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1. Introduction
1.1 Product Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Fastmark M1 bar code printer. Although the printer has a small footprint, it delivers reliable, superior performance.

The Fastmark M1 provides direct thermal printing at user selectable speed of: 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 or 5.0 ips. It accepts roll feed, die-cut, and fan-fold media with gap or black mark. All common bar codes formats are available. Fonts and bar codes can be printed in 4 directions, 8 different alphanumeric bitmap fonts and built-in scalable font capability. You will enjoy trouble free, high throughput for printing labels with this printer.

1.2 Compliances

CE Class B:
FCC Part 15, Class B
UL, CUL: UL60950-1
C-Tick:
- ANSI C63.4: 2003
- Canadian ICES-003
TÜV/Safety: EN60950-1 / IEC 60950-1

Wichtige Sicherheits-Hinweise
1. Bitte lesen Sie Diese Hinweis sorgfältig durch
3. Vor jedem Reinigen ist das Gerät vom Stroment zu trennen. Verwenden Sie keine Flüssig-oder Aerosolreiniger. Am besten eignet sich ein angefeuchtetes Tuch zur Reinigung.
5. Das Gerät ist vor Feuchtigkeit zu schützen.
7. Beachten Sie beim Anschluß an das stromnetz die Anschlußwerte.
8. Dieses das Gerät kann bis zu einer Außentemperatur von maximal 40 °C betrieben werden.
**CAUTION**

1. HAZARDOUS MOVING PARTS IN CUTTER MODULE. KEEP FINGER AND OTHER BODY PARTS AWAY.
2. THE MAIN BOARD INCLUDES REAL TIME CLOCK FEATURE HAS LITHIUM BATTERY CR2032 INSTALLED. RISK OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS REPLACED BY AN INCORRECT TYPE.
3. DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER INSTRUCTIONS.

“ORSICHT”

**WARNUNG!**
GEFÄHRLICHE BEWEGLICHE TEILE – FINGER UND ANDERE KÖRPERTEILE FERNHALTEN!

VORSICHT!
EXPLOSIONSGEFAHR BEI ERSATZ DER BATTERIE DURCH UNZULÄSSIGEN TYP.
VERBRAUCHTE BATTERIEN IMMER VORSCHRIFTSGEMÄSS ENTSORGEN!

**Note**
The maximum printing ratio per dot line is 15% for this printer. To print the full web black line, the maximum black line height is limited to 40 dots, which is .197” for 203 DPI resolution printers.
2. Operations Overview
2.1 Unpacking and Inspection

The Fastmark M1 printer has been specially packaged to withstand damage during shipping. Please carefully inspect the packaging and printer upon receiving the bar code printer. Please retain the packaging materials in case you need to reship the printer.

Unpacking the printer, the following items are included in the carton.

- One printer unit
- One Windows labeling software/Windows driver CD disk
- One quick installation guide
- One power cord
- One auto switching power supply
- One USB interface cable

If any parts are missing, please contact the Customer Service Department of your purchased reseller or distributor.
2.2 Printer Overview

2.2.1 Front View

1. Top cover open lever
2. MicroSD card socket
3. Media view window
4. LED indicator
5. Feed button
6. Paper exit chute
7. LCD display (Optional)

* Recommended MicroSD card specification.

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- The DOS FAT file system is supported for the SD card.
- Folders/files stored in the SD card should be in the 8.3 filename format.
2.2.2 Interior View

1. Top cover
2. Media holder
3. Media guide
4. Printhead
5. Gap sensor (receiver)
6. Gap sensor (transmitter)
7. Platen roller
8. Black mark sensor
9. Media holder lock switch
2.2.3 Rear View

1. Power switch
2. Power jack socket
3. USB interface
4. RS-232C interface (Optional)
5. Fan-fold paper entrance chute
6. Ethernet interface (Optional)
3. Setup

3.1 Setting Up the Printer
1. Place the printer on a flat, secure surface.
2. Make sure the power switch is set to “off”.
3. Connect the printer to the computer with the provided USB cable.
4. Plug the power cord into the AC power cord socket at the rear of the printer, and then plug the power cord into a properly grounded power outlet.

3.2 Media Installation

3.2.1 Loading Internal Media
1. Open the printer top cover by pulling the tabs located on each side towards the front of the printer, and then lift the top cover to the maximum open angle.

2. Separate the media holders to the label roll width.
3. Place the roll between the holders and close them onto the core.

4. Place the media, printing side face up, through the media guides, over media sensor and place the label leading edge onto the platen roller.
5. Close the top cover gently and make sure the cover latches securely.

6. Use “Diagnostic Tool” to set the media sensor type and calibrate the selected sensor. (Start the “Diagnostic tool” → Select the “Printer Configuration” tab → Click the “Calibrate Sensor” button)
   Note: Please calibrate the gap/black mark sensor when changing media.
3.2.2 Loading External Media

1. Open the printer’s top cover and separate the media holders to fit the media width.
2. Press down the media holder lock switch to fix the media holder.

3. Feeds the media through the rear external label entrance chute. And place the paper, printing side face up, through the media guides, media sensor and place the label leading edge onto the platen roller.

4. Close the top cover gently.
5. Use “Diagnostic Tool” to set the media sensor type and calibrate the selected sensor. (Start the “Diagnostic tool” → Select the “Printer Configuration” tab → Click the “Calibrate Sensor” button)

Note: Please calibrate the gap/black mark sensor when changing media.
3.2.3 Loading Media in Peel-off Mode (Optional)

1. Refer to section 3.2.1 to load the media.
2. Open the top cover and peel-off panel after calibrated the sensor.

3. Lead the media through the backing paper opening, beneath the peel-off roller.
4. Push the peel-off panel back to the printer.

5. Close the top cover gently.
6. Press the FEED button to test.

Note:
Please calibrate the gap/black mark sensor when changing media.
3.2.4 Loading Media in Cutter Mode (Optional)

1. Refer to section 3.2.1 to load the media.
2. Lead the media through the cutter paper opening.
3. Close the top cover gently.
4. Use “Diagnostic Tool” to set the media sensor type and calibrate the selected sensor. (Start the “Diagnostic tool” → Select the “Printer Configuration” tab → Click the “Calibrate Sensor” button)

Note:
Please calibrate the gap/black mark sensor when changing media.
3.3 Diagnostic Tool

The Diagnostic Utility is enclosed in the CD disk \Utilities directory. The Diagnostic Utility is a toolbox that allows users to explore the printer's settings and status; change printer settings; download graphics, fonts, and firmware; create printer bitmap fonts; and to send additional commands to the printer. Using this convenient tool, you can explore the printer status and settings and troubleshoot the printer.

Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.

3.3.1 Start the Diagnostic Tool

1. Double click on the Diagnostic tool icon to start the software.
2. There are four features (Printer Configuration, File Manager, Bitmap Font Manager, Command Tool) included in the Diagnostic utility.
3.3.2 Printer Function (Calibration/setup)

1. Select the PC interface connected with bar code printer.
2. Click the “Function” button to setting.
3. The detail functions in the Printer Function Group are listed as below.

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<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Calibrate Sensor</td>
<td>Calibrate the sensor specified in the Printer Setup group media sensor field</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ethernet Setup</td>
<td>Setup the IP address, subnet mask, gateway for the on board Ethernet (Please refer to next section)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RTC Time</td>
<td>Synchronize printer Real Time Clock with PC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Print Test Page</td>
<td>Print a test page</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reset Printer</td>
<td>Reboot printer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Factory Default</td>
<td>Initialize the printer and restore the settings to factory default.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dump Text</td>
<td>To activate the printer dump mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ignore AUTO.BAS</td>
<td>Ignore the downloaded AUTO.BAS program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configuration Page</td>
<td>Print printer configuration</td>
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Note:
For more information about Diagnostic Tool, please refer to the diagnostic utility quick start guide in the CD disk \ Utilities directory.
3.4 Setting Ethernet by Diagnostic Utility (Optional)

The Diagnostic Utility is enclosed in the CD disk \Utilities directory. Users can use Diagnostic Tool to setup the Ethernet by USB and Ethernet interfaces. The following contents will instruct users how to configure the Ethernet by these interfaces.

3.4.1 Using USB interface to setup Ethernet interface

1. Connect the USB cable between the computer and the printer.
2. Turn on the printer power.
3. Start the Diagnostic Utility by double clicking on the icon.  
   *Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.*
4. The Diagnostic Utility default interface setting is USB interface. If USB interface is connected with printer, no other settings need to be changed in the interface field.

5. Click on the “Ethernet Setup” button from “Printer Function” group in Printer Configuration tab to setup the IP address, subnet mask and gateway for the on board Ethernet.
3.4.2 Using Ethernet interface to setup Ethernet interface

1. Connect the computer and the printer to the LAN.
2. Turn on the printer power.
3. Start the Diagnostic Utility by double clicks on the icon.

   *Note: This utility works with printer firmware V6.00 and later versions.*

4. Select “Ethernet” as the interface then click on the “Setup” button to setup the IP address, subnet mask and gateway for the on board Ethernet.

5. Click the “Discover Device” button to explore the printers that exist on the network.
6. Select the printer in the left side of listed printers, the correspondent IP address will be shown in the right side “IP address/Printer Name” field.
7. Click “Change IP Address” to configure the IP address obtained by DHCP or static.

The default IP address is obtained by DHCP. To change the setting to static IP address, click “Static IP” radio button then enter the IP address, subnet mask and gateway. Click “Set IP” to take effect the settings.

Users can also change the “Printer Name” by another model name in this fields then click “Set Printer Name” to take effect this change. **Note: After clicking the “Set Printer Name” or “Set IP” button, printer will reset to take effect the settings.**

8. Click “Exit” button to exit the Ethernet interface setup and go back to Diagnostic Tool main screen.

**Factory Default button**
This function will reset the IP, subnet mask, gateway parameters obtained by DHCP and reset the printer name.

**Web Setup button**
Except to use the Diagnostic Utility to setup the printer, you can also explore and configure the printer settings and status or update the firmware with the IE or Firefox web browser. This feature provides a user friendly setup interface and the capability to manage the printer remotely over a network.
3.5 Install MicroSD Memory Card

1. Open the SD memory card cover located on the left side of the printer.

2. Insert the MicroSD card into the socket.

3. Close the memory card cover.

* Recommended SD card specification.

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3.6 Mount the Printer on the Wall

There are three holes in the bottom of printer. The printer can be mounted on the wall with 1/8" head screws.

Note: Please hang properly to avoid breakage.
4. LED and Button Functions

This printer has one button and one three-color LED indicator. By indicating the LED with different color and pressing the button, printer can feed labels, pause the printing job, select and calibrate the media sensor, print printer self-test report, reset printer to defaults (initialization). Please refer to the button operation below for different functions.

4.1 LED Indicator

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<tr>
<th>LED Color</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Green/ Solid</td>
<td>This illuminates that the power is on and the device is ready to use.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green/ Flash</td>
<td>This illuminates that the system is downloading data from PC to memory or the printer is paused.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>This illuminates that the system is clearing data from printer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red / Solid</td>
<td>This illuminates printer head open, cutter error.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red / Flash</td>
<td>This illuminates a printing error, such as head open, paper empty, paper jam or memory error etc.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

4.2 Regular Button Function

1. **Feed labels**
   When the printer is ready, press the button to feed one label to the beginning of next label.

2. **Pause the printing job**
   When the printer is printing, press the button to pause a printing job. When the printer is paused, the LED will be green blinking. Press the button again to continue the printing job.

4.3 Power on Utilities

There are six power-on utilities to set up and test printer hardware. These utilities are activated by pressing FEED button then turning on the printer power simultaneously and release the button at different color of LED.

Please follow the steps below for different power-on utilities.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED indicates with different color for different functions.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Power on utilities</th>
<th>The LED color will be changed as following pattern:</th>
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<tr>
<td>Functions</td>
<td>Amber Red (5 blinks) Amber Green (5 blinks) Green/Amber (5 blinks) Red/Amber (5 blinks) Solid green</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1. Gap / black mark sensor calibration</td>
<td>Release</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Gap / black mark sensor calibration, Self-test and enter dump mode</td>
<td>Release</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4.3.1 Gap/Black Mark Sensor Calibration

Gap/black mark sensor sensitivity should be calibrated at the following conditions:
1. A brand new printer
2. Change label stock.
3. Printer initialization.

Please follow the steps below to calibrate the gap/black mark sensor.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED becomes red and blinking. (Any red will do during the 5 blinks).

- The printer will calibrate the gap/black mark sensor sensitivity.
- The LED color will be changed in the following order:
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

Note:
1. Sensor calibration can be done by Diagnostic Tool or by power on utility. Please refer to “3.3 Diagnostic Tool” Section for more information.
2. Please select gap or black mark sensor type prior to calibrate the sensor.

4.3.2 Gap/Black Mark Calibration, Self-test and Dump Mode

While calibrate the gap/black mark sensor, printer will measure the label length, print the internal configuration (self-test) on label and then enter the dump mode. To calibrate gap or black mark sensor, depends on the sensor setting in the last print job.
Please follow the steps below to calibrate the sensor.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED becomes amber and blinking. (Any amber will do during the 5 blinks)

- The LED color will be changed in the following order.
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

4. The printer calibrates the sensor, measures the label length, prints internal settings and then enters the dump mode.

Note:
1. Sensor calibration can be done by Diagnostic Tool or by power on utility. Please refer to “3.3 Diagnostic Tool” Section for more information.
2. Please select gap or black mark sensor type prior to calibrate the sensor.
**Self-test**

Printer will print the printer configuration after gap/black mark sensor calibration. Self-test printout can be used to check if there is any dot damage on the heater element, printer configurations and available memory space.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Print head test pattern</th>
<th>Print model name &amp; Main board firmware version</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Printed mileage</td>
<td>Main board firmware checksum</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Serial port setting</td>
<td>Country code</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Code page</td>
<td>Print speed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Country code</td>
<td>Print darkness</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Print speed</td>
<td>Label size (width, height)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Print darkness</td>
<td>Gap size (vertical gap, offset)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Label size (width, height)</td>
<td>Sensor sensitivity</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Dump mode

The printer will enter dump mode after printing printer configuration. In the dump mode, all characters will be printed in 2 columns as following. The left side characters are received from your system and right side data are the corresponding hexadecimal value of the characters. It allows users or engineers to verify and debug the program.
Note:
1. Dump mode requires 2” wide paper width.
2. Turn off/on the power to resume printer for normal printing.
3. Press FEED button to back to the previous menu.

4.3.3 Printer Initialization

Printer initialization is used to clear DRAM and restore printer settings to defaults. Printer initialization is activated by the following procedures.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED turns green after 5 amber blinks. (Any green will do during the 5 blinks).

- The LED color will be changed in the following order:
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

Printer configuration will be restore to defaults as below after initialization.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Default setting</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Speed</td>
<td>127 mm/sec (5 ips) (203DPI)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Density</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Label Width</td>
<td>2” (50.8 mm)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Label Height</td>
<td>4” (101.6 mm)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sensor Type</td>
<td>Gap sensor</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gap Setting</td>
<td>0.12” (3.0 mm)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Print Direction</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reference Point</td>
<td>0,0 (upper left corner)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Offset</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tear Mode</td>
<td>On</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peel off Mode</td>
<td>Off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cutter Mode</td>
<td>Off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Serial Port Settings</td>
<td>9600 bps, none parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Code Page</td>
<td>850</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Country Code</td>
<td>001</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clear Flash Memory</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IP Address</td>
<td>DHCP</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4.3.4 Set Media Black Mark Sensor and Calibrate

Please follow the steps as below.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED turns green/amber after 5 green blinks. (Any green/amber will do during the 5 blinks).

- The LED color will be changed in the following order:
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

4.3.5 Set Media Gap Sensor and Calibrate

Please follow the steps as below.
1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Hold on the button then turn on the power switch.
3. Release the button when LED turns red/amber after 5 green/amber blinks. (Any red/amber will do during the 5 blinks).

- The LED color will be changed in the following order:
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green

4.3.6 Skip AUTO.BAS

PAL programming language allows user to download an auto execution file to flash memory. The printer will run the AUTO.BAS program immediately when turning on printer power. The AUTO.BAS program can be interrupted without running the program by the power-on utility.

Please follow the procedures below to skip an AUTO.BAS program.
1. Turn off printer power.
2. Press the FEED button and then turn on power.
3. Release the FEED button when LED becomes solid green.

- The LED color will be changed in the following order:
  Amber → red (5 blinks) → amber (5 blinks) → green (5 blinks) → green/amber (5 blinks) → red/amber (5 blinks) → solid green
4. The printer will be interrupted to run the AUTO.BAS program.
5. Troubleshooting

The following guide lists the most common problems that may be encountered when operating this bar code printer. If the printer still does not function after all suggested solutions have been invoked, please contact the Customer Service Department of your purchased reseller or distributor for assistance.

5.1 LED Status

This section lists the common problems that according to the LED status and other problems you may encounter when operating the printer. Also, it provides solutions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LED Status / Color</th>
<th>Printer Status</th>
<th>Possible Cause</th>
<th>Recovery Procedure</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>No response</td>
<td>No power</td>
<td>* Turn on the power switch. * Check if the green LED is lit on power supply. If it is not lit on, power supply is broken. * Check both power connections from the power cord to the power supply and from the power supply to the printer power jack if they are connected securely.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Solid Green</td>
<td>ON</td>
<td>The printer is ready to use</td>
<td>* No action necessary.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green with blinking</td>
<td>Pause</td>
<td>The printer is paused</td>
<td>* Press the FEED button to resume for printing.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red with blinking</td>
<td>Error</td>
<td>The out of label or the printer setting is not correct</td>
<td>1. Out of label * Load a roll of label and follow the instructions in loading the media then press the FEED button to resume for printing. 2. Printer setting is not correct * Initialize the printer by instructions in “Power on Utility” or “Diagnostic Tool”.</td>
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Note:

Printer status can be easily shown on the Diagnostic Tool. For more information about the Diagnostic Tool, please refer to the instruction in the software CD disk.
## 5.2 Print Problem

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<td><strong>Not Printing</strong></td>
<td>Check if interface cable is well connected to the interface connector.</td>
<td>Re-connect cable to interface.</td>
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<td>The serial port cable pin configuration is not pin to pin connected.</td>
<td>Please replace the cable with pin to pin connected.</td>
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<td>The serial port setting is not consistent between host and printer.</td>
<td>Please reset the serial port setting.</td>
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<td>The port specified in the Windows driver is not correct.</td>
<td>Select the correct printer port in the driver.</td>
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<td>The Ethernet IP, subnet mask, gateway is not configured properly.</td>
<td>Configure the IP, subnet mask and gateway.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>No print on the label</strong></td>
<td>Label loaded not correctly.</td>
<td>Follow the instructions in loading the media.</td>
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<td><strong>Continuous feeding labels</strong></td>
<td>The printer setting may go wrong.</td>
<td>Please do the initialization and gap/black mark calibration.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Paper Jam</strong></td>
<td>Gap/black mark sensor sensitivity is not set properly (sensor sensitivity is not enough)</td>
<td>Calibrate the gap/black mark sensor.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Make sure label size is set properly.</td>
<td>Set label size exactly as installed paper in the labeling software or program.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Labels may be stuck inside the printer mechanism near the sensor area.</td>
<td>Remove the stuck label.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Poor Print Quality</strong></td>
<td>Top cover is not closed properly.</td>
<td>Close the top cover completely and make sure the right side and left side levers are latched properly.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Wrong power supply is connected with printer.</td>
<td>Check if 24V DC output is supplied by the power supply.</td>
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<td>Check if supply is loaded correctly.</td>
<td>Reload the supply.</td>
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<td>Check if dust or adhesives are accumulated on the print head.</td>
<td>Clean the print head.</td>
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<td>Check if print density is set properly.</td>
<td>Adjust the print density and print speed.</td>
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<td>Check print head test pattern if head element is damaged.</td>
<td>Run printer self-test and check the print head test pattern if there is dot missing in the pattern.</td>
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This section lists the LCD display messages that you may encounter when operating the printer. Also, it provides solutions.

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<td>Head Open</td>
<td>* The printer top cover is open.</td>
<td>* Please close the top cover.</td>
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<tr>
<td>No Paper</td>
<td>* Running out of label. &lt;br&gt;* The label is installed incorrectly. &lt;br&gt;* Gap/black mark sensor is not calibrated.</td>
<td>* Supply a new label roll. &lt;br&gt;* Please refer to the steps in user’s manual to reinstall the label roll. &lt;br&gt;* Calibrate the gap/black mark sensor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paper Jam</td>
<td>* Gap/black mark sensor is not set properly. &lt;br&gt;* Make sure label size is set properly. &lt;br&gt;* Labels may be stuck inside the printer mechanism.</td>
<td>* Calibrate the gap/black mark sensor. &lt;br&gt;* Set label size correctly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Out of Mem</td>
<td>* The space of FLASH/DRAM or MicroSD card is full.</td>
<td>* Delete unused files in the FLASH/DRAM or MicroSD card.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Take Label</td>
<td>* Peel function is enabled. Waiting user to take label away to print the next label.</td>
<td>* Please take the label away to print the next label if peeler module is installed. &lt;br&gt;* If peeler module is installed and label is been taken away, but the message remains. Please check if the peeler module connector is connected to main board properly. &lt;br&gt;* If peeler module is not installed, please disable the peeler function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cutter Error</td>
<td>* Cutter jam. &lt;br&gt;* There is no cutter installed on the printer. &lt;br&gt;* Cutter or cutter driver circuit board is damaged.</td>
<td>* Remove the jammed label. &lt;br&gt;* Make sure the media thickness is equal or less than 0.19mm. &lt;br&gt;* Replace the cutter or cutter driver circuit board.</td>
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6. Maintenance

This session presents the clean tools and methods to maintain your printer.

1. Please use one of following material to clean the printer.
   - Cotton swab (Head cleaner pen)
   - Lint-free cloth
   - Vacuum / Blower brush
   - 100% ethanol

2. The cleaning process is described as following:

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<th>Method</th>
<th>Interval</th>
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<td>Print Head</td>
<td>1. Always turn off the printer before cleaning the print head.</td>
<td>Clean the print head when changing a new label roll</td>
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<td>2. Allow the print head to cool for a minimum of one minute.</td>
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<td>3. Use a cotton swab and 100% ethanol to clean the print head surface.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Platen Roller</td>
<td>1. Turn the power off.</td>
<td>Clean the platen roller when changing a new label roll</td>
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<td>2. Rotate the platen roller and wipe it thoroughly with 100% ethanol and a cotton swab, or lint-free cloth.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tear Bar/Peel Bar</td>
<td>Use the lint-free cloth with 100% ethanol to wipe it.</td>
<td>As needed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sensor</td>
<td>Compressed air or vacuum</td>
<td>Monthly</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exterior</td>
<td>Wipe it with water-dampened cloth</td>
<td>As needed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Interior</td>
<td>Brush or vacuum</td>
<td>As needed</td>
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Note:
- Do not touch printer head by hand. If you touch it careless, please use ethanol to clean it.
- Please use 100% Ethanol. DO NOT use medical alcohol, which may damage the printer head.
- Regularly clean the print head and supply sensors once change a new media to keep printer performance and extend printer life.
- The maximum printing ratio per dot line is 15% for this printer. To print the full web black line, the maximum black line height is limited to 40 dots, which is .197” for 203 DPI resolution printers.