



User Manual

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1 Introduction

Thank you very much for purchasing TSC barcode printer.

Print receipts and tickets on demand and on the go with TSC's Alpha-3R, a cost-effective 3-inch mobile receipt printer. The Alpha-3R printer is designed for durability, featuring an IP54-rated protective case to resist dust and water. It is comfortable to wear for a full shift without interfering with the user's tasks.

Through multiple interfaces (mini type USB 2.0, RS-232, Bluetooth, and 802.11 a/b/g/n Wi-Fi), users can connect Alpha-3R to a computer or smartphone and print clear easy-to-read receipts hour after hour.

This document provides an easy reference for operating this printer. TSC printers include the Windows labeling software for creating your label template. For system integration, the TSPL/TSPL2 printer programming manual or SDKs can be found on TSC website at: <u>https://www.tscprinters.com</u>.

1.1 Specifications

Model	Alpha-3R
Resolution	8 dots/mm (203 dpi)
Printing Method	Direct Thermal
Max. Print Speed	Up to 102 mm (4") per second
Max. Print Width	72 mm (2.83")
Max. Print Length	2,286 mm (90")
Enclosure	Plastic with rubber over-molded construction
Physical Dimension	116 mm (W) x 148 mm (H) x 70 mm (D) 4.57" (W) x 5.83" (H) x 2.75" (D)
Weight (Including Battery)	550 g (1.212 lbs)
Drop Specification	1.5 m (5 ft)
IP Rating	IP54 (with protective case)
Max. Roll Capacity	 Receipt: 57 mm (2.25") outer diameter Label: 55 mm (2.16") outer diameter
Processor	32-bit RISC CPU
Memory	 8 MB SDRAM 4 MB Flash memory
Connectivity	 mini USB 2.0 802.11 a/b/g/n Wireless (factory option) Bluetooth (factory option) RS-232 (user option)
Power	Two-cell, 7.4V DC, 2500mAh Li-ion rechargeable battery
User Interface	 3 buttons (Power On/Off, Feed Paper, and Open Media Cover) Battery status LED x3 Printer status LED x1 Wireless connection LED x1

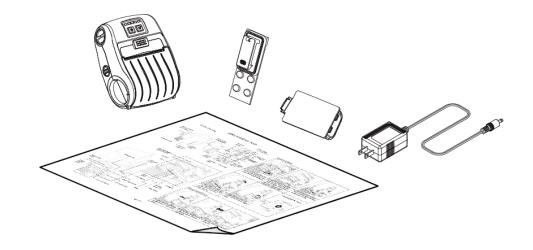
Model	Alpha-3R
Sensors	Reflective sensorHead open sensor
Internal Fonts	 8 alpha-numeric bitmap fonts One Monotype Imaging® CG Triumvirate Bold Condensed scalable font
Barcode	 1D barcode Code 39, Code 93, Code128UCC, Code128 subsets A.B.C, Codabar, Interleave 2 of 5, EAN-8, EAN-13, EAN- 128, UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN and UPC 2(5) digits add-on, MSI, PLESSEY, POSTNET, China POST, GS1 Data bar 2D barcode PDF-417, Maxicode, DataMatrix, QR code, Aztec
Printer Language	TSPL-EZ (EPL2, ZPL2), ESC-POS or CPCL emulation
Media Type	Receipt paper, receipt paper with black mark in printing side & selected label
Media Width	 Receipt: 50.8 mm - 80 mm (2" - 3.15") Label: 50.8 mm - 78 mm (2" - 3.07")
Media Thickness	 Receipt: 0.0508 mm - 0.1016 mm (2 mil - 4 mil) Label: Up to 0.14 mm (5.5 mil)
Media Height	Label: Min. 25.4 mm (1")
Environment Condition	 Operation: -10°C to 50°C (-14°F to 122°F), 10% - 90% non-condensing Storage: -40°C to 60°C (-40°F to 140°F), 10% - 90% non-condensing
Accessories	 Quick start guide x1 Belt clip x1 Li-ion battery x1 Power adaptor x1
Factory Options	 802.11 a/b/g/n Wi-Fi Bluetooth MFi Bluetooth

Model	Alpha-3R
User Options	 Mini type USB 2.0 USB to RS-232 converter cable Li-ion battery 1-slot battery charger 4-slot battery charger IP54-rated protective case with shoulder strap 12-24V DC vehicle power adaptor 12-60V DC vehicle power adaptor 12-60V DC vehicle open end power adaptor

2 Unpacking and Inspecting

The printer has been specially packaged to withstand damage during shipment. Retaining the packaging materials is recommended in case you need to ship the printer. When unpacking, ensure that you have received all the following items:

- Barcode printer x1
- Li-ion battery x1
- Quick installation guide x1
- Auto-switching AC adapter x1
- Belt clip x1



NOTE: If anything is missing or damaged, please contact the customer service department of your reseller or distributor.

3 Getting to Know Your Printer

3.1 Front View



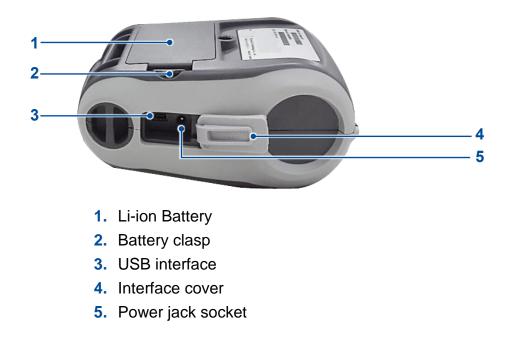
- 6 Madia baldar adjustment k
- 6. Media holder adjustment knob

3.2 Inner View



- 1. Platen roller
- 2. Media holder
- 3. Tear bar
- 4. Printhead
- 5. Black mark sensor

3.3 Bottom & Rear View



4 Setting up the Printer

4.1 Installing the Battery



1. Install the battery into its compartment as indicated.

Press down the battery to lock the battery in place.
 WARNING: DO NOT throw the battery in fire. DO NOT short circuits the battery terminals. DO NOT disassemble the battery.
 NOTE: Follow the regulations in your region/country when disposing the battery.

4.2 Charging the Battery

It takes about 2 to 3 hours to fully charge the battery for the first time. The battery lifetime is about 300 charge/discharge cycles.

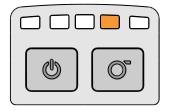
The battery's normal working temperature is from 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F). The device and battery charger are designed to charge battery in a safe and optimized manner. If charging the battery at high temperatures, e.g. approximately 40°C (104°F), or charging the battery with printer being turned on, the printer or battery charger may stop charging for a period of time to maintain the battery at acceptable temperatures.

4.2.1 Battery Installed in the Printer



1. Open the interface cover and then insert the supplied power connector into the power jack socket.





Insert the power plug into the power outlet socket.
 IMPORTANT: Before inserting the power cable connector into the socket, please turn off the printer. DO NOT remove the battery from the printer when charging the battery; otherwise, you need to remove and re-insert the power cable.

The battery status LED will remain solid amber until the battery reaches fully charged. Once fully charged, the LED will turn off and the printer will automatically stop charging.

4.2.2 Charging via the Battery Charger Station (optional)



1. Insert the power cable connector into the power jack socket on the charger station.

2. Install the battery in the charger station.

3. Insert the power plug into a power outlet socket.

Charger LED Status	Description
Green / Solid	Battery is fully charged.
Red / Solid	Battery is charging.
Red / Blinking	charging error
0#	No battery
Off	Battery is fully charged and is not removed from the charger after 2 hours.

4.2.3 Charging via the Vehicle Power Adapter (optional)



1. Open the interface cover and then insert the power cable connector into the power jack socket on the printer.

2. Insert the vehicle power adapter into cigarette lighter socket on your car.

4.3 Setting up the Connection

4.3.1 Wired Connection

USB to USB Cable



USB to RS-232 Cable



- 1. Open the printer's interface cover.
- 2. Insert the mini USB connector to the printer.
- 3. Insert the other end of the USB cable to your computer.

- 1. Open the printer's interface cover.
- 2. Insert the mini USB connector to the printer.
- 3. Insert the RS-232 connector to your computer.

4.3.2 Connection via Bluetooth (optional)

Def	ault
Name	RF-BHS
PIN	0000

Refer to the section "**Setting up Bluetooth**" to configure Bluetooth for the printer.

4.4 Loading the Media



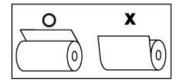
1. Press the media cover release button to open the media cover.

2. Rotate the knob to separate the media holders based on the width of the media ensuring that the media holder overlaps the black line.

NOTE: The media holder must NOT overlap the two dots on the black line.



3. Load the media as illustrated and then pull out the media until the media extends out of the tear edge.



- 4. Press to close the media cover.
- 5. Use TSC Console utility to perform a calibration for the media in use.

NOTE: Performing a calibration is required when using other types of labels or loading a new media roll.

5 Using Accessories

5.1 Installing the Belt Clip



1. Thread the belt clip through under the bar on the rear side of the printer.

2. Align and press the snap buttons to secure the belt clip in place.

5.2 Using the IP54 Case with Shoulder Strap (optional)



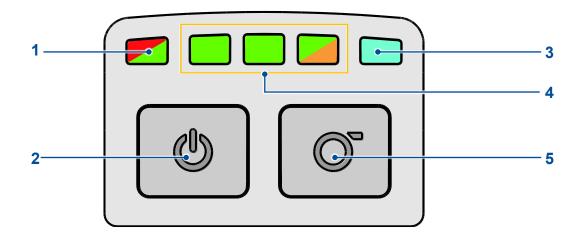
1. Open the case cover.

2. Slide the printer into the case.

3. Open the transparent cover and print your labels.

6 Operator Interface

6.1 LED Indicators and Buttons



No.	Name & Icon	Status	Description
		Off	The printer is turned on and ready.
1	Printer status LED	Green (blinking)	The printer is in pause state.
1		Red (solid)	The media cover is opened.
		Red (blinking)	The printer is encountering errors.
2	Power button		es and hold for 2 - 3 seconds to turn on the printer. The hold for 2 - 3 seconds to turn off the printer.
3	Wireless connection status LED	Blue (solid)	The wireless connection is ready.
3		Blue (blinking)	The wireless device is communicating.

No.	Name & Icon	Sta	itus	Description
		Green (blinking)		The battery power is low. Please recharge the battery.
		Amber (solid)		The battery is charging.
4	Battery status LED			Indicates that the battery power level is 100%.
		Green (solid)		Indicates that the battery power level is 66%.
				Indicates that the battery power level is 33%.
5	Feed / Pause button	When the printe	er is ready, press to er is printing, press e the print activities	to pause the print activities. When the printer is paused,

6.2 Power-on Utilities

The printer features a set of utilities which provides quick access to the printer's mostly used functions.

Follow the procedures below to launch the power-on utilities and select the function you need.

- 1. Turn off the printer.
- 2. Press and hold \bigcirc and then press the power button to turn on the printer. Keep holding \bigcirc . The LED indicator on the control panel will start blinking in a sequence of patterns that indicates which function is going to be activated.
- 3. When the LED indicator blinks in the pattern which indicates the function you need, release \circ . The Power-on Utilities will run the function you select.

The table below describes the sequence of the patterns and their corresponding functions.

	LED Color & Pattern					
See	quence & Function	(Solid)	(5 blinks)	(5 blinks)	(5 blinks)	(solid)
1	Media Sensor Calibration		release			
2	Self-Test and enters Dump Mode.			release		
3	Factory Default				release	

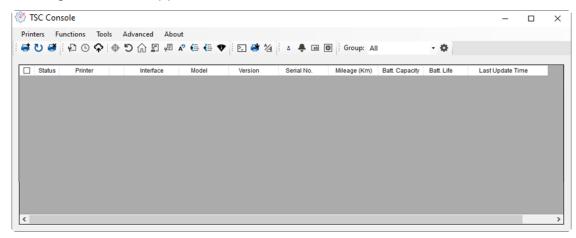
7 TSC Console

Designed especially for the TSC printers, **TSC Console** enables users to deploy, manage, monitor, and troubleshoot both wired or wireless connections to one or a group of printers. **TSC Console** lowers IT costs and increases printer uptime with convenient outof-the-box installation and a simplified Windows graphical user interface. It enhances robustness through integrated management capabilities and ensures that printers are available, reliable, and serviceable at all times.

7.1 Launching TSC Console

Follow the steps below to launch TSC Console:

1. Double click the **TSC Console** icon on the desktop of your computer to launch **TSC Console**. After launching **TSC Console**, the following screen will appear.



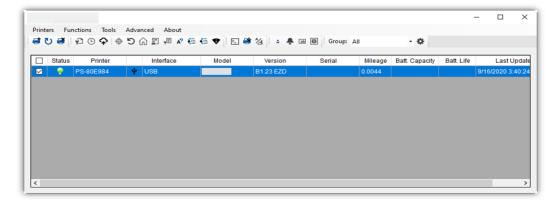
2. Select **Printers > Add Printers** to add the new printer to the **TSC Console** main page.



3. Select the connection based on how the printer is connected to your computer and then select **OK** to add the printer. **NOTE:** The image below shows that the printer is connected to a computer via the USB cable.

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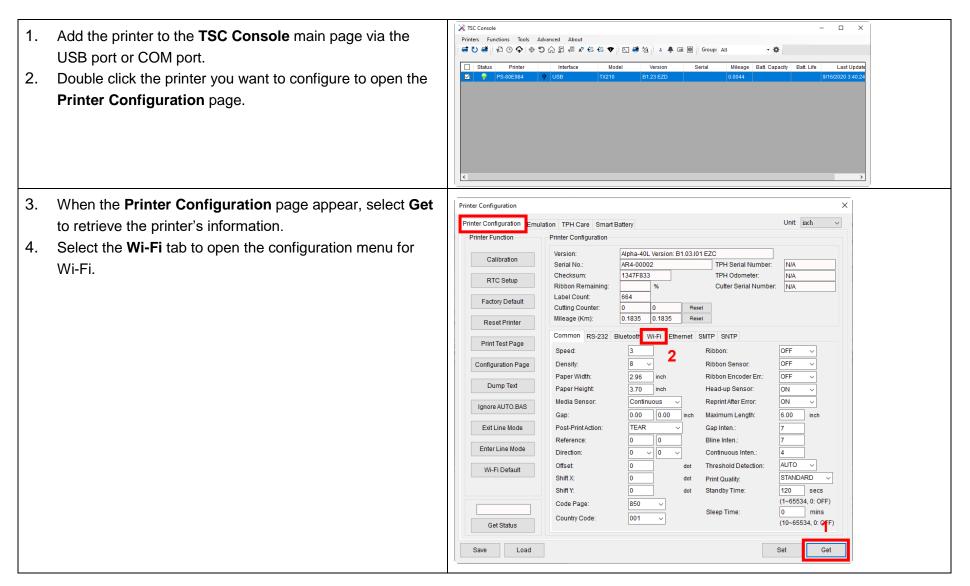
4. Select and start configuring the printer.



NOTE: You may refer to **TSC Console Programming Manual** for further information.

7.2 Adding Wi-Fi Interface

It allows users to add Wi-Fi interface to the **TSC Console** main page and enables users to control the printer through a wireless network. Follow the steps below to add Wi-Fi interface to the **TSC Console** main page:



When using the WPA-Personal encryption:

- (1) Enter the network name in the SSID field.
- (2) Select WPA-Personal in the WLAN Encryption field.
- (3) Enter the Wi-Fi network password in the Key field.
- (4) Set DHCP to ON. If DHCP is set to OFF, you need to specify information for the IP Address, Subnet Mask, and Gateway fields.
- (5) Select **Set** to finish the configuration.

NOTE: The fields marked in yellow indicate that information in the fields have been changed before selecting **Set** to finish the configuration.

NOTE: Users are also allowed to change the name for the printer and raw port in the **Printer Name** field and **Raw Port** field.

When using the WPA-Enterprise encryption:

- (1) Enter the network name in the SSID field.
- (2) Select WPA-Enterprise in the WLAN Encryption field.
- (3) Set DHCP to ON. If DHCP is set to OFF, you need to specify information for the IP Address, Subnet Mask, and Gateway fields.
- (4) Select EAP type in the **EAP Type** field.
- (5) Upload certificate and key for the CA Certificate, Client Certificate, and Private Key field respectively.
- (6) Select **Set** to finish the configuration.

NOTE: The fields marked in yellow indicate that information in the fields have been changed before selecting **Set** to finish the configuration.

NOTE: Users are also allowed to change the name for the printer and raw port in the **Printer Name** field and **Raw Port** field.

SSID:	SSID_1	EAP Type:	×	
WLAN Encryption:	WPA-Personal ~	Username:		
Key:	••••	Password:		
DHCP:	ON ~ 1		File Name	Browse
IP Address:		CA Certificate:		
Subnet Mask:	0.0.0.0	Client Certificate:		
Gateway:		Private Key:		
Primary DNS IP:		EAP-FAST PAC:		
Secondary DNS IP:				
Raw Port:	9100			
Printer Name:	PS-FF153C	Wi-Fi Version:	3.7.1.0R6	
MAC Address:	00:1B:82:FF:15:3C	RSSI:	0	
			•	
			2	
			Set	Get
ommon RS-232 E	Bluetooth Wi-Fi Eth	ernet SMTP SNTP		Get
		ernet SMTP SNTP		Get
		ernet SMTP SNTP EAP Type:		Get
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID:				Get
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption:	SSID_2	EAP Type: Username: Password:		Get
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~	EAP Type: Username:		Get
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~	EAP Type: Username: Password:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~ •••••• ON ~ 1	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address: Subnet Mask:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~ •••••• ON ~ 1	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate: Client Certificate:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address: Subnet Mask: Gateway:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~ •••••• ON ~ 1	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate: Client Certificate: Private Key:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address: Subnet Mask: Gateway: Primary DNS IP: Secondary DNS IP:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ~ •••••• ON ~ 1	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate: Client Certificate: Private Key:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address: Subnet Mask: Gateway: Primary DNS IP: Secondary DNS IP: Raw Port:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise ●●●●●● ON ✓ 0.0.0.0	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate: Client Certificate: Private Key:		
Built-in Wi-Fi Module SSID: WLAN Encryption: Key: DHCP: IP Address: Subnet Mask: Gateway: Primary DNS IP:	SSID_2 WPA-Enterprise •••••• ON 1 0.0.0.0 9100	EAP Type: Username: Password: 2 CA Certificate: Client Certificate: Private Key: EAP-FAST PAC:	File Name	

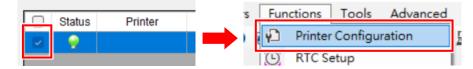
5.	After selecting Set to finish the configuration, the message will appear on the screen and the printer will re-start	Please Wait					
	automatically.			Please w	/ait as ti	this may take a few seconds	
6.	After the printer re-starts, the Wi-Fi IP address will appear in the IP address field.						
NO	TE: The IP address should appear in the field from 5 to 15						
	onds after the printer re-starts. If the IP address does not						
	appear, initialize the printer's Wi-Fi module and then re-						
con	figure the Wi-Fi connection.						
7.	Remove the interface cable.	Add Printers			×		
8.	Go to the TSC Console main page, select Printers > Add Printers and then select Network to add the printer.				لع ال	Broadcast Broadcast D.0.0.0 Subnet First IP Address Last IP Address +	
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		O LPT	L	PT1	\sim		
		Network	ork	1			
						Discover 4.	
				ок 2	2	Printer firmware version before A.12 and Alpha-2R/3R/4L, TDM series can only be discovered through "IP Address" option.	

9. Go to the TSC Console main page.	Functions Tools Advanced
10. Select and then double click the printer.	C RTC Setup
11. Select Functions > Print Test Page to check if you can	Calibration
print the test page via the Wi-Fi connection.	5 Reset Printer
	G Factory Default
	Print Test Page
	🖉 Configuration Page
	A ² Ignore AUTO.BAS
	🗧 Enter Line Mode
	Exit Line Mode
	Wi-Fi Default

7.3 Configuring Bluetooth

Follow the steps below to configure Bluetooth for your printer:

- 1. Add the printer to the **TSC Console** main page via the USB port or COM port. For how to add the printer to the **TSC Console** main page, please refer to Launching TSC Console.
- 2. Double click the printer you want to configure to open the **Printer Configuration** page.



3. Select the **Bluetooth** tab. Press the **Get** button to read the Bluetooth configuration.

Common	RS-232	Bluetooth	Wi-Fi	Ethernet	802.1X	SMTP S	NTP		
Built-in	Bluetooth	Information							
BTI	Name:			BT Name	e		1		
BT	Pair Mode	:		LEGACY		~			
BT	Pin Code:			0000					
BT	MAC Addr	ess:		DC0D30	F1DA88				
BT	Version:			2.0.9					
Externa	I Bluetoot	h Module		s	Setup		-		
xPico27	70 Module								
			Enable	BT		Disable E	эт		
								Set	Get

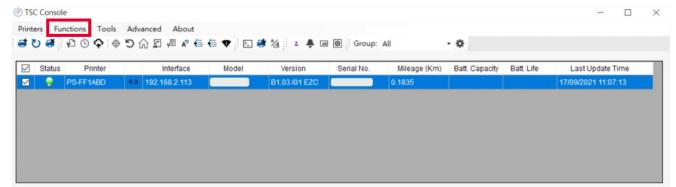
- 4. Enter the new Bluetooth local name or Bluetooth PIN code in the field. The field will be marked in yellow when the value is revised.
- 5. Press the **Set** button to set the new Bluetooth name or Bluetooth PIN code.

Press the **Get** button to confirm that the new settings have been correctly written into the printer.

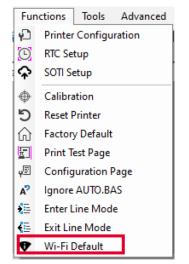
Common RS-232 Bluetooth Wi-Fi Ethernet 802.1X SM	ITP SNTP	Common RS-232 Bluetooth Wi-F	Ethernet 802.1X SMTP SNTP			
Built-in Bluetooth Information		Built-in Bluetooth Information				
BT Name:		BT Name:				
BT Pair Mode: LEGACY ~		BT Pair Mode:	LEGACY ~			
BT Pin Code: 1234		BT Pin Code:	1234			
BT MAC Address: DC0D30F1DA88		BT MAC Address:	DC0D30F1DA88			
BT Version: 2.0.9		BT Version:	2.0.9			
External Bluetooth Module Setup		External Bluetooth Module	Setup			
xPico270 Module Enable BT Dis	sable BT	xPico270 Module	Disable BT			
	Set Get		Set Get			

7.4 Initializing Printer's Wi-Fi Settings

- 1. Go to the **TSC Console** main page.
- 2. Select the **Functions** tab.



3. Select Wi-Fi Default to restore the Wi-Fi settings to factory default values.



7.5 Printer's Main Functions

The function buttons are located on the left side of the **Printer Configuration** page. You can use the function buttons to manage and configure the printer.

nter Configuration Emul	lation TPH Care Smart E	Battery				Unit:	mm
Printer Function	Printer Configuration						
Calibration	Version:	Alpha-40L	(R) Versio	n: B1.10	.7 EZC		
	Serial No.:	A40L2144	10027		TPH Serial Number:	N/A	
RTC Setup	Checksum:	13C9929	В		TPH Odometer:	N/A	
	Ribbon Remaining:		%		Cutter Serial Number:	N/A	
Factory Default	Label Count: Cutting Counter:	0	0	Rese			
Reset Printer	Mileage (Km):	0.0034	0.0034	Rese			
Print Test Page	Common RS-232 E	Bluetooth N	Ni-Fi Ethe	ernet S	MTP SNTP		
T init restri age	Speed:	3	7		Ribbon	OFF	~
Configuration Page	Density:	8	1		Ribbon Sensor:	OFF	~
D	Paper Width:	104.00	mm		Ribbon Encoder Err.:	OFF	~
Dump Text	Paper Height	51.69	mm		Head-up Sensor:	ON	~
Ignore AUTO.BAS	Media Sensor:	Black		1	Reprint After Error:	ON	~
	Gap:	2.49	0.00	mm	Maximum Length:	152.25	mm
Exit Line Mode	Post-Print Action:	TEAR]	Gap Inten.:	4	7
Enter Line Mode	Reference:	0	0		Bline Inten.:	6	4
Linter Linte mode	Direction:	0			Continuous Inten.:	4	Í
Wi-Fi Default	Offset	0		dot	Threshold Detection:	FIXED	
	Shift X:	0	-	dot	Print Quality:	STAND	ARD ~
RFID	Shift Y:	0	1	dot	Standby Time:	120	secs
	Code Page:	850					34, 0: OFF)
	Country Code:	001			Sleep Time:	0	mins
Get Status	Country Code:	001	~			(10~655	534, 0: OFF)

Item	Description	
Calibration	Detects the media type and label size.	
RTC Setup	Synchronizes the printer with the real time clock on the computer.	
Factory Default	Restores the printer's settings to factory default values.	
Reset Printer	Re-starts the printer.	
Print Test Page	Prints test page based on the specified label size and sensor type.	
Configuration Page	Prints the printer's configurations.	
Dump Text	Activates Dump Mode.	
Ignore AUTO BAS	Ignores the AUTO BAS file when the printer boots up.	
Exit Line Mode	The printer will leave line mode and enter page mode.	
Enter Line Mode	The printer will leave page mode and enter line mode.	
Wi-Fi Default	Restores the Wi-Fi settings to factory default values.	

7.6 Configuring Optional Kits

If you install an optional kit on the printer, such as cutter, peeler, or media rewinder, you need to configure the kit after finishing the calibration so that the kit works properly.

To configure the kit:

- 1. Add the printer to the **TSC Console** main page via the USB port or COM port.
- 2. Set up the wired or wireless connection between the printer and your computer.
- Double click the printer you want to configure on the TSC
 Console main page to enter the Printer Configuration page.
- 4. Select **Get** to get printer's information.
- 5. Select the **Common** tab.
- 6. In the drop-down list for the **Post-Print Action** field, select the corresponding item based on what kind of kit you have installed on the printer.
- 7. Select **Set** to finish the configuration.

	ulation TPH Care Smart E	Jacory		
Printer Function	Printer Configuration			
Calibration	Version:	MB240 Version: A2.15.G0	3 EZD TCF	
	Serial No.:	A1	TPH Serial Number:	RDL29700523
RTC Setup	Checksum:	126ADDB1	TPH Odometer:	0.0893
	Ribbon Remaining:	m	Cutter Serial Number:	N/A
Factory Default	Label Count: Cutting Counter:	851 61 61 F	Reset	
Reset Printer	Mileage (Km):		Reset	
		0.1413		
Print Test Page	Common RS-232 E	Bluetooth Wi-Fi Ethernet	t 802.1X SMTP SNTP	
	Speed: 2	2	Ribbon:	ON ~
Configuration Page	Density:	8 ~	Ribbon Sensor:	ON ~
Dump Text	Paper Width:	101.60 mm	Ribbon Encoder Err.:	ON ~
Bump Text	Paper Height:	101.60 mm	Head-up Sensor:	ON ~
Ignore AUTO.BAS	Media Sensor:	Continuous ~	Reprint After Error:	ON ~
	Gap:	0.00 0.00 mm	Maximum Length:	254.00 mm
Exit Line Mode			Gap Inten.:	8
Enter Line Mode	Reference:		Bline Inten.:	2
Enter Line Mode	Direction:	OFF TEAR	Continuous Inten.:	4
Wi-Fi Default	Offset	PEEL		AUTO V
	Shift X:	CUTTER dot REWIND dot		
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	Shift Y:	dot	Standby Time:	secs (1~65534, 0; OFF)
	Code Page:	850 ~	Sleep Time:	(1~05534, 0. OFF) mins
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8 Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Recovery Procedure
Power indicator or display does not illuminate.	The battery is not properly installed.No power.	Re-install the battery.Recharge or replace battery as necessary.
The printer has no response.	 The interface cable is not connected to the interface port. The host device and printer is not connected via the Wi-Fi network or Bluetooth. The port specified in the Windows driver is not correct 	 Re-connect the interface cable or try another interface cable. Re-configure the Wi-Fi network or Bluetooth and connect again. Select correct port in the driver. Check your program ensuring that you enter the PRINT command at the end of the file and there must be CRLF at the end of each command line.
The printer prints blank labels.	The media roll is not loaded correctly.The media type is not correct.	 Follow the instructions to re-load the media roll. Use thermal type paper.
"Carriage Open" appears on the display.	The media cover is open.	Close the media cover.
"Out of Paper" appears on the display.	 Media is used up. The media roll is not properly installed. Black mark sensor is not calibrated. 	 Install a new media roll. Re-install the media roll. Calibrate the black mark sensor.
"Paper Jam" appears on the display.	 Gap sensor or black mark sensor is not correctly configured. Media size is not correct. Labels may be stuck in the printhead mechanism. 	 Calibrate the black mark sensor. Check if the media in use is applicable. Check if the printhead mechanism is clear of labels.
I cannot download files to printer's memory (FLASH / SD card).	 The FLASH memory or SD card is full. The SD card is damaged. SD card is not correctly inserted. 	 Delete files you do not need from the FLASH memory or SD card. Eject and insert the SD card again. Try another SD card. Check if the SD card is in supported format and capacity.

Problem	Possible Cause	Recovery Procedure	
Poor Print Quality	 Media is not loaded correctly. Dust or adhesive accumulation on the printhead. Print density is not properly configured. Media type is not compatible. Printhead element is damaged. 	 Reload the media. Clean the printhead and platen roller. Adjust the print density and print speed. Run printer self-test and check the printhead test pattern if there is dot missing in the pattern. Use proper media type. 	
Missing printing on the left or right side of label	Wrong label size configuration	Set the correct label size.	
Gray line on the blank label	The printhead is dirty.The platen roller is dirty.	Clean the printhead.Clean the platen roller.	
Irregular printing	The printer is in Hex Dump mode.	Turn off and on the printer to skip the dump mode.	
Skip labels when printing	 The label size is not properly configured. Sensor is not configured properly. The media sensor is dirty. 	 Check if the label size is correct. Calibrate the sensor using Auto Gap or Manual Gap options. Clean media sensor using a blower. 	
RTC time is not correct when rebooting the printer.	The RTC battery has no power.	Check the RTC battery.	

9 Maintenance

This section provides cleaning and maintenance procedures.

Cleaning:

Depending on the media used, the printer may accumulate residues (media dust, adhesives, etc.) as a by-product of normal printing. To maintain the best printing quality, you should remove these residues by cleaning the printer periodically. Regularly clean the print head and supply sensors once change a new media to keep the printer at the optimized performance and extend printer life.

Disinfecting:

Disinfecting the printer helps protect yourself and other users and helps prevent virus from spreading.

IMPORTANT:

- Set the printer power switch to O (Off) prior to performing any cleaning or disinfecting tasks. Leave the power cord connected to keep the printer grounded and to reduce the risk of electrostatic damage.
- Do not wear rings or other metallic objects while cleaning any interior area of the printer.
- Use only the cleaning agents recommended in this document. Use of other agents may damage the printer and void its warranty.
- Do not spray or drip liquid cleaning solutions directly into the printer. Apply the solution on a clean lint-free cloth and then apply the dampened cloth to the printer.
- Do not use canned air in the interior of the printer as it can blow dust and debris onto sensors and other critical components.
- Only use a vacuum cleaner with a nozzle and hose that are conductive and grounded to drain off static build up.
- All reference in these procedures for use of isopropyl alcohol requires that a 99% or greater isopropyl alcohol content be used to reduce the risk of moisture corrosion to the printhead.
- Do not touch printhead by hand. If you touch it careless, please use 99% Isopropyl alcohol to clean it.
- Always taking personal precaution when using any cleaning agent.

9.1 Cleaning Supplies

The following supplies are recommended for cleaning the printer:

- Cotton swab
- Lint-free cloth
- Brush with soft and non-metallic bristles
- Vacuum cleaner
- 75% Ethanol used for disinfection
- 99% Isopropyl alcohol used for cleaning the printhead and platen roller
- Genuine printhead cleaning pens
- Chlorine free detergents

9.2 Cleaning Procedures

Component	Method	Recommended Cleaning Schedule
Printhead	 Power off the printer before cleaning the printhead. Leave the printhead to cool down for at least one minute. Wet a cotton swab with the 99% Isopropyl alcohol and then wipe across the printhead head. You can also use the genuine printhead cleaning pen to clean the printhead. 	Clean the printhead when you load new media.
Platen Roller	 Power off the printer. Use a piece of 99% Isopropyl alcohol saturated lint-free cloth to wipe the platen roller while rotating the platen roller. 	Clean the platen roller when you load new media.
Peel Bar	Use a piece of 99% Isopropyl alcohol saturated lint-free cloth to wipe the peel bar.	Clean as needed.
Sensor	Use the brush with soft and non-metallic bristles or vacuum cleaner to remove the dust or particles in order to optimize the print quality or sensor calibration.	Clean the sensor monthly.
Exterior	Use a piece of water-dampened lint-free cloth to wipe the surface. If necessary, you can apply the chlorine free detergent. After finishing cleaning, use the 75% ethanol to disinfect the surface.	Clean as needed.
Interior	Use the brush with soft and non-metallic bristles or vacuum cleaner to remove the dust or particles. After finishing cleaning, use the 75% ethanol to disinfect the interior.	Clean as needed.

10 Agency Compliance and Approvals

2014/30/EU(EMC), 2014/35/EU(LVD), 2011/65/EU(RoHS 2.0) EN 55032 Class B EN 55024 EN61000-3-2:2014 EN61000-3-3:2013 EN 60950-1

FCC part 15B, Class B

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:



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-Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.

-Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.

-Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

-Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/ TV technician for help.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

AS/NZS CISPR AS/NZS CISPR	
BC 10 C.F.R. Section	on 430.23(aa) (Appendix Y to Subpart B of part 430)
TP TC 004/201 TP TC 020/201	
LP0002	
KN 32/35	
IS 13252(Part *	1)/ IEC 60950-1

Important safety instructions:

- 1. Read all of these instructions and keep them for later use.
- 2. Follow all warnings and instructions on the product.
- 3. Disconnect the power plug from the AC outlet before cleaning or if fault happened. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners. Using a damp cloth is suitable for cleaning.
- 4. The mains socket shall be installed near the equipment and easily accessible.
- 5. The unit must be protected against moisture.
- 6. Ensure the stability when installing the device, Tipping or dropping could cause damage.
- 7. Make sure to follow the correct power rating and power type indicated on marking label provided by manufacture.
- 8. Please refer to user manual for maximum operation ambient temperature.

WARNING:

Hazardous moving parts, keep fingers and other body parts away.

CAUTION:

(For equipment with RTC (CR2032) battery or rechargeable battery pack)

Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type.

Dispose of used batteries according to the Instructions as below.

- 1. DO NOT throw the battery in fire.
- 2. DO NOT short circuit the contacts.
- 3. DO NOT disassemble the battery.
- 4. DO NOT throw the battery in municipal waste.
- 5. The symbol of the crossed out wheeled bin indicates that the battery should not be placed in municipal waste.

Caution: The printhead may be hot and could cause severe burns. Allow the printhead to cool.

CAUTION:

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the grantee of this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

CE Statement:

This equipment complies with EU radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20 cm between the radiator & your body.

All operational modes: 2.4GHz: 802.11b, 802.11g, 802.11n (HT20), 802.11n (HT40) 5GHz: 802.11a,

The frequency, mode and the maximum transmitted power in EU are listed below: 2400 MHz – 2483.5 MHz: 19.88 dBm (EIRP) 5150 MHz – 5250 MHz: 17.51 dBm (EIRP)

5150-5350MHz for Only indoor use 5470-5725MHz for indoor/outdoor use

Restrictions In AZE

National restrictions information is provided below

Frequency Band	Country	Remark
5150-5350MHz	Azerbaijan	No license needed if used indoor and
5470-5725MHz		power not exceeding 30mW

Hereby, TSC Auto ID Technology Co., Ltd. declares that the radio equipment type [Wi-Fi] IEEE 802.11 a/b/g/n is in compliance with Directive 2014/53/EU

The full text of the EU declaration of conformity is available at the following internet address: http:// www.tscprinters.com

RF exposure warning (Wi-Fi)

This equipment must be installed and operated in accordance with provided instructions and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. End-users and installers must be providing with antenna installation instructions and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

SAR Value: 0.736 W/kg

RF exposure warning (For Bluetooth)

The equipment complies with FCC RF exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment.

The equipment must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Canada, Industry Canada (IC) Notices

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS-210.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Radio Frequency (RF) Exposure Information

The radiated output power of the Wireless Device is below the Industry Canada (IC) radio frequency exposure limits. The Wireless Device should be used in such a manner such that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized.

This device has been evaluated for and shown compliant with the IC Specific Absorption Rate ("SAR") limits when installed in specific host products operated in portable exposure conditions. (For Wi-Fi)

This device has also been evaluated and shown compliant with the IC RF Exposure limits under portable exposure conditions. (Antennas are less than 20 cm of a person's body). (For Bluetooth)

Canada, avis de l'Industry Canada (IC)

Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme aux normes canadiennes ICES-003 et RSS-210. Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) cet appareil ne doit pas causer d'interférence et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, notamment les interférences qui peuvent affecter son fonctionnement.

Informations concernant l'exposition aux fréquences radio (RF)

La puissance de sortie émise par l'appareil sans fil est inférieure à la limite d'exposition aux fréquences radio de l'Industry Canada (IC). Utilisez l'appareil sans fil de façon à minimiser les contacts humains lors du fonctionnement normal.

Ce périphérique a été évalué et démontré conforme aux limites SAR (Specific Absorption Rate – Taux d'absorption spécifique) par l'IC lorsqu'il est connecté à des dispositifs hôtes spécifiques opérant dans des conditions d'utilisation mobile. **(Pour le Wi-Fi)**

Ce périphérique a également été évalué et démontré conforme aux limites d'exposition radio-fréquence par l'IC pour des utilisations par des opérateurs mobiles (les antennes sont à moins de 20 cm du corps d'une personne). (Pour le Bluetooth)

NCC 警語:

經型式認證合格之低功率射頻電機,非經許可,公司、商號或使用者均不得擅自變更頻率、加大功率或變更原設計之特性及功能。(即低功率電波 輻射性電機管理辦法第十二條)

低功率射頻電機之使用不得影響飛航安全及干擾合法通信;經發現有干擾現象時,應立即停用,並改善至無干擾時方得繼續使用。

前項合法通信·指依電信法規定作業之無線電通信。低功率射頻電機須忍受合法通信或工業、科學及醫療用電波輻射性電機設備之干擾。(即低功 率電波輻射性電機管理辦法第十四條)

設備名稱 (equipment name):可攜式熱感條碼印表機 型號 (Type Designation):Alpha-3R 系列						
	限用物質及其化學符號 Restricted substances and its chemical symbols					
單元Unit	鉛Lead (Pb)	汞Mercury (Hg)	鎘Cadmium (Cd)	六價鉻 Hexavalent chromium (Cr ⁺⁶)	多溴聯苯 Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB)	多溴二苯醚 Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE)
內外塑膠件	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
內外鐵件	_	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
包材	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
滾輪	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
皮帶(皮帶扣)	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0
橡膠按扭	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
說明書	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
電路板	_	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
晶片電阻	_	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
積層陶瓷表面黏著 電容	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0
IC	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc
電源供應器	-	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
鋰電池	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
車用充電器	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
印字頭	_	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
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插座	_	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc
線材	_	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc

- Note 1 : "Exceeding 0.1 wt %" and "exceeding 0.01 wt %" indicate that the percentage content of the restricted substance exceeds the reference percentage value of presence condition.
- 備考1. "超出0.1 wt %"及"超出0.01 wt %"係指限用物質之百分比含量超出百分比含量基準值。
- Note 2 : "o" indicates that the percentage content of the restricted substance does not exceed the percentage of reference value of presence.
- 備考2. "○"係指該項限用物質之百分比含量未超出百分比含量基準值。
- Note 3 : The "-" indicates that the restricted substance corresponds to the exemption.
- 備考3. "一"係指該項限用物質為排除項目。

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