

## **WS2 Series Printer**

# **Operator Manual**

WS208 / WS212



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# **1** Introduction

Thank you for purchasing an SATO WS2 Series industrial barcode printer. This manual provides information about how to set up and operate your printer, load media and solve common problems. Illustrations are provided to help you quickly become familiar with the printer.

# **1.1 Features**

## Clamshell design, easy loading

The WS2 series features a user-friendly clamshell design that allows users to simply open the cover and loading media.

## Compact size

Small footprint design, the compact WS2 series fits into tight spaces and supports a wide range of applications.

## Enhanced connectivity

The WS2 series has built-in USB host, USB device, and Ethernet.

# **1.2 Unpacking**

Make sure all of the following items are included in your package.



When you receive the printer, open the package immediately and inspect for shipping damage. If you discover any damage, contact the shipping company and file a claim. SATO is not responsible for any damage incurred during shipping. Save all package materials for the shipping company to inspect.

Note If any item is missing, please contact your local dealer.

# **1.3 Understand your printer**

# **1.3.1** Perspective view



## 1.3.2 Back view





**Caution** To avoid injury, be careful not to trap your fingers in the Paper Slot while opening or closing the Top Cover.

## 1.3.3 Interior view



# **1.4 Printer lights**

There are two LED lights that show the status of WS2 Series printer. The Upside light is defined in LED2. LED1 is below LED2 and Feed symbol.



## 1.4.1 Status lights

Status lights help you check printer's condition. The following tables show the blinking speed of status lights and the conditions they indicate.

Symbol	Blinking Speed	Blinking Interval
**	Fast	0.5 Second
*	Slow	2 Seconds
* LED2 + *LED1	Slow	LED2 & LED1 Blinking Interval at same time
* LED2 + LED1*	Slow	LED2 & LED1 Blinking Interval at different
	310W	timing

LED 2	LED 1	Description	
Green	Green	The printer is ready to print.	
Green	** Green	The printer is transmitting data.	
* Green	* Green	In pause.	
* Green	Green *	The printer is writing data to the flash or USB memory.	
Green	Green	The USB memory is being initialized.	
Green	Orange	Head high temperature.	
Green	* Orange	The RTC battery is low. (If the printer has a built-in RTC)	
Green	** Orange	The print module is opened when the printer is turned on.	
Orange	Orange	Paper jam.	
** Orange	** Orange	The media is out when the print data is sent to the printer.	

		Paper end.		
** Orange	Orange **	Ribbon end or ribbon error (for thermal transfer models)		
Red	Orange	The printhead is broken.		
Red	**Orange	Cutter error (with optional cutter).		
Red	Red	Cover (Thermal Head) open error during printing.		
		An EEPROM for backup cannot be read or written properly.		
		A command has been fetched from an odd address.		
Red	* Red	Word data has been accessed from a place other than the boundary		
Reu	Reu	of the word data.		
		Long word data has been accessed from a place other than the		
		boundary of the long word data.		
Red	** Red	Command error.		
		Flash ROM on the CPU board error or USB memory error.		
* Red	Red *	An erase error has occurred when formatting the USB memory.		
		Unable to save files due to insufficient USB memory.		

## 1.4.2 System mode

The system mode consists of status light color combinations. It contains a list of commands for you to select and run.

To enter the system mode and run the command, do the following:

- 1. Turn off the printer.
- 2. Press and hold the **FEED** button, and turn on the printer.
- 3. Both status lights glow solid Orange for a few seconds. Next, they turn to green shortly, and then turn to other colors.
- When status lights show the color combination you need, release the FEED button immediately.
- 5. Press the FEED button to run the command.

The following table is the command list of the system mode.

LED 1	LED 2	Command
Green	Red	Transmissive Sensor Calibration (Section 3.1)
Green	Orange	Reflective Sensor Calibration (Section 3.1)
Red	Red	Resetting Your Printer (Section 3.3)
Red	Orange	Reserved
Red	Green	Reserved
Orange	Red	Reserved

# 2 Get started

This chapter describes how to set up your printer.



**Caution** Do not use your printer in areas exposed to splashing water or any other liquid.



**Caution** Do not drop your printer, or place it in an area subject to humidity, vibration or shock.

# 2.1 Attach the power cord

- 1. Make sure the power switch is set to the **OFF** position.
- 2. Insert the power supply's connector into the printer power jack.
- 3. Insert the AC power cord into the power supply.
- 4. Plug the other end of the AC power cord into the wall socket.

**Important** Use only power supplies listed in the user instructions.





**Warning** Do not plug the AC power cord with wet hands, or operate the printer and the power supply in an area where they may get wet. Serious injury may result from these actions!

# 2.2 Turn on/off your printer

When your printer is connected to a host (a computer), it is good to turn on the printer before turning on the host, and turn off the host before turning off the printer.

## 2.2.1 Turn on your printer

 To turn on your printer, turn on the Power Switch as below. The "I" is the ON position.



2. Both status lights glow solid Orange for a few seconds, then turns to solid green.



**Note** If you connect the printer to the internet or insert a USB drive before turning on the printer, it will take longer for the printer to enter the online mode after you turn it on.

# 2.2.2 Turn off your printer

- 1. Make sure LED is solid green before turning off the printer.
- To turn off your printer, turn off the Power Switch as below. The "O" is the OFF position.





Caution Do not turn off your printer during data transmission.

# 2.3 Load media

There are various types and sizes for the media roll. Load the applicable media to satisfy your need.

## 2.3.1 Prepare media

The inside wound and outside wound media roll can be loaded into the printer the same way. In case the media roll is dirty during shipping, handling or storage, remove the outside length of the media. It helps avoid dragging adhesive and dirty media between the printhead and platen roller.



## 2.3.2 Place a media roll

1. Pull the head latch to open the top cover of the printer.



2. Pull the **Media Roll Holders** to slide them outward, and place the media roll between the holders. Make sure the print side is up, and the media roll is clamped tightly by the holders.



3. Pull the media until it reaches out of the printer. Thread the media under the media guides.



4. Close the top cover on both sides.



Flexibility

If you usually use the same width media or fanfold media, scroll the "Media Roll Holder Wheel" to adjust width to the same media guide.



## 2.3.3 Test media feed

1. Turn on the printer, and press the **FEED** button to feed a label.



2. Flip the media and tear it along the edge of the front cover.



# 2.4 Media types

Your printer supports various media types, including non-continuous media, continuous media, and fanfold media. The following table provides details about them.

Media Type	Looks Like	Description
Non-Continuous Media		Non-continuous media is the typical media for bar code printing. Labels and tags are made of various materials, such as paper, fabric or cardstock, and are separated by gaps, holes, notches or black marks. Many labels are self-adhesive with liners, while some are linerless.

Media Type	Looks Like	Description
Continuous Media		Continuous media does not have gaps, holes, notches or black marks. It allows you to print data anywhere on the media. A cutter may be used for splitting labels.
Fanfold Media		Fanfold media is in continuous form, but it can be used as non-continuous media, because its labels are separated by folds. Some fanfold media also has black marks or liners.
Tag Media	<u>ه</u>	Tag media is usually made from a heavy paper, with central hole to index. It does not have adhesive or a liner, and it is typically perforated between tags. The media may also have black marks or other separations

# 2.5 Media sensing

WS2 printer offers reflective sensor. It used for detecting specific media types.

## 2.5.1 Transmissive sensor

The transmissive sensor is fixed and placed near the center line with 6.27 mm offset of the printhead. It is used for detecting gaps across the entire width of the label.



## 2.5.2 Reflective sensor

The reflective sensor is movable within the entire width of the media. It detects gaps, notches and black marks not located at the center of the media.



Flip the media so the black-mark side is facing down to align with the sensor.



# **3** Printer operation

This chapter provides information about printer operation.

# 3.1 Printing Media Calibration & Configuration

You need to calibrate the media sensor to print properly. WS printers provide transmissive and reflective sensor calibration. Take the following steps to use them.

#### Doing calibration directly

- 1. Make sure the media is properly loaded, the print module is closed
- Press and hold "FEED" button 3 seconds until LED2 turns to orange and LED1 turns to green. Media calibration start. Release "FEED" key

#### Go to System mode doing calibration

- 1. Make sure the media is properly loaded, the print module is closed
- 2. Set the power switch to the **OFF** position.
- 3. Press and hold the **FEED** button, and turn on the printer.
- 4. Both status lights glow solid Orange for a few seconds. Next, they turn to green shortly, and then turn to other colors. Do one of the following to select the sensor:
  - If you want to calibrate the transmissive sensor, when LED 1 turns to green and LED 2 turns to red, release the FEED button immediately.
  - If you want to calibrate the reflective sensor, when LED 1 turns to green and LED 2 turns to orange, release the FEED button immediately.
- 5. Press the **FEED** button. The media calibration is complete after the printer feeds 3-4 labels and stops.

# 3.2 Selftest

The printer can run a self test to print a configuration label, which helps you understand current settings of the printer.

- 1. Turn off the printer.
- 2. Press and hold the **FEED** button, and turn on the printer.
- Both status lights glow solid Orange for a few seconds. Next, they turn to green shortly, and then turn to other colors. When LED 2 turns to green and LED 1 turns to Orange, release the FEED button.
- 4. Press the **FEED** button to print a configuration label.

Your configuration label should look like this:

LABEL PRINTER WITH FIRMWARE WS212-V01.03 20171123SZPL STANDARD RAM : 32M BYTES AVAILABLE RAM : 3684K BYTES FLASH TYPE : ON BOARD 16M BYTES AVAILABLE FLASH HLASH IYPE : ON BOARD 16M BYTES AVAILABLE FLASH : 8438K BYTES NO. OF DL SOFT FONTS (FLASH) :0 NO. OF DL SOFT FONTS (RAM) :0 NAME AND ALLASS (RAM) :0 NAME AND ALLASS :0 DI RECT THERMAL PRINT LENGTH : 1M CUT COUNT:0 CALBRATION MODE: INTELL I REPRINT AFTER ERROR : ENABLED BACKFEED DI SABLED CUTTER DI SABLED CUTTER DI SABLED PEELER DI SABLED CUTTER PEELER OFFSET: 0 (+-0: 01mm) LAN MODULE NOT INSTALL IP ADDRESS: 0.0.0 MAC ADDRESS: AB-CD-EF-00-01-D2 DHCP CLIENT ID: FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF DHCP HOST NAME: SNMP: ENABLED SOCKET COMM : ENAPLED 13 15 18 20 21 23 24 25 26 27 29 32 38 FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF DHCP HOST NAME: SNMP: ENABLED SOCKET COMM.: ENABLED SOCKET PORT: 9100 IPV6 MODE: MANUAL IPV6 ADDRESS: ECCO: COCO: COCO: COCO: PCC ADDRESS: 43 44 45 0000 : 0000 : 0000 : 0000 0000 : 0000 : 0000 : 0000  $\begin{array}{l} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \ bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \ bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \text{bodd:} \text{bodd:} \\ \\ \ bodd:} \\ \\ \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \\ \\ \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \ bodd:} \\ \\ \ bodd:} \ bodd$ 54 53 55 58 61 62 63 FONT E. 0123ABCabc FONT E. 0123ABCabc FONT E. 0123ABCabc FONT E. 0123ABCabc FONT F. 0123ABCabc FONT G. FONT H. DIZJABC Font CG 0123ABC 

#### 1. Version Information

The firmware version and its build date.

#### 2. Standard RAM

Display SDRAM size.

#### 3. Available RAM

RAM is able to be used.

#### 4. Flash Type

The flash memory type and size.

5. Available Flash

Flash is able to be used.

#### 6. No of DL soft fonts (FLASH)

The number of fonts is downloaded in Flash.

#### 7. No of DL soft fonts (RAM)

The number of fonts is downloaded in RAM.

#### 8. No of DL soft fonts (HOST)

The number of fonts is downloaded in USB HOST.

#### 9. H. Position Adjust

Move the print position horizontally.

#### 10. Sensor Type

Two kinds of media sensor type, reflective sensor and see-through sensor.

#### 11. Label-less Calibration Value

Check if a label-less calibration has been performed on the printer. If not, the value is 0000.

#### 12. RTC Time

The default format is month/day/year (hour:minute:second). If your printer has a built-in RTC, the RTC time shows here.

#### 13. Max Label Height

The max label length you can print at a time. For 200 dpi models, it is 100 inches; for 300 dpi models, it is 50 inches.

#### 14. Print Width

Display the print width in dots.

#### 15. Lab Len (Top to Top)

For non-continues media, it is the length between the tops of two labels.

#### 16. Speed

Printing speed unit is inch per second (ips).

#### 17. ABS. Darkness

Display the current darkness. You can use the SZPL command  $\sim {\tt SD}$  to define it.

#### 18. Trim. Darkness

Display the adjustment of the current darkness. You can use the SZPL command ^MD to define it.

#### 19. Print Method

It is either thermal transfer (TT) or direct thermal (DT) printing. TT requires ribbons and DT doesn't.

#### 20. Print Length

Display total print length.

#### 21. Cut Count

It counts the times the cutter cuts.

#### 22. Caret Control Char

The control character your printer is using.

#### 23. Delimiter Control Char

The control character your printer is using.

#### 24. Tilde Control Char

The control character your printer is using.

#### 25. Code page

The character set table.

#### 26. Media

The media type in use.

#### 27. Calibration mode

Intelli Mode: Just install labels, latch print module, press FEED button once, and then the printer will feed 1-2 labels to detect next gap / black mark before printing. The printer will feed 1-2 labels automatically before printing, if FEED button is not pressed.

#### 28. Reprint After Error

When it is enabled, your printer reprints the label after the error fixed if it is printed incorrectly due to the error.

#### 29. Backfeed Enabled/Disabled

Enable or disable backfeed during the printing process. When it is enabled, the printer moves the paper forward in a predefined length 1 second after printing, and pulls the paper back in a predefined length once the printing begins again. When it is disabled, the printer won't move the paper at all.

#### **30.** Cutter Enabled/Disabled

Enable or disable the cutter during the printing process.

#### 31. Peeler Enabled/Disabled

Enable or disable the dispenser during the printing process.

#### 32. Cutter/Peeler Offset

Move the cutting line or the peeling position forward or backward. The value in the angle brackets is the offset unit.

#### 33. IP Address

Display printer current IP address in. The default value is "192.168.1.1".

#### 34. Subnet Mask

Display printer subnet mask. The default value is "255.255.255.0."

#### 35. Gateway

Display printer gateway. The default value is "0.0.0.0."

#### 36. MAC Address

The unique address assigned to the printer that connects to the internet.

#### 37. DHCP

When DHCP is enabled, it assigns a dynamic IP address to the printer automatically.

#### 38. DHCP Client ID

It is an arbitrary value sent to the DHCP server to reserve an IP address for the printer.

#### **39. DHCP Host Name**

It is the name of a DHCP client. The host name allows up to 32 alphanumeric characters.

#### **40. SNMP**

When it is enabled, the host gets or sets parameters registered as SNMP entities.

#### 41. Socket Communication

When it is enabled, the host communicates with the printer via the socket.

#### 42. Socket Port

Display printer port number.

#### 43. IPv6 Mode

It determines how you get the IPv6 address of your printer. There are three modes: MANUAL, DHCPv6 or AUTO.

#### 44. IPv6 Type

It is the IPv6 address type of your printer. There are four types: NONE, NORMAL, EUI and ANY.

#### 45. IPv6 Address

Display printer current IPv6 address.

#### 46. Link Local

The IPv6 address that used in a network segment. It is allocated automatically.

#### 47. Product SN

Display printer serial number.

#### 48. USB SN

Display printer USB host serial number.

#### 49. CG Enable

Printer is able to use True Type font.

#### 50. TPH and Cutter Offset

This is for developers to debug.

#### 51. Reflective Sensor Gap Calibration

This is for developers to debug.

#### 52. See-Through Sensor Gap Calibration

This is for developers to debug.

#### 53. Reflective Sensor Profile

This is for developers to debug.

#### 54. See-Through Sensor Profile

This is for developers to debug.

#### 55. Ribbon Voltage Delta

This is for developers to debug.

#### 56. Reflective Sensor Offset

This is for developers to debug.

#### 57. See-Through Sensor Offset

This is for developers to debug.

#### 58. See-Through Sensor Automatic Gain Control

This is for developers to debug.

59. SW

Display status of the dip switch.

#### 60-68. Font Image

You can use them as the reference to check your label font.

#### 69-74. TPH Test Pattern

You can use them to check broken pins on the printhead.

## **Option Parts**

If your printer has a Wi-Fi module, your SZPL configuration label will contain the following entries:

#### **FW Version**

Display WLAN board firmware version.

#### Date

Display WLAN board firmware version date.

#### **IP Address**

Display the IP address of your printer. When DHCP is enabled, it shows the automatically assigned IP address; when DHCP is disabled, it shows the manually specified IP address.

#### Subnet mask

Display the current IPv4 subnet mask of your printer in Wi-Fi module.

#### Gateway

Display the gateway of your printer. When DHCP is enabled, it shows the automatically assigned gateway; when DHCP is disabled, it shows the manually specified gateway.

#### Mac address

The unique address assigned to your printer that connects to the internet.

#### DHCP

When DHCP is enabled, it assigns an IP address to your printer automatically.

#### **DHCP Hostname**

Display the name of a DHCP client in Wi-Fi module.

#### Socket Port

Display the socket number of the printer in Wi-Fi module.

#### SSID

Short for service set identifier. It is the name of a wireless local area network.

#### Mode

There are ad-hoc and infrastructure mode. Refer to Print Tool Network type description from Technical manual.

#### **Country Code**

Display the country or region in Wi-Fi module.

#### Channel

Display the Wi-Fi channel.

#### Network Authentication

There are six modes. Refer to Printer Tool Network authentication description from Technical manual.

#### WEP

Display the printer WEP encryption is on or off.

#### SDPL

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# 3.3 Reset your printer

By resetting your printer, you can return your printer to the state it was in when you receive it. This can help you solve some problems caused by settings changed during the printing.

Do the following to reset your printer:

- 1. Turn off the printer.
- 2. Press and hold the FEED button, and turn on the printer.
- Both status lights glow solid Orange for a few seconds. Next, they turn to green shortly, and then turn to other colors. When both lights turn to red, release the FEED button immediately.
- Press and hold the FEED button over 3 seconds and release it. Both status lights blink red three times, and turn to solid Orange for a few seconds. After the printer is reset, LED 1 goes out while LED 2 turns to solid green.



**Important** In step 4, if you do not hold the **FEED** button long enough, LED 1 will blink Orange three times while LED 2 goes out. It means the printer is not reset.
# **3.4 Communications**

### 3.4.1 Interfaces and Requirements

This printer comes with USB type A and type B interface, an ethernet.

### USB Interface Requirements

The Universal Serial Bus (USB) interface is compatible with your existing PC hardware. The USB's "plug and play" design makes installation easy. Multiple printers can share a single USB port/hub. The different usage of type A and B are as below.

USB type A	USB Flash drive, USB keyboard or USB Scanner.
USB type B	PC to set printer.

### Ethernet Module Status Indicators

The indicators with two different colors help users understand status of Ethernet:

LED Status	Description	
Both Off	No Ethernet link detected.	
Blinking	The printer waits for printer ready.	
	It will take about few seconds to be ready.	
Green	Speed LED	On: 100 Mbps link
	Speed LED	Off: 10 Mbps link
Orange		On: link up
	Link/Activity LED	Off: link down
		Blinking: activity

# **4** Maintenance

This chapter describes routine cleaning procedure.

# 4.1 Cleaning

To maintain print quality and prolong the printer's life, you need to perform some routine maintenance. Daily maintenance should be done for high volume printing, and weekly for low volume printing.



**Caution** Always turn off the printer before cleaning.

### 4.1.1 Printhead

It is essential to keep printhead clean if you want the best print quality. We strongly recommend that you clean the printhead when you load a new media roll. If the printer is operated in critical environment, or the print quality declines, you need to clean the printhead more frequently.

Keep in mind these things before you clean:

- Keep the water away in case of corrosion on heating elements.
- If you just finish printing, wait until the printhead cools down.
- Do not touch the printhead with bare hands or hard objects.

Cleaning steps:

- 1. Moisten a soft cloth or a cotton swab with ethyl alcohol.
- Gently wipe the printhead in one direction. That is, wipe it only from left to right or vice versa. Do not wipe back-and-forth, in case dust or dirt attaches to the printhead again.



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**Note** Printhead warranty becomes void if printhead serial number is removed, altered, defected, or made illegible, under every circumstance.

### 4.1.2 Media housing

Use a soft cloth to clean the dust, dirt or debris built up on the **Media Roll Holders**, **Media Guides** and media path.

- 1. Moisten a soft cloth with ethyl alcohol.
- 2. Wipe the Media Roll Holders to clean dust.
- 3. Wipe the **Media Guides** to clean dust and dirt.
- 4. Wipe the media path to clean paper debris.

### 4.1.3 Sensor

Media sensors may not be able to detect the media correctly if it becomes dirty.

- 1. Moisten a soft cloth or a cotton swab with absolute ethyl alcohol.
- 2. Gently brush sensors to remove the dust away.
- 3. Use a dry cloth to clean the residue.



### 4.1.4 Platen roller

The platen roller is also important for print quality. Dirty platen roller may damage the printhead. Clean the platen roller right away if the adhesive, dirt or dust accumulates on it.

- 1. Moisten a soft cloth with absolute ethyl alcohol.
- 2. Gently wipe the platen roller to remove the dust and adhesive.

# **5** Troubleshooting

This chapter provides the information about printer problems and solutions.

## 5.1 Printer issues

#### The printer is not turned on

- Did you attach the AC power cord?
- Make sure the power supply's connector is inserted into the printer power jack.
- Check the power connection from the wall socket to the printer. Test the power cord and the socket with other electrical devices.
- Disconnect the printer from the wall socket, and connect it again.

#### The printer turns itself off

- Turn on the printer again.
- Make sure the power supply's connector and the power cord are plugged properly.

properly.

- Make sure the power supply and the power cord are not damaged.
- Use the applicable power supply.
- If the printer keeps turning itself off, check the socket and make sure it

has enough power for the printer.

#### The printer does not feed the media out

- The media is not loaded correctly. See Section 2.3, "Loading Media" to reload the media.
- If there is a paper jam, clear it.

# 5.2 Media issues

#### The media is out

Load a new media roll.

#### The paper is jammed

- Open the printer and clear the jammed paper.
- Make sure the paper is held properly by the **Media Guides**.

#### The printing position is not correct

- Did you use the correct media type for printing?
- The media is not loaded correctly. See Section 2.3, "Loading Media" to reload the media.
- The media sensor needs to be calibrated. See Section 3.1, "Media Sensor Calibration" to calibrate the sensor.
- The media sensor is dirty. Clean the media sensor.

#### Nothing is printed

- The media is not loaded correctly. See Section 2.3, "Loading Media" to reload the media.
- The print data might not be sent successfully. Make sure the interface is set correctly in the printer driver, and send the print data again.

#### The print quality is poor

- The printhead is dirty. Clean the printhead.
- The platen roller is dirty. Clean the platen roller.
- Adjust the print darkness, or lower the print speed.
- The media is incompatible for Direct Thermal. Use the compatible media instead.
- The media is incompatible for the printer.

# 5.3 Other issues

#### There are broken lines in the printed label

The printhead is dirty. Clean the printhead.

#### An error occurred when writing data to the USB memory

- Did you insert the USB drive?
- Make sure the USB drive is plugged tightly into the port.
- The USB drive might be broken. Replace it with another one.

#### The printer is unable to save files due to insufficient USB memory

 Delete the files on your USB drive to free some space, or replace your USB drive with an empty one.

#### The cutter is experiencing issues

- If there is a paper jam, clear it.
- The cutter has become loose. Fix the cutter in position and tighten it.
- The cutter blade is not sharp anymore. Replace your cutter with a new one.

#### The printhead temperature is extremely high

The printhead temperature is controlled by the printer. If it is extremely high, the printer will stop printing automatically, until the printhead is cool down. After that, the printer will resume printing automatically, if there is any unfinished print job.

#### The printhead is broken

• Contact your local dealer for assistance.

# **6** Specifications

This chapter provides specifications for the printer. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

## 6.1 Printer

Model	WS208	WS212	
Print method	Direct Thermal		
Resolution	203 dpi (8 dots/mm)	300 dpi (12 dots/mm)	
Media Alignment	Centered		
Operation Mode	Standard: Continuous mode, Tear-off mode		
	Optional: Cutter mode, Peeler mode		
	Reflective Sensor (Movable)		
Sensor	Media Transmissive sensor x	1 (fixed, 6.27mm offset)	
	Head Open S	Switch	
Operation interface	LED indicator x 2,	Button x 1	
	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 inches/sec	2, 3, 4, 5 inches/sec	
Print Speed	(50.8, 76.2, 101.6, 127, 152.4,	(50.8, 76.2, 101.6, 127	
i fint Speed	177.8 mm/sec)	mm/sec)	
	2 &3ips for peel off mode	2 & 3 ips for peel off mode	
Printable Area	Max. length 100"(2540mm)	Max. length	
		50"(1270mm)	
	Average print ratio within 15 % or less (whole print layout		
Print Ratio	area)		
	Full width with 1mm pitch is required		
Interface	USB hosts(Type A), USB device(Type B) , Ethernet		
Programming	SDPL+SEPL+SZPL		
Language			
Accessories	Peeler, Full Cutter		
	Standard Memory (Flash ROM): 16 MB		
	User Memory: 8 MB		
On-Board Memory	Standard Memory (SDRAM): 32 MB		
	USB storage up to 32 GB (FAT32 format only)		

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CPU Type	32 bit RISC microprocessor	
SoftwareLabel	Windows Driver (Windows Vista/ Win 7/ Win 8/ Win 10),	
editing	BarTender <sup>®</sup> from Seagull Scientific, Nice Label	
Software Utility	Printer Tool	
Agency Listing	CB, CE	

# 6.2 Media

Properties	Description
Media Size	Max. width: 60mm, Min. width: 12mm
	Max length 100" (2540 mm), Min length 0.4" (10mm)
	Thickness: 0.00236"~0.00787" (0.06mm~0.2mm)
	5"(127mm) OD on a 1"/1.5" (25.4/38 mm) ID core
	4.5"(115mm) OD on a 0.5" (12.7mm) ID core
	Min. width: 12mm for partial cutter options.
	Min. length: 25mm for cutter options.
Media Type	Direct Thermal Label
	Direct Thermal Tag
	Roll Paper (Inside Wound or Outside Wound)
	Fanfold Paper

# 6.3 Electrical and operating

## environment

Properties	Range
Power Supply	Voltage: AC 100 V ~ 240 V ± 10 % (full range)
	Frequency: 50 Hz - 60 Hz ± 5 %
Temperature	Operating: 41 $^{\circ}$ F $\sim$ 104 $^{\circ}$ F(5 $^{\circ}$ C $\sim$ 40 $^{\circ}$ C)
	Storage: -4 $^{\circ}$ F $\sim$ 140 $^{\circ}$ F(-20 $^{\circ}$ C $\sim$ 60 $^{\circ}$ C)
Humidity	Operating: 25 %RH ~ 85 %RH (non-condensing)
	Storage: 10 %RH ~ 90 %RH (non-condensing)

# 6.4 Physical dimension

Dimension	Size and Weight
Size	W 116 mm x H 170 mm x D 215 mm
Weight	1.05 kg (excluding media and accessories)

# 6.5 Fonts, Barcodes, and Graphics Specification

The specifications of fonts, bar codes and graphics depends on the printer emulation. The emulations SDPL, SEPL, and SZPL are printer programming languages, through which the host can communicate with your printer.

### **Printer Programming Language SDPL**

Programming Language	SDPL
	9 fonts with different point size
Internal fonts	6 fonts with ASD smooth font.
	Courier font with different symbol sets.
Symbol sets	Courier font symbol set: Roman-8, ECMA-94, PC, PC-A,
(Code pages)	PC-B, Legal, and PC437 (Greek), Russian.
Soft fonts	Downloadable soft fonts by Print Tool
Font size	1x1 to 24x24 times
Character rotation	0, 90, 180, 270 degree, 4 direction rotation
Graphics	PCX, BMP, IMG, GDI and HEX format files
	Codabar、Code 128 subset A/B/C、Code 39、Code 93、
	EAN-13、EAN-8、GS1 Data bar (RSS) 、 Interleaved 2 of 5
	(Standard/with modulo 10 checksum/ with human
1D Barcodes	readable check digit/ with modulo 10 checksum &
	shipping bearer bars) 、Plessey、Postnet、UCC/EAN-128、
	UCC/EAN-128 K-MART、UCC/EAN-128 Random weight、
	UPC2、UPC5、UPC-A、UPC-E、FIM、HBIC、Telepen
2D Paradas	Data Matrix (ECC 200 only) 、 MaxiCode、 PDF417、 QR
2D Barcodes	code、Aztec 、 Composite Codes

### Printer Programming Language SEPL

Programming Language	SEPL
Internal fonts	5 fonts with different point size
	8 bits code page : 437, 850, 852, 860, 863, 865, 857, 861,
	862, 855, 866, 737, 851, 869, 1252,
Symbol sets	1250, 1251, 1253, 1254, 1255
(Code pages)	7 bits code page: USA, BRITISH, GERMAN,
(couc pages)	FRENCH, DANISH, ITALIAN,
	SPANISH, SWEDISH and
	SWISS
Soft fonts	Downloadable soft fonts by Print Tool
Font size	1x1 to 24x24 times
Character rotation	0, 90, 180, 270 degree, 4 direction rotation
Graphics	PCX , Binary Raster, BMP and GDI
	Codabar、Code128 subset A/B/C、Code 128 auto、Code
	128 UCC (shipping container code) $\sim$ Code 39 $\sim$ Code 39
	with check sum digit $\$ Code 93 $EAN-13 EAN-13$ 2/5 digit
	add-on、EAN-8 (Standard, 2 /5digit add-on) 🔪 GS1 Data
	bar (RSS) 、 Interleave 2 of 5、 Interleaved 2 of 5 with
1D Barcodes	check sum $\hfill line readable check$
	digit、Matrix 2 of 5、Postnet 、 UCC/EAN code 128
	(GS1-128) 、 UPC-Interleaved 2 of 5、 UPC-A、 UPCA 2/5
	digit add-on、UPC-E、UPCE 2/5 digit add-on、
	German Postcode
2D Barcodes	Data Matrix (ECC 200 only) 、 MaxiCode、 PDF417、 QR code、 Aztec 、 Composite Codes

### Printer Programming Language SZPL

Programming Language	SZPL
Internal fonts	8 (A~H) fonts with different point size.
	8 AGFA fonts: 7 ( $P^V$ ) fonts with fixed different point size
	(not scalable). 1 (0) font with scaling point size.
	CG Triumvirate Bold Internal TTF font.
	USA1, USA2, UK, HOLLAND,
	DENMARK/NORWAY, SWEDEN/FINLAND,
Symbol sets	GERMAN, FRANCE1, FRANCE2, ITALY,
(Code pages)	SPAIN, MISC, JAPAN, IBM850, Multibyte Asian Encodings,
	UTF-8, UTF-16 Big-Endian, UTF-16 Little-Endian, Code
	page 1250, 1251, ,1252, 1253, 1254
Soft fonts	Downloadable soft fonts by Print Tool
Font size	1x1 to 10x10
Character rotation	0, 90, 180, 270 degree, 4 direction rotation
Graphics	GRF, Hex and GDI
	Codabar、 Code 11、Code128 subset A/B/C、Code39、
	Code 39 with check sum digit $\$ Code 93 $\$ EAN-13 $\$ EAN-8 $\$
	GS1 Data bar (RSS)、 Industrial 2 of 5、 Interleave 2 of 5、
1D Barcodes	GS1 Data bar (RSS) $\$ Industrial 2 of 5 $\$ Interleave 2 of 5 $\$ Interleaved 2 of 5 with check sum $\$
1D Barcodes	
1D Barcodes	Interleaved 2 of 5 with check sum
1D Barcodes	Interleaved 2 of 5 with check sum
1D Barcodes	Interleaved 2 of 5 with check sum Interleaved 2 of 5 with human readable check digit MSI、Plessey、Postnet、UPC-A、UPC-E、Logmars 、

# 6.6 Ethernet

Properties	Description	
Port	RJ-45	
Speed	10Base-T/100Base-T (Auto Detecting)	
Protocol	ARP, IP, ICMP, UDP, TCP, HTTP, DHCP,	
	Socket, LPR, IPv4, IPV6, SNMPv2	
Mode	TCP Server/Client, UDP Client	
Technology	HP Auto-MDIX, Auto-Negotiation	

# 6.7 Wireless LAN (Option)

	Properties		Wire	less LAN I/F		
Hardware	Protocol	IEEE 802.11 b/g/n				
	Enabled Device	WIRELESS PRINTER				
	Operating	-20°C ~ +85°C				
	Temperature					
	Destination	USA Europe		rope		
	Frequency	2412 ~ 2462 MHz 2412 ~ 2		12 ~ 2472 MHz		
	(Center Channel)					
	Channel	1 ~ 11 ch	1 '	<sup>,</sup> 13 ch		
	Spacing	5 MHz				
	Transmission Speed/	IEEE	Transmission	Conforming to IEEE		
	Modulation	802.11b	Method	802.11b DSSS method		
			Channel	Depending on the country		
			Data Transmiss	ion 11/5.5 Mbps: CCK		
			Speed/Modula	ion 2 Mbps: DQPSK		
				1 Mbps: DBPSK		
		IEEE	Transmission	Conforming to IEEE		
		802.11g	Method	802.11g OFDM method		
				DSSS method		
			Channel	Depending on the country		
			Data Transmiss	ion 54/48 Mbps: 64 QAM		
			Speed/Modula	ion 36/24 Mbps: 16 QAM		
				18/12 Mbps: QPSK		
				9/6 Mbps: BPSK		

	Properties	S		Wireless	LAN I/F
			IEEE	Transmission	Conforming to
			802.11n	Method	IEEE802.11n OFDM
					method
				Channel	(US)1-11ch
					(JP/DE)1-13ch
				Data Transmission	20MHz : 6.5M / 7.2M /
				Speed/Modulation	13M / 14.4M / 19.5M /
					21.7M / 26M /28.9M /
					39M / 43.3M / 52M /
					57.8M / 58.5M / 65M /
					72.2M(Auto-sensing)
	Antenna		External antenna		
	Aerial power		802.11b	Max +15 dBm	
			802.11g	Max +17 dBm	
			802.11n	Max +17 dBm	
Software	Connection mode		Infrastructure, Adhoc		
	Default IP Address		192.168.1	1	
	Default Subnet Mask		255.255.0	).0	
	Default ESSID		WIRELESS PRINTER		
	Security		IEEE 802.11i		
		Cryptograp	WEP 128	bit, TKIP (WPA), AES (\	WPA2)
		hy			
		Authorizati	Open Key	(for WEP), PSK	
		on			
	Protocol (*)		TCP/IP, Socket, DHCP		
	Wireless LAN		Parameter Setting: Command (PC Setting Tool)		
	Parameter Setting and				
	Status Mo	onitor			

This section provides information about IO port specifications for the printer.

### 6.8.1 USB

There are two common USB connectors. Typically, type A is found on hosts and hubs; type B is found on devices and hubs. The figure below shows their pinouts.



Pin	Signal	Description
1	VBUS	+5V
2	D-	Differential data signaling pair -
3	D+	Differential data signaling pair +
4	Ground	Ground

### 6.8.2 Ethernet

The Ethernet uses RJ-45 cable, which is 8P8C (8-Position 8-Contact). The figure below shows its pinout.



Pin	Signal
1	Transmit+
2	Transmit-
3	Receive+
4	Reserved
5	Reserved
6	Receive-
7	Reserved
8	Reserved