

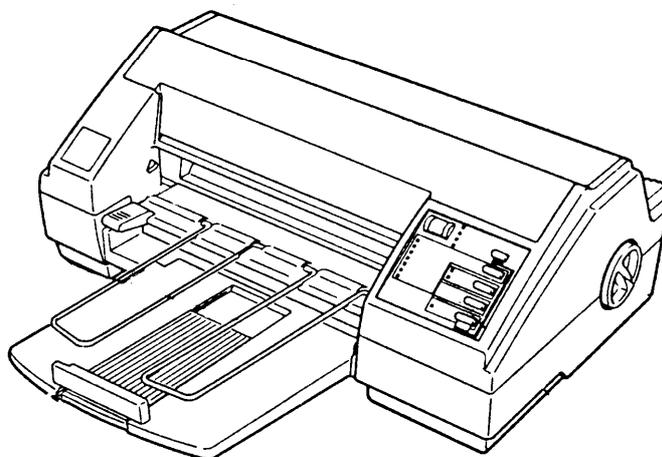
# EPSON TERMINAL PRINTER

## *Stylus*<sup>™</sup> COLOR

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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 INSTRUCTED TO DO SO. WHEN THE POWER SUPPLY CABLE MUST BE CONNECTED, USE EXTREME CAUTION IN WORKING ON POWER SUPPLY AND OTHER 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 ICs OR OTHER NONAPPROVED COMPONENTS MAY DAMAGE THE PRODUCT AND VOID ANY APPLICABLE EPSON WARRANTY.

# PREFACE

This manual describes functions, theory of electrical and mechanical operations, maintenance, and repair of Stylus Color.

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. PRODUCT 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 Product Description

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## 1.1 FEATURES

The Stylus Color is a 64- + 48-nozzle (monochrome and CMY) color ink jet dot matrix printer that uses new ink jet technology to achieve high-quality, high-speed printing. The major features of this printer are:

- ❑ Highquality color printing as a result of new inkjet technology.
- ❑ Fast print speeds, capable of printing LQ characters at 200 cps.
- ❑ Compact design to save precious work space.
- ❑ Built-in auto sheet feeder with a maximum capacity of 100 cut sheets, 50 transparencies, 70 heavy or special papers, or 10 envelopes.
- ❑ 8-bit parallel interface and Macintosh<sup>®</sup> serial interface standard.
- ❑ Easy setup.
- ❑ Four scalable fonts and five LQ fonts standard.
- ❑ Support for 9 character tables in the standard version and 15 character tables in the NLSP (National Language Support Printer) version.
- ❑ Inexpensive to run and maintain.

The figure below shows the Stylus Color.

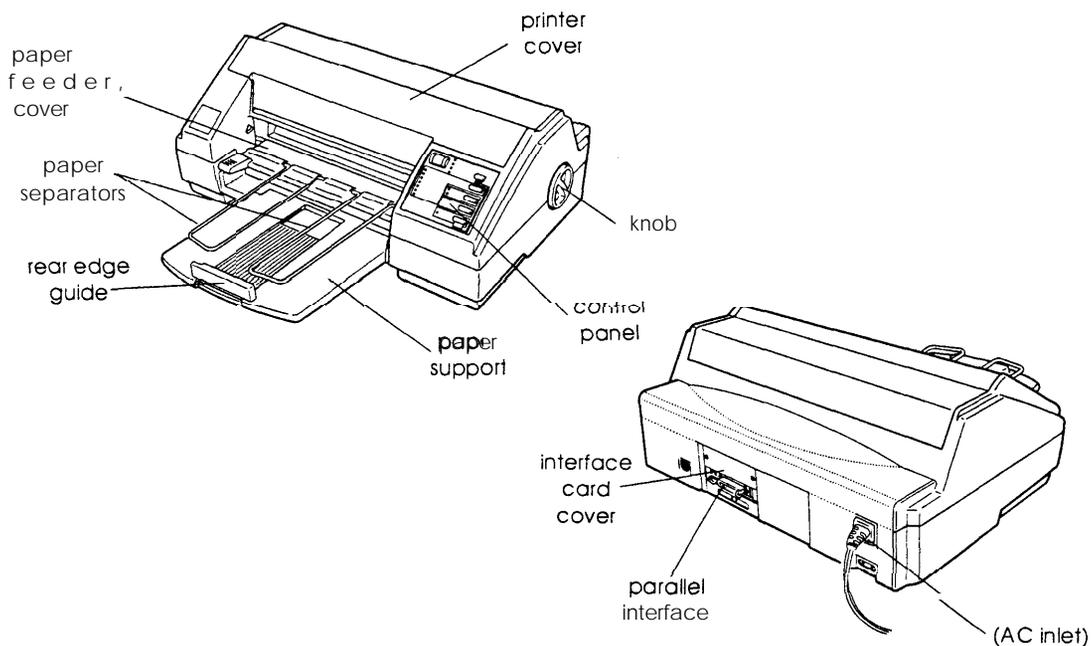


Figure 1-1. Exterior View of the Stylus Color

Table 1-1. Interface Cards

| Interface Card               | Model Number    |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Serial interface card        | C823051/C823061 |
| 32KB serial interface card   | C823071/C823081 |
| 32KB parallel interface card | C82310*         |
| 32KB IEEE-488 interface card | C82313*         |
| LocalTalk@ interface card    | C82312*         |
| Twinax interface card        | C82315*         |
| Coax interface card          | C82314*         |

\* The asterisk is a substitute for the last digit, which varies by country.

## 1.2 SPECIFICATIONS

This section provides statistical facts and other detailed intonation for the printer.

### 1.2.1 Printing Specifications

Print system: On demand inkjet system  
 Nozzle configuration: 64 nozzles (16 x 4 staggered): Monochrome  
 4\$ nozzles (16 x 3 staggered): Color

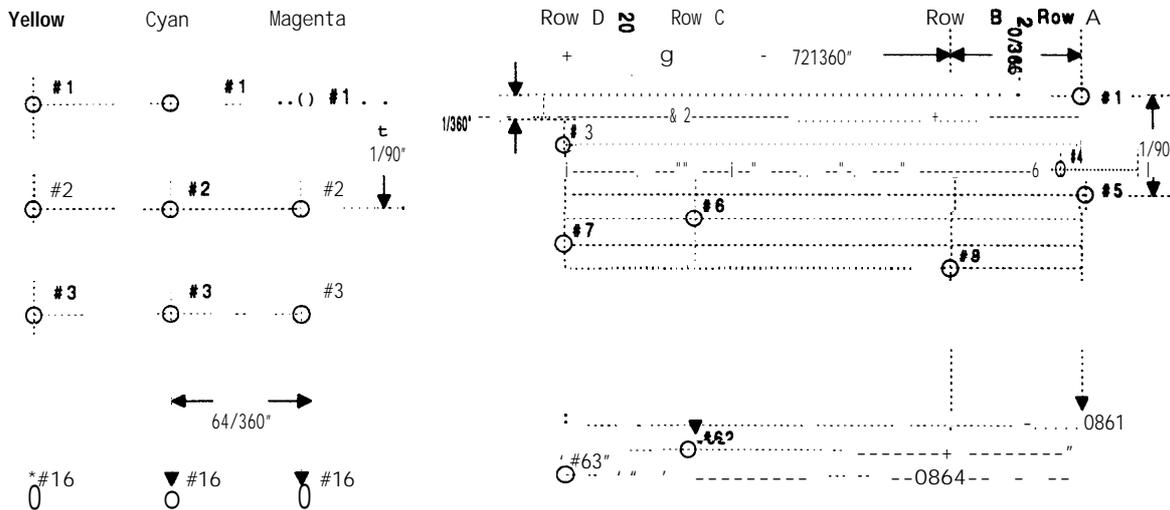


Figure 1-2. Nozzle Configuration

Printing direction: Bidirectional with logic-seeking  
 Printspeed: See Table 1-2.  
 Printable columns: See Table 1-2.

Table 1-2. Print Speed and Printable Columns

| CharacterPitch           | PrintableColumns | Print Speed (LQ) |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 10 cpi (Pica)            | 60               | 200 cps          |
| 12 cpi (Elite)           | 96               | 240 cps          |
| 15 cpi                   | 120              | 300 cps          |
| 17 cpi (Pica condensed)  | 137              | 340 cps          |
| 20 cpi (Elite condensed) | 160              | 400cps           |

Character sets: Legal and 14 international character sets.  
 Character tables: See Table 1-3.

**Table 1-3. Character Tables**

| Character Tables             | Standard Version | NLSP* Version |
|------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Italic                       | o                | 0             |
| PC437 (U.S./Standard Europe) | 0                | o             |
| PC850 (Multilingual)         | o                | 0             |
| PC860 (Portuguese)           | o                | x             |
| PC861 (Iceland)              | o                | x             |
| PC863 (Canadian-French)      | o                | x             |
| PC865 (Nordic)               | o                | x             |
| PC437 (Greek)                | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC852 (East Europe)          | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC853 (Turkish)              | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC855 (Cyrillic)             | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC857 (Turkish)              | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC866 (Russian)              | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| PC869 (Greek)                | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| MAZOWIA (Poland)             | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| Code MJK (Czechoslovakia)    | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| ISO 8859-7 (Greek)           | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| ISO Latin IT (Turkish)       | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| Bulgaria (Bulgaria)          | x                | 0 (Note)      |
| Abicomp                      | 0                | x             |
| BRASCII                      | 0                | x             |

o supported      x Not **Supported**      \*National Language Support Printer

**Note:** These fonts are not supported for EPSON Roman Tand EPSON Saris Serif H of scalable fonts.

Fonts:

*Bitmap LQ fonts*

- EPSON Roman (10 cpi/12 cpi/15 cpi/Proportional)
- EPSON Saris Serif (10/12/15/Proportional)
- EPSON Courier (10/12/15)
- EPSON Prestige (10/12/15)
- EPSON Script (10/12/15)

*Scalable fonts*

- EPSON Roman 10.5 points, 8 -32 **points** (in units of 2 points)
- EPSON Saris Serif 10.5 points, 8 -32 points (in units of 2 points)
- EPSON Roman T 10.5 points, 8-32 points (in units of 2 points)
- EPSON Saris Serif H 10.5 points, 8-32 points (in units of 2 points)

Control code: ESC/P 2 and expanded raster graphics code

Input data buffer: 64K bytes

**1.2.2 Paper Handling Specifications**

Feeding method: Friction feed paper is fed from the built-in auto sheet feeder (ASF).

**Notes:** *The following operations are not allowed.*

1. Reverse feeding within 3 mm (0.12 in.) from the top edge of the paper or 16mm (0.63 in.) from the bottom edge of the paper.
2. Reverse feeding beyond 7.9mm (0.31 in.).

Line spacing: 1/6 inch feed, 1/8 inch feed, or programmable with a 1/360 inch minimum increment.

Paper path: Cut sheet: Built-in auto sheet feeder (ASF) (front entry)

Feeding speed: 89 msec. (at 1/6-inch feed pitch)

**1.2.3 Paper Specifications**

**Table 1-4. Cut Sheet Paper Specifications**

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| <b>Size (W x L)</b> | <b>A4:</b> 210 mm (8.3 in.) x 297 mm (11.7 in.)          |
|                     | <b>Letter:</b> 216 mm (8.5 in.) x 279 mm (11.0 in.)      |
|                     | <b>B5:</b> 182 mm (7.2 in.) x 257 mm (10.1 in.)          |
|                     | <b>Legal:</b> 216 mm (8.5 in.) x 356 mm (14.0 in.)       |
| <b>Thickness</b>    | 0.08 mm (0.003 in.) -0.11 mm (0.004 in.)                 |
| <b>Weight</b>       | 55 g/m <sup>2</sup> (17 lb) -90 g/m <sup>2</sup> (24 lb) |
| <b>Quality</b>      | Bond paper, PPC  |

**Table 1-5. Envelope Specifications**

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| <b>Size (W x L)</b> | <b>No. 6:</b> 166 mm(6½ in.) x 92 mm (3 5/8 in.)         |
|                     | <b>No. 10:</b> 240 mm(9½ in.) x 104mm(4 1/4 in.)         |
|                     | <b>DL:</b> 220 mm (8.7 in.) x 110 mm (4.3 in.)           |
| <b>Thickness</b>    | <b>Less than 0.52 mm (0.020 in.)</b>                     |
| <b>Weight</b>       | 75 g/m <sup>2</sup> (20 lb) -90 g/m <sup>2</sup> (24 lb) |
| <b>Quality</b>      | Bond Paper   |

**Note:** *Envelope printing is supported only at room temperature. When inserting envelopes, keep the longer side horizontal.*

Printable area:

Cut sheet

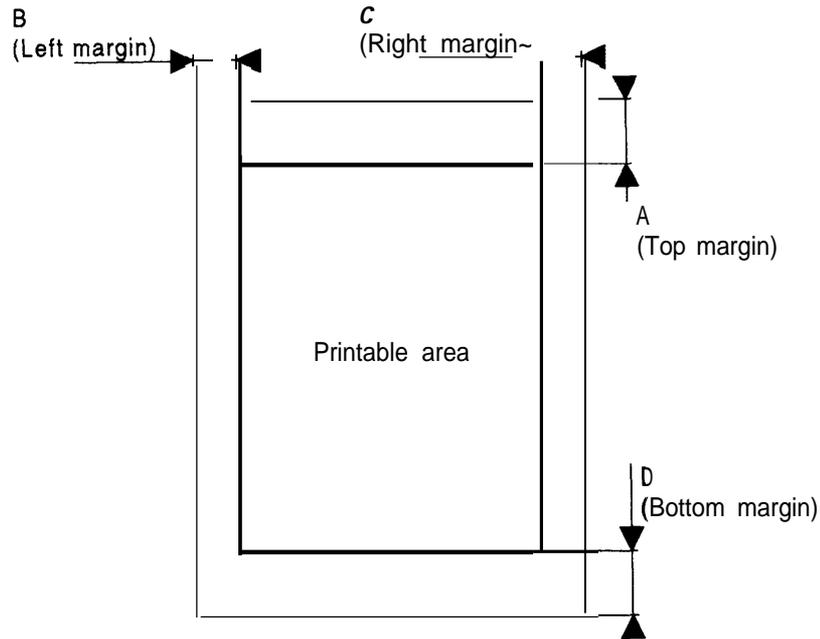


Figure 1-3. Printable Area for Cut Sheet

Envelope

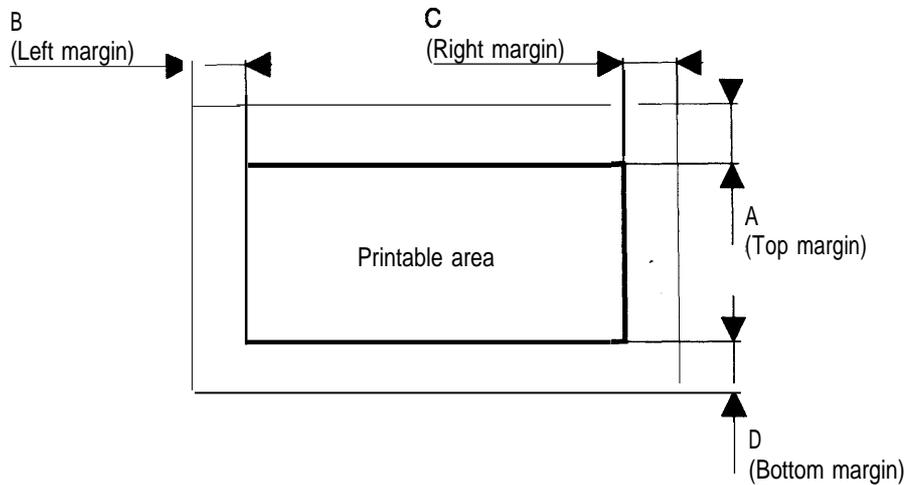


Figure 1-4. Printable Area for Envelope

- Note:
- A: The minimum top margin= 3 mm (0.12 in.)
  - B: The minimum left margin= 3 mm (0.12 in.)
  - C: The minimum right margin is:
    - A4 size: 3 mm (0.12 in.)
    - Letter size: 9 mm (0.35 in.)
    - B5 size: 3 mm (0.12 in.)
    - Legal size: 9mm (0.35 in.)
    - Envelope: 3 mm (0.12 in.)
  - D: The minimum bottom margin= 13 mm (0.51 in.)

Adjust lever setting: The adjust lever on the carriage unit must be set to the proper position for the paper thickness, as shown in Table 1-6.

Table 1-6. Adjust Lever Setting

| Lever Position        | Paper     | Paper Thickness                    |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| LEFT<br>(Vertical)    | Cut Sheet | 0.08-0.11 mm<br>(0.003 -0.004 in.) |
| RIGHT<br>(Horizontal) | Envelope  | Less than 0.5 mm (0.020 in.)       |

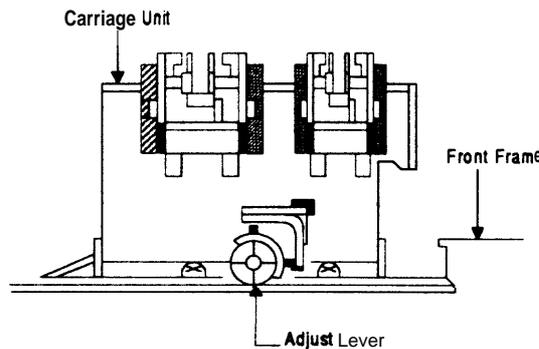


Figure 1-5. Adjust Lever

### 1.2.4 Ink Cartridge Specifications

#### Black

Type: Exclusive cartridge  
 Color: Black  
 Print capacity: 1.5 million characters (315 dots/character, Roman 10 cpi)  
 Life: The effective life from the indicated production date is 2 years.  
 Storage temperature: -30- 40° C (-22 - 104° F) (Storage, within a month at 40° C (104° F))  
 -30- 60° C (-22 - 140° F) (Transit, within a month at 40° C (104° F))  
 -30 - 60° C (-22 - 140° F) (Transit, within 120 hours at 60° C (140° F))  
 Dimension (W x D x H): 26.9 x67.4 x 41.8 mm (1.06 x2.65 x 1.65 in.)

#### Color

Type: Exclusive cartridge  
 Color: Cyan, Magenta, Yellow  
 Print capacity: 28 sheets/color (A4, Full image printing at 360 dpi)  
 Life: The effective life from the indicated production date is 2 years.  
 Storage Temperature: -30- 40° C (-22 - 104° F) (Storage, within a month at 40° C (104° F))  
 -30- 60° C (-22 - 140° F) (Transit, within a month at 40° C (104° F))  
 -30 - 60° C (-22 - 140° F) (Transit, within 120 hours at 60° C (140° F))  
 Dimension (W x D x H): 54.0 x 67.4X 41.8 mm (2.13 x 2.65X 1.65 in.)

Notes: - Ink cartridge cannot be re-tilled; it is the only consummable article.  
 - Do not use an ink cartridge that has exceeded the ink life.  
 - Ink freezes below -3° C; however, it can be used after it returns to room temperature.

1.2.5 Electrical Specifications

Table 1-7. Rated Electrical Ranges

| Item                  | 120 V Version   | 220-240 V Version  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Rated voltage         | 120 VAC   | 220-240 VAC  |
| Input voltage range   | 103.5-132 V   | 198-264 V  |
| Rated frequency range | 50-60 Hz  | 50-60 Hz   |
| Input frequency range | 49.5 -60.5 Hz   | 49.5 -60.5 Hz  |
| Rated current         | 0.6 A   | 0.4 A  |
| Power consumption     | Approx. 20 W<br>(self-test with 10-cpi LQ characters)                               | Approx. 20 w<br>(self-test with 10-cpi LQ characters)            |
| Insulation resistance | 10 MΩ, minimum<br>(applying 500 VDC between AC line and chassis)                    | 10 MΩ, minimum<br>(applying 500 VDC between AC line and chassis) |
| Dielectric strength   | 1000 VAC rms -1 minute or<br>1200 VACrms -1 second<br>(between AC line and chassis) | 1500 VAC rms -1 minute<br>(between AC line and chassis)          |

1.2.6 Environmental Conditions

Table 1-8. Acceptable Environmental Conditions

| Description          | Operating                           | Non Operating                          |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Temperature          | 10- 35° c (50 - 95° F) <sup>1</sup> | -20 - 60° C (-4 - 122° F) <sup>2</sup> |
| Humidity             | 20- 80% RH <sup>3</sup>             | 5- 85% RH <sup>2,3</sup>               |
| Shock resistance     | 1G (within 1msec.)                  | 2G (within 2 msec.) <sup>2</sup>       |
| Vibration resistance | 0.15 G                              | 0.50 G <sup>2</sup>                    |

<sup>1</sup>: For operating the printer, conditions must be in the range shown in the figure below.

<sup>2</sup>: These conditions are acceptable when the printer is in its shipping container.

<sup>3</sup>: Without condensation.

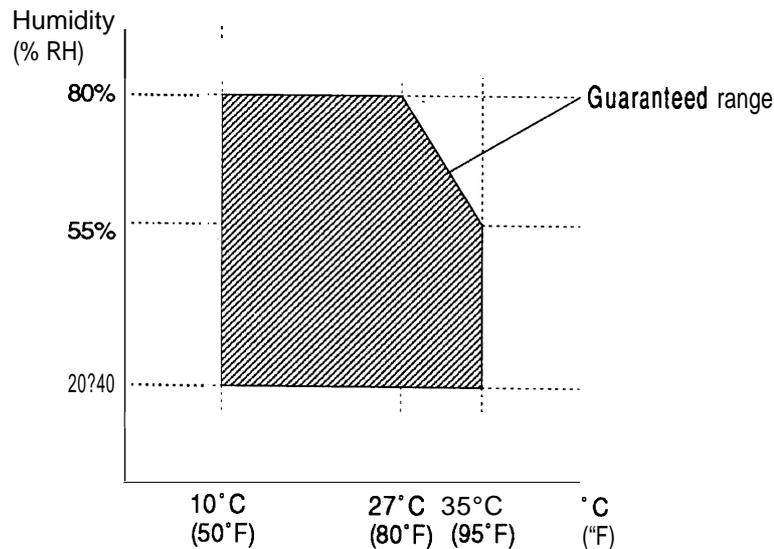


Figure 1-6. Temperature/Humidity Range

**1.2.7 Reliability**

MTBF: 4,000 power on hour (POH)  
Total print volume: 75,0(X) pages (A4, Letter)  
Printhead life: 1\$00 million dots/nozzle

**1.2.8 Safety Approvals**

Safety standards: 120V version: UL1950 with D3,  
CSA22.2 #950 with D3  
220-240V version: EN 60950 (TÜV, SEMKO, DEMKO,  
NEMKO, SETI)

Radio frequency interference (RFI): 120V version: FCC part 15 subpart B class B  
220-240V version: Vfg.243 (VDE0878 part 3, part 30)  
EN55022 (CISPR PUB. 22) class B

**1.2.9 Physical Specifications**

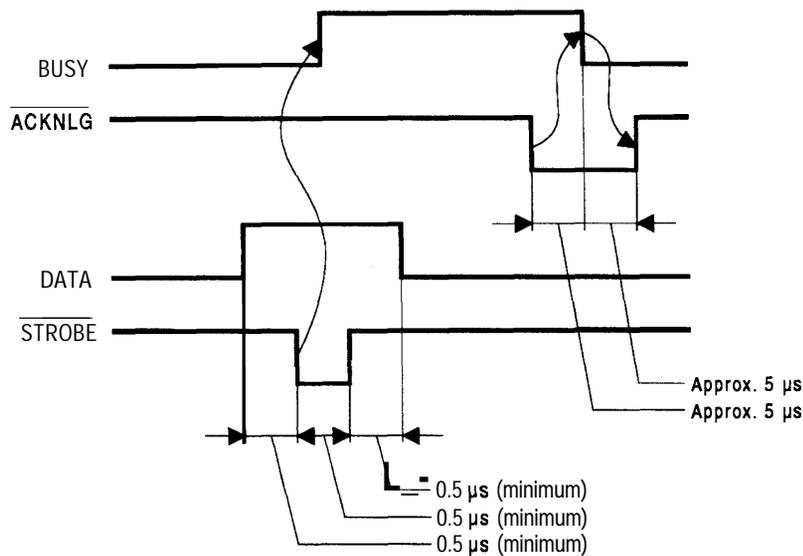
Dimension (W x D x H): 470 x 525X 192 (mm) (18.5X 20.7X 7.56 (in.))  
Weight: 7.4 Kg (16.3 lb)

## 1.3 INTERFACE SPECIFICATIONS

The Stylus Color is standard-equipped with an 8-bit parallel and serial interface.

### 1.3.1 Serial interface Specifications

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Data format:              | 8-bit parallel  |
| Synchronization:          | By $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ pulse synchronization     |
| Handshaking:              | By $\text{BUSY}$ and $\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$ signals |
| Signal level:             | TTL compatible level                                    |
| Adaptable connector:      | 36 pin 57-30360 (Amphenol) or equivalent                |
| Data transmission timing: | See Figure 1-7.   |



**Figure 1-7. Data Transmission Timing**

**Note:** Transition time (rise time and fall time) of every input signal must be less than 0.2  $\mu\text{s}$ .

The Busy signal is active (HIGH) under the following conditions:

- During data reception (See Figure 1-7.)
- When the input buffer is full
- When the INIT input signal is active
- During initialization
- When the  $\overline{\text{ERROR}}$  or PE signal is active
- During the self-test mode
- During the demonstration mode
- During the default setting mode
- When a fatal error occurs

The  $\overline{\text{ERROR}}$  signal is active (LOW) under the following conditions:

- When a paper-out error occurs
- When a no ink cartridge error occurs
- When a fatal error occurs



The PE signal is active (HIGH) under the following conditions:

- When a paper-out error occurs
- When a fatal error occurs

Table 1-9 shows the connector pin assignments and signal functions of the 8-bit parallel interface.

**Table 1-9. Signal and Connector Pin Assignments for Parallel Interface**

| Pin No.  | Signal Name                | I/O* | Description   |
|----------|----------------------------|------|---|
| 1        | $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ |      | The $\overline{\text{STROBE}}$ pulse is used to read data from the host computer. The pulse width must be 0.5 $\mu\text{s}$ or more. Normally, it is HIGH, and data is latched with the rising edge of this signal.   |
| 2-9      | DATA 1-8                   |      | <b>DATA 1-8 are parallel data</b> bits. When one of these signals is HIGH, the data bit is 1; when LOW, the data bit is 0. The most significant bit (MSB) is <b>DATA 8</b> . The signal state must be maintained for 0.5 $\mu\text{s}$ on either side of the STROBE signal's active edge. |
| 10       | $\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$ | o    | $\overline{\text{ACKNLG}}$ is an acknowledge pulse with a width of approximately 10 p.s. This signal goes LOW upon the completion of data reception to indicate that the printer is ready to receive further data.  |
| 11       | BUSY                       | o    | The BUSY signal informs the host computer of the printer's status. When this signal is HIGH, the printer cannot accept any more data.   |
| 12       | PE                         | o    | This signal indicates whether paper is available in the printer or not. A HIGH level indicates no paper.  |
| 13       | SLCT                       | o    | Pulled up to +5V through a 1.0 K $\Omega$ resistor in the printer.  |
| 14       | $\overline{\text{AFXT}}$   |      | If this signal is set to LOW, the printer automatically performs one line feed upon receipt of a CR (carriage return) code. The status of this signal is checked only at power on and initialization.   |
| 31       | $\overline{\text{INIT}}$   |      | If this signal goes LOW, the printer is initialized. The pulse width of this signal must be 50 $\mu\text{s}$ or more.   |
| 32       | $\overline{\text{ERROR}}$  | o    | This signal goes LOW if the printer has a fatal error or runs out of paper.   |
| 35       | +5V                        |      | Pulled up to +5V through 1.0 K $\Omega$ resistor in the printer.  |
| 17       | CHASSIS                    | -    | Chassis ground.   |
| 16       | GND                        | -    | Signal ground.  |
| 19-30    | -                          | .    | .   |
| 33,36    | -                          | .    | Not used.   |
| 15,18,34 | -                          | -    |   |

\* The I/O column indicates the direction of the signal as viewed from the printer.

### 1.3.2 Parallel Interface Specifications

Data format: RS-422 serial  
 Synchronization: Asynchronous  
 Handshaking: By DTR signal and X-ON/X-OFF protocol

**Table 1-10. DTR and X-ON/X-OFF Protocol**

| State | Buffer Space          | DTR | X-ON/X-OFF |
|-------|-----------------------|-----|------------|
| Busy  | Less than 512 bytes   | off | X-OFF      |
| Ready | More than 1,024 bytes | On  | X-ON       |

Word length

Start bit: 1 bit  
 Data bit: 8 bit  
 Parity bit: none  
 Stop bit: 1 bit

Bit rate: 57.6K bps

Adaptable connector: 8-pin mini-circular connector

Recommended I/F cable: Apple® System Peripheral-8 cable

**Table 1-11. Signal and Connector Pin Assignments for Serial Interface**

| Pin No. | Signal Name             | I/O' | Description         |
|---------|-------------------------|------|---------------------|
| 1       | DTR                     | out  | Data terminal ready |
| 2       | NC                      |      | No connection       |
| 3       | $\overline{\text{TXD}}$ | out  | Transmit data       |
| 4       | SG                      | In   | Signal ground       |
| 5       | $\overline{\text{RXD}}$ | In   | Receive data        |
| 6       | TXD                     | out  | Balanced transmit   |
| 7       | NC                      |      | No connection       |
| 8       | RXD                     | In   | Balanced receive    |

\* The I/O column indicates the data flow as viewed from the printer.

## 1.4 OPERATIONS

This section describes the basic operations of the printer.

### 1.4.1 Control Panel

The control panel for this printer has 1 lock type, 5 non-lock type push buttons, and 14 LED indicators for easy operation of the various printer functions.

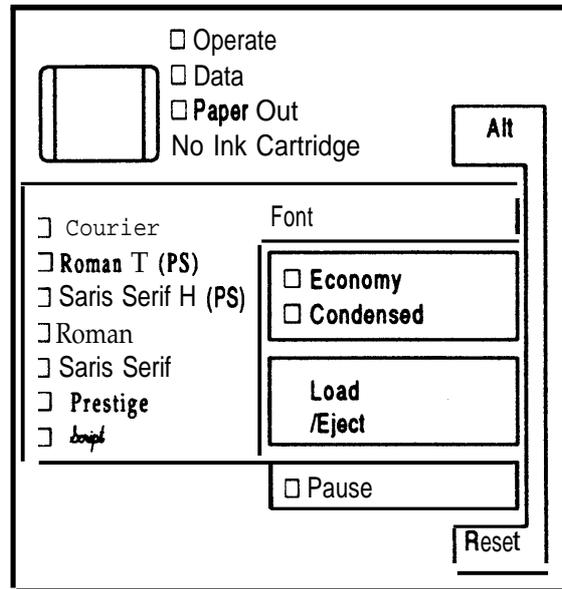


Figure 1-8. Control Panel Appearance

#### Buttons

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Operate           | Turns the printer on or off.   |
| Att               | Modifies the function of other buttons. Holding down this button for 3 seconds causes the printer to move the carriage to the ink cartridge installation position. Pressing Alt again causes the carriage to return to the home position.  |
| Font              | Cycles through the font choices. pressing the FONT button, while holding down the Alt button causes the carriage to move to the gap adjustment position. Pressing the Alt button again causes the carriage to return to the home position. |
| Economy/Condensed | Selects either the economy printing or condensed printing mode. Pressing the Economy/Condensed button while holding down the Alt button starts the color printhead cleaning cycle.   |
| Load/Eject        | Either loads a new sheet into the printer or ejects paper currently in the paper path. Pressing the Load/Eject button while holding down the Alt button starts the black printhead cleaning cycle.   |
| Pause             | Stops printing temporarily or resumes printing if it has been stopped temporarily. Pressing Pause while holding down the Alt button resets the printer.  |

**Indicators**

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Operate          | On when the printer is on. Blinks during power on and off sequence.                        |
| Data             | On when print data is in the input buffer. Data and Pause lights blink if an error occurs. |
| Paper Out        | On when the printer is out of paper. Blinks when a paper jam occurs.                       |
| No Ink Cartridge | On when the ink is exhausted.  |
| Economy          | On when economy printing mode is selected.   |
| Condensed        | On when condensed printing mode is selected.   |
| Font             | These LEDs indicate the selected font.   |
| Pause            | On when printing is paused.  |

**1.4.2 Panel Operation at Power On**

You can activate the following modes by doing the following:

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Self-test mode       | Turn on the printer while holding down the Load/Eject button.   |
| Hex dump mode        | Turn on the printer while holding down the Font and Load/Eject buttons. Once this mode is selected, the printer prints all received data in hexadecimal format. |
| Demonstration mode   | Turn on the printer while holding down the Alt button.  |
| Default setting mode | Turn on the printer while holding down the Economy/Condensed button. For more information about the mode, see Section 1.4.3.                                    |
| Initialize EEPROM    | Turn on the printer while holding the Alt, Font, Load/Eject, and Pause buttons.   |

### 1.4.3 Default Settings

The printer can save some printer setting parameters that define its functions at initialization. You can change these parameters by using the printer's default setting mode.

#### 1.4.3.1 Default Setting Items

You can use the default setting mode to change the settings listed in the table below. Activate the default-setting mode by holding down the Economy/Condensed button while turning on the printer.

**Table 1-12. Default Setting Items**

| Menu Contents      | Description  | Factory Setting |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|
| Character table    | Selects the character table  | -               |
| Print direction    | Controls the print direction. (See Tables 1-12 and 1-13)<br>Auto<br><b>Bi-D</b><br>Uni-D | -               |
| Network I/F mode   | Off: For normal environments.<br>On: For network environments.                           | off             |
| Auto line feed     | On: Valid<br>Off: Invalid  | -               |
| Loading position   | 3.0/8.5 mm (0.12/0.33 in.)   | 3.0 mm          |
| Interface mode     | Auto I/F mode<br>Parallel I/F mode<br><b>Serial</b> I/F mode<br>Optional I/F mode        | -               |
| Auto I/F wait mode | 1 0/30 seconds   | 10 sec.         |

**Table 1-13. Characteristics of Print Direction Mode**

| Item  | Black and White Printing                          | Color (CMYK) Printing  |
|-------|---|--|
| Auto  | Throughput and quality is better.                 | Throughput is better.<br>Color quality with special paper is <b>worse</b> .<br>(Color correction depends on the printing direction.) |
| Bi-D  | Throughput is best.<br>Print quality may be down. | Throughput is better.<br>Color quality with special paper is worse.<br>(Color correction depends on the printing direction.)         |
| Uni-D | Throughput is worse.<br>Print quality is better.  | Throughput is worse.<br>Color quality is best.   |

**Table 1-14. Printing Direction and ESC U Command**

| Default Setting Mode                | Auto   |        |      | Bi-D   |        |      | Uni-D  |        |       |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|------|--------|--------|------|--------|--------|-------|
|                                     | ESC U0 | ESC U1 | None | ESC U0 | ESC U1 | None | ESC U0 | ESC U1 | None  |
| Character mode (for MS-DOS®)        | Auto   | Auto   | Auto | Bi-D   | Uni-D  | Bi-D | Uni-D  | Uni-D  | Uni-D |
| Raster graphics mode (for Windows™) | Bi-D   | Uni-D  | Auto | Bi-D   | Uni-D  | Bi-D | Bi-D   | Uni-D  | Uni-D |

Note: Printing direction is controlled by driver in Windows environment.

### 1.4.3.2 Changing the Default Settings

To change the printer's default settings:

- a. Hold down the Economy/Condensed button and turn on the printer. The printer prints a sheet that shows the firmware version and describes how to select the language used to print messages.
- b. Press the Font button until the appropriate font LED is selected. The following table shows which language corresponds to which font LED.

**Table 1-15. Language Selection**

| Language | Font LED           |
|----------|--------------------|
| English  | Courier            |
| Français | Roman T (PS)       |
| Deutsch  | Saris Serif H (PS) |
| Italiana | Roman              |
| Español  | Saris Serif        |

- c. Press the Alt button. The printer prints the current settings using the selected language. It also prints a table showing how to change the printer settings.
- d. Press the Font button to advance through the setting menu. The current printer settings are indicated by the Courier, Roman T (PS), and San Serif H (PS) LEDs. Each time you press the Font button, you advance to the next setting, and the three font LEDs change according to the selection.

**Table 1-16. Feature Selection**

| Feature/Menu       | Menu        |                  |                        | Setting Value  |             |          |               |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------|---------------|
|                    | Courier LED | Roman T (PS) LED | Saris Serif H (PS) LED | Setting        | Operate LED | Data LED | Paper Out LED |
| Character table    | On          | On               | On                     | See Table 1-16 |             |          | +             |
| Print direction    | On          | off              | off                    | Auto           | On          | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | Bi-D           | off         | On       | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | Uni-D          | On          | On       | off           |
| Network I/F mode   | off         | On               | off                    | off            | off         | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | On             | On          | off      | off           |
| Auto line feed     | On          | On               | off                    | off            | off         | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | On             | On          | off      | off           |
| Loading position   | off         | off              | On                     | 3 mm           | off         | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | 8.5 mm         | On          | off      | off           |
| interface mode     | On          | off              | On                     | Auto           | On          | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | Parallel       | off         | On       | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | Serial         | On          | On       | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | Option         | Off         | off      | On            |
| Auto I/F wait time | off         | On               | On                     | 10 sec.        | off         | off      | off           |
|                    |             |                  |                        | 30 sec.        | On          | off      | off           |

- e. Change the setting value by pressing Alt button. Pressing the Alt button changes the setting for the current menu. The status of the LEDs will be changed as the button is pressed,

Table 1-17. Character Table Selection

| Version  | Settings                | Operate LED | Data LED   | Paper Out LED |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Common   | Italic U.S.A.           | off         | off        | Off           |
|          | Italic France           | On          | <b>Off</b> | off           |
|          | Italic Germany          | Blinks      | off        | off           |
|          | Italic U.K.             | Off         | On         | off           |
|          | <b>Italic Denmark 1</b> | On          | On         | off           |
|          | Italic Sweden           | Blinks      | On         | <b>Off</b>    |
|          | Italic Italy            | off         | Blinks     | Off           |
|          | Italic Spain 1          | On          | Blinks     | oft           |
|          | <b>PC437</b>            | Blinks      | Blinks     | Off           |
|          | <b>PC850</b>            | <b>Off</b>  | <b>off</b> | <b>on</b>     |
| Standard | <b>PC860</b>            | On          | off        | On            |
|          | <b>PC863</b>            | Blinks      | off        | on            |
|          | <b>PC865</b>            | off         | On         | on            |
|          | <b>PC861</b>            | On          | On         | On            |
|          | <b>BRASCI</b>           | Blinks      | On         | On            |
|          | <b>Abicomp</b>          | off         | Blinks     | On            |
| NLSP     | <b>PC437 Greek</b>      | off         | off        | On            |
|          | <b>PC853</b>            | Blinks      | Off        | on            |
|          | <b>PC855</b>            | off         | On         | on            |
|          | <b>PC852</b>            | On          | On         | on            |
|          | <b>PC857</b>            | Blinks      | On         | on            |
|          | <b>PC866</b>            | off         | Blinks     | On            |
|          | <b>PC869</b>            | On          | Blinks     | on            |
|          | <b>MAZOWIA</b>          | Blinks      | Blinks     | On            |
|          | Code MJK                | off         | off        | Blinks        |
|          | <b>ISO 8859-7</b>       | On          | off        | Blinks        |
|          | <b>ISO Latin IT</b>     | Blinks      | off        | Blinks        |
| Bulgaria | off                     | On          | Blinks     |               |

f. Repeat d and e to change other printer settings. The setting menu selection will return to the first menu after the last menu selection is over.

g. Turn off the printer. The setting is stored into non-volatile memory.

### 1.4.4 Error Conditions

The printer can detect the various errors and indicate them with the LEDs.

**Table 1-18. Error Indications**

| Error               | Data LED | Paper Out LED | No Ink Cartridge LED | Economy LED | Condensed LED | Pause LED |
|---------------------|----------|---------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Paper out           | off      | On            | off                  | off         | off           | off       |
| No ink cartridge    | off      | off           | On                   | off         | off           | off       |
| Paper jam           | off      | Blinks        | off                  | off         | off           | off       |
| Maintenance request | Blinks   | Blinks        | Blinks               | Blinks      | Blinks        | Blinks    |
| Carriage error      | Blinks   | off           | off                  | off         | off           | Blinks    |

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### 1.4.5 Printer Initialization

There are three initialization methods: hardware initialization, software initialization, and panel initialization.

#### 1.4.5.1 Hardware Initialization

Hardware initialization is performed by:

Turning on the printer.

- Sending the parallel interface INIT signal.

(If the INIT signal is active when the printer is turned on, hardware initialization is started when the INIT signal becomes inactive.)

When the hardware initialization is performed:

- The printer mechanism is initialized.
  - Input data buffer is cleared.
  - Downloaded character definitions are cleared.
  - Print buffer is cleared.
  - Default values are set.

#### 1.4.5.2 Software Initialization

Software initialization is performed upon receipt of the control code ESC @.

When the software initialization is performed:

- Print buffer is cleared.
- Default values are set.

#### 1.4.5.3 Panel Initialization

This printer is initialized by pressing the Load/Eject button while pressing the Alt button.

When the panel initialization is performed:

- Input data buffer is cleared.
- Print buffer is cleared.
- Default values are set.

## 1.5 MAIN COMPONENTS

The main components of the Stylus Color are:

- ❑ Printer mechanism (M-4A10)
- ❑ Main control board (C137 MAIN Board)
- ❑ Power supply unit (C137 PSB/PSE Board)
- ❑ Control panel board (C137 PNL Board)
- ❑ Housing

### 1.5.1 Main Control Board (C137 MAIN Board)

The Main Control Board (C137 MAIN Board) consists of an H8/3003 16-bit CPU, E05A% gate array, a program ROM (4M), a dynamic RAM (4M), a mask ROM (4M or 8M), an EEP-ROM (1K), and a lithium battery for powering the protect counters. The reset IC (M51955 and PST 592) is equipped with both a logic system and a power system. The 8M program ROM is used only for the NLS (National Language Support Printer) specification.

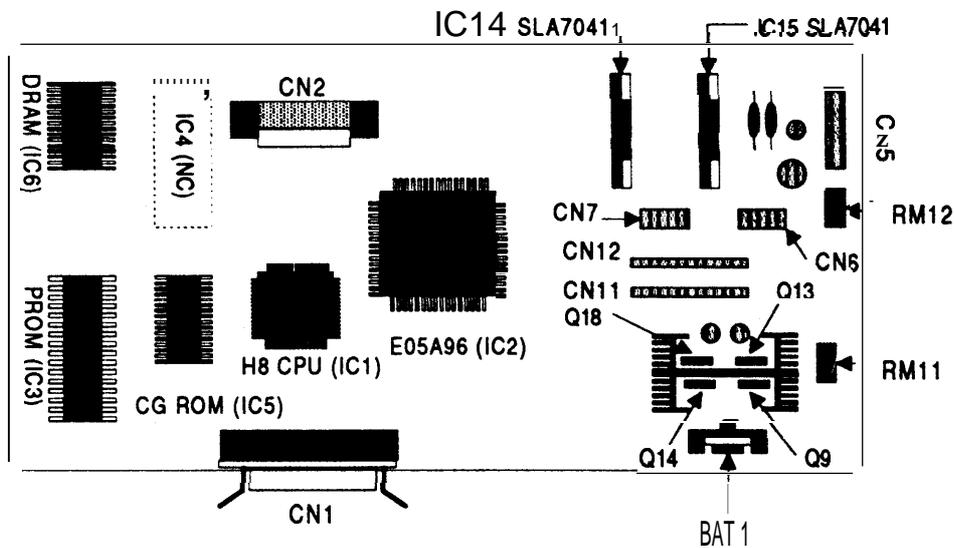


Figure 1-9. C137 MAIN Board Component Layout

### 1.5.2 Power Supply Board (C137 PSB/PSE Board)

The Power Supply Board (C137 PSB/PSE Board) consists of an RCC switching regulator circuit. This board is equipped with a power switch **connected** to the secondary circuit. Thus, if the printer is turned off, it can continue to operate in order to eject the paper and perform the head capping operation. The power on/off signal is always monitored by the E05A96 gate array on the C137 MAIN Board, and the logic system recognizes the power switch status.

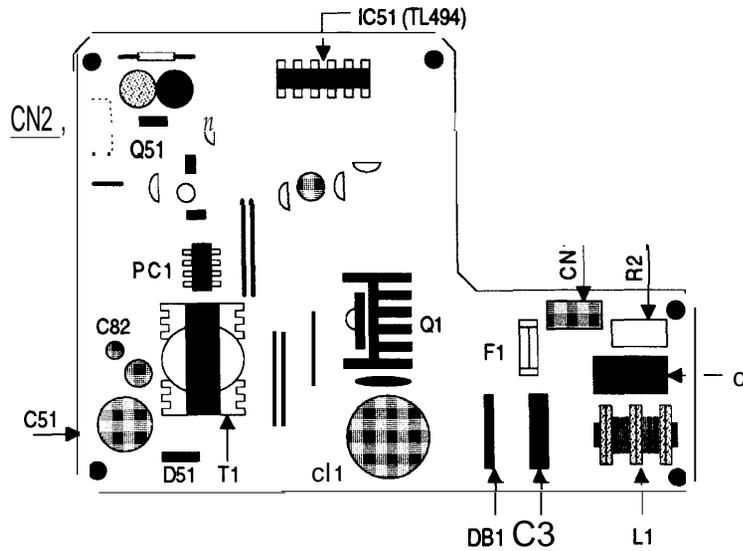


Figure 1-10. C137 PSB/PSE Component Layout

### 1.5.3 Control Panel (C137 PNL Board)

The 14 LEDs on this board indicate the error status (there is no buzzer system); by using the 6 switches in combination with one another, the printer can operate in each protect operation (color or black cleaning, cartridge exchanging self-test, default setting value exchanging, reset, and EEPROM clear operation).

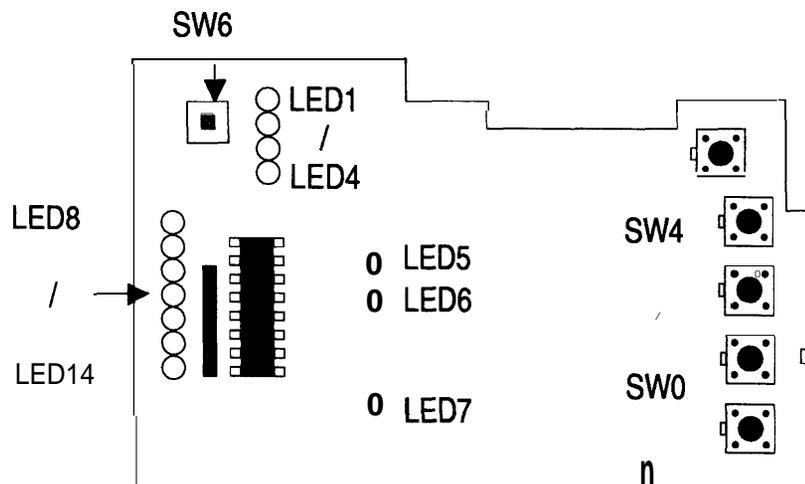


Figure 1-11. C137 PNL Board Component Layout

### 1.5.4 Printer Mechanism (M-4A10)

The M-4A10 printer mechanism is equipped with a 64-black printhead and M-color (CMY) printhead on the carriage unit. Resolution of 720 dpi is possible with special (non-absorbent) paper.

The ink system has both a black pump unit and a color pump unit. Waste ink from each printhead is made to flow into the individual caps. Power for the pump system and paper feed system is supplied from the paper feed motor.

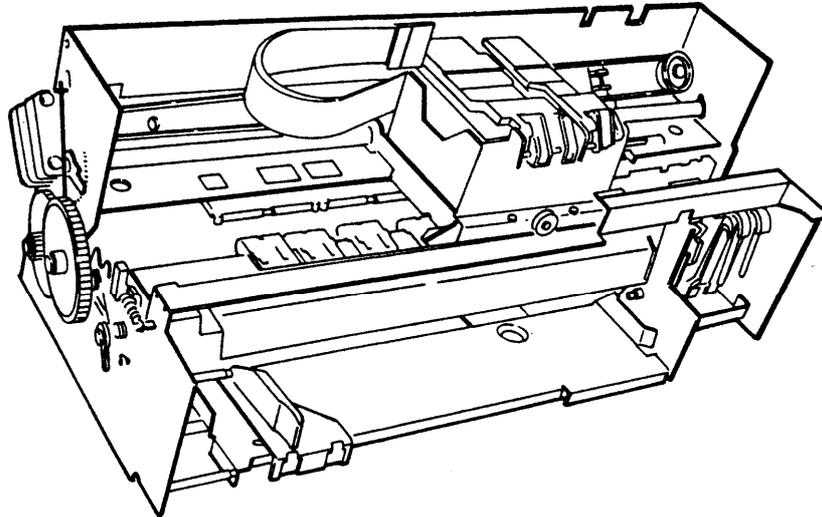


Figure 1-12. Printer Mechanism (M-4A10)

### 1.5.5 Housing

The Stylus Color housing consists of the printer cover, uppercase, and the lowercase. Attached to the housing are the front paper support and the ejected paper support with paper separator.

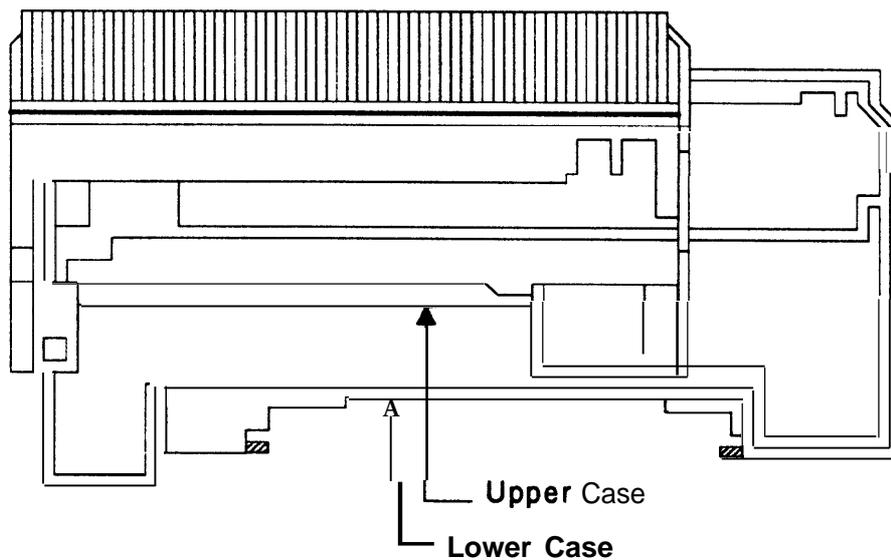


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