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TOSHIBA Barcode Printer

B-SX8T SERIES

Owner's Manual
Mode d'emploi
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Manual de instrucciones
Gebruikershandleiding
Manuale Utente
Manual do Utilizador



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WARNING!

This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

CAUTION!

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

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

1.1 Introduction

Thank you for choosing the TOSHIBA B-SX8T series thermal printer. This Owner's Manual contains from general set-up through how to confirm the printer operation using an online test print, and should be read carefully to help gain maximum performance and life from your printer. For most queries please refer to this manual and keep it safe for future reference. Please contact your TOSHIBA TEC representative for further information concerning this manual.

1.2 Features

This printer has the following features:

Various kinds of interface

Various kinds of interface are provided:

• LAN

Superior hardware

Clear print quality is realised by an 12 dots/mm (305 dpi) print head, at a printing speed of 76.2 mm/sec. (3 inches/sec.), 101.6 mm/sec. (4 inches/sec.), or 203.2 mm/sec. (8 inches/sec.)

Heavy-duty enclosure

As the enclosure is made of metal, the printer can be used in an industrial environment such as a factory.

A variety of options

The following optional devices are available:

- Cutter module
- Strip module
- Serial interface board
- Metal Supply Cover (Future option)
- Expansion I/O board
- Real Time Clock

1.3 Accessories

NOTE:

As a power cord is not supplied with this printer, please purchase one that meets each country's safety standard. For details, refer to APPENDIX 3.

When unpacking the printer, please make sure all the following accessories are supplied with the printer.

☐ Start-up CD-ROM (1 pc.)

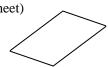


<Contents>

- Bar code print application (Bartender ultra lite)
- Windows Driver
- Owner's Manual
- Specifications (Programming, Key operation, etc.)
- Product information (Catalogue)
- ☐ Supply Loading Instructions (Doc. No.: EO2-33023)



☐ Quality Control Report (1 sheet)



☐ Print Head Cleaner (1 pc.)



☐ Supply Holder Frame (L) (1 pc.)



☐ Supply Shaft (1 pc.)



☐ Wing Bolt (2 pcs.)



☐ Safety Precautions (Doc. No.: EO2-33024)



☐ Warranty Disclaimer Sheet (1 sheet)



☐ Media Holder (2 pcs.)



 \square Supply Holder Frame (R) (1 pc.)



☐ Supply Holder Base (1 pc.)



1.4 Appearance

The names of the parts or units introduced in this section are used in the following chapters.

1.4.1 Dimensions

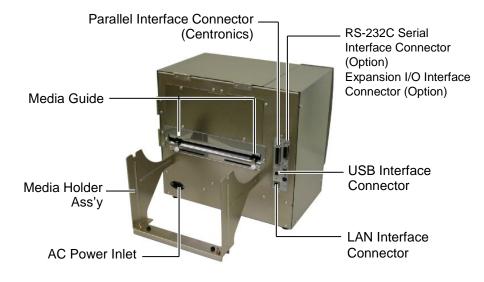


Dimensions in mm (inches)

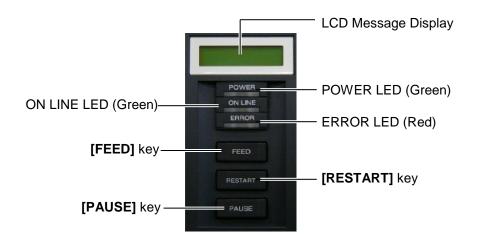
1.4.2 Front View



1.4.3 Rear View



1.4.4 Operation Panel

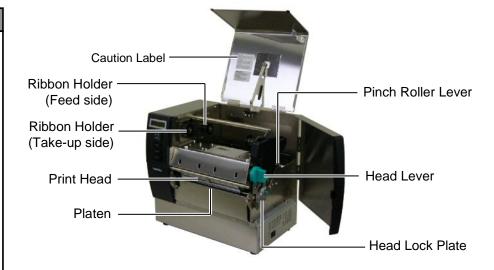


Please see **Section 3.1** for further information about the Operation Panel.

1.4.5 Interior

WARNING!

- Do not touch the Print Head or around it just after printing. You may get burned as the Print Head becomes very hot during printing.
- Do not touch any moving parts. To reduce the risk of fingers, jewellery, clothing, etc., being drawn into the moving parts, be sure to load the media once the printer has stopped moving completely.
- 3. To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers while opening or closing the cover.



1.5 Options

Option Name	Туре	Usage
Cutter module	B-SX208-QM-R	A cutter which cuts the media one by one.
Strip module	B-SX908-H-QM-R	This module peels off a printed label from the backing paper at the media outlet.
Serial Interface Board	B-SA704-RS-QM-R	Installing this PC board provides an RS232C interface port.
Expansion I/O Board	B-SA704-IO-QM-R	Installing this board in the printer allows a connection with an external device with the exclusive interface.
Real Time Clock	B-SA704-RTC-QM-R	This module holds the current time: year, month, day, hour, minute, second
Metal Supply Cover (Future Option)	B-SX908-MC-QM-R	This option is intended to protect a media roll from dirt or dust.

NOTE:

To purchase the optional kits, please contact the nearest authorised TOSHIBA TEC representative or TOSHIBA TEC Head Quarters.

2. PRINTER SETUP

This section outlines the procedures to setup your printer prior to its operation. The section includes precautions, loading media and ribbon, connecting cables, setting the operating environment of the printer, and performing an online print test.

Setup Flow	Procedure	Reference
Installation	After referring to the Safety Precautions in this manual, install the printer on a safe and stable location.	2.1 Installation
Assembling the supply holder frame	Assemble the supply holder stand, and attach it to the rear of the printer.	2.2 Assembling the Supply Holder Frame
Connecting the power cord	Connect a power cord to the power inlet of the printer, then, to an AC outlet.	2.3 Connecting the Power Cord
Loading the media	Load a label stock or tag stock.	2.4 Loading the Media
Media sensor position alignment	Adjust the position of feed gap sensor or black mark sensor according to the media to be used.	2.4 Loading the Media
Loading the ribbon	In case of thermal transfer printing, load the ribbon.	2.5 Loading the Ribbon
Connecting to a host computer	Connect the printer to a host computer or a network.	2.6 Connecting the Printer to Your Host Computer
Turning the power ON	Turn on the printer power.	2.7 Turning the Power ON
Setting the operating environment	Set the printer parameters in the system mode.	2.8 Setting an Operating Environment
Installing the printer driver	If necessary, install the printer driver in your host computer.	2.9 Installing the Printer Drivers
Print test	Make a print test in your operating environment and check the print result.	2.10 Print Test
Position and Print Tone Fine adjustment	If necessary, fine adjust the print start position, cut/strip position, print tone, etc.	2.11 Position and Print Tone Fine Adjustment
Automatic threshold setting	If the print start position cannot be detected properly when pre-printed label is used, set the threshold automatically.	2.12 Threshold Setting
Manual threshold setting	If the print start position cannot be detected properly even an automatic threshold setting is performing, manually set the threshold.	2.12 Threshold Setting

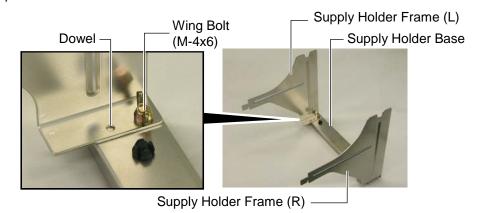
2.1 Installation

To insure the best operating environment, and to assure the safety of the operator and the equipment, please observe the following precautions.

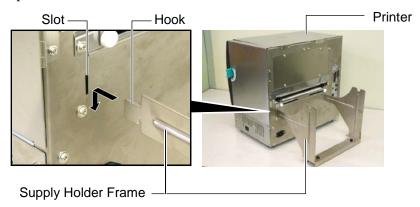
- Operate the printer on a stable, level, operating surface in a location free from excessive humidity, high temperature, dust, vibration or direct sunlight.
- Keep your work environment static free. Static discharge can cause damage to delicate internal components.
- Make sure that the printer is connected to a clean source of AC Power and that no other high voltage devices that may cause line noise interference are connected to the same mains.
- Assure that the printer is connected to the AC mains with a threeprong power cable that has the proper ground (earth) connection.

2.2. Assembling the Supply Holder Frame

1. Assemble the Supply Holder Frame (L) and Supply Holder Frame (R) to the Supply Holder Base using the two M-4X6 Wing Bolts supplied, as shown below.



2. Attach the assembled Supply Holder Frame to the rear of the printer by inserting the hooks of the Frame into the two slots in the rear of the printer, as shown below.



2.3 Connecting the Power Cord

CAUTION!

As a Power Cord is not supplied with the printer, please purchase an approved on that meets the safety standard of each country. (Refer to **APPENDIX 3**.)

1. Make sure that the printer Power Switch is in the OFF (O) position. Connect the Power Cord to the printer as shown in the figure below

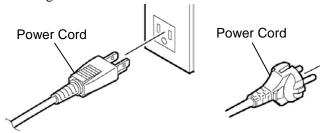




Power Switch

Power Cord

2. Plug the other end of the Power Cord into a grounded outlet as shown in the figure below.



[Example of US Type]

[Example of EU Type]

2.4 Loading the Media

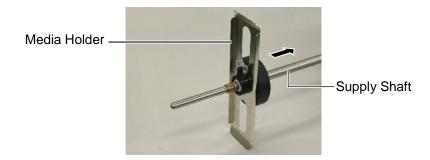
WARNING!

- 1. Do not touch any moving parts. To reduce the risk of fingers, jewellery, clothing, etc., being drawn into the moving parts, be sure to load the media once the printer has stopped moving completely.
- 2. The Print Head becomes hot immediately after printing. Allow it to cool before loading the media.
- 3. Care must be taken not to pinch your fingers when opening or closing the Top Cover or Right Side Cover.
- 4. Be careful not to pinch your fingers by the Supply Holder Frame or Media Holders when loading the media.

The following procedure shows the steps to properly load the media into the printer so that it feeds straight and true through the printer. Use the same procedure when replacing the media, also.

The printer prints both labels and tags.

1. Install one of the Media Holders onto the Supply Shaft.



2. Turn the Locking Lever of the Media Holder to "Close" position to fix the Supply Shaft with the Media Holder.



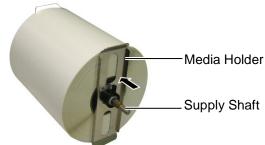
3. Place a media roll onto the Supply Shaft and push the media against the Media Holder.

Supply Shaft Media

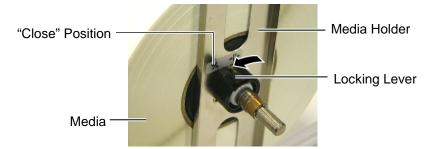
NOTE:

For the specification of available media, refer to Section 7.1 Media.

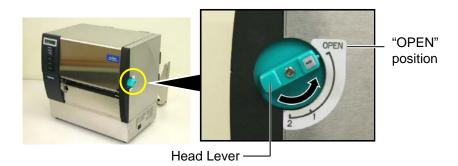
4. Install the other Media Holder onto the Supply Shaft from the opposite side.



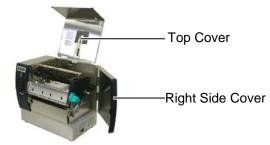
5. Turn the Locking Lever of the Media Holder to the "Close" position.



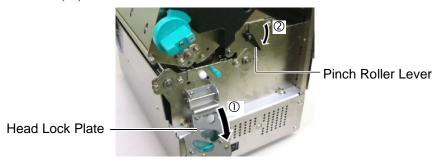
6. Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position.



7. Open the Top Cover and the Right Side Cover.



8. Open the Head Lock Plate (①), and turn the Pinch Roller Lever clockwise (②) to release the Pinch Roller.



WARNING!

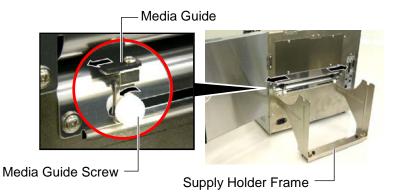
Be careful not to pinch your fingers or hands by the Supply Holder Frame or Media Holders when loading the media.

NOTE:
Place the bushes of the Supply Shaft into the notches of the Supply Holder Frame securely.

Bush

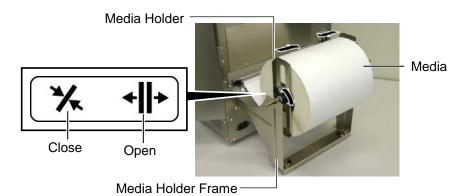
Notch

9. Loosen the Media Guide Screws on the printer back, and move the Media Guides outside.



10. Place the assembled Media Holder onto the Supply Holder Frame, and feed the media between the two Media Guides.

Turn the Locking Lever of the Media Holder to the "Open" position, and push the Media Holders toward the centre to place the media at the centre on the Supply Shaft. Then, lock the position of the media by returning the Locking Levers to the "Close" position.



11. Feed the media until it extends past the Platen.



12. Move the Media Guides inside, causing the media to be automatically centred. Then, tighten the Media Guide Screws to secure the Media Guides.



NOTES:

- 1. When using the Movable sensor, choose the Movable sensor for the parameter setting in the system mode (Section 2.8.1 Parameter Setting). The Fixed sensor has been selected as default.
- The position of the movable sensor should be adjusted before loading the ribbon. Otherwise, the sensor is covered by the ribbon, causing the sensor position adjustment to be disabled.

13. After loading the media, it may be necessary to set the position of the Media Sensor used to detect the print start position for label or tag printing.

This printer is equipped with two media sensors: Fixed sensor and Movable sensor. Each of them is comprised of a Feed Gap Sensor and a Black Mark Sensor.

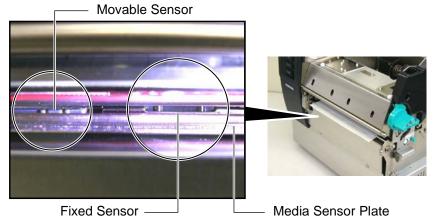
Fixed sensor: This sensor is positioned at the centre of

the printer unit. It is intended for detecting gaps between labels or black marks marked

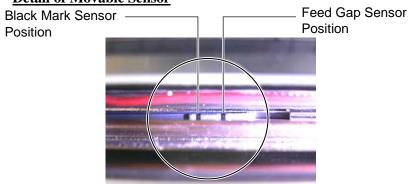
at the centre.

Movable sensor: The position of this sensor is adjustable. It

is intended for detecting gaps between labels, black marks, notches, etc. that are not positioned at the centre of the media.



Detail of Movable Sensor



Detail of Fixed Sensor

Feed Gap Sensor
Position

Black Mark Sensor
Position

NOTE:

Adjustment Knob

Forward: Moves toward the centre

of the printer.

Backward: Moves away from the

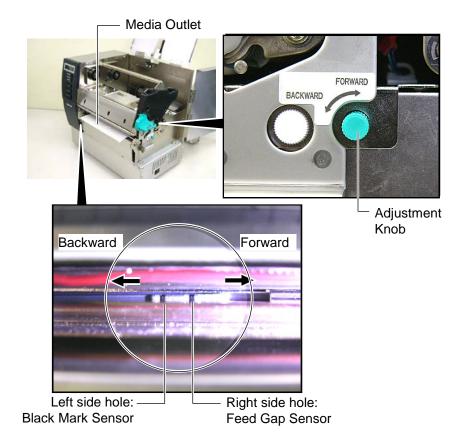
centre of the printer.

The following procedures show how to adjust the position of the movable sensor.

Feed Gap Sensor position adjustment

When using a label stock without black marks, the Feed Gap Sensor is used to detect the print start position.

Looking inside of the Media Outlet, move the Movable Sensor by rotating the Adjustment Knob until the Feed Gap Sensor aligns with a gap. (The right side hole indicates the position of the Feed Gap Sensor.)



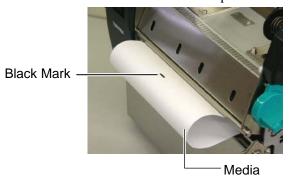
NOTE:

Be sure to set the Black Mark Sensor to detect the centre of the black mark, otherwise a paper jam or no paper error may occur.

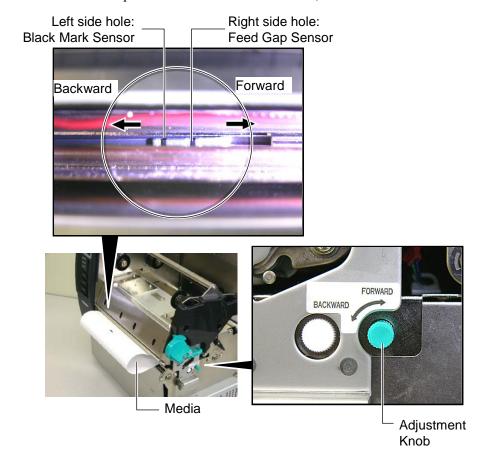
Black Mark Sensor position adjustment

When using media with black marks, the Black Mark Sensor is used to detect the print start position.

(1) Pull the media about 500 mm out of the front of the printer, turn the media back on it's self and feed it under the print head.



(2) Move the Movable Sensor by rotating the Adjustment Knob, until the Black Mark Sensor aligns with a black mark. (The left side hole indicates the position of the Black Mark Sensor).

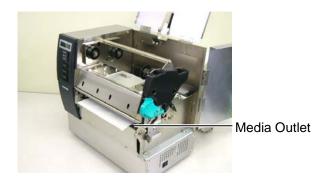


14. There are three issue modes available on this printer. How to set the media for each mode is provided below.

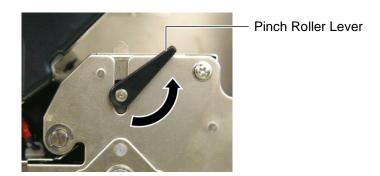
Batch mode

In the batch mode, the media is continuously printed and fed until the number of labels/tags specified in the issue command have been printed.

(1) Pull the media past the media outlet.



(2) Turn the Pinch Roller Lever counterclockwise to lock the Pinch Roller.



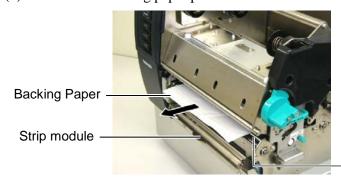
(3) Close the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.



Strip mode (Option)

When the optional Strip Module is fitted, a label is automatically removed from the backing paper at the Strip Plate as each label is printed.

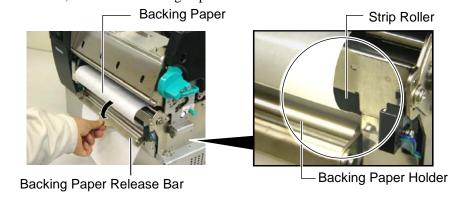
(1) Pull out the backing paper past the Media Outlet.



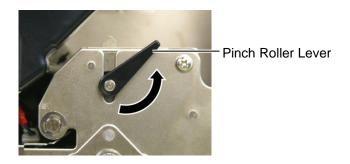
Media Outlet

WARNING!

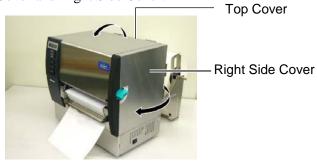
When the Backing Paper Release Bar is released, it is automatically closed by the spring. Care must be taken not to pinch your fingers or hands. (2) While holding down the Backing Paper Release Bar, and pass the backing paper between the Backing Paper Holder and the Strip Roller. Then, release the Backing Paper Release Bar.



(3) Turn the Pinch Roller Lever counterclockwise to lock the Pinch Roller.



(4) Close the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.



WARNING!

The cutter is sharp, so care must be taken not to injure your fingers when handling the cutter.

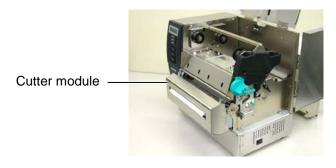
CAUTION!

- 1. When using a label stock, be sure to cut the gaps. Cutting labels will cause the glue to stick to the cutter, which may affect the cutter quality and shorten the cutter life.
- 2. Use of tag paper which thickness exceeds specified value may affect the cutter life. For the specification of the media, refer to **Section** 7.1 Media.

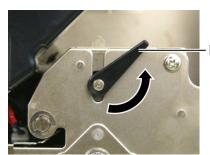
(Cut mode (Option)

When the optional Cutter Module is fitted, the media is automatically cut.

(1) Insert the leading edge of the media into the Media Outlet of the Cutter Module.

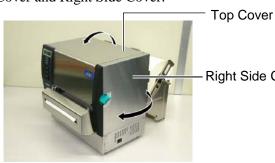


(2) Turn the Pinch Roller Lever counterclockwise to lock the Pinch Roller.



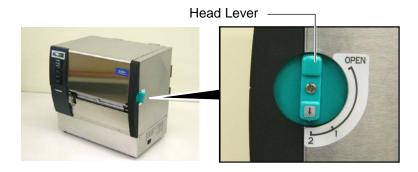
Pinch Roller Lever

(3) Close the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.



Right Side Cover

15. Change the print head pressure according to the thickness of the media to be used, by using the Head Lever.



Position	Media type or thickness
	Label or Thin media
1	If a clear print cannot be obtained, change the position to ②.
	Tag paper or Thick paper
2	If a clear print cannot be obtained, change the position to ①.

16. If the loaded media is direct thermal media (with a chemically treated surface), the media loading procedure is now completed.

If the media is normal media, it is also necessary to load a ribbon. Refer to **Section 2.5 Loading the Ribbon**.

2.5 Loading the Ribbon

WARNING!

- 1. Do not touch any moving parts. To reduce the risk of fingers, jewellery, clothing, etc., being drawn into the moving parts, be sure to load the ribbon once the printer has stopped moving completely.
- The print head becomes hot immediately after printing. Allow it to cool before loading the ribbon.
- To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers while opening or closing the cover.

CAUTION!

Be careful not touch the Print Head Element when opening the Top Cover. Failure to do this may cause missing dots by static electricity or other print quality problems.

NOTE:

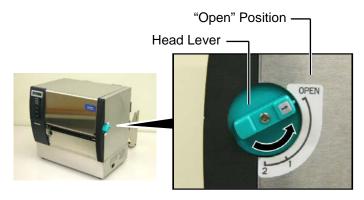
Do not change the Ribbon Holder Adjustment Lever positions. Doing so will change the adjustment.

Ribbon Holder Adjustment Lever

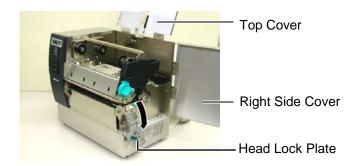


There are two types of media available for printing on: these are thermal transfer media (normal media) and direct thermal media (with a chemically treated surface). DO NOT LOAD a ribbon when using a direct thermal media.

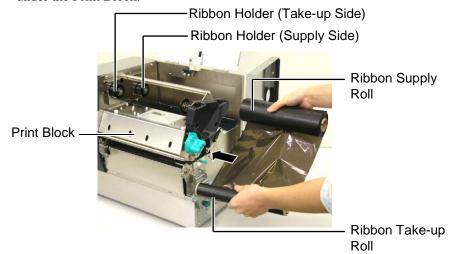
1. Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position.



2. Open the Top Cover, Right Side Cover, and the Head Lock Plate.

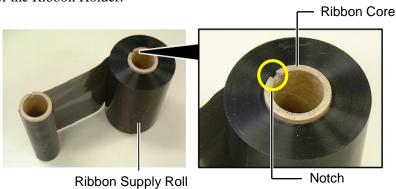


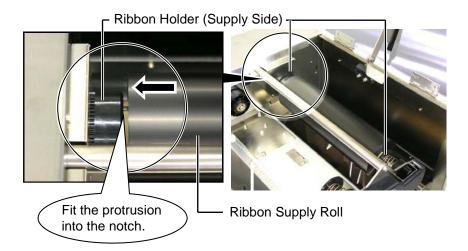
3. Leaving plenty of slack between the ribbon spools, insert the ribbon under the Print Block.



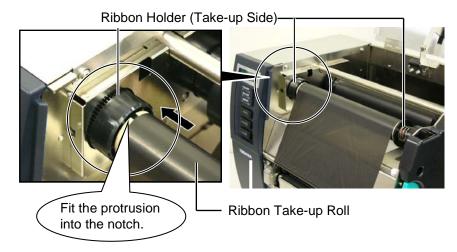
2.5 Loading the Ribbon (Cont.)

4. Fit the core of the Ribbon Supply Roll into the Ribbon Holders (Supply side), aligning the notch of the ribbon core with the protrusion of the Ribbon Holder.





5. Fit the core of the Ribbon Take-up Roll into the Ribbon Holders (Take-up side), aligning the notch of the ribbon core with the protrusion of the Ribbon Holder.

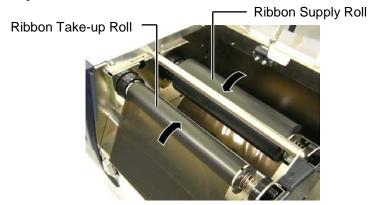


2.5 Loading the Ribbon (Cont.)

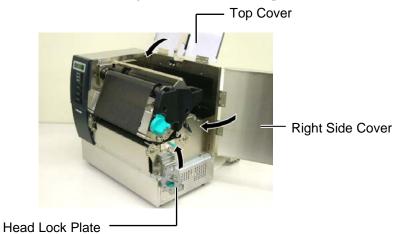
NOTES:

- Be sure to remove any slack in the ribbon when printing. Printing with a wrinkled ribbon will lower the print quality.
- When a ribbon end is detected, "RIBBON ERROR" message will appear on the display and the ERROR LED will illuminate.
- 3. When disposing of the ribbons, please follow the local rules.
- 4. For the specification of available ribbon, refer to **Section 7.2 Ribbon**.
- When using a non transparent ribbon, choose the Non trans ribbon for the parameter setting in the system mode. (Section 2.8.1 Parameter Setting.) Transparent ribbon has been selected as default.

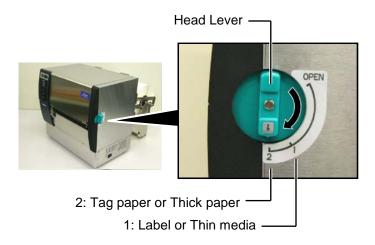
6. Take up any slack in the ribbon. Wind the leading tape onto the ribbon take-up roll until the ink ribbon can be seen from the front of the printer.



7. Close the Head Lock Plate, Right Side Cover, and Top Cover.



8. Turn the Head Lever to the Position 1 or 2. For the difference between Position 1 and Position 2, refer to **Section 2.4**.



2.6 Connecting the Printer to Your Host Computer

CAUTION!

Do not directly connect the LAN cable which is wired outside of a building to the LAN port provided on this product, as the LAN port on this product is intended for indoor connection. To connect such LAN cable to the product, be sure to use any communication equipment, like a router, a hub, or a modem which is located within the same building as the product.

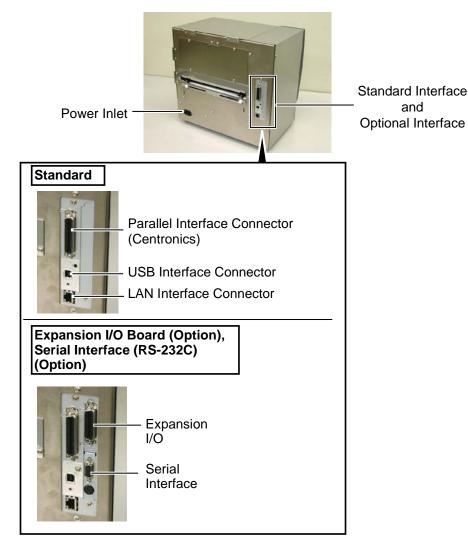
The following paragraphs outline how to connect your host computer to the printer, and will also show how to make cable connections to other devices. Depending on the system configuration you use to print labels, there are 5 possibilities for connecting the printer to your host computer. These are:

- A parallel cable connection between the printer's standard parallel connector and your host computer's parallel port (LPT).
- An Ethernet connection using the standard LAN board.
- A USB cable connection between the printer's standard USB connector and your host computer's USB port. (Conforming to USB 2.0 Full Speed)
- A serial cable connection between the printer's optional RS-232C serial connector and one of your host computer's COM ports.
 <Option>

For details of each interface, refer to APPENDIX 2.

After connecting the necessary interface cables, set an operating environment of the printer. Refer to **Section 2.8.1 Parameter Setting**.

The diagram below shows all the possible cable connections to the current version of the printer.



2.7 Turning the Printer ON

When the printer is connected to your host computer it is good practice to turn the printer ON before turning on your host computer and turn OFF your host computer before turning off the printer.

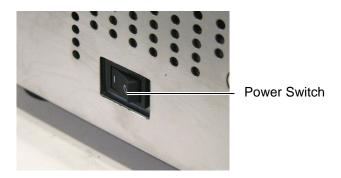
CAUTION!

Use the power switch to turn the printer On/Off. Plugging or unplugging the Power Cord to turn the printer On/Off may cause fire, an electric shock, or damage to the printer.

NOTES:

- If a message other than ON LINE appears on the display or the ERROR LED (Red) is illuminated, go to Section 5.1, Error Messages.
- To turn OFF the printer power turn the Power Switch to the "O" side position.

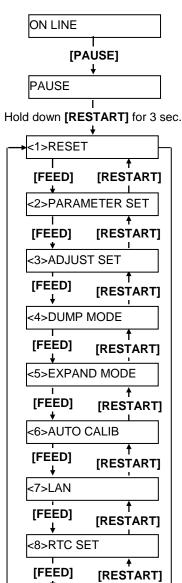
1. To turn ON the printer power, press the Power Switch as shown in the diagram below. Note that (|) is the power ON side of the switch.



2. Check that the ON LINE message appears in the LCD Message Display and that the ON LINE and POWER LED (Green) are illuminated.

2.8 Setting an Operating **Environment**





Depending on the settings of your host computer or an interface to be used, it may be necessary to change the printer parameter settings.

Follow the procedures described below to change the printer parameter settings in the System Mode to correspond to your environment.

NOTE:

Incorrect settings can cause the printer to function erroneously. If you have any problems with the parameter settings, please contact your nearest TOSHIBA TEC service representative.

For the settings this manual does not cover, please contact your nearest TOSHIBA TEC service representative, or refer to the **B-SX6T/SX8T Series Key Operation Specification** stored in the CD-ROM.

How to enter the System Mode

- 1. Turn on the printer and confirm that "ONLINE" appears on the LCD Message Display.
- **2.** Press the **[PAUSE]** key to pause the printer.
- **3.** Hold down the **[RESTART]** key for three seconds until "<1>RESET" is displayed.

The System Mode consists of the following menus.

<1>RESET This menu is used to clear print data sent from a

PC and return the printer to an idle state.

Refer to Section 3.3 Reset.

<2>PARAMETER SET This menu is used to set the printer parameters.

Refer to Section 2.8.1 Parameter Setting.

<3>ADJUST SET This menu is used to make a fine adjustment of a

> print start position, cut position, etc. Refer to Section 2.11 Position and Print Tone

Fine Adjustment.

<4>DUMP MODE This menu is used to print the data in the receive

buffer for debug.

Refer to Section 2.8.2 Dump Mode Setting.

This menu is used to start the program for <5>EXPAND MODE

BASIC mode.

Refer to Section 2.8.3 BASIC Expansion

Mode.

<6>AUTO CALIB This menu is used to enable or disable the

automatic calibration function.

Refer to Section 2.8.4 Automatic Calibration.

This menu is used to enable or disable the LAN

communication and SNMP.

Refer to **Section 2.8.5 LAN Setting**.

<8>RTC SET This menu is used to set the date and time of the

real time clock, enable or disable the low battery check, and choose a real time renewal timing. Refer to Section 2.8.6 Real Time Clock

Setting.

NOTES:

- 1. System Mode menus can be selected with the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.
- 2. To enter each of the above System Mode menus, press the **[PAUSE]** key when the menu is displayed.
- 3. If the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed with "<1>RESET" being displayed, the printer will turn to an idle state and the message will change to "ONLINE"

<7>LAN

2.8.1 Parameter Setting

While "<2>PARAMETER SET" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Parameter Setting Mode.

The Parameter Setting Mode contains the following sub menus. Each time the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, the sub menus are displayed sequentially.

- (1) Character code selection
- (2) Character zero selection
- (3) Baud rate selection
- (4) Data length selection
- (5) Stop bit length selection
- (6) Parity selection
- (7) Flow control code selection
- (8) LCD language selection
- (9) Auto forward wait selection
- (10) Head up cut selection
- (11) Ribbon saving function selection
- (12) Control code selection
- (13) Ribbon Type Selection
- (14) Strip wait status selection
- (15) FEED key function selection
- (16) KANJI code selection
- (17) EURO code selection
- (18) Auto print head check selection
- (19) Centronics ACK/BUSY timing selection
- (20) Web printer function selection
- (21) Media sensor selection
- (22) Input prime selection
- (23) Expansion I/O interface selection
- (24) Plug & Play selection
- (25) Label end/ribbon end selection
- (26) Pre-strip selection
- (27) Reverse feed speed selection
- (28) Maxi code specification selection
- (29) Strip motor torque selection
- (30) Stabilizer function selection

NOTE:

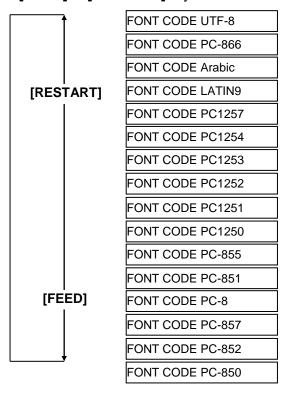
Be careful if the printer is turned off without pressing the **[PAUSE]** key, the selected value does not become effective.

(1) Character Code Selection

This parameter is to choose a character code used for printing. Printed characters differ depending on a chosen character code and font. For details of characters, refer to the **B-SX6T/SX8T Series External Equipment Interface Specification** (Printer Command Manual). When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

<2>PARAMETER SET FONT CODE PC-850

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a character code, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTE:

The following fonts do not support a zero with slash.

Bit Map Font:

OCR-A, OCR-B, GOTHIC 725 Black, Kanji, Chinese

Outline Font:

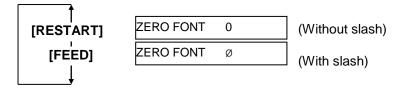
Price Font 1, Price Font 2, Price Font 3, DUTCH 801 Bold, BRUSH 738 Regular, GOTHIC 725 Black, True Type Font

(2) Character Zero Selection

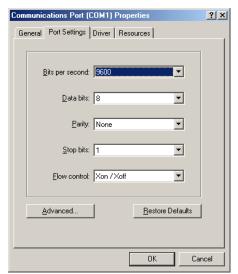
This parameter is to choose the way to indicate zero between "0" and "\varnothing". When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key twice.

<2>PARAMETER SET ZERO FONT 0

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a character zero, press the **[PAUSE]** key.



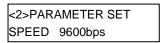
<Reference>

Properties screen of Serial (COM) port under Windows98

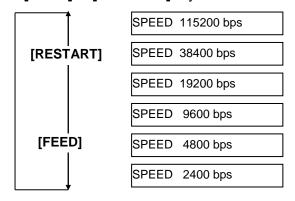
(3) Baud Rate Selection

This parameter is to choose a baud rate of the RS-232C interface. When the printer communicates with a host computer by serial interface, be sure to match the setting with the host.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a baud rate, press the [PAUSE] key.

(4) Data Length Selection

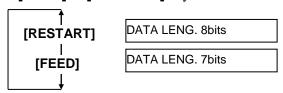
This parameter is to choose a communication data length of the RS-232C interface.

7 bits is used when transmitting alphanumeric data only. 8 bits is used to when transmitting special characters. Be sure to match a setting with a host computer.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a data length, press the [PAUSE] key.

NOTES:

1. When using the hardware flow control, the control signals and data must be in pairs between the printer and the PC.

Printer	r	Host
TD	\rightarrow	RD
RD	\leftarrow	TD
RTS	\rightarrow	CTS
CTS	\leftarrow	RTS
DSR	\rightarrow	DTR
DTR	\leftarrow	DSR

Refer to the RS-232C connector's pin layout in APPENDIX 2.

Check if the printer and the PC is properly connectable with your cable

 Be careful that there are two types of RS-232C cable; straight cable and cross cable. Use a straight cable for this printer.

NOTE:

The following is the detailed descriptions for each transmission control code.

- XON/XOFF AUTO
 At the power on time, the printer
 outputs XON. At the power off
 time, the printer outputs XOFF.
- 2) XON+READY AUTO
 At the power on time, the printer outputs XON. At the power off time, the printer outputs XOFF.
- 3) READY/BUSY
 At the power on time, the DTR
 signal output from the printer
 turns to High level (READY). At
 the power off time, the printer does
 not output XOFF.
- 4) ON/XOFF
 At the power on time, the printer outputs XON. At the power off time, the printer does not output XOFF.
- 5) READY/BUSY RTS
 At the power on time, the RTS
 signal output from the printer
 turns to High level (READY). At
 the power off time, the printer does
 not output XOFF.

(5) Stop Bit Length Selection

This parameter is to choose a stop bit length of the RS-232C interface. Be sure to match a setting with a host computer.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET STOP BIT 1bit

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



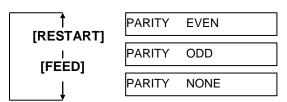
After selecting a stop bit length, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(6) Parity Selection

This parameter is to choose the parity of the RS-232C interface. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



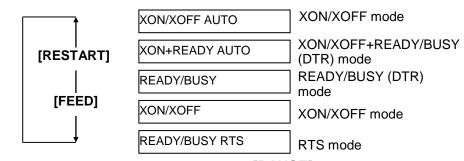
After selecting the parity, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(7) Flow Control Code Selection

This parameter is to choose a flow control code of the RS-232C interface. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a flow control code, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

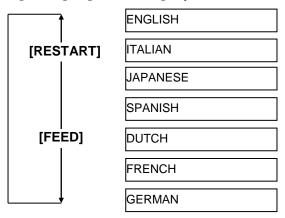
(8) LCD Language Selection

This parameter is to choose a language in which the LCD message is displayed.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET LCD ENGLISH

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a language, press the [PAUSE] key.

NOTES:

- If the printer is not used for a few days, the top edge of the media may become curly, which may cause a paper jam. The Auto Forward Wait Function prevents this problem since the media feed amount is increased so that the media stops past the platen.
- When the Stop Position Fine
 Adjustment Value is set in +
 direction, the media will stop past
 the media outlet.
 When the value is set in –
 direction, the media will stop
 inside the media outlet.
- 3. This setting will be useful to fine adjust the cut position of labels.

(9) Auto Forward Wait Selection

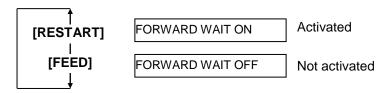
This parameter is to choose whether to activate the Auto Forward Wait function or not.

This function, used in the cut mode, automatically feeds the media forward for about 14 mm if there is more than 1-second idle time after printing, to prevent the top edge of the media from curling.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

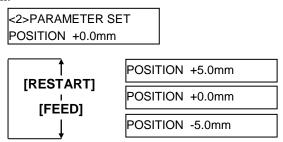
<2>PARAMETER SET FORWARD WAIT OFF

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting an auto forward wait, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

When ON is selected, pressing the **[PAUSE]** key will result that the LCD Message Display shows the stop position fine adjustment value setting screen.



[FEED] key: Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1mm change,

up to -5.0 mm.

[RESTART] key: Pressing the [RESTART] key one time causes a +0.1 mm

change, up to +5.0 mm.

After selecting an auto forward wait, press the [PAUSE] key.

(10) Head Up Cut Selection

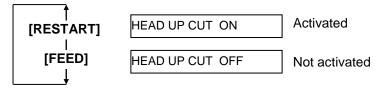
This parameter is to choose whether to activate the head up action in the cut issue.

This function prevents ribbon smudges by raising the print head during a reverse feed to the print start position.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the head up action in cut issue, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTE:

The print head may not be raised depending on the rise of the solenoid's temperature.

NOTES:

- The ribbon saving function is activated when there is a 20-mm or more non-print area in the media feed direction.
- 2. Ribbon saving is enabled up to 4 areas per media.
- 3. To use the ribbon saving function for more than one area in a label/tag, there should be at least an 8-mm print area between nonprint areas where the ribbon saving is performed.

(11) Ribbon Save Function Selection

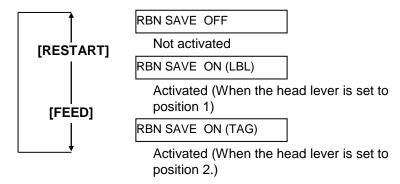
This parameter is to choose whether to activate the Ribbon Saving function or not.

This function enables reducing the ribbon loss caused by taking up unused ribbon during non-print areas.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET RBN SAVE ON (TAG)

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the ribbon save function, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

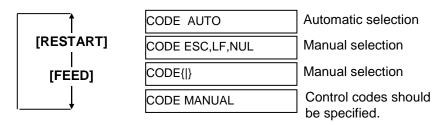
(12) Control Code Selection

This parameter is to choose a Control Code.

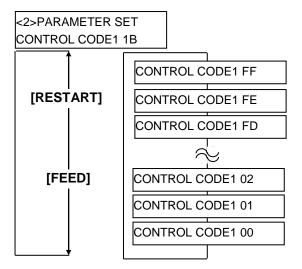
When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET CODE AUTO

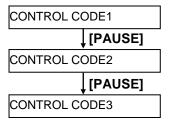
Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



When "CODE MANUAL" is selected and the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, the LCD display will show the setting screen of CONTROL CODE1 to CONTROL CODE3 as follows.



After setting the control code for Control Code 1, press the **[PAUSE]** key to show the CONTROL CODE2 screen. In a same manner, press the **[PAUSE]** key after setting the control code for Control Code 2 to display the CONTROL CODE3 screen.



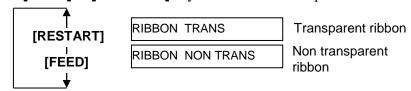
Press the **[PAUSE]** key after setting the control code for Control Code 3.

(13) Ribbon Type Selection

This parameter is to choose a ribbon type to be used. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a ribbon type, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

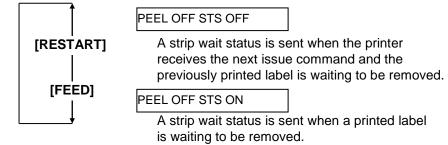
(14) Strip Wait Status Selection

This parameter is to choose when the printer sends a strip wait status (05H) to a host in response to a status request command.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET PEEL OFF STS OFF

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



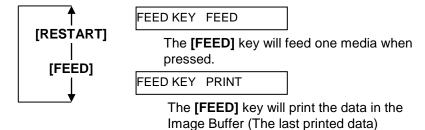
After selecting the Strip Wait Status, press the [PAUSE] key.

(15) FEED Key Function Selection

This parameter is to choose the function of the **[FEED]** key. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the FEED key function, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTE:

Kanji code selection is not supported by the QM model as the Kanji ROMs are not installed.

NOTE:

[RESTART] key causes 1 byte change in the Euro Code value.

Pressing the **[FEED]** or

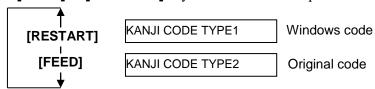
(16) KANJI Code Selection

This parameter is to choose a KANJI code.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET KANJI CODE TYPE1

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a Kanji code, press the [PAUSE] key.

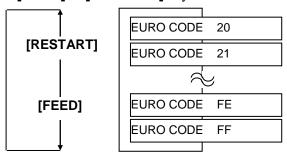
(17) EURO Code Selection

This parameter is to choose a Euro code (\clubsuit).

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET EURO CODE B0

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a Euro code, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

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NOTES:

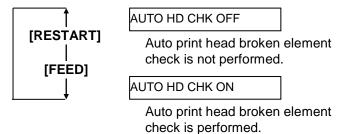
- It is recommended that this function should be activated when high quality printing such as bar codes printing is required. Otherwise, choose OFF.
- 2. When a broken element is found, the printer stops, displaying "HEAD ERROR". The error state can be cleared by pressing the [RESTART] key, but if the broken element affects bar code readability or actual operations, please replace the print head with a proper one.

(18) Auto Print Head Check Selection

This parameter is to choose whether to perform the Auto Print Head Check function at the power on time. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET AUTO HD CHK OFF

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting auto print head check, press the [PAUSE] key.

(19) Centronics Interface ACK/BUSY Timing Selection

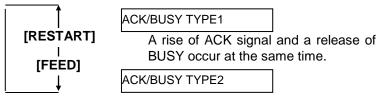
This parameter is to choose an ACK/BUSY timing of the Centronics interface.

"TYPE1" has been chosen as default, but if a communication error occurs or a communication is not properly made, change to "TYPE2".

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears".

<2>PARAMETER SET ACK/BUSY TYPE1

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



A fall of ACK signal and a release of BUSY occur at the same time.

After selecting an ACK/BUSY timing, press the [PAUSE] key.

NOTE:

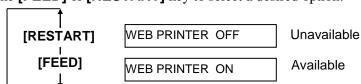
When "WEB PRINTER ON" is selected, the status of the printer connected in a network can be checked through the Web browser.

(20) Web Printer Function Selection

This parameter is to choose whether to use the printer as a web printer. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET WEB PRINTER OFF

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



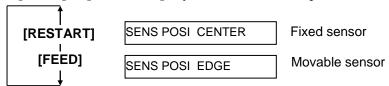
After selecting the Web printer function, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(21) Media Sensor Selection

This parameter is to choose the media sensor type to be used. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET SENS POSI CENTER

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the media sensor type, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(22) Input Prime Selection

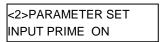
<u>This</u> parameter is to choose whether to enable a reset operation when <u>INIT</u> signal is ON.

Normally, when the printer receives a reset request signal (nInit signal) from the host via Centronics interface, the printer will be reset and turn to the idle state.

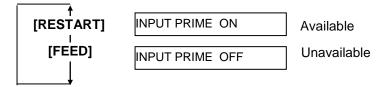
When the INPUT PRIME parameter is set to OFF, the printer is reset but does not turn to idle.

When this parameter is set to ON, the host sends an INIT signal and the printer turns to idle each time the printer is turned on. If you would like to avoid this processing, set this parameter to OFF.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



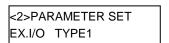
After selecting the Input Prime, press the [PAUSE] key.

(23) Expansion I/O Interface Type Selection

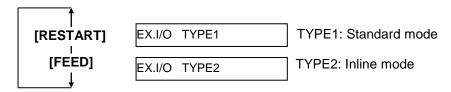
This parameter is to choose a type of the Expansion I/O interface operating mode.

This parameter should be set depending on the expansion I/O control specification of the device to be connected via the expansion I/O interface. For details, refer to the **External Equipment Interface Specification**.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting an Expansion I/O Interface type, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTE:

If the printer and the PC are connected by USB, plug & play will be automatically enabled, regardless of the setting of this parameter.

(24) Plug & Play Selection

This parameter is to choose whether to enable a Plug & Play function. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET PLUG & PLAY OFF

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a Plug & Play, press the [PAUSE] key.

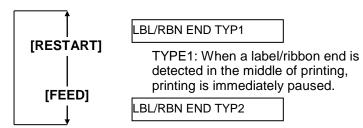
(25) Label End/Ribbon End Selection

This parameter is to choose a printing process when a label end or ribbon end is detected.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET LBL/RBN END TYP1

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



TYPE2: When a label/ribbon end is detected in the middle of printing, the printer prints the half-finished label as far as possible, and stops when the next label is at the home position.

After selecting a Label End/Ribbon End type, press the [PAUSE] key.

(26) Pre-Strip Selection

This parameter is to choose whether to activate the Pre Strip function. When this parameter is set to ON (Available), the top edge of a label is separated (pre-stripped) from the backing paper before the label is printed. This function is intended to make the strip issue easier in case the labels are hard to strip due to the label intensity, adhesive power, or the printing speed.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET PRE PEEL OFF OFF

This parameter is fixed to OFF. Press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(27) Reverse Feed Speed Selection

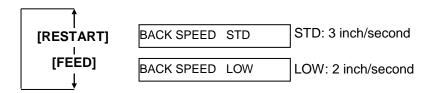
This parameter is to choose a reverse feed speed.

In the strip issue, the back feed speed of 3"/sec. may cause a shortage of feed amount due to a lack of torque, slippery media surface, etc. In such case, reduce the back feed speed to 2"/sec. to secure the feed amount.

When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET BACK SPEED STD

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



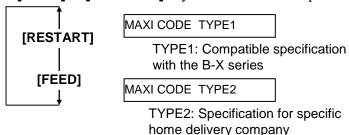
After selecting the Back Feed Speed, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(28) Maxi Code Specification Selection

This parameter is to choose a Maxi code specification. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET MAXI CODE TYPE1

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting a Maxi code specification, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(29) Strip Motor Torque Selection

This parameter is to choose a strip motor torque. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET PEEL OFF TRQ R0

This parameter is fixed to R0. Press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(30) Stabilizer Function Selection

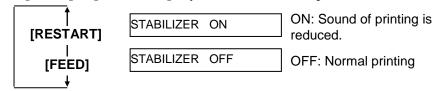
This parameter is to choose whether to use the stabilizer function. The stabilizer function reduces the sound of printing. When "<2>PARAMETER SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the following display appears.

<2>PARAMETER SET STABILIZER ON

NOTE:

The stabilizer function is available only to the thermal direct print mode.

Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the stabilizer function, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

2.8.2 Dump Mode Setting

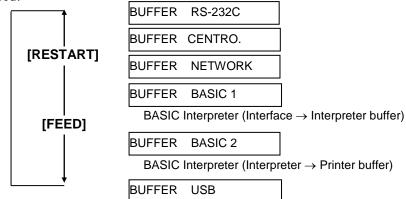
While "<4>DUMP MODE" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Dump Mode.

In the Dump Mode, data in the receive buffer are printed. Data are expressed in hexadecimal values. This operation allows the user to verify programming commands or debug the program.

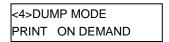
When "<4>DUMP MODE" appears, press the [PAUSE] key.

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<4>DUMP MODE
BUFFER RS-232C
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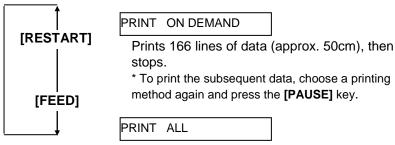
Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to choose a receive buffer to be dumped.



After selecting the receive buffer, press the [PAUSE] key.

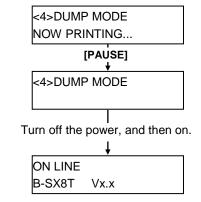


Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a printing method.



Prints all data in the receive buffer, then stops.

After selecting a printing method, press the [PAUSE] key.



NOTES:

- When "ON DEMAND" is selected, it is required to choose a printing method again and press the [PAUSE] key to print the subsequent data until the all data has been printed.
- 2 If an error occurs during dumping, the printer will display an error message and stop printing. The error can be cleared by pressing the **[PAUSE]** key, and then the display will show "<4>DUMP MODE" again.

After a recovery from the error the printer will not start printing automatically.

2.8.2 Dump Mode Setting (Cont.)

Print Conditions

- Printing width: 3.9 inches (100 mm)
- Sensor selection: None
- Print speed: 4"/sec.
- Printing mode: Depends on the selection in use.
- 16 bytes/line
- Data is printed in the order from the new one to the old one.
- Data specified by the receive buffer write pointer will be printed in boldface.

The data in the receive buffer is printed as follows:

 $7B\ 41\ 58\ 3B\ 2B\ 30\ 30\ 30\ 2C\ 2B\ 30\ 30\ 30\ 2C\ 2B\ 30$ {AX;+000,+000,+0 30 7C 7D 7B 44 30 37 37 30 2C 31 31 30 30 2C 30 37 34 30 7C 7D 7B 43 7C 7D 7B 4C 43 3B 30 30 33 0|}{D0760,1100,0 740|}{C|}{LC;003 0,0020,0030,0660 30 2C 30 30 32 30 2C 30 30 33 30 2C 30 36 36 30 2C 30 2C 32 7C 7D 7B 4C 43 3B 30 30 37 30 2C 30 ,0,2|}{LC;0070,0 30 32 30 2C 30 30 37 30 2C 30 36 36 30 2C 30 2C 020,0070,0660,0, 39 7C 7D 7B 4C 43 3B 30 30 35 30 2C 30 30 32 30 9|}{LC;0050,0020 44 45 46 47 48 49 4A 7C 7D 7B 50 43 31 30 3B 30 DEFGHIJ|}{PC10;0 33 35 30 2C 30 34 30 30 2C 31 2C 31 2C 4B 2C 30 350,0400,1,1,K,0 30 2C 42 3D 41 42 43 44 65 66 67 68 69 6A 6B 6C 0,B=ABCDefghijkl mnop|}{PV02;0330 $6D\ 6E\ 6F\ 70\ 7C\ 7D\ 7B\ 50\ 56\ 30\ 32\ 3B\ 30\ 33\ 33\ 30$,0660,0270,0250, A,00,B=B|}{PV03; 2C 30 36 36 30 2C 30 32 37 30 2C 30 32 35 30 2C 41 2C 30 30 2C 42 3D 42 7C 7D 7B 50 56 30 33 3B $3B\ 30\ 39\ 30\ 30\ 2C\ 30\ 31\ 38\ 30\ 2C\ 54\ 2C\ 48\ 2C\ 30$;0900,0180,T,H,0 35 2C 41 2C 30 3D 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 30 41 42 43 44 45 7C 7D 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 5.A.0=1234567890 ABCDE|}



Receive Buffer Size

Interface	Buffer size				
RS-232C	1MB (65536 lines)				
Centronics	1MB (65536 lines)				
Network Interface	1MB (65536 lines)				
BASIC 1	8KB (512 lines)				
BASIC 2	8KB (512 lines)				
USB	1MB (65536 lines)				

Required Label Length

Interface	Media length*			
RS-232C	198.2m			
Centronics	198.2m			
Network Interface	198.2m			
BASIC 1	2m			
BASIC 2	2m			
USB	198.2m			

^{*:} Media length required for printing all data in the receive buffer.

NOTE:

For the BASIC enable setting mode, refer to the **B-SX6T/SX8T Series Key** Operation Specification stored in the CD-ROM.

2.8.3 BASIC Expansion Mode While "<5>EXPAND MDOE" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the BASIC Expansion Mode.

> In the BASIC Expansion Mode, it is possible to execute the BASIC expansion mode program under the following conditions.

- The BASIC expansion mode program has already been loaded.
- The BASIC enable setting mode is selected.

The basic expansion mode ends when the basic expansion program is exited.

When "<5>EXPAND MODE" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key.



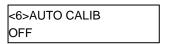
When the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, BASIC program is executed.

2.8.4 Automatic Calibration

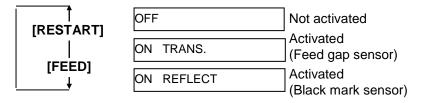
While "<6>AUTO CALIB" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Automatic Calibration Mode.

In the Automatic Calibration Mode, whether to activate the automatic calibration at a power on time or not is selectable. When the automatic calibration is activated, the printer feeds the media for about 160 mm each time the power is turned on or the Top Cover is opened, to detect a print start position.

When "<6>AUTO CALIB" appears, press the [PAUSE] key.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the automatic calibration, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTES:

- 1. This function is available only when the media pitch is 10.0 mm to 150.0 mm.
- 2. When this function is activated, the media length, effective print length, and sensor type specified in the command are ignored.
- 3. When the printer cannot find a print start position properly, it will continue to feed the media for up to 500.0 mm. If that does not work, the printer will stop, resulting in a paper jam.
- 4. During an automatic calibration, the printer also feeds the ribbon. The ribbon saving function is disabled even if its parameter is set to ON.
- 5. When the printing speed is set to 8"/sec., it will be automatically changed to 4"/sec. during an automatic calibration.
- An automatic forward feed is not performed immediately after an automatic calibration, even if the auto forward wait parameter is set to ON.

2.8.5 LAN Setting

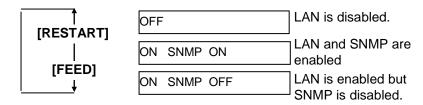
While "<7>LAN" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the LAN Setting Mode.

In the LAN Setting Mode, whether to enable the LAN communication and SNMP or not is selectable.

When "<7>LAN" appears, press the [PAUSE] key.



Use the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key to select a desired option.



After selecting the LAN setting, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

2.8.6 Real Time Clock Setting While "<8>RTC SET" is displayed on the LCD Message Display, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Real Time Clock Setting Mode.

NOTE:

The Real Time Clock Setting is effective only when an optional Real Time Clock, B-SA704-RTC-QM-R, is installed.

The Real Time Clock Setting Mode contains the following sub menus. Each time the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, the sub menus are displayed sequentially.

- (1) Date setting (Year, Month, Day)
- (2) Time setting (Hour, Minute, Second)
- (3) Low battery check setting
- (4) RTC data renewal timing setting

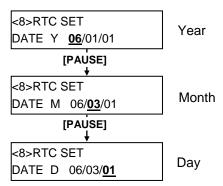
(1) Date Setting

This parameter is to set the Year, Month, and Day, in order. When "<8>RTC SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

> <8>RTC SET DATE 05/01/01

Press the **[PAUSE]** key to set the date.

NOTE: Use the [FEED] or [RESTART] key to set the value.



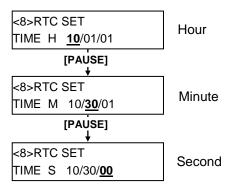
After selecting the date, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(2) Time Setting

This parameter is to set the Hour, Minute, and Second, in order.



Press the **[PAUSE]** key to set the time.



After selecting the time, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

2.8.6 Real Time Clock Setting (3) Low Battery Check Setting (Cont.)

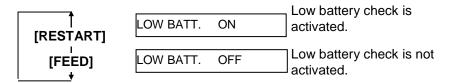
NOTE:

- 1. Be sure to load the battery and set the low battery check function to ON whenever the real time clock is used. If the battery is not loaded or the battery voltage is low, the real time clock data is erased at the power off time.
- 2. When the low battery check function is set to ON and if the battery voltage is 1.9V or less, the printer will result in a "LOW BATTERY" error and stop at the power on time. As a restart is invalidated in this case, hold down the [RESTART] key to cause the printer to enter <1>RESET mode, access the Real Time Clock setting mode, and set the low battery function to OFF.

This parameter is to choose whether to activate the low battery check function or not.

<8>RTC SET LOW BATT. **CHECK**

Press the [PAUSE] key to set.



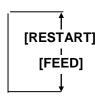
After selecting the low battery check, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

(4) RTC Data Renewal Timing Setting

This parameter is to choose the RTC data renewal timing.



Press the [PAUSE] key to set.



RENEWAL **BATCH**

Batch print is possible. However, the same time is printed on the all media issued in a batch because the real time clock data is read only for the first media.

RENEWAL **PAGE**

A real time can be printed on each media. However, the printer needs to stop the motion before printing each media to read the real time clock data.

After selecting the RTC data renewal timing, press the **[PAUSE]** key. The current date is displayed.

<8>RTC SET DATE 06/03/01

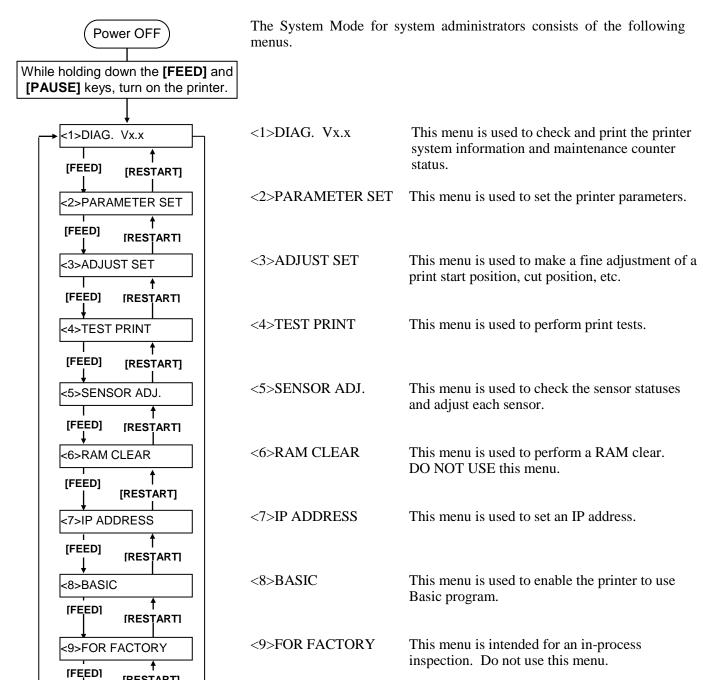
Press the **[FEED]** and **[RESTART]** keys at the same time to return to the <8>RTC SET display.

<8>RTC SET

2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP)

[RESTART]

When the printer is connected to a PC through TCP/IP by using a LAN cable, it is necessary to set an IP address in the System Mode for system administrators.



2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP) (Cont.)

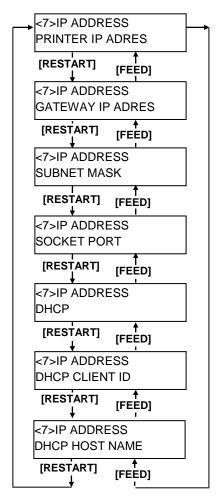
In this section, how to set the IP address is described. First, you need to access the System Mode for system administrators.

- **1.** While holding down the **[FEED]** and **[PAUSE]** keys, turn on the printer.
- **2.** When "<1>DIAG" appears on the LCD Message Display, release the **[FEED]** and **[PAUSE]** keys.

Now, the printer is in the System Mode for system administrators.

- **3.** Press the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key until "<7>IP ADDRESS" appears on the LCD Message Display.
- **4.** Press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the IP Address Setting Mode.

The IP Address Setting Mode contains the following sub menus. To enter each sub menu, press the **[PAUSE]** key.



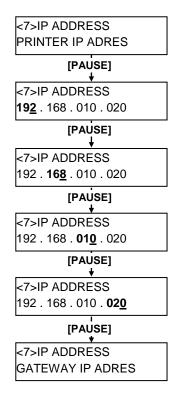
2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP) (Cont.)

NOTES:

- 1. Set each 3-digit value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key. [RESTART] key: Increment [FEED] key: Decrement Range: 0 to 255
- 2. Press the **[PAUSE]** key to move the cursor to the next 3-digit value.
- 3. After the last 3-digit value is set, press the **[PAUSE]** key to go to Gateway IP Address Setting.

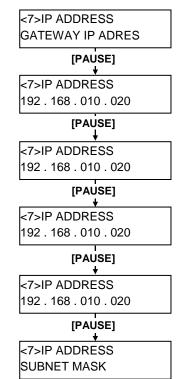
(1) Printer IP Address

This parameter is to set an IP address.



(2) Gateway IP Address

This parameter is to set a Gateway IP address.



NOTE:

After the last 3-digit value is set, press the **[PAUSE]** key to go to Subnet Mask Setting.

2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP) (Cont.)

NOTE:

NOTES: 1. Pressing the [PAUSE] key

while "PORT ON 08000" is displayed allows you to set the

2. Set a number for each digit by

[RESTART] key: Increment [FEED] key: Decrement

A number exceeding 65535 will

be automatically corrected to

3. Be careful not to set the same

the cursor to the next digit. 5. After the last digit is set, press

the [PAUSE] key to go to

DHCP Setting.

port number that other applications are using. 4. Press the **[PAUSE]** key to move

using the [RESTART] or

Range: 00000 to 65535

port number.

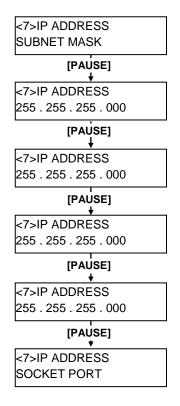
[FEED] key.

65535.

After the last 3-digit value is set, press the [PAUSE] key to go to Socket Port Setting.

(3) Subnet Mask

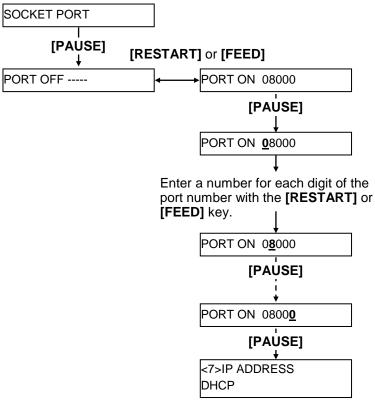
This parameter is to set a Subnet Mask.



(4) Socket Port

This parameter is to enable a socket port and set a socket number.





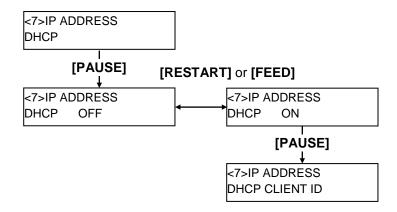
2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP) (Cont.)

NOTE:

Pressing the **[PAUSE]** key while "DHCP ON" is displayed allows you to set a DHCP client ID.

5) DHCP

This parameter is to enable DHCP.

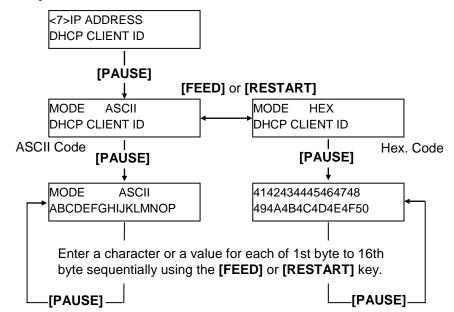


(6) DHCP Client ID

This parameter is to set a DHCP client ID.

NOTES:

- Code used to enter a DHCP client ID is selectable between ASCII code (alphanumeric) and Hex code.
- Set a character or value for each byte by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key. [RESTART] key: Increment [FEED] key: Decrement
- 3. Press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the next byte. Repeat this until 16th byte is entered.
- 4. A DHCP ID can be used to check what IP address is assigned to which client on a DHCP server. If a DHCP ID is not assigned, MAC address of a network device (LAN card or LAN interface board) will be notified to the server as a DHCP ID instead. A DHCP ID is a 16-byte character string. As "FFH" (hex. code) is recognized as a terminator, if the top byte of DHCP ID is "FFH", it is considered that a DHCP ID is not assigned.



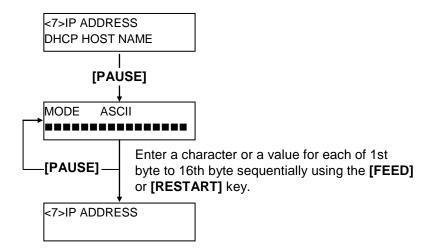
2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP) (Cont.)

NOTE:

After the 16th byte of the DHCP host name is set, press the **[PAUSE]** key. At this time, the display will turn to "<7>IP ADDRESS".

(7) DHCP Host Name

This parameter is to set a DHCP host name



ASCII code and Hex. code correspondence table

Upper 4 bits Lower 4 bits	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	SP	0	@	P	,	p
1	!	1	Α	Q	a	q
2	66	2	В	R	b	r
3	#	3	C	S	С	S
4	\$	4	D	T	d	t
5	%	5	Е	U	e	u
6	&	6	F	V	f	V
7	4	7	G	W	g	W
8	(8	Н	X	h	X
9)	9	I	Y	i	у
A	*	••	J	Z	j	Z
В	+	;	K	[k	{
C	,	\	L	\	1	
D	-	=	M]	m	}
Е		^	N	٨	n	
F	/	?	О		О	

SP = Space

(Example) To enter "TOSHIBA" in Hex. code:

54 4F 53 48 49 42 41

When the system mode settings have been completed, turn off the printer.

2.9 Installing the Printer Drivers

Once you install the TOSHIBA printer driver on your Windows host computer, you can use the TOSHIBA

bar code printer in the same way you would a laser or ink jet printer.

You can use the printer by connecting a USB or LAN cable to your host computer.

The installation procedure of the printer driver differs depending on the printer model and the connection method.

The Printer driver and installation manual can be downloaded from the Toshiba TEC Web-site

http://www.toshibatec.com/cnt/download overseas/

If an older version of the printer driver has been already installed, you must uninstall it and restart the computer before installing a newer version.

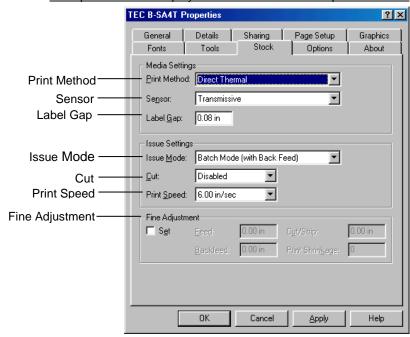
2.10 Print Test

After your operating environment has been set, perform a print test.

1. Perform a print test by using the Printer Driver or an Issue Command.

The printer driver's Properties screen allows you to set the communication conditions, media size, and other printing conditions in accordance with your operating environment. For details, refer to the **Help for the Windows Printer Drivers** screen.

Example: Stock tab display of the Printer Driver's Properties Screen



Print Method: Direct thermal or thermal transfer is selectable.

Sensor: Media sensor type is selectable.

Issue Mode: Batch or strip is selectable.

Cut: Whether to use the cutter or not is selectable.

Fine Adjustment: Adjustment values for the feed amount, cut/strip

position, etc. can be set.

2. Confirm the print test result.

- When a print start position, cut/strip position, or print tone needs to be adjusted: ⇒ Section 2.11 Position and Print Tone Fine Adjustment
- When pre-printed media is used, and if a print start position is not properly detected: ⇒ Section 2.12 Threshold Setting

2.10 Print Test (Cont.)

When using an optional Cutter Module or Strip Module

It is necessary to set the issue mode, cut/strip position, etc. for the Printer Driver or TPCL (TEC Printer Command Language) in accordance with your printing condition.

For details of the TPCL, refer to the **B-SX6T/SX8T Series External Equipment Interface Specification** stored in the CD-ROM.

Regarding how to use the Printer Driver, refer to the **Help for the Windows Printer Drivers** screen.

To gain maximum performance and life from the Cutter Module or Strip Module, periodic cleaning is required.

Before starting a cleaning, be sure to TURN OFF the printer to avoid risk of injury.

For details of cleaning, refer to **Section 4.1.5 Optional Cutter Module** or **Section 4.1.6 Optional Strip Module**.

2.11 Position and Print Tone Fine Adjustment

This section describes how to fine adjust a print start position, cut/strip position, reverse feed amount, print tone, and ribbon motor torque. When a fine adjustment is required, such as print start position, print tone, etc, follow the procedure below.

- **1.** Turn on the printer and confirm that "ONLINE" appears on the LCD Message Display.
- **2.** Press the **[PAUSE]** key to pause the printer.
- **3.** Hold down the **[RESTART]** key for three seconds until "<1>RESET" is displayed.
- **4.** Press the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key until "<3>ADJUST SET" appears on the LCD Message Display.
- **5.** When "<3>ADJUST SET" appears, press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Parameter Fine Adjustment Mode.

The Parameter Fine Adjustment Mode contains the following sub menus. Each time the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, the sub menus are displayed sequentially.

(1) Feed Amount Fine Adjustment:

Feed amount to the print start position is fine adjusted.

(2) Cut/Strip Position Fine Adjustment: Cut position or strip position is fine adjusted.

(3) Reverse Feed Amount Fine Adjustment: Reverse feed amount is fine adjusted.

(4) X-coordinate Fine Adjustment: X-coordinate of a print position is fine adjusted.

(5) Print Tone Fine Adjustment (Thermal transfer):

Print tone is fine adjusted for thermal transfer mode.

(6) Print Tone Fine Adjustment (Thermal direct):

Print tone is fine adjusted for thermal direct mode.

(7) Ribbon Motor Drive Voltage Fine Adjustment (Take-up motor):

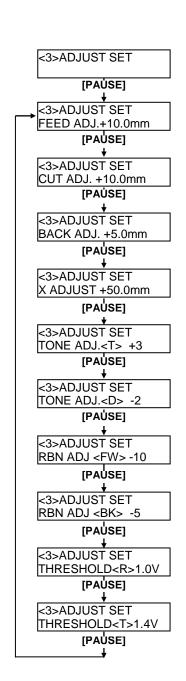
Drive voltage of the ribbon take-up motor is fine adjusted.

- (8) Ribbon Motor Drive Voltage Fine Adjustment (Feed motor)
 Drive voltage of the ribbon feed motor is fine adjusted.
- (9) Threshold Fine Adjustment (Black mark sensor):
 Threshold for the black mark sensor is fine adjusted. See Section 2.12.
- (10) Threshold Fine Adjustment (Feed gap sensor):

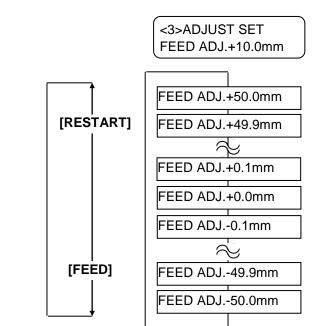
 Threshold for the feed gap sensor is fine adjusted. See Section 2.12.



The printer driver's properties screen also has Parameter Fine Adjustment menu.



Print Start Position Fine Adjustment



NOTES:

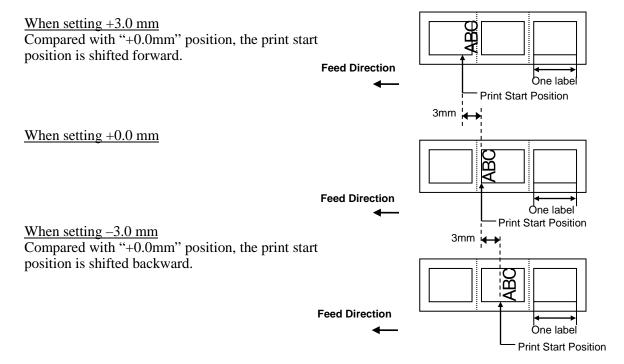
Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1mm change, up to -50.0 mm.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 0.1mm change, up to +50.0 mm.

After selecting a fine adjustment value, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

• Example of Print Start Position Fine Adjustment



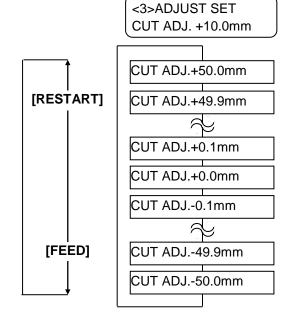
Cut/Strip Position Fine Adjustment

NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

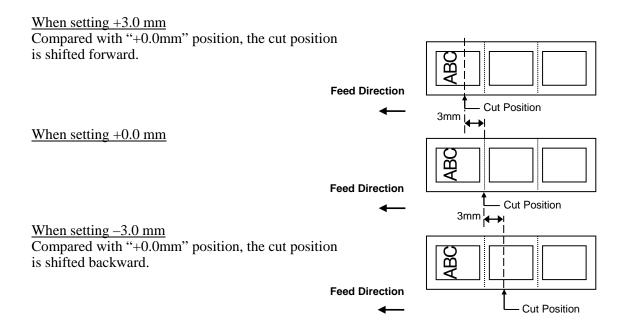
Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1mm change, up to -50.0 mm.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 0.1mm change, up to +50.0 mm.

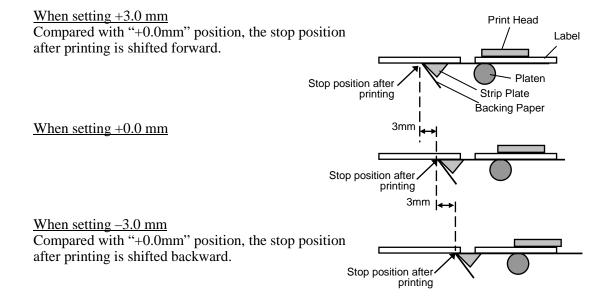


After selecting a fine adjustment value, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

• Example of Cut Position Fine Adjustment



• Example of Strip Position Fine Adjustment



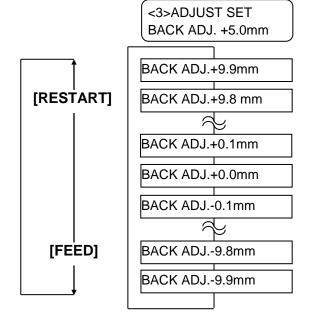
Reverse Feed Amount Fine Adjustment

NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

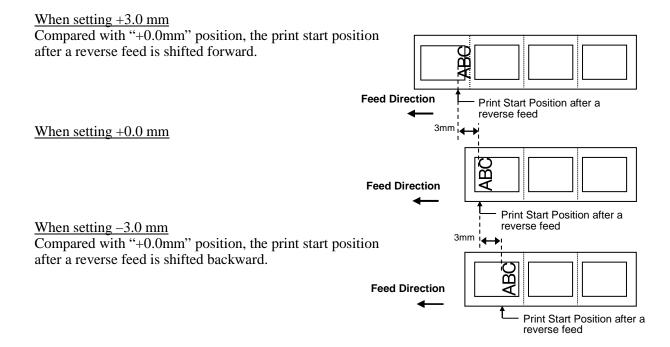
Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1mm change, up to -9.9 mm.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 0.1mm change, up to +9.9 mm.



After selecting a fine adjustment value, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

Example of Reverse Feed Amount Fine Adjustment



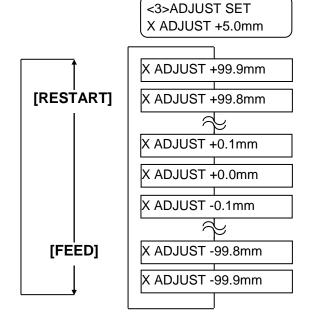
X Coordinate Fine Adjustment

NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1mm change, up to -99.9 mm.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 0.1mm change, up to +99.9 mm.



After selecting a fine adjustment value, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

Top Down Printing



When setting -50.0 mm

Compared with "+0.0mm" position, the print position

is shifted to the left.

When setting +0.0 mm

When setting +50.0 mm

Compared with "+0.0mm" position, the print position is shifted to the right.

ABC

So.0mm

ABC

Bottom First Printing

ABC

ABC

ABC

Feed Direction

Print Tone Fine Adjustment

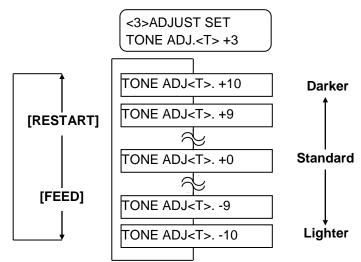
NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a –1 tone change, up to –10 tones.

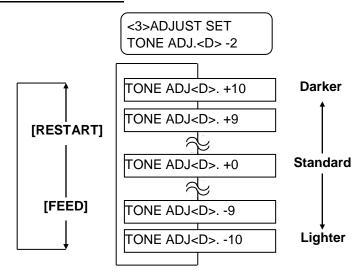
Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 1 tone change, up to +10 tones.

Thermal Transfer Print



After selecting a fine adjustment value or to skip this menu, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

Thermal Direct Print

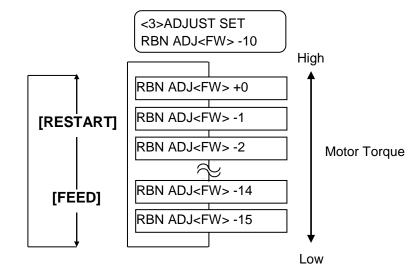


After selecting a fine adjustment value or to skip this menu, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

Ribbon Motor Voltage Fine Adjustment

When the ribbon is slack or wrinkled and printing is affected, fine adjust the ribbon motor torque by using the following procedure.

Take-up Motor (RBN ADJ <FW>)



After selecting a fine adjustment value or to skip this menu, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a-1 step change, up to -15 steps.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 1 step change, up to +0 steps.

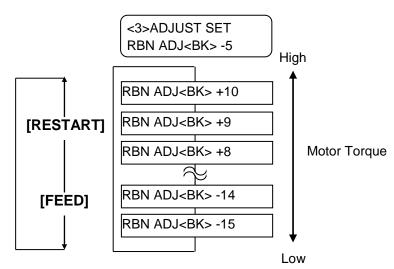
NOTES:

Choose a desired value by using the [RESTART] or [FEED] key.

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a-1 step change, up to -15 steps.

Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a + 1 step change, up to +10 steps.

Feed Motor (RBN ADJ <BK>)



After selecting a fine adjustment value or to skip this menu, press the **[PAUSE]** key.

2.12 Threshold Setting

To maintain a constant print position the printer uses the media sensor to detect a print start position according to the difference of voltage between a print area and a gap or black mark. When the media is pre-printed, the darker (or more dense) inks can interfere with this process causing paper jam errors.

To get around this problem, first, try an automatic threshold setting. If the problem still occurs, then, the threshold voltage needs to be manually set.

Automatic threshold setting procedure

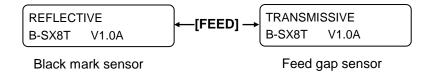
- **1.** Turn the power ON. The printer is in online mode.
- **2.** Load a pre-printed media roll.

When using a label stock, move the Feed Gap Sensor so that it is in line with the centre of the label.

When using a tag stock, move the Black Mark Sensor so that it is in line with the centre of a black mark.

- **3.** Press the **[PAUSE]** key.
- **4.** The printer enters the pause mode.
- **5.** Press and hold the **[PAUSE]** key in the pause state until the following screen appears.
- **6**. The sensor type is displayed.

7. Select the sensor to be adjusted by using the **[FEED]** key.



NOTES:

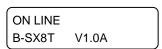
- 1. Failure to feed more than 1.5 labels may result in an incorrect threshold setting.
- 2. While the Top Cover is raised, the **[PAUSE]** key does not work
- 3. A paper end error cannot be detected during paper feed.

8. Press and hold the **[PAUSE]** key until more than 1.5 labels (tags) have been issued.

The media will continue to be fed until the **[PAUSE]** key is released. (An automatic threshold setting for the selected sensor is completed by this operation.)



9. Press the **[RESTART]** key.



10. The printer returns to online mode.

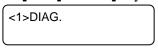
Send an issue command from the host computer to the printer.

Manual threshold setting procedure

If a paper jam error still occurs even after an automatic threshold setting has been performed, manually set the threshold voltage.

To make a threshold value manually set in this section effective, select the Transmissive Sensor (when using manual threshold value) or Reflective Sensor (when using manual threshold value) within software commands or the printer driver.

- **1.** While holding down the **[FEED]** and **[PAUSE]** keys, turn on the printer.
- **2.** When "<1>DIAG." appears on the LCD Message Display, release the **[FEED]** and **[PAUSE]** keys.



Now, the printer is in the System Mode for system administrators.

3. Press the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key until "<5>SENSOR ADJ." appears on the LCD Message Display.



4. Press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Sensor Adjustment Mode.

<5>SENSOR ADJ. [H]28°C [A]28°C

The Sensor Adjustment Mode contains sub menus for displaying the current status of each sensor and for storing "media level" voltage and "no media level" voltage. Each time the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed, the sub menus are displayed sequentially.

(1) Sensor Status Display:

Temperatures being detected by the Print Head Thermistor and the Ambient Thermistor are displayed.

(2) Black Mark Sensor Status Display:

Voltage being detected by the Black Mark Sensor is displayed.

(3) Black Mark Sensor Adjustment:
Using the media actually used, a "media level" voltage is stored.

(4) Feed Gap Sensor Status Display:

Voltage being detected by the Feed Gap Sensor is displayed.

(5) Feed Gap Sensor Adjustment:
Using the media actually used, a "media level" voltage is stored.

(6) Black Mark Sensor/Feed Gap Sensor Status Display (No media):

"No media level" voltage detected by the Black Mark Sensor/Feed Gap Sensor is displayed.

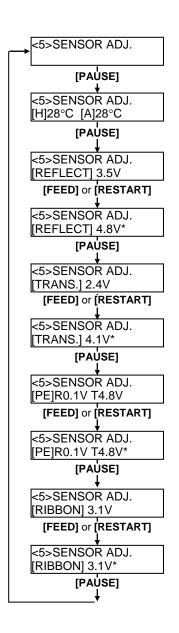
(7) Black Mark Sensor/Feed Gap Sensor Adjustment (No media):

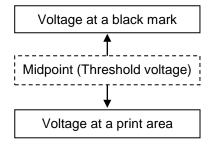
"No media level" voltage is stored.

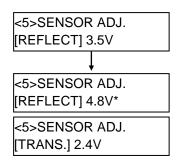
(8) Ribbon End Sensor Status Display:

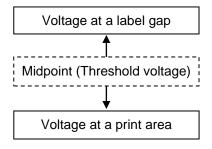
Voltage being detected by the Ribbon End Sensor is displayed.

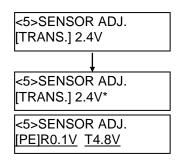
(9) Ribbon End Sensor Adjustment:
Using the ribbon actually used, a "ribbon level" voltage is stored.











■ When using the Black Mark Sensor

(1) While "<5>SENSOR ADJ." is displayed, press the **[PAUSE]** key until the message appears.

The displayed value is a real-time voltage being detected by the Black Mark Sensor.

<5>SENSOR ADJ. [PEFLECT] 3.5V

(2) Measure a voltage at a blank part of media and a black mark, respectively. At this time, write down the midpoint between both voltages. (This value is used later for a threshold setting.)

(Example)

Print area = 4.8V, Black mark = $2.4V \longrightarrow Midpoint = 3.6V$

NOTES:

- 1. When measuring a voltage of a blank area, be careful not to align a pre-print with the sensor by mistake.
- 2. Confirm that there is at least 0.7V difference between the two values. If the difference in voltage is less than 0.7V, a print start position cannot be detected. In that case, please consider changing the media type.
- 3. Make sure that the Top Cover is closed when measuring the voltages.
- (3) Press and hold the **[RESTART]** or **[FEED]** key for about 3 seconds aligning a blank part of print area with the Black Mark Sensor.
- (4) When storing a "media level" voltage is completed, an asterisk "*"is displayed on the right side of a voltage. Press the **[PAUSE]** key.
- (5) A real-time voltage being detected by the Feed Gap Sensor is displayed.

When using the Feed Gap Sensor

(1)Measure a voltage at a blank part of label and a label gap, respectively. At this time, write down the midpoint of both voltages. (This value is used later for a threshold setting.)

(Example)

Print area = 2.4V, Gap = 4.0V \longrightarrow Midpoint = 3.2V

NOTES:

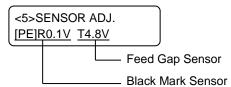
- 1. When measuring a voltage at a blank area, be careful not to align a pre-print with the sensor by mistake.
- 2. Confirm that there is at least 0.7V difference between the two values. If the difference in voltage is less than 0.7V, a print start position cannot be detected. In that case, please consider changing the media type.
- 3. Make sure that the Top Cover is closed when measuring the voltages.
- (2) Press and hold the **[RESTART]** or **[FEED]** key for about 3 seconds aligning a blank part of print area with the Feed Gap Sensor.
- (3) When storing a "media level" voltage is completed, an asterisk "*"is displayed on the right side of a voltage. Press the **[PAUSE]** key.
- (4) The display changes as shown on the left.

■ Storing a "No Media Level" Voltage

The following is how to set a "No media level" voltage that is used to detect a paper end.

If a "NO PAPER" is displayed even if the media has not run out yet, this voltage needs to be set again.

- (1) Remove any media from the Black Mark Sensor/Feed Gap Sensor.
- (2) A real-time voltages being detected by the Black Mark Sensor and Feed Gap Sensor are displayed.



(3) Press and hold the **[RESTART]** or **[FEED]** key for about 3 seconds.

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<5>SENSOR ADJ.
[PE]R0.1VT4.8V*
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- (4) When storing a "no media level" voltage is completed, an asterisk "*"is displayed on the right side of a voltage. Press the **[PAUSE]** key.
- (5) The message returns to "<5>SENSOR ADJ.".

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<5>SENSOR ADJ.
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■ Manual Threshold Setting

Then, set the calculated threshold voltage in the Parameter Fine Adjustment mode.

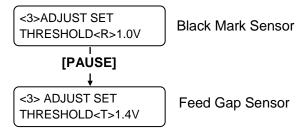
(1) While "<5>SENSOR ADJ." is displayed, press the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key until "<3>ADJUST SET" is displayed.



(2)Press the **[PAUSE]** key to enter the Parameter Fine Adjustment Mode.

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<3> ADJUST SET
FEED ADJ.+10.0mm
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(3) Press the **[PAUSE]** key until the target sensor type is displayed.

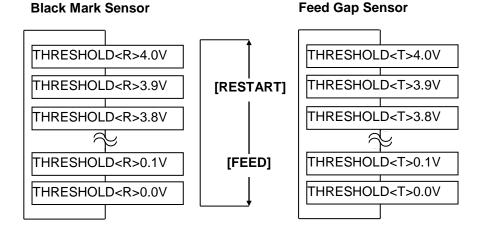


(4) Set a threshold voltage (calculated in Sensor Adjustment Menu) by using the **[FEED]** or **[RESTART]** key, as shown below.

Threshold voltage = Midpoint between voltage at a print area and voltage at a gap/black mark

NOTE:

Pressing the **[FEED]** key one time causes a -0.1V change, up to 0.0V. Pressing the **[RESTART]** key one time causes a +0.1V change, up to +4.0V.



- (5) After choosing a threshold voltage, press the **[PAUSE]** key.
- (6) To check for a proper operation, issue the pre-printed media in online. If an error still occurs even after a manual threshold setting, change the threshold voltage a little, and retry.

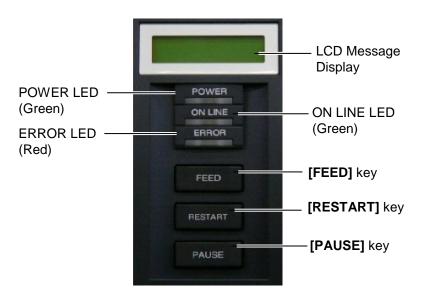
3. ON LINE OPERATION

This chapter describes usage of the keys on the Operation Panel in On Line mode.

When the printer is in On Line mode and connected to a host computer, the normal operation of printing images on labels or tags can be accomplished.

3.1 Operation Panel

The figure below illustrates the Operation Panel and key functions.



The LCD Message Display shows messages in alphanumeric characters and symbols to indicate the printer's current status. Up to 32 characters can be displayed on two lines.

There are three LEDs on the Operation Panel.

LED	Illuminates when	Flashes when
POWER	The printer is turned on.	
ON LINE	The printer is ready to print.	The printer is communicating with your computer.
ERROR	Any error occurs with the printer.	The ribbon is nearly over. (See NOTE 1.)

NOTES:

- Flashes only when the Ribbon Near End Detection function is selected.
- 2. Use the **[RESTART]** key to resume printing after a pause, or after clearing an error.

There are three keys on the operation panel.

PAUSE	Used to stop printing temporarily.
RESTART	Used to restart printing.
FEED	Used to feed media.

3.2 Operation

When the printer is turned on, the "ON LINE" message appears on the LCD Message Display. It is shown during standby or normal printing.

1. The printer is turned on, standing by, or printing.

ON LINE B-SX8T V1.0A

2. If any error occurs during printing, an error message appears. The printer stops printing automatically. (The number on the right side shows the remaining number of media to be printed.)

NO PAPER 125 B-SX8T V1.0A

3. To clear an error, press the **[RESTART]** key. The printer resumes printing.

ON LINE B-SX8T V1.0A

4. If the **[PAUSE]** key is pressed during printing, the printer stops printing temporarily. (The number on the right side shows the remaining number of media to be printed.)

PAUSE 52 B-SX8T V1.0A

5. When the **[RESTART]** key is pressed, the printer resumes printing.

ON LINE B-SX8T V1.0A

3.3 Reset

A reset operation clears the print data sent from the computer to the printer, and returns the printer to an idle condition.

1. The printer is turned on, standing by, or printing.

ON LINE B-SX8T V1.0A

2. To stop printing, or clear the data sent from the computer, press the **[PAUSE]** key. The printer stops printing.

PAUSE 52 B-SX8T V1.0A

3. Press and hold the **[RESTART]** key for 3 seconds or longer.

<1>RESET

4. Press the **[PAUSE]** key. The data sent from the computer will be cleared, and the printer returns to an idle condition.

ON LINE B-SX8T V1.0A

NOTE:

For the meaning of error messages and actions to be taken, refer to **Section 5 TROUBLESHOOTING** and **APPENDIX 1**.

However, when a communication error or command error occurs, the printer returns to an idle condition.

NOTE:

If the **[RESTART]** key is held for less than 3 seconds when the printer is in an error or pause

state, the printer restarts printing.

4. MAINTENANCE

WARNING!

- Be sure to disconnect the power cord before performing maintenance. Failure to do this may cause an electric shock.
- To avoid injury, be careful not to pinch your fingers while opening or closing the cover and print head block.
- 3. The print head becomes hot immediately after printing. Allow it to cool before performing any maintenance.
- 4. Do not pour water directly onto the printer.

This chapter describes how to perform routine maintenance. To ensure the continuous high quality operation of the printer, refer to the following table and perform a regular maintenance routine.

Cleaning cycle	Frequency
High throughput	Every day
Every ribbon roll or media roll	Once

4.1 Cleaning

4.1.1 Print Head/Platen

CAUTION!

- Do not use any volatile solvent including thinner and benzene, as this may cause discoloration to the cover, print failure, or breakdown of the printer.
- Do not touch the Print Head Element with bare hands, as static may damage the Print Head.
- 3. Be sure to use a Print Head Cleaner. Failure to do this may shorten the Print Head life.

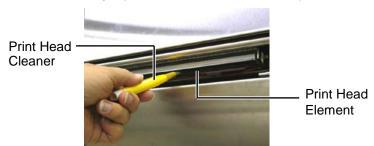
NOTE:

- 1. A Print Head Cleaner (P/No. 24089500013) is available from your authorised TOSHIBA TEC service representative.
- 2. When an optional Cutter Module is fitted, clean the print head using the Print Head Cleaner supplied with the Cutter Module, as the picture shows.

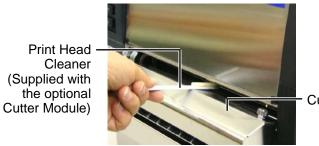


To maintain the printer performance and print quality, please clean the printer regularly, or whenever the media or ribbon is replaced.

- **1.** Turn off the power and unplug the printer.
- **2.** Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position.
- **3.** Open the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.
- **4.** Open the Head Lock Plate.
- **5.** Remove the ribbon and media from the printer.
- **6.** Clean the Print Head Element with a Print Head Cleaner, or a cotton swab or soft cloth slightly moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol.



When the Cutter Module is fitted.



Cutter Module

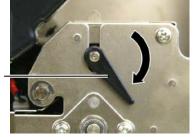
4.1.1 Print Head/Platen (Cont.)

7. Wipe the Platen with a soft cloth slightly moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol



4.1.2 Pinch Roller

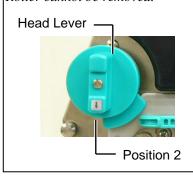
- **1.** Turn off the power and unplug the printer.
- 2. Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position.
- **3.** Open the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.
- **4.** Open the Head Lock Plate.
- **5.** Turn the Pinch Roller Lever clockwise to release the Pinch Roller.



Pinch Roller Lever



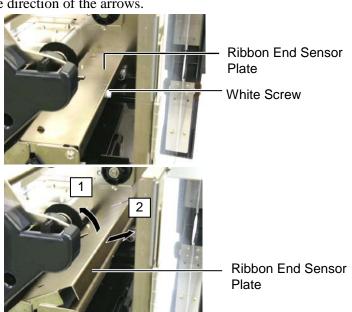
Be sure to set the Head Lever to Position 2, otherwise the Pinch Roller cannot be removed.



CAUTION!

Do not pull hard on the Ribbon End Sensor Plate. Doing so may damage the Ribbon End Sensor Harness, causing a printer failure.

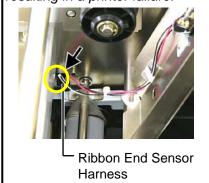
- **6.** Remove the ribbon and media from the printer.
- **7.** Set the Head Lever to the Position 2.
- **8.** Remove the White Screw and detach the Ribbon End Sensor Plate in the direction of the arrows.



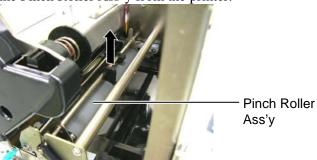
4.1.2 Pinch Roller (Cont.)

CAUTION!

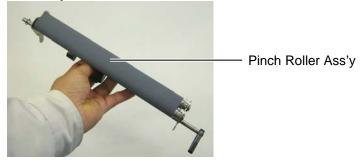
When re-installing the Pinch Roller Ass'y on the printer, remove the slack of the Ribbon End Sensor Harness as far as possible by pushing it into the opening (indicated by the arrow). Failure to do this may cause the harness to be caught by the Ribbon End Sensor Plate, resulting in a printer failure.



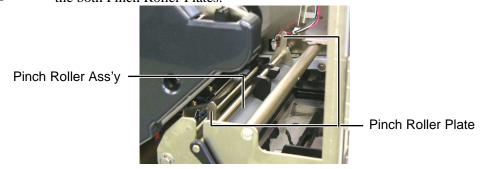
9. Take out the Pinch Roller Ass'y from the printer.



10. Wipe the Pinch Roller Ass'y with a soft cloth slightly moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol.

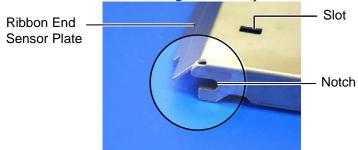


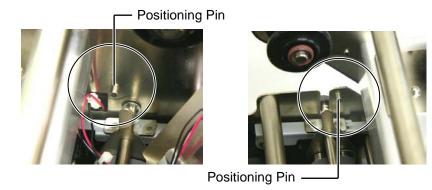
11. After cleaning the Pinch Roller Ass'y, place it in position, and raise the both Pinch Roller Plates.



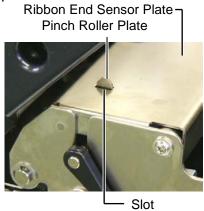
4.1.2 Pinch Roller (Cont.)

- **12.** Attach the Ribbon End Sensor Plate to the printer.
 - (1) Engage the notches on the both sides of the Ribbon End Sensor Plate with the Positioning Pins of the printer.





(2) Fit the tip of the Pinch Roller Plates into the slot in the Ribbon End Sensor.



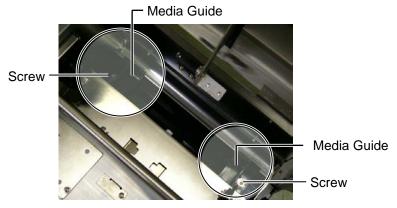
NOTE:

Be careful not to lose the removed

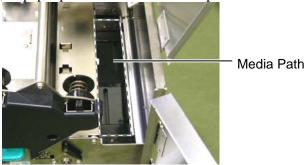
4.1.3 Under the Media Guides 1. Turn off the power and unplug the printer..

2. Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position

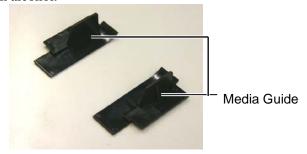
- **3.** Open the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.
- **4.** Open the Head Lock Plate.
- **5.** Turn the Pinch Roller Lever clockwise to release the Pinch Roller.
- **6.** Remove the ribbon and media from the printer.
- **7.** Remove the screws to detach the Media Guide.



- **8.** Remove the jammed media, if any.
- **9.** Wipe dirt, dust, or paper particles from the media path.



10. Wipe dust and adhesive off the Media Guides with a soft cloth moistened with alcohol.



11. Re-install the Media Guides using the screws.

4.1.4 Covers and Panels

CAUTION!

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

Wipe the covers and panels with a dry soft cloth or a cloth slightly moistened with mild detergent solution.

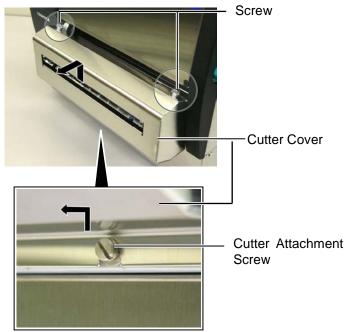


4.1.5 Optional Cutter Module 1. Loosen the two screws and remove the Cutter Cover.

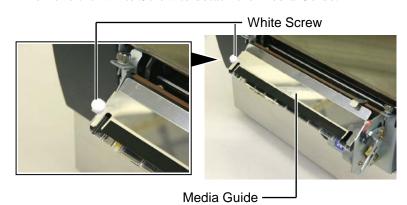
WARNING!

- 1. Be sure to turn the power off before cleaning the cutter unit.
- 2. As the cutter blade is sharp, care should be taken not to injure yourself when cleaning.

As the bottom of the Cutter Cover is fitted onto the Cutter Attachment Screw, slightly lift and detach the Cutter Cover.



2. Remove the White Screw to detach the Media Guide.

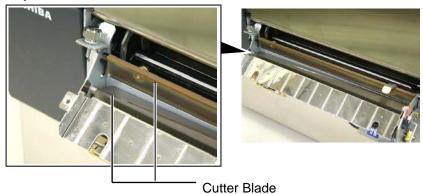


3. Remove jammed media, if any.

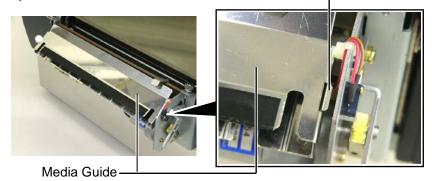


(Cont.)

4.1.5 Optional Cutter Module 4. Clean the Cutter Blade with a cotton swab moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol.



5. Reassemble in the reverse order of removal. Secure the Media Guide by the hook.



4.1.6 Optional Strip Module

WARNING!

Care must be taken not to pinch your fingers or hands.

1. Press down the Backing Paper Release Bar to open the Strip Unit.



- Release Bar

- **2.** Remove jammed media or backing paper, if any.
- **3.** Wipe the Backing Paper Holder and the Strip Roller with a soft cloth slightly moistened with absolute ethyl alcohol.



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5. TROUBLESHOOTING

This chapter lists the error messages, possible problems, and their solutions.

WARNING!

If a problem cannot be solved by taking the actions described in this chapter, do not attempt to repair the printer. Turn off and unplug the printer, then contact an authorised TOSHIBA TEC service representative for assistance.

5.1 Error Messages

NOTES:

- 1. If an error is not cleared by pressing the [RESTART] key, turn the printer off and then on.
- 2. After the printer is turned off, all print data in the printer is cleared.
- 3. "****" indicates the number of unprinted media. Up to 9999 (in pieces).

Error Messages	Problems/Causes	Solutions
HEAD OPEN	The Print Head or Pinch Roller is opened	Turn the Head Lever and Pinch Roller
	in Online mode.	Lever to the lock position.
HEAD OPEN ****	A feed or an issue was attempted with	Turn the Head Lever and Pinch Roller
	the Print Head or Pinch Roller opened.	Lever to the lock position. Then press the [RESTART] key.
COMMS ERROR	A communication error has occurred.	Make sure the interface cable is correctly connected to the printer and the host, and the host is turned on.
PAPER JAM ****	The media is jammed in the media path. The media is not fed smoothly.	 Remove the jammed media, and clean the Platen. Then reload the media correctly. Finally press the [RESTART] key. ⇒ Section 5.3.
	2. A wrong Media Sensor is selected for the media being used.	2. Turn the printer off and then on. Then select the Media Sensor for the media being used. Finally resend a print job.
	3. The Black Mark Sensor is not correctly aligned with the Black Mark on the media.	3. Adjust the sensor position. Then press the [RESTART] key. ⇒ Section 2.4.
	4. Size of the loaded media is different from the programmed size.	4. Replace the loaded media with one that matches the programmed size then press the [RESTART] key, or turn the printer off and then on, select a programmed size that matches the loaded media. Finally resend the print job.
	5. The Feed Gap Sensor cannot distinguish a print area from a label gap.	5. Refer to Section 2.12 to set the threshold. If this does not solve the problem, turn off the printer, and call a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service representative.

5.1 Error Messages (Cont.)

Error Messages	Problems/Cause	Solutions
CUTTER ERROR ****	The media is jammed in the cutter.	Remove the jammed media. Then press
(When an optional cutter		the [RESTART] key. If this does not
module is installed.)		solve the problem, turn off the printer, and
		call a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service
		representative.
		\Rightarrow Section 4.1.5.
NO PAPER ****	1. The media has run out.	1. Load new media. Then press the
		[RESTART] key.
		⇒ Section 2.4.
	2. The media is not loaded properly.	2. Reload the media correctly. Then press
		the [RESTART] key. ⇒ Section 2.4.
	3. The media is slack.	
NO DIDDON ****	The ribbon has run out.	3. Take up any slack in the media.
NO RIBBON ****	The ribbon has run out.	Load a new ribbon. Then press the
		[RESTART] key. ⇒ Section 2.5.
DIRRON EDDOR ****	The ribbon is not fed properly.	Remove the ribbon, and check the status of
RIBBON ERROR ****	The fibbon is not led property.	the ribbon. Replace the ribbon, if
		necessary. If the problem is not solved,
		turn off the printer, and call a TOSHIBA
		TEC authorised service representative.
EVOCCO LICAD TEMP	The Print Head has overheated.	-
EXCESS HEAD TEMP	The Print Head has overheated.	Turn off the printer, and allow it to cool down (about 3 minutes). If this does not
		solve the problem, call a TOSHIBA TEC
		authorised service representative.
HEAD ERROR	There is a problem with the Print Head.	The Print Head is required to be replaced.
TIEAD ERROR	There is a problem with the Time fread.	Call a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service
		representative.
SYSTEM ERROR	1. The printer is used in a location where	1. Keep the printer and the interface cables
	it is subject to noise. Or, there are	away from the source of noise.
	power cords of other electrical	
	appliances near the printer or interface	
	cable.	
	2. The Power Cord of the printer is not	2. Ground the Power Cord.
	grounded.	
	3. The printer shares the same power	3. Provide an exclusive power source for
	source with any other electrical	the printer.
	appliances.4. An application software used on your	4. Confirm the host computer operates
	host computer has an error or	properly.
	malfunction.	property.
FLASH WRITE ERR.	An error has occurred in writing to the	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
	flash ROM.	F 5,
FORMAT ERROR	An error has occurred in formatting the	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
	flash ROM.	
FLASH CARD FULL	Saving failed because of an insufficient	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
	capacity of the flash ROM.	
EEPROM ERROR	Data cannot be read from/written to a	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
	backup EEPROM properly.	-
RFID WRITE ERROR	The printer did not succeed in writing	Press the [RESTART] key.
	data onto an RFID tag after having	
	retried for a specified times.	

5.1 Error Messages (Cont.)

Error Messages	Problems/Cause	Solutions
RFID ERROR	The printer cannot communicate with the RFID module.	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
SYNTAX ERROR	While the printer is in the Download mode for upgrading the firmware, it receives an improper command, for example, a Issue Command.	Turn the printer off, and then on again.
POWER FAILURE	A momentary power failure has occurred.	Check the power source which supplies power to the printer. If the rating is not correct, or if the printer shares the same power outlet with other electrical appliances that consume large amounts of power, change the outlet.
LOW BATTERY	The voltage of the Real Time Clock Battery is 1.9V or less.	Hold down the [RESTART] key until "<1>RESET" is displayed. If you would like to keep using the same battery even after "LOW BATTERY" error occurs, set the Low battery check function to OFF, and set the date and time to the real time. As long as the power is on, the Real Time Clock will function. ⇒ Section 2.8.6 However, once the power is turned off, the date and time will be reset. Call a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service representative for replacement of the battery.
Other error messages	A hardware or software problem may have occurred.	Turn the printer off and then on. If this does not solve the problem, turn off the printer again, and call a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service representative.

5.2 Possible Problems

This section describes problems that may occur when using the printer, and their causes and solutions.

Possible Problems	Causes	Solutions
The printer will not	1. The Power Cord is disconnected.	1. Plug in the Power Cord.
turn on.	2. The AC outlet is not functioning correctly.	2. Test with a power cord from another electric appliance.
	3. The fuse has blown, or the circuit breaker has tripped.	3. Check the fuse or breaker.
The media is not fed.	1. The media is not loaded properly.	1. Load the media properly. ⇒ Section 2.4.
	2. The printer is in an error condition.	2. Solve the error in the message display. (See Section 5.1 for more detail.)
Pressing the [FEED]	A feed or an issue was attempted not on	Change the print condition by using the
key in the initial state	the following default conditions.	printer driver or a print command so that
results in an error.	Sensor type: Feed gap sensor	it corresponds to your printing conditions.
	Printing method: Thermal transfer	Then, clear the error state by pressing the
	Media pitch: 76.2 mm	[RESTART] key.

5.2 Possible Problems (Cont.)

Possible Problems	Causes	Solutions
Nothing is printed on the media.	1. The media is not loaded properly.	1. Load the media properly. ⇒ Section 2.4.
	2. The ribbon is not loaded properly.	2. Load the ribbon properly. ⇒ Section 2.5.
	3. The ribbon and media are not matched.	3. Select an appropriate ribbon for the media type being used.
The printed image is blurred.	1. The ribbon and media are not matched.	1. Select an appropriate ribbon for the media type being used.
	2. The Print Head is not clean.	2. Clean the print head using a Print Head Cleaner or a cotton swab slightly moistened with ethyl alcohol.
The optional cutter	1. The Cutter Unit is not closed properly.	1. Close the Cutter Unit properly.
module does not cut.	2. The media is jammed in the Cutter.	2. Remove the jammed paper. ⇒ Section 4.1.5.
	3. The cutter blade is dirty.	3. Clean the cutter blade. ⇒ Section 4.1.5.
The optional Strip	Label stock is too thin or the glue is too	Refer to Section 7.1 Media and change
Module does not	sticky.	the label
remove labels from the		
backing paper.		

5.3 Removing Jammed Media

CAUTION!

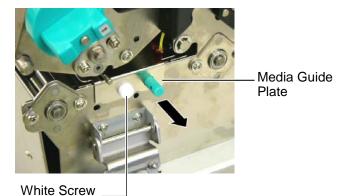
Do not use any tool that may damage the Print Head.

NOTE:

If you get frequent jams in the cutter, contact a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service representative.

This section describes in detail how to remove jammed media from the printer.

- **1.** Turn off and unplug the printer.
- **2.** Set the Head Lever to the "OPEN" position.
- **3.** Open the Top Cover and Right Side Cover.
- **4.** Open the Head Lock Plate.
- **5.** Remove the White Screw and slightly pull the Media Guide Plate. As three Cable Clamps that fasten the Media Sensor Harness are attached to Media Guide Plate, release the harness in the following order.



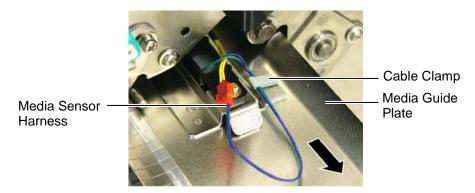
6. When the Media Guide Plate is slightly pulled, the first Cable Clamp can be seen. Release the Media Sensor Harness from the Cable

Clamp, and pull the Media Guide Plate to the half.

Media Guide Plate Cable Clamp

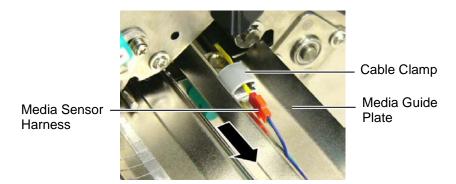
Media Sensor
Harness

7. The second Cable Clamp is attached to the centre of the Media Guide Plate. Release the Media Sensor Harness from the Cable Clamp, and pull the Media Guide Plate.

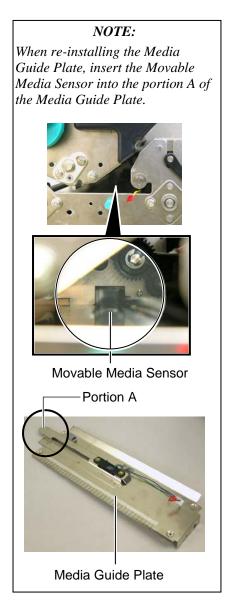


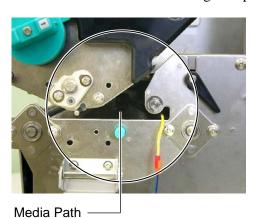
5.3 Removing Jammed Media (Cont.)

8. Release the Media Sensor Harness from the last Cable Clamp attached at the end of the Media Sensor Plate. Then, remove the Media Guide Plate from the printer.



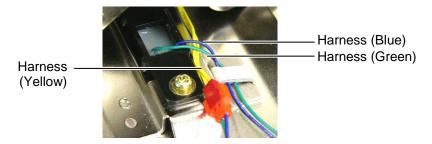
9. Remove jammed media from the media path. DO NOT USE any sharp implements or tools as these could damage the printer





- **10.** Clean the Print Head and Platen, then remove any further dust or foreign substances.
- 11. Clean the Media Guides (Refer to Section 4.1.3)
- **12.** Paper jams in the Cutter Unit can be caused by wear or residual glue from label stock on the cutter. Do not use non-specified media in the cutter.
- **13.** Re-install the Media Guide Plate on the printer in the reverse order of removal. At this time do not forget to fasten the Media Sensor Harness by the Cable Clamps.

When fastening the harness by the centre Cable Clamp, place the blue and green harnesses over the yellow harness, and remove the slack of the harnesses, as shown in the picture below.



6. PRINTER SPECIFICATIONS

This section describes the printer specifications.

Item	Model	B-SX8T-TS12-QM-R
Dimension (W \times D \times H)		416 mm × 289 mm × 395 mm (16.4" × 11.4" × 15.6")
Weight		55 lb (25 kg) (Media and ribbon are not included.)
Operating tempera	ature range	5°C to 40°C (41°F to 104°F)
Relative humidity		25% to 85% RH (no condensation)
Power supply		Universal power source AC100V to 240V, 50/60Hz±10%
Input voltage		AC100 to 240V, 50/60Hz ±10%
Power	During a print job	3.5A (100V) to 1.4A (240V), 170W rating
consumption	During standby	0.45A (100V) to 0.31A (240V), 20W (100V) to 10W (240V)
Resolution		12 dots/mm (305 dpi)
Printing method		Thermal transfer or Thermal direct
Printing speed		76.2 mm/sec. (3 inches/sec.)
		101.6 mm/sec (4 inches/sec.)
		203.2 mm/sec (8 inches/sec.)
Available media width		101.6 mm to 225.0 mm (4 inch to 8.9 inches)
(including backing paper)		101.6 mm to 160.0 mm (Printing speed: 8 inches/sec.)
Maximum effective print width		213.3 mm (8 inches)
Issue mode		Batch, Strip (option), and Cut (option)
LCD Message display		16 characters × 2 lines

Model Item	B-SX8T-TS12-QM-R
Available bar code types	JAN8, JAN13, EAN8, EAN8+2 digits, EAN8+5 digits, EAN13, EAN13+2 digits, EAN13+5 digits, UPC-E, UPC-E+2 digits,
	UPC-E+5 digits, UPC-A, UPC-A+2 digits, UPC-A+5 digits, MSI, ITF, NW-7, CODE39, CODE93, CODE128, EAN128, Industrial 2 to 5, Customer Bar Code, POSTNET, KIX CODE, RM4SCC (ROYAL MAIL 4STATE CUSTOMER CODE), GS1 DataBar
Available two-dimensional code	Data Matrix, PDF417, QR code, Maxi Code, Micro PDF417, CP Code
Available font	Times Roman (6 sizes), Helvetica (6 sizes), Presentation (1 size), Letter Gothic (1 size), Prestige Elite (2 sizes), Courier (2 sizes), OCR (2 types), Gothic (1 size), Outline font (4 types), Price font (3 types)
Rotations	0°, 90°, 180°, 270°
Standard interface	Parallel interface (Centronics, Bidirectional 1284 Nibble mode) USB interface (V2.0 Full speed) LAN interface (10/100BASE)
Optional equipment	Serial interface board (RS-232C) (B-SA704-RS-QM-R) Cutter module (B-SX208-QM-R) Strip module (B-SX908-H-QM-R) Expansion I/O board (B-SA704-IO-QM-R) Real time clock (B-SA704-RTC-QM-R) Metal Supply Cover (B-SX908-MC-QM-R, future option)

NOTES:

- Data MatrixTM is a trademark of International Data Matrix Inc., U.S.
 PDF417TM is a trademark of Symbol Technologies Inc., US.
 QR Code is a trademark of DENSO CORPORATION.
 Maxi Code is a trademark of United Parcel Service of America, Inc., U.S.

7. SUPPLY SPECIFICATIONS

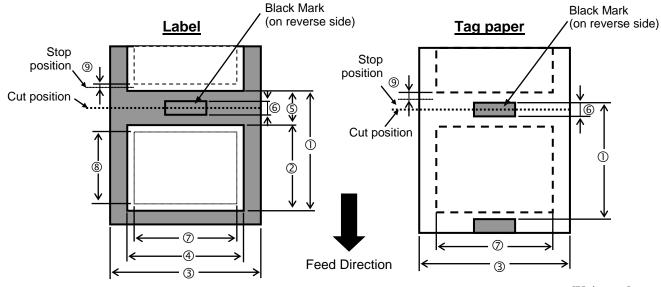
7.1 Media

Please make sure that the media being used is approved by TOSHIBA TEC. The warranty does not apply when a problem is caused by using media that is not approved by TOSHIBA TEC.

For information regarding TOSHIBA TEC approved media, please contact a TOSHIBA TEC authorised service representative.

7.1.1 Media Type

Two types of media can be loaded for this thermal transfer and direct thermal printer: label or tag. The table below shows size and shape of the media available for this printer.



[Unit: mm]

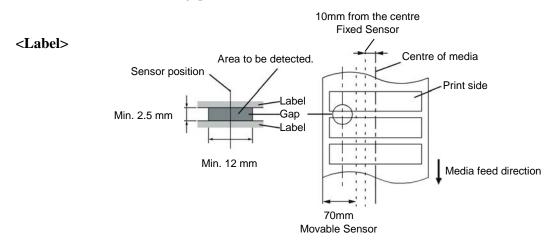
Label dispensing mode Item		Batch mode	Strip mode	Cut mode
© M 1' '4 1	Label	10.0 – 1368.0	25.4 – 1368.0	38.0 - 1368.0
① Media pitch	Tag paper	10.0 – 1368.0		25.4 – 1368.0
② Label length		7.5 – 1366.0	22.9 – 1366.0	25.0 - 1362.0
3 Media width/backing paper width		101.6 – 225.0		
4 Label width		98.6 – 222.0		
© Gap length		2.5 - 20.0	2.5 - 20.0	6.0 - 20.0
© Black mark length (Tag paper)		2.5 – 10.0		
⑦ Maximum effective print width		10.0 – 213.3		
® Effective print length	Label	5.5 - 1364.0	20.9 - 1364.0	23.0 - 1364.0
	Tag paper	8.0 - 1364.0		23.4 - 1364.0
Print speed up/slow down area		1.0		
TTI : 1	Label	0.13 – 0.17		
Thickness	Tag paper	0.1 - 0.17		
Maximum outer roll diameter		Ø200		
Roll direction		Inside		
Inner core diameter		Ø76.2±0.3		

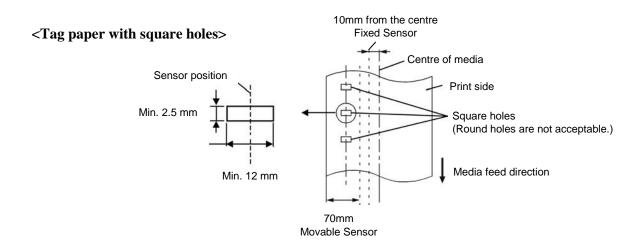
NOTES:

- 1. To ensure print quality and print head life use only TOSHIBA TEC specified media.
- 2. The ratio of a label length to a gap length must be a minimum of 3 to 1 (3:1).
- 3. Backing paper must be wider than a label; the distance between the edge of the backing paper and that of a label should be at least 1.5 mm.
- 4. When using a label stock in cut mode, be sure to cut the gaps. Cutting labels will cause the glue to stick to the cutter, which may affect the cutter performance and shorten the cutter life.
- 5. To tear off printed media in batch issue easier, set the Auto Forward Wait function (FORWARD WAIT parameter) to ON in the system mode. When this function is effective, the printer stops feeding the printed media past the strip shaft. In case of a label stock, however, if a next label is issued without tearing off the printed label, the label may peel while it is fed backward, causing a printer failure.

7.1.2 Detection Area of the Transmissive Sensor

The detection range of the Transmissive Sensor of the movable sensor is 70 mm from the media edge. The Transmissive Sensor of the fixed sensor is positioned at 10 mm from the centre of media. The Transmissive Sensor detects a gap between labels, as illustrated below.





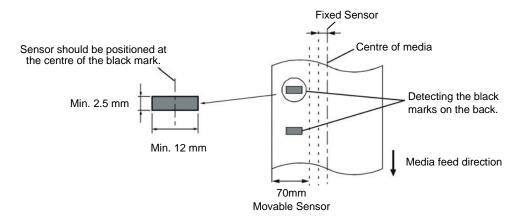
7.1.3 Detection Area of the Reflective Sensor

The detection range of the Reflective Sensor of the movable sensor is 70 mm from the media edge.

The Reflective Sensor of the fixed sensor is positioned at the centre of media.

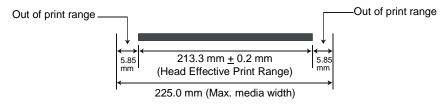
The reflection factor of the Black Mark must be 10% or lower with a waveform length of 950 nm.

The Reflective Sensor should be aligned with the centre of the Black Mark.

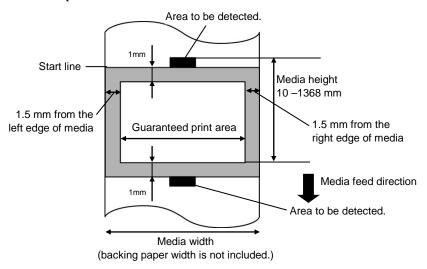


7.1.4 Effective Print Area

The figure below illustrates the relation between the head effective print width and media width.



The figure below shows the effective print area on the media.



NOTES:

- 1. Be sure not to print on shaded area in the above figure. Printing this area may cause ribbon wrinkles, resulting in a poor print quality of the guaranteed print area.
- 2. The centre of media is positioned at the centre of the Print Head.
- 3. Print quality in the 3-mm area from the print head stop position (including 1-mm non-printable area for print speed slow down) is not guaranteed.

7.2 Ribbon

Please make sure that the ribbon being used is approved by TOSHIBA TEC. The warranty does not apply to any problem caused by using non-approved ribbons.

For information regarding TOSHIBA TEC approved ribbon, please contact a TOSHIBA TEC service representative.

Type	Spool type
Width	115 – 224 mm
	115 – 160 mm (Printing speed: 8 inches/sec.)
Length	300 m (within Ø72 mm)
Outside Diameter	Ø72 mm (max.)

NOTES:

- 1. To ensure print quality and print head life use only TOSHIBA TEC specified ribbons.
- 2. Too much difference in width between media and ribbon may cause ribbon wrinkles. To avoid ribbon wrinkles use a ribbon for proper media width shown in the above table. Do not use a ribbon that is narrower than media.
- 3. When discarding ribbons, please follow the local rule.

7.3 Recommended Media and Ribbon Types

(1) Media type

Media type	Description
Vellum paper and labels	General use for low cost applications.
Coated paper	Matt coated paper General use including applications that require small letters and/or symbols.
	Glossy coated paper Used where a high-grade finish is required
Plastic films	Synthetic film (Polypropylene, etc.) This water-proof and solvent-resistant material has high physical strength and low-temperature resistance, but poor heat resistance (dependant upon material). This material can be used for labels stuck to recyclable containers, so it can be recycled in the same process.
	PET film This water-proof and solvent-resistant material has high physical strength, and low-temperature resistance as well as heat resistance. This material is used for many applications, especially where high durability is required. Mode/serial plate labels, caution labels, etc.
	Polyimide This material gives the best performance on heat resistance (greater than PET film). It is often used for PCB labels as it can withstand passage through a solder bath.

(2) Ribbon type

Ribbon type	Description
Smear-less ribbon (Wax resin ribbon)	Good match for coated paper. The printed image will resist water and light rubbing.
Scratch and solvent resistance ribbon	Very good match for plastic films (synthetic paper, PET, polyimide, etc.) Scratch and solvent resistance Heat resistance with PET and polyimide.

(3) Combination of Media and Ribbon

Media type Ribbon type	Vellum paper and label	Coated paper	Plastic films
Smear-less ribbon (wax-resin ribbon)		0	
Scratch/solvent resistance ribbon			0

O: Good match

7.4 Care/Handling of Media and Ribbon

CAUTION!

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

- Do not store the media or ribbon for longer than the manufacturer's recommended shelf life.
- Store media rolls on the flat end. Do not store them on the curved sides as this might flatten that side causing erratic media advance and poor print quality.
- Store the media in plastic bags and always reseal after opening. Unprotected media can get dirty and the extra abrasion from the dust and dirt particles will shorten the print head life.
- Store the media and ribbon in a cool, dry place. Avoid areas where they would be exposed to direct sunlight, high temperature, high humidity, dust or gas.
- The thermal paper used for direct thermal printing must not have specifications which exceed Na⁺ 800 ppm, K⁺ 250 ppm and Cl⁻ 500 ppm.
- Some ink used on pre-printed media may contain ingredients which shorten the print head's product life. Do not use labels pre-printed with ink which contain hard substances such as carbonic calcium (CaCO₃) and kaolin (Al₂O₃, 2SiO₂, 2H₂O).

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

APPENDIX 1 MESSAGES AND LEDS

Appendix 1 describes the LCD messages displayed on the operation panel.

Symbols in the message

- 1: O: The LED is illuminated. ⊙: The LED is flashing. ●: The LED is unlit.
- 2: ****: the number of unprinted media. Up to 9999 (in pieces)
- 3: ###: Flash memory card remaining memory for PC save area: 0 to 3072 (in K bytes)
- 4: &&&&: Remaining flash memory capacity for storing writable characters 0 to 3072 (in K bytes)

No.	LCD Message	LED POWER	ON	ation ERROR	Printer Status	Restoration by RESTART key Yes/No	Acceptance of Status Request Reset Command Yes/No
	ON LINE	O	LINE	•	Online mode		Yes
1	ON LINE	O	•	•	Online mode (communicating)		Yes
2	HEAD OPEN	O	•	•	The print head or pinch roller is opened in online mode.		Yes
3	PAUSE ****	O	•	•	Pause state	Yes	Yes
4	COMMS ERROR	O	•	0	A parity, overrun, or framing error has occurred during a communication by RS-232C.	Yes	Yes
5	PAPER JAM ****	O	•	0	A paper jam has occurred during paper feed.	Yes	Yes
6	CUTTER ERROR****	O	•	0	A problem has occurred at the cutter module.	Yes	Yes
7	NO PAPER ****	C	•	C	The media has run out, or the media is not loaded properly.	Yes	Yes
8	NO RIBBON ****	C	•	C	The ribbon has run out.	Yes	Yes
9	HEAD OPEN ****	O	•	•	A feed or an issue was attempted with the print head or pinch roller opened. (Except when the [FEED] key is pressed.)	Yes	Yes
10	HEAD ERROR	O	•	C	The print head has a problem.	Yes	Yes
11	EXCESS HEAD TEMP	O	•	C	The print head is overheated.	No	Yes
12	RIBBON ERROR****	O	•	0	The ribbon has been torn. A problem has occurred with the sensor that determines the torque for the ribbon motor.	Yes	Yes
13	SAVING ####&&&&	O	0	•	In writable character or PC command save mode		Yes
14	FLASH WRITE ERR.	O	•	0	An error has occurred in writing to the flash ROM.	No	Yes
15	FORMAT ERROR	O	•	0	An error has occurred in formatting the flash ROM.	No	Yes
16	FLASH CARD FULL	O	•	0	Saving failed because of an insufficient capacity of the flash ROM.	No	Yes
17	Display of error message (See Note.)	O	•	0	A command error has occurred in analyzing the command.	Yes	Yes
	POWER FAILURE	O	•	O	A momentary power failure has occurred.	No	No
19	INTIALIZING	C	•	•	The flash ROM is being initialised.		
20	EEPROM ERROR	O	•	O	Data cannot be read from/written to a backup EEPROM properly.		

			Indic	ation		Restoration by	Acceptance of
No.	LCD Message	POWER	ON LINE	ERROR	Printer Status	RESTART key (Yes/No)	Status Request Reset Command (Yes/No)
21	SYSTEM ERROR	0	•	0	When the following abnormal operations are performed, a system error occurs: (a) Command fetch from an odd address (b) Access to word data at an odd address (c) Access to long-word data at an odd address (d) Access to the area of 80000000H to FFFFFFFFH in the logic space in user mode. (e) An undefined instruction in an area other than a delay slot was decoded. (f) An undefined instruction in a delay slot was decoded. (g) An instruction to rewrite a delay slot was decoded.	No	No
22	100BASE LAN INITIALIZING	O	•	•	100 Base LAN Board is being initialised.		
23	DHCP CLIENT INITIALIZING	O	•	•	The DHCP client is being initialized. *When the DHCP function is enabled.		
24	LOW BATTERY	O	•		The voltage of the Real Time Clock Battery is 1.9V or less.	No	Yes
25	RFID WRITE ERROR	•	•	O	The printer did not succeed in writing data onto an RFID tag after having retried for a specified times.		Yes
26	RFID ERROR	O	•	O	The printer cannot communicate with the RFID module.	Yes	Yes

NOTE: When an error message listed above appears on the LCD message display, please refer to **Section 5 TROUBLESHOOTING** for solution.

NOTE: Description of Command Error

• If a command error is found in a command received, 16 bytes of the command error, starting from the command code, will be displayed. (However, [LF] and [NUL] will not be displayed.)

Example 1

[ESC] T20 G30 [LF] [NUL]

Command error

The following message appears.

T20G30

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Example 2

[ESC] XR; 0200, 0300, 0450, 1200, 1, [LF] [NUL]

—— Command error

The following message appears.

XR;0200,0300,045

B-SX8T V1.0A

Example 3

[ESC] PC001; 0A00, 0300, 2, 2, A, 00, B [LF] [NUL]

Command error

The following message appears.

PC001;0A00,0300,

B-SX8T V1.0A

- When the error command is shown, "? (3FH)" appears for codes other than codes 20H to 7FH and A0H to DFH.
- For details, please refer to the **B-SX6T/SX8T Series External Equipment Interface Specification** stored in the CD-ROM.

APPENDIX 2 INTERFACE

NOTE:

To prevent radiation and reception of electrical noise, the interface cables must meet the following requirements:

- In case of a parallel interface cable or serial interface cable, fully shielded and fitted with metal or metallised connector housings.
- Keep as short as possible.
- Should not be bundled tightly with power cords.
- Should not be tied to power line conduits.
- A parallel interface cable to be used should conform to IEEE1284.

■ Parallel interface (Centronics)

Mode: Conforming to IEEE1284

Compatible mode (SPP mode), Nibble mode

Data input method: 8 bit parallel

Control signal:

SPP Mode	Nibble Mode
nStrobe	HostClk
nAck	PtrClk
Busy	PtrBusy
Perror	AckDataReq
Select	Xflag
nAutoFd	HostBusy
nInit	nInit
nFault	nDataAvail
nSelectIn	IEEE1284Active

Data input code: ASCII code

European 8 bit code Graphic 8 bit code

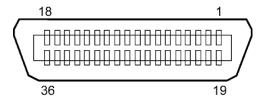
JIS8 code

Shift JIS Kanji code JIS Kanji code

UTF-8

Receive buffer: 1M byte

Connector:	DIN	T c	Negal
	PIN No.	SPP Mode	Signal Nibble Mode
	1	nStrobe	HostClk
	2	Data 1	Data 1
	3	Data 2	Data 2
	4	Data 3	Data 3
	5	Data 4	Data 4
	6	Data 5	Data 5
	7	Data 6	Data 6
	8	Data 7	Data 7
	9	Data 8	Data 8
	10	nAck	PtrClk
	11	Busy	PtrBusy
	12	PError	AckDataReg
	13	Select	Xflag
	14	nAutoFd	HostBusy
	15	NC	NC
	16	OV	0V
	17	CHASSIS GND	CHASSIS GND
	18	+5V (For detection)	+5V (For detection)
	19	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN1)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN1)
	20	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN2)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN2)
	21	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN3)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN3)
	22	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN4)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN4)
	23	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN5)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN5)
	24	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN6)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN6)
	25	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN7)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN7)
	26	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN8)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN8)
	27	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN9)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN9)
	28	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN10)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN10)
	29	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN11)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN11)
	30	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN31)	TWISTED PAIR GND(PIN31)
	31	nInit	nInit
	32	nFault	NDataAvail
	33	0V	0V
	34	NC	NC
	35	NC	NC
	36	nSelectIn	IEEE1284Active



IEEE1284-B Connector

■ USB interface

Standard: Conforming to V2.0 Full speed Transfer type: Control transfer, Bulk transfer

Transfer rate: Full speed (12M bps)

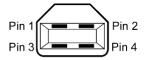
Class: Printer class

Control mode: Status with the receive buffer free space information

Number of ports: 1

Power source: Self power Connector: Type B

Pin No.	Signal
1	VCC
2	D-
3	D+
4	GND
3	D- D+



Series B Plug

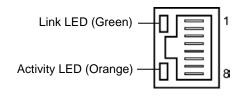
■ LAN

Standard: IEEE802.3 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX

Number of ports: 1

Connector: RJ-45 LED status: Link LED

Activity LED



LED	LED Status	LAN status					
Link	ON	10Mbps link or 100Mbps link is detected.					
	OFF	No link is detected.					
		* Communication cannot be made while					
		the Link LED is off.					
Activity	ON	Communicating					
	OFF	Idle					

LAN cable: 10BASE-T: UTP category 3 or category 5

100BASE-TX: UTP category 5

Cable length: Segment length Max. 100 m

NOTES:

- 1. For IP address setting, refer to Section 2.8.7 IP Address Setting (TCP/IP).
- 2. When a generally-used twisted pair Ethernet (TPE) or UTP cable is used, a communication error may occur depending on your operating environment. In such case, you may be requested to use a shielded twisted pair cable.

■ Serial interface (Option: B-SA704-RS-QM-R)

Type: RS-232C Communication mode: Full duplex

Transmission speed: 2400 bps, 4800 bps, 9600 bps, 19200 bps, 38400 bps, 115200 bps

Synchronization: Start-stop synchronization

Start bit: 1 bit
Stop bit 1 bit, 2 bit
Data length: 7 bit, 8 bit

Parity: None, EVEN, ODD

Error detection: Parity error, Framing error, Overrun error

Protocol: Unprocedure communication

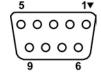
Data input code: ASCII code, European character 8 bit code, graphic 8 bit code, JIS8 code, Shift JIS

Kanji code, JIS Kanji code

Receive buffer: 1M byte

Connector:

Pin No.	Signal
1	N.C
2	TD (Transmit Data)
3	RD (Received Data)
4	DSR (Data Set Ready)
5	SG (Signal Ground)
6	DTR (Data Terminal Ready)
7	CTS (Clear to Send)
8	RTS (Request to Send)
9	N.C



■ Expansion I/O Interface (Option: B-SA704-IO-QM-R)

Input Signal IN0 to IN5
Output Signal OUT0 to OUT6

Connector FCN-781P024-G/P or equivalent

(External Device Side)

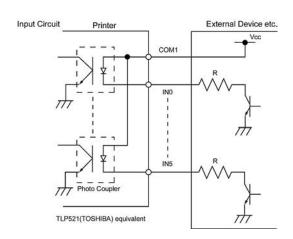
Connector FCN-685J0024 or equivalent

(Printer Side)

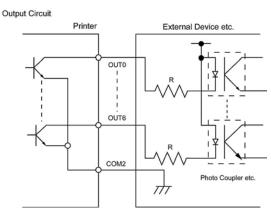
Pin	Signal	I/O	Function	Function Pin Signal I/O		I/O	Function
1	IN0	Input	FEED	13	OUT6	Output	
2	IN1	Input	PRINT	14	N.C.		
3	IN2	Input	PAUSE	15	COM1	Common (Power)	
4	IN3	Input		16	N.C.		
5	IN4	Input		17	N.C.		
6	IN5	Input		18	N.C.		
7	OUT0	Output	FEED	19	N.C.		
8	OUT1	Output	PRINT	20	N.C.		
9	OUT2	Output	PAUSE	21	COM2	Common (Ground)	
10	OUT3	Output	ERROR	22	N.C.		
11	OUT4	Output	·	23	N.C.		
12	OUT5	Output	POWER ON	24	N.C.		

N.C.: No Connection

Input Circuit



Output Circuit



Operating environment

Temperature: 0 to 40 °C

Humidity: 20 to 90% (No Condensation)

APPENDIX 3 POWER CORD

When purchasing the power cord:

Since the power cord set is not enclosed in this unit, please purchase an approved one that meets the following standard from your authorized TOSHIBA TEC representative.

(As of September 2004)

							(As of sep	tember 2004)
Country	Agency	Certification mark	Country	Agency	Certification mark	Country	Agency	Certification mark
Australia	SAA	A	Germany	VDE	DVE	Sweden	SEMKKO	
Austria	OVE	ÖVE	Ireland	NSAI		Switzerland	SEV	(S)
Belgium	CEBEC	CEBEC	Italy	IMQ		UK	ASTA	ASA
Canada	CSA	(SP)	Japan	METI	PS	UK	BSI	
Denmark	DEMKO	D	Netherlands	KEMA	KEUA	U.S.A.	UL	
Finland	FEI	FI	Norway	NEMKO	N	Europe	HAR	
France	UTE	(Sp. 4	Spain	AEE	(AEE)			

Power Cord Instruction

- 1. For use with 100 125 Vac mains power supply, please select a power cord rated Min. 125V, 10A.
- 2. For use with 200 240 Vac mains power supply, please select a power cord rated Min. 250V.
- 3. Please select a power cord with the length of 4.5m or less.

Country/Region	North America	Europe	United Kingdom	Australia
Power Cord Rated (Min.) Type	125V, 10A SVT	250V H05VV-F	250V H05VV-F	250V AS3191 approved, Light or Ordinary Duty type
Conductor size (Min.)	No. 3/18AWG	3 x 0.75 mm ²	3 x 0.75 mm ²	3 x 0.75 mm ²
Plug Configuration (locally approved type)				
Rated (Min.)	125V, 10A	250V, 10A	250V, *1	250V, *1

^{*1:} At least, 125% of the rated current of the product.

APPENDIX 4 PRINT SAMPLES

The following are the image samples of the fonts, bar codes, and two-dimensional codes provided for the B-SX8T series as standard. The size of each font may be different from the actual one. Font type and size can be specified by a command. For details, please refer to the **B-SX8T Series External Equipment Interface Specification** stored in the CD-ROM.

■ Font

<A>Times Roman medium

Times Roman medium

<C>Times Roman bold

<D>Times Roman bold

<E>Times Roman bold

< F > Times Roman italic

<G>Helvetica medium

<H>Helvetica medium

< l> Helvetica medium

<J>Helvetica bold

<K>Helvetica bold

<L>Helvetica italic

<M>PRESENTATION BOLD

<N>Letter Gothic medium

<0>Prestige Elite medium

<P>Prestige Elite bold

<Q>Courier medium:

<R>Courier bold

<5>0CR-A

<T>OCR-B

<q>Gothic 725 Black

APPENDIX 4 PRINT SAMPLES (Cont.)

- <Outline Font:A> Helvetica bold
- <Outline Font:B> Helvetica bold(P)
- <Outline Font:E> 0123456789.35
- <Outline Font:F> 0123456789,¥\$
- < Outline Font: G > 0123456789, ¥\$
- <Outline Font:H> Dutch 801 bold
- <Outline Font: I > Brush 738 regular
- <Outline Font: J> Gothic 725 Black

APPENDIX 4 PRINT SAMPLES (Cont.)

■ Bar codes

JAN8, EAN8



Interleaved 2 of 5



NW7



UPC-E



EAN13+5 digits



CODE39 (Full ASCII)



UPC-E+2 digits



EAN8+2 digits



UPC-A



MSI



CODE39 (Standard)



JAN13, EAN13



EAN13+2 digits



CODE128



CODE93



UPC-E+5 digits



EAN8+5 digits



UPC-A+2 digits



APPENDIX 4 PRINT SAMPLES (Cont.)

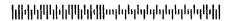
UPC-A+5 digits



Industrial 2 of 5



Customer bar code



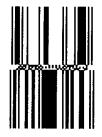
KIX Code



GS1 DataBar



GS1 DataBar Stacked Omnidirectional



Data Matrix



QR code



MaxiCode



UCC/EAN128



POSTNET



Customer bar code of high priority



RM4SCC



GS1 DataBar Stacked



GS1 DataBar Limited



GS1 DataBar Expanded



PDF417



Micro PDF417



CP Code



APPENDIX 5 GLOSSARIES

Bar code

A code which represents alphanumeric characters by using a series of black and white stripes in different widths. Bar codes are used in various industrial fields: Manufacturing, Hospitals, Libraries, Retail, Transportation, Warehousing, etc. Reading bar codes is a fast and accurate means of capturing data while keyboard entry tends to be slow and inaccurate.

Batch mode

Issue mode that continuously prints media until the specified number of media has been printed.

Black mark

A mark printed on the media so that the printer can maintain a constant print position by detecting this mark.

Black mark sensor

A reflective sensor which detects the difference of potential between a black mark and print area to find the print start position.

Cut mode

One of the printer modes of operation where an optional cutter module is installed to automatically cut media from the media roll after they are printed. The print command can specify to cut every media or to cut after a set number of media have been printed.

Cutter module

A device used to cut the media.

DPI

Dot Per Inch

The unit used to express print density.

Expansion I/O Interface

An optional interface circuit that may be installed into printer to allow the printer to be connecter to an external device such as a wrapping machine and to receive feed, print start, and pause signals from the external device and to send back print, pause, and error status signals to the external device.

Feed gap sensor

A transmissive sensor which detects the difference of potential between the label gaps and the label to find the print position of the label.

Font

A complete set of alphanumeric characters in one style of type. E.g. Helvetica, Courier, Times

Gap

Clearance between labels

IPS

Inch per second

The unit used to express print speed.

Label

A type of media with adhesive backing.

LCD

Liquid Crystal Display

Installed on the operation panel and displays operation modes, error message and so on.

Media

Material on which data is printed by the printer. Label, tag paper, fanfold paper, perforated paper, etc.

Plug and Play

When Plug and Play is enabled, the PC will automatically identify the printer (if the PC supports Plug & Play), optimize the system resource (IRQ and DMA), and display a message prompting a printer driver installation.

Pre-printed media

A type of media on which characters, logos, and other designs have been already printed.

Print head element

The thermal print head consists of a single line of tiny resistive elements and when current is allowed to flow through each element it heats up causing a small dot to be burned onto thermal paper or a small dot of ink to be transferred from a thermal ribbon to ordinary paper.

Print speed

The speed at which printing occurs. This speed is expressed in units of ips (inches per second).

Resolution

The degree of detail to which an image can be duplicated. The minimum unit of divided image is called a pixel. As the resolution becomes higher, the number of pixels increased, resulting in more detailed image

RFID (Radio Frequency Identification)

A method of automatically identifying people or objects using radio waves. In case of the B-SX series, the RFID module writes digital information to an RFID tag mounted inside labels or tag paper while the printer is printing data on them. The RFID tag is a microchip attached to an antenna. The microchip holds data and the antenna enables the tag to send and receive data.

Ribbon

An inked film used to transfer an image onto the media. In the thermal transfer printing, it is heated by the thermal print head, causing an image to be transferred onto the media.

Ribbon Saving Module

By moving the print head up and down with a solenoid, the ribbon saving module saves loss of the ribbon as far as possible.

Strip mode

One of the printer modes of operation where an optional strip module is installed to separate printed labels from the backing paper one by one.

Strip module

A device used to remove labels from the backing paper.

Supply

Media and ribbon

Tag

A type of media with no adhesive. Usually tags are made of cardboard or other durable material.

Thermal direct printing

A printing method using no ribbon, but thermal media which reacts to heat. The thermal print head heats the thermal media directly, causing print image to be printed on the media.

Thermal print head

A print head using thermal transfer or thermal direct printing method.

Thermal transfer printing

A printing method that the thermal print head heats an ink or resin coating on the ribbon against the media, causing the ink/resin to transfer onto the media.

Threshold setting

A sensor setting operation to have the printer maintain a constant print position of pre-printed media.

USB (Universal Serial Bus)

An interface that is used to connect peripherals, such as a printer, keyboard, mouse. The USB allows disconnection of a USB device without turning off the power.

Web printer

The web printer function allows you to browse the printer status on the PC, issue media, check or change the settings, or download the firmware to the printer. For details, refer to the **Network Specification**.

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