (hex

30 through 39).

See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127. PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP/PGL continues in the Create Form mode.

Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Plessey Example**

Figure 47 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Plessey bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; PLESSEY (Enter Create Form mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) PLESSEY; 32; 27 (Bar Code PLESSEY at SR 32, SC 27) \*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF;X (Printable Data Field, OCR-B) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) BARCODE (New Bar Code command) PLESSEY; VSCAN; X2; H12; 32; 54 (Vert. PLESSEY, Mag 2, H 1.2 at SR 32, SC 54) \*24688642\* (Data Field) PDF;A (Upper Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) END (Terminates Create Form mode) ~EXECUTE; PLESSEY; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1)

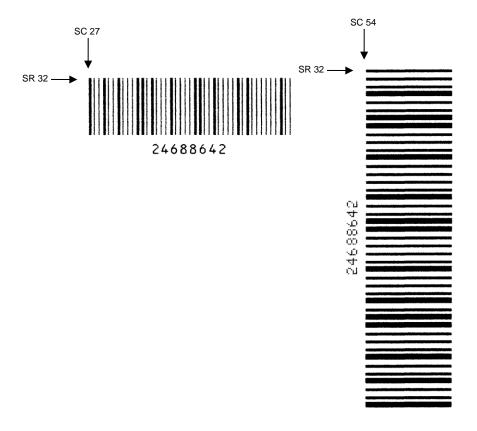


Figure 47 Sample Plessey Bar Codes

# **POSTNET**

The POSTNET bar code structure is illustrated in Figure 48 and Figure 49 and described on the following pages. The POSTNET code can be a part of the address block and appear anywhere within a vertical 4-inch area across the length of the mail piece.

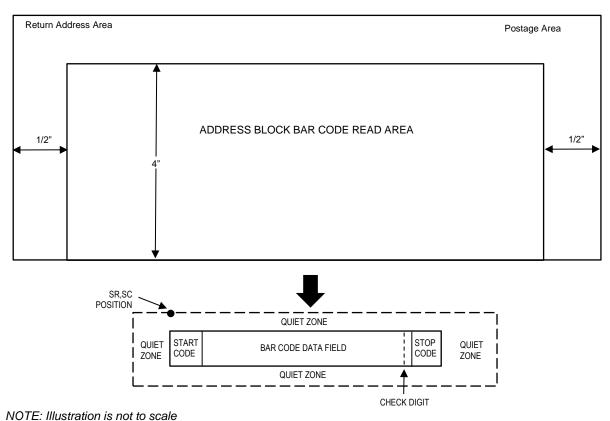


Figure 48 POSTNET Structure

**NOTE:** Additional information regarding POSTNET bar code requirements can be obtained from the U.S. Postal Service's Publication 25: *A Guide to Business Mail Preparation.* 

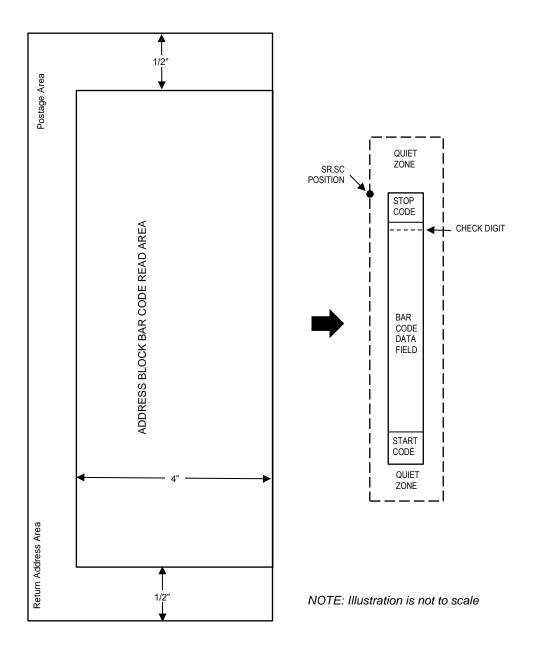


Figure 49 POSTNET Structure (VSCAN or CCW)

The bar code structure requires a completely blank quiet zone which extends 4.74 inches from the right edge of the mail piece. In addition, a minimum quiet zone of 0.040-inch above and below the bar code data must also be provided. You must provide sufficient space for this zone.

# Start/Stop Code

The start and stop codes are referred to as "framing bars" in POSTNET. The start and stop codes are each one tall bar, one identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bar code scanning in a left-to-right direction only.

### **Data Field**

The bar code data produces a single field of 30 bars for a 5-digit field, 50 bars for a 9-digit data field, or 60 bars for an 11-digit data field. The bars are grouped in sets of five. Each set of five bars (comprised of two tall bars and three short bars) represents one of the five digits of the zip code, plus the four-digit zip code extension. If the Advanced Bar Code is used, an additional two-digit code is also added to make an 11-digit data field.

Each bar width is equal and must be .020-inch ± .005-inch. Each bar height is either a tall (full) or short (half) bar, representing a 1 or 0, respectively. Each tall bar must be .125-inch ± .010-inch; each short bar must be .050-inch ± .010-inch. Horizontal spacing between bars (pitch) must be 22 bars ± 2 bars per inch over any 0.50-inch portion of the bar code. Horizontal spacing at 24 and 20 bars per inch is 0.0416-inch and .050-inch, respectively, with a clear vertical space ranging from 0.012-inch to 0.040-inch between bars.

## **Check Digit**

The sixth, tenth or twelfth digit represents the automatic check digit character for the 5, 9 or 11-digit data field, respectively. The check digit is added automatically to verify accurate scanning.

## **POSTNET Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

POSTNET; [DIR;] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

POSTNET	Designates I	bar code type	POSTNET; ente	er POSTNET.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a base	parcode. Enter <b>CW</b> for clockwise rotation.
--	--

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The data field must be

numeric and contain exactly 5, 9 or 11 digits. When this parameter is used, the data field

parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value within the range of the 4-inch

vertical address block. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value between the 1/2-inch left and

right margins of the mail piece. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/) the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but it will not print with the

data.

data field The bar code data. Enter 5 digits (for zip code), 9 digits for a nine-digit zip code, or 11 digits

(for the Delivery Point Bar Code format). The available characters for the data field are 0

through 9 (hex 30 through 39).

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message will result.

# **POSTNET Example**

Figure 50 illustrates a horizontal and vertical POSTNET bar code generated by the following program:

```
~CREATE; POSTNET
                               (Enter Create Form Mode)
BARCODE
                               (Bar code command)
POSTNET; 10; 40
                               (POSTNET bar code at SR 10, SC 40)
*601159912*
                               (ZIP + 4 data field 60115-9912)
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
                               (Terminates Create Form Mode)
END
                               (Enter Create Form Mode)
~CREATE; POSTNET
BARCODE
                               (Bar code command)
                               (Vertical bar code POSTNET at SR 10, SC 40)
POSTNET; VSCAN; 10; 20
*601159912*
                               (ZIP + 4 data field 60115-9912)
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
END
                               (Terminates Create Form Mode)
                               (Execute the form, with form count of 1)
~EXECUTE; POSTNET; 1
~NORMAL
```

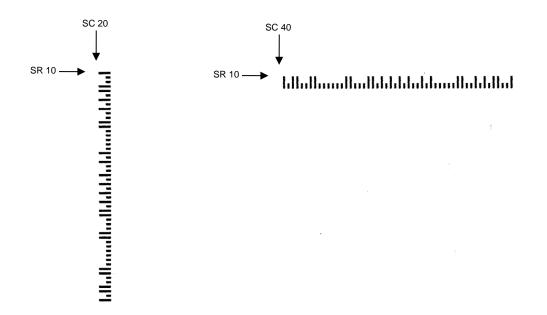


Figure 50 Sample POSTNET Bar Code

# PostBar and Royal Mail (KIX)

PostBar and Royal Mail bar codes, like POSTNET, are used for mailing applications. However, these bar codes can encode full addresses on labels. These bar codes are similar to POSTNET in terms of bar space and width but have four different types of bars (Full Height, Ascender, Descender, and Tracker), whereas POSTNET only has two bar types (Tall and Short).

The Royal Mail symbology converts alphanumeric characters into patterns of four bars, using combinations of Full Height, Ascender, Descender, and Trackers. It also adds start and stop bar codes as well as a check digit, except with the KIX format (see below).

PostBar allows you complete flexibility to specify the individual bar types that comprise the bar code. For PostBar, you are responsible for encoding the address, adding the start and stop codes, and supplying the appropriate check digit.

### **Quiet Zone**

The bar code structure requires a completely blank quiet zone which is a 2mm border on each side of the bar code.

# Start/Stop Code

The start and stop bars identify the orientation of the bar code.

### **Data Field**

For PostBar, a variable length data field of digits "0" through "3" represents the bars: Full Height (0), Ascender (1), Descender (2), and Tracker (3). For Royal Mail, the data is restricted to alphanumeric characters "A" through "Z" and "0" through "9". If using the KIX format for Royal Mail, lowercase characters "a" through "z" are also valid.

Each bar width is equal and must be .020-inch  $\pm$  .005-inch. Horizontal spacing between bars (pitch) must be 22 bars  $\pm$  2 bars per inch over any 0.50- inch portion of the bar code. The height of the bars (Full Height) has a maximum of 0.230 inches and a minimum of 0.165 inches.

### **Check Digit**

For PostBar, you are responsible for encoding and check digit. For Royal Mail, a modulo-6 check digit is inserted at the end of the data field.

#### **KIX Format**

The KIX format for Royal Mail does not include the start/stop code or the check digit.

## **PostBar and Royal Mail Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

POSTBAR or ROYALBAR; [KIX;][MAG;][BFn;L;]SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

**STOP** 

### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

### POSTBAR or ROYALBAR

Designates bar code type PostBar or Royal Mail; enter POSTBAR or ROYALBAR.

KIX Optional parameter to specify the KIX format for Royal Mail bar codes only; enter KIX.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is X1. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value to

increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density. **X1A** uses shorter bars to reach the minimum height specification that allows it to fit on a 6 LPI line.

**NOTE:** The User Defined variable ratio is not allowed for this barcode.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Character row or dot row is specified based on

the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Character column or dot column is specified

based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/) the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print with the

data.

data field The bar code data. For PostBar, enter values 0 through 3 to represent the four different

types of bars. For Royal Mail, enter alphanumeric data (**A** through **Z** and **0** through **9**). If using the KIX format for Royal Mail, lowercase characters **a** through **z** are also valid.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

STOP. If STOP is not entered, an error message will result.

#### PostBar and Royal Mail Examples

Figure 51 illustrates a horizontal Royal Mail bar code generated by the following program:

```
~CREATE; ROYALBAR (Enter Create Form Mode)
BARCODE (Bar Code command)
ROYALBAR; X1A; 10; 40 (SR 10, SC 40 with MAG 1A)
*SN34RD1A* (Data Field)
STOP (Ends Bar Code command)
END (Terminates Create Form Mode)
~EXECUTE; ROYALBAR; 1 (Execute the form, with form count of 1)
~NORMAL
```



Figure 51 Sample Royal Mail bar code (X1A Magnification)

# Figure 52 illustrates a horizontal PostBar bar code generated by the following program:

```
~CREATE; POSTBAR (Enter Create Form Mode)
BARCODE (Bar Code command)
POSTBAR; 10; 40 (SR 10, SC 40 with default MAG 1)
*10303023123102301031230123210212112210* (Data Field)
STOP (Ends Bar Code command)
END (Terminates Create Form Mode)
~EXECUTE; POSTBAR; 1 (Execute the form, with form count of 1)
~NORMAL
```

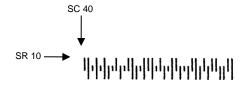


Figure 52 Sample PostBar bar code (X1 Magnification)

#### **QR Barcode**

The QR code is a two dimensional general purpose matrix bar code. QR encodes Kanji characters and is a popular symbology in Japan. QR code symbols are square and can be identified by their finder pattern of nested alternating light and dark squares. The QR code is omni-directional and is designed for high speed reading. This bar code is capable of storing up to 7,089 numeric digits, 4,296 alphanumeric characters, 2,953 binary characters, or 1817 Kanji characters in Automatic mode. The data limit may be less if Manual mode is used. If the data to encode is too large to fit in one bar code, the data can be split up and encoded in up to 16 QR bar codes.

#### **Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

 $\mathsf{QRCODE}; \ [DIR;] \ [X[\mathsf{D}]n;] \ [Y[\mathsf{D}]n;] \ [\mathsf{T}n;] \ [\mathsf{E}n;] \ [\mathsf{M}n;] \ [\mathsf{I}n;] \ [\mathsf{C}n;[\mathsf{P}n; \ \mathsf{N}n; \ \mathsf{R}n;]] \ [\mathsf{BF}n;L;] \ \mathsf{SR}; \ \mathsf{SC}$ 

[(D)Data Field(D)]

**STOP** 

#### **Parameter Description**

QRCODE Designates bar code type QR Code

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

X[D]n Optional parameter that designates the x dimension width of a single square data module

in IGP dots, or printer dots if option [D] is used. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots. If the Y[D]n is not used, then the y dimension is calculated by converting the printer dots in

the x direction to printer dots in the y direction.

Y[D]n Optional parameter that designates the y dimension height of a single square data module

in IGP dots, or printer dots if option [D] is used. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots. If the X[D]n is not used, then the x dimension is calculated by converting the printer dots in

the y direction to printer dots in the x direction.

Tn Optional parameter that designates the QR code model. There are three models of QR code: Model 1 is the original model developed. Model 2 is an enhanced form of the

symbology. Model 3 or Micro QR is a compact version of the symbology. Set T to the

following variables depending on the selected model:

1 = Model 1

2 = Model 2 (default)

3 = Micro QR

En Optional parameter that designates the error correction capabilities of the bar code. There are four levels of error correction available.

0 = High density (Level L) which provides 7% error correction capability.

1 = Standard (Level M) which provides 15% error correction capability.

2 = High reliability (Level Q) which provides 25% error correction capability.

3 = Super high reliability (Level H) which provides 30% error correction capability.

The default error correction capability is standard (Level M) which provides 15% error

correction capability.

Mn Optional parameter that designates the masking pattern to apply to the bar code data. Applying a masking pattern to the data can improve the readability of the bar code because it can help create a more evenly balanced number of light and dark cells. Valid settings for

the masking patterns are as follows:

- 0 = No Mask (default)
- 1 = Mask Pattern 1
- 2 = Mask Pattern 2
- 3 = Mask Pattern 3
- 4 = Mask Pattern 4
- 5 = Mask Pattern 5
- 6 = Mask Pattern 6
- 7 = Mask Pattern 7
- 8 = Mask Pattern 8

Optional parameter that designates the data entry method. There are two data entry methods: Automatic and Manual.

The following values specifies the data entry method:

0 = Automatic (default)

1 = Manual

ln

In automatic data entry mode, the data type is automatically determined along with the appropriate block division. The maximum block division is 200 characters. In manual data entry mode, the user must specify the data type and each data block must contain 200 characters or less. Multiple data blocks must be separated by a comma character (","). To use manual data entry mode, perform the following steps:

- 1. Enter I1
- 2. In the bar code data section, enter the data with one of the following type prefaces:
  - A = Alphanumeric
  - N = Numeric
  - B = Binary. Number of binary character (4 decimals) follows.
  - K = Kanji character

As an example, the data "AAC-42, N0123456, B0006grcode" is parsed as follows:

- 3 data blocks
- First data block is alphanumeric: AC-42
- Second data block is numeric: 0123456
- Third data block is binary: qrcode (6 bytes)

Optional parameter that designates the use of concatenation. If the data to be encoded is too large to fit in one bar code, the data can be split up and encoded in multiple bar codes. Up to 16 QR bar codes can be used to store a single data. When data is split among multiple QR codes, the total number of bar codes or partitions must be specified, along with the sequence number of each partition. A parity data is provided to ensure that the data has been properly concatenated. The valid values for concatenation mode are as follows:

0 = Normal, no concatenation (default)

1 = Concatenation

Required parameter for concatenation mode that specifies the partition sequence number for this bar code. The valid value for this parameter is 1 to 16.

Pn Required parameter for concatenation mode that specifies the total number of bar code partitions. The valid value for this parameter is 1 to 16.

Nn

Cn

Rn Required parameter for concatenation mode that specifies the parity data for the original

bar code data. The value is a single byte hex number ranging from 0x00 to 0xFF. Enter the hex number using 2 ASCII characters. Enter the hex number using 2 ASCII characters.

Example: The parameters C1;N1;P5;R0f specify that concatenation mode is enabled. This bar code

is the first one in the sequence of 5 bar codes and the original data has a parity of 0x0F.

BFn;L See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

or the CP.DP format.

SC Defines the start column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less

than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale

command, or use the CP.DP format.

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, it will not print with the

data.

#### **Quiet Zone**

In the minimum quiet zone is four cells width on all four sides.

#### GuardBand

There are no guardbands for QR Code.

#### **PDF**

There is no PDF allowed for the QR Code.

#### **Data Field**

This bar code can store up to 7,089 numeric digits, 4,296 alphanumeric characters, or 2,953 binary characters in Automatic mode. The maximum data block division is 200 characters. Multiple data block must be separated by a comma character (","). In manual data entry mode, a data type identifier must precede each data block. If the data type is binary, a four-digit length value must follow immediately after the data type identifier. The following are valid data type identifiers:

- A = Alphanumeric
- N = Numeric
- B = Binary. Number of binary character (4 decimals) follows.
- K = Kanji character

The maximum character size for the different barcode models is listed in the table below. This limit is based on Automatic mode. In Manual mode, the maximum character size may be less.

Туре	QR code Model 1	QR Code Model 2	MicroQR
Numeric	Max. 1167 characters	Max. 7089 characters	Max. 35 characters
Alphanumeric	Max. 707 characters	Max. 4296 characters	Max. 21 characters
Binary 8-bit bytes	Max. 486 characters	Max. 2953 characters	Max. 15 characters

## **QR Barcode (GS1 Compliant)**

The QR code can include GS1 compliant data as well which is restricted to a format in which data fields start with an AI (Application Identifier) followed by a certain number of digits or alphanumeric characters depending on the AI format. GS1 formats are shown in "Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers" on page 185. Each AI should be encapsulated with braces [] to clearly identify it as the AI.

#### **Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

QRGS1; [DIR;] [X[D]n;] [Y[D]n;] [En;] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

[(D)Data Field(D)]

**STOP** 

#### **Parameter Description**

QRCODE Designates bar code type QR Code

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

X[D]n Optional parameter that designates the x dimension width of a single square data module

in IGP dots, or printer dots if option [D] is used. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots. If the Y[D]n is not used, then the y dimension is calculated by converting the printer dots in

the x direction to printer dots in the y direction.

Y[D]n Optional parameter that designates the y dimension height of a single square data module

in IGP dots, or printer dots if option [D] is used. Values range from 1 to 1000 printer dots. If the X[D]n is not used, then the x dimension is calculated by converting the printer dots in

the y direction to printer dots in the x direction.

En Optional parameter that designates the error correction capabilities of the bar code. There

are four levels of error correction available.

0 = High density (Level L) which provides 7% error correction capability.

1 = Standard (Level M) which provides 15% error correction capability.

2 = High reliability (Level Q) which provides 25% error correction capability.

3 = Super high reliability (Level H) which provides 30% error correction capability.

The default error correction capability is standard (Level M) which provides 15% error

correction capability.

BF*n*;L See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used,

the data field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than

the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

or the CP.DP format.

SC Defines the start column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less

than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale

command, or use the CP.DP format.

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data.

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, it will not print with the

data.

#### **Quiet Zone**

In the minimum quiet zone is four cells width on all four sides.

#### **GuardBand**

There are no guardbands for QR Code.

#### **PDF**

There is no PDF allowed for the QR Code.

#### **Data Field**

The data field is restricted to GS1 compliant data as well which is restricted to a format in which data fields start with an AI (Application Identifier) followed by a certain number of digits or alphanumeric characters depending on the AI format. GS1 formats are shown in "Table 23 UCC/EAN-128 Application Identifiers" on page 185. Each AI should be encapsulated with braces [] to clearly identify it as the AI.

In terms of the overall amount of data that can be encoded, it is limited to QR Code Model 2 which allows 7089 numeric character, 5296 alphanumeric characters. Binary data is not valid GS1 compliant data.

#### **QR GS1 Example**

The following example includes 4 different AI codes:

- AI = 01
- AI = 15
- AI = 30
- AI = 10

~CREATE; FORM-0; X SCALE; DOT; 300; 300 ISET; 'UTF8' BARCODE QRGS1; XD6; E0; 150; 150 "[01]04912345123459[15]970331[30]128[10]ABC123" STOP END ~EXECUTE; FORM-0; 1



# Telepen

The Telepen structure is shown in Figure 53 and described on the following pages.

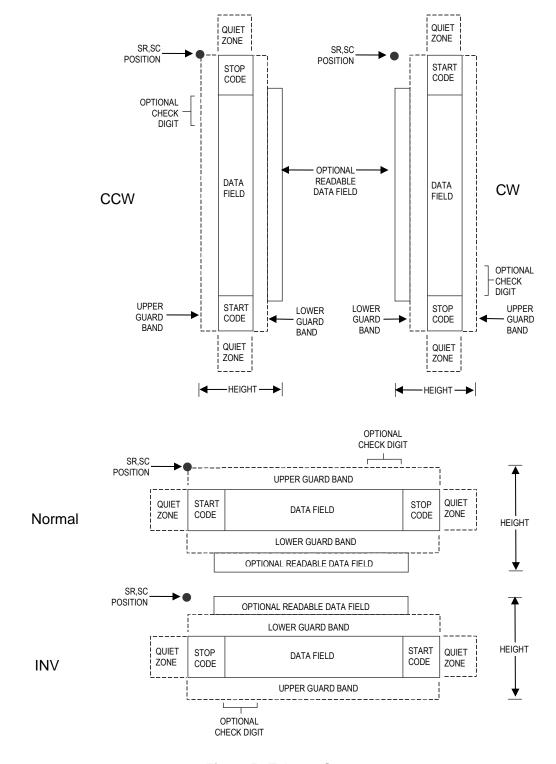


Figure 53 Telepen Structure

#### **Quiet Zone**

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

#### Start/Stop Codes

The start/stop code is a unique character identifying the leading and trailing end of the bar code. The start/stop code is automatically produced with each bar code. The start/stop code structure permits bidirectional bar code scanning.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent standard alphanumeric characters. Each character is represented by a different series of bars and spaces, both wide and narrow, but is always 16 units in width (for a wide to narrow ratio of 3). Each character starts with a bar and ends with a space.

#### **Readable Data**

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

#### **Check Digit**

A mandatory modulo-127 check digit is inserted into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

#### **Telepen Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

TELEPEN; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;L;] SR; SC

(D) [data field] (D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** 

#### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

TELEPEN Designates bar code type Telepen; enter **TELEPEN**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is X1. As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density.

You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

NOTE: You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values

that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments plus dots; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

**NOTE:** If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BF*n*;*L* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command

(page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it is not printed with

the data.

SR

data field Contains the bar code characters. A null data field (no characters) is permitted. The data field can contain any of the characters listed in Table 44 except the SFCC. The length of the data field is variable; however, the maximum length is usually limited to 32 characters

to minimize potential reading errors.

PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

**Table 44 Telepen Character Set** 

ASCII	Telepen	ASCII	Telepen	ASCII	Telepen	ASCII	Telepen
NUL	%U	SP	Space	@	%V	`	%W
SOH	\$A	!	/A	Α	Α	а	+A
STX	\$B	II	/B	В	В	b	+B
ETX	\$C	#	/C	С	С	С	+C
EOT	\$D	\$	/D	D	D	d	+D
ENQ	\$E	%	/E	E	E	е	+E
ACK	\$F	&	/F	F	F	f	+F
BEL	\$G	•	/G	G	G	g	+G
BS	\$H	(	/H	Н	Н	h	+H
HT	\$I	)	/I	I	1	i	+l
LF	\$J	*	/J	J	J	j	+J
VT	\$K	+	/K	K	K	k	+K
FF	\$L	,	/L	L	L	I	+L
CR	\$M			M	M	m	+M
so	\$N			N	N	n	+N
SI	\$O	/	/O	0	0	0	+O
DLE	\$P	0	0	Р	Р	р	+P
DC1	\$Q	1	1	Q	Q	q	+Q
DC2	\$R	2	2	R	R	r	+R
DC3	\$S	3	3	S	S	S	+S
DC4	\$T	4	4	Т	Т	t	+T
NAK	\$U	5 6	5	U	U	u	+U
SYN	\$V	6	6	V	V	V	+V
ETB	\$W	7	7	W	W	W	+W
CAN	\$X	8	8	X	X	Х	+X
EM	\$Y	9	9	Υ	Υ	У	+Y
SUB	\$Z	:	/Z	Z	Z	Z	+Z
ESC	%A	;	%F	]	%K	{	%P
FS	%B	<	%G	\	%L		%Q
GS	%C	=	%H	]	%M	}	%R
RS	%D	>	%l	^	%N	~	%S
US	o/ <b>F</b>	?	0/ 1		0/ 🔿	DEL	%T %X
US	%E		%J		%O		%Y %Z

**NOTE:** Character pairs /M, /N, and /P through /Y are reserved for future control character pairs.

#### **Telepen Example**

Figure 54 illustrates a horizontal and vertical Telepen bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; TELEPEN (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code Command) TELEPEN; 5; 5 (Telepen barcode at SR 5, SC 5) "SAMPLE#1" (Data Field) PDF;B (Printable Data Field) (Ends Bar Code Command) STOP BARCODE (New Bar Code Command) (Vertical Telepen barcode at SR 10, SC 5) TELEPEN; VSCAN; 10; 5 "AB12&%\*" (Data Field) PDF;B (Printable Data Field) (Ends Bar Code Command) STOP (Terminates Create Form Mode) ~EXECUTE; TELEPEN; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1) ~NORMAL





Figure 54 Sample Telepen Bar Codes

#### **UPC-A**

The UPC-A bar code structure is shown in Figure 55 and described on the following pages.

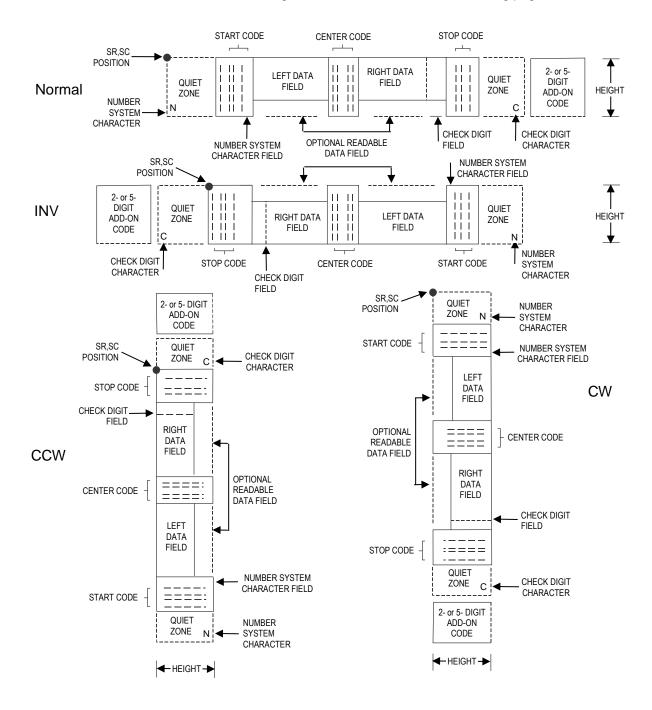


Figure 55 UPC-A Structure

#### **Quiet Zone**

Quiet zones extend on both ends of the bar code to permit the scan to begin and end in a blank area. The IGP automatically produces an 11-module wide left quiet zone; you are responsible for providing sufficient

space (minimum of seven modules) on the form for the right quiet zone. The number system character is also printed automatically in the left quiet zone.

#### Start/Center/Stop Codes

The start/center/stop codes are special character codes marking those portions of the bar code. These codes are automatically provided.

#### **Number System Character**

The number system character field allows you to provide a code to a class or type of item. The first character in the data field is used as the number system character.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent a limited character set (numbers 0-9 and Special Characters Start, Center, and Stop). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of two bars and two spaces that total seven modules. The symbol coding of the left data field is different from the right data field to permit read direction sensing.

The optional 2- or 5-digit add-on data field is placed at the end of the bar code and typically identifies a periodical issue number or price, respectively.

#### Readable Data

The human readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can either be suppressed or printed above or below the bar code symbol.

#### **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The number system character is included in the check digit algorithm.

#### **UPC-A Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

UPC-A [+n];[DIR;] [SCB;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR; SC (D)data field(D) [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** 

DIR

MAG

#### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

UPC-A Designates bar code type UPC-A; enter **UPC-A**.

Optional parameter to provide a 2- or 5-digit add-or

+n Optional parameter to provide a 2- or 5-digit add-on code at the end of the bar code data field. Enter a plus sign (+) and a value of 2 or 5. The first bar of the add-on code is separated by nine modules from the last bar of the UPC symbol and a left guard pattern.

Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation. Enter **CCW** or **VSCAN** for counterclockwise rotation. Enter **INV** for inverted rotation. If *DIR* is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

SCB This option shortens the length of the center guard bars, which are normally full length. Enter **SCB**.

Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The magnification default value is **X1**. Enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126. You must specify 8 digits for *MAG* for variable ratio.

NOTE:

There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **2** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.2 through 9.9 inches. If any value less than 3 is selected, then the PDF must be suppressed using the **PDF** Font parameter **S**. The default value is 1.3 inches. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

BFn

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field need not be specified, since it is fixed at 11 digits, plus any add-on data. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. (It will not print with the data.) Use the same character at both ends of the data field.

data field

Enter the characters for the bar code data, restricted to exactly 11 digits. If the 2- or 5-digit add-on data option is used, include this data at the end of the data field. The first digit is interpreted as the number system character. The remaining 10 digits are the data field characters. The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

PDF [:LOC] [:FONT]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

#### **UPC-A Example**

Figure 56 illustrates a horizontal and vertical UPC-A bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; UPCA (Enter Create Form Mode) BARCODE (Bar Code command) (Code UPC-A, 5-digit add-on, H 0.9, SR 39, SC 15) UPC-A+5; H9; 39; 15 \*1234567887655555\* (Data Field + 5-digit add-on data field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) (New Bar Code command) BARCODE UPC-A+5; VSCAN; H12; 39; 50 (Vertical UPC-A, 5-digit add-on, H 1.2, SR 39, SC 50) \*1234567887655555\* (Data Field + 5-digit add-on data field) PDF (Printable Data Field) STOP (Ends Bar Code command) (Terminates Create Form Mode) (Executes the form, form count of 1) ~EXECUTE; UPCA; 1 ~NORMAL



Figure 56 Sample UPC-A Bar Codes with Add-on Data

#### **UPC-E and UPC-E0**

The UPC-E and UPC-E0 bar code structure is shown in Figure 57 and described on the following pages.

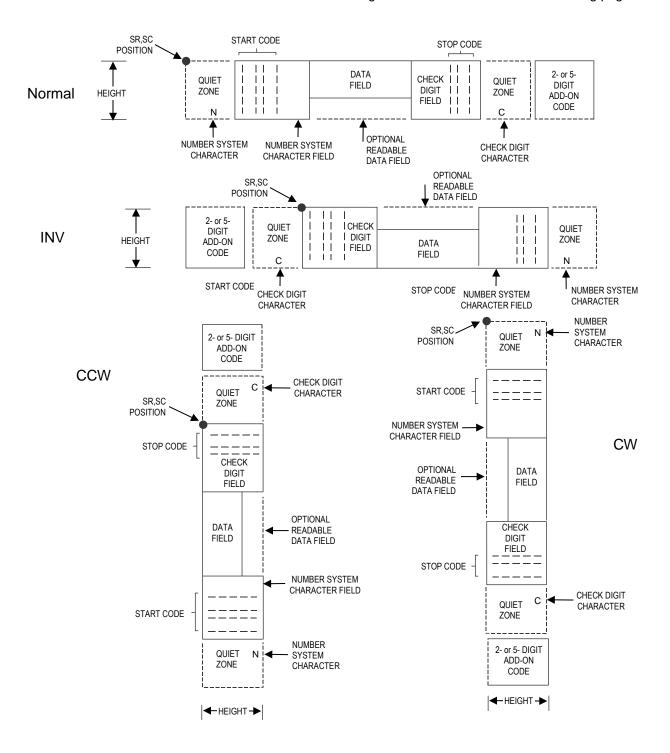


Figure 57 UPC-E and UPC-E0 Structure

#### **Quiet Zone**

Quiet zones extend on both ends of the bar code to permit the scan to begin and end in a blank area. The IGP automatically produces an 11-module wide left quiet zone. You must provide sufficient space (minimum of seven modules) on the form for the right quiet zone. The number system character is also printed automatically in the left quiet zone.

#### **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop codes are special character codes marking those portions of the bar code. These codes are automatically provided.

#### **Number System Character**

The number system character field for all UPC-E and UPC-E0 bar codes must be zero.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of varying width bars and spaces to represent a limited character set (numbers 0-9 and Special Characters Start and Stop). The bars and spaces vary in width from one through four modules. Each character consists of two bars and two spaces that total seven modules.

For UPC-E, eleven digits are expected, which are compressed down to the six encoded symbol characters. For UPC-E0, six compressed digits are expected.

The optional 2- or 5-digit add-on data field is placed at the end of the bar code and typically identifies a periodical issue number or price, respectively.

#### Readable Data

The human readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can either be suppressed or printed above or below the bar code symbol.

#### **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The number system character is included in the check digit algorithm.

#### **UPC-E and UPC-E0 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

type [+n]; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR; SC (D) data field(D)

[PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

**STOP** 

## **Parameter Description**

BARCODE IN	e Bar Code command;	enter BARCODE.
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type Designates bar code type UPC-E or UPC-E0; enter UPC-E or UPC-E0.

+n Optional parameter to provide a 2- or 5-digit add-on code at the end of the bar code. Enter

plus (+) and a value of 2 or 5. The first bar of the add-on code is separated by nine modules

from the last bar of the UPC symbol and a left guard pattern.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counterclockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If DIR

is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is **X1**. Enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character

density. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126. You must specify 8 digits for MAG for variable ratio.

NOTE:

There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m]

Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **2** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.2 through 9.9 inches. If any value less than 3 is selected, then the PDF must be suppressed using the **PDF** Font parameter **S**. The default value is 1.3 inches. [.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot scale.)

BFn

See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field need not be specified, since it is fixed at 6 or 11 digits, plus any add-on data. When this parameter is used, the data field parameter must not be included.

SR

Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D)

The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field but it will not print with the data.

data field

The characters available for the data field are **0** through **9** (hex 30 through 39).

For UPC-E, eleven digits are expected: Enter the number system character first by entering **0**; followed by the five-digit Manufacturer Number; ending with the five-digit Item Number. The Manufacturing Number and Item Number sequences must conform to one of the number pattern sequences shown in Table 45.

The IGP will compress the 11 characters of data down to the six encoded UPC-E symbol characters. Include the 2- or 5-digit add-on data within the quotes at the end of this data field.

For UPC-E0, six digits are expected. These six digits must be a valid compressed UPC-E number. Otherwise, Error 96 will be generated.

PDF [;LOC] [;FON7]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

**STOP** 

Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter **STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

# **Table 45 Eleven-Digit Compression**

					able to Eleven Digit		
1.	Manufacturer's Number			ber	Product Numbers that can be used 00000-00999		
Х	Χ	0	0	0	()	()	( )
Х	Χ	1	0	0	first two digits of	last three digits of	third digit of the
X	Х	2	0	0	manufacturer's number	the product number	manufacturer's number, use 0 through 2 only
2.	Manufa	cturer	s Num	ber	Product Numbers th	at can be used 00000-	00999
Х	Χ	3	0	0	()	( )	( <u>3</u> )
X	Х	9	0	0	first three digits of manufacturer's number	last two digits of the product number; use 00-99 only	depends on how many digits appear in the manufacturer's number
2	Manufa	a4av	a Nivoa	hau	Due di cat Nicosala e va th	at and have all 00000	00000
3.	Manufa	cturer	s inum	ber	Product Numbers th	at can be used 00000-	00999
X	X	Х	X	0	( ) first four digits of manufacturer's number	( ) last digit of product number, use 0 through 9 only	( <u>4</u> ) depends on how many digits appear in the manufacturer's number
4.	Manufa	cturer'	s Num	ber	Product Numbers th	at can be used 00000-	00999
X	Х	Х	Х	Х	( ) all five digits of manufacturer's number	( ) last digit of product number, use 5-9 only	

Table 46 Six-Digit Zero Expansion				
if the 6 digit number ends with:	then the MFPS number is:	and the Product Number is:		
0	the first 2 digits (of the zero	00 plus the THIRD,		
1 Example: 275831	the first two digits plus 100 27100	same as above 00583		
2 Example: 412022	the first two digits plus 200 41200	same as above 00202		
3 Example: 876543	the first three digits plus 00 87600	000 plus the FOURTH and FIFTH digit 00054		
4 Example: 753774	the first four digits plus 0 75370	0000 plus the FIFTH digit 00007		
5, 6, 7, 8, 9 Examples: 213756 517019	the first five digits of the zero suppressed number 21375 51701	0000 plus the SIXTH digit 00006 00009		

#### **UPC-E and UPC-E0 Example**

#### Figure 58 illustrates a horizontal and vertical UPC-E bar code generated by the following program:

```
~CREATE; UPCE
                                (Enter Create Form Mode)
                               (Bar Code command)
BARCODE
UPC-E+2;H9;34;15
                                (Code UPC-E, 2-digit add-on, H 0.9, at SR 34,
SC 15)
*0927400000522*
                               (Data Field + the 2-digit add-on)
PDF
                                (Printable Data Field)
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
BARCODE
                               (New Bar Code command)
UPC-E0+2; VSCAN; H10; 34; 50
                               (Vertical UPC-E0, 2-digit add-on,
                               H 1.0, at SR 34, SC 50)
*92745422*
                               (Data Field plus the 2-digit add-on)
                               (Printable Data Field)
PDF
STOP
                               (Ends Bar Code command)
END
                               (Terminates Create Form Mode)
~EXECUTE; UPCE0; 1
                               (Executes the form, form count of 1)
~NORMAL
                                                       SC 50
```

Figure 58 Sample UPC-E Bar Codes

# **UPCSHIP**

The structure for the UPCSHIP bar code is shown in Figure 59 and described on the following pages.

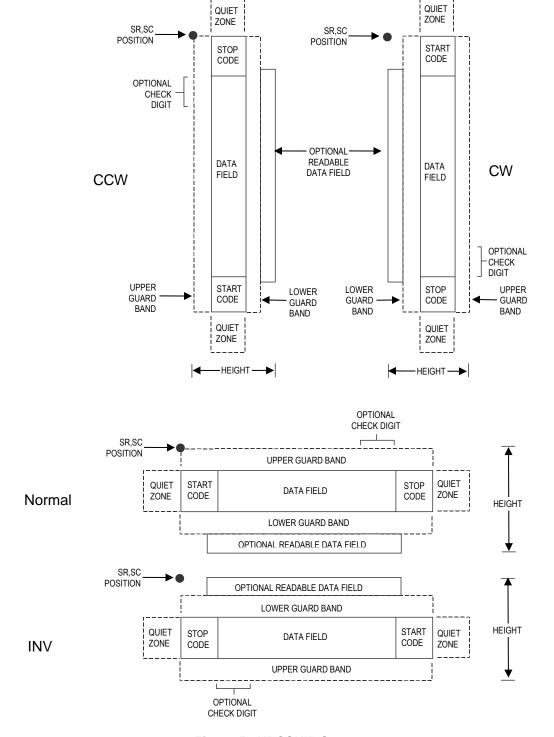


Figure 59 UPCSHIP Structure

#### **Quiet Zone**

Both ends of the bar code structure have blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. You must provide sufficient space on the form for the quiet zones.

#### Start/Stop Codes

Unique start and stop codes permit bidirectional scanning. Both start and stop codes contain bars and spaces. They are automatically produced.

#### **Data Field**

The bar code symbol uses a series of wide and narrow bars and spaces to represent numeric characters. The structure is 2 wide elements (bars or spaces) and 3 narrow elements. The UPCSHIP barcode must contain exactly 13 digits of numeric data.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

#### **Check Digit**

The modulo-10 check digit is inserted automatically into the bar code to verify accurate scanning.

#### **UPCSHIP Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

UPCSHIP; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR; SC

[(D)data field(D)] [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

STOP

#### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

UPCSHIP Designates bar code type UPCSHIP; enter **UPCSHIP**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If

DIR is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is  $\mathbf{X1}$ . As required for scanning, enter a magnification value from Table 12 on page 129 to increase the magnification. Increasing the magnification

adjusts printed character density.

You can also use XR or XRD as defined on page 126.

**NOTE:** You must specify four digits for MAG for User Defined variable ratio. There are four values

that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, wide bar, and wide space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these four values defined in the order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter **H** and a value from **3** through **99** to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9-inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot

scale.)

**NOTE:** If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BF*n* See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field

need not be specified, since it is fixed at 13 digits. When this parameter is used, the data

field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less

than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter

any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print

with the data.

data field The barcode data. The UPCSHIP barcode requires exactly 13 characters of data. The

available characters are  ${\bf 0}$  through  ${\bf 9}$  (hex 30 through hex 39). The modulo-10 check digit

is automatically included in the barcode.

PDF [;LOC] [;*FONT*]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

STOP Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

**STOP**. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

#### **UPCSHIP Example**

~CREATE; UPCSHIP (Enter Create Form Mode)

BARCODE (Bar Code command)

UPCSHIP; H12; 9; 8 (UPCSHIP Bar Code, height 1.2 inches, at SR 9, SC 8)

\*0014154401171\* (Data Field)

PDF (Print Data Field)
STOP (Ends Bar Code command)
BARCODE (New Bar Code command)

UPCSHIP; VSCAN; 3; 45 (Vertical UPCSHIP Bar Code at SR 3, SC 45)

\*1141281029432\* (Data Field)

PDF; A (Print Data Field above the bar code)

STOP (Ends Bar Code command)

END (Terminates Create Form Mode)

~EXECUTE; UPCSHIP; 1 (Execute the form, form count of 1)

~NORMAL



Figure 60 Sample UPCSHIP Bar Codes

# UPS 11The UPS 11 structure is shown in Figure 61 and described on the following pages.

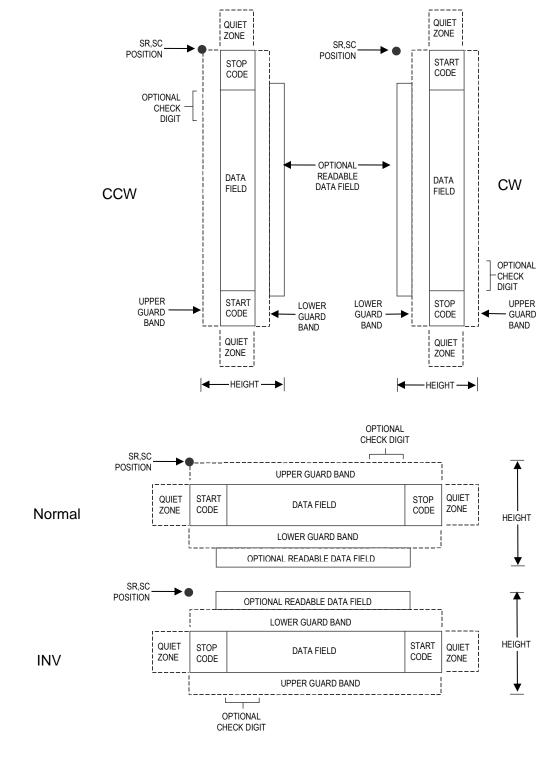


Figure 61 UPS 11 Structure

#### **Quiet Zone**

Both ends of the bar code structure require blank quiet zones. The quiet zones must be at least 0.25 inches wide and completely blank to ensure accurate reading of the start/stop codes and to prevent adjacent bar codes from overlapping. Be sure to provide sufficient space on the form for the guiet zones.

#### **Start/Stop Codes**

The start/stop codes identify the leading and trailing end of the bar code. Each of the UPS 11 subsets uses a unique start code and a common stop code, both automatically provided by the IGP.

#### **Data Field**

UPS 11 is a special case of Code 128 (page 160). This bar code is restricted to 10 data characters. The first character must be 0 through 9 or A through Z. The remaining nine digits must be 0 through 9.

#### Readable Data

The optional readable data field provides a readable interpretation of the bar code data. It can be printed above or below the bar code symbol.

#### **Check Digit**

The modulo-103 check digit is automatically calculated and inserted in the bar code symbol. The check digit verifies accurate scanning. The start code is included in the check digit algorithm.

#### **UPS 11 Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

UPS11; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn[.m];] [BFn;] SR; SC

(D)data field(D)

[PDF [;*LOC*] [;*FONT*]]

STOP

#### **Parameter Description**

BARCODE The Bar Code command; enter **BARCODE**.

UPS11 Designates bar code type UPS 11; enter **UPS11**.

DIR Optional parameter that allows for rotating a barcode. Enter **CW** for clockwise rotation.

Enter CCW or VSCAN for counter-clockwise rotation. Enter INV for inverted rotation. If

DIR is not entered, the barcode is horizontally oriented.

MAG Optional parameter to magnify (horizontally expand) the bar code symbol. The

magnification default value is X1. Increasing the magnification adjusts printed character density as shown in Table 12 on page 129. You can also use XR or XRD as defined on

page 126. You must specify 8 digits for MAG for variable ratio.

**NOTE:** There are eight values that comprise the dot ratio: narrow bar, narrow space, 2x narrow

bar, 2x narrow space, 3x narrow bar, 3x narrow space, 4x narrow bar, and 4x narrow space. User-defined ratios for this barcode should have these eight values defined in the

order specified.

Hn[.m] Optional parameter to adjust the overall height (vertical expansion) of the bar code symbol (including the upper and lower 0.1 inch guard hands and any hymnograedable data)

(including the upper and lower 0.1-inch guard bands and any human readable data). Height adjustments are made in 0.1-inch increments; enter H and a value from 3 through 99 to select height adjustments from 0.3 through 9.9 inches. The default value is 0.9 inch.

[.m] is an additional number of dots for the bar code height. (Dots are in the current dot

scale.)

NOTE: If 0.3 inches is the selected height, the PDF cannot be included.

BFn; See the section "Dynamic Barcode Data Fields" on page 128. The length of the data field

need not be specified, since it is fixed at 10 digits. When this parameter is used, the data

field parameter must not be included.

SR Defines the starting row for the bar code. Enter a value ranging from row 1 to one less

than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale

command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC Defines the starting column of the bar code. Enter a value ranging from column 1 to one

less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the

Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

(D) The printable character (delimiter) identifying the start and finish of the data field. Enter

any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the data. The same character must be used at both ends of the data field, but it will not print

with the data.

data field Enter the data for the bar code. This bar code is restricted to 10 data characters. The first

character must be 0 through 9 or A through Z. The remaining nine digits must be 0 through

9.

PDF [;LOC] [;*FONT*]] See the section "PDF Command Format" on page 127.

**STOP** Ends the Bar Code command while the IGP continues in the Create Form Mode. Enter

STOP. If STOP is not entered, an error message results.

#### **UPS 11 Example**

Figure 62 illustrates a vertical UPS 11 bar code generated by the following program:

~CREATE; UPS11 BARCODE UPS11; VSCAN; H9; 34; 15 \*01234567895\* PDF STOP

~EXECUTE; UPS11;1

~NORMAL

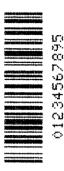


Figure 62 Sample UPS Bar Code

# Incremental Bar Code Fields

With the incremental bar code fields feature, you can update bar code (and alphanumeric) data fields in a numeric or alphabetical manner automatically with just one set of data sent from the host computer. You can print up to 65,535 forms with incremental fields automatically updated.

**NOTE:** Throughout the discussion of incremental fields, the term "increment" or "incremental" means the field is automatically updated by a specified amount (or increment). You can actually increment the field by a positive amount (added) or a negative amount (subtracted) as specified within the command.

You can use bar code incremental fields with fixed (static) data input as part of the Create Form Mode, or with dynamic data supplied in the Execute Form Mode. New formats and parameters are required in the bar code commands for static and dynamic incremental fields. In addition, the Execute Form command requires a new format and parameters when you use incremental fields with dynamic data. You can increment or decrement incremental fields, repeat at specified intervals before updating, and reset to the starting value after a specified number of increments.

# **Incrementing Bar Code Data**

Incrementing is controlled with the STEPMASK and STARTDATA command parameters as described in Table 47. The parameters are part of the bar code command or part of the Execute command when using the Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data command.

The STEPMASK parameter performs three functions:

- 1. It defines the increment amount (step);
- 2. It defines the number of characters allowed in the data field (STARTDATA); and
- 3. It provides a "mask" to link or unlink subfields of data for individual incremental activity. The data provided in the STEPMASK field combined with the data in the STARTDATA field determine the result of these functions.

**Table 47 Incremental Bar Code Data** 

STEPMASK	STARTDATA	Character Type and Function
0-9	A-Z	Alpha characters are incremented by amount in STEPMASK field.
0-9	0-9	Numeric characters are incremented by amount in STEPMASK field.
0-9	Space	Same character type as character in the next right adjacent, linked increment position. Character type is numeric if in the least significant position.
0-9	Not A-Z or 0-9	Error
Not 0-9 or L	Any	Non-incrementing alphanumeric character.
L	Any	Linked, non-incrementing alphanumeric character.

The increment amount is defined by the numeric value of the STEPMASK data. For example, a STEPMASK value of 1 increments the STARTDATA by 1; a STEPMASK value of 2 increments the STARTDATA by 2.

The maximum number of characters allowed in the STARTDATA is defined by the number of characters in the STEPMASK field and depends on the specific type of bar code; the STARTDATA field cannot contain more characters than used in the STEPMASK field and can only contain the number and type of characters allowed by the bar code.

Linked and unlinked masking of subfields within the STARTDATA is defined by using the **L** value in the STEPMASK field. **L** indicates linked but non–incrementing data in the corresponding position of the STARTDATA field. Any alphanumeric character other than **L** in the STEPMASK field indicates a non–incrementing, non-linked STARTDATA subfield.

The following examples illustrate incrementing of bar code data fields. All cases in the examples use a repeat count parameter value of 1 and a reset count parameter value of 0. Incremental bar code data is generated identically to incremental alphanumeric data except the IGP does not add leading spaces to bar code data.

**NOTE:** In the following bar code examples, the *value* of the data is shown automatically incrementing. In practical applications, the bar code itself would print corresponding to the incremented data as shown in the Auto Increment Fields Example on page 32 in Chapter 2.

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	ABC123 000001	Linked subfields: ABC and 123 RPT = 1 RST = 0
Printed Results:	ABC123 ABC124	NOT = U
	• • • • •	
	• • • • •	
	ABC999	
	ABD000	
	• • • • •	
	• • • • •	
	ZZZ999	
	AAA000	

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	1ABC123 0LLL001	Two separate but linked numeric subfields: 1 and 123, while fixed data
Printed Results:	1ABC123 1ABC124	ABC is non-incrementing  RPT = 1  RST = 0
1ABC999 2ABC000		

	Value	Description
STARTDATA: STEPMASK:	ABC123 001XX1	Two separate unlinked subfields: ABC and 3, while fixed data 1 and 2
Printed Results:	ABC123 ABD124	is non-incrementing RPT = 1 RST = 0
	 ABI129 ABJ120	

#### Incremental Bar Code Fixed Data Fields

The Incremental Bar Code Fixed Data Fields command is a variation of the standard IGP bar code commands. Use this command with the appropriate parameters from the standard bar code command when automatic incrementing of fixed bar code data fields is required. The Incremental Bar Code Fixed Data Fields command format is shown and defined below. (Incremental command parameters are shown in **boldface** type; standard bar code command parameters and optional non–incremental parameters are shown in *italics*.)

#### **Barcode Command Format**

**BARCODE** 

type; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn;m] I; SR; SC

[idir] STEPMASK; [RPTn;] [RSTn;] (D)STARTDATA(D)

[PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]]

STOP

#### **Parameter Description**

I Identifies this bar code command as an Incremental Bar Code command; enter I.

idir The optional increment direction parameter to specify an increment (add) or decrement (subtract) to the data. Enter a plus sign (+) or leave the field blank to increment (the

default). Enter a minus sign (-) to decrement.

STEPMASK Defines the increment amount (step), number of character positions in the data field, and

provides a mask to control the increment function on specific parts of the data. Refer to Incrementing Bar Code Data on page 282 for complete information on STEPMASK

parameter values.

RPT*n* The optional incremental repeat count parameter to specify the number of times a

particular field value will repeat before it is incremented. A repeated field value is useful when printing multiple rows/columns of identical labels before increasing to the next value. To use the repeat count parameter, enter **RPT** and replace *n* with a numeric value ranging from **1** through **65535** to specify the repeat count. The default repeat count parameter is

1, which will increment the field value each time it is printed.

RST*n* The optional incremental reset count parameter to specify the number of times an incremented field is printed (on one or more forms) before it is reset to the starting value.

A reset count is useful when printing a hierarchy of fields where a low-level field generates a sequence of numbers, is reset, and the next higher field level is incremented (such as in a unit/box/carton application). To use the reset count parameter, enter **RST** and replace

*n* with a number ranging from **1** through **65535** to specify the reset count. The default reset count value is 0.

STARTDATA

Defines the starting value of the incrementing field. The maximum amount of STARTDATA characters must be less than or equal to the number of characters in the STEPMASK field. Characters allowed for incrementing fields is based on the type of bar code; refer to the individual bar code descriptions for information on valid type and quantity of data characters. The STARTDATA must be enclosed within standard printable character delimiters just as a standard bar code data field is enclosed within delimiters.

~CREATE; TEST; 288

VDUP;3;6 BARCODE

C3/9;H7;I;6;5 -00001;\*12345\*

PDF STOP END

~EXECUTE; TEST

~NORMAL

(Enters Create Form mode)

(Bar code command)

(Printable data field)
(Ends bar code command) VDUP;OFF
(Terminates Create Form mode)
(Prints form)



12345



12344



12343

# Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data Fields

The Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data Field command specifies the location and size of the incremental dynamic data field during the Create Form Mode. STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters are supplied in the Execute command during the Execute Form Mode. As with standard dynamic data fields, incremental dynamic data fields allow you to change the starting data without changing the form definition program. Additionally, you can also change the increment parameters with each new job without changing the form definition program.

The Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data Fields command is a variation of the standard IGP bar code commands. Use this command with the appropriate parameters from the standard bar code command when automatic incrementing of dynamic bar code data fields is required. The Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data Fields command format is shown and defined below. (Incremental command parameters are shown in **boldface** type; standard bar code command parameters and optional non-incremental parameters are shown in *italics*.)

#### **Barcode Command Format**

BARCODE type; [DIR;] [MAG;] [Hn;m] IBFn;L;SR; SC [PDF [;LOC] [;FONT]] STOP

#### IBFn;L

Identifies this bar code command as an Incremental Bar Code Dynamic Data Field command. The command parameter string identifies the incremental dynamic data field location on the form and defines the length of the bar code data. If these parameters are used, do not enter the STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters in the Create Form Mode; enter them dynamically during the Execute Form Mode. To use the incremental dynamic data field:

- a. Enter **IBF** to specify an incremental bar code dynamic data field.
- b. Replace *n* with a number ranging from **0 through 512** to identify the bar code string location on the form. The standard bar code *SR* and *SC* command parameters specify the exact location of the field identified by *n*.
- c. Replace L with a number equal to the number of characters in the dynamic bar code string. The number of characters and type of characters depends on the type of bar code used. Refer to the individual bar code descriptions for information on type and quantity of data allowed for the specific bar code type.
- d. Dynamically enter the STEPMASK and STARTDATA parameters in the Execute Form Mode. The length of the data must be less than or equal to the value assigned to the length (*L*) parameter. Refer to Execute Form: Incremental Dynamic Data on page 64 for more information.

# **Duplicating Incremental Bar Code Fields**

Fixed and dynamic incremental bar code data fields are duplicated horizontally and vertically in the same way that incremental alphanumeric fixed and dynamic data fields are duplicated. Refer to Chapter 2 for more information on duplicating incremental data.







# 4 Form Examples and Exercises

# Form Examples

To aid in maintenance of a form or logo, comments can be added to many command lines within the CREATE or CREATE LOGO mode. Comments must be preceded by a slash (/). Do NOT use the/comment feature on lines containing an SFCC (e.g., commands used within NORMAL or EXECUTE mode). Throughout this manual, comments are provided in parenthesis beside most command lines for better understanding of IGP/PGL operation but should not be included in your IGP/PGL files. Below are some examples of when comments are allowed and NOT allowed.

# **CREATE Mode (Allowed – no SFCC required)**

BOX
1;6;15;11;37 /Create Box
STOP
FONT;BOLD ON /Turn on Bolding
BARCODE
C128A;X1;H10;BF1;10;11;2 /C128A barcode
STOP

# NORMAL Mode (Not Allowed – SFCC required)

~NORMAL
~DENSITY;10
~PAPER;PORTRAIT
~CREATE;XYZ;792

# **EXECUTE Mode (Not Allowed – SFCC required)**

~EXECUTE;XYZ ~AF1;\*Data For Alpha\*

Using a different type of printer or a different configuration could affect the appearance of your printed samples compared to those shown in this manual. Additionally, depending on the paper, top-of-form setting and initial print position, the positioning of your printed samples on the page may vary compared to the examples shown here; these samples have been positioned on the page to correspond with the related text.

The example on the following page demonstrates how to use Create commands in the Create Form mode using the CP.DP format. The printed output for this program is shown in Figure 63 on page 290. (The Hand logo used in this example was previously defined and stored and, thus, is not shown in the form program.) The box surrounding the form represents the paper size.

# **Example: Create Commands**

```
~CREATE; BASICFRM
BOX
/LT;SR;SC;ER;EC
1;1;1;25;25
STOP
ALPHA
/[R;][E;][Cn;][AFn;L;][DIR;][UC;][DARK;][POINT;][HSn;]SR;SC;VE;
/HE; (D) ASCIITEXT (D)
3;3;0;0;*STATIC ALPHA DATA*
AF1;18;4;3;0;0
/DIR; SR; SC; VE; HE
CW; 8; 4; 1; 1; *PRINTRONIX*
R;15;5;2;2;*IGP*
STOP
/LT; SR; SC; ER; EC; VL; HL
1;18;2;23;7;2;2
STOP
HDUP;5;1
VERT
/LT;C;SR;ER 1;17;18;22
STOP
HDUP; OFF
VDUP;5;1
HORZ
/LT;R;SC;EC
1;18;17;21.1
STOP
VDUP; OFF
LOGO
10;13;HAND
/(PREVIOUSLY DEFINED AND STORED)
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; BASICFRM
~AF1; *DYNAMIC ALPHA DATA*
OVERLAY DATA
~NORMAL
```

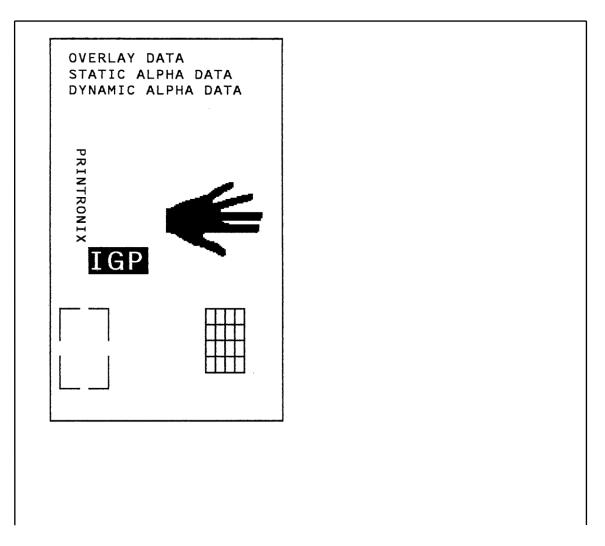


Figure 63 Basic Create Form Example

# **Example: Using The Setup Command**

The following example demonstrates how the margins, landscape orientation, 8LPI and double wide font are automatically SETUP at power-up.

```
~SETUP
TOP/BOTTOM MARGIN;1
LEFT MARGIN;10
END
~PAPER;ROTATE 90
~LPI;8
~EXPAND;1;2
~SETUPEND
```

# **Example: Dynamic Data**

The process of executing dynamic alphanumeric and bar code data fields is explained in the following exercises. Each stage includes printing the program; however, the total program may be entered as one unit. Each stage offers the option of choosing features applicable to specific needs.

### **Basic Design**

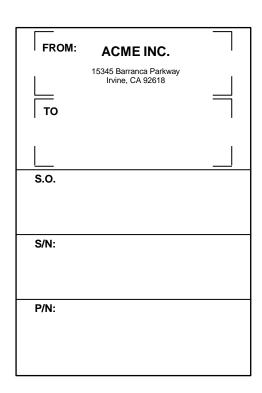
The SAMPLE program below, shown in Figure 64 is a basic design in CP.DP format and defined by standard Create Form mode command sequences. The label is duplicated twice horizontally on an approximate form size of 8 1/2 x 5 1/2 inches (390 dots), with three bar code locations specified per label. The result is two "forms": two labels per form, four labels printed on one 8 1/2 x 11 inch "page". On the next few pages, you will add bar code data, dynamic alphanumeric data, and dynamic bar code data. Then you will execute and print the complete form (Figure 65).

When entering command lines, remember to correctly terminate each line with a line feed or carriage return with line feed. Use your system commands to open a file for the label program. When you have finished, exit the file (if necessary for your system) and print.

```
(Create Form; form length is 390 dots)
~CREATE; SAMPLE; 390
HDUP; 2; 37
                                       (2 horizontal dupes, 37 columns apart)
BOX
                                       (Box command)
2;3.5;9;30;35
STOP
                                       (Stop the Box command)
HOR7
                                       (Horizontal Line command)
1;14.5;9;35
1;19.5;9;35
1;24.5;9;35
STOP
                                       (Stop the Horizontal Line command)
CORNER
                                       (Begin Corner command)
2;4;11;9;33;1.2;2
2;9.6;11;13.6;33;1.2;2
STOP
                                       (Stop the Corner command)
ALPHA
                                       (Begin Alphanumeric command)
4.8;12;0;0;*FROM:*
                                       (This is fixed text on the form)
6.3;12;2;2;*ACME INC.*
C15;7.3;16;0;0;*17500 CARTWRIGHT RD.*
C15;8.1;16;0;0;*IRVINE , CA 92714*
10;12;0;0;*TO*
14.8;11;0;0;*S.O.*
19.8;11;0;0;*S/N:*
24.8;11;0;0;*P/N:*
STOP
                                       (Stop the Alphanumerics command)
HDUP; OFF
                                       (Stop the horizontal duplication)
END
                                       (End the Create Form mode)
~EXECUTE; SAMPLE; 1
                                       (Execute form)
~NORMAL
~EXECUTE; SAMPLE; 1
                                       (Execute again to print second form)
~NORMAL
\simFF
```

FROM:	ACME INC.	
То	15345 Barranca Parkway Irvine, CA 92618	$\dashv$
S.O.		
S/N:		
P/N:		

FROM:	ACME INC.	
То	15345 Barranca Parkway Irvine, CA 92618	$\dashv$
		'
S.O.		
S/N:		
P/N:		



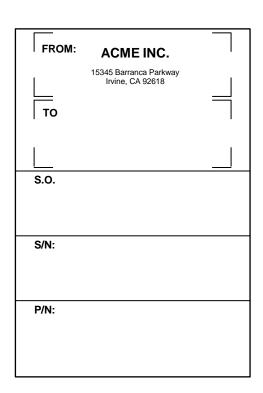


Figure 64 Sample Form

### **Bar Code Fields**

Identify the location of the data fields for each of the six bar codes (one location at each S.O., S/N, and P/N field on the form). The type of bar code and the human readable data information is also specified within the bar code commands. (Refer to Chapter 3 for detailed bar code information.)

Each bar code must be designated separately. The bar code commands are part of the Create Form mode; therefore, they must be entered in the Create Form mode before the END command. However, because each dynamic field is assigned a unique number, the commands should not be duplicated.

Reopen the file and input the following commands before the END command line but after the HDUP;OFF command.

**NOTE:** The IGP/PGL will horizontally or vertically duplicate dynamic bar code or alphanumeric data fields if required. This will also duplicate the *n* parameter identifying the dynamic data fields. If unique data fields are required, do not duplicate the commands.

BARCODE C3/9;H7;BF1;8;DARK;15.1;10.4	(First bar code command) (Upper left S.O. field, assigned #1)
C3/9;H7;BF1;8;DARK;15.1;10.4 PDF;O STOP BARCODE C3/9;H7;BF2;8;DARK;20;10.4 PDF;O	(Print the data field in OCR-A font) (Stop the first bar code command) (New bar code command) (Upper left S/N field, assigned #2)
STOP BARCODE	
C3/9;H7;BF3;8;DARK;25.5;10.4 PDF;O STOP	(Upper left P/N field, assigned #3)
BARCODE C3/9;H7;BF4;8;DARK;15.1;47.4 PDF;O STOP	(Upper right S.O. field, assigned #4)
BARCODE C3/9;H7;BF5;8;DARK;20;47.4 PDF;O STOP	(Upper right S/N field, assigned #5)
BARCODE C3/9;H7;BF6;8;DARK;25.5;47.4 PDF;O	(Upper right P/N field, assigned #6)
STOP	(Stop the bar code command)

# **Dynamic Alphanumeric Fields**

Identify the location of the dynamic alphanumeric fields using the alphanumerics command. Input the following alphanumeric command lines after the HDUP;OFF command and before the Create Form mode END line. A separate alphanumerics command sequence is used in order to assign unique numbers to each dynamic data field. (If unique identifying numbers were not required, these alphanumeric commands would be added to the existing alphanumeric commands being duplicated to produce the fixed form alphanumeric data.)

**NOTE:** Before the following dynamic data commands can be entered, delete the form count parameter from the existing Execute command line (the ;1 at the end of the Execute command line shown on the program on page 291). The Form Count parameter cannot be used when data is supplied dynamically. The Execute command line should now read ~EXECUTE;SAMPLE and must be correctly terminated. This is the Execute command for the first page of dynamic data.

)

```
ALPHA
                                     (Begin alpha command for dynamic data)
                                     (AF1 - 1st line of upper left TO area)
AF1;20;10.8;12;0;0
AF2;20;11.8;12;0;0
                                     (AF2 - 2nd line of upper left TO area)
AF3;20;12.8;12;0;0
                                     (AF3 - 3rd line of upper left TO area)
                                     (AF4 - 1st line of lower left TO area)
AF4;20;10.8;49;0;0
                                     (AF5 - 2nd line of lower left TO area)
AF5;20;11.8;49;0;0
AF6;20;12.8;49;0;0
                                     (AF6 - 3rd line of lower left TO area)
STOP
                                     (Stop the alphanumerics command)
```

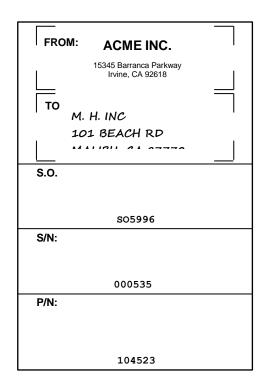
### **Dynamic Alphanumeric and Bar Code Data**

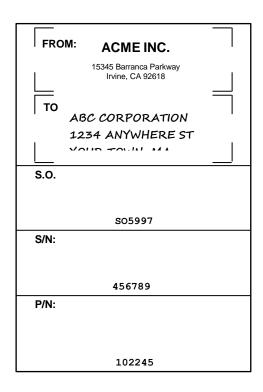
Enter the following dynamic data following the Execute command. These dynamic data commands will supply the variable data to the bar code and alphanumeric fields previously identified in the Create Form mode. After entering the data, exit the file (if necessary with your system) and print. The completed form is shown in Figure 65.

```
~EXECUTE; SAMPLE
~AF1; *B AND C CO.*
                                      (Upper left label addressee)
~AF2; *P.O. BOX 212*
~AF3; *LOS ANGELES, CA 90051*
~AF4; *M. H. INC*
                                      (Upper right label addressee)
~AF5;*101 BEACH RD*
~AF6; *MALIBU, CA 97772*
~BF1; *S05995*
                                      (Upper left label S.O.)
                                      (Upper left label S/N)
~BF2;*011233*
~BF3;*190204*
                                      (Upper left label P/N)
                                      (Upper right label S.O.)
~BF4;*S05996*
~BF5;*000535*
                                      (Upper right label S/N)
~BF6;*104523*
                                      (Upper right label P/N)
~FF
                                      (Completes 1st form-upper labels)
                                      (Lower left label addressee)
~AF1; *ABC CORPORATION*
~AF2; *1234 ANYWHERE ST*
~AF3; *YOUR TOWN, MA 03498*
~AF4; *XYZ COMPUTERS*
                                      (Lower right label addressee)
~AF5; *845 N. ALLEN ST*
~AF6; *WEST BEND, OR 97601*
~BF1;*S05997*
                                      (Lower left label S.O.)
~BF2;*456789*
                                      (Lower left label S/N)
~BF3;*102245*
                                      (Lower left label P/N)
~BF4;*S05999*
                                      (Lower right label S.O.)
~BF5;*567890*
                                      (Lower right label S/N)
~BF6;*103764*
                                      (Lower right label P/N)
~NORMAL
                                      (Completes 2nd form-lower labels)
```

Multiple page documents must be separated by a form feed. (The "page" of data includes the Execute command, the dynamic data commands, and the Normal command.) Using the SFON command (described on page 119), a ~FF (form feed) command will allow as many forms as required to print with the appropriate new data supplied dynamically. When the SFOFF command is used, send a hex 0C instead of ~FF to print multiple pages with new dynamic data.

		$\overline{}$
FRC	OM: ACME INC.	1
	15345 Barranca Parkway Irvine, CA 92618	1
то		=
'	B AND C CO	'
	P.O. BOX 212	
	I OO ANCELED AA	
S.O.		
	SO5995	
S/N:		
	011233	
P/N:		
	190204	





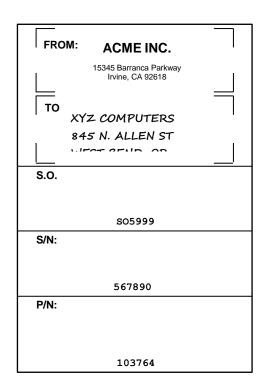


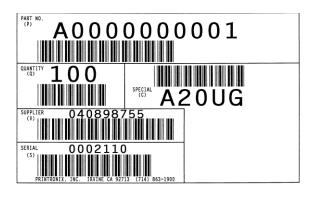
Figure 65 Dynamic Data Example

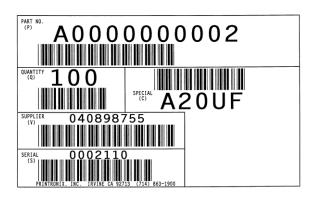
# **Example: Auto Increment Fields**

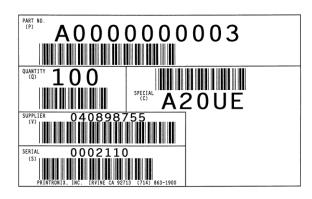
The following program, designed in accordance with current specifications for AIAG-B-3 shipping label standards, creates four automatically incrementing/decrementing AIAG labels with alphanumeric and bar code data. The printed output of this program is shown on page 298.

```
~CREATE; AIAG
BOX
1;31.2;1;55.2;66.5
STOP
HORZ
1;38.5;1;66.5
1;44.9;1;40
1;49.10;1;40
STOP
VERT
1;26;38.5;44.9
1;40;44.9;55.2
STOP
ALPHA
C15;31.8;2;0;0;*PART NO*
C15;32.6;2;0;0;*(P)*
I;34.3;9;4;4;0000000001;*A000000001*
C15;38.9;2;0;0;*QUANTITY*
C15;39.6;2;0;0;* (Q)*
40.5;8;4;4;*100*
C15;41.9;28;0;0;*SPECIAL*
C15;42.6;28;0;0;* (C)*
I;43.9;34;4;4;-00001;*A20UG*
C15;45;2;0;0;*SUPPLIER*
C15;45.10;2;0;0;*(V)*
45.7;7;2;2;* 040898755*
C15;50.4;2;0;0;*SERIAL*
C15;51.2;2;0;0;* (S)*
50.8;7;2;2;* 0002110*
C15;54.5;4;0;0;*ACME MOTOR, INC IRVINE CA 92713 (714) 863-1900*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;I;DARK;34.7;5.5
X00000002; *A00000002*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;DARK;40.9;5.5
*Q100*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;I;DARK;38.1;33
-X00002; *CA2OUF*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9; H7; DARK; 45.11; 5.5
*V040898755*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9; H7; DARK; 50.9; 5.5
*S0002110*
STOP
```

```
BOX 1;1.2;1;25.2;66.5
STOP
HORZ
1;8.4;1;66.5
1;14.9;1;40
1;19.6;1;40
STOP
VERT
1;26;8.4;14.9
1;40;14.9;25.2
STOP
ALPHA
C15;1.8;2;0;0;*PART NO*
C15;2.6;2;0;0;*(P)*
I;4.3;9;4;4;00000000002;*A000000001*
C15;8.9;2;0;0;*QUANTITY*
C15;9.6;2;0;0;* (Q)*
10.5;8;4;4;*100*
C15;11.9;28;0;0;*SPECIAL*
C15;12.6;28;0;0;* (C)*
I;13.9;34;4;4;-00002;*A2OUG*
C15;15;2;0;0;*SUPPLIER*
C15;15.10;2;0;0;*(V)*
15.6;7;2;2;* 040898755*
C15;20;2;0;0;*SERIAL*
C15;21;2;0;0;* (S)*
20.5;7;2;2;* 0002110*
C15;24.5;4;0;0;*ACME MOTOR, INC. IRVINE CA 92713 (714) 863-1900*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9; H7; I; DARK; 4.7; 5.5
X000000002; *A00000001*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;DARK;10.9;5.5
*Q100*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;I;DARK;8.1;33
-X00002; *CA20UG*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;DARK;15.7;5.5
*V040898755*
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9;H7;DARK;20.8;5.5
*S0002110*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; AIAG; 2
~NORMAL
```







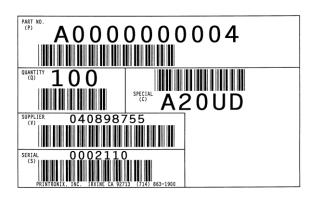


Figure 66 Auto Increment Fields Example

# **Form Exercise**

In the following example, you will create and execute a form. Using character scaling (discussed in detail on page 110) on a 60 x 72 dot per inch (dpi) grid, your form will include the following:

- a box
- a set of corners
- vertical lines
- alphanumeric data
- horizontal lines
- a bar code

This exercise will help you become familiar with the IGP/PGL by taking you through 14 steps to build a complete form. Detailed command descriptions for producing forms, bar codes, and logos are described in the Commands chapter.

All the data and commands for the form are entered into a file in the host computer. The filename used in this exercise is PRACTC.FRM, and the form name used is PRACTICE. If another form named PRACTICE already exists, it will be deleted by this exercise.

Begin each step by reading the explanation. The information you input is listed under the word **Enter**. The parameters of each command have a specific order for data entry; input the data exactly as shown, but always use the actual SFCC required by your system where the ~ is shown. The general command format is listed under the word **Format** next to each example. The SFCC is represented by (cc) in the general format.

Use the standard commands on your system to open, close, or print the file with the form data where your system format is required.

**NOTE:** Do not forget to terminate each command line with a line feed (or carriage return with line feed), or a paper motion command. Enter all commands in uppercase. Make sure the printer power is on and the printer is READY, ON-LINE.

# **Creating a Box and Corners**

1. On your host computer, open/create a file for your practice form. For example:

**Enter** Format PRACTC.FRM (system format)

2. Enter the Create Form mode, and specify a form name. This is the first input for every new form. Use the Create command and PRACTICE as the form name.

Enter Format

~CREATE;PRACTICE (cc)CREATE[/];formname[;FL][;DISK]

3. The IGP/PGL is now ready for Create Form mode commands. Design a box with a line thickness (*LT*) of 2 dots, a top left corner at starting row (*SR*) 35, starting column (*SC*) 16, and a bottom right corner at ending row (*ER*) 53, ending column (*EC*) 61. The STOP command must be entered to inform the IGP/PGL that the Box command is complete.

**Enter** Format BOX BOX

2;35;16;53;61 *LT;SR;SC;ER;EC* 

STOP STOP

4. Use the Corner command to set the box off with corners having a line thickness (LT) of 3 dots, a top left corner at row (SR) 30, column (SC) 13, a bottom right corner at row (ER) 57, column (EC) 64, a

vertical length (VL) 5 character spaces long, and a horizontal length (HL) 7 character spaces long. The STOP command must be entered to stop the Corner command and END must be entered to terminate the Create Form mode to prepare for printing.

**Enter** Format CORNER CORNER

3;30;13;57;64;5;7 *LT;SR;SC;ER;EC;VL;HL* 

STOP STOP END END

5. Now use the Execute command and form name to prepare for printing. Enter a blank line using a terminator and then the Normal command to instruct the IGP/PGL to return to the Normal mode after executing the form.

Enter Format

~EXECUTE;PRACTICE (cc)EXECUTE;formname

[;PAGE *n*][;*FC*]

~NORMAL (cc)NORMAL

6. To print the form, exit the file (if necessary for your system) and use the system print command to print the file. For example, after exiting the file and your system prompt returns:

Enter Format

.PRINT PRACTC.FRM (System Format)

The form should look like the one shown in Figure 67. When it was printed, the form program was stored in the IGP/PGL memory. If errors are detected in the program, error messages are printed and only the error-free portions of the program are stored in the IGP/PGL memory. (Refer to Solving Program Errors on page 318).

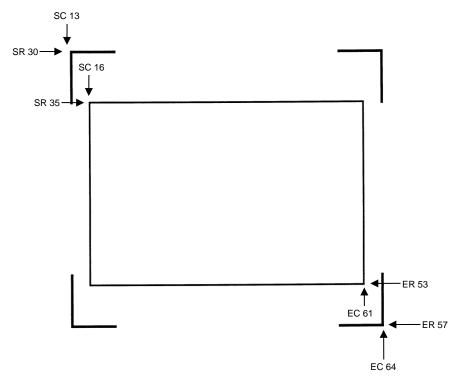


Figure 67 Box and Corner Example

# **Adding Horizontal and Vertical Lines**

7. Now return to the file. When the file reopens, the existing program (the contents of the file) is displayed. Use your system commands to reopen the file. For example:

Enter Format
.PRACTC.FRM (System Format)

8. All Create Form mode commands must be entered into the program before the End command line. Add three horizontal lines, each with a thickness (*LT*) of 1, at rows (*R*) 40, 45, and 49 and each ranging from column (*SC*) 16 to column (*EC*) 61.

Enter	Format
HORZ	HORZ
1;40;16;61	LT;R;SC;EC
1;45;16;61	
1;49;16;61	
STOP	STOP

9. Add two vertical lines, each with a thickness (*LT*) of 1, both in column (*C*) 49, one ranging from row (*SR*) 40 to row (*ER*) 45 and the other ranging from row (*SR*) 49 to row (*ER*) 53.

Enter	Format		
VERT	VERT		
1;49;40;45	LT;C;SR;ER		
1;49;49;53			
STOP	STOP		

The last two commands have added to the form definition. PRACTICE now looks like Figure 68.

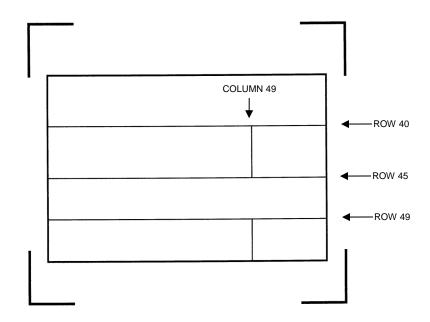


Figure 68 Box/Corner Example with Horizontal and Vertical Lines

# **Adding Fixed Alphanumeric Text**

10. Use the Create Form mode Alpha command to add some fixed alphanumeric text to the form. Specify some compressed print (Cn), the starting row (SR) and starting column (SC) for each alphanumeric string, any vertically (VE) or horizontally (HE) expanded strings, and the alphanumeric string itself which must be within the printable character (quotation marks or asterisks, for example). Substitute your own name, address, etc. in the appropriate areas. If you do not want to include some of the data on your form, do not enter the complete line.

```
Enter
                                 Format
ALPHA
                                 ALPHA
31:22:0:0:*ACME. INC*
[R;][E;][Cn;][AFn;L;][T;][DIR;][UC;][DARK;][POINT;][HSn;]SR;SC;VE;HE;(D)text(D)
32;22;0;0;*17500 CARTWRIGHT ROAD*
33;22;0;0;*IRVINE, CA 92714*
35.9;17;0;0;*SERIAL NUMBER*
40.3:17:0:0:*PART NUMBER*
40.3;50;0;0;*MFG. DATE*
45.3;17;0;0;*DESCRIPTION*
49.3;17;0;0;*INTERFACE*
49.3:50:0:0:*VERSION* C13:31:16:0:0:*FROM:*
C15;54;26;0;0;*Call PRINTRONIX for more information.*
C15;55;34;0;0;*(714)863-1900*
STOP
                                 STOP
```

**NOTE:** The sample data entered above uses CP.DP format (such as 35.9, 40.3, etc.) in the starting row (*SR*) parameters. This precisely positions the data to avoid overlapping the alphanumeric data with the box and horizontal line data previously entered. For complete information on CP.DP format, refer to the Commands chapter.

At this point, the PRACTC.FRM file should contain the following form program data:

```
~CREATE; PRACTICE
BOX
2;35;16;53;61
STOP
CORNER
3;30;13;57;64;5;7
STOP
HORZ
1;40;16;61
1;45;16;61
1;49;16;61
STOP
VERT
1;49;40;45
1;49;49;53
STOP
ALPHA
31;22;0;0;*ACME, INC.*
32;22;0;0;*17500 CARTWRIGHT ROAD*
33;22;0;0;*IRVINE, CA 92714*
35.9;17;0;0;*SERIAL NUMBER*
40.3;17;0;0;*PART NUMBER*
40.3;50;0;0;*MFG. DATE*
45.3;17;0;0;*DESCRIPTION*
```

```
49.3;17;0;0;*INTERFACE*
49.3;50;0;0;*VERSION*
C13;31;16;0;0;*FROM:*
C15;54;26;0;0;*Call ACME for more information.*
C15;55;34;0;0;*(714)863-1900*
STOP
END
~EXECUTE;PRACTICE
~NORMAL
.PRINT PRACTC.FRM
```

Notice that the END, EXECUTE; PRACTICE and NORMAL statements are still in the file. These are always necessary to end the storage of the form in the IGP/PGL and cause it to print. Remember, a blank line must always separate the EXECUTE and NORMAL commands. Print the file PRACTC.FRM. The PRACTICE form should look like Figure 69, except for any alphanumeric data substitutions you made. Again, if error messages occur, refer to Solving Program Errors on page 318.

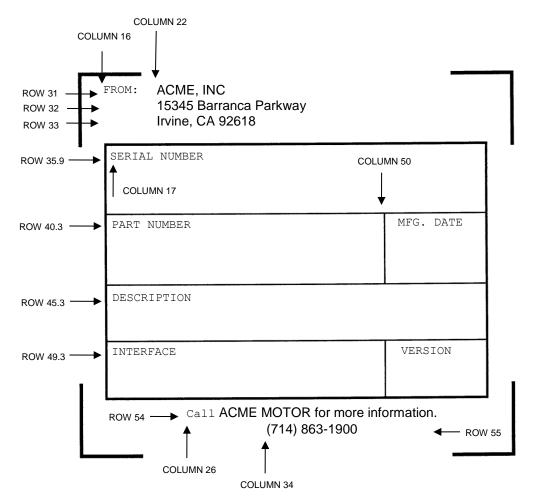


Figure 69 Practice Form Example

# Adding a Bar Code

AF4:33:51.3:20:2:1

11. Change the form definition by adding bar code type Code 39 (C39), one of the codes available on the IGP/PGL. First, reopen the file. Bar codes are defined in the Create Form mode; therefore, the Bar Code command must be entered before the End command line. In the Bar Code command, specify type C39 and 0.8 inch height (Hn). Use a dynamic bar code data field (BF) identified by the number (n) 1 with a length (L) of 5. The actual data will be provided dynamically in the Execute Form mode. Specify the starting row (SR) 35.7 and starting column (SC) 39, and stop the command.

EnterFormatBARCODEBARCODE

STOP STOP

12. To dynamically input alphanumeric data fields, first identify the locations for the data in the Create Form mode as part of the form definition. Enter the locations in the existing Alpha command sequence (or use a new Alpha command). In the Alpha command sequence, enter the alphanumeric field (AF), the field number (n), length (L), starting row (SR) and column (SC), and any vertical (VE) or horizontal (HE) expansion. To enter this alphanumeric data in the existing Alpha command sequence, the data must be entered before the existing Alpha command STOP line.

Enter Format

AF1;7;38.7;19.3;3;3 [R;] [E;] [Cn;][AFn;L;][T;][DIR;][UC;][DARK;]

AF2;11;43;20;2;2 [POINT;][HSn;]SR;SC;VE;HE;(D)text(D)

AF3;31;47.3;20;2;1

13. Supply the dynamic data during the Execute Form mode (following the EXECUTE;PRACTICE line). Use the SFCC, specify the dynamic alphanumeric field (AF), bar code field (BF), the field number (corresponding to those just entered in the form definition), and the data itself. (This method can be repeated to supply new data to each form printed by separating the pages of data with a form feed. Refer to Execute Form: Dynamic Alphanumeric Data on page 62.)

~AF3;\*INTELLIGENT GRAPHICS PROCESSOR\*

~AF4:\*PARALLEL - CENTRONICS\*

~BF1;\*49114\* (cc)BF*n*;(*D*)data(*D*)

14. Now the PRACTC.FRM file contains all the following information (the complete form program). Print the form by printing the file. The completed form is shown in Figure 70.

~CREATE; PRACTICE BOX 2;35;16;53;61 STOP CORNER 3;30;13;57;64;5;7 STOP HORZ 1;40;16;61 1;45;16;61 1;49;16;61 STOP VERT 1;49;40;45

```
1;49;49;53
STOP
ALPHA
31;22;0;0;*TSC | Printronix Auto ID, INC.*
32;22;0;0;*3040 Saturn Street, Suite 200*
33;22;0;0;*Brea, CA 92821*
35.9;17;0;0;*SERIAL NUMBER*
40.3;17;0;0;*PART NUMBER*
40.3;50;0;0;*MFG. DATE*
45.3;17;0;0;*DESCRIPTION*
49.3;17;0;0;*INTERFACE*
49.3;50;0;0;*VERSION*
C13;31;16;0;0;*FROM:*
C15;54;26;0;0;*Call Printronix for more information.*
C15;55;34;0;0;*(714)863-1900*
AF1;7;38.7;19.3;4;3
AF2;11;43;20;2;2
AF3;31;47.3;20;2;1
AF4;33;51.3;20;2;1
STOP
BARCODE
C3/9; H8; BF1; 5; DARK; 35.7; 39
STOP
END
~EXECUTE; PRACTICE
~AF1;*49114*
~AF2;*106772-902*
~AF3; *INTELLIGENT GRAPHICS PROCESSOR*
~AF4; *PARALLEL - CENTRONICS*
~BF1;*49114*
~NORMAL
PRINT PRACTC.FRM
```

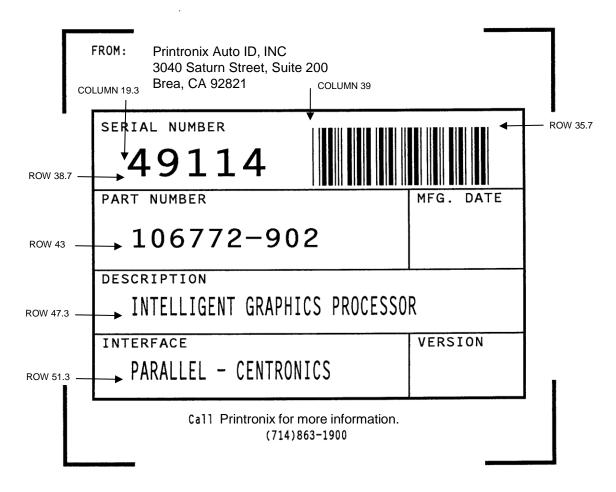


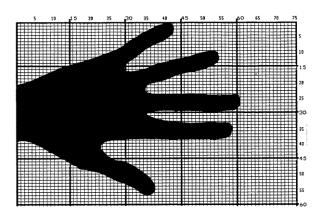
Figure 70 Completed Practice Form Example

# **Logo Exercise**

In this exercise, you will generate a logo. The following sample uses a hand logo. Using dot scaling (discussed in detail on page 110) on an 8-1/2 x 11- inch form, a hand was drawn on a grid, with each dot tabulated by row and column position. If a grid coordinate occupies half or more of a dot position, include that position in your logo program. (Grid samples are located in Appendix B.)

Each dot position used must be identified individually. However, you can use a hyphen between the starting and ending columns to indicate a section of consecutive dots. For example, this hand logo requires dots in row 1, columns 40-42, shown in Figure 71 below. A sequential row order is not required.

A logo is created and stored as an element in the definition of a form. For example, to use a logo, first design it in the Create Logo mode; then add it to a form in the Create Form mode; then execute the form (with the logo) in the Execute Form mode. The following logo exercise includes all three of these steps.



DOT POSITIONS		DOT POSI	DOT POSITIONS		
Row	Column	Row	Column		
1	40-42	31	1-36		
2	35-42	32	1-39		
3	36-42	33	1-58		
4	35-42	34	1-58		
5	33-41	35	1-58		
6	31-40	36	1-58		
7	30-38	37	1-58		
8	29-36	38	1-57		
9	28-35	39	4-24		
10	27-34;52-54	40	7-23		
11	24-33;48-54	41	8-23		
12	22-31;45-54	42	9-23		
13	19-30;41-54	43	11-24		
14	16-29;38-53	44	12-25		
15	13-29;36-51	45	14-27		
16	11-29;33-48	46	15-30		
17	9-44	47	17-32		
18	7-42	48	18-35		
19	6-39	49	22-34		
20	4-36	50	25-35		
21	1-34	51	26-36		
22	1-34	52	28-37		
23	1-34	53	30-37		
24	1-60	54	32-37		
25	1-60	55	33-37		
26	1-60	56	35-36		
27	1-60				
28	1-59				
29	1-59				
30	1-35				

Figure 71 Sample Logo

# **Creating A Logo**

1. Use your system commands to open a file for the logo program with the filename HNDLGO.FOM. For example:

Enter Format

HNDLGO.FOM (System Format)

2. Input the Special Function Control Code and Logo mode command to put the IGP/PGL in the Create Logo mode. Include HAND as the logo name; specify a vertical length (*VL*) of 56 (column length) and a horizontal length (*HL*) of 60 (row length).

Enter Format

~LOGO;HAND;56;60 (cc)LOGO;logoname;VL;HL[;DISK]

- 3. Enter each row of dot positions as tabulated from the grid and shown in Figure 71. The format is Row;Column (for example, 15;13-29;36-51). Each row is entered on a separate line. After all the dot positions are entered, terminate the Create Logo mode by entering an End command line.
- 4. Use the Special Function Control Code and Create command to create a form with the form name LEFTHAND. To add the logo to the form, input a Create Form mode Logo Call command, identify the logo starting row (SR) 45 and starting column (SC) 33, and specify the logo to use by its name (HAND). Stop the Logo command and end the Create Form mode.

Enter Format

~CREATE;LEFTHAND (cc)CREATE;[/]formname[;FL][;DISK]

LOGO LOGO

45;33;HAND SR;SC;logoname[;DISK]

STOP STOP END END

5. Input the Special Function Control Code and Execute command for the LEFTHAND form just created. Input a blank line, the Special Function Control Code, and the Normal command to instruct the IGP/PGL to return to the Normal mode after execution.

Enter Format

~EXECUTE;LEFTHAND (cc)EXECUTE;formname[;PAGE n][;FC] [;DISK]

~NORMAL (cc)NORMAL

6. Use system commands to exit the HNDLGO.FOM file and print. The finished program and logo should look like the following sample. If error messages occur, refer to Solving Program Errors on page 318.

```
~LOGO; HAND; 56; 60
```

<sup>1;40-42</sup> 

<sup>2;38-42</sup> 

<sup>3;36-42</sup> 

<sup>4;35-42</sup> 

<sup>5;33-41</sup> 

<sup>6;31-40</sup> 

<sup>7;30-38</sup> 

<sup>8;29-36</sup> 

<sup>9;28-35</sup> 

<sup>10;27-34;52-54</sup> 

<sup>11;24-33;48-54</sup> 

<sup>12;22-31;45-54</sup> 

<sup>13;19-30;41-54</sup> 

<sup>14;16-29;38-53</sup> 

<sup>15;13-29;36-51</sup> 

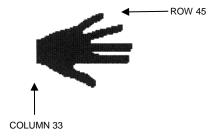
<sup>16;11-29;33-48</sup> 

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17;9-44
18;7-42
19;6-39
20;4-36
21;1-34
22;1-34
23;1-34
24;1-60
25;1-60
26;1-60
27;1-60
28;1-59
29;1-59
30;1-35
31;1-36
32;1-39
33;1-58
34;1-58
35;1-58
36;1-58
37;1-58
38;1-57
39;4-24
40;7-23
41;8-23
42;9-23
43;11-24
44;12-25
45;14-27
46;15-30
47;17-32
48;18-33
49;22-34
50;25-35
51;26-36
52;28-37
53;30-37
54;32-37
55;33-37
56;35-36
END
~CREATE; LEFTHAND
LOGO
45;33;HAND
STOP
```

END

~NORMAL

~EXECUTE; LEFTHAND



# Form Design

In this exercise, you will produce a complete form by sketching it out on a grid in the same way the logo was designed. Again, this exercise uses character scaling on an 8-1/2 x 11-inch (60 x 72 dpi) page. (Refer to page 110 in the Commands chapter, where character scaling is discussed in detail.)

# **Page Layout Considerations**

At 6 lines per inch (lpi) and 10 characters per inch (cpi) printing, a standard 8- 1/2 x 11-inch sheet of paper has a print area of 66 lines (rows) and 85 characters (columns). (The printable area will vary if you are not printing at 6 lpi and 10 cpi.) Thus, the grid used to design an 8-1/2 x 11-inch form should accommodate this 66 x 85 area. (Appendix C discusses the printable area for different form sizes in more detail.)

Using the grids provided in Appendix B, sketch out the form layout and identify the starting and ending values. These values will be used to input IGP/PGL command parameters.

# **Planning The Form Layout**

In this example, assume you work for the HandCraft Boat Company. Your slogan is "Quality boats crafted by hand," and the owner, Mr. Handcraft, has asked you to design a simple form that his salespeople can use for special orders. On the form, he wants a logo, the slogan, the customer's name, spaces for other particulars of the order, and a bar code to distinguish the sales region and boat division from other HandCraft enterprises. Begin this 12-step task as described below.

- 1. First, design the form on the Standard Grid provided in Appendix A. Figure 72 shows the locations of the various form components. Compensate for expanded characters and plan for the logo.
- 2. Define the logo and then return to the form to add all the form components. Modify the hand logo already on file as the HandCraft logo. Use the Logo Grid in Appendix B, and refer to Figure 73, which shows the dot positions of the hand logo with a boat added to the hand. When dot positions (or a range of dot positions) are not specified, the boat image in the hand emerges.
- 3. Open a file named HNDCFT.FOM to contain all the form information. As shown in the following example, use the Create Logo mode command, name the logo HANDCRFT, specify the logo height (*VL*) and width (*HL*), enter the dot positions used, and end the Logo command.

### Enter **Format** HNDCFT.FOM (System Format) ~LOGO; HANDCRFT; 56; 60 (cc) LOGO; logoname; VL; HL[; DISK] 1:40-42row#; dot; dot1-dot2; dot 2:38-42 3;36-42 4;35-42 5;33-41 6:31-40 7;30-38 8;29-36 9;28-35 10;27-34;52-54 11;24-33;48-54 12;22-31;45-54 13;19-30;41-54 14;16-29;38-53 15;13-17;19-29;36-51 16;11-17;20-29;33-48 17;9-17;21-44 18;7-17;22-42 19;6-17;22-39

```
20;4-17;23-36
21;1-17;24-34
22;1-17;25-34
23;1-17;26-34
24;1-17;27-60
25;1-17;28-60
26;1-17;29-60
27;1-17;30-60
28;1-17;31-59
29;1-17;19-59
30;1-17;19-35
31;1-4;33-36
32;1-5;33-39
33;1-6;33-58
34;1-7;33-58
35;1-58
36;1-58
37;1-58
38;1-57
39;4-24
40;7-23
41;8-23
42;9-23
43;11-24
44;12-25
45;14-27
46;15-30
47;17-32
48;18-33
49;22-34
50;25-35
51;26-36
52;28-37
53;30-37
54;32-37
55;33-37
56;35-36
END
```

END

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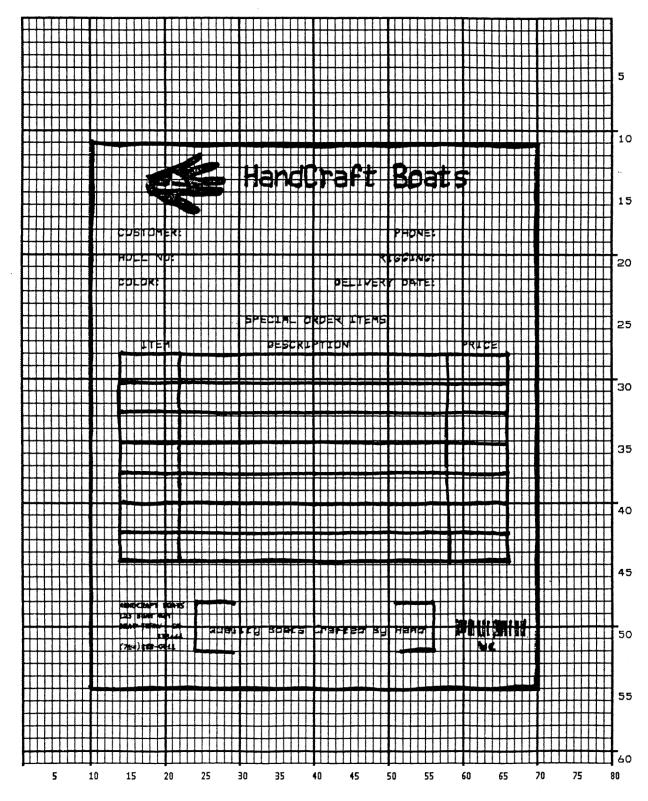


Figure 72 Sample Form Design

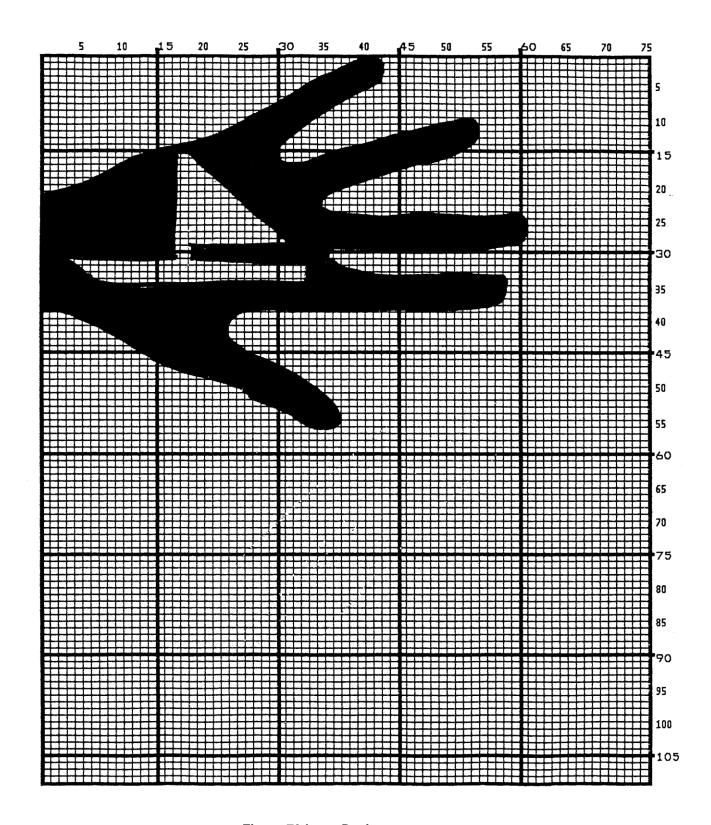


Figure 73 Logo Design

# **Creating a Form and Adding Form Components**

4. Now create the form and start adding the form components from the layout grid. (Refer to Figure 72). Use the Special Function Control Code and Create command to define a form named HCBOATS. Use the Box command to define the outer border with a line thickness (LT) 3, top left corner at row (SR) 11 column (SC) 10, and bottom right corner at row (ER) 55, column (EC) 70. In the same Box command sequence, define another box with a line thickness of 2, top left corner at row 28 column 14, and bottom right corner at row 44.9 column 66. After defining the boxes, stop the Box command.

**Enter Format** 

~CREATE;HCBOATS (cc)CREATE;[/]formname[;FL][;DISK]

BOX **BOX** 

3:11:10:55:70 LT;SR;SC;ER;EC

2:28:14:44.9:66

STOP **STOP** 

5. Mr. Handcraft would like corners around the slogan. Use the Corner command to define a line thickness (LT) of 2, top left corner at row (SR) 48 column (SC) 24, and bottom right corner at row (ER) 52 column (EC) 56. Make the vertical (VL) corner piece 4 spaces long and the horizontal (HL) corner piece 5 spaces long. Then stop the Corner command.

**Enter** CORNER **CORNER** 

2;48;24;52;56;4;5 LT;SR;SC;ER;EC;VL;HL

STOP **STOP** 

6. To make the columns for the special order items, add two vertical lines each with a line thickness (LT) of 1, one line in column (C) 22 and the other line in column 58. Each line will start at row (SR) 28 and end at row (ER) 44.9.

**Enter Format VERT VERT** 1;22;28;44.9 LT;C;SR;ER

1:58:28:44.9

STOP **STOP** 

7. To add the horizontal lines, define one line and then duplicate that line using the Vertical Duplication command. The line will have a single line thickness (LT), be in row (R) 30.4, starting in column (SC) 14 and ending in column (EC) 66. With vertical duplication, the line will be duplicated (dup#) 6 times with 2.5 row offset (offset#) spacing between each duplication. The Vertical Duplication command must be input, the horizontal line being duplicated must be input, and the Vertical Duplication command must be turned off.

**Enter Format** 

VDUP;6;2.5 VDUP:dup#;offset#

HORZ **HORZ** 1:30.4:14:66 LT;R;SC;EC STOP **STOP** VDUP:OFF VDUP:OFF

8. All the text shown on the grid is fixed into position on the form with a single Alpha command sequence. The starting row, starting column, and text can be taken right from the grid and put into the program.

**Enter Format ALPHA ALPHA** 

14;31;3;2;\*HandCraft Boats\* [R:][E:][Cn:][AFn:L:][T:][DIR:][UC:][DARK:] 18:14:0:0:\*CUSTOMER:\* [POINT;][HSn;]SR;SC;VE;HE;(D)text(D)

18;51;0;0;\*PHONE:\* 20;14;0;0;\*HULL NO:\* 20;49;0;0;\*RIGGING:\* 22;14;0;0;\*COLOR:\*

22;43;0;0;\*DELIVERY DATE:\*

25;31;1;1;\*SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS\*

27;17;0;0;\*ITEM\*

27;34;0;0;\*DESCRIPTION\*

27:60:0:0:\*PRICE\*

50;26;1;1;\*Quality Boats Crafted By Hand\*

C17;48;14;0;0;\*HandCraft Boats\* C17;48.10;14;0;0;\*123 Boat Way\* C17;49.8;14;0;0;\*Boat Town, CA\* C17;50.6;19;0;0;\*333444\*

C17;51.4;14;0;0;\*(714)555-0011\*

STOP STOP

9. HandCraft Boats uses bar code type Code 128B (C128B) in many applications. Use bar code C128B, height (Hn) of .5-inch, starting at row (SR) 49, column (SC) 59, code the West Coast Sales Region as \*WC\*, and print the data field (PDF) below the symbol.

**NOTE:** Due to space constraints, the C128B command below is separated into two lines. During actual input, *do not* separate the command parameters.

**Enter** Format BARCODE BARCODE

C128B;H5;49;59 C128B;[*DIR*;][*MAG*;][H*n*[.m];][BF*n*;*L*;][DARK;]*SR*;*SC* 

\*WC\* [(D)datafield(D)]

PDF [PDF];LOC][;FONT][;MAX]]

STOP STOP

**NOTE:** The decimal point is not entered in the height parameter (H5) above because values are expected in .10-inch increments. Values from 4 to 99 (.4-inch to 9.9 inches) are accepted.

10. Add the logo and end the Create Form mode. Use the Logo Call command, specify the starting row (SR) at 12 and column (SC) at 18 as shown on the grid and call the logo by name (HANDCRFT). (The starting row and column of the logo refer to the upper left corner of the grid used in the logo design.)

**Enter** Format LOGO LOGO

12;18;HANDCRFT *SR*;*SC*;*logoname*[;DISK]

STOP STOP END END

11. Execute the form (HCBOATS), return to the Normal mode (remember the blank line before the NORMAL command), exit the file using your system commands (if necessary), and print the document.

Enter Format

~EXECUTE; HCBOATS (cc) EXECUTE; formname[; PAGE n][; FC][; DISK]

~NORMAL (cc)NORMAL .PRINT HNDCFT.FOM (System Format)

**NOTE:** Always separate the EXECUTE and NORMAL commands by a line.

Figure 74 shows the finished form. If Mr. Handcraft would like to rearrange the words, change line thickness of a box, etc., simply reopen the file and change the appropriate command lines. Otherwise, his salespeople have a new form for notes on custom orders.

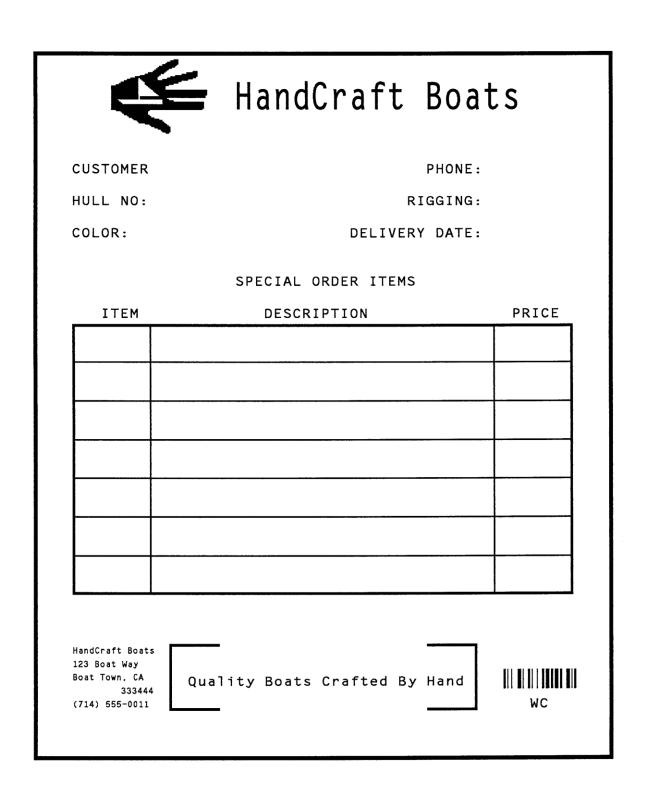


Figure 74 Completed Sample form

# **Directory Command**

The Directory command lists the contents of the IGP/PGL directory on the host system. The directory command provides the following information:

- · All form names currently defined
- All logo names currently defined
- The association of logos to forms
- The amount of memory used for form storage
- The amount of dynamic storage space used and available

# **Example**

A form will not execute unless enough room exists in the memory as indicated in the Dynamic Memory Available portion of the directory listing. To print the directory, open a file, input the directory command, exit the file, and print. For example:

Enter	Format
DIRECT.FOM	(System Format)
~DIRECTORY	(cc)DIRECTORY
.PRINT DIRECT.FOM	(System Format)

The Directory command can only be used when the IGP/PGL is in the Normal mode. Upon completion of the directory listing, the IGP/PGL returns to the Normal mode. If the IGP/PGL is not in the Normal mode, input the Normal mode command before the Directory command. Figure 75 shows a sample directory.

#### Form Directory Form Name Form Size Logos MAXI.frm 7909 2210 XO.frm PRSYM.frm 2210 UPCE.frm Logos on File / Memory Used PLANE.1go 618 MK.1go 886 Forms Memory Used...... 13141 bytes Logo Memory Used...... 1504 bytes Total Memory Used...... 14645 bytes Dynamic Memory Available..... 4706048 bytes

Figure 75 Directory Example

# **Delete Command**

The Delete command deletes any individual form or logo from the Onboard Flash Memory. The deletion of a form includes its directory entry and any alphanumeric or vector information associated with it. The Delete command is used only when the IGP/PGL is in the Normal mode.

Deletion of a logo includes its directory entry and its data in the logo storage area. Deletion of a valid logo which is still combined with a form will not cause an error at the time it is deleted; however, an error will occur if you execute a form that contains a previously deleted logo.

### **Example**

From the directory printed in the preceding section, delete the practice form, the HandCraft Logo, and the HandCraft Boats form. Similar to the format used with other command sequences, the procedure is as follows: open a file, input the commands, exit the file, and print. For example:

Enter	Format
DELETE.FRM	(System Format)
~DELETE FORM;PRACTICE	(cc)DELETE FORM; formname
~DELETE FORM;HCBOATS	
~DELETE LOGO;HANDCRFT	(cc)DELETE LOGO; logoname
.PRINT DELETE.FRM	(System Format)

**NOTE:** List the directory again to verify that the forms and logos were deleted.

To delete a form or logo from the Onboard Flash Memory, add the DISK parameter to the above DELETE FORM or DELETE LOGO command:

~DELETE FORM; formname; DISK

~DELETE LOGO; logoname; DISK

A form cannot execute if insufficient space exists in the IGP/PGL memory. The directory Dynamic Memory Available must be greater than the total size (in bytes) of the form. Delete older forms or logos to allow memory space for new forms and logos or include the Delete command as the last statement in a logo or form program to immediately delete the data after it is processed. Creating a form (or logo) with the same name as an existing IGP/PGL form (or logo) will automatically delete the existing form (or logo).

# **Solving Program Errors**

If you make an error in the program to create a form or an element in the form, a coded error message and program line containing the error will print when the form is executed. These error codes are defined in the "Error Codes" chapter.

To solve program errors, perform the following steps:

- Locate the error message in the listing provided in the "Error Codes" chapter for a description of the error.
- 2. Analyze the related portion of the program to find the error.
- 3. Correct the error and reprint the file containing the program.
- 4. If the error persists or you cannot locate it in the program, use the debug parameter [/] in the Create command as described in the DBCS Printing

### Introduction

This section describes the additional and unique commands for Printronix Thermal Printers:

- Thermal printers have several Premium Asian Font options that can be purchased as options on the SD card: Hanzi GB, Hangul KS, Kanji Shift-JIS, and Thai. These are supported both through DBCS printing and UTF-8/Unicode.
- Four different Andale options can also be purchased: Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean, and Japanese. These are only supported through UTF-8/Unicode.

PGL-DBCS is an extension to existing PGL (ASCII) that supports Korean KSC, Chinese Hanzi GB, and Japanese Shift-JIS character printing respectively. The differences among those printers are as follows:

- PGL-Hangul KS supports KSC code table for Korean character code points used only in South Korea.
- PGL-Hanzi GB supports GB code table for simplified Hanzi character code points used in People's Republic of China. It also supports GB18030 encoding, but the resident font is GB2312 character set.
- PGL-Kanji Shift-JIS supports Shift-JIS code table for Kanji character code points used in Japan.

The above differences only affect the DBCS code points but the command syntax and the behavior are similar.

A thermal DBCS-PGL printer has a default DBCS scalable font with supported code table. For example, a PGL-Hangul printer has a Hangul scalable font with KSC code table. Users can download additional DBCS scalable fonts into printers by using the **FONTLOAD** command in the normal mode. If more than one DBCS scalable font exists, users may select a different DBCS font by using the **FONT** command in the create mode, and ~ISET or SYMSET command to select DBCS character set to print DBCS characters with ALPHA or TWOBYTE command. For thermal printers, refer to the **FONTLOAD** and **FONT** command syntax within this manual.

### **TWOBYTE Command Syntax**

**Purpose** Defines and positions DBCS data on a "pre-printed" static field or as a dynamic data field.

Mode CREATE
Format TWOBYTE

[R;] [E;] [Cn;] [KFn;L]; [DIR;] [POINT;]SR; SC; VE; HE;(D)DBCS/SBCS TEXT(D)

**STOP** 

TWOBYTE The DBCS characters command; enter TWOBYTE.

R The optional reverse printing (white on black) parameter. Enter R to specify a black

background.

E The optional elongated character parameter. Enter E to specify elongated character

printing. Elongated characters are double height and single width. If used, the VE and HE parameters must be set to 0, or an error message will result. Elongated character printing

is also available with rotated DBCS characters.

Cn: The optional horizontal CPI parameter for DBCS character pitch. Where n can be the

following:

7.5 CPI, n = 75 6.7 CPI, n = 67 6.0 CPI, n = 60 5.0 CPI, n = 50

n specifies the DBCS character pitch, expressed in CPI. If used, the VE and HE parameters must be set to zero, or an error message will result.

KFn:L The optional dynamic DBCS data field parameter for identifying the DBCS string's dynamic

number assignment and designating the number of DBCS characters allowed. If these parameters are used, the actual text cannot be entered during the Create Form mode; it must be entered dynamically during the Execute Form mode. Dynamically entering data

during the Execute mode permits changes to the DBCS text without redefining or recreating the form. To use this field, perform the following steps:

- a. Enter KF.
- b. Replace n with a number ranging from 1 through 512 to identify DBCS string location on the form. The SR and SC parameters are used to specify the exact location of the DBCS data field identified by n. Since the TWOBYTE command and the ALPHA command share the same set of identification numbers, therefore do not set the same number for the two commands in one form.
- c. Set the length of the dynamic DBCS characters in L ranging from 1 to 127. The actual number of DBCS characters supplied in the EXECUTE mode must be the same or less than this value. In UTF8 mode L should be the same or more than the number of bytes supplied in EXECUTE mode.
- d. The DBCS data is not allowed to enter, it can only be supplied in the EXECUTE mode.

DIR Optional parameter for rotating a DBCS character string. Use the following codes to indicate the direction of character rotation:

CW 90 degree clockwise rotation.

CCW 90 degree counter clockwise rotation.

INV Inverted characters (180 degree rotation)

**POINT** 

Optional parameter that changes the units for the vertical and horizontal expansion value. When the point parameter is present the VE value defines the font height in point size where 1 point is 1/72 of an inch. If the HE value is non-zero, it defines the character width in 1/72 of an inch, otherwise the character width is the same as the height. Cannot be used with elongated (E) and compressed (Cn) parameters.

SR Defines the starting row of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

Defines the starting column of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

Defines the vertical expansion factor to enlarge DBCS characters vertically. The factor must ensure that the characters after expansion do not exceed the form boundary limit. The largest value is 63. 0 and 1 specifies the stand font (no expansion), Elongated (E) characters cannot be used with a vertical expansion factor other than 0.

Defines the horizontal expansion factor to enlarge DBCS characters horizontally. The factor must ensure that the characters after expansion do not exceed the form boundary limit. The largest value is 63. 0 and 1 specifies the stand font (no expansion), Elongated (E) characters cannot be used with a horizontal expansion factor other than 0.

The printable character identifying the start and finish of the alphanumeric string. Enter any printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the alphanumeric string itself. You must use the same character at both ends of the alphanumeric string, but it will not print with the data.

### DBCS/SBCS TEXT

The group of DBCS/SBCS characters (the alphanumeric string) to print. Enter any of the standard DBCS/SBCS printable characters (except the character used to delimit the string in the (D) parameter). The data appears as "pre-positioned" information on the form beginning at the location specified by SR and SC. This is the "fixed" or static DBCS/SBCS data; once defined on the form, it is changed only by redefining the form using the TWOBYTE command.

SC

VΕ

HE

(D)

STOP Indicates the end of the TWOBYTE command.

#### **Comments**

The DBCS TrueType font used by the TWOBYTE command is determined by the current selected font face based on the following three conditions:

- If the selected font is found and it is a DBCS font, PGL will use the selected font.
- If the selected font is found but it is not a DBCS font, PGL will automatically use the first found DBCS font in memory. If PGL cannot find any DBCS font in memory, the TWOBYTE command will be ignored.
- If the selected font is not found, then PGL will automatically use the first found DBCS font in memory. If PGL cannot find any DBCS font in memory, the TWOBYTE command will be ignored.

### **EXECUTE Mode Command KFn**

**EXECUTE Form: General Format** 

**Purpose** Prints forms created in the CREATE mode.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)EXECUTE; formname [;PAGE n] [; FC] [;ICNT n]

. . .

[(cc)KF n; (D)DBCS/SBCS text(D)]

...

(cc)NORMAL

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

KFn Indicates a dynamic DBCS data field (KF) and its identification number n which was defined

with the TWOBYTE command in the Create form mode.

(D) The separation symbol for identifying the starting and ending of DBCS data. The

requirement for this parameter is the same as that for D in the ALPHA command.

DBCS DATA The group of DBCS characters to be printed. The DBCS string appears as the pre-

positioned information on the form beginning at the location identified n.

5. Error Codes chapter. Print the file with the IGP/PGL program. The debug parameter lists the program, line by line (including the error on the line where the error occurs), followed by the error-free sections of the form. Correct the error and print the file again. When the error has been corrected, delete the debug parameter.

### **Example**

Assume you made two errors in the Box and Corner commands input in steps 3 and 4 of the Form and Bar Code Example on page 299. Using the debug parameter in the Create command produces the following sample listing:

```
/PRACTICE
BOX
2;35;16:53;61
*** ERROR 24: BOX format or delimiter error in input parameters
STOP
CORNER
3;300;13;57;64;5;7
*** ERROR 35: CORNER vertical length VL out of bounds
```

```
*** ERROR 31 : CORNER starting row SR out of bounds
*** ERROR 39 : CORNER starting row SR > ending row ER
STOP
END
```

From the description of the error messages and the incorrect line identified by the error message, the errors are easily located and corrected. Notice a colon was accidentally input in the Box command where a semicolon was required (error number 24).

```
/PRACTICE
BOX
2;35;16:53;61
*** ERROR 24 : BOX format or delimiter error in input parameters
STOP
```

In the Corner command, the starting row was too large. This single input error caused the vertical length of the corner to extend beyond the form boundaries (error number 35), the starting row to begin outside the form boundaries (error number 31), and the starting/ending row parameters to be out of order (error number 39).

```
CORNER
3;300;13;57;64;5;7

*** ERROR 35 : CORNER vertical length VL out of bounds

*** ERROR 31 : CORNER starting row SR out of bounds

*** ERROR 39 : CORNER starting row SR > ending row ER

STOP
END
```

# 5 Character Sets

# **Multinational Sets**

The Multinational Character Set accesses one of 32 international character sets. Each character set is 96 characters long and can be accessed by configuration selection or IGP/PGL command. Individual characters in the font can be accessed with the use of data bit 8. There are also 32 extended character sets which are available in bitmap fonts but are not expandable.

# **Supported Character Sets**

The Multinational Character Set provides the PGL with space for 32 character sets, 96 characters each. The character sets and their corresponding set values are listed in Table 48 along with the single extended character set.

**Character Set** Value **Character Set** Value U.S. ASCII 0 Spanish German 1 Italian 10 Swedish 2 Turkish 11 Danish 3 **CP 437** 12 Norwegian 4 **CP 850** 13 Finnish 5 Reserved 14-23 **English** 6 **User-Defined Sets** 24-31 Dutch 7 French 8

Table 48 Multinational Character Sets and Set Values

Sets 0 through 13 are resident character sets. Sets 14 through 23 are reserved spaces in font memory for future resident character sets. If a value from 14 through 23 is called when attempting to choose a character set, the character font will default to ASCII. The last eight addressable character set values, 24 through 31, are reserved for user-defined sets. You can create custom character sets from existing characters in font memory. If you select a set value from 24 to 31 when no new character set has been created or assigned that value, the character font will default to ASCII.

Refer to page 335 for printouts of the primary and extended character sets and their corresponding values.

To select one of these sets using the "SYMSET" option of the font command or the ISET command, use the appropriate value as stated above.

#### Character Addresses

Both the ASCII and multinational character sets have hex values for each character and symbol. The primary character set (ASCII characters) resides at hex addresses ranging from 00 through 7F. The

extended character set, which contains the multinational characters, resides at hex addresses ranging from 80 through FF. Table 49 shows each multinational character substitution hex value and the applicable ASCII hex values. To access the extended character set, the IGP/PGL must be configured with the data bit 8 option enabled.

# **Making Character Substitutions**

Multinational character sets are created by substituting the multinational character values for the standard ASCII values. Each of the 12 multinational character sets allows up to 16 character substitutions (located at hex 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 40, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 60, 7B, 7C, 7D, and 7E). The most common character substitutions specific to a country are provided in each set and shown in Table 50.

For example, when the Danish character set is selected, calling character address cell 5B substitutes the Danish character residing at C6 (Æ) from the Multinational Character Set (page 335); when the Spanish character set is selected, calling character address cell 7C substitutes the Spanish character residing at F1 (ñ) from the Multinational Character Set. These substitutions are automatically performed when a Multinational Character Set is selected.

**Table 49 Multinational character substitution** 

	0XX Standard	1XX Arabic	2XX Cyrillic	3XX European	4XX Greek	5XX Hebrew	6XX Turkish
00	US ASCII	ASMO 449	Cyrillic 866	Latin 2 8859-2	DEC 256 Greek	Hebrew Old	Data Gen. Turk
01	German	ASMO 449+	Cyrillic CP 437	Latin 2 852	ELOT 928 Greek	Hebrew New	DEC Turkish
02	Swedish	ASMO 708	Cyrillic 113	Mazovia	Greek 3	Hebrew DEC	IBM Turkish
03	Danish	ASMO 708+	Cyrillic 8859-5	Kamenicky	ABY Greek	Latin-1 Hebrew	Siemens Turkish
04	Norwegian	MS DOS CP710	ISO 915	Roman 8	ABG Greek	Win. CP 1255	PTT Turkish
05	Finnish	MS DOS CP720	Code Page 855	PC-437 Slavic	ELOT 927 Greek		IBC Turkish
06	English	Sakr CP714	7-bit Cyrillic	Slavic 1250	Greek 851		Bull Turkish
07	Dutch	Aptec CP715	Ukrainian	Code Page 865	Greek 437		AS400 Turkish
08	French	CP 786	Bulgarian	Code Page 860	Greek 8859-7		Unisys Turkish
09	Spanish	Arabic CP 864	Win. CP 1251	Latin 1 8859-1	Win. CP 1253		NCR Turkish
10	Italian	Arabic CP 1046	Latvian 866	Latin 5 8859-9	Greek 813 Euro		PST Turkish
11	Turkish	Arabic Lam 1	CP 1048	Latin 9 8859-15	Greek 869 Euro		Unis-1 Turkish

	0XX Standard	1XX Arabic	2XX Cyrillic	3XX European	4XX Greek	5XX Hebrew	6XX Turkish
12	CP 437	Arabic Lam 2		Polish POL1			Code Page 853
13	CP 850	Win. CP 1256		Win. CP 1250			Info Turkish
14	Reserved	Farsi 1		Win. CP 1252			Win. CP 1254
15	Reserved	Farsi 2		Win. CP 1257			Code Page 857
16	Reserved	1098 Farsi 1285		CP 858 Euro			Azeri
17	Reserved			Lith. CP 773			
19	Reserved			Serbo Croatic 2			
20	Reserved			CP 774			
21	Reserved			CP 775			
22	Reserved			ISO 8859-4			
23	Reserved						
24-31	User Defined Sets						

**Table 50 Substitution Set Hex Values** 

Character Set	Substitution Hex Value															
U.S. ASCII	21	22	23	24	25	26	40	5B	5C	5D	5E	60	7B	7C	7D	7E
Danish								C6	D8	C5		В0	E6	F8	E5	
Dutch			А3						80					81		
English			А3													
Finnish				A4				C4	D6	C5			E4	F6	E5	FC
French							E0	FB	E7	A7	F4	EA	E9	F9	E8	EE
German							A7	C4	D6	DC			E4	F6	FC	DF
Italian							A7	В0	E9	83		F9	E0	F2	E8	EC
Norwegian				A4			C9	C6	D8	C5	DC	E9	E6	F8	E5	FC
Spanish			82					СЗ	D1	D5	A1		E3	F1	F5	BF
Swedish				A4			C9	C4	D6	C5	DC	E9	E4	F6	E5	FC
Turkish	84	C7	E7	85				86	D6	DC	87	88	89	F6	FC	8A

### **Unicode Character Set**

UTF-16 Character Set can be selected by ISET or SYMSET options using the appropriate value in Table 51. This UTF-16 character set cannot be selected via control panel.

**Table 51 Unicode Character Sets** 

	8xx Unicode
01	UTF-16 Big-Endian
02	UTF-16 Little-Endian

This UTF-16 character set can only works on:

- The fixed data for ALPHA command or TWOBYTE command in CREATE mode.
- The dynamic data for AF for ALPHA command or KF for TWOBYTE command in EXECUTE mode.

### **Double Byte Character Set**

The Double Byte Character set accesses one of the four double byte character sets: GB, Big5, Hangul KSC5601, and Kanji SJIS listed in Table 52.

**Table 52 Double Byte Character Sets** 

	11xx DBCS
00	GB18030
01	Big5
02	KSC5601
03	Kanji SJIS

To select one of these sets using the SYMSET option in the font command or the ISET command, use the appropriate value in Table 52.

The GB18030 character set supports GB18030 quad byte encoding.

### **Accessing Characters and Character Sets**

#### **OCR Character Sets**

**Purpose** Access OCR-A and OCR-B character sets.

Mode CREATE, NORMAL and EXECUTE

Format See Comments

**Comments** In the Create mode, you can access OCR fonts using the alphanumeric command.

Use the Cn parameter in the ALPHA command (Commands chapter, page 28) for

more information.

In the Normal and Execute modes, you can access OCR fonts using the Compressed

Print (Density) command (Commands chapter, page 44).

**NOTE:** OCR fonts are only available in 10 cpi.

#### **LINE MATRIX**

#### **Extended Character Sets**

Purpose Access extended character sets.

Mode CREATE, NORMAL and EXECUTE

Format See Comments

Comments In the Normal and Execute modes, you can access extended fonts using the ISET

Command, page 329. Character sets 32 through 64 are extended character bitmap fonts

which are not expandable.

NOTE: The extended character sets are bitmapped fonts and cannot be expanded beyond 2 x 2. They are

also limited to the portrait orientation.

#### Data Bit 8

You can access individual characters using data bit 8 addressing. The primary character set is ASCII. These character values reside at hex addresses 20 through 7F. The Multinational or extended character sets reside at hex addresses 80 through FF and are accessible without reconfiguration.

**NOTE:** Data bit 8 must be set high so that Multinational or extended character sets are accessible without reconfiguration. However, the PION/PIOFF command (page 86) must also be set OFF to access these character sets in the hex 80-FF range. A PION setting will cause data in the hex 80-FF range to be interpreted as PI line data instead of extended character set data.

#### **Power-Up Character Set Selection**

You can select any one of the 14 resident multinational character sets shown in Table 48 (0 through 13) or any of the International Sets shown in Table 55 as the default character set at printer power-up. The IGP/PGL configuration settings determine which character set is the default character set at power- up. Refer to your *Administrator's Manual* to configure the IGP/PGL for a specific character set. (See Select Font in the configuration menu.)

The character font selected at power-up will remain active until either the ISET or SYMSET command is selected or the configuration is changed. OCR and user-definable character sets cannot be configured as the default character set at printer power-up.

#### **User-Defined Set Command (USET)**

Purpose Creates custom character sets (except OCR fonts) from existing characters stored on the

flash memory.

Mode NORMAL Format (cc)USET n

*ca;fa* END

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code.

USET The User Set command; enter **USET**.

n Selects USET character set number; enter a value ranging from 1 through 8.

ca Represents the ASCII character cell hex address which will have its contents replaced with

the character located in the font address (fa). The ca value must be one of the 16 hex

values specified in Table 50 on page 326.

fa Represents the hexadecimal value for the font address of a specified character in the

Multinational character set (page 335) which will replace the current contents of *ca*. The *fa* value is the character substitution for the cell address (*ca*). The value of *fa* may range from

hex 20 through FF.

END Ends the USET command.

#### **Comments**

You can define up to 16 character substitutions for each of the eight user-definable character sets. It is not necessary to address all 16 spaces available for character substitutions with a single USET command.

The character sets in the USET command are numbered 1 through 8. The character set values in the Character Set Selection (ISET) command (page 329) are numbered 24 through 31 and correspond to User Sets 1 through 8. The ISET command accesses and prints that custom character set.

The USET and ISET commands are related as shown in Table 53. Therefore, ISET;24 selects the substitution set defined as USET1, ISET;29 selects USET6, etc.

**Table 53 USET-ISET Relationship** 

USETn	corresponds to	ISET;n
n = 1	n = 24	1
n = 2	n = 25	5
n = 3	n = 26	6
n = 4	n = 27	7
<i>n</i> = 5	n = 28	3
<i>n</i> = 6	n = 29	9
n = 7	n = 30	)
n = 8	n = 3°	I

#### **Example**

The following example defines User Set 1 to contain the Multinational font addresses B1 ( $\pm$ ), A1 ( $_i$ ), and BF ( $_i$ ) at the hex cell addresses 23, 24, and 25, respectively. Therefore, if  $_i$  = 23 and  $_i$  = B1, each time that cell address 23 is received, it will select the character located at font address B1 ( $_i$ ).

~USET1 23;B1 24;A1 25;BF END

User Set 1 now contains the following: the plus or minus sign  $\pm$  (hex B1) in place of the number sign # (hex 23); the upside down exclamation point # (hex A1) in place of the dollar sign # (hex 24); and the upside down question mark # (hex BF) in place of the percent sign # (hex 25). To print User Set 1, you must use the ISET command discussed on page 329.

#### **Character Set Selection Command (ISET)**

Purpose	Accesses one of the multinational (Table 48) or international (Table 55) character sets.
	Use this command to access a different character set from the configured power-up default

character set.

Mode NORMAL, CREATE, and EXECUTE

Format In Normal and Execute modes: (cc)ISET; n or (cc)ISET; 'UTF8' or ISET; 'xx'

In the Create mode (SFCC not required): ISET; n or ISET; 'UTF8' or ISET; 'xx'

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code.

ISET The Multinational Character Set command; enter ISET.

n The character substitution set number; enter a value from the multinational (Table 48) or international (Table 55) character set tables. Character sets 0 through 23 represent

resident character sets. Values from 24 through 31 correspond to the customized USET

character sets 1 through 8, respectively.

For example, refer to Table 53 on page 329. If you want to use the User Set 1 created in

the example on page 329, call ISET;24. Similarly, if you want User Set 5 that you had previously defined, call ISET;28 to select and print the User Set 5 substitution set.

'UTF8' Enter UTF8 enclosed with a single quote to select the UTF-8 character set, which is an

encoding of Unicode.

'xx' To select the alternate character sets, enter a two-byte string (listed in Table 54 on page

330) enclosed within single quotes.

NOTE: The two-byte string listed in Table 54 on page 330 depends on the font selected. For

example, to select the Wingdings Character set, ISET; WD', the wingding font needs to be

selected with a FONT command.

#### Comments

You can issue the ISET command as many times within a form as needed. The character set selected will remain active until a new character set is selected. If you choose an incorrect character set value or make a syntax error, an error message will result. If a value for n is not specified, an error message will print.

Using the ISET command in the Execute mode declares the character set for use in conjunction with the dynamic data within that Execute command. Fixed form data specified in the Create mode is not affected by an ISET command in the Execute mode. The character set selected will remain in effect until another character set is selected.

**NOTE:** See the Fonts section in the Commands chapter, page 67, for information on the SYMSET command.

**Table 54 Alternate Character Sets** 

Character Set Name	IF (Intelligent)	TT (TrueType)
Windows Symbol	AS	
ATMType1	AT	
ITC Zapf Dingbats/100	D1	
ITC Zapf Dingbats/200	D2	
ITC Zapf Dingbats/300	D3	
ISO 60: Danish/Norwegian	DN	DN
PS ITC Zapf Dingbats	DS	
DeskTop	DT	DT
ISO 8859/1 Latin 1 (EC94)	E1	E1
ISO 8859/2 Latin 2	E2	E2
ISO 8859/9 Latin 5	E5	E5
ISO 8859/10 Latin 6	E6	E6
ISO 69: French	FR	FR
ISO 21: German	GR	GR
ISO 15: Italian	IT	IT

**Table 54 Alternate Character Sets** 

Character Set Name	IF (Intelligent)	TT (TrueType)
Wingdings	L\$	WD
Legal	LG	LG
Math-8	M8	M8
Macintosh	MC	MC
PS Math	MS	MS
Microsoft Publishing	PB	РВ
PC-8, Code Page 437	PC	PC
PC-8 D/N, Code Page 437N	PD	PD
PC-852 Latin 2	PE	PE
Pi Font	PI	PI
PC-850 Multilingual	PM	PM
PC-8 TK, Code Page 437T	PT	PT
PC-775 Baltic	PV	PV
Non-UGL, Generic Pi Font		PY
Roman-8	R8	R8
ISO 17: Spanish	SP	SP
ISO 11: Swedish	SW	SW
Symbol		SY
PS Text	TS	TS
ISO 4: United Kingdom	UK	UK
ISO 6: ASCII	US	US
Ventura International	VI	VI
Ventura Math	VM	VM
Ventura US	VU	VU
Ventura 3.1 Latin 1	W1	W1
AgfaTidbits	WD	
Windows 3.1 Latin 2	WE	WE
Windows 3.0 Latin 1	WO	WO
Windows 3.1 Latin 5	WT	WT

#### **Downloading a Block Character**

Purpose The BLOCKLOAD command allows the user to replace a built-in block character with a

user-defined downloaded block character.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)BLOCKLOAD[;DISK]

dest;data END

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code (SFCC).

BLOCKLOAD The download/load Block character command.

DISK Optional parameter to store the downloaded character to the printer's non-volatile memory

(FLASH) as well as its volatile memory (RAM). If the DISK parameter is not included, then

the character would only be saved in RAM.

dest The location (or address space) in which the character is to be saved. The location can be

a used or unused location in the Character Table. The range is from 33 to 65,535 decimal. Locations 0 through 32 are control characters and the space character, which are non-

replaceable characters.

data The data in Block format represents the shape of the Block character. Only hexadecimal

characters are allowed. The data must contain exactly 48 hexadecimal characters. The

data must be followed by a line terminator.

END Ends the BLOCKLOAD command.

#### **Downloading a User-Defined Overlay Set**

**Purpose** The OSET command allows the user to create a user-defined overlay character set.

Mode NORMAL Format (cc)OSETn

ca;fa END

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code (SFCC).

OSET The user-defined Overlay Set command.

n Selects the overlay character set number. The range is from 1 to 8. The overlay set number

1 through 8 corresponds to the ISET character set selection 16 through 23.

ca The ASCII character cell address in the current character set that will have its contents

replaced by the character located in the font address (fa). The range is 33 through 255 decimal. Locations 0 through 32 are control characters and the space character, which are

non-replaceable characters.

fa The decimal address of the character (code point) in the character table that will replace

the current contents of ca. The value may range from 33 to 65,535. Refer to the Character Table (Appendix B) in the *LP+ Programmer's Reference Manual* to determine which

locations are used or unused.

Addresses 0-32 are not allowed to avoid confusion between control characters and printable characters. Multiple ca;fa lines can be defined with a single OSET command.

END Ends the OSET command.

NOTE:

Only printable locations can be replaced. Control codes and the space character cannot be replaced. If the value of the cell address (ca) points to a control code or a space, then an error will print.

#### **Activating a User-Defined Overlay Set**

**Purpose** An overlay set cannot be accessed until it is requested. Once a user-defined overlay set

(Substitution Table) is created, the ISET command can be used to activate it. The ISET command can also be used to access regular (non-overlay) sets such as multinational or international character sets. If an overlay set selected has not been created, then the

ISET command would have no effect on the currently selected character set.

Format (cc)ISET;n

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code (SFCC).

ISET The character set command.

n The character set number. The valid values are 0 through 31. Overlay sets reside within

sets numbered 16 through 23. All other values correspond to non-overlay sets.

#### **Disabling an Overlay Set**

The PGL overlay set is activated by the ISET command. It remains active until another character set is selected. When the character set is changed, all overlay sets will be disabled even if the selected set is the same as the previous base character set.

#### **Examples for Downloaded Block Characters & Overlays**

This section provides the available block patterns for creating a block character. Each character is composed of 24 bytes (NERF is 32 bytes), which is 48 nibbles of block patterns.

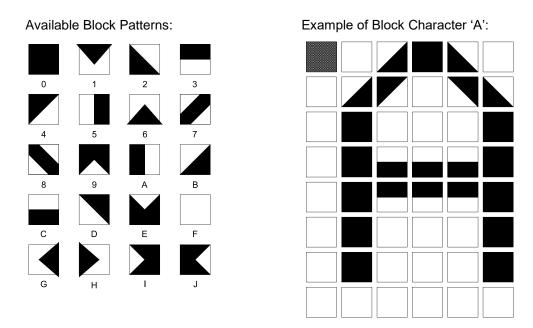


Figure 76 Using Block Patterns to Print Block Character A

The following example shows how to download, select, and print a user-defined block character (such as block character 'A' shown in Figure 76). It also shows a common error the user might encounter when creating overlay sets.

~NORMAL NOTE: Puts PGL in Normal mode (default mode)

~BLOCKLOAD; DISK NOTE: Download the Block '&' character to RAM and Flash

5000;0FB02F0B4FD200FFF000CCC000333000FFF000FFF000000

~END

~CONFIG NOTE: Set Expanded Font menu option to Block

BLOCK FONTS; 1

END

~OSET1 NOTE: Define overlay set #1

65;5000 NOTE: Overlay an 'A' character with the downloaded '&'

character.

13;5000 ERROR: Cannot replace a Control Code.

END

~CREATE; Overlay NOTE: Create a PGL form

~ISET;16 NOTE: Enable overlay set #1 ALPHA

5;5;2;3;"A" NOTE: This prints out a '&' character instead of an 'A'.

STOP

ISET; 0 NOTE: Selects U.S. ASCII character set. This command

disables the overlay set #1.

ALPHA

5;7;2;3;"A" NOTE: Prints an 'A' character (U.S. ASCII) STOP

END

~EXECUTE; Overlay; 1

#### **Setting the Expanded Font Menu Option**

**Purpose** To access Block fonts in PGL, user needs to set the Expanded Font menu to Block. This

can be done through the front panel or by using the configuration command BLOCK

FONTS.

Format (cc)CONFIG BLOCK FONTS; value

**END** 

(cc) Represents the Special Function Control Code (SFCC).

CONFIG The configuration command.

BLOCK FONTS The configuration item.

value 0 to disable, non-zero to enable.

If an overlay set is active and the Expanded Font option is set to Block, the printer first checks the overlay set. The overlay characters have precedence over the base characters, except for control codes and the space character. If an overlay character exists for a particular cell, then that character will print in place of the character in the base character set.

#### **Downloaded Font Menus**

The Downloaded Font menu applies to both LP+ Bitmaps and IGP Block downloaded characters. For example, performing a Delete from Flash option deletes both Bitmap and Block downloaded characters from the flash memory. Refer to the *Administrator's Manual* for detailed descriptions of the menus and their functions.

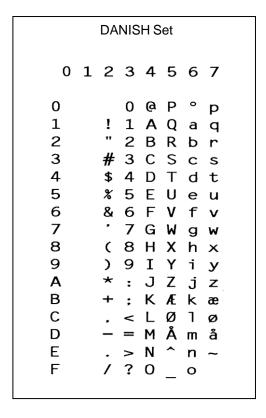
#### **Multinational Character Set Charts**

```
IGP-50 MULTINATIONAL Set
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F
     0@P'pIJ∓ °ÀĐàð
   ! 1 A Q a q ij = ; ± Á Ñ á ñ
   "2BRbrPt ¢²ÂÒâò
2
   #3 C S c s | £ 3 Ã Ó ã ó
3
   $4DTdtīl¤'ÄÔäô
4
   %5EUeuı
                  ¥μÅÕåõ
   & 6 F V f v Ğ | ¶ Æ Ö æ ö
   ' 7 G W g w ğ
7
                  § · Ç × ç ÷
   (8 H X h x Ş
                  " ÈØèø
©¹ÉÙéù
8
   ) 9 I Y i y ş
* : J Z j z İ
9
                  a ° Ê
A
                        Úêú
   + ; K [ k { " }
                  \ll » Ë Û ë û
В
C
   , < L \ 1 |
                  ¬¼ÌÜìü
   - = M ] m  f
                  ÿ½ÍÝíý
D
   . > N ^ n ~ _
/ ? O _ o ;
                  ® ¾ Î Þ î þ
E
                  - į ї в ї
```

```
ASCII THRU HOST COMMAND
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
       0 @ P ' p
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
     " 2 B R b.r
2
    # 3 C S c s
3
4
    $4DTdt
5
    %5EUeu
6
     & 6 F V f v
7
     '7GWgw
8
     (8 H X h x
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
A
     * : J Z j z
    + ; K [ k {
B
C
    , < L \setminus 1 \mid
D
     - = M \rceil m \}
    . > N ^ n ~
E
     / ? O _ o
```

```
German THRU HOST COMMAND
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
     0 § P ' p
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
    "2BRbr
2
    # 3 C S c s
3
4
     $ 4 D T d t
5
    % 5 E U e u
     & 6 F V f v
6
       7 G W g w
7
    (8 H X h x
8
9
   ) 9 I Y i y
     * : J Z j z
Α
    + ; K Ä k ä
В
    , < L Ö 1 ö
C
D
     - = M \ddot{U} m \ddot{u}
     . > N ^ n B
E
    / ? 0 _ 0 △
```

#### **SWEDISH Set** 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 0 É P é p 0 ! 1 A Q a q 1 2 2 B R b 3 # 3 C S c s 4 **¤** 4 D T 5 % 5 E U 6 6 F V f 7 7 G W 8 (8 H X 9 I Y i y 9 Α : J Z ; KÄkä В С < L Ö 1 ö = M Å m å D . > N Ü n ü Ε / ? O \_ o F



```
NORWEGIAN Set
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
       0 É P é p
0
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
     " 2 B R b r
2
3
     # 3 C S c s
4
     ¤4DTdt
     %5EUeu
5
     & 6 F V f
6
7
       7 G W a w
     (8HXhx)
8
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
Α
      : J Z j z
В
     +; KAEkæ
      < L Ø 1 ø
С
D
     - = M Å m å
    . > N Ü n ü
Ε
     / ? O _ o
F
```

```
FINNISH Set
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
0
       0 @ P '
               р
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
2
       2BRbr
3
     # 3 C S c s
4
     ¤4DTdt
5
     % 5 E U
6
     & 6 F V f v
7
       7 G W g w
8
     (8HXhx)
9
          Yiy
     ) 9 I
       : J Z j z
Α
       ; KÄkä
В
     , < L Ö 1 ö
C
D
     - = M Å m å
     . > N ^ n ü
Ε
     / ? O _ o
```

#### **ENGLISH Set** 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 0 @ P ' p 0 ! 1 A Q a q 1 " 2 B R b r 2 3 £3CScs \$ 4 D T d t 4 5 % 5 E U & 6 F V f 6 '7GWgw 7 8 (8HXhx)) 9 I Y i y 9 \* : J Z j z Α + ; K [ k { В , < L \ 1 ¦ С - = M ] mD . > N ^ n ~ / ? O \_ o Ε F

```
DUTCH Set
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
       0 @ P ' p
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
     " 2 B R b r
2
     £3CScs
3
4
     $ 4 D T d t
5
     %5EUeu
     & 6 F V f v
6
7
       7 G W g w
8
     (8 H X h x
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
Α
     *: JZjz
    + ; K [ k {
В
С
     , < L IJ 1 ij
D
     - = M ] m 
    . > N ^n \sim
Ε
F
     / ? 0 _ o
```

```
FRENCH Set
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
       0 à Pêp
0
     ! 1 A Q a q
1
     " 2 B R b r
2
3
     # 3 C S c s
4
     $ 4 D T d t
5
     %5EUeu
6
     & 6 F V f v
7
       7 G W g w
8
     (8HXhx)
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
     * : J Z j z
Α
     +: Kûké
В
     , < L ç 1 ù
С
D
     - = M \S m \hat{e}
Ε
     . > N \hat{o} n \hat{i}
     / ? 0 _ o
```

```
SPANISH Set
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
0
        0 @ P '
1
      ! 1 A Q a q
      " 2 B R b r
2
3
      Pt 3 C S c s
4
      $4DTdt
5
      %5EUeu
      & 6 F V f v
6
7
        7 G W g w
8
      (8HXhx)
9
      ) 9 I Y i y
      * : J Z j z
Α
      +: KÃ kã
В
      , < L \tilde{N} \tilde{l} \tilde{n}
С
D
     - = M \tilde{O} m \tilde{o}
     . > N ; n ¿
Ε
     / ? O _ o
```

#### ITALIAN Set 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 0 § Pùp 0 ! 1 A Q a q 1 "2BRbr2 3 # 3 C S c s 4 \$ 4 D T d t 5 %5EUeu 6 & 6 F V f v 7 '7GWgw 8 (8HXhx)9 ) 9 I Y i y Α \*:JZjz+ ; K ° В С < L é 1 ò D $- = M \mid m \stackrel{\circ}{e}$ Ε . > N ^ n i / ? 0 \_ o

```
TURKISH Set
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
0
       0 @ P $ p
    \mathbb{R} 1 A Q a q
1
2
     Ç2BRbr
3
     ç 3 C S c s
4
    1 4 D T d t
5
    %5EUeu
6
     & 6 F V f v
     '7GWgw
7
8
     (8HXhx)
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
Α
     *: JZjz
    +; KĞkş
В
     , < L Ö 1 ö
С
D
     - = M \ddot{U} m \ddot{u}
    . > N ğ n İ
     / ? O _ o
F
```

```
CP437 THRU HOST COMMAND
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
       0 @ P ' p
0
     ! 1 A Q a q
     " 2 B R b
     # 3 C S c
     $ 4 D T d t
4
     % 5 E U e
5
6
     & 6 F
7
       7 G W
     (8 H X h x
8
9
     ) 9 I Y i y
     * : J Z j z
В
     + ; K [ k {
      , < L \setminus 1 \mid
C
     - = M ] m 
D
     . > N ^ n ~
     / ? 0 _ 0 0
```

```
CP850 THRU HOST COMMAND
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
   0 @ P '
1
    ! 1 A Q a q
   "2BRbr
3
    # 3 C S c s
   $4DTdt
5
    %5EUeu
6
    & 6 F
7
      7 G W
8
    (8 H X h x
    ) 9 I Y i y
9
    * : J Z j z
A
   + ; K [ k {
В
   , < L \ 1 |
C
D
    - = M ] m }
   . > N ^ n ~
E
F / ? 0 _ 0 a
```

#### **International Character Sets**

The International Character Sets supported are listed in Table 55. Select these sets from the configuration menu "Select Font" option, or through the SYMSET option of the "FONT" command or the ISET command.

See Table 48 for a list of the Multinational Character Sets and their corresponding set values.

**Table 55 International Character Sets** 

Character Set	Set Value	Character Set	Set Value
Standard Sets US ASCII German Swedish Danish Norwegian Finnish English Dutch French Spanish Italian Turkish CP 437 CP 850	00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12	Arabic Sets ASMO 449 ASMO 449+ ASMO 708 ASMO 708 MS DOS CP 710 MS DOS CP 720 Sakr CP 714 Aptec CP 715 CP 786 Arabic CP 864 Arabic CP 1046 Arabic Lam 1 Arabic Lam 2 Win CP 1256 Farsi 1 Farsi 2 1098 Farsi 1285	100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115
Cyrillic Sets Code Page 866 Cyrillic CP 437 Cyrillic 113 Cyrillic 8859-5 ISO 915 Code Page 855 7-bit Cyrillic Ukrainian Bulgarian Win CP 1251 Latvian 866 CP 1048	200 201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 209 210 211	European Sets Latin 2 8859-2 Code Page 852 Mazovia Kamenicky Roman 8 PC-437 Slavic Slavic 1250 Code Page 865 Code Page 860 Latin 1 8859-1 Latin 5 8859-9 Latin 9 8859-15 Polish Pol 1 Win CP 1250 Win CP 1252 Win CP 1257 CP858 EURO Lith CP773 Serbo Croatic1 Serbo Croatic2 CP 774 CP 775 ISO 8859-4	300 301 302 303 304 305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 314 315 316 317 318 319 320 321 322

**Table 55 International Character Sets** 

Character Set	Set Value	Character Set	Set Value
Greek Sets		Hebrew Sets	
DEC 256 Greek	400	Hebrew Old	500
ELOT 928 Greek	401	Hebrew New	501
Greek 3	402	Hebrew DEC	502
ABY Greek	403	Latin-1 Hebrew	503
ABG Greek	404	Win CP 1255	504
ELOT 927 Greek	405		
Greek 851	406		
Greek 437	407		
Greek 8859-7	408		
Win CP 1253	409		
Creek 813 EURO	410		
Greek 869 EURO	411		
Turkish Sets			
Data General Turkish	600		
DEC Turkish	601		
IBM Turkish	602		
Siemens Turkish	603		
PTT Turkish	604		
IBC Turkish	605		
Bull Turkish	606		
AS400 Turkish	607		
Unisys Turkish	608		
NCR Turkish	609		
PST Turkish	610		
Unis-1 Turkish	611		
Code Page 853	612		
INFO Turkish	613		
Win CP 1254	614		
Code Page 857	615		
Azeri	616		

## 6 DBCS Printing

#### Introduction

This section describes the additional and unique commands for Printronix Thermal Printers:

- Thermal printers have several Premium Asian Font options that can be purchased as options on the SD card: Hanzi GB, Hangul KS, Kanji Shift-JIS, and Thai. These are supported both through DBCS printing and UTF-8/Unicode.
- Four different Andale options can also be purchased: Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean, and Japanese. These are only supported through UTF-8/Unicode.

PGL-DBCS is an extension to existing PGL (ASCII) that supports Korean KSC, Chinese Hanzi GB, and Japanese Shift-JIS character printing respectively. The differences among those printers are as follows:

- PGL-Hangul KS supports KSC code table for Korean character code points used only in South Korea.
- PGL-Hanzi GB supports GB code table for simplified Hanzi character code points used in People's Republic of China. It also supports GB18030 encoding, but the resident font is GB2312 character set.
- PGL-Kanji Shift-JIS supports Shift-JIS code table for Kanji character code points used in Japan.

The above differences only affect the DBCS code points but the command syntax and the behavior are similar.

A thermal DBCS-PGL printer has a default DBCS scalable font with supported code table. For example, a PGL-Hangul printer has a Hangul scalable font with KSC code table. Users can download additional DBCS scalable fonts into printers by using the **FONTLOAD** command in the normal mode. If more than one DBCS scalable font exists, users may select a different DBCS font by using the **FONT** command in the create mode, and ~ISET or SYMSET command to select DBCS character set to print DBCS characters with ALPHA or TWOBYTE command. For thermal printers, refer to the **FONTLOAD** and **FONT** command syntax within this manual.

#### **TWOBYTE Command Syntax**

**Purpose** Defines and positions DBCS data on a "pre-printed" static field or as a dynamic data field.

Mode CREATE
Format TWOBYTE

[R;] [E;] [Cn;] [KFn;L]; [DIR;] [POINT;]SR; SC; VE; HE;(D)DBCS/SBCS TEXT(D)

**STOP** 

TWOBYTE The DBCS characters command; enter TWOBYTE.

R The optional reverse printing (white on black) parameter. Enter R to specify a black

background.

E The optional elongated character parameter. Enter E to specify elongated character

printing. Elongated characters are double height and single width. If used, the VE and HE parameters must be set to 0, or an error message will result. Elongated character printing

is also available with rotated DBCS characters.

Cn: The optional horizontal CPI parameter for DBCS character pitch. Where n can be the

following:

7.5 CPI, n = 75 6.7 CPI, n = 67 6.0 CPI, n = 60 5.0 CPI, n = 50

n specifies the DBCS character pitch, expressed in CPI. If used, the VE and HE parameters must be set to zero, or an error message will result.

KFn:L

The optional dynamic DBCS data field parameter for identifying the DBCS string's dynamic number assignment and designating the number of DBCS characters allowed. If these parameters are used, the actual text cannot be entered during the Create Form mode; it must be entered dynamically during the Execute Form mode. Dynamically entering data during the Execute mode permits changes to the DBCS text without redefining or recreating the form. To use this field, perform the following steps:

- e. Enter KF.
- f. Replace n with a number ranging from 1 through 512 to identify DBCS string location on the form. The SR and SC parameters are used to specify the exact location of the DBCS data field identified by n. Since the TWOBYTE command and the ALPHA command share the same set of identification numbers, therefore do not set the same number for the two commands in one form.
- g. Set the length of the dynamic DBCS characters in L ranging from 1 to 127. The actual number of DBCS characters supplied in the EXECUTE mode must be the same or less than this value. In UTF8 mode L should be the same or more than the number of bytes supplied in EXECUTE mode.
- h. The DBCS data is not allowed to enter, it can only be supplied in the EXECUTE mode.

DIR

Optional parameter for rotating a DBCS character string. Use the following codes to indicate the direction of character rotation:

CW 90 degree clockwise rotation.

CCW 90 degree counter clockwise rotation.

INV Inverted characters (180 degree rotation)

**POINT** 

Optional parameter that changes the units for the vertical and horizontal expansion value. When the point parameter is present the VE value defines the font height in point size where 1 point is 1/72 of an inch. If the HE value is non-zero, it defines the character width in 1/72 of an inch, otherwise the character width is the same as the height. Cannot be used with elongated (E) and compressed (Cn) parameters.

SR

Defines the starting row of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from row 1 through one less than the length of the form. Character row or dot row is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

SC

Defines the starting column of the alphanumeric data. Enter a value ranging from column 1 through one less than the width of the form. Character column or dot column is specified based on the Scale command (page 110), or use the CP.DP format (page 26).

VΕ

Defines the vertical expansion factor to enlarge DBCS characters vertically. The factor must ensure that the characters after expansion do not exceed the form boundary limit. The largest value is 63. 0 and 1 specifies the stand font (no expansion), Elongated (E) characters cannot be used with a vertical expansion factor other than 0.

ΗE

Defines the horizontal expansion factor to enlarge DBCS characters horizontally. The factor must ensure that the characters after expansion do not exceed the form boundary limit. The largest value is 63. 0 and 1 specifies the stand font (no expansion), Elongated (E) characters cannot be used with a horizontal expansion factor other than 0.

(D)

The printable character identifying the start and finish of the alphanumeric string. Enter any

printable character other than a slash (/), the SFCC, or a character used within the alphanumeric string itself. You must use the same character at both ends of the alphanumeric string, but it will not print with the data.

#### DBCS/SBCS TEXT

The group of DBCS/SBCS characters (the alphanumeric string) to print. Enter any of the standard DBCS/SBCS printable characters (except the character used to delimit the string in the (D) parameter). The data appears as "pre-positioned" information on the form beginning at the location specified by SR and SC. This is the "fixed" or static DBCS/SBCS data; once defined on the form, it is changed only by redefining the form using the TWOBYTE command.

STOP Indicates the end of the TWOBYTE command.

#### Comments

The DBCS TrueType font used by the TWOBYTE command is determined by the current selected font face based on the following three conditions:

- If the selected font is found and it is a DBCS font, PGL will use the selected font.
- If the selected font is found but it is not a DBCS font, PGL will automatically use the first found DBCS font in memory. If PGL cannot find any DBCS font in memory, the TWOBYTE command will be ignored.
- If the selected font is not found, then PGL will automatically use the first found DBCS font in memory. If PGL cannot find any DBCS font in memory, the TWOBYTE command will be ignored.

#### **EXECUTE Mode Command KFn**

**EXECUTE Form: General Format** 

**Purpose** Prints forms created in the CREATE mode.

Mode NORMAL

Format (cc)EXECUTE; formname [;PAGE n] [; FC] [;ICNT n]

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[(cc)KF n; (D)DBCS/SBCS text(D)]

(cc)NORMAL

(cc) The Special Function Control Code.

**KF**n Indicates a dynamic DBCS data field (KF) and its identification number n which was defined

with the TWOBYTE command in the Create form mode.

**(D)** The separation symbol for identifying the starting and ending of DBCS data. The

requirement for this parameter is the same as that for D in the ALPHA command.

DBCS DATA The group of DBCS characters to be printed. The DBCS string appears as the pre-

positioned information on the form beginning at the location identified n.

# 7 Error Codes

Error	Description					
	HORiZontal line starting row SR out of bounds					
001	The row specified by the second parameter in the horizontal line command places the horizontal line outside the boundaries of the form.					
	HORiZontal line starting column SC out of bounds					
002	The left (starting) column of the horizontal line specified by the third parameter in the horizontal line command places the horizontal line outside the boundaries of the form.					
	HORiZontal line ending column EC out of bounds					
003	The right (ending) column of the horizontal line specified by the fourth parameter in the horizontal line command places the horizontal line outside the boundaries of the form.					
	HORiZontal line format or delimiter error					
	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the parameters of the horizontal line command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:					
004	a. A missing semicolon;					
	<ul><li>b. A colon in place of a semicolon;</li><li>c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;</li></ul>					
	<ul><li>c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;</li><li>d. Alpha characters instead of numeric characters in the parameters.</li></ul>					
	u. Alpha characters instead of humeno characters in the parameters.					
	Insufficient memory to store the HORiZontal line					
005	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for another horizontal line. The rest of the horizontal line commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will then continue normally. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with horizontal line elements that are no longer required.					
	HORiZontal line starting column SC > ending column EC					
006	The left (starting) column parameter of the horizontal line command is greater than or equal to the right (ending) column parameter.					
	HORiZontal line thickness LT error					
007	The thickness of the horizontal line specified by the first parameter in the horizontal line command is incorrect. This error is usually caused by specifying a thickness of zero.					
008	Not Defined.					
009	Not Defined.					
	VERTical line starting column SC out of bounds					
010	The column specified by the second parameter in the vertical line command places the vertical line outside the form boundaries.					
	VERTical line starting row SR out of bounds					
011	The upper (starting) row of the vertical line specified by the third parameter in the vertical line command places the vertical line outside the boundaries of the form.					

Error	Description					
	VERTical line ending row ER out of bounds					
012	The lower (ending) row of the vertical line specified by the fourth parameter in the vertical line command places the vertical line outside the boundaries of the form.					
	VERTical line format or delimiter error					
013	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the parameters of the vertical line command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:  a. A missing semicolon;					
010	b. A colon in place of a semicolon;					
	c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;					
	d. Alpha characters instead of numeric characters in the parameters.					
	Insufficient memory to store the VERTical line					
014	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for another vertical line. The rest of the vertical line commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will then continue normally. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with vertical line elements that are no longer required.					
	VERTical line starting row SR > ending row ER					
015	The upper (starting) row parameter of the vertical line command is greater than or equal to the lower (ending) row parameter.					
016	VERTical line thickness LT error  The thickness of the vertical line specified by the first parameter in the vertical line					
	command is incorrect. This error is usually caused by specifying a thickness of zero.					
017	Not Defined.					
018	Not Defined.					
019	Not Defined.					
	BOX starting column SC out of bounds					
020	The left (starting) column specified by the third parameter in the box command places the box outside the form boundaries.					
	BOX starting row SR out of bounds					
021	The upper (starting) row of the box specified by the second parameter in the box command will place the box outside the boundaries of the form.					
	BOX ending column EC out of bounds					
022	The right (ending) column specified by the fifth parameter in the box command places the box outside the form boundaries.					
	BOX ending row ER out of bounds					
023	The lower (ending) row of the box specified by the fourth parameter in the box command will place the box outside the boundaries of the form.					

Error	Description
	BOX format or delimiter error in input parameters
024	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the parameters of the box command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:
	a. A missing semicolon;
	b. A colon in place of a semicolon;
	c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;
	d. Alpha characters instead of numeric characters in the parameters.
	Insufficient memory to store the BOX
025	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for another box. The rest of the box commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will then continue normally. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with box elements that are no longer required.
	BOX starting column SC > ending column EC
026	The left (starting) column parameter of the box command is greater than or equal to the right (ending) column parameter.
	BOX starting row SR > ending row ER
027	The upper (starting) row parameter of the box command is greater than or equal to the lower (ending) row parameter.
	BOX line thickness LT error
028	The thickness of the box specified by the first parameter in the box command is incorrect. This error is usually caused by specifying a thickness of zero.
	BOX radius index out of range
029	Box radius index out of range. The optional parameter, round corner radius index, specified by the last parameter in the box command is out of range.
	CORNER starting column SC out of bounds
030	The left (starting) column specified by the third parameter in the corner command places the corner outside the form boundaries.
	CORNER starting row SR out of bounds
031	The upper (starting) row of the corner specified by the second parameter in the corner command will place the corner outside the boundaries of the form.
	CORNER ending column EC out of bounds
032	The right (ending) column specified by the fifth parameter in the corner command places the corner outside the form boundaries.
	CORNER ending row ER out of bounds
033	The lower (ending) row of the corner specified by the fourth parameter in the corner command will place the corner outside the boundaries of the form.
034	CORNER horizontal length HL out of bounds
	The length of the horizontal arms of the corner specified by the seventh parameter in the corner command will cause parts of the corner to extend outside the form boundaries.
	CORNER vertical length VL out of bounds
035	The length of the vertical arms of the corner specified by the sixth parameter in the corner command will cause parts of the corner to extend above or below the boundaries of the form.

Error	Description
	CORNER format or delimiter error in input parameters
036	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the parameters of the corner command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:  a. A missing semicolon;  b. A colon in place of a semicolon;  c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;  d. Alpha characters instead of numeric characters in the parameters.
	Insufficient memory to store the CORNER
037	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for another corner. The rest of the corner commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will then continue normally. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with corner elements that are no longer required.
	CORNER starting column SC > ending column EC
038	The left (starting) column parameter of the corner command is greater than or equal to the right (ending) column parameter.
	CORNER starting row SR > ending row ER
039	The upper (starting) row parameter of the corner command is greater than or equal to the lower (ending) row parameter.
	ALPHA leading and trailing delimiters mismatched
040	The leading delimiter (printable character) of the actual text string was not matched with an ending delimiter before the line terminator was found.
	ALPHA starting row SR out of bounds
041	The starting row parameter in the Alpha command will cause the text string to print either above or below the limits of the form.
	<b>NOTE:</b> Expanded print text strings expand up from the specified row. This could cause an attempt to print the text string above the top of the form and generate the error message.
	ALPHA starting column SC out of bounds
042	The starting column parameter in the Alpha command is either extending the alpha string beyond the left margin of the form or the starting column parameter, plus the actual length of the text is extending the string beyond the right margin of the page.
0.40	ALPHA string length > 255 characters
043	The string contains more than 255 characters.
044	ALPHA format or delimiter error in input parameters
	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the parameters of the alpha command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:
	a. A missing semicolon;
	b. A colon in place of a semicolon;
	c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;
	d. Alpha characters instead of numeric characters in the parameters.

Error	Description
	Insufficient memory to store the ALPHA string
045	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for another alpha string. The rest of the Alpha commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing of the form will then continue normally. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with alpha string elements that are no longer required.
	ALPHA X expansion HE and Y expansion VE must be zero
046	When the expanded character parameters <i>VE</i> and <i>HE</i> are used within the ALPHA command, both values must be either zero or non-zero values. Use vertical expansion and horizontal expansion with 12-point font size only. If the elongated characters parameter [E] or the compressed characters parameter [Cn] is used in the ALPHA command, the <i>VE</i> and <i>HE</i> values must be set to 0.
	ALPHA X expansion factor HE out of bounds
047	The horizontal expansion factor is greater than the maximum allowed.
0.40	ALPHA Y expansion factor VE out of bounds
048	The vertical expansion factor is greater than the maximum allowed.
049	ALPHA compression factor Cn or Density error (10, 10A, 10B, 12, 13, 15, 17, 20) The optional compression parameter (Cn) which defines the horizontal pitch of the text was specified incorrectly. The pitches currently available are 10, 10A, 10B, 12, 13, 15, 17, and 20 cpi.
	LOGO horizontal width HL > 240 or dot col> HL
050	<ul> <li>a. The horizontal width of the logo is equal to zero or greater than 240. The IGP/PGL automatically reverts to Normal mode when this occurs.</li> </ul>
050	<ul> <li>A dot position specified in the logo program exceeds the specified horizontal width of the logo. When this occurs, the buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then logo construction continues normally.</li> </ul>
	LOGO vertical length VL > 252 or dot row n > VL
054	<ul> <li>a. The vertical length of the logo is equal to zero or greater than 252. The IGP/PGL automatically reverts to Normal mode when this occurs.</li> </ul>
051	<ul> <li>A dot row specified in the logo program exceeds the specified vertical length of the logo. When this occurs, the buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then logo construction continues normally.</li> </ul>
	LOGO hyphen syntax error in input parameters
052	The beginning or ending dots are out of order, or a parameter is missing. The buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then logo construction continues normally.
	Insufficient memory to create the LOGO
053	No more room exists in IGP/PGL memory to construct a logo for the size specified. When this occurs, the IGP/PGL automatically reverts to Normal mode. To create space in IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with logo elements (including the logos) that are no longer required.
	LOGO format or delimiter error
054	Some type of format or delimiter error was detected in the Logo command. If this occurs while specifying the size and name of the logo, the IGP/PGL automatically reverts to the Normal mode. If this occurs during the actual construction of the logo, the buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then logo construction continues normally.

Error	Description
	LOGO call not previously defined
055	An attempt was made in the Create Form mode to incorporate an undefined logo into a form. This error is not generated during the Logo Form mode. When this error occurs, the buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then forms creation continues normally.
	Insufficient memory for another LOGO call
056	IGP/PGL memory cannot store another logo call. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms with logo elements (including the logos) no longer required.
	LOGO call starting row SR out of bounds
057	During form creation, the parameter specifying the row position of a logo places the logo outside the form boundaries. The buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then processing continues normally.
	LOGO call starting column SC out of bounds
058	During form creation, the parameter specifying the column position of a logo places the logo outside the form boundaries. When this occurs, the buffer is flushed until a line terminator is found, and then processing continues normally.
	LOGO error found in DISK/FLASH file
059	When the logo was loaded dynamically in Execute Form mode from disk or flash, there was an error in processing the logo.
	Directory full - cannot CREATE the form or LOGO
060	The directory is full, or no more room exists in the IGP/PGL memory for another form. When this occurs, the IGP/PGL automatically reverts to the Normal mode. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms that are no longer required.
	CREATE function unrecognized
061	An unrecognizable command is entered during the Create Form mode. At this point, the buffer is flushed until a Stop command is found, and then processing continues.
	CREATE horizontal duplication parameter HDUP error
062	Either a format error was detected or a parameter was exceeded. The duplication number must be no greater than 255, and the offset must be no greater than 792 (dot scale). If this error occurs, the Horizontal Duplication command is ignored, and forms processing continues.
	CREATE vertical duplication parameter VDUP error
063	Either a format error was detected, or a parameter was exceeded. The duplication number must be no greater than 255 and the offset must be no greater than the specified length of the form. If this error occurs, the Vertical Duplication command is ignored, and forms processing continues.
	CREATE scale factor parameter SCALE invalid
064	Either a format error was detected, or a parameter was specified incorrectly. The vertical lines per inch can be specified as 1 to the target DPI. The horizontal characters per inch can be specified only as 10, 12, 13, 15, 17 or 20 cpi. If this error occurs, the Scale command is ignored and forms processing continues.
	CREATE page starting row PAGE SR out of bounds
065	When you specify the position of the page parameters with the Page command in the Create Form mode, the row position specified will place the page number above or below the boundaries of the form. When this error occurs, the IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode.

Error	Description
	CREATE page starting column PAGE SC out of bounds
066	When you specify the position of the page parameters in the Create command, the column position specified will place the page number outside the form boundaries. When this error occurs, the IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode.
	CREATE STOP command missing
067	This error occurs when the IGP/PGL receives a new function command, an End command, or a mode command without receiving a Stop command. The IGP/PGL will continue to process subsequent commands correctly.
	Insufficient memory to store the SETUP program
068	No more room in the IGP/PGL memory exists for storing the SETUP routine.
	Insufficient memory to store the form
069	The directory is full, or no more room exists in the IGP/PGL memory for another form. When this occurs, the IGP/PGL automatically reverts to the Normal mode. To create space in the IGP/PGL memory, delete forms that are no longer required.
	EXECUTE form count parameter FC error
070	This error occurs when the parameter specifying the number of blank forms to print was entered incorrectly. When this error occurs, the IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode. Form count can be from 1 through 65,535.
	EXECUTE/DELETE form or file not found in the directory
071	An attempt was made to execute or delete a form which does not exist in the forms directory. When this error occurs, the IGP/PGL reverts to the Normal mode.
	EXECUTE EVFU load error
072	This error is generated only during the Execute Form mode while programming the EVFU. If more channels than lines per physical page are specified during a load sequence, this error is generated, and the IGP/PGL automatically reverts to the Normal mode.
	EXECUTE EVFU terminator invalid
073	This error is generated only during the Execute Form mode. The EVFU LOAD is missing an END LOAD code. If the line terminator cannot be deciphered, an error is generated, and the IGP/PGL reverts to the Normal mode.
	Missing delimiter - must be a single quotation mark
074	When issuing an SFCC change command, the new SFCC character must be contained within two single quotation marks. If the new SFCC character is being identified by the ASCII value, no quotation marks are required.
075	Not Defined.
	EXECUTE page number error
076	An error was made while specifying the page number used with the form being executed. This error can be generated because of incorrect format or a page number that is too large. The specified page number can range from 0 through 99,999,999. Since the page number is part of the Execute command, the IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode.

Error	Description
	EXECUTE format or delimiter error
	A format or delimiter error was detected in the Execute command; the IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:
077	a. A missing semicolon;
077	b. A colon in place of a semicolon;
	c. Too many or too few parameters in the command string;
	d. Alpha characters instead of decimal digits in the parameters;
	e. Page command misspelled when specifying the page number.
	Insufficient memory to EXECUTE the form
078	Insufficient memory was available to recall and execute a form. The IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode.
079	Not Defined.
	Special function must be called from the NORMAL mode
080	This special function must be called from the Normal mode and not the Create Form or Execute Form mode. This error is generally due to a missing End command in the Create Form mode. For example, an attempt to enter the Create Form mode while executing a form will cause the IGP/PGL automatically to revert to the Normal mode.
	No such special function
081	The special function call was unrecognizable. The IGP/PGL will automatically revert to the Normal mode.
	Numeric value expected in input parameter
082	Characters other than numeric digits (0-9) are encountered where digits are expected.
	Decimal input error in input parameter
083	The parameter expected was a decimal number. Either the number was not there, or it was too large (greater than 65,535). This error can also be caused by entering an alpha character instead of a numeric character.
	Missing or wrong delimiter - must be a semicolon ;
084	The delimiter is either wrong or missing. The delimiter expected is a semicolon.
	Missing or wrong delimiter - must be a colon :
085	The delimiter is either wrong or missing. The delimiter expected is a colon.
	DENSITY param error - 10, 10A, 10B, 12, 13, 15, 17, or 20
086	The parameters of the Density command are improperly specified. The densities currently implemented are 10, 10A, 10B, 12, 13, 15, 17, and 20 characters per inch. The command is ignored and processing continues.
	LPI parameter error
087	The parameters of the LPI command are improperly specified. The allowable range is from 1 through 1000. The command is ignored and processing continues.
	BARCODE type not supported
088	The bar code type selected is a valid IGP/PGL bar code, but is not supported by this type of printer.

Error	Description
	EXPAND parameters out of bounds or format error
089	The parameters of the Expand command are improperly specified. Either the parameters are out of bounds, or some type of format error was detected. The command is ignored, and processing continues.
	Insufficient memory to store the BARCODE
090	No more room exists in the IGP/PGL memory for another bar code. The rest of the bar code commands are flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will then continue.
	ALPHA/BARCODE syntax error
	Some type of syntax (format) error was detected in the parameters of the bar code command. This error is usually caused by one or more of the following:  a. Misspelled keywords;
	b. Lowercase used;
091	c. A missing semicolon;
	<ul><li>d. A colon in place of a semicolon;</li><li>e. An ending delimiter for the data field was not found;</li></ul>
	e. An ending delimiter for the data field was not found;     f. Too many or too few parameters in the command string.
	The rest of the command line is flushed until the Stop command is found. Processing will
	then continue.
	BARCODE magnification factor MAG out of bounds or not allowed
092	The magnification factor specified in the bar code command is out of bounds. Refer to the applicable section in the Bar Codes chapter to determine the acceptable magnification values for the bar code symbol being used.
	BARCODE starting row SR out of bounds
093	The starting row parameter in the bar code command will cause the bar code symbol to print either above or below the limits of the form.
	BARCODE starting column SC out of bounds
094	The starting column parameter in the bar code command will cause the bar code symbol to print either beyond the left margin or the right margin of the form.
	BARCODE height Hn out of bounds
095	The height parameter specified in the bar code command is out of bounds. Acceptable values vary based on the barcode symbology. See Chapter 3 for the allowable height range.
	BARCODE data field has illegal character/format
096	A character in the data field was not recognized as an acceptable character. Refer to the applicable section in the Bar Codes chapter to determine the acceptable characters for the bar code symbol being used. The missing ending delimiter also causes this error.
	BARCODE data field too short or too long
097	The data field in the bar code command has too few or too many data characters. Refer to the applicable section in the Bar Codes chapter to determine the acceptable number of data characters for the bar code symbol being used.
	BARCODE symbol(s) exceeds the form length
098	The bar code command causes a bar code symbol to print below the limits of the form. This error occurs on the data field line of the bar code.

Error	Description
	BARCODE symbol(s) exceeds the form width
099	The bar code command causes a bar code symbol to print beyond the right margin. This error occurs on the data field line of the bar code.
100	BARCODE variable ratio 0 or not ascending
	BARCODE PDF not allowed or error - LOC: A or B - FONT: N, P, Q, R, T, V, O, X or S
101	The alternate font was selected for a barcode, an invalid parameter was used, or the selected height of the barcode cannot fit a PDF. Either the alternate font was selected for a barcode or an invalid parameter was used. Acceptable parameters must be "N" for the normal font, "O" for the OCR-A optional font, "X" for the OCR-B optional font, or "S" to suppress printing of the data field, "P" for 12 cpi, "Q" for 13 cpi, "R" for 15 cpi, "T" for 17 cpi, "V" for 20 cpi.
	Dynamic BARCODE symbol exceeds the form length
102	The bar code command with a dynamic data field exceeds the limits of the current form length.
400	Dynamic data must be inserted at Top-of-Form
103	Dynamic data must immediately follow the EXECUTE command before any overlay data.
	Dynamic BARCODE data field BFn not previously defined
104	Dynamic data field designated in the Execute Form mode was not defined in the Create Form mode.
	Dynamic ALPHA/BARCODE/LOGO field AFn/BFn/GFn error must be 0-512
105	Dynamic alpha field number (AF <i>n</i> ), bar code field number (BF <i>n</i> ), or logo field number (GF <i>n</i> ) must range from 0 through 512.
106	Dynamic BARCODE symbol exceeds the form width
	Dynamic ALPHA data field AFn not previously defined
107	The dynamic alpha field number called for was not previously defined in the Create Form mode.
108	BARCODE symbol check digit CD out of bounds
	Dynamic Alpha/BARCODE field longer than previously defined
109	The BARCODE data provided exceeds the maximum length for the bar code selected.
	SFCC decimal input error - must be 01 - 255
110	The hexadecimal value on the ASCII chart for the Special Function Control Code is not valid. Refer to page 121 to select a valid SFCC.
	REVERSE format error in input parameters
111	Re-enter the command with proper format.
140	REVERSE starting row SR/ending row ER out of bounds
112	Exceeds the value specified to reverse the element.
440	REVERSE starting SC/ending column EC out of bounds
113	Exceeds the value specified to reverse the element.
444	Insufficient memory to store the REVERSE element
114	Insufficient memory space available for reversed print requirements.
115	PDF417 barcode sizing parameter illegal or too small for data.

Error	Description
116	PDF417 security level has illegal value or format
117	Unusable or illegal raster data
118	Unsupported raster image type
119	Unsupported raster compression type
120	Dynamic LOGO data field GFn not previously defined.  Dynamic logo field designated in the Execute Form mode was not defined in the Create Form mode.
121	Not Defined.
122	EXECUTE form too wide for current page setting  The form was defined in one orientation while sent to print in another orientation. Use the debug slash (/) when creating a form to show which element is out of bounds.
123	EXECUTE form too long for current page setting  The form was defined in one orientation while sent to print in another orientation. Use the debug slash (/) when creating a form to show which element is out of bounds.
124	Not Defined.
125	Not Defined.
126	LFORMx form length parameter n error  The number of lines exceeds 66 (for 6 lpi) or 88 (for 8 lpi) lines when using the LFORMx command.
127	Not Defined.
128	FORM/LOGO name is not a legal file name  The file name exceeds the 15-character limitation, or an invalid character was used in the file name. Refer to IGP/PGL Command Standards in the Commands chapter.
129	Not Defined.
130	Not Defined.
131	Incremental STEPMASK parameter error A semicolon is missing after the STEPMASK data.
132	Incremental REPEAT/RESET parameter error  An illegal RPT or RST parameter value was found in the incremental command. The value must range from 1 through 65,535.
133	Incremental STEPMASK/STARTDATA length error The dynamic stepmask exceeded created field length or start data exceeded stepmask.
134	Incremental EXECUTE command error  An illegal IRST or ICNT parameter value was found in the Execute command. The value must range from 1 through 65,535.
135	Not Defined.
136	Incremental STEPMASK/STARTDATA mismatched The STARTDATA must be A-Z or 0-9, when the STEPMASK value is a value from 0-9.

Error	Description
137	Data Matrix barcode sizing parameter illegal or too small for data
138	Data Matrix barcode format ID parameter is illegal
139	Data Matrix barcode ECC type is illegal
140	PMODE or SMODE not the first command in the CREATE mode
141	PMODE or SMODE syntax error
142	PMODE or SMODE printer type PT parameter error
143	PMODE or SMODE scaling parameter error
144	PMODE or SMODE exit mode (EM) parameter error
145	PMODE entries exceeded - maximum = 8
146	Not Defined.
147	Not Defined.
148	Not Defined.
149	Not Defined.
150	ISET character selection parameter n error  An ISET character set selection parameter value between 0 and 31 or 1100 to 1103 was expected. Error was caused possibly by an invalid numeric value or an alpha character. See Chapter 5.
151	USET decimal input error in input parameter  The USET command was expecting a decimal parameter and either received none or received an alpha character.
152	USET character set n parameter error  A USET character set selection parameter value between 1 and 8 was expected. Error was caused possibly by an invalid numeric value or an alpha character.
153	USET substituted character illegal - must be 1 of 16  During character substitution in the USET command, the hex value for the character being replaced must be one of the specified 16 hex values. Only the following hex values ( <i>ca</i> ) can be replaced by another hex value ( <i>fa</i> ): 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 40, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 60, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E.
154	USET defined character illegal - must be hex 20-FF  During the USET command, the hex value for the substituted character (fa) must range between hex 20 and hex FF. The value given may be out of bounds.
155	USET syntax error - END command is expected An END command is expected when the USET character set definition is completed.
156	No such CONFIGURATION option
157	Left or Top/Bottom margin too large for the current page size
158	Invalid CONFIG parameter error - out of range
159	Download Data into Memory Module Failed

Error	Description
	FONT command or FONTLOAD parameter error
160	The FACE # parameter or FONTLOAD command is either missing a space between the parameter and its value, or a semicolon is missing between font parameters.
	Illegal FONT typeface value - must be resident
161	An illegal FONT typeface value was used. FONT typeface values range from 90000 through 99999, or 0 through 9999.
162	Illegal FONT bolding factor - must be ON(1) or OFF(0)
102	An illegal FONT bolding value was used. ON (or 1) or OFF (or 0) must be entered.
	Illegal FONT slant - must be LEFT (-1), OFF (0) or RIGHT (1)
163	An illegal FONT slant value was used. LEFT (or -1), OFF (or 0), or RIGHT (or 1) must be entered.
164	Illegal FONT point size - must be 4-999
104	An illegal FONT point size was used. Valid values range from 4 through 999.
	Illegal FONT symbol set value
165	An invalid SYMSET parameter value was used. Valid parameter values are 0 through 31 and 1100 to 1103.
166	Illegal FONT space value - must be 0, 1, 2 or 3
166	An illegal FONT space value was used. Only 0, 1, 2 or 3 constitute valid values.
167	Illegal FONT Block setting - must be 0, 1, 2, or 3
168	Not Defined.
169	Not Defined.
170	PAPER/CASSETTE command syntax error
170	This is a legacy parameter for the PAPER command.
171	Invalid PAPER parameter error - out of range or not supported
172	Illegal FONT name format, too long or not found
173	Insufficient memory for font download
174	Parameter out of bounds
175	Not Defined.
176	Not Defined.
177	Not Defined.
178	Not Defined.
179	Not Defined.
180	Australian 4-state barcode invalid FCC (2 digits)
181	Australian 4-state barcode invalid Sorting number (8 digits)
182	Australian 4-state barcode invalid Customer Data
183	Aztec barcode invalid parameters or data
184	RSS barcode composite data or parameters are invalid

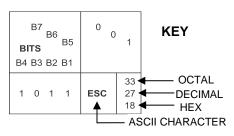
Error	Description
185	Not Defined.
186	Not Defined.
187	Not Defined.
188	Not Defined.
189	Not Defined.
190	RFID Command Syntax Error
191	Invalid RFID Data Length or tag field not supported
192	Out of Memory for RFID
193	Dynamic RFID data field RFn not previously defined
194	Non-hexadecimal digit in HEX or EPC data field
195	Invalid Data Length for EPC
196	Writing RFID data on write-protected tag
197	Writing RFID data beyond tag size
198	Dynamic RFID data longer than previously defined
199	Invalid RFID Data
200	Logo Length is longer than form length
201	Dynamic data field DFn not previously defined
202	VERIFY Command Syntax Error
203	Insufficient memory to store the VERIFY element
204	Dynamic data field DFn previously defined
205	CIRCLE format or delimiter error in input parameters
206	ELLIPSE format or delimiter error in input parameters
207	ELLIPSE/CIRCLE starting column SC out of bounds
208	ELLIPSSE/CIRCLE ending column EC out of bounds
209	ELLIPSE/CIRCLE starting row SR out of bounds
210	ELLIPSE/CIRCLE ending row ER out of bounds
211	ELLIPSE/CIRCLE border thickness LT error
212	Insufficient memory to store the ELLIPSE
213	Insufficient memory to store the CIRCLE
214	XML data stream element error
215	XML data stream attribute error
216	XML data stream data error
217	XML data stream syntax error
218	DIAGONAL format or delimiter error in input parameters

Error	Description
219	DIAGONAL starting column SC out of bounds
220	DIAGONAL ending column EC out of bounds
221	DIAGONAL starting row SR out of bounds
222	DIAGONAL ending row ER out of bounds
223	DIAGONAL border thickness LT error
224	Insufficient memory to store the DIAGONAL
225	QRCode: Invalid Barcode Model
226	QRCode: Invalid Error Correction Level
227	QRCode: Invalid Mask Number
228	QRCode: Invalid Data Entry Method
229	QRCode: Invalid Concatenation Mode
230	QRCode: Invalid Partition Number
231	QRCode: Invalid Total Partition Number
232	QRCode: Invalid Parity Data
233	SD card or Expanded Memory Cartridge is not installed or insufficient memory
234	Illegal PC value not complying with EPC length
235	RFWTAG PC field needs to be followed immediately by EPC field
236	The command is not supported.
237	Not Defined.
238	PDF417: Invalid data in Macro Control Block
239	RFID Block Permalock not supported for current Tag Type
240	MACRO name is not a legal file name or not found
241	Insufficient memory to store the MACRO
242	MACRO starting row SR is out of bounds
243	MACRO starting row SC is out of bounds
244	MACRO format error in input parameters

## A Data Formats

## **ASCII Set**

Table A.1 ASCII set encoding



B7 B6	6 B5	0 0	0	0 0	1	0 1	0	0 1	1	1 0	0	1 0	1	1 1	0	1 1	1
BITS  B4 B3 B2 B1 ROW		COLU		1		2		3		4		5	;	6		7	
0 0 0 0	0	NUL	0 0 0	DLE	20 16 10	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	@	100 64 40	Р	120 80 50		140 96 60	р	160 112 70
0 0 0 1	1	soн	1 1 1	DC1 (XON)	21 17 11	!	41 33 21	1	61 49 31	Α	101 65 41	Q	121 81 51	а	141 97 61	q	161 113 71
0 0 1 0	2	STX	2 2 2	DC2	22 18 12	"	42 34 22	2	62 50 32	В	102 66 42	R	122 82 52	b	142 98 62	r	162 114 72
0 0 1 1	3	ETX	3 3 3	DC3 (XOFF)	23 19 13	#	43 35 23	3	63 51 33	С	103 67 43	s	123 83 53	С	143 99 63	s	163 115 73
0 1 0 0	4	EOT	4 4 4	DC4	24 20 14	\$	44 36 24	4	64 52 34	D	104 68 44	Т	124 84 54	d	144 100 64	t	164 116 74
0 1 0 1	5	ENQ	5 5 5	NAK	25 21 15	%	45 37 25	5	65 53 35	E	105 69 45	U	125 85 55	е	145 101 65	u	165 117 75
0 1 1 0	6	ACK	6 6 6	SYN	26 22 16	&	46 38 26	6	66 54 36	F	106 70 46	٧	126 86 56	f	146 102 66	v	166 118 76
0 1 1 1	7	BEL	7 7 7	ЕТВ	27 23 17	•	47 39 27	7	67 55 37	G	107 71 47	W	127 87 57	g	147 103 67	w	167 119 77
1 0 0 0	8	BS	10 8 8	CAN	30 24 18	(	50 40 28	8	70 56 38	Н	110 72 48	X	130 88 58	h	150 104 68	x	170 120 78
1 0 0 1	9	нт	11 9 9	EM	31 25 19	)	51 41 29	9	71 57 39	_	111 73 49	Y	131 89 59		151 105 69	у	171 121 79
1010	10	LF	12 10 0 A	SUB	32 26 1A	*	52 42 2A	••	72 58 3A	J	112 74 4A	Z	132 90 5A	j	152 106 6A	z	172 122 7A
1 0 1 1	11	VT	13 11 0 B	ESC	33 27 1B	+	53 43 2B	;	73 59 3B	K	113 75 4B	[	133 91 5B	k	153 107 6B	{	173 123 7B
1 1 0 0	12	FF	14 12 0 C	FS	34 28 1C	,	54 44 2C	٧	74 60 3C	L	114 76 4C	١	134 92 5C	-	154 108 6C	I	174 124 7C
1 1 0 1	13	CR	15 13 0 D	GS	35 29 1D	•	55 45 2D	II	75 61 3D	М	115 77 4D	]	135 93 5D	m	155 109 6D	}	175 125 7D
1 1 1 0	14	so	16 14 0 E	RS	36 30 1E		56 46 2E	>	76 62 3E	N	116 78 4E	٨	136 94 5E	n	156 110 6E	~	176 126 7E
1 1 1 1	15	SI	17 15 0 F	US	37 31 1F	1	57 47 2F	?	77 63 3F	0	117 79 4F	_	137 95 5F	o	157 111 6F	DEL	177 127 7F

## 6-bit Character Set

PGL supports 6-bit direct encoding according to ISO 17360 and other specifications. See table below for encoding conversion.

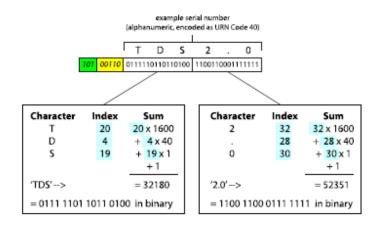
Table A.2 – 6-bit Encoding

Space	100000	0	110000	@	000000	P	010000
EOT	100001	1	110001	A	000001	Q	010001
Reserved	100010	2	110010	В	000010	R	010010
FS	100011	3	110011	С	000011	s	010011
u <sub>s</sub>	100100	4	110100	D	000100	Т	010100
Reserved	100101	5	110101	Е	000101	U	010101
Reserved	100110	6	110110	F	000110	v	010110
Reserved	100111	7	110111	G	000111	W	010111
(	101000	8	111000	Н	001000	X	011000
)	101001	9	111001	I	001001	Y	011001
*	101010	:	111010	J	001010	Z	011010
+	101011	;	111011	К	001011	]	011011
,	101100	<	111100	L	001100	١	011100
-	101101	=	111101	М	001101	]	011101
	101110	>	111110	N	001110	GS	011110
/	101111	?	111111	О	001111	R <sub>S</sub>	011111

### **URN Code 40 Character Set**

PGL supports URN Code 40 direct encoding according to ISO/IEC 18000-63 The variable length URN Code 40 method uses 16 bits for each set of 3 characters. The length of the string must be known. The Figure below shows how the calculation is done with examples.

Figure A.1 Example URN Encoding



See Table A.3 for encoding conversion index values.

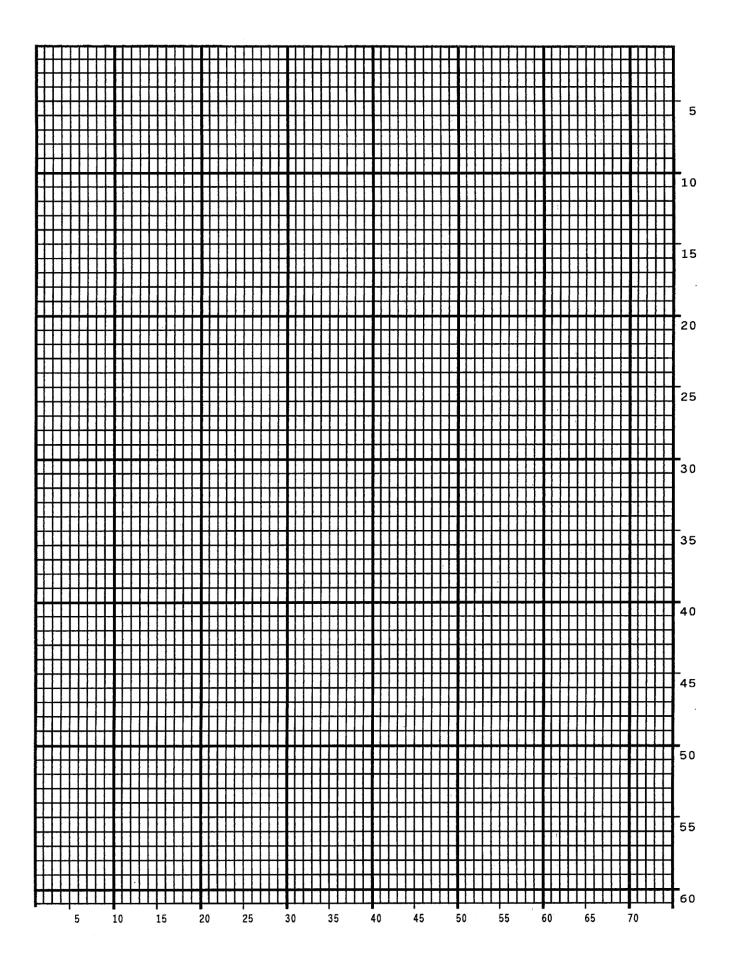
Table A.3 – URN Code 40 character set conversion index map

Graphic Symbol	Name	HEX Code	8-bit code	URN Code 40 (decimal)
' '	PAD			0
Α	Capital letter A	41	01000001	1
В	Capital letter B	42	01000010	2
С	Capital letter C	43	01000011	3
D	Capital letter D	44	01000100	4
Е	Capital letter E	45	01000101	5
F	Capital letter F	46	01000110	6
G	Capital letter G	47	01000111	7
Н	Capital letter H	48	01001000	8
I	Capital letter I	49	01001001	9
J	Capital letter J	4A	01001010	10
K	Capital letter K	4B	01001011	11
L	Capital letter L	4C	01001100	12
M	Capital letter M	4D	01001101	13
N	Capital letter N	4E	01001110	14
0	Capital letter O	4F	01001111	15
Р	Capital letter P	50	01010000	16
Q	Capital letter Q	51	01010001	17
R	Capital letter R	52	01010010	18
S	Capital letter S	53	01010011	19
Т	Capital letter T	54	01010100	20
U	Capital letter U	55	01010101	21
V	Capital letter V	56	01010110	22
W	Capital letter W	57	01010111	23
X	Capital letter X	58	01011000	24
Y	Capital letter Y	59	01011001	25
Z	Capital letter Z	5A	01011011	26
_	Hyphen-Minus	2D	00101101	27
	Full stop	2E	00101110	28
:	Colon	3A	00101110	29
0	Digit zero	30	00110000	30
1	Digit one	31	00110001	31
2	Digit two	32	00110010	32
3	Digit three	33	00110011	33
4	Digit four	34	00110100	34
5	Digit five	35	00110101	35
6	Digit six	36	00110110	36
7	Digit seven	37	00110111	37
8	Digit eight	38	00111000	38
9	Digit nine	39	00111001	39

## B Grid Programs And Samples

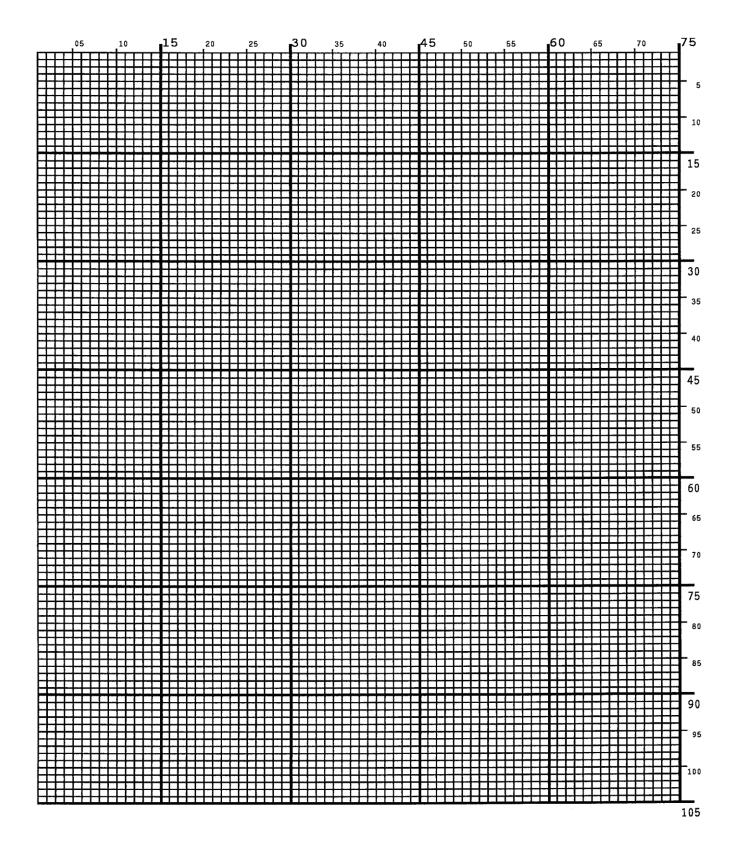
**The Standard Grid.** The standard grid is used for form design. The program for the standard grid is listed below, and a sample of the standard grid follows on the next page. Photocopy the grid provided or enter the grid program and make your own printout.

```
-CREATE; GRID
HDUP: 75:1
VERT
1;1;1:61
STOP
HDUP; OFF
HDUP: 7:10
VERT
1:5:1:61.5
2;10;1;61.5
STOP
HDUP: OFF
VERT
2:75:1:61.5
STOP
VDUP:61:1
HORZ
1:1:1:75
STOP
VDUP: OFF
VDUP:6:10
HORZ
1;5;1;76
2:10:1:76
STOP
VDUP; OFF
VERT
2;1;1;61.3
STOP
HORZ
2:1:1:75
STOP
VDUP:12:5
ALPHA
I:5.5:76:0:0:05:" 5"
STOP
VDUP: OFF
HDUP: 14:5
ALPHA
C15; I; 61.9; 5; 0; 0; 05; "5"
STOP
HDUP: OFF
END
~EXECUTE; GRID; 1
```



**The Logo Grid**. The program for a logo grid is listed below and the sample grid follows. It is not the full size logo grid; the grid can measure up to 240 columns wide by 252 rows high for a logo 4 x 3.5 inches. Photocopy the grid or enter the grid program to obtain a printout.

```
~CREATE: LOGOGRID
HDUP: 75:1
VERT
1;4;4;56
STOP
HDUP; OFF
HDUP:5:15
ALPHA
C17; I; 3; 8.2; 0; 0; 15; "05"
C17:I:3:13.2:0:0:15:"10"
I:3:18.2:0:0:15:"15"
STOP
VERT
2;18;3.5;56
1;8;3.9;56
1:13:3.9:56
STOP
HDUP: OFF
VDUP; 105; 0.6
HORZ
1;4;4;78
STOP
VDUP; OFF
VDUP:7:7.6
ALPHA
C17:I:5.11:79:0:0:015:" 5"
C17; I; 8.6; 79; 0; 0; 015; " 10"
C13; I; 11.5; 78.2; 0; 0; 015; "15"
STOP
HORZ
2;10.11;4;79.5
1:6:4:79
1;8.6;4;79
STOP
VDUP: OFF
END
~EXECUTE: LOGOGRID: 1
```



## C Vertical Paper Motion

#### Introduction

There are three methods of advancing the print position with the IGP/PGL which are explained in this appendix:

- 1. Using line feeds or form feeds;
- 2. Using the paper instruction (PI) line; or
- 3. Using the Electronic Vertical Format Unit (EVFU).

Print position is adjusted by vertical paper motion down the page. Because no paper motion occurs during forms creation in thermal printers, advancing the print position refers to cursor movement down the page according to positioning commands received by the host. Throughout this appendix, the term advancing the print position will be used to generically refer to this concept of cursor movement/vertical paper motion.

#### **Paper Motion Using Line Feeds and Form Feeds**

The most common method of advancing the print position with IGP/PGL is through the use of line feeds and form feeds. A line feed moves the print position down a distance determined by the current line spacing (lpi). In the Normal mode, a form feed character advances the print position to the top of the next page; in the Execute mode, a form feed advances the print position to the top of the next form. Form length is determined by the CREATE command.

#### Paper Motion using the PI Line (Relative Line Slewing)

The method of moving the print position using the PI line results in vertical slews of a specified number of lines relative to the current print position (rather than slewing to a specific line). For this to occur, the following criteria must be met:

- 1. The PI line must be enabled and set high; and
- 2. Data bit 5 must be 1 (set).

When a number of blank lines will be skipped on a form, (called "paper slewing") another method of paper motion may be used. The PI signal can be detected by the IGP/PGL as the 8th data bit in a serial interface, or a separate input line in a parallel interface. (Refer to the EN-PI/DIS-PI command and the PION/PIOFF command on page 86 and page 86 in the Commands chapter, respectively.) When the PI signal is used, bits 6 and 7 are interpreted as 0 values, and characters hex 10 through 1F are interpreted as binary slew commands.

The binary slew commands can skip from 1 through 15 or 1 through 16 lines on the form, depending on how the Slew Range configuration option is configured. Refer to Table 56which illustrates how lines are skipped for each value. (Note that the state of data bit 5 is the difference between line slewing and using the interface lines as EVFU channel codes.) This type of vertical paper motion occurs whenever the line slewing command is used regardless of whether the EVFU memory is loaded or not.

**Table 56 Line Slewing** 

ASCII				Data Bits							Slew Range Configuration	
Hex	Dec	Code	8*	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	1
10	16	DLE	1	Х	Χ	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
11	17	DC1	1	Х	Х	1	0	0	0	1	2	1
12	18	DC2	1	Χ	Χ	1	0	0	1	0	3	2
13	19	DC3	1	Χ	Χ	1	0	0	1	1	4	3
14	20	DC4	1	Х	Χ	1	0	1	0	0	5	4
15	21	NAK	1	Х	Χ	1	0	1	0	1	6	5
16	22	SYN	1	Χ	Χ	1	0	1	1	0	7	6
17	23	ETB	1	Χ	Χ	1	0	1	1	1	8	7
18	24	CAN	1	Χ	Χ	1	1	0	0	0	9	8
19	25	EM	1	Χ	Χ	1	1	0	0	1	10	9
1A	26	SUB	1	Х	Χ	1	1	0	1	0	11	10
1B	27	ESC	1	Χ	Χ	1	1	1	1	1	12	11
1C	28	FS	1	Χ	Χ	1	1	1	0	0	13	12
1D	29	GS	1	Χ	Χ	1	1	1	0	1	14	13
1E	30	RS	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	15	14
1F	31	US	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	16	15
X = Undefined, 0 or 1					1 = Hi	gh				0 = Low		

**NOTE:** \*The ASCII values in Table 56assume that all undefined bits are set to 0. When the PI line is enabled, data bit 8 is the PI line on a serial interface, and data bit 8 is undefined on a parallel interface.

## D Contact Information

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#### **IMPORTANT**

Please have the following information available prior to calling the TSC | Printronix Auto ID Customer Support Center:

- Model number
- Serial number (located on the back of the printer)
- Installed options (i.e., interface and host type if applicable to the problem)
- Configuration printout: Refer to the Administrator's Manual.
- Is the problem with a new install or an existing printer?
- Description of the problem (be specific)
- Good and bad pictures that clearly show the problem (faxing or emailing of these pictures may be required)

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