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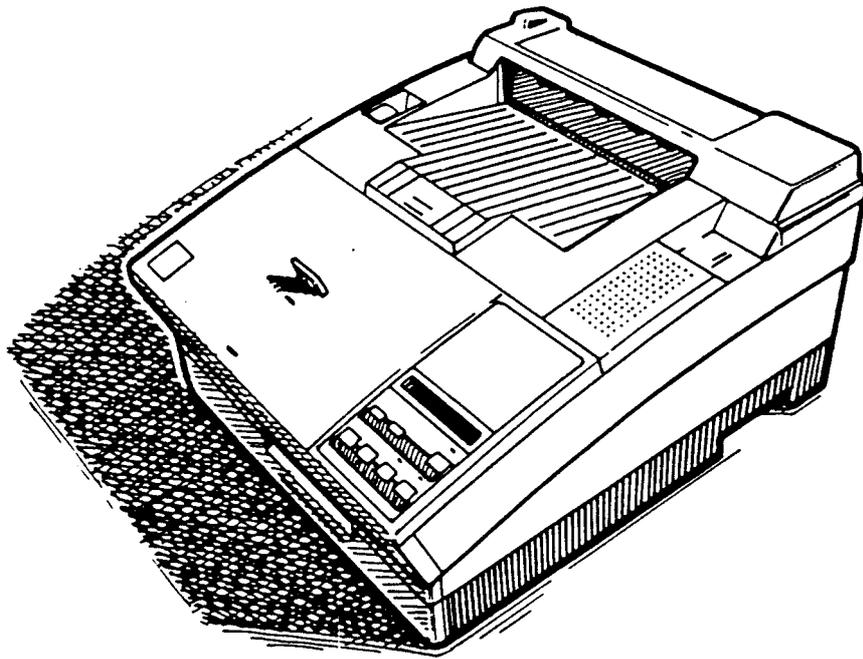
## **EPL-5600**

### *ActionLaser 1600*

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# **SERVICE MANUAL**

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3. WHEN PERFORMING TESTING AS DICTATED WITHIN THIS MANUAL, DO NOT CONNECT THE UNIT TO A POWER SOURCE UNTIL \_\_\_\_\_ TO DO SO. WHEN THE POWER SUPPLY CABLE MUST BE CONNECTED, USE EXTREME CAUTION IN WORKING ON POWER SUPPLY AND \_\_\_\_\_ ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.

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4. IN ORDER TO PROTECT SENSITIVE MICROPROCESSORS AND CIRCUITRY, USE STATIC DISCHARGE EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS ANTI-STATIC WRIST STRAPS, WHEN ACCESSING INTERNAL COMPONENTS.
5. REPLACE MALFUNCTIONING COMPONENTS ONLY WITH THOSE COMPONENTS BY THE MANUFACTURE; INTRODUCTION OF SECOND-SOURCE \_\_\_\_\_ OR OTHER \_\_\_\_\_ COMPONENTS MAY DAMAGE THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND VOID ANY APPLICABLE: EPSON WARRANTY.

## SAFETY INFORMATION

This printer is a page printer which operates by means of a laser. There is no possibility of danger from the laser, provided the printer is operated according to the instructions in this manual provided.

Since radiation emitted by the laser is completely confined within protective housings, the laser beam cannot escape from the machine during any phase of user operation.

### **For United States Users;**

[Laser Safety]

This printer is certified as a Class 1 Laser product under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Radiation Performance Standard according to the Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968. This means that the printer does not produce hazardous laser radiation.

[CDRH Regulations]

The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration implemented regulations for laser products on August 2, 1976. Compliance is mandatory for products marketed in the United States. The label shown below indicates compliance with the CDRH regulations and must be reattached to laser products marketed in the United States.

WARNING: Use of controls, adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified in this manual may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

[Internal Laser Radiation]

Maximum Radiation Power:  $5.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (W)}$   
Wave Length: 780 nm

This is a Class IIIb Laser Diode Assay that has an invisible laser beam. The print head unit is NOT A FIELD SERVICE ITEM. Therefore, the print head unit should not be opened under any circumstances.

### **For Other Countries Users;**

WARNING: Use of controls, adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified in this manual may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

This is a semiconductor laser. The maximum power of the laser diode is  $5.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ W}$  and the wavelength is 780 nm.

### **For Denmark Users;**

ADVARSEL  
Usynlig laserstråling ved åbning, når sikkerhedsafbrydere er ude af funktion.  
Undgå udsættelse for stråling.

Klasse 1 laser produkt der opfylder IEC825 sikkerheds kravene.

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**Safety Labels**

**[Label on rear printer case]**

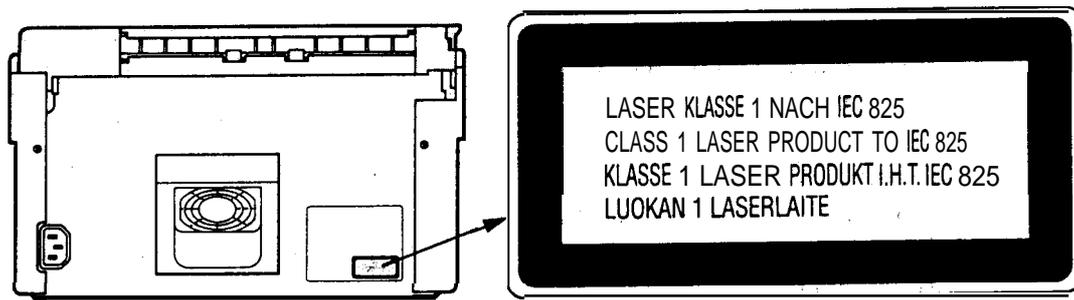
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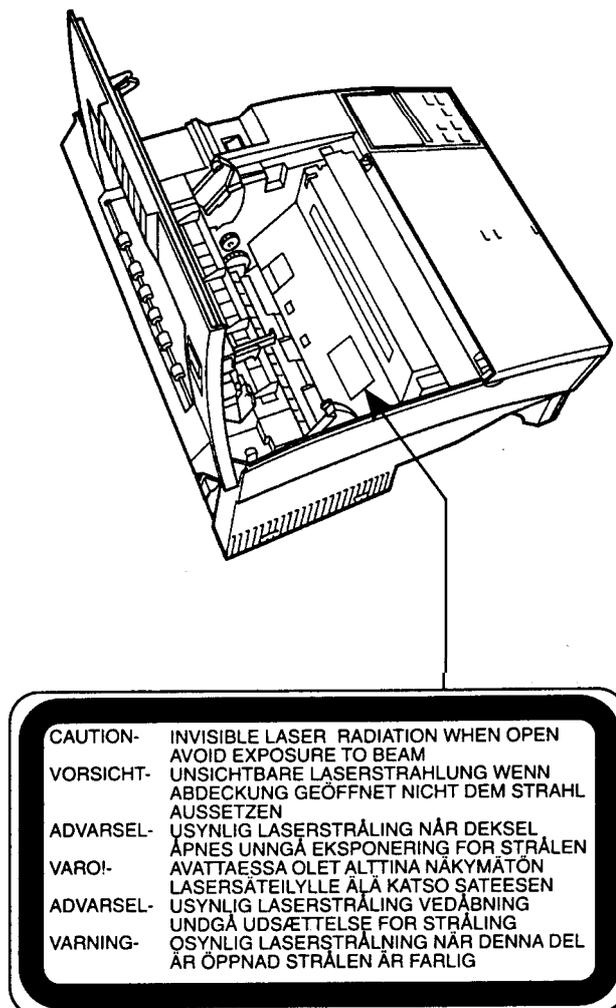
For Europe



**[Label inside printer]**

The following laser safety label will be attached inside the printer as shown below.

For Denmark, Finland, Sweden, and Norway



# PREFACE

This manual describes functions, theory of electrical and mechanical operations, maintenance, and repair of **EPL-5600 / ActionLaser 1600**.

The instructions and procedures included herein are intended for the experience repair technician, and attention should be given to the precautions on the preceding page. The chapters are organized as follows:

## **CHAPTER 1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

Provides a general product overview, lists specifications and illustrates the main components of the printer.

## **CHAPTER 2. OPERATING PRINCIPLES**

Describes the theory of printer operation.

## **CHAPTER 3. DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY**

Includes a step-by-step guide for product disassembly and assembly.

## **CHAPTER 4. ADJUSTMENTS**

Includes a step-by-step guide for adjustment.

## **CHAPTER 5. TROUBLESHOOTING**

Provides Epson-approved techniques for adjustment.

## **CHAPTER 6. MAINTENANCE**

Describes preventive maintenance techniques and lists lubricants and adhesives required to service the equipment.

## **APPENDIX**

Describes connector pin assignments circuit **diagrams**, circuit board component layout and exploded diagram.

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# Chapter 1 General Description

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# 1.1 FEATURES

The Epson **1600** has the **LocalTalk** interface which allows page us print that connect a semi-conductor laser with **ers**. The **LocalTalk** technology. These **or a LOC** are small and **on** and feature high-speed, high-resolution printing. Maintenance is very easy as a result of various built-in diagnostic functions. The main features are:

- No ozone
- Printing speed — 6 ppm (pages per minute)
- Resolution — 600/300 (dots per inch)
- Light weight — about 10 kg (22 lb.)
- Small footprint
- Easy maintenance
- HP® **4** emulation mode
- 45 built-in scalable fonts (35 **;** **;** and 10 TrueType fonts)
- ~ /p 2" emulation
- High-performance controller (the controller's CPU is a 17.6 MHz **|**)
- Bi Resolution Improvement Technology **..:..:** refines the print quality by eliminating jagged edges from images and characters on 600 **—** and 300 **—** printing.
- Optional **Level 2** (Postscript™ compatible) module
- EPSON Miao Gray Technology **~~** which is available when using **Level 2** mode, refines gray scale printing to be comparable to printing on a **printer**
- Small and low-cost optional LocalTalk™ interface module
- 2 MB standard RAM and up to 64 MB RAM **the** addition of optional **Bidirectional** parallel interface
- 1.1** High-speed serial communication rate of 57.6K bps
- Th** High-speed parallel communication rate of approximately 400 **provides m**
- pri** A multi-user, multi-emulation mode
- pa** **~** (Intelligent Emulation Switch) allows switching between **\_\_\_\_\_** mode and another mode
- SPL (Shared Printer Language) enables switching of the printer mode by command

Figure 1-1 shows an exterior view of the **|** and **1600**.

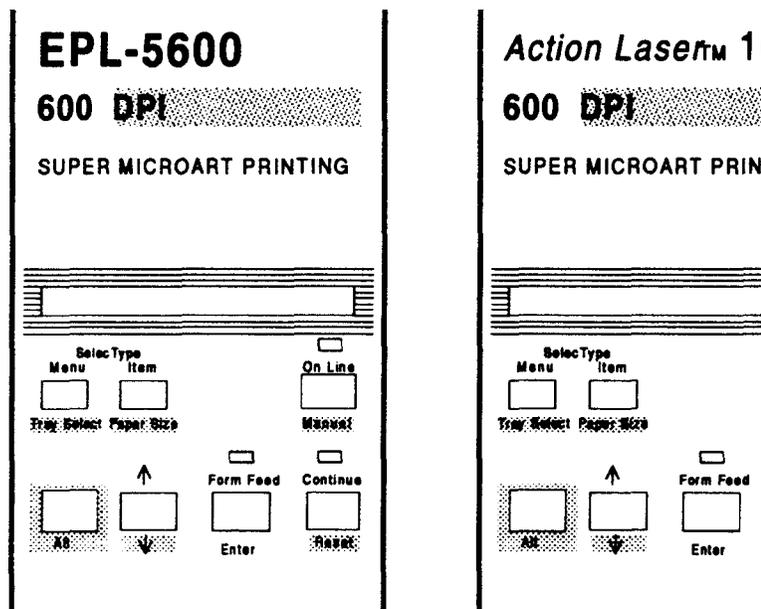


Figure 1-1. Exterior View of the EPL-5600 and 1600.

Table 1-1 lists the optional units available for the EPL-5600 and ActionLaser 1600.

**Table 1-1. Options for EPL-5600 and ActionLaser 1600**

Cat. No.	Description	Note	Machine Type	
			EPL-5600	Action-Laser 1600
C83209*	EPSONScript Level 2 Module	Supports EPSONScript Level 2 mode (PostScript Level 2 compatible) fonts and commands	Yes	Yes
—	Local language ROM	Supports local language fonts	Yes	No
C812302	250 sheet lower paper cassette for EPL-5600 (A4)	Lower paper cassette	Yes	No
C812301	250 sheet lower paper cassette for AL-1 600 (Letter)	Lower paper cassette	No	Yes
C81231*	Face-up tray	—	Yes	Yes
S051016	Imaging cartridge	Toner cartridge	Yes	Yes
C82326*	LocalTalk™ I/F Module	—	Yes	Yes
C82307*/ C82308*	32 KB serial interface card	—	Yes	Yes
C82310*/ C82311	32 KB parallel interface card	—	Yes	Yes
C82312*	LocalTalk card	—	Yes	Yes
C82314*	COAX interface card	—	Yes	Yes
C82315*	TWINAX interface card	—	Yes	Yes
C82324*	Ethernet interface card for NetWare®	—	Yes	Yes

**Note:** LocalTalk card (C82312\*) cannot use with LocalTalk I/F module (C82326\*).

## 1.2 SPECIFICATIONS

This section provides statistical data for the EPL-5600 and ActionLaser 1600.

### 1.2.1 Basic Specifications

Printing method:	Laser beam seaming and dry <b>electro-photography</b>
Resolution:	600/300 dpi
Printing speed:	6 ppm ( <b>letter/A4</b> )
First printing time (A4/LT):	Less than 19 seconds (facedown output) Less than 20 <b>seconds</b> (face-up output)
Warm-up time:	Less than 35 seconds (at rated current and 23° C (73° F) temperature)
Paper supply:	See Table 1-2.

**Table 1-2. Paper Feed Methods**

Paper Supply		Capacity (20 lb. (70 g/m <sup>2</sup> ) paper)	Paper Size	Usage Thickness (Ream Weight)
Standard built-in paper tray	Auto feed	150	A5, B5, A4, LT, GLT, EXE, LGL, GLG, F4, HL	16 to 24 lb. (60 to 90 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
		5 to 10	Monarch, DL, C5, Commercial-10	Envelopes made of 20 to 24 b. (75 to 90 g/m <sup>2</sup> ) <b>paper</b>
	Manual feed	1	Any size <b>feedable</b> (Note 2)	16 to 42 lb. (60 to 157 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
Lower paper cassette (optional)		250	A4 or LT	16 to 24 lb. (60 to 90 g/m <sup>2</sup> )

**Notes:**

- The weight in **pounds** (lb) is determined by how much 500 sheets cut to 17 x 22 inch would weigh; 1 g/m<sup>2</sup> = 0.2659763 lb.
- Paper size range: width      3.63 to 8.5 inches (92 to 216 mm)  
length                      5.85 to 14.0 inches (148.5 to 356 mm)

Paper types:                      See Table 1-3.

**Table 1-3. Paper Types**

Standard paper	Xerox® 4024 DP paper 20 lb. (75 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
Normal paper	Regular photocopier paper Bond paper Recycled paper 16 to 24 lb. (60 to 90 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
Special papers	Card stock (90 to 157 g/m <sup>2</sup> ) Envelopes Labels Letterhead Transparency (OHP) sheets <b>Colored paper</b>

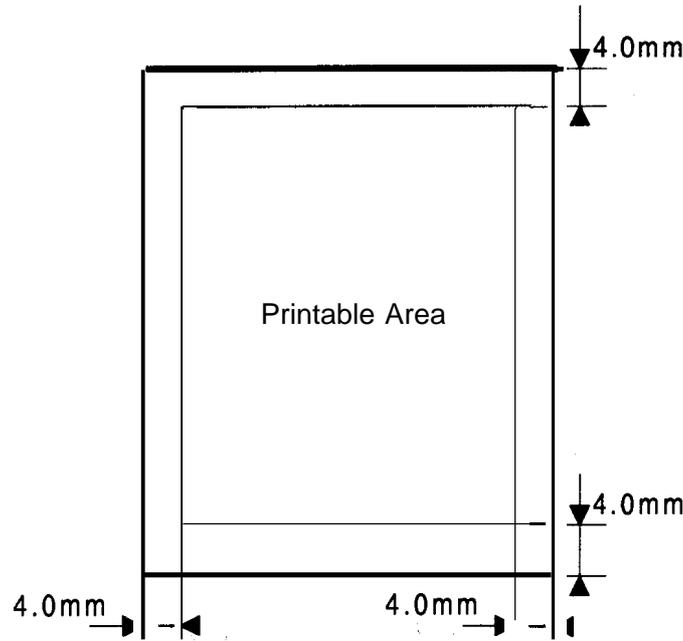
Usability of special papers: See Table 1-4.

**Table 1-4. Usability of Special Papers**

Input	output	OHP	Envelopes	Labels	Card Stock	Letterhead
Standard built-in paper tray	Face down	P	P	P	P	R
	Face up	R	R	R	R	R
Lower paper cassette	Face down	N	N	N	N	P
	Face up	N	N	N	N	P

R: Reliable feeding and good image quality.  
 P: Possible, but better avoided.  
 N: Not supported.

Paper feed alignment and direction: Center alignment for all sizes  
 Paper ejection: Face down; face up (optional)  
 Output tray capacity: 100 sheets (face down)  
 20 sheets (face up) (standard paper)  
 Printable area (standard paper): See Figure 1-2.



**Figure 1-2. Printable Area**

**Note:** The actual printable area depends on the printer mode.

Noise: Less than 35 dB(A) (standby)  
 Less than 47 dB(A) (operating)

Ozone density: Less than 0.01 ppr<sup>n</sup>

Toxicity: No toxicity exists in organic photoconductor (OPC), toner, or plastic materials

## 1.2.2 Electrical Specifications

**Table 1-5. Electrical Specifications**

Description	100 V Version	200 V Version
Rated voltage	100-120 VAC	220-240 VAC
Input voltage range	90-132 VAC	198-264 VAC
Rated frequency range	50-60 Hz	
Input frequency range	47-63 Hz	
Power consumption	Less than 500 W	Less than 600 W
Power consumption while in standby mode	Less than 30 W (without optional interface card and font cartridge)	

## 1.2.3 Reliability Specifications

MPBF (Mean Prints Between Failures): Over 25,000 sheets

**Note:** MPBF indicates average number of pages printed before occurrence of problem requiring replacement or service.

MTBF (Mean Time Between Failures): 3000 Power on hours (POH)

Jam rate: 1 out of **2,000** sheets or less (excluding multiple-sheet feeding)  
 Feed failure: 1 out of **2,000** sheets or less (excluding multiple-sheet feeding)  
 Multiple paper feeds: 1 out of **500** sheets or less  
 Paper curl height: 30 mm (1.2 inches) or less  
 Leading edge bending (1 cm or more): 1 out of 1,000 sheets  
 MTTR (Mean Time To Repair): 30 minutes or less  
 Durability: 5 years or **180,000** sheets

## 1.2.4 Environmental Conditions for Operating (Including Imaging Cartridge)

Temperature: 10 to 35° C (50 to 95° F)  
 Humidity: 15 to **85%** RH  
 Altitude: **2,500 m (8,200 feet)** or lower  
 Levelness: Printer should **be** installed on a level plane.  
 Illuminance: 3,000 lux or less (Must not be exposed to direct sunlight.)  
 Surrounding space: **Printer should have at least 100 mm of clearance on its sides and rear.**

## 1.2.5 Environmental Conditions for Storage and Transportation (Excluding Imaging Cartridge)

Temperature: 0 to 35° C (**32 to 95° F**) over full storage term  
**-20 to 55° C (-4 to 131° F)** under extreme conditions  
 (Extremes are allowable for up to 1/30 of full storage term)  
 Temperature variation must be 10° C (18° F)/hour or less  
 Humidity: 30 to **85%** RH over full storage term  
 10 to **95% RH** under extreme conditions  
 (Extremes are allowable for up to 1/30 of full storage term)  
 Drop test: Clear to **JIS Z0200-1987** Level 1  
 Vibration: Vibration frequency 5 to **100 Hz** and 100 to **5 Hz**  
 Acceleration **1 G**  
 Acceleration direction 3 direction  
 Resistance to atmospheric pressure: More than 613 **mb**  
 Storage term: **24 months** (following date of manufacture)

## 1.2.6 Applicable Standards

### Safety Standards

120 VAC model:	UL 1950, CSA 22.2 N0.950 Deviation 3
220/240 VAC model:	EN 60950 (IEC950), NEMKO (IEC950), SETI (IEC950), SEMKO (IEC950), DEMKO (IEC950)

### Safety Regulations (Laser radiation)

120 VAC model:	FDA (NCDRH) Class 1
220/240 VAC model:	VDE 0837 (Laser Class 1)(IEC825), SETI (IEC825), SEMKO (IEC825), DEMKO (IEC825)

### EMI

120 VAC model:	FCC Part 15 Subpart B Class B
220/240 VAC model:	Vfg 243 (VDE 0878 Part 3,30) EN55022 class B (CISPR Pub.22 class B)

### Others

Toner:	No effect on human health (OSHA-TSCA, EINECS)
OPC:	NO effect on human health (OSHA)
Ozone:	Less than 0.01 mrnp other UL478 (5th edition)
Materials:	SWISS Environmental Law (No CdS must be contained)

## 1.2.7 Specification for Consumable (Imaging Cartridge)

Life: 6,000 pages

**Note:** In continuous printing mode with A4/letter paper at a 5% image ratio (black/white ratio). The life varies, depending on the printing mode (continuous or intermittent) and/or the image ratio.

### Environmental Conditions for Storage and Transportation

Temperature:	O to 30° C (32 to 86° F) over full storage term -20 to 40° C (-4 to 104° F) under extreme conditions (Extremes are allowable for up to 1/30 of full storage term) Temperature variations must be 10° C (18° F)/hour or less.
Humidity:	30 to 85% RH over full storage term 10 to 95% RH under extreme conditions (Extremes are allowable for up to 1/30 of full storage term)
Drop test:	Height 76 cm (30.4 inches)
Vibration:	Same as printer
Resistance to atmospheric pressure:	More than 740 mb
Storage term:	18 months (following date of manufacture)

## 1.2.8 Physical Specifications

Dimensions (Width x Depth x Height):

Printer:	368 x 456 x 226 mm (14.5 x 18.0x 8.9 inches)
With lower cassette:	368 x 480 x 336 mm (14.5 x 18.9x 13.2 inches)
With face-up tray:	368 x 632 x 360 mm (14.5 x 24.9 x 14.2 inches)
With lower cassette and face-up tray:	368 x 657 x 430 mm (14.5 x 25.9 x 16.9 inches)

Weight:	Approx. 10 Kg (22 lb.) (consumable, excluding all options)
With lower cassette:	Approx. 12.8 Kg (28.3 lb.)
With face-up tray:	Approx. 10.1 Kg (22.3 lb.)
With lower cassette and face-up tray:	Approx. 12.9 Kg (28.6 lb.)

## 1.2.9 Software Specifications

**Built-in modes:** HP LaserJet 4 emulation (PCL<sup>®</sup> Se)  
 EPSON GL/2 mode (LJ4-GL/2 mode and GL-like mode)  
 FX (FX-870/1170, LX-100) emulation mode  
 ESC/P 2 (LQ-570/1070) mode

**Note:** The EPSON GL/2 mode is similar to the GL/2 mode included in the HP LaserJet 4 emulation. Table 1-6 shows the differences between EPSON GL/2 mode and the GL/2 mode in the HP LaserJet 4 emulation. While in EPSON GL/2 mode, the operator can enter GL/2 mode without sending the ESC%#B (Enter GL/2 mode) command. If the operator's application software cannot send the ESC%#B command, then use this mode.

**Table 1-6. Differences between EPSON GL/2 and GL/2 in the HP LaserJet 4 Emulation**

	EPSON GL/2 Mode	GL/2 for HP LaserJet 4 Emulation Mode
PCL mode	Does not exist	Exists as the initial made
Paper eject	Supports PG, AF commands	Supported in PCL
Auto eject	SelecType setting	Not available
Reduced printing	SelecType setting	Available in PCL
Switch to PCL (ESC %A)	Not supported	supported
Reset (ESC E)	Ejects paper and then initializes	Ejects paper, switches to PCL, and then initializes
PJL, EJL, and ES	Supported	Supported
Advance Full Page (PG, AF)	supported	Not supported

Notes: EPSON GL/2 mode has two **operational** modes. One is LJ4-GL/2 mode; the other is the GL-like mode.

LJ4-GL2 mode emulates the GL/2 mode in the HP LaserJet 4 emulation. The user can print with software that supports the HP 7600 series plotter.

The GL-like mode features **all** the **commands** of the LJ4-GL/2 mode, plus a few additional **commands**. The GL-like mode emulates some of the HP-GL<sup>®</sup> plotter (HP 7475A, etc.) commands. If the application software uses unsupported **commands** for the GL-like mode, print cannot be assured.

**Optional modes:** EPSONScript Level 2 (PostScript Level 2 emulation) mode

**Auxiliary software:** Hex dump  
 Status sheet  
 Font sample

**Built-in fonts:** See Table 1-7

**Table 1-7. Built-in Fonts**

Resident Fonts		Applicable Mode		
		HP LJ4 GL/2	ESC/P 2	FX
<b>Bitmap fonts</b>				
Line Printer	16.66 cpi (Portrait)	s	NS	NS
Prestige	12 cpi (Portrait)	NS	s	s
Prestige	20 cpi (Portrait)	NS	s	s

S: Supported, NS: Not Supported

Table 1-7. Built-in Fonts (Con't)

Resident Fonts		Applicable Mode		
		HP LJ4 GL/2	ESC/P 2	FX
Scalable fonts				
Dutch™ 801	Roman SWC	s	NS	NS
Dutch 801	Bold SWC	s	NS	NS
Dutch 801	Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Dutch 801	Bold Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Zapf Humanist 601	Demi SWC	s	NS	NS
Zapf Humanist 601	Bold SWC	s	NS	NS
Zapf Humanist 601	Demi Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Zapf Humanist 601	Bold Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Ribbon 131	SWC	s	NS	NS
Clarendon	Condensed SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss™ 742	SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Bold SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Medium Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Bold Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Condensed SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Bold Condensed SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Condensed Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Swiss 742	Bold Italic Condensed SWC	s	NS	NS
Incised 901	SWC	s	NS	NS
Incised 901	Black SWC	s	NS	NS
Incised 901	Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Original Garamond	SWC	s	NS	NS
Original Garamond	Bold SWC	s	NS	NS
Original Garamond	Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Original Garamond	Bold Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Audrey Two	SWC	s	NS	NS
Flareserif 821	SWC	s	NS	NS
Flareserif 821	Extra Bold	s	NS	NS
Swiss 721	Roman SWM	s	s	NS
Swiss 721	Bold SWM	s	s	NS
Swiss 721	Oblique SWM	s	N S	NS
Swiss 721	Bold Oblique SWM	s	NS	NS
Dutch 801	Roman SWM	s	s	N S
Dutch 801	Bold SWM	s	s	NS
Dutch 801	Italic SWM	s	NS	NS
Dutch 801	Bold Italic SWM	s	NS	NS
Symbol Set	SWA	s	NS	NS
More WingBats	SWM	s	NS	NS
Courier	SWC	s	s	s
Courier	Bold SWC	s	s	s
Courier	Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Courier	Bold Italic SWC	s	NS	NS
Letter Gothic	Roman SWC	s	s	s
Letter Gothic	Bold SWC	s	s	s
Letter Gothic	Italic SWC	s	s	s

S: Supported, NS: Not Supported

**Font Symbol Sets**

HP LaserJet 4 Mode (bitmap fonts): 15 symbol sets

Roman-8	<b>rom</b>
Roman Extension	Italian
ECM94-1	Swedis2
ANSI ASCII	<b>PF</b>
French2	German
Legal	Spanish
	IBM-DN
PcMultilingual	

HP LaserJet4 Mode (scalable fonts): 34 symbol sets

Ronam-8	_____
Italian	ECM941
Swedis2	ANSI ASCII
UK	French2
German	Legal
8859-2 150	Spanish
PcMath	8859-9 ISO
WiTurkish	MsPublishing
VeMath	DeskTop
Math-8	<b>IZE</b>
PcTk437	Windows
PcText	IBM-US
IBM-DN	McText
PcMultilingual	VeInternational
VeUS	PiFont
PcE.Europe	symbol
WiAnsi	Wingdings

ESC./P 2 Mode: 15 **International characters and 9** code tables

USA	SPAIN1
FRANCE	JAPAN
GERMANY	NORWAY
UK	DENMARK2
DENMARK1	SPAIN2
SWEDEN 1	L.AMERICA
ITALY	-----
LEGAL	
PcUSA(437)	PcMuItilingual(850)
PcPortuguese(860)	TPcCanFrench(863)
PcNordic(865)	PcTurk2(857)
PcE.Europe(852)	BpBRASCII
BpAbicom	

FX Mode: 13 International characters and 9 code tables

USA	SPAIN1
FRANCE	JAPAN
GERMANY	NORWAY
UK	DENMARK2
DENMARK1	SPAIN2
SWEDENT	L.AMERICA
ITALY	
PcUSA(437)	PcMultilingual(850)
PcPortuguese(860)	P&mFrench(863)
PcNordic(865)	PcTurk2(857)
PcE.Europe(852)	BpBRASCII
BpAbicom	

### 1.3 INTERFACE SPECIFICATIONS

The EPL-5600 and ActionLaser 1600 are equipped with the following external interfaces:

- Parallel interface
- RS-232C/RS-422 interface
- Optional LocalTalk interface
- Optional Type B interface

#### 1.3.1 Parallel Interface

The parallel interface has two modes as follows:

- Compatibility mode (same as parallel interface of EPSON's current page printer)
- Reverse mode

##### 1.3.1.1 Compatibility Mode of Parallel Interface

System:  $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$  synchronization, 8-bit parallel data transfer  
 Handshaking:  $\text{BUSY}$  and  $\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$  signals  
 Connector type: P90-25027-1 (Amphenol) receptacle  
 Applicable plug: 57-30360 (Amphenol or equivalent)  
 Transfer speed: Approximately 400,000 bytes/second (max.)  
 Signal timing: See Figure 1-3.  
 Signal description: See Table 1-8.

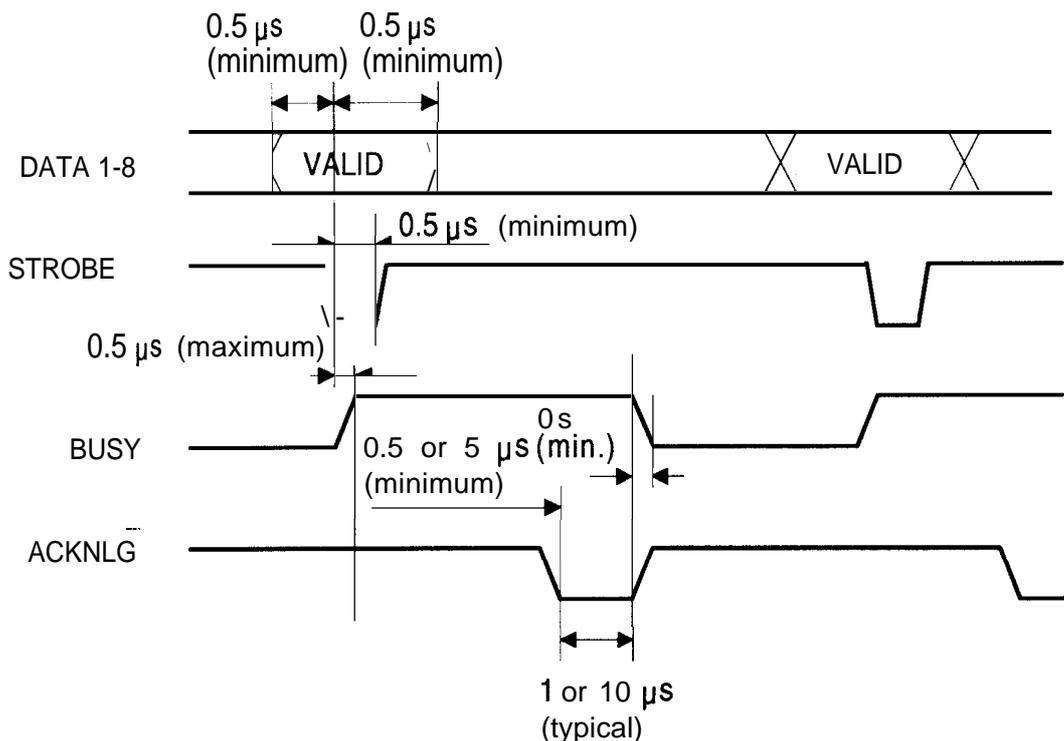


Figure 1-3. Compatibility Mode Signal Timing

Table 1-8. Parallel Interface Pin Assignment

Pin No.	Signal Name	I/O	Description
1	$\overline{\text{STROBE}}$	IN	$\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ is a strobe pulse used to read data from the host computer. The pulse width must be more than <b>0.5 <math>\mu\text{sec}</math></b> . Normally it is HIGH, and data is latched at the trailing edge of this signal.
2-9	DATA 1-8	IN	DATA 1 to 8 are <b>parallel</b> data bits. When the signal is HIGH, the data bit is 1, and when it is LOW, the data bit is 0. The most significant bit ( <b>MSB</b> ) is DATA8. The signal state <u>must be</u> maintained for 0.5 $\mu\text{sec}$ . on either side of the $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ signal active edge.
10	$\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$	OUT	$\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$ is an acknowledge pulse with an approximate width of 1 or 10 wee. This signal goes LOW when the data reception is completed, which indicates that the printer can accept new data. Timing with the BUSY signal is specified through <b>SelectType</b> .
11	BUSY	OUT	The BUSY signal informs the host computer of the printer state. When the signal is HIGH, the printer cannot accept data.
12	PE	OUT	The PE signal indicates paper empty for the standard tray selected through <b>SelectType</b> or command, or for the optional paper cassette. Paper empty is indicated by HIGH.
13	SLCT	OUT	Use at reverse mode.
14	$\overline{\text{AUTO-FEED}}$	IN	Not <b>used</b> .
15	NC	.	Not <b>used</b> .
16	GND	.	Logic ground level.
17	CHASSIS GND	-	Connected to the printer chassis. The printer chassis <b>GND</b> and the signal <b>GND</b> are connected to each other.
18	NC	.	Not connected.
19-30	GND	.	Ground level for the twisted pair return signal.
31	INIT	IN	The $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ signal is ignored when this signal is LOW.
32	$\overline{\text{ERROR}}$	OUT	This level goes LOW when the printer is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• out of paper</li> <li>. paper jam</li> <li>. in error state</li> <li>. off line</li> </ul>
33	GND	.	Same as for pins 19 to 30.
34	NC	.	Not <b>used</b> .
35	+5	.	Pulled up to <b>+5V</b> through 1.0 Kohm resistance.
36	$\overline{\text{SLCT IN}}$	.	Use the reverse mode.

### 1.3.1.2 Reverse Mode

The reverse mode for EPL-5600/ActionLaser 1600 supports the nibble mode of IEEE-P1284. This printer can run in reverse mode, in which the printer can inform the computer of its status by EPL and PJJL commands.

System: Nibble mode of IEEE-P1284  
 Connector type: P90-25027-1 (Amphenol) receptacle  
 Applicable plug: 57-30360 (Amphenol or equivalent)  
 Signal description: See Table 1-9.

**Table 1-9. Parallel Interface Pin Assignment**

Pin No.	Signal Name	I/O	Description
1	$\overline{\text{STROBE}}$	IN	<b>HostClk:</b> This signal is a strobe pulse used to read extension request values from the host computer during negotiation.
2-9	DATA 1-8	IN	The signals are data bits of extension request values during negotiation. This printer supports following values: 0000 0100: Request Device ID (by nibble mode sending) 0000 0000: Request nibble mode
10	$\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$	OUT	<b>PtrClk:</b> Printer data sending clock.
11	BUSY	OUT	<b>PtrBusy:</b> Printer sending data bits 3 and 7 during data transfer to host computer.
12	PE	OUT	<b>AckDataReq:</b> Printer sending data bits 2 and 6 during data transfer to host computer.
13	SLCT	OUT	<b>Xflag:</b> Printer sending data bits 1 and 5 during data transfer to host computer.
14	$\overline{\text{AUTO-FEED}}$	IN	<b>HostBusy:</b> This signal informs the printer of the host computer state. When the signal is HIGH, the host computer cannot accept data.
15	NC	-	Not used.
16	GND	.	Logic ground level.
17	CHASSIS GND	-	Connected to the printer chassis. The printer chassis GND and the signal GND are connected to each other.
18	NC		Not connected.
19-30	GND		Ground level for the twisted pair return signal.
31	INIT	IN	<b>nInit:</b> High level fixed
32	$\overline{\text{ERROR}}$	OUT	<b>nDataAvail:</b> Printer sending data bits 0 and 4 during data transfer to host computer.
33	GND		Same as for pins 19 to 30.
34	NC	.	Not used.
35	+5		Pulled up to +5V through 1.0 Kohm resistance.
36	$\overline{\text{SLCT IN}}$	IN	<b>1284Active:</b> If this signal is set to HIGH, this printer active P1284 (reverse mode).

Figure 1-4 shows the parallel interface state switch diagram.

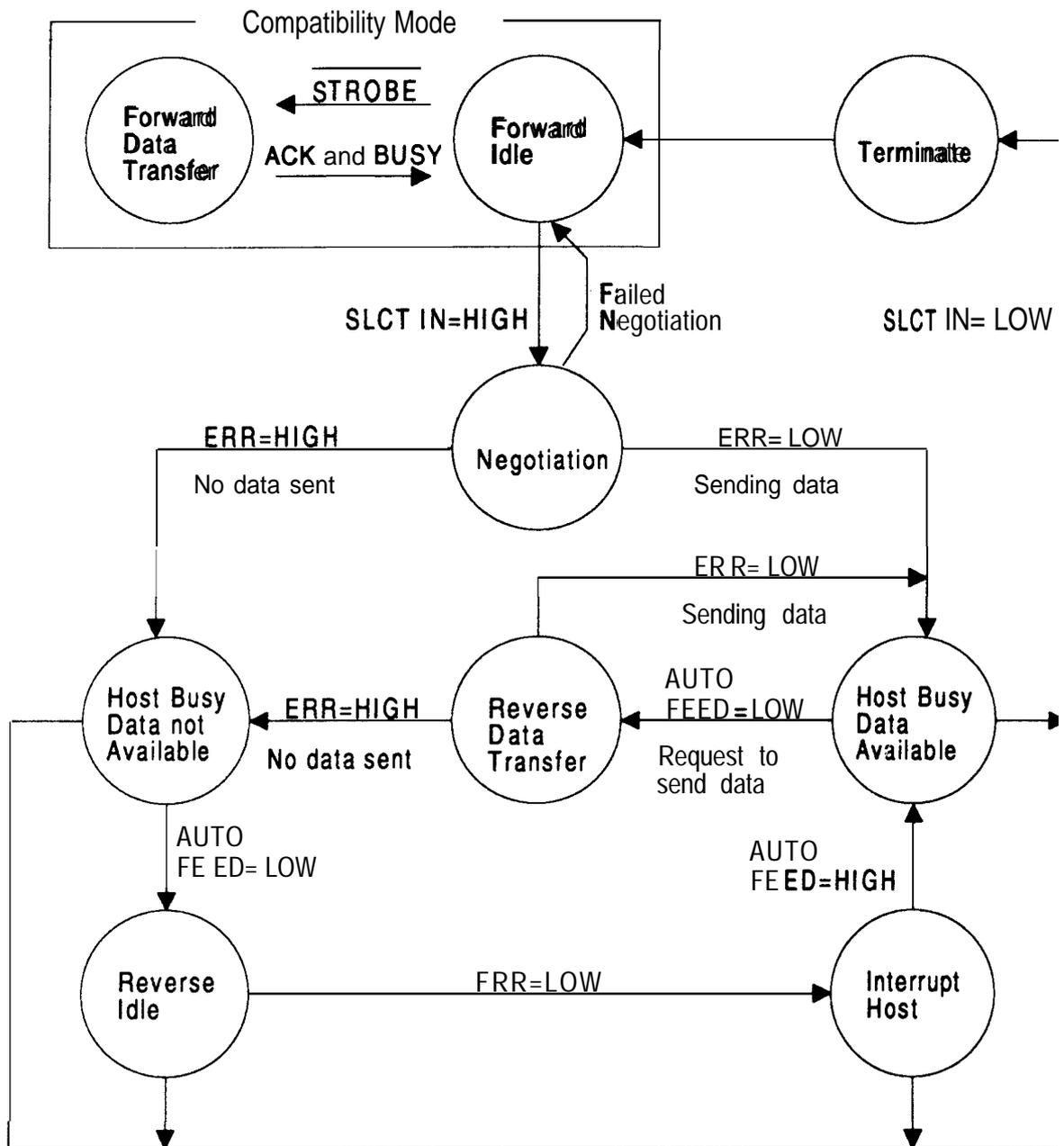
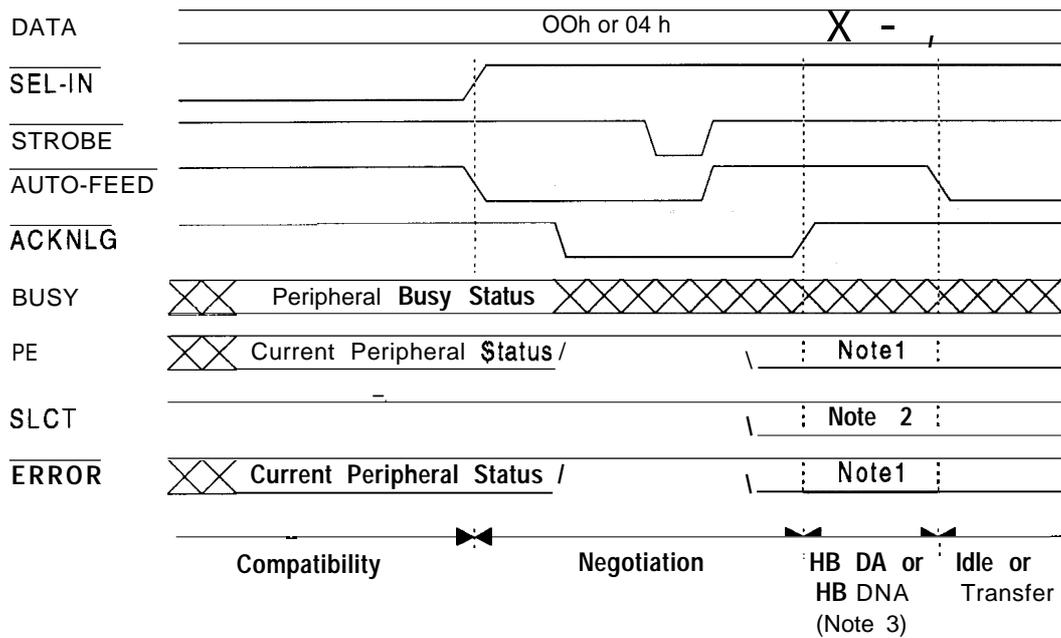


Figure 1-4. Parallel Interface State Switch Diagram

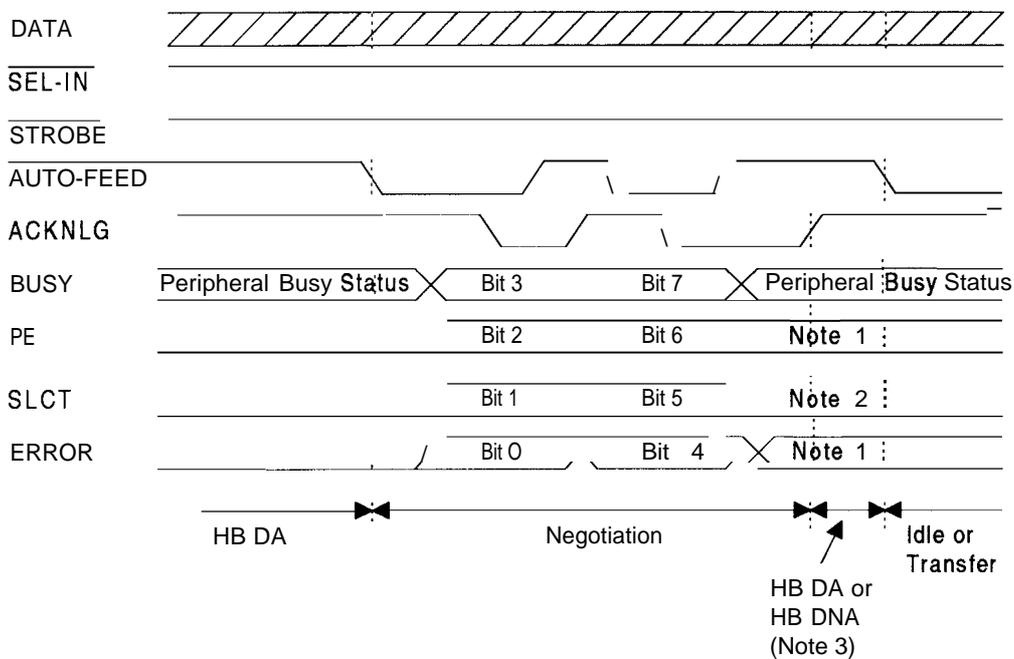
Figure 1-5 shows the timing chart of negotiation.



**Figure 1-5. Timing Chart of Negotiation**

- Note 1:** The signal is set to HIGH when not sending data. The signal is set to LOW when sending data.
- Note 2:** The signal is set to HIGH, if extension request value was 04h.
- Note 3:** HB DA: Host Busy Data Available  
HB DNA: Host Busy Data Not Available

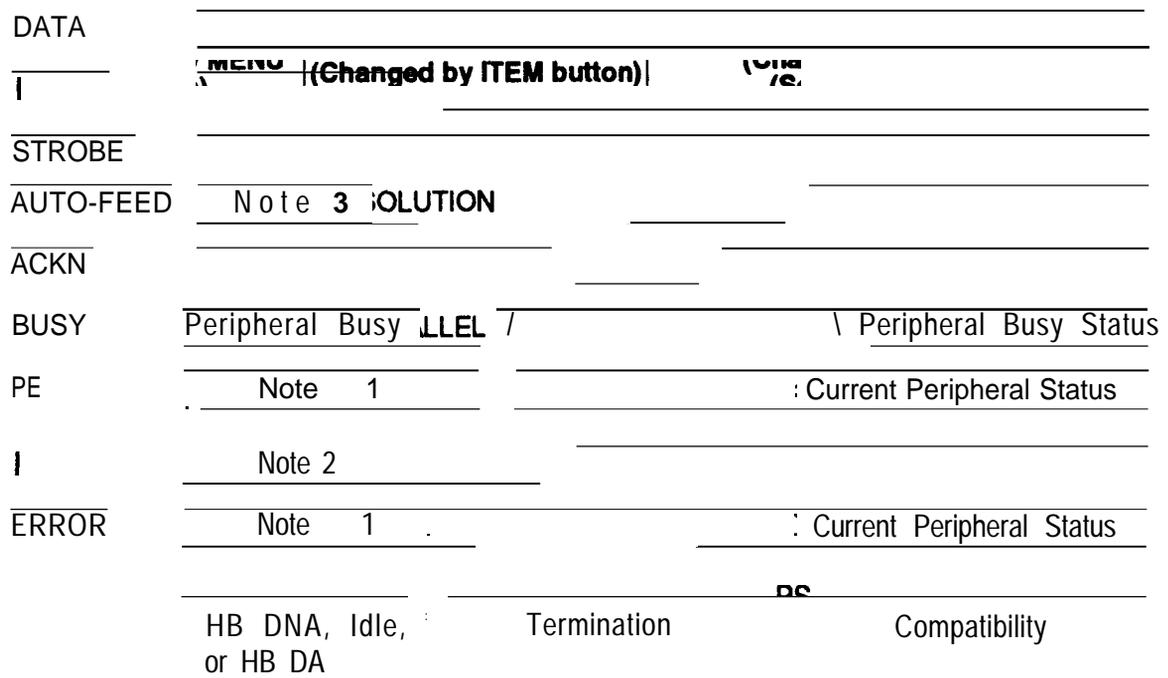
Figure 1-6 shows the timing chart of data transfer.



**Figure 1-6. Timing Chart of Data Transfer**

- Note 1:** The signal is set to HIGH when not sending data. The signal is set to LOW when sending data.
- Note 2:** The signal is set to HIGH, if extension request value was 04h.
- Note 3:** HB DA: Host Busy Data Available  
HB DNA: Host Busy Data Not Available

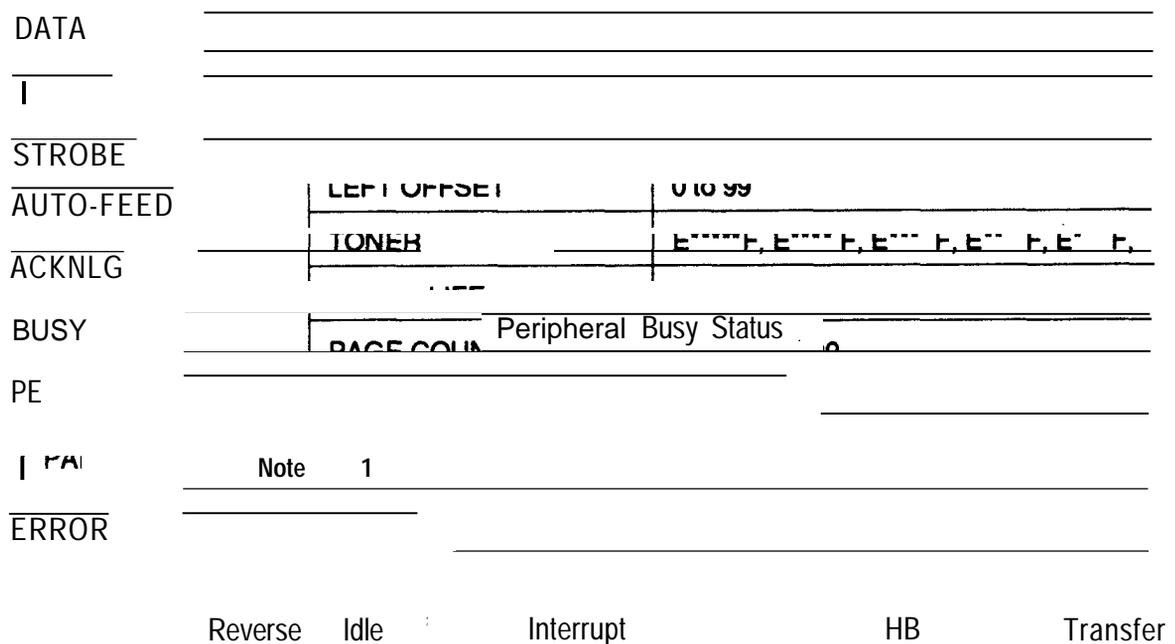
Figure 1-7 shows the timing chart of termination.



**Figure 1-7. Chart of Termination**

- Note 1:** The signal is HIGH when DNA. The signal is LOW when HB DA.
- Note 2:** The signal is set to HIGH, if extension request value was
- Note 3:** Idle = LOW

Figure 1-8 shows the timing chart of interrupt.



**Figure 1-8. Timing Chart of Interrupt**

- Note 1:** The signal is set to HIGH, if extension request value was

### 1.3.2 Serial Interface

Type:	RS-232C/RS-422		
Transfer system:	Full duplex		
Synchronization:	Asynchronous start-stop system		
	Start-bit:	1 bit	
	Stop-bit:	1 or 2 bits	
	Data length:	7 bits or 8 bits	
	Parity:	Odd, even, or none	
Protocol:	X-ON/X-OFF (can be combined with <b>DTR</b> control) DTR control (can be combined with X-ON/X-OFF)		
Transfer speed:	300,600,1200,2400,4800, 9600,19200, <b>38400</b> , or 57600 bps		
Error:	Overrun error:	Precessed as missing data and replaced by ""	
	Parity error:	Replaced by ""	
	Framing error:	Replaced by ""	
	Breaking character:	Ignored	
Signal description:	See Table 1-10.		

**Table 1-10. Serial Interface Pin Assignments**

Pin No.	Signal Name	I/O	Description
1	CHASSIS-GND	-	Connected to the printer chassis. The printer chassis <b>GND</b> and the signal <b>GND</b> are connected to each other.
2	TXD	OUT	Serial ASCII data output by the printer. It maintains "MARK" state (LOW level) between transmitted character codes. Logic 0 is at HIGH level ("SPACE") and logic 1 is at LOW level ("MARK").
3	RXD (RXD+)	IN	Serial ASCII data input to the printer. It maintains "MARK" state (LOW level) between received character codes.
4	RTS	OUT	Transmission request signal output from the printer. It is always at HIGH level during power ON.
5	CTS	IN	Always ignored.
6	DSR	IN	Signal input to the printer. The printer can transmit data through <b>TXD</b> while <b>DSR</b> is at HIGH level. X-ON/X-OFF, however, can be transmitted regardless of <b>DSR</b> state. It can always be ignored by setting <b>SelectType</b> (factory setting).
7	SIGNAL-GND	-	Ground.
8	DCD	IN	Always ignored.
9	(SD+)	OUT	See note 4.
10	(SD-)	OUT	See note 4.
11 to 17	NC		No connect.
18	(RD-)	IN	See note 4.
19	NC		No connect.
20	DTR	OUT	Signal output by printer. When the <b>DTR</b> signals HIGH, the <b>RXD</b> signal can be received by the printer. The <b>SelectType</b> settings do not specify <b>DTR</b> control, the signal level is HIGH while the printer power is on. When <b>SelectType</b> setting is used for <b>DTR</b> control, <b>DTR</b> goes LOW in case of any error conditions. The data ( <b>RXD</b> ) from host computer must be stopped within 128 characters after <b>DTR</b> goes LOW.
21-25	NC		No connect.

**Note 1:** ( ) indicates an RS-422 signal, which is **SelecType**.

**Note 2:** "CT'S", "DSR", and "DTR" states can be selected through **SelecType**.

**Note 3:** Although the signals RTS, CI%, **DSR**, **DTR**, and DCD are RS-232C level, they can be used for RS-422 mode if selected through **SelecType**.

**Note 4:** SD+, SD-:

Serial ASCII data output from the printer.

HIGH level; when SD+ voltage is higher than SD-voltage.

LOW level; when SD+ voltage is less than SD- voltage.

Logic 0 is "SPACE" and logic 1 is "MARK" state must be maintained between transmitted character codes.

RD+, RD-:

Serial ASCII data input from the computer.

HIGH level; when RD+ voltage is higher than RD- voltage.

LOW level; when RD+ voltage is less than RD- voltage.

Logic 0 is "SPACE" and logic 1 is "MARK" state must be maintained between transmitted character codes.

### Handshaking

When the vacant area for data in the input buffer drops to 256 bytes, the printer outputs an X-OFF code or sets the **DTR signal level** to LOW, indicating that the printer cannot receive more data. Once the vacant area for data in the buffer recovers to 512 bytes, the printer outputs an X-ON code or sets the **DTR** flag to HIGH, indicating that the printer is again ready to receive data.

### Protocol

There are two types of protocols, as listed below, and each of them can be designated by **SelecType** independently.

#### ■ DTR/DSR protocol

**SelecType** is used to execute the **DTR/DSR** control protocol. The **DTR** signal is set to HIGH when the printer is ready to receive data, and to LOW when conditions indicate an error or that the receiving buffer is full.

When the error is cleared and the printer returns to on-line mode, the signal returns to HIGH. When **SelecType** is used to set the **DTR** control OFF, **DTR** is always set HIGH. The printer transmits TXD only when **DSR** is at the HIGH level (DSR is always considered HIGH when the **SelecType** setting for **DSR** is OFF). **X-ON/X-OFF** transmission is independent of the **DSR** state.

#### ■ X-ON/X-OFF (DC1/DC3) protocol

**SelecType** is used to execute the **X-ON/X-OFF** protocol. The X-OFF (**DC3**) code is output if status indicates an error, and the printer warns the host to stop data transmission within 128 characters. No further X-OFF codes are sent in response to additional data received from the host after the X-OFF code has been sent once. The X-ON (**DC1**) code is output after all conditions given in the error are cleared.

When the remaining capacity of the receive buffer reaches 256 characters, X-OFF (**DC3**) is output once. It is sent only once, even if there are multiple errors. The printer goes on line automatically at power on, and outputs an X-ON code. Transmission of **X-ON/X-OFF** codes can be defined by **SelecType**.

This printer can use the optional LocalTalk interface module.

Type: LocalTalk  
 Signal level: Same as 179422 signal level  
 Protocol: X-ON/X-OFF (cannot be combined with DTR control)  
 DTR control (cannot be combined with X-ON/X-OFF)  
 Transfer speed: 230.4 K bps  
 Signal description: See Table 1-11.

**Table 1-11. LocalTalk Interface Pin Assignments**

Pin No.	Signal Name	I/O	Description
1	DTR	OUT	Signal output by the printer. When the DTR signals HIGH, the RXD signal can be received by the printer.
2	CTS	IN	The printer transmits the data through TXD while CTS is HIGH.
3	TXD-	OUT	Serial ASCII data output from the printer. HIGH level; when SD+ voltage is higher than SD- voltage. LOW level; when SD+ voltage is less than SD- voltage. Logic 0 is "SPACE" and logic 1 is "MARK" state must be maintained between transmitted character codes.
4	GND		Ground.
5	RXD-	IN	Serial ASCII data input from computer. HIGH level; when RD+ voltage is higher than RD- voltage. LOW level; when RD+ voltage is less than RD- voltage. Logic 0 is "SPACE" and logic 1 is "MARK" state must be maintained between transmitted character codes.
6	TXD+	OUT	Refer to TXD-.
7	NC		No connect.
8	RXD+	IN	Refer to RXD-.