

THERMAL PRINTER

Operator's Manual Rev.C

[100V AC]

# **NITTO DENKO**

# **Important Safeguard**

## **Important Safety Instructions**

## **Symbols**

Various symbols are used in manuals (including this manual) and on the printer body to help you use this product properly and to prevent harm to you and other people and the damages to the property. The symbols and their meanings are shown below.



• • This mark indicates that a death or a serious injury may occur if you handle this printer improperly ignoring the warning.



• • • This mark indicates that a slight injury or damage to property may occur if you handle this printer improperly, ignoring the caution.

## **Examples**



 $\Delta$  shows that you must pay enough attention to something. Sometimes this mark indicates a hazard or a warning.



The mark  $\circ$  shows that something is prohibited. In  $\circ$ , what is prohibited is shown specifically. For example, the mark at the left shows that disassembly is prohibited.



- shows that you are required to do something.
- In the required act is shown specifically.
  For example, the mark at the left shows that connection to a ground is required.

For the safe use of this printer, the following safety precautions should always be followed.

## Warnings



• Be sure to connect the ground. A leakage of current without the grounding may cause an electric shock or a fire. If there is no grounding terminal, ask an electrician to set up one. Do not use this printer without grounding.



- Be sure to use this printer at the rated power supply voltage. Do not use a multi-outlet adapter to avoid an electric shock and a fire.
- Do not use an extension cord.
- Do not break damage or adapt the power cord.
- It is also prohibited to put heavy materials on the cord and to yank or bend the cord excessively A damaged power cord may cause an electric shock or a fire.



• Set up the printer as close as possible to the receptacle so that you can easily unplug the power cord under abnormal conditions.



- Do not disassemble or adapt the printer to avoid an electric shock or a fire.
- Follow the instructions on the manuals in maintenance and inspection.

  Improper handling may cause an electric shock or a fire.



- When abnormal conditions such as smoke or abnormal odors coming from the machine are encountered, turn the power off at once, unplug the power cord and then make contact with your service representative. It may cause a fire or an electric shock to keep using the printer under abnormal conditions.
- When some foreign material such as a piece of metal, water and other liquid goes into the printer, turn the power off at once, unplug the power cord and then make contact with your service representative. It may cause an electric shock or a fire to keep using the printer under abnormal conditions



 Do not put a vase, a flower pot, a cup, or a case containing liquid on the printer. The spilt water may cause an electric shock or a fire.



• Do not plug or unplug the power cord with moistened hands to avoid an electric shock.

For the safe use of this printer, the following safety precautions should always be followed.

## **Cautions**



- Do not place the printer where it will be exposed to dust, dirt and dampness to avoid a fire or an electric shock.
- Avoid putting the printer on an unstable place such as an unsteady or an inclined rack and so on. The printer may fall down or drop down on someone and may cause an injury.



- Unplug the power cord before you move the printer. A damaged power cord may cause a fire or an electric shock.
- If you do not use the printer for a long time, remove the line cord plug from the receptacle for the safety reason.



 Whenever plugging or unplugging the power cord, always grasp the plug, not the cord to avoid any damage to the cord.

A damaged power cord may cause a fire or an electric shock



• Take care not to burn your hands by touching the hot part inside the printer in clearing a paper jam, replacing the paper, or cleaning.

## **PREFACE**

Thank you very much for your utilizing DURA PRINTER SRs by NITTO DENKO.

DURA PRINTER SRs is a thermal transfer label printer used with the specific labels/tags and ribbons.

This manual explains how to operate and control the DURA PRINTER SRs so that you can use and maintain the printer in an optimal fashion. Before attempting to use the printer, be sure to read this manual all of the way through.

Keep this manual and the Unpacking Instructions that are packaged with the printer in a safe place for future reference.

Note that due to our continuing efforts to improve and refine our products, the descriptions and illustrations provided in this manual may differ slightly from your printer.

## The Use of This Printer Outside Japan

This product is manufactured and sold on the prediction that it is used in Japan.

NITTO DENKO shall not be liable for the punishment inflicted by laws or regulations, accidents, and other malfunctions outside Japan.

Voluntary Control for Interference by Information Technology Equipment
This equipment complies with the standards of Voluntary Control Council for Interference by Information
technology Equipment (VCCI) for a Class A information technology equipment.

Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to take appropriate measures.

## HANDLING OF DURATACK AND DURAINK

Thank you very much for utilizing DURA PRINTER SR by NITTO DENKO.

DURAPRINTER is the thermal transfer label printer used with specific labels/tags and ribbons.

The specific labels and ink ribbons are DURATACK series and DURAINK series.

Use non-recommended labels or ink ribbons at your own risk.

This document explains how to handle and operate the DURATACK and DURAINK.

Before attempting to use the labels and ink ribbons, be sure to read this manual all of the way through.

Incorrect handling or use may cause print quality degradation.

## HANDLING OF DURATACK SERIES

#### 1. Storage conditions

- (1)Store the product in a well ventilated area at room temperature where it will not be exposed to direct sunlight.
- (2) The warranty period is 6 months after delivered. After expiration of the warranty period verify the product quality before use.
- (3)Do not store in a vertical state. Store it in a horizontal state.
- (4)Store product as individually packaged from manufacturer so as to prevent contamination.
- (5) The product is wound loosely so as to prevent winding deformation. Do not rewind tightly when storing.

#### 2. Handling

(1)DURATACK has the approved size with tolerance. It is required to adjust the deviation within tolerance range by the following method (printer or application software).

Longitudinal direction (label size, pitch size): Adjustment of print position (up-down)

Lateral direction (Label size, liner left/right space): Adjustment of print position (left-right),

setting of roll holder and guide.

- (2)Install according to operation manual for the printer that you use. example: Position label centered on spindle to prevent ink ribbon wrinkle.
- (3)Insure there is suitable combination of ink ribbon and label depending on size, material and print energy. Unsuitable combination may cause print failure or malfunction.
- (4)Do not touch the label surface (transfer surface) with your bare hand.
  - Oil is applied and impedes ink transfer, causing print failure.
- (5)Some label rolls may have splicing areas on the liner. If the printer stops at the splicing area, restore the normal state by using the SET TOF function (the operation differs depending on the printer).
- (6)DURATACK series labels are not designed for printing process occurring in the following conditions: outdoors, dusty environments or solvent/chemical splash locations. Print image quality is not guaranteed. Dust causes print troubles.
- (7)In principle provide the left/right and top/bottom space (about 1 mm each) in view of treatment tolerance, label setting accuracy, printer label transfer accuracy, etc. If the format deviates outward from the label, the dirty and breakage of thermal head, reduction of consumable parts life, or damage of ink ribbon may be caused.
- (8) There is incomplete print or some labels that are impossible to print on at the end of roll owing to specific printer construction. In this case take the following measures:
  - Incomplete print: Re-print on the first label after replacement of label roll (in case of re-print mode setting). Impossible to print: There are some surplus provision labels in a roll.
- (9) When any option equipment such as printer synchronizing label peeling unit (peeler), label peeling machine, auto cutter unit, etc., special treatment may be required.

## HANDLING OF DURAINK SERIES

- 1. Storage conditions
- (1)Store the product in well ventilated area at room temperature where it will not be exposed to direct sunlight.
- (2) The warranty period is 6 months after delivered.
  - After expiration of the warranty period verify the product quality before use.
- (3)Store product as individually packaged from manufacturer so as to prevent contamination.
- 2. Handling
- (1)Install according to operation manual for the printer that you use. example: Position ribbon centered on spindle to prevent ink ribbon wrinkle.
- (2)Insure there is suitable combination of ink ribbon and label depending on size, material and print energy.

  Unsuitable combination may cause print failure or malfunction. Especially, if the size of ink ribbon is equal to or smaller than the size of label liner resulting in ink ribbon wrinkles, print failure and reduction of consumable parts life or thermal head life. Also, thermal head breakage may be caused due to dirty of thermal head.
- (3) The DURAPRINTER series is designed so that the direct thermal paper can also be used.
  - Existence/nonexistence of ink ribbon is not detected
  - while printing direct thermal paper, and installation of ink ribbon does not cause error condition.
  - The sensor detects only the silver tape at the ink ribbon end, indicating empty error.
- (4)As to the ink ribbon winding core, use the core that comes with the printer when it is newly purchased.
  - After that, use the used unwinding core as a winding core (rotation).
  - Be sure to discard the rewound ink ribbon and do not wind a new ink ribbon on it.
- (5)DURAINK series ribbons are not designed for reuse. Print failure will occur.
- (6)Do not touch the ink ribbon surface (transfer surface) with bare hands.
  - Oil is applied and impedes ink transfer, causing print failure.
- (7) DURAINK series ribbons are not designed for printing process occurring in the following conditions: outdoors, dusty environments or solvent/chemical splash locations. Print image quality is not guaranteed. Dust causes print troubles.

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# 1. Organization of This Manual

Read this manual from the beginning. Read the cautions, notes, and Chapters 3 and 4 in particular very carefully before using the printer.

## ● Unpacking (Chapter 2)

This chapter instructions for unpacking, and describes the items included with the printer.

## ●Installation (Chapter 3)

This chapter explains points that require special attention when setting up the printer.

## Notes on Use (Chapter 4)

This chapter provides cautions concerning the handling of the printer and the use of labels/tags.

## • Description of Parts (Chapter 5)

This chapter explains the names of the parts of the printer and how to operate the front control panel.

## Functions (Chapter 6)

This chapter explains the initial settings of the printer, and tasks that must be performed each time the labels/tags are replaced.

● Loading Labels/Tags and Ribbon, and changing the thermal head pressure (Chapters 7, 8 and 9)

These chapters explain how to load labels/tags and ribbon, and how to change the thermal head pressure. (Use the specified labels/tabs and ribbon.)

## ● Test Printing (Chapter 10)

This chapter explains the test printing procedure. Test printing is used to determine whether a problem lies with hardware or software. It is also used to check printing quality.

## • Maintenance (Chapter 11)

This chapter explains how to clean each section of the printer. Periodic and proper cleaning of the printer will enable you to use it in optimal condition for a long time.

## Replacing Components (Chapter 12)

This chapter explains how to replace the thermal head, platen roller, and fuse.

## ● Troubleshooting (Chapter 14)

This chapter explains how to resolve problems.

## Note:

Understanding references to the "left" and "right" side of the printer

References in this manual to the "left" and "right" side of the printer refer to the left and right sides of the printer when viewed from the front of the printer (where the form ejection opening is).

## 2. Unpacking

Detailed illustrations are provided in the "Unpacking Instructions" that are included in the carton.

Open the outer carton, and remove the accessories and padding material.

Lift the printer up and out of the outer carton.

Carry the printer carefully in both hands with it leaning against your body, and gently place it on a desk or table.

Remove the vinyl bag and the packet of silica gel.

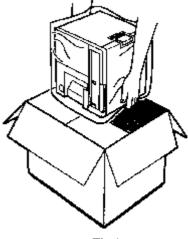


Fig.1

## **A** Caution:

The printer weighs approximately 41.8lbs(19kg). When lifting the printer out of the outer carton, hold the printer on the bottom and be careful not to drop it.

## Note:

The unpacking instructions, the outer carton, and the padding material will be needed if it is ever necessary to repack the printer. Therefore, be careful not to damage them while unpacking the printer, and store them carefully for future use.

#### 2-1. **Checking the Packing List**

After removing the printer from the carton, make sure that you have all of the items listed below and that they are not damaged. (Detailed illustrations are provided in the "Unpacking Instructions" that are included in the carton.)

- Main printer body
- Two ribbon roller gear units
- · One ribbon core
- Two roll pressure plates
- · One roll holder shaft
- One power cord
- One spare fuse
- One screwdriver
- One Operation Manual (this manual)
- Unpacking Instructions
- Two screw locks (for the use inside Japan)

## 2-2 Removing the Protective Devices on the Printer

Unscrew the metal anchor fittings on top of the printer and remove them. Then, insert the screws back into the printer.

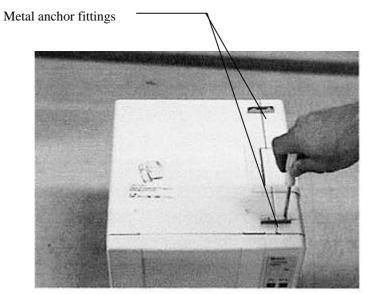


Fig.2

Remove the thermal head protective sheet and the verifier protective pad

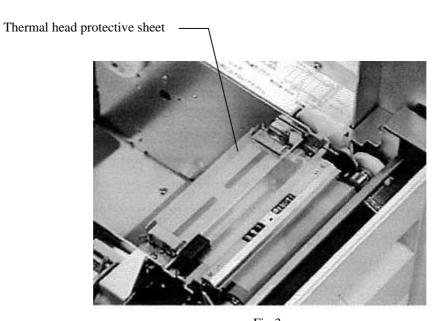


Fig.3

Note:

Store the locking brackets and the thermal head protective sheet, sine they will be necessary if you ever need to repack the printer.

## 3. Installation Environment and Power Supply Connections

## 3-1. Installation Environment

• Select a stable location where the printer can be installed with plenty of room.

In order to get the maximum performance from the printer and in order to ensure safe usage, keep the following points in mind.

In order to make it easier to operate and inspect the printer, allow for plenty of space around the printer.

A space of 6"(150mm) or more on the left side of the printer in particular should be kept free of obstacles.

The printer should be used in a dust- and dirt-free environment.

Make sure that the power supply that is input to the printer is not subjected to large, temporary fluctuations in voltage or current, and that the printer is not subjected to broad-band noise or electrostatic discharge. Install the printer in a location that is not exposed to direct sunlight and is not subjected to rapid changes

in temperature and humidity.

BWhen connecting the power cord, be sure to connect the ground.

Do not install the printer in a location that is subject to vibration.

Install the printer as far away as possible from radios and television sets.

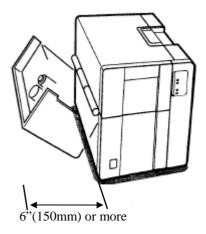


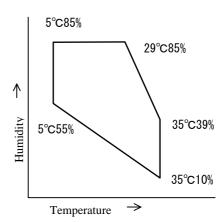
When installing the printer, make sure that at least 6"(150mm) or more area on the left side of the printer is free of obstructions, as shown in the diagram at right. If this clearance is not provided, there is a danger that the printer could fall from the desk or table when the cover is opened.



When installing or moving the printer, tilt it toward you, then lift after sliding your fingers into the space between the printer and the desk.

Be careful not to pinch your fingers.





## Reference

The dimensions and weight of the printer are as follows:

Width: 11.4 inches (290mm), Depth: 11.8 inches (300mm)

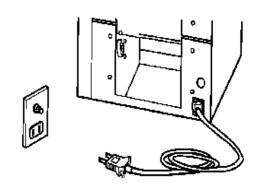
Height: 12.99 inches (330mm), Weight: 41.8lbs (19kg)

See the Temperature-Humidity graph for the operating temperature and operating humidity (non-condensing).

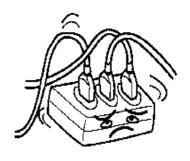
## 3-2 Ground and Power Supply Connections

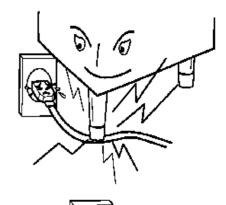
Please observe the following precautions for safe operation.

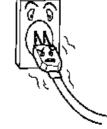
- In order to avoid damage from electrostatic discharge, lightning strikes, leak current, etc., be sure to connect the ground before connecting the power supply.
  - ★Do not use a gas pipe as a ground, which could result in a fire, gas explosion, or damage to the equipment.



- The voltage must be 110V or less at no load (when the printer is not connected), and 90V or more at full load (when the printer is connected and operates).
- The outlet that is used for the printer should be used only for the printer.
  - ★Using a multi-outlet adapter or extension cord can result in a fire or in miss-operation.
- Stepping on or pressing on the power cord can result in an accident, such as a fire or electric shock. Be careful not to crush the cord, especially when moving desks, etc.
- ■Make sure that the power cord is plugged in as far as it will go. Do not use a loose outlet, which can result in a poor connection. Such an outlet could cause a fire. If you will not be using the printer for an extended period of time, unplug the power cord from the outlet.







## 4. Notes on Use

## 4-1. Notes on Handling

• Do not move or carry the printer while it is printing.

This printer does not have a waterproof construction. Do not spill water or other liquids on it.

Use a shielded cable for the interface cable. If an unshielded cable is used, it is possible that noise will be generated on nearby television sets and radios.

Whenever plugging in any connectors, be sure to turn the power off first.

Whenever plugging in or unplugging the power cord, always grasp the plug, not the cord.

Do not modify the printer or remove any components.

- Do not put something before the exhaust hole. Ensure that the exhaust hole remains unobstacled. If the exhaust hose is obstacled, the inside temperature of the printer rises too high, which can result in the damage to the printer.
- If you suspect a malfunction or other abnormality (such as abnormal odors, heat, or sounds), turn off the power immediately, unplug the power cord, and contact your service representative. Do not continue to use the printer if it has malfunctioned or if any other abnormality has occurred.

Cleaning the Output Slot Paper Guide

Pull out the output slot paper guide and remove the dirt and dust.

## 4-2. Notes on Using Labels/Tags

Labels/Tags and Ink Ribbons

Be sure to use the recommended labels and ribbons.

Using non-recommended labels or ribbons can result in problems such as poor print quality and damage to thermal head or other printer components.

Use non-recommended labels or ribbons on your own authority.

Use such an ink ribbon that is 0.39" (10mm) or more wider than the backing paper (though narrower than 079" (20mm)). If the backing paper of the labels touches the thermal head directly, the thermal head may be worn which can result in the breakdown of the head.

## Pre-printed Label

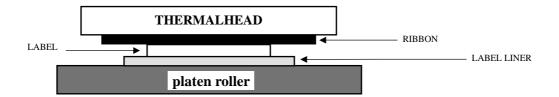
The pre-printed labels that has already frames or lines printed on them may damage the thermal head because of the ink used in pre-printing. When you are going to use pre-printed labels, contact us or your dealer and check whether the labels are suitable. The ink that contains pigment particularly shortens the useful life of the thermal head remarkably. Be sure not to print on the pre-printed portions because the ink will be attached to the heated thermal head which causes the poor print quality.

To use pre-printed label on this printer, select pre-printed label for the setting of function number 4 (paper type and sensor type).

## • Label rolls and ribbon rolls

Store unused label rolls or ribbon rolls in a cool dark place, such as a desk drawer. When using a tag roll, use one that is wound with the tags on the inside.

## Recommended combination of supplies (size)



Label liner width + 20 mm > Ink ribbon Label liner width + 10 mm Label width + 20 mm > Label liner width Label width + 4 mm

The recommended combination of label, label liner and ink ribbon sizes is as shown above. Especially, the difference in width between label liner and ink ribbon gives the following effects (the ribbon is wider than the label liner).

The hardware design of the machine is based on this difference.

- (1)An allowance to transfer the platen roller carrying torque to the ink ribbon is required so as to ensure high running stability of ink ribbon which contacts tight the label and label liner which have different surface friction properties.
- (2) The thermal head must be protected (from wear) from staggering of label edge with respect to liner and from burrs of label liner edges.

## 4-3. Consumables

## Consumables

The thermal head and platen roller are consumable items. Holding them in reserve is recommended. Those items are user-replaceable.

## 4-4. Label Re-print

## • Standard function of printer (Reprint Mode)

If an error (label running-out, Ink running-out, cover opened) occurs during operation, the printer stops at once.

Accordingly, this results in label print failure. The machine is provided with the standard function to print again the non completed print on the next label when the error is removed and the normal print is started again, so that number interruption and product omission are prevented.

This function is valid only for the errors for which the printer buffer is operative.

Accordingly, in the case when the print data remain in the printer, there is no need to send again print data from the personal computer when print is started again.

In most cases of errors the normal state can be restored without turning off the printer power.

## · Apparently print-completed label

Occasionally the printer may judge that the print is not completed due to specific label pitch, format or error stop position during normal operation although the print has been apparently completed. In this case two same complete labels exist because the printer judges that the print is incomplete and performs re-printing, using its standard function.

## • Countermeasures

There are two countermeasures against this trouble.

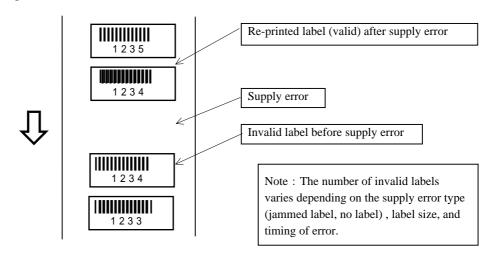
(1) When interruption of number occurs.

Add the "NORP" command as a print command.

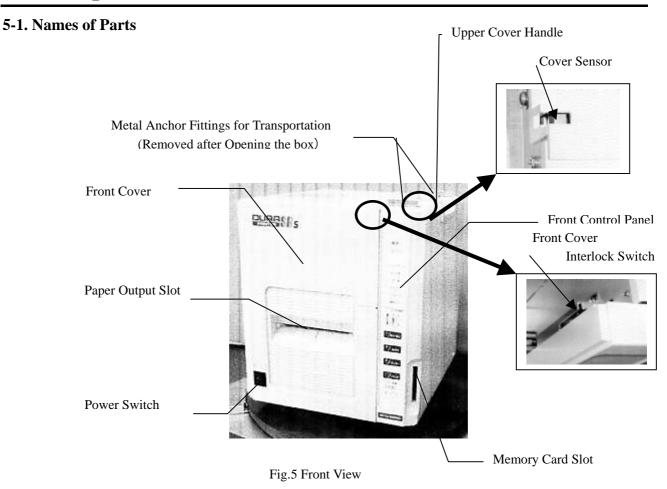
In the case when the label format simple designing software DURARHYTHM is used, select [Tool] – [Option] – [Printer Option], and set [Reprint ater Error Stop] to [No].

## (2) When interruption of number is not found

After disposition of error be sure to check visually the preceding and subsequent labels before starting the re-print.



# **5. Descriptions of Parts**



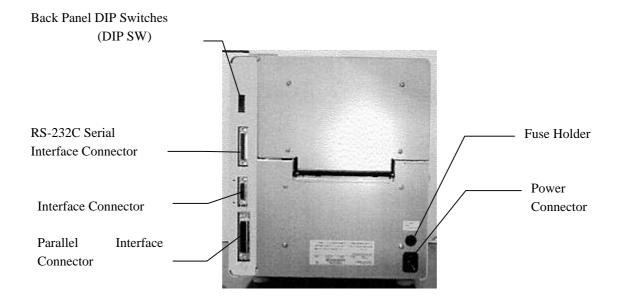


Fig.6 Rear View

## **5-2. NAMES OF CUTTER PARTS (Cutter Model)**

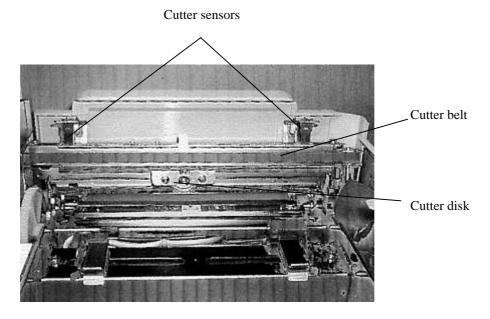


Fig.7

## Note:

Do not cut the glue portion of a label. The cutter becomes dull immediately by cutting the glue portion. When the glue portion of a label is cut, clean the cutter disk at once.

## 5-3. Front Control Panel

The control panel provides functions for producing labels (the label issuing mode functions) and for changing various printer settings to suit different applications (the function setting mode).

Here, the functions of both modes are described below.

# (9) Power Cover Label Ribbon Head Cutter Com. Function Density Enter, Pause Feed 'Reset Buzzer

Fig.8

## 5-2-1. Functions in the Normal Label Issuing Mode

#### ① Power

Indicates whether the printer's power is on or off.

The lamp turns on when the power is on

## 2 Ready

On: The printer is ready for printing (the ready state).

Off: The printer is in the paused print state (the pause state).

## 310● Cover

Lights when the cover is open.

## 45● Label

Lights when there are no labels left, and flashes if a label jam occurs.

#### (5)4● Ribbon

Lights when the ribbon is exhausted.

#### ®3● Head

Lights when the thermal head is worn out or damaged.

"Head" LED is lit also when the cover sensor is closed and the front cover interlock switch is OFF.

## ⑦2● Cutter

Lights when the cutter is worn out or damaged. (Cutter model)

## 81 € Com.

Lights when a communication error occurs.

## 9Function/Density

Print density can be controlled by the dial.

## ① Enter/Pause

Switches the printer between the ready state and the pause state. Each time this switch is pressed, the Ready lamp turns on or off.

## ① 1 /Feed

Pressing this switch ejects one page of labels.

On the cutter model, the cutter cuts the label after the page ejection.

#### ① ↓ /Cut

Pressing this switch executes the cutting process (on cutter model).

If the printer does not have the cutter, press this switch when you want to load labels manually. Press this button while the cover is open.

## Mode/Reset

When an error occurs, pressing this switch for a second or more cancels the error condition. (If the error condition does not clear, momentarily turn off the power.)

#### **Buzzer**

Controls the buzzer volume (3 levels: Off/Low/High).

#### Note:

When more than one error lamp lights at the same time, some other cause may be responsible. For details, see "Error Display Lights" in Chapter 13,

"Troubleshooting."

## About the function setting mode

The printer is ordinarily used in the label issuing mode to issue labels. However, when using the printer for the first time, it is necessary to set the printer's functions to match the conditions of use. The state in which function settings can be made is referred to as the function setting mode. Once settings have been made in this mode, they are maintained even when the power is turned off. However, you may need to make some of these settings again after changing the ribbon or label stock.

Entering the function setting mode

To enter the function setting mode, make sure that the Ready lamp is off and that no error LED is lit, then press and hold the [Mode|Reset] button for at least one second. The buzzer will beep repeatedly, indicating that the printer is in the function setting mode (However, the buzzer does not beep if it is turned off.).

The "Ready" LED flashes while the printer is in the function setting mode. In this mode, the rotary switch (which ordinarily functions as the print density selector) can be used to select the function number, and the LEDs from "Cover" LED to "Com." LED are used to display the setting for the selected function number. The following table lists the meanings of the function numbers and setting values.

#### Note:

- Function settings can be made both using the front panel as described here, or by sending commands (function setting commands) from the connected host computer. For details on how to use function setting commands, please consult your sales representative. Note that if you make a particular setting more than once, only the last setting made is effective.
- If it is defined that the function setting is sent to the printer at the time of printing labels by DURA RHYTHM, the sent setting is effective.

In order to change the function setting with the front control panel, select [No] for [Do you want to send this setting to the printer?] on Function Setting dialog box. Click [Tool] on the main bar on the Main Screen of DURA RHYTHM, select [Function Setting], and then the check box for [Do you want to send this setting to the printer?] appears.

## **Function Numbers and Setting Values**

Note: The symbol \* indicates that the new setting becomes effective only after the power is turned on again.

Function	Function	Setting	Setting	Remarks
Number		Value	Setting Fromanies	
0*	Length	1	Manual length measurement	
	measurement	2	Length measured automatically	
	method		at power-on	
1*	Mode	1	Label on-demand available	
			(Standard)	
		2	Label on-demand disable	
		3	Continuous cutting	
			(Cutter model)	
		4	On-demand cutting mode	
			(Cutter model)	
		5	Manual peeling mode	
			(Manual peeler model)	
		6	Mounter mode	
			(Automatic model)	
		7	Labeler mode (Automatic model)	
2	Print starting	1,9	0	
	position	2	+1(+0.005"(+0.127mm))	
	adjustment	3	+2(+0.010"(+0.254mm))	
	(in the direction of	4	+3(+0.015"(+0.381mm))	
	height)	5	+4(+0.020"(+0.508mm))	
		6	+5(+0.025"(+0.635mm))	
		7	+6(+0.030"(+0.762mm))	
		8	+7(+0.035"(+0.889mm))	
		9	0	
		10	-1(-0.005"(-0.127mm))	
		11	-2(-0.010"(-0.254mm))	
		12	-3(-0.015"(-0.381mm))	
		13	-4(-0.020"(-0.508mm))	
		14	-5(-0.025"(-0.635mm))	
		15	-6(-0.030"(-0.762mm))	
		16	-7(-0.035"(-0.889mm))	
3	Undefined			
4	Label type	1	White labels (center hole sensor)	When the pre-printed labels
	& Paper sensor	2	Pre-printed labels	are used, follow the length
			(center hole sensor)	measurement method for
		3	Continuous labels	pre-printed labels.
			(center hole sensor)	
		4	White labels (interruptive sensor)	
		5	Pre-printed labels	
			(interruptive sensor)	
		6	White label (reflective (option))	

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Function	Function	Setting	Setting	Remarks
Number		Value		
13	Manual sticking mode	1-5	394 inch/sec — 19.7 inch/sec	100 mm/sec — 500 mm/sec
	Peeling sensor OFF	6	0 inch/sec	
	Delay time			
14	Pause ON/OFF	1	Invalid	
	function	2	Valid	
	by outer signal			
15	Print starting	1,9	0	ROM Ver.10.24 or later
	position	2-8	+1 to +7 (0.010" increment)	
	adjustment	10-16	-1 to -7 (0.010" decrement)	
	(in the direction of			
	width)			

## 5-3-2. Example of the Function Setting Procedure

This section shows how to change the setting of function number 10(Supply type) to 9 when the current setting is 1 and the setting of function number 2 (Print starting position adjustment) is 6. The label issuing mode's rotary switch (print density) is assumed to be set to 2.

Press [Enter/Pause] to turn to the pause status.

Press and hold [Mode/Reset] for at least 1 second to switch from the label issuing mode to the function setting mode. At this point, the buzzer will sound and the [Ready]LED flashes to inform you that the printer has gone into the function setting mode. (The [Ready] LED remains flashing while the printer is in the function setting mode.)

Since the rotary switch is set to 2, function number2's current setting, 6, is indicated by the  $[5 \bullet \text{ Label}]$  and  $[1 \bullet \text{ Com.}]$ LED.

Read the setting as the sum of the values printed to the left of the LEDs. In this example, since 5 and 1 are lit, the setting is 5 + 1, or 6.

You can enter the function setting mode by turning on the printer while pressing down [Mode/Reset].

To change the setting of function number 10 (Supply type), change the rotary switch setting to 10.

Now the LEDs display the current setting of function number 10. Since the Print starting position adjustment is set to 1, the [1● Com.] LED is lit.

• : 0u • :Flank • : Off

Power

O Ready

10 O Cover

5 O Labbel

4 O Ribbon

3 O Haad 2 O Cutter

1 Q Com.

Power

Ready

10 O Cover

5 🖣 Label

4 O Ribbon 3 O Head

2 O Cutter

1 **G** Com.

Power

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4 O Ribbon

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2 O Getter

1 🖷 Com.

Power

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3 O Head

2 O Gutter

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Press [ /Feed] 8 times to change the setting to 9 (Supply type9). The LEDs blink to show that the function is being changed.

Press [Enter/Pause] to change the setting. The buzzer makes a series of beeps to signal that the change has been made, and the LEDs that were blinking now light steadily.

To change other settings, repeat steps to . To conclude function setting, go on to step below.

## Press [Mode/Reset].

The printer checks automatically whether the rotary switch position is where it was at the mode changing. If a miss-return occurs, the buzzer sounds intermittently in warning and one or more LEDs light to show the setting to which the rotary switch should be returned. In this example, since the rotary switch was set to 2 upon entering the function setting mode from the label issuing mode, the [2 Cutter] LED blinks if a miss-return occurs.

Upon setting the rotary switch to 2, the buzzer stops sounding, the LED goes out, and the printer enters the pause state. (Function setting has completed.)

Power Ready 10 🔾 Cover Label Ribbon 3 O Head 2 () Cutter 1 O Com. Power Ready 10 O Cover Label 4 O Rebbon 3 C Head 2 O Gutter 1 O Com. Power Reedy 10 O Cover 5 O Label 4 O Albbon 3 O Head 2 () Cutter 1 O Com.

#### Note:

Printing may not work properly if the rotary switch (print density) is changed in the label issuing mode.

## 5-3-3. How to Select Functions

- 1. Turn the rotary switch to the desired function number. At this point, the setting is displayed by the LEDs from [10 Cover] to the [1 Com.] LEDs.
- 2. The setting can be changed by pressing [↑/Feed] or [↓/Cutter]. If the setting selected is different from the current setting, the LEDs flash to show the setting (to let you know that the setting value is being changed).
- 3. The selected setting can be confirmed by pressing the [Enter/Pause] key for one second. The buzzer sounds and the LEDs display the setting stops flashing but remains lit.

## 5-3-4. To Exit the Function Setting Mode

When you press the [Mode/Reset] key while in the function setting mode, the buzzer sounds and the function setting mode is exited. At this point the "Ready" LED stops flashing and goes off.

## 5-3-5. Printing out the function number settings

- Set DIP SW8 on the back panel to ON (to put the printer in the continuous forms mode)
- Load the printer with continuous forms with a width of 3.9" (100 mm).
- To print out the function settings, turn on the power while pressing [  $\downarrow$  /Cut] on the front panel.
- Continue pressing [ ↓ /Cut] until [Ready] lamp lights. The printer prints out the function number settings.
- Return DIP SW8 on the back panel to OFF.

```
<<< DIP SW >>>
           1
                2
                     3
                              5
          OFF OFF OFF OFF OFF OFF
<<< FUNCTIONS >>>
    : 05
              F 0 4
                     09
                             F08
                                    0 I
                                            F12
                                                   0.0
F01 :, 05
              F05
                     09
                             F09
                                    0.1
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[ ROM VERSION : 01.02
                           95/03/07 ]
HEAD RESISTANCE (AVERAGE) = 0425
                   (MAXIMUM) = 0455
                                      OHM
                   (MINIMUM) = 0399 OHM
        Function number
                                    Setting
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Example of function number setting printout

## 5-4. Paper Detection Sensors

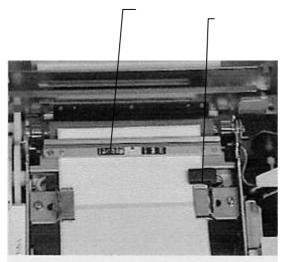


Fig.9-1

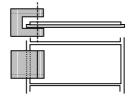
Interruptive-type center sensor (fixed)

This sensor detects gaps between forms (breaks in the backing paper) and detects center holes. (This sensor provides the best paper feed accuracy.)

Interruptive-type form edge sensor (movable)

This sensor detects gaps between forms (breaks in the backing paper), and notches in the edge of forms. (This sensor provides paper feed accuracy that is inferior to that of sensor 2 above.)

Adjust the position of the sensor so that labels pass through the gap of the sensor.



## 5-5. Paper Sensor voltage selector switch

The paper sensor voltage selector switch is located under the printer cover. Set the switch according to the type of separator (backing) used, then perform length measurement.

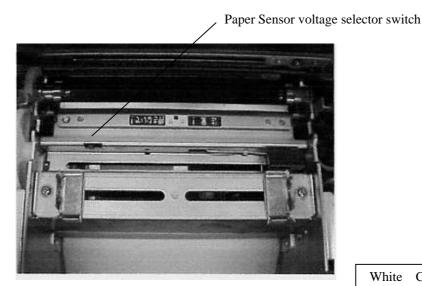


Fig.9-2

White Clear Blue

Blue glassine paper - Blue Transparent PET paper - Clear White PET paper - White

Note:

Only for interruptive-type center sensor.

# 6. Description of Functions of Each Section

## 6-1. Printer Initialization Operation

- When the power is turned on, Memory is tested after initialization of the hardware (I/O), then head continuity is checked.
- During the head test, the 6 error LEDs flash every 1.4 seconds and the buzzer goes on and off in a synchronous manner.
- The cutter does the initial movement (moves from side to side). (Cutter model).
- The top of form position is adjusted. (This operation varies according to the selected mode.
- The cutter cuts the paper at the label edge. (Cutter model). This completes printer initialization.

## **6-2.** Manual length measurement

When first using the printer or when changing label type (when changing the label length), use the learning function to determine the threshold value, label pitch and label length, and to confirm printer backup operation.

\* Verification of the paper sensor threshold value, label length, and printer backup operation are and referred to as "measuring the length" combined together in the following explanation.

## 1. To measure label length by turning on / off the power switch. (White labels)

Move the label to be measured to between the head and the platen.

Turn on the power while pressing the "Enter/Pause" switch. (Press and hold the switch until the buzzer sounds).

After the buzzer sounds 3 times, the printer starts measuring the length.

The printer feeds 2 or 3 pages of labels.

When length measurement is completed, the sensor threshold value, the label pitch, and the label length are backed up. At that point, the buzzer sounds intermittently and the [Ready] LED flashes.

\*When length measurement fails, the buzzer sounds continuously and LED for [5 Label] flashes.

In this case, start over again from step 2 above.

Turn off the power.

## 2. To measure label length on the power ON position (White labels)

Open the cover under the power ON condition, and then set a supply for the printer.

Push and hold the Feed SW for 1 second with the cover open.

Close the cover.

The length of the label is measured automatically. (Three or four labels would be fed.)

The top of form is executed after measuring label length and the printer enters the pause mode.

Release the pause made to take the ready mode. Upon the ready mode, it is not necessary to turn the power switch to the ON position again. The labels that were fed in the label measurement are able to be put back.

Open the cover and feed backward the 3 or 4 labels fed in measuring the length.

## 3.Pre-printed mode

When the pre-printed labels are used, measure the length following the method 1 or 2 below.

1) Length Measurement Method for Pre-printed Labels 1

Before measuring the length, make sure that the setting of function number 4 [Paper type and sensor type] is set to the number for "pre-printed labels".

Turn on the power with the cover open while pressing the "Enter/Pause" switch on the front control panel.

Both Power LED and Ready LED are lit and the buzzer sounds twice to indicate that the printer has become ready for the verification of the paper sensor threshold value.

Set the backing paper portion of the form to the detection position of the sensor and press [Enter/Pause].

Set the non-printed portion of the label to the detection position and press [Enter/Pause], just as in step

The sensor verifies the light quantity level of the labels and that of the backing paper through steps and .

- When the difference between the level of the label and that of the backing paper is not less than the limit, the buzzer sounds continuously for a second.
- When the difference between the level of the label and that of the backing paper is less than the limit, the buzzer sounds intermittently to indicate that the difference between the levels is not enough and that printer may not be able to detect the label edge properly.

Set the label between the thermal head and the platen roller and close the cover.

The buzzer sounds three times and the printer starts measuring the length and feeds 2 or 3 pages of labels.

When length measurement is completed, the sensor threshold value (gained through steps label pitch and the label length are backed up.

\* When the length measurement ends successfully, the buzzer sounds intermittently and the Ready LED flashes. When the length measurement fails, the buzzer sounds continuously and the Label LED flashes. If this happens, start over again from the first step.

Turn off the power.

2) Length Measurement Method for Pre-printed Labels 2

Before measuring the length, make sure that the setting of function number 4 [Paper type and sensor type] is set to the number for "pre-printed labels", and the setting for the function number 8 is 2.

Make up the labels for length measurement.

Cut out the unprinted portion of the label with scissors. Put 7 or more pieces of the cut out labels on the backing paper that is put at the detecting position of the sensor. Make the label pitch near the original one (need not to be accurate).

Set the labels for length measurement made in step between the thermal head and the platen roller.

Turn on the power while pressing the [Enter/Pause] switch (Hold down the switch until the buzzer sounds.).

The buzzer sounds three times and the printer starts measuring the length and feeds 2 or 3 pages of labels.

When length measurement is completed, the sensor threshold value is backed up. At this point, the buzzer sounds intermittently and the [Ready] LED flashes.

\* When the length measurement fails, the buzzer sounds continuously and [5● Label] LED flashes. In this case, start over again from step above.

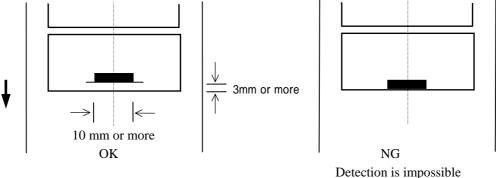
Turn off the power.

The pre-print part must not be on the top end of sensor detecting part of label to be printed.

The paper sensor can not detect the label, correctly.

Use the label which does not have pre-print part more than 3mm from the top of label.

(The following figure shows the case of center fixed sensor use)



## 6-3. Back Panel DIP Switch Settings (for the RS-232C Interface)

DIP SW	Function	OFF		ON	
1	Baud rate	DIPSW1 DIPSW2		Baud rate	
		OFF	OFF	9600	
2		OFF	ON	9600	
		ON	OFF	4800	
		ON	ON	2400	
3	Data length	8 bits		7 bits	
4	Parity	EVEN		ODD	
5	Stop bit	1 bit		2 bits	
6	Flow control	RTS/CTS		XON/XOFF	
7	Framing error	Available		Not available (Normal)	
8	Labels/	Labels		Continuous paper	
	Continuous paper				

The RS-232C settings can be changed only with these DIP switches.

Factory setting 7. Loading Labels/Tags

Specified labels are used for this printer. Note that if you use any other labels, the printing may not function properly.

Load roll paper onto the roll paper holding plate.

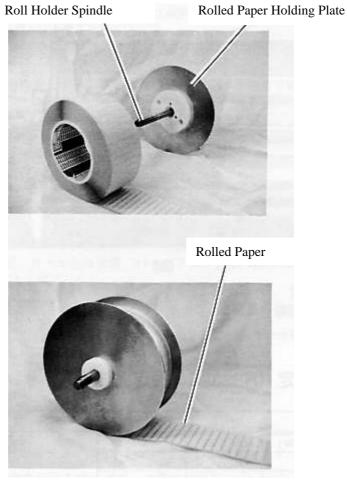


Fig.10

• The roll holder spindle is marked with index markings. Position the holder plates so that the label roll is positioned at the center of the spindle.

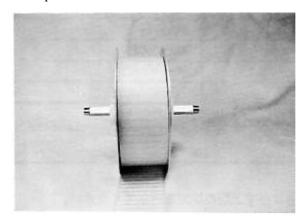


Fig.11

Open the top cover and attach the left and right side of the rolled paper holding plate into the holder receptacle in the main body.

## Note:

When loading or replacing labels/tags, the roll holder plates may fall off of the core of the label/tag roll. Be sure to hold the roll holder plates in place with both hands when loading the labels/tags. Dropping one of the roll holder plates on the thermal head can damage the head.

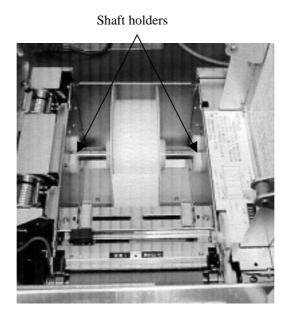
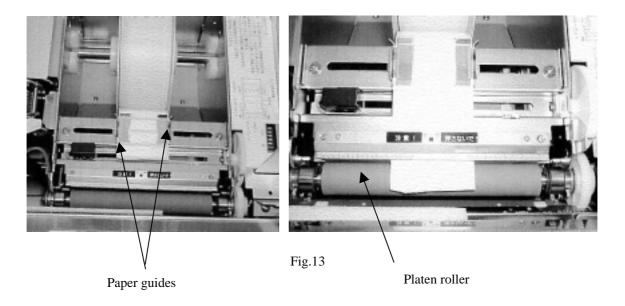


Fig.12

Spread the paper guides wider than the width of the label, and then load the labels/tags by threading them through the paper guide and the sensors, until the labels/tags reach the platen roller.

Push the paper guides towards the center until they touch both edges of the label.

Close the top cover.



# 8. Loading Ribbon

## 8-1. Loading Ribbon

Insert the ribbon roller gear unit in a ribbon core.

Position the ribbon core at the center of the ribbon roller gear unit.

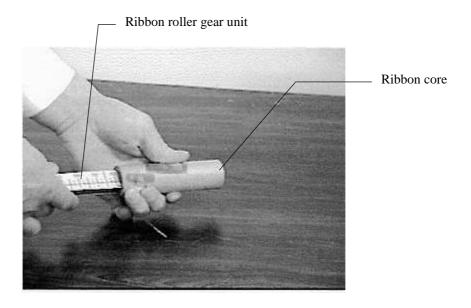


Fig.14

Open the top cover of the printer.

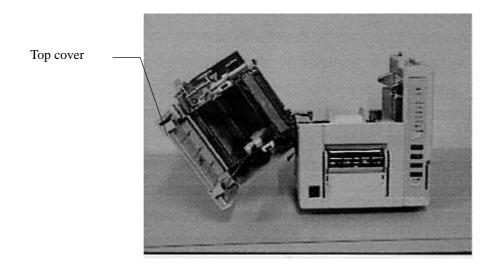
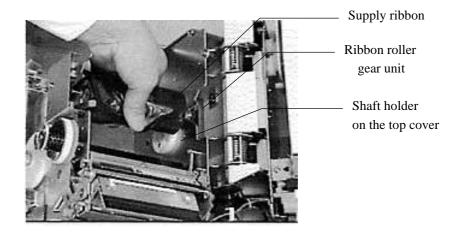


Fig. 15

Insert the ribbon roller gear unit in a new ribbon (supply ribbon) core so that the new ribbon core is positioned at the center of the ribbon roller gear unit, just as in step . Push the ribbon roller gear unit into the shaft holder on the top cover until it locks in place



Take the ribbon roller gear unit with a ribbon core on it that was prepared in step —, and place it in the v-shaped notches on the top cover. Then lift up the leader tape on the supply ribbon and attach it to the ribbon core.

Fig.16

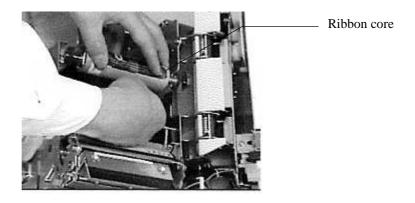
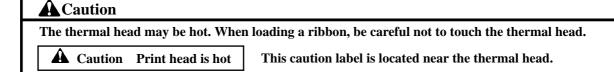


Fig.17



Push the roller gear unit (the one with the ribbon core on it and the leader tape is attached) into the take-up ribbon shaft holder on the top cover until the roller gear unit clicks into place.

Take-up Ribbon Shaft Holder

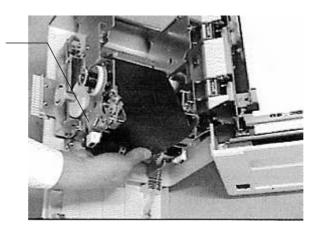


Fig.18

Turn the take-up knob counterclockwise to take up the slack in the ribbon.

Take-up knob

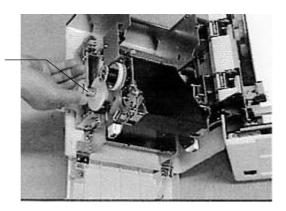


Fig.19

#### 8-2. Replacing Ribbon

Grasp the used ribbon, and pull the ribbon roller gear unit out of the take-up ribbon shaft holder on the top cover of the printer



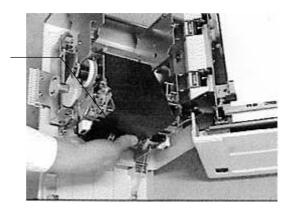


Fig.20

Pull out the ribbon roller gear unit from the used ribbon.

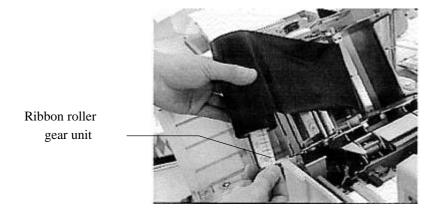


Fig.21

Use the empty supply ribbon core as the next take-up ribbon core.

#### Note:

If the front cover is opened and closed frequently while the ribbon take-up diameter is large, the ribbon that has been taken up may begin to lean too much to one side, making it difficult to remove when replacing the ribbon. In this event, pull the ribbon back towards the center and then remove it.

# 9. Changing the Thermal Head Pressure

## **A** Caution:

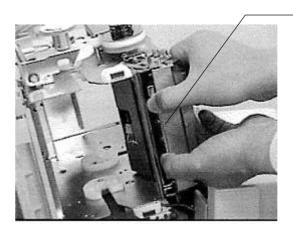
Turn the power off before performing this procedure.

Note that the thermal head may still be hot even if the power has been turned.

A Caution Print head is hot.

This caution label is located near the thermal head.

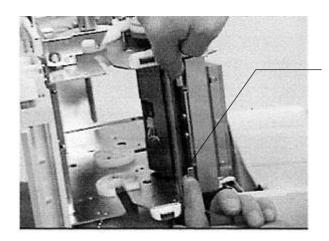
If the labels are less than 2"(50mm) wide, hold down the heating element side of the thermal head with your finger and insert the thermal head pressure changing plate under the two discs.



Thermal head pressure changing plate

Fig.22

If the labels are 2"(50mm) or more wide, hold down the heating element side of the thermal head with your finger and remove the thermal head pressure changing plate under the two discs.



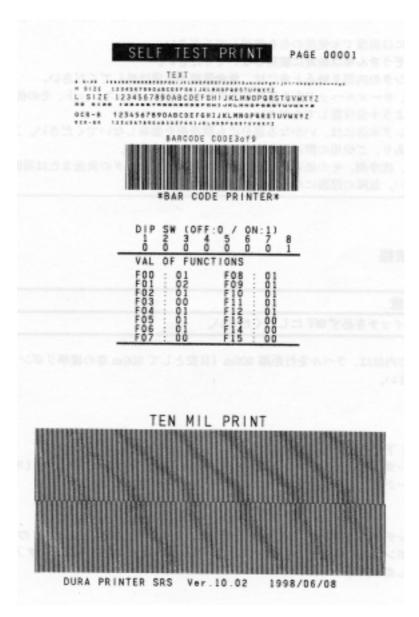
Thermal head pressure changing plate

Fig.23

# 10. Test Printing

The test printing procedure is described below. When installing the printer, always be sure to perform a test print once before connecting the printer to the computer.

- Set DIP SW8 on the back panel to ON (to put the printer in the continuous forms mode).
- Load the printer with the continuous form with a width of 3.99" (100 mm).
- To initiate test printing, turn on the power while pressing the [ ↑ /Feed] key.
- Continue pressing the [ ↑ /Feed] key until the [Ready] LED lights.
- To end test printing, press the [Enter/Pause] switch and then turn off the power.
- At the start of the test printing, the thermal head continuity is checked. If some abnormal condition is detected, 10 mil pattern is printed on the first page, and the function number setting on the second page.
- Return DIP SW8 on the back panel to OFF.



**Example of Test Print** 

### 11. Maintenance

In order to keep the printer operating in peak condition for a long time, be sure to perform the maintenance described below. If these maintenance procedures are not performed, the printer will not be covered by its warranty.

## A Caution:

- When performing maintenance and inspections, be sure to turn both the printer and the computer off, and disconnect the power cords from the power outlets.
- ●Use isopropyl alcohol, methanol, or ethanol, to clean the thermal head, platen rollers, and form sensors. Using other solvents could damage the components. Handle isopropyl alcohol and methanol carefully, as both are flammable. Also, do not attempt to clean the thermal head while it is hot.

#### Note:

Use a clean and previously unused cloth when cleaning. Never use chemical cleaning cloths. If you will be touching the inside of the printer, remove any precious metals or gloves from your hands. Be careful not to scratch the thermal head with any metallic buttons, rings, bracelets, or other metallic objects.

Do not apply any lubricants to any part of the printer. Lubricants are applied at the factory, and do not need to be applied by the user.

Do not spray any solvent, cleaning solution, or anything else onto, into or around the printer. If spray gets into the printer, damage may result.

#### 11-1. Cleaning the inside of the Printer

#### **A** Caution:

Be sure to turn the power off first.

The inside of the printer should be cleaned after every 985ft(300m) of labels. (In other words, after using one standard 985ft ribbon.)

Clean the following locations:

Paper guides, platen roller, paper sensors, ribbon peeler (the stainless cover), ribbon take-up bar, thermal head, and cutter (option).

Turn the power off, disconnect the power cord from the power outlet, open the top cover of the printer, remove the labels and ribbon, and then clean the locations listed above with a clean cloth dampened with isopropyl alcohol, methanol, or ethanol.

# **Cleaning the Paper Guide**

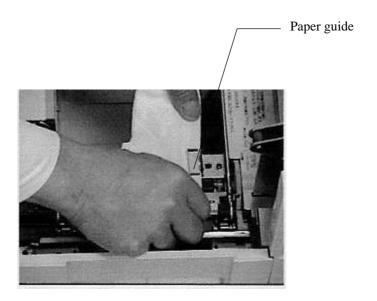


Fig.24

# **Cleaning the Platen Roller**

Clean while turning the gears manually.

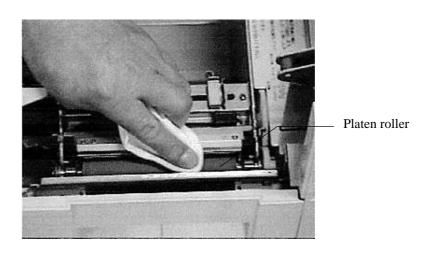


Fig.25

#### **Cleaning the Paper Sensor**

The sensor located between the paper guide and the platen roller through which the labels pass is the interruptive-type sensor. Pass a cloth dampened with alcohol through the region where the labels pass and then move the cloth back and forth several times to clean the sensor.

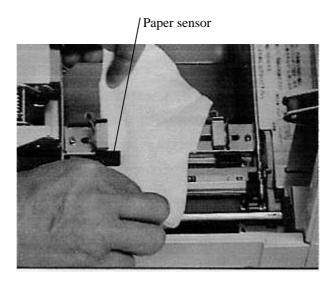


Fig.26

### Cleaning the Ribbon Peeler and Ribbon Take-up Bar

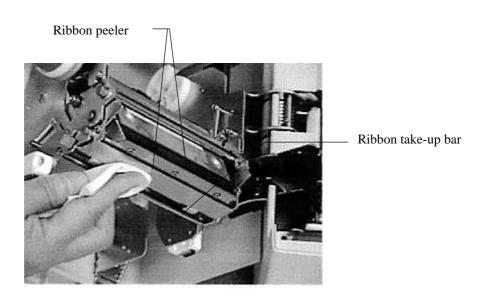


Fig.27

#### **Cleaning the Thermal Head**

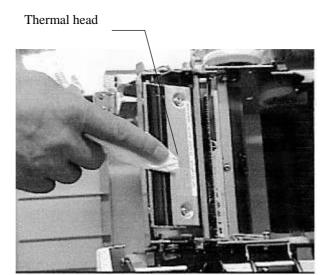
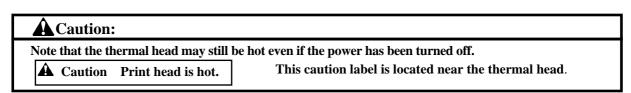


Fig.28



#### **Cleaning the Cutter (Option)**

#### **Cutter disk**

Clean the cutter disk with a cotton swab dampened with alcohol, while moving the cutter carriage from right and left by rotating the pulley slowly by hand.

#### **Cutter blade**

Clean the back side of the cutter blade with a cotton swab dampened with alcohol.

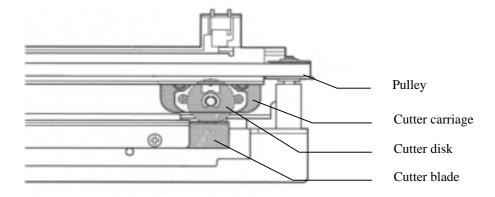


Fig.29

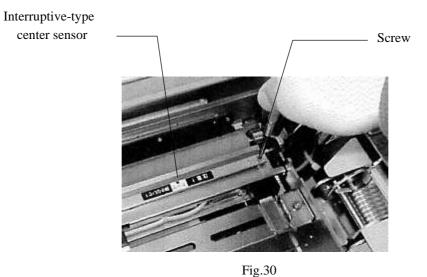
#### Note:

Do not cut the glue portion of a label. The cutter becomes immediately dull when the glue portion is cut. If this happens, clean the cutter at once following the procedures above.

### 11-2. Removing the Interruptive-type Center Hole Sensor

If a label accidentally sticks to the bottom portion (tunnel portion) of the Interruptive-type center sensor, remove the Interruptive-type center hole sensor as described below and remove the label.

Use a coin or a flat-blade screw driver to remove the left and right screws holding the Interruptive-type center hole sensor in place.



Remove the interruptive-type center hole sensor unit and then remove the label.

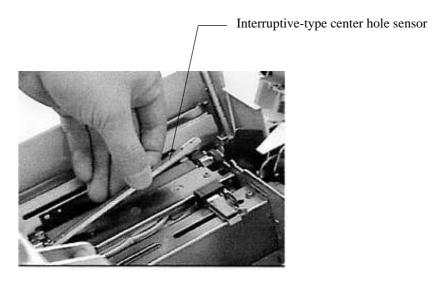


Fig.31

Re-attach the Interruptive-type center hole sensor unit by reversing step , and then use a coin or a flat-blade screw driver to tighten the left and right screws.

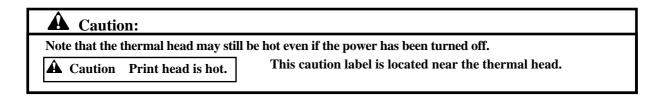
# 12. Replacing Components

#### 12-1. Replacing the Thermal Head

Release lever

After being used for a long period of time, the thermal head may reach the end of its operational life, which will manifest itself through a deterioration in print quality resulting from broken wiring in the thermal head (resulting in white vertical lines), blurred bar codes and text, etc. It is then necessary to replace the thermal head in order to maintain the print quality. The thermal head replacement procedure is described below. (The thermal head is considered to be a consumable component.)

Turn the power switch off, open the top cover, and remove the ribbon on the take-up side.



Press the left and right release levers, and remove the thermal head.

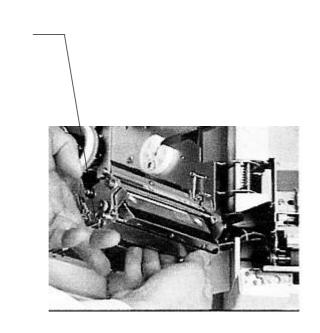


Fig.32

Disconnect the two connectors on the thermal head and then remove the thermal head from the printer.

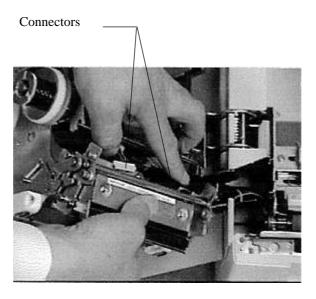


Fig.33

Being careful not to scratch it, connect the connectors to the new thermal head.

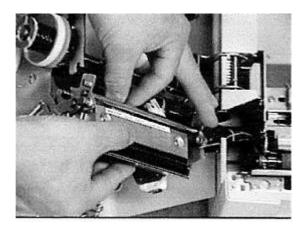


Fig.34

#### Note:

• When connecting and disconnecting the connectors, make sure to match the polarity and the positioning of the connectors first. Also, be careful not to bend the connector pins.

After setting the thermal head bracket into the guide holes in the printer, push the thermal head in until it locks in place. Be careful not to bend the ribbon peeler

Guide holes in printer

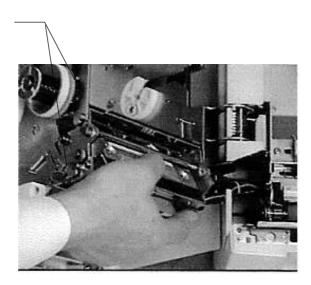


Fig.35

#### Note:

- When replacing the thermal head, be careful not to scratch the new thermal head or get it dirty.
- When replacing the thermal head, be careful not to touch the heating element surface with your fingers.
  - Sweat on your fingers will contain salt, which could corrode the protective film on the surface of the thermal head. If you do accidentally touch the surface, clean it immediately
- After installing the thermal head, wipe it gently.

### 12-2. Replacing the Platen Roller

After being used for a long period of time, wear on the platen roller may result in deterioration in print quality, such as blurred bar codes and text, etc. It is then necessary to replace the platen roller in order to maintain the print quality. The platen roller replacement procedure is described below. (The platen roller is considered to be a consumable component.)

Press down the release levers at the left and right ends of the platen roller and remove the platen roller. (Remove the end with the gears first.)

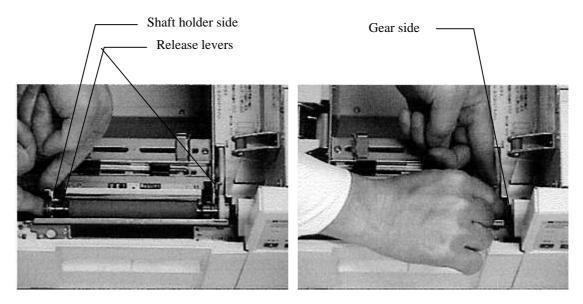


Fig.36

Install the new platen roller.

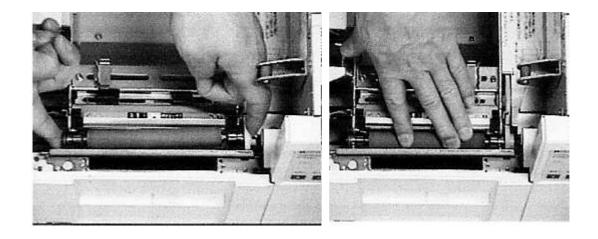


Fig.37

### 12-3. Replacing The Fuse

Turn the fuse holder cap counterclockwise with a coin and pull out the fuse.

After removing the old fuse, push a new fuse into place. (One replacement fuse is included with the printer.)

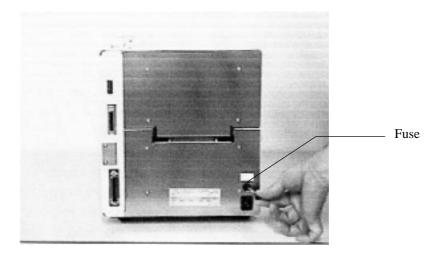


Fig.38

## **A** Caution:

Replace the fuse only with a fuse of the same type and ratings.

Using a different fuse could result in a fire.

The ratings for the fuse are:3.15A time lag 125V AC.

# 13. Notes on Using Cutter (Cutter Model)

#### **Cutting the Labels with Glue**

Be sure to cut the backing paper part between labels when using the labels with glue.

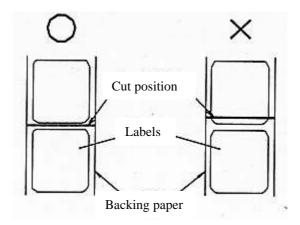


Fig.39

#### Note

- The cutter becomes dull immediately by cutting the glue portion of the label. When the glue portion of a label is cut, clean the cutter disk at once.
- Do not cut the continuous paper labels without the back paper portion.

#### Cutting the Perforated Labels

Cutting is prohibited within the 0.08" (2mm) region before and after the perforation. Be sure to cut other portion of the backing paper.

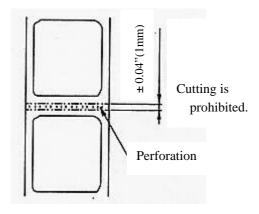


Fig.40

The Thickness of the paper that the Cutter can Cut

The cutter can cut the paper of 0.003" (0.08mm) to 0.010" (0.25mm) thick.

#### -Replacing the Cutter-

# 14. Troubleshooting

This section describes check points and procedures to follow if you experience trouble with the printer.

## **Error Display Lights**

Symptom	Remedy
The power indicator does not light up when	• Verify that the power cable is securely connected to the printer.
the power switch is turned on.	• Check whether the printer's fuse is blown. If a new fuse
	blows soon after you turn on the power, contact your dealer
	for assistance.
[Cover] LED is lit.	• The top cover is open. Close it properly.
[Label] LED is lit.	• The label is missing. Load labels into the printer.
[Label] LED flashes.	• A label jam has occurred. Remove the jammed labels.
	• The label length is wrong. Measure the label length
	following the procedures described in 6-2.
	• The paper sensor is not for the labels on the printer. Enter
	the function setting mode described in 5-2.2 and change
	the paper sensor type.
	• The center of the paper sensor is not set to the mark on the
	labels. Correct the paper position.
[Ribbon] LED is lit.	• The ribbon is missing. Load a ribbon into the printer.
[Head] LED is lit.	• The thermal head is damaged. Replace it with a new one.
	• Turn on the power while pressing both [Mode/Reset] and
	[Set TOF] together, the head error is cleared temporarily.
	• When the cover sensor is closed, [Head] LED is lit if the
	front cover interlock switch is OFF. Check the front cover
	interlock switch.
	• [Head] LED may be lit when PSU (power supply) is under abnormal conditions.
[Com.] LED is lit.	• The communication conditions set for the printer do not match
[Coll.] LED is lit.	those of the connected computer. Check settings of the
	computer
	• After changing the settings, press the [Mode/Reset] switch,
	then resend the data from the computer.
	Momentarily power off the printer, then try sending again.
[Cutter] LED is lit.	• A cutter jam occurred. Remove the jammed labels. When
(Cutter model)	the [Cutter] LED is still lit after you have removed the
	jammed labels, the cutter itself is out of order. Contact
	your dealer for assistance.
	(You can operate the printer without operating the cutter.
	Turn on the power while pressing the [Mode/Reset] to enter
	the function setting mode and change the setting of function
	number 1 (Printer mode) to 1 or 2.)
The Head and Com. LEDs are lit and the	• There is an unrecognized command or parameter.
buzzer souns intermittently. Or the	Press[Mode/Reset], then correct the error, and retransmit the
Ribbon and Com. LEDs are lit and the	program.
buzzer sounds intermittently.	
LEDs are lit in combinations other than	Contact your dealer for assistance.
above, and the buzzer sounds continuously.	

## **LED** lighting patterns

Front panel LEDs (in label issuing	Cover	Label	Ribbon	Head	Cut	Com.	Buzzer sound
Error mode)	Cover	Lauei	Kibboli	Tieau	Cut	Com.	Buzzer sound
Cover open	•	0	0	0	0	0	No buzzer
Label end	0	•	0	0	0	0	
Label jam	0	0	0	0	0	0	Single LED errors:
Ribbon end	0	0	•	0	0	0	Intermittent beeping
Head discontinuity Note 1)	0	0	0	•	0	0	
Cutter jam	0	0	0	0	•	0	
Communication error	0	0	0	0	0	•	
Command error (RCL+)	0	0	0	•	0	•	
Command error (data)	0	0	•	0	0	•	Combination
Measurement error	0	0	0	0	0	0	LED errors:
Memory card error	0	•	•	0	•	0	Continuous beeping
Memory card low battery	0	•	•	0	0	•	
EEPROM error (parallel)	0	0	•	•	0	•	
EEPROM error (serial)	0	0	•	•	•	0	
ROM error	0	•	•	•	•	0	
RAM error	0	•	•	•	0	•	
Main controller error	•	•	•	•	•	•	

<sup>\* ● :</sup> ON O : OFF ◎ : Flashing

Make sure that the printer is in the label issuing mode (that the Ready LED is off).

**Note 1)** Check the front cover limit switch, too. (See the previous page.)

<sup>\*</sup> The Power LED goes off in the event of a main controller error.

<sup>\*</sup> The buzzer does not beep if it is turned off.

<sup>\*</sup> The LEDs do not display error information while in the function setting mode (while the Ready lamp is flashing).

# **Printing Does Not Function Properly**

Symptom	Possible Cause	Remedy
Test printing does not	• The [ \rf \section Feed] switch is not pressed	•Turn on the power while pressing [ 1
work.		Feed] switch.
The printer does not	• The ribbon is installed backwards or the	• Properly re-install the ribbon, so that the
print at all.	ribbon is not installed.	inked side faces out (the surface).
	• The power switch is not ON.	• Connect the power cable and turn on the
		power.
	• The communication cable has some	<ul> <li>Replace the communication cable.</li> </ul>
	connection problems, or is	
	disconnected.	
		• Change the selection of the supplied
	is wrong, or the density switch selection	• •
	is wrong.	selection to make them appropriate
	• The printer is not ready.	• Press [Enter/Pause] switch and light
		[Ready LED].
Print quality is poor.	• The supplied material has been changed.	• Change the Print Density setting to a
		higher value.
	• Supplied material other than the specified	
	one is used.	material.
	• The platen roller is worn out.	• Replace the platen roller.
	• The thermal head is worn out.	• Replace the thermal head.
	• The ribbon is creased.	• Re-install the ribbon, without creasing it.
	• The ribbon is not installed straight.	• Re-install the ribbon properly.
	• The selection of the supplied material	
	type is wrong, or the density switch	
	selection is wrong.	selection to make them appropriate.
	Donon guida is not installed must refer	Make the print speed faster.
	• Paper guide is not installed properly.	Make the paper guides touch the paper properly. Set the paper guides
		properly. Set the paper guides correctly so that there leaves no space
		between the paper guides and the
		paper.

# **APPENDIX A Basic Specifications**

Printing method
 Dot density
 Printing speed
 Maximum printing width
 Maximum printing length
 Printing speed
 Maximum printing length
 Maximum printing length
 Thermal transfer method
 400dpi(15.75dot/mm)
 3.84"(97.54mm)(1536dot)
 10.00"(254mm)(4064line)

6. Page width 0.98" to 4.33"(25 to 110mm)

7. Page length 0.19" to 10.00"(5 to 254mm) Cutter Model — 0.98"(25mm) or more

8. Page thickness 0.005" to 0.01"(0.12mmto 0.25mm)

9. Internal paper roll (1) Winding direction : Printing surface outside/inside

(2) Paper roll outer diameter :  $\phi$  5.90"(150mm) or less

(3) Roll core inner diameter :  $\phi 3^{0.08}_{-0.04}$  inches (76.2<sup>+2</sup><sub>-1</sub>mm)

10. Fanfold forms Page pitch: 2.76"(70mm) or more Fanfold forms are placed outside the printer.

Print quality is not guaranteed in a 0.08"(2mm).

region before and after perforations.

11. Form sensor types (1) Interruptive-type form edge sensor (movable) Detects notches in the forms

(2) Interruptive-type center sensors (fixed) Detects backing paper and center

hole.

12. Ribbon width 1.57" to 4.72" (40 to 120mm) At least 0.39"(10mm) wider than the label

width.

13. Supply ribbon roll (1) Winding direction : Ink on the outside

(2) Ribbon core inner diameter :  $\phi 1_0^{+0.04}$  inch (25.4 $_{-0}^{+1}$ mm) (3) Length of ending silver tape : 5.90"(150mm) or more (4) Ribbon outer diameter :  $\phi 2.76$ "(70mm) or less

(5) Ribbon length : 985ft (300m) (reference value)

14. Type of bar code (1)UPC/EAN/JAN

(2)CODE39

(3)CODABAR(NW-7)

(4)ITF (5)CODE128 (6)CODE93 (7)CASECODE128

15.Minimum narrow element width 0.005"(0.127mm)

#### **DURAPRINTER SRs**

16.Barcode rotation

 $\mbox{O}^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $90^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $180^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $270^{\mbox{ o}}$ 

17.2D symbols

(1)PDF417

(2)QR

(3)Data Matrix(ECC200)

18.Characters

(1)Dot fonts

& symbols

 XS,SS,S,M,L,B,N1,N2,NO1,NO2, NO3,NO4,NO5,NA1,NA2

(alphanumeric 1-byte codes)

- OCR-B (alphanumeric 1-byte codes)
- JIS katakana code ( $16 \times 16$ dot,1-byte code
- Kanji 1st, 2nd level gothic font (Japanese)

(2-byte code)

 $(16 \times 24 dot, 24 \times 24 dot)$ 

(2)Vector font

Rotatable font, Tipton

(Both are alphanumeric 1-byte codes.)

(3)Outline font(Japanese)

Gothic type Kanji 1st and 2nd level (2-byte code)

19. Character magnification

(1)Dot font

1 to 16 times

(2)Rotatable font

Width : 0.025" to 4.16" (0.635 to 105.6mm) Height : 0.050" to 7.87" (1.27 to 200mm)

(3)Tipton gothic font

Width : 0.05" to 2.5" (1.27 to 63.5mm) Height : 0.1" to 3.3" (2.54 to 83.8mm)

20. Character rotation

 $\mbox{O}^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $90^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $180^{\mbox{ o}}$  ,  $270^{\mbox{ o}}$ 

#### **DURAPRINTER SRs**

21. Host interface Parallel (Centronics conforming)

Serial (RS232C)

22.External dimension Height 12.6" (330mm)

Width 11.4" (290mm)

Depth 11.8" (300mm)

23. Weight 41.8lb (19Kg) or less

24.Power consumption 150W 25.Input voltage AC100V

26.Operating temperature

and humidity requirements 41to950F (5~35°C), 10~85%RH

27.Option

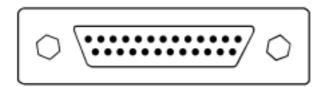
-1. External role holder Field option Model number: RH-63

Roll diameter : No more than  $\phi$  9.84" ( $\phi$  250mm)

-2.Memory Card Field option

# **APPENDIX B** Serial Interfaces

This printer comes equipped with a serial communication port on the right side wall.



Serial Port

#### **Receive Buffer Capacity**

8kbytes

#### **Serial Communication Control**

When the free capacity of the receive buffer changes from 257 bytes to 256 bytes, the send halt signal is sent. When the remaining data in the receive buffer changes from 17 to 16, the send start signal is sent.

#### **Serial Interface Specifications**

The serial interface port supports data communications with a host computer. Communication protocol:

DIP SW	Function	OFF			ON		
1	Baud rate		DIP SW1	DIP SW2	Baud rate		
			0FF	0FF	9600		
2			0FF	ON	9600		
2			ON	0FF	4800		
			ON	ON	2400		
3	Data length	8 bits			7 bits		
4	Parity	EVEN		ODD			
5	Stop bit	1 bit		2 bits			
6	Flow control	RTS/C	RTS/CTS		XON/XOFF		
7	Framing error	Available			Not available (Normal)		
8	Labels /	Labels		Continuous paper			
	Continuous paper						

The following diagram illustrates various interface configurations that this printer supports.

Pin No.	Signal
2	Transmit
3	Receive
4	RTS
5	CTS
6	DSR
7	Signal ground
20	DTR

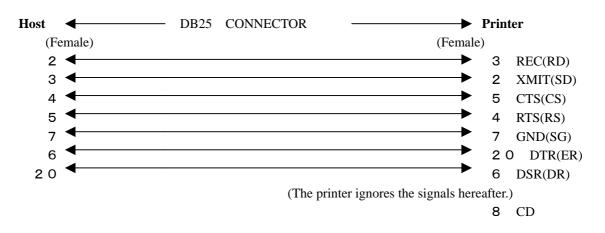
The diagram below shows the necessary interface cable connections for serial communications between this printer's serial port and a host, which follows RTS/CTS (hardware) handshaking protocols.

Connect the cable correctly, or the printer error may occur when a lot of data are continuously sent.

· A personal computer with 9-pin socket

DSUB	DSUB
9 pins female (Personal computer)	25 pins male (Printer)
Earth	Earth
2	2
3 ————	3
4	6
5	7
6	2 0
7	5
8	4

• A personal computer with 25-pin socket



Also usable with parallel interface.

# **APPENDIX C** Specifications for Labels and Ribbons

## **Specifications for Labels and Ribbons**

Use the specified labels and ribbons (ink ribbons) on this printer.

No.	Label	Ribbon
1	DURATACK 10PN	DURAINK 10PN
2	DURATACK PON	DURAINIK 10PN
3	DURATACK PT	DURAINK DLH
4	NP coated paper	DURAINK G
5	DURATACK P	DURAINK DLH or H
6	DURATACK S40H/C40H	DURAINK DWH
7	DURATACK PF	DURAINK PF

#### Note

Be sure to use the recommended labels and ribbons.

Using non-recommended labels or ribbons can result in problems such as poor print quality and damage to thermal head or other printer components.

Use non-recommended labels or ribbons on your own authority.

# APPENDIX D Memory Card

Memory cards are used to store label format data. When using a memory card, you can print bar code labels simply by sending a format ID and the label data to the printer.

Memory cards are optional accessories.

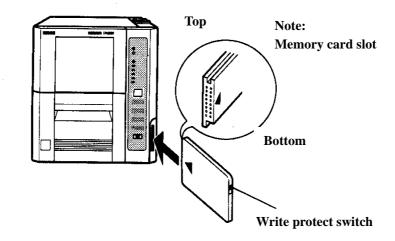
Consult your dealer for details on how to write format information to memory cards

#### **Inserting a Memory Card**

Turn off the printer.

Insert a memory card into the slot, as illustrated below.

Make sure that the card is correctly oriented.



#### Note

The edge of the card will protrude slightly outward from the printer's side cover.

Before removing the memory card, be sure to turn off the power.

Loss of memory card data may result if the card is removed with the power turned on.

#### **Memory Card Specifications**

#### **SRAM** memory card

- JEIDA (Japan Electronics Industrial Development Association) IC memory card
- Guide line Ver. 4.1 (250 nsec access time)
- The maximum card capacity 2Mbytes

#### Note:

- Data in SRAM memory cards are backed up by a lithium battery. Consult your dealer for the backup battery life.
- Replace the lithium battery with a new one before the old battery is completely exhausted. See the instructions provided with the memory card for the battery replacement procedure.
- Depending on usage conditions, the effective life of the backup battery may be reduced, resulting in possible data loss. Data can also be lost if correct procedures are not followed when replacing the lithium backup battery. Be sure to make backups of important data.
- If the printer's power is left on constantly, a printer error is displayed when the battery runs low. (This cannot be checked when the printer is turned off.)

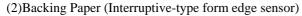
# **APPENDIX E Label specifications**

#### 1. Layout of Page Detection Areas

(1)Backing paper (Interruptive-type center sensor)

There must be a backing paper position of 0.04"(2mm) to 0.20"(5mm) in direction of height. The width of the center part of the label must be 0.20"(5mm) or more.

The sensor output potential difference between label and backing paper must be 1V or more.



The trimming in the left edge of the forms (looking from the front of the printer) must be wider than 0.35"(9mm). The backing paper part between labels must be not less than 0.08"(2mm) and not more than 0.20"(5mm). The printing surface must be not less than 0.24"(6mm) wide.

The sensor output potential difference between label and backing paper must be 1V or more

#### (3)Notches (interruptive-type form edge sensor)

In the left edge of the forms (looking from the front of the printer), there must be notches that satisfy the dimensions indicated below:

When page length is less than 2.75" (70mm):

0.35"(9mm)W or more  $\times 0.08$ "(2mm)H to 0.16"(4mm)H When page length is 2.75" (70mm) or more:

 $0.35"(9mm)W \times 0.08"(2mm)H$ 

to 0.47"(12mm)W × 0.20"(5mm)H

#### (4)Back-side "Eye" marks (Reflective sensor (option))

Dimensions: 5mm or less

There must be an "eye" mark of

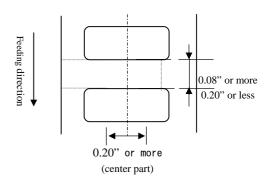
0.47" (12mm):W × 0.12" (3mm) to 0.20" (5mm):H within the region indicated by dotted lines in the figure at right.

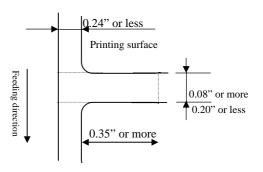
The sensor output potential difference between "eye" mark and other portions of the label must be 1V or more.

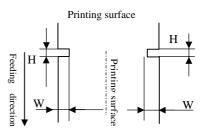
#### (5)Center hole (Interruptive-type center sensor)

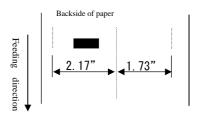
Inner diameter:  $\phi$  0.12"(3mm) to 0.20"(5mm)

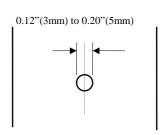
The center of the hole must be within 0.02" (0.5mm) of the center of the form width











#### 2. Miscellaneous (Printing Area)

The print position may vary slightly because of the error in manufacturing labels or the detection error by the sensor. Printing must occur within the shaded regions in the illustrations

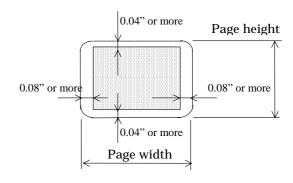
#### (1)Diecut forms

Page length up to 3.94"(100mm):

0.04"(1.0mm) or more (in direction of height)

Page length over 3.94"(100mm):

0.08"(2.0mm) or more (in direction of height)



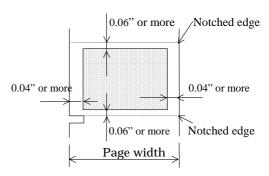
#### (2)Other than diecut forms

Page length up to 3.94"(100mm):

0.06"(1.5mm) or more (in direction of height)

Page length over 3.94"(100mm):

0.10"(2.5mm) or more (in direction of height)



#### Note:

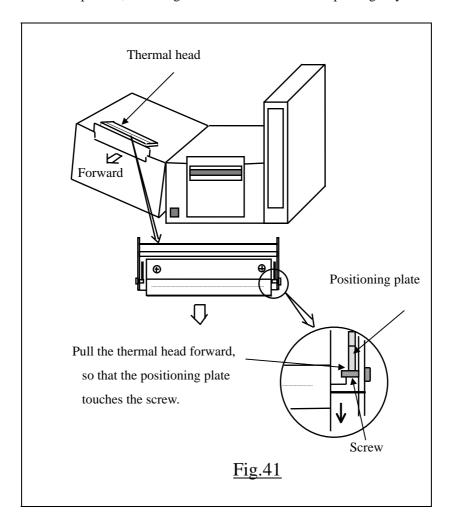
The dropped or blurred printing may occur outside the printing area. Do not allow barcodes and characters to go over the edge of the label.





# **APPENDIX F** The Position of the Thermal Head

- 1. When the thermal head has been moved after replacing the ink ribbon or cleaning or replacing the thermal head, etc., make sure that the thermal head is returned to its correct position.
- 2. See the illustration below. Move the thermal head forward, so that the positioning plates touch the screws. This is the correct position of the thermal head. The positioning plates and the screws are located on both sides of the thermal head. Make sure that the positioning plate on either side touches the screw.
- 3. When the thermal head slips back, wrinkling of the ink ribbon or blurred printing may occur.



# **APPENDIX G** Function Setting List

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\* The new setting becomes effective only after the power is turned on again. (Note)The setting designated and sent from DURA RHYTHM is effective.

					Setting History
Function	Function	Setting	Setting	Factory	User setting
Number		Value		Setting	
* 0	Length measurement	1	Manual length measurement	1	
	method	2	Length measured automatically at power-on		
* 1	Printer Configuration	1	Label fed after print (Normal)		
		2	Label not fed after print		
		3	Continuous cut		
		4	Label fed after cut (cutter model)	1	
		5	Manual sticking mode (peeling model)		
		6	Mounter mode (automatic model)		
		7	Labeler mode (automatic model)		
2	Print starting position	1、9	0		
	adjustment	2 - 8	+ 1 - + 7(0.005"(0.127mm) increments)	1	
	3	10 - 16	- 1 7(0.005"(0.127mm) decrements)		
3	Undefined	0	The buzzer sounds continuously when the		
	(Cannot change value)		rotary SW is set to this number.	_	
4	Paper type	1	White labels (Center sensor)		
	& sensor type	2	Pre-printed labels (Center hole sensor)		
	<b>71</b>	3	Continuous forms (Center hole sensor)		
		4	White labels (Movable sensor)	1	
		5	Pre-printed labels (Movable sensor)		
		6	White labels (Reflective sensor)		
5	On-demand quantity	1、9	0	1	
	adjustment	2 - 8	+ 1 - + 7(×0.025"(0.635mm))		
	,	10 - 16	- 1 7(×0.025"(0.635mm))		
6	Head check timing	1	At power-on & the cover opened and closed	<del>                                     </del>	
		2	Regular use	1	
		3	No head check		
7	Undefined	0			
1		U	The buzzer sounds continuously when the	_	
	(Cannot change value)		rotary SW is set to this number.		
* 8	Form length setting	1	Set by measurement	2	
	mode	2	Set by command	_	
<b>*</b> 9	Print method selection	1	Format printing (Label printing, Normal)		
		2	Text printing	1	
		3	Hex dump printing		
10	Supply Type	1	Supply 1 (Printing speed 4")		
		2	Supply 2 (Printing speed 3")		
		3	Supply 3 (Printing speed 2")		
		4	Supply 4		
		5	Supply 5	5	
		6	Supply 6		
		7	Supply 7		
		8	Supply 8	1	
		9	Supply 9		
11	Label transport speed	1	4"		
		2	3"	_	
		3	2"	3	
		4	1.75"		

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12	Returning from	1	Normal			
	on-demand	2	Printer feeds backward one extra page before leading edge alignment.	1		
		3	Printer does leading edge alignment after returning from the on-demand position.			
13	Delay time in manual sticking mode	1 - 6	The check timing of label peeling sensor is controlled.	1		
14	Pause ON/OFF function by outer signal	1 2	Invalid Valid	1		
15	Print starting position adjustment (in the direction of width)	1,9	0	1		

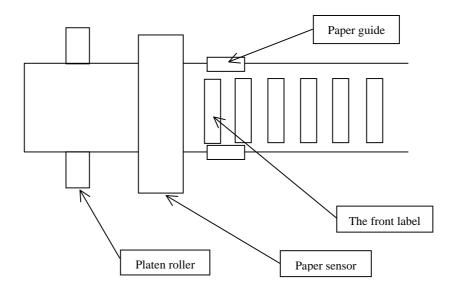
# **APPENDIX H The Front Label Positioning Method (Set TOF)**

\* It is for SR and SRs printer with the mode for peeler unit: Function No. 1 value is 5, 6 and 7. We explain about the function of (Set TOF) button that uses it after loading labels, ink-Ribbon, & opening the cover by some reasons.

\* On standard mode, it might be different 1<sup>st</sup> label position by label height and label pitch. Be sure before operating the position of 1<sup>st</sup> label to user this function.

#### **Procedure (Flow)**

- (1) Open the printer cover, and set the label roll on the printer.
- (2) The label must be so that the front label is ahead of paper sensor.



(3) Hold the [Set TOF] button for several seconds.

Note: For the printer SRs hold the [  $\sqrt[]{\text{Cut}}$ ] button for several seconds. The buzzer beeps.

(4) Close the printer cover.

Several labels are fed.

Thus, the front label positioning has been completed.

(5) Press the [Enter/Pause] button to set the ready state (the green READY lamp lights).

#### If you use the peeler unit, please set as follow:

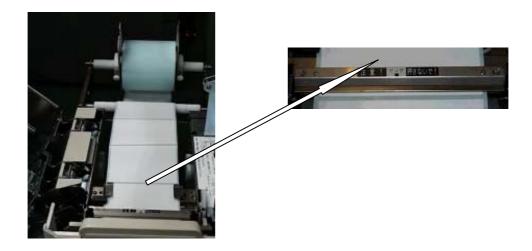
Be sure to open the peeler unit firstly, then set in accordance with the above method, and last, be sure to close the peeler unit with pull at the separater.

# **APPENDIX I Important Items of Daily Operation**

### 1. Setting the Labels and Ink Ribbon

#### (1) Setting the labels 5-1 Setting the labels

Set the labels straight without lateral deviation, using the edge of center fixing type sensor as a basis.



Pay attention to the paper feed pass when the external roll holder is used.

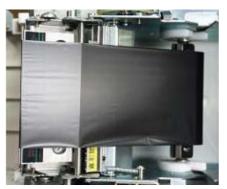
Label inside wind: From upper side (Label outside wind: From lower side)



### (2) Setting the ink (ribbon)

Set the ink ribbon straight without lateral deviation (torsion) of ribbon being fed or taken up.

Good



Bad



#### 2. Cares When Operating

#### (1) When supplies are replaced, the following requirements must be met.

- [1] Do not turn off the power to the personal computer.
  - Otherwise the data sent from the personal computer are lost.
- [2] When replacing supplies, do not wear metallic protruding articles, such as watch.

  Otherwise the heating element of thermal head is damaged, resulting in wire breakage.
- [3] Be sure to set the moving sensor (when it is used).

If the moving sensor was once shifted to a side for easier label setting, be sure to return it to its original position.

#### (2) Do not touch the following parts with bare hand.

- [1] Label surface (print surface)
- [2] Ink transferring surface
- [3] Heating element of thermal head

#### (3) Do not press the center fixing type sensor with undue force.

- \* Label jam is caused.
- \* Do not remove the center fixing type sensor even when it is not used. It serves to suppress label lift.

#### (4) During printing do not pull the label with undue force.

\* Otherwise print deviation occurs.

# (5) Do not tighten excessively the fixing screw for the backing of externally provided roll holder when the external roll holder is used.

\* Otherwise normal rotation is disturbed.

#### 3. Daily Check

The following daily check is required. After checking clean the machine as necessary according to the specified procedure.

#### (1) Checking before starting work at the beginning of week

- [1] State of surface of thermal head: Flaw, sticking dust, extent of wear
- [2] State of platen roller surface: Flaw, sticking dust
- [3] Inside of printer: Existence/nonexistence of dust
- [4] Externally provided holder: Sticking dust, checking of installation position

#### (2) Daily check

- [1] Inside of printer: Existence/nonexistence of dust
- [2] Thermal head: Existence/nonexistence of dust

#### 3-1. Cleaning

This is important item in order to keep the printer in peak condition for a long time, be sure to perform the maintenance described below.

Clean the following parts according to the check cycle.

#### (1) Thermal head unit

- \* Clean the parts in addition to the heating element.
- \* Be sure to turn off the power before cleaning.
- \* Cleaning should be performed before start of work.

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Wipe the heat element component of the thermal head several times only in one direction

Put the winding ink ribbon on the V notch of Upper cover to see the thermal head surface correctly.

#### <Cleaning Cloth>

The cleaning cloth intended for the thermal head is packed with the printer or the thermal head at the time of purchase. The cleaning cloth is dampened with IPA and you can polish the thermal head most effectively with it.

Replace the thermal head if you cannot improve the print quality.

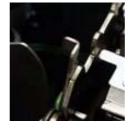
### (2) Platen roller unit

If contamination by paper dust is significant, take out the unit, and clean it.



Taking-out method: Releasing the left and right locks, remove upward.







Left lock

Right lock

## (3) Paper sensor unit and Label output area





