

**HP**

**PCL/PJL**

**Reference Set**

**PCL 5  
Printer Language  
Technical  
Quick Reference  
Guide**

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## Factory Default Print Environment Feature Settings (PCL)

### JOB CONTROL

- NUMBER OF COPIES\* = 1
- DUPLEX\* = Off (Simplex)
- BINDING\* = Long-Edge
- TRAY LOCK= All trays unlocked
- JOB SEPARATION = OFF
- MANUAL FEED\* = OFF
- REGISTRATION (left = 0, top = 0)
- OUTPUT BIN = Upper
- UNITS OF MEASURE = 300 Units/Inch

### PAGE CONTROL

- PRINT DIRECTION = 0
- CHARACTER TEXT PATH DIRECTION\* = 0
- TEXT PARSING METHOD\* = 0
- ORIENTATION\* = Portrait
- PAGE SIZE\* = Letter
- PAPER (MEDIA) SOURCE = Main Source (Printer Specific)
- VERTICAL MOTION INDEX \* = 8 (6 lpi)
- HORIZONTAL MOTION INDEX = 12 (10 cpi)
- TOP MARGIN = 1/2" (150 dots or 3 lines)
- TEXT LENGTH = 60 lines
- LEFT MARGIN = Left logical page boundary
- RIGHT MARGIN = Right logical page boundary
- PERFORATION SKIP = On
- LINE TERMINATION = CR=CR, LF=LF, FF=FF

### FONT SELECTION\*\*

- SYMBOL SET\* = ROMAN-8 \*\*\*
- SPACING = Fixed
- PITCH = 10 cpi
- HEIGHT = 12 point
- STYLE = Upright
- STROKE WEIGHT = Medium
- TYPEFACE = Courier
- UNDERLINING MODE = Off

### FONT MANAGEMENT

- FONT ID = 0
- CHARACTER CODE = 0
- SYMBOL SET ID = 0

### MACRO

- MACRO ID = 0

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**Note:** Feature support varies with each printer. See the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide* for specific feature support information.

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\* For these items, select User Default values using the printer driver or control panel (or remote control panel for LaserJet 4L, 5L, and 5P).

\*\* The font characteristics are determined by the default font. The default font can be the factory default font or the user selected default font from the control panel or from a font cartridge with a default font.

\*\*\* PC-8 is the default symbol set for the LaserJet 5L and 5Si/5SiMx printers.

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## Factory Default Print Environment Feature Settings (PCL) (continued)

### PRINT MODEL

- SOURCE TRANSPARENCY MODE = 0 (Transparent)
- PATTERN TRANSPARENCY MODE = 0 (Transparent)
- CURRENT PATTERN = Solid (Black)
- PATTERN REFERENCE POINT = 0,0
- PATTERN ROTATION = 0

### RECTANGULAR AREA FILL

- HORIZONTAL RECTANGLE SIZE = 0
- VERTICAL RECTANGLE SIZE = 0
- PATTERN (AREA FILL) ID = 0

### RASTER GRAPHICS

- RESOLUTION = 75 dpi
- PRESENTATION = 3
- COMPRESSION MODE = 0
- LEFT GRAPHICS MARGIN = 0
- RASTER WIDTH = Logical Page
- RASTER HEIGHT = N/A

### TROUBLESHOOTING COMMANDS

- END-OF-LINE WRAP = OFF
- DISPLAY FUNCTIONS = OFF

### STATUS READBACK

- CURRENT LOCATION TYPE = 0
- CURRENT LOCATION UNIT = 0

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## Factory Default Print Environment Feature Settings (HP-GL/2)

### LINE AND FILL GROUP

- LINE TYPE = Solid
- LINE TYPE REPEAT LENGTH = 4% of the diagonal distance from P1 to P2.
- LINE CAP = Butt
- LINE JOIN = Mitered
- MITER LIMIT = 5
- PEN WIDTH = 0.35mm
- PEN WIDTH SELECTION MODE = Metric
- SELECTED PEN = No pen
- FILL TYPE = Solid (bi-directional)
- USER-DEFINED LINE TYPE = Eight standard line types
- ANCHOR CORNER = (0,0) plotter units
- USER-DEFINED FILL TYPES = Solid fill
- TRANSPARENCY MODE = On (transparency)
- SCREENED VECTOR = No screening

## Factory Default Print Environment Feature Settings (HP-GL/2) (continued)

### CONFIGURATION AND STATUS GROUP

- SCALE MODE = Off
- WINDOW = PCL default picture frame (PCL default logical page, less 1/2 inch at the top and bottom)
- COORDINATE SYSTEM ORIENTATION = Same as PCL default logical page
- P1,P2 Lower left, upper right corners of picture frame

### CHARACTER GROUP

- SYMBOL SET = Roman-8
- FONT SPACING = Fixed
- PITCH = 10 cpi
- HEIGHT = 12 point
- POSTURE = Upright
- STROKE WEIGHT = Medium
- TYPEFACE = HP-GL/2 stick
- CHARACTER DIRECTION = Horizontal
- CHARACTER DIRECTION MODE = Absolute
- CHARACTER SIZE = Size transformation off
- CHARACTER SIZE MODE = Absolute
- CHARACTER WIDTH = N/A
- CHARACTER HEIGHT = N/A
- CHARACTER SLANT = 0
- EXTRA HORIZONTAL SPACE = 0
- EXTRA VERTICAL SPACE = 0
- CHARACTER FILL MODE = No edging, solid fill
- LABEL ORIGIN = 1
- LABEL TERMINATOR = Etx
- TRANSPARENT DATA MODE = Off
- PRIMARY FONT ID = 0
- SECONDARY FONT ID = 0
- SCALABLE OR BITMAP FONT = Select scalable only

### VECTOR GROUP

- PLOTTING MODE = Absolute
- PEN STATE = Up

### POLYGON GROUP

- POLYGON BUFFER = Cleared
- POLYGON MODE = Off

# Job Control

## Universal Exit Language

Causes the printer to exit the current language and return control to PjL.

$E_C \% - 1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ X$

## Configuration (AppleTalk)

Allows the user to configure the printer I/O to receive PjL jobs over AppleTalk I/O.

$E_C \& b \# W [Key]<sp>[value]$

$\# =$  Number of bytes of [key]/[value] data (count space <sp>).

## Printer Reset

Restores the User Default Environment, deletes temporary fonts and macros, and prints any remaining data.

$E_C E$

## Number of Copies

Prints the specified number (#) of copies of each page.

$E_C \& l \# X$

$\# =$  Number of copies (1 to 99 for III/IIID; 1 to 32,767 for IIISi, 4 family and 5 family)

## Simplex/Duplex Print

Prints front side of a page or both sides (front and back - in either of two binding modes).

$E_C \& l \# S$

$\# = 0$  - Single side (Simplex)  
1 - Duplex, long-edge binding  
2 - Duplex, short-edge binding

## Left (Long-Edge) Offset Registration

Adjusts the position of the logical page across the width of the page.

$E_C \& l \# U$

$\# =$  Number of decipoints (1/720 inch)  
[+ or - specifies the plus or minus move direction (for example,  $\# = -10$ ).]

## Top (Short-Edge) Offset Registration

Adjusts the position of the logical page across the length of the page.

$E_C \& l \# Z$

$\# =$  Number of decipoints (1/720 inch)  
[+ or - specifies the plus or minus move direction (for example,  $\# = -10$ ).]

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Note: The printer ignores any commands sent to it that it does not support.

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# Job Control (continued)

## Duplex Page Side Selection

Prints the logical page on the specified physical page side.

$E_C$  & a # G

- # = 0 - Select next side
- 1 - Select front side
- 2 - Select back side

If a non-duplex printer receives this command, it performs a page eject.

## Job Separation

Toggles the printer's job separation mechanism.

$E_C$  & l 1 T

## Output Bin

Selects the output paper bin for paper output.

$E_C$  & l # G

- # = 0 - Automatic selection
- 1 - Upper Output Bin (for the LaserJet 5Si, printer top/face-down bin—bin #1)
- 2 - Rear Output Bin (for the LaserJet 5Si, printer left/face-up bin—bin #2; this bin is not available when the High Capacity Output (HCO) is attached)
- 3 - Selects Bin #3 (HCO face-up bin)
- 4 - Selects Bin #4 (HCO #1 face-down bin)
- 5 - Selects Bin #5 (HCO #2 face-down bin)
- 6 - Selects Bin #6 (HCO #3 face-down bin)
- 7 - Selects Bin #7 (HCO #4 face-down bin)
- 8 - Selects Bin #8 (HCO #5 face-down bin)
- 9 - Selects Bin #9 (HCO #6 face-down bin)
- 10 - Selects Bin #10 (HCO #7 face-down bin)
- 11 - Selects Bin #11 (HCO #8 face-down bin)

## Unit of Measure

Establishes the unit of measure for the PCL unit.

$E_C$  & u # D

- # = Number of units/inch (96, 100, 120, 144, 150, 160, 180, 200, 225, 240, 288, 300, 360, 400, 450, 480, 600, 720, 800, 900, 1200, 1440, 1800, 2400, 3600, 7200)

# Page Control

## Page Size

Designates the physical paper size which in turn defines the logical page.

$E_C$  &  $l$  # A

- # = 1 - Executive (7.25" x 10.5")
- 2 - Letter (8.5" x 11")
- 3 - Legal (8.5" x 14")
- 6 - Ledger (11" x 17")
- 25 - A5 paper (148mm x 210mm)
- 26 - A4 paper (210mm x 297mm)
- 27 - A3 (297mm x 420mm)
- 45 - JIS B5 paper (182mm x 257mm)
- 46 - JIS B4 paper (250mm x 354mm)
- 71 - Hagaki postcard (100mm x 148mm)
- 72 - Oufuku-Hagaki postcard (200mm x 148mm)
- 80 - Monarch Envelope (3 7/8" x 7 1/2")
- 81 - Commercial Envelope 10 (4 1/8" x 9 1/2")
- 90 - International DL (110mm x 220mm)
- 91 - International C5 (162mm x 229mm)
- 100 - International B5 (176mm x 250mm)
- 101 - Custom (size varies with printer)

Correct paper tray must be installed for selected paper size.

## Page Length (Obsolete—see Paper Size)

Selects the logical page length in lines (one logical page per physical page)

$E_C$  &  $l$  # P

# = Number of Lines

## Paper (Media) Source

Designates one of four paper sources for paper feed.

$E_C$  &  $l$  # H

- # = 0 - Print current page (paper source remains unchanged)
- 1 - Feed paper from main paper source
- 2 - Feed paper from manual input
- 3 - Feed envelope from manual input
- 4 - Feed paper from alternate paper source
- 5 - Feed from optional large paper source
- 6 - Feed envelope from envelope feeder \*
- 7 - Autoselect
- 8 - Feed paper from Tray 1 (right side tray)
- 20 - 39 - High Capacity Input (HCI) Trays 2-21

\* Must be used in conjunction with Paper Size.



# Page Control (continued)

## Page Orientation

Designates the logical page position with respect to the physical page.

$E_C \& l \# O$

- # = 0 - Portrait
- 1 - Landscape
- 2 - Reverse Portrait
- 3 - Reverse Landscape

## Print Direction

Rotates the logical page coordinate system counterclockwise in 90 degree increments with respect to the orientation of the current logical page.

$E_C \& a \# P$

- # = Degrees of rotation (0, 90, 180, 270)

## Character Text Path Direction

Specifies the direction text is printed on the page, providing a means of printing using either a horizontal or vertical text path.

$E_C \& c \# T$

- # = 0 - Horizontal printing
- = -1 - Vertical rotated printing

## Text Parsing Method

Specifies PCL parsing method as either 1-byte or 2-byte characters codes.

$E_C \& t \# P$

- # = 0, 1 - All character codes processed as one-byte characters
- = 21 - Character codes processed as two-byte characters  
(see *PCL 5 Comparison Guide*)
- = 31 - Character codes processed as two-byte characters  
(see *PCL 5 Comparison Guide*)
- = 38 - Characters codes processed as two-byte characters (see  
*PCL 5 Comparison Guide*)

## Left Margin

Sets the left margin to the left edge of the specified column.

$E_C \& a \# L$

- # = Column number

## Right Margin

Sets the right margin to the right edge of the specified column.

$E_C \& a \# M$

- # = Column number

## Page Control (continued)

### Top Margin

Designates number of lines between top of logical page to top of text area.

$E_C \& l \# E$

# = Number of lines

### Clear Horizontal Margins

Resets left and right margins to their default settings.

$E_C 9$

### Horizontal Motion Index (HMI)

Designates the distance between columns. (The value field # is valid to 4 decimal places.)

$E_C \& k \# H$

# = Number of 1/120 inch increments

### Vertical Motion Index (VMI)

Designates the distance between rows. (The value field # is valid to 4 decimal places.)

$E_C \& l \# C$

# = Number of 1/48 inch increments between rows

### Line Spacing

Sets the number of lines printed per inch (an alternate method for designating VMI).

$E_C \& l \# D$

# = 1 - 1 line/inch  
2 - 2 lines/inch  
3 - 3 lines/inch  
4 - 4 lines/inch  
6 - 6 lines/inch  
8 - 8 lines/inch  
12 - 12 lines/inch  
16 - 16 lines/inch  
24 - 24 lines/inch  
48 - 48 lines/inch

### Text Length

Designates the length of the text area in lines.

$E_C \& l \# F$

# = Number of lines

### Perforation Skip

Causes printing to skip from the end of the text area to the top of the next text area (top margin of new page).

$E_C \& l \# L$

# = 0 - Disabled  
1 - Enabled

# Cursor Positioning

Cursor positioning can be either absolute or relative. Absolute positioning specifies the cursor move distances referenced from the left edge of the logical page and the top margin. Relative positioning specifies cursor move distances referenced from the current cursor position. Relative moves are indicated by using signed numbers (e.g. # = +15 or -122); absolute moves are indicated by unsigned numbers (e.g. # = 15 or 122).

## Horizontal Cursor Positioning (in Columns)

Moves the cursor to a new column on the current line (column width determined by current HMI setting).

$E_C \& a \# C$

# = Column number

## Horizontal Cursor Positioning (in Decipoints)

Moves the cursor to a new position along the x-axis.

$E_C \& a \# H$

# = Decipoint position (1/720 inch), valid to 2 decimal places.

## Horizontal Cursor Positioning (PCL units)

Moves the cursor to a new position along the x-axis.

$E_C * p \# X$

# = Number of PCL units

## Horizontal Cursor Positioning Control Codes

CR - Carriage-Return

Moves the cursor to the left margin on the current line.

(Operation of CR may be modified—see Line Termination command.)

SP - Space

Moves the cursor one column right on the current line for fixed-space font or moves the cursor the HMI distance for proportional fonts when space is a non-printing character.

BS - Backspace

Moves the cursor left, the distance of the last printed character, on the current line for fixed-space fonts. For proportionally-spaced fonts, backspace moves the cursor back along the current line the distance required to center the overstrike character over the last printed character. Subsequent BS command moves the width of the last printed character.

HT - Horizontal Tab

Moves the cursor to the next tab stop on the current line. (Tab stops are set every 8th column.)

## Cursor Positioning (continued)

### Vertical Cursor Positioning (Rows)

Moves the cursor to a new row in the same column (row distances are determined by the VMI setting).

$E_C \& a \# R$

# = Row number

### Vertical Cursor Positioning (Decipoints)

Moves the cursor to a new vertical position along the y-axis.

$E_C \& a \# V$

# = Decipoint position (1/720 inch), valid to 4 decimal places.

### Vertical Cursor Positioning (PCL units)

Moves the cursor to a new dot position along the y-axis.

$E_C * p \# Y$

# = Number of PCL units

### Half Line-Feed

Moves the cursor to the same character position one-half line down (distance moved depends on current VMI).

$E_C =$

### Vertical Cursor Positioning Control Codes

LF - Line Feed

Moves the cursor to the same horizontal position on the next line.

FF - Form Feed

Moves the cursor to the same horizontal position at the top of the next text area.

### Line Termination

Controls the way the printer interprets CR, LF, and FF control codes.

$E_C \& k \# G$

# = 0 -	CR = CR,	LF = LF,	FF = FF
1 -	CR = CR+LF,	LF = LF,	FF = FF
2 -	CR = CR,	LF = CR+LF,	FF = CR+FF
3 -	CR = CR+LF,	LF = CR+LF,	FF = CR+FF

### Push/Pop Cursor Position

Allows the cursor position to be stored and recalled for later use. (Up to 20 positions may be pushed onto the stack)

$E_C \& f \# S$

# = 0 - Push (Store cursor position)  
1 - Pop (Recall a cursor position)

## Font Selection

Any number of fonts may be printed per page, limited only by memory.

### Symbol Set

Designates the set of symbols or characters contained in a font.

$E_C$  ( ID Primary

$E_C$  ) ID Secondary

ID = Symbol Set identifier

Common examples:

ID= 8M - HP Math-8	0N - ISO 8859-1 Latin 1
8U - HP Roman-8	0O - OCR A
10U - PC-8	1E - ISO 4: United Kingdom
1G - ISO 21: German	1U - HP US Legal
0U - ASCII	19U - Windows ANSI

See Table C-1 in the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide* for more symbol sets.

### Spacing

Designates either a fixed or proportionally spaced font.

$E_C$  ( s # P - Primary

$E_C$  ) s # P - Secondary

# =0 - Fixed spacing

1 - Proportional spacing

### Pitch

Designates the horizontal spacing of a fixed spaced font in terms of the number of characters per inch.

$E_C$  ( s # H - Primary

$E_C$  ) s # H - Secondary

# = Pitch in characters/inch

### Height (Point Size)

Designates the height of the font in points.

$E_C$  ( s # V - Primary

$E_C$  ) s # V - Secondary

# = Height in points

## Font Selection (continued)

### Style

Designates the font style.

$E_C ( s \# S - \text{Primary}$

$E_C ) s \# S - \text{Secondary}$

- # = 0 - Upright
- 1 - Italic
- 4 - Condensed
- 5 - Condensed Italic
- 8 - Compressed, Extra Condensed
- 24 - Expanded
- 32 - Outline
- 64 - Inline
- 128 - Shadowed
- 160 - Outline Shadowed

### Stroke Weight

Designates the thickness or weight of the stroke that composes the characters of a font.

$E_C ( s \# B - \text{Primary}$

$E_C ) s \# B - \text{Secondary}$

- # = -7 - Ultra thin
- 6 - Extra Thin
- 5 - Thin
- 4 - Extra Light
- 3 - Light
- 2 - Demi Light
- 1 - Semi Light
- 0 - Medium
- 1 - Semi Bold
- 2 - Demi Bold
- 3 - Bold
- 4 - Extra Bold
- 5 - Black
- 6 - Extra Black
- 7 - Ultra Black

### Typeface Selection

Designates the design of the font.

$E_C ( s \# T - \text{Primary}$

$E_C ) s \# T - \text{Secondary}$

- # = 0 - Line Printer
- 3 - Courier
- 4 - Helvetica
- 6 - Gothic
- 7 - Script
- 8 - Prestige
- 4099 - Courier (Scalable)
- 4101 - CG Times
- 4148 - Univers
- 16602 - Arial

See Table C-2 and C-3 in the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide* for more typeface values.

### Font Selection by ID #

Selects a soft font using its specific ID #.

$E_C ( \# X - \text{Designates soft font as primary}$

$E_C ) \# X - \text{Designates soft font as secondary}$

- # = Font Identification number (ID #; 0 through 32767)

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## Font Selection (continued)

### Select Default Font

Sets all font characteristics (except orientation) to those of the default font.

$E_C ( 3 @$  Default primary font characteristics  
 $E_C ) 3 @$  Default secondary font characteristics

### Transparent Print Data

Provides printing access to all characters in a font including those defined as unprintable.

$E_C \& p \# X$  [transparent data ]  
# = Number of bytes of transparent print data.

### Underline

Controls automatic text underlining.

$E_C \& d \# D$   
# = 0 - Underline On  
3 - Floating Underline On  
 $E_C \& d @$  - Underline Off

# Font Management

## Font ID #

Specifies an identification number (ID #) for use in subsequent font management commands.

$E_C * c \# D$

# = ID # (0 through 32767)

## Font Control

Provides the means for manipulating soft fonts within the printer.

$E_C * c \# F$

- # = 0 - Delete all soft fonts
- 1 - Delete all temporary soft fonts
- 2 - Delete soft font (last ID specified)
- 3 - Delete Character Code (last ID and character code)
- 4 - Make soft font temporary (last ID specified)
- 5 - Make soft font permanent (last ID specified)
- 6 - Copy/Assign current invoked font as temporary

## Alphanumeric ID

Specifies alphanumeric String IDs for fonts, macros, and media types. Specifies media selection by the type of media and supports enhancements for the printer disk drive.

$E_C \& n \# W$  [**operation**][**string**]

# = Number of bytes of string data

### Operations

- 0 - Set the current Font ID to the given String ID.
- 1 - Associates current Font ID to font with supplied String ID.
- 2 - Selects the font referred to by the String ID as primary.
- 3 - Selects the font referred to by the String ID as secondary.
- 4 - Sets the current Macro ID to the String ID.
- 5 - Associates the current Macro ID to the supplied String ID.
- 20 - Deletes the font association named by the current Font ID.
- 21 - Deletes the macro association named by the current Macro ID.
- 100 - Media select

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Note: See the *PCL 5 Printer Language Technical Reference Manual* for additional information about the Font Descriptor command and the Character Descriptor command data fields.

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## User-Defined Symbol Set

### Symbol Set ID Code

Assigns an identification code to a user-defined symbol set.

$E_C * C \# R$

# = Symbol set ID code.

### Define Symbol Set

Downloads symbol set definition data for a user-defined symbol set.

$E_C ( f \# W [ \text{symbol set definition data} ]$

# = Number of symbol set definition bytes.

### Symbol Set Control

Provides a means for manipulating user-defined symbol sets.

$E_C * C \# S$

- # = 0 - Delete user-defined symbol sets (temporary and permanent)
- 1 - Delete all temporary symbol sets
- 2 - Delete symbol set (last symbol set ID code specified)
- 4 - Make symbol set temporary (last symbol set ID code specified)
- 5 - Make symbol set permanent (last symbol set ID code specified)

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## Soft Font Creation

### Font Descriptor

Downloads the font descriptor to the printer.

$E_C ) s \# W [ \text{font descriptor data} ]$

# = Number of font descriptor data bytes

### Character Code

Establishes the decimal character code that will be associated with the next character downloaded or deleted.

$E_C * C \# E$

# = Decimal character code

### Character Descriptor/Data

Downloads the character descriptor and character data.

$E_C ( s \# W [ \text{binary data bytes} ]$

# = Number of binary data bytes

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# Macros

## Macro ID #

Specifies an ID # for a macro for use in subsequent macro commands.

$\text{E}_C \& f \# Y$

# = Macro ID # (0 through 32767)

## Macro Control

Provides the mechanism for definition, invocation, and deletion of macros.

$\text{E}_C \& f \# X$

- # = 0 - Start macro definition (for last ID specified)
- 1 - Stop macro definition
- 2 - Execute macro (for last ID specified)
- 3 - Call macro (for last ID specified)
- 4 - Enable macro for automatic overlay  
(for last ID specified)
- 5 - Disable automatic overlay
- 6 - Delete all macros
- 7 - Delete all temporary macros
- 8 - Delete macro (for last ID specified)
- 9 - Make macro temporary (for last ID specified)
- 10 - Make macro permanent (for last ID specified)

# Print Model

## Source Transparency Mode

Sets the source image's transparency mode to transparent or opaque.

$E_C * v \# N$

- # = 0 - Transparent (default)
- 1 - Opaque

## Pattern Transparency Mode

Sets the pattern's transparency mode to transparent or opaque.

$E_C * v \# O$

- # = 0 - Transparent (default)
- 1 - Opaque

## Pattern (Area Fill) ID

Specifies the level of shading, type of cross-hatch, or user-defined pattern to select via Select Pattern command. See the following page for command description.

## Select Current Pattern

Identifies the type of pattern to be applied to the source.

$E_C * v \# T$

- # = 0 - Solid Black (default)
- 1 - Solid White
- 2 - Shading Pattern
- 3 - Cross-Hatch Pattern
- 4 - User-Defined Pattern

## Logical Operation

Specifies the logical operation (ROP3) to be performed.

$E_C * l \# O$

- # = 0 - 255 (for specific operations refer to the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide* for the logical operation values)

## Pixel Placement

Determines how pixels are rendered in images.

$E_C * l \# R$

- # = 0 - Grid intersection (default)
- 1 - Grid centered

# Rectangular Area Fill Graphics

## Horizontal Rectangle Size (Decipoints or Dots)

Specifies the rectangular fill area width in decipoints or dots.

$E_C * c \# H$  - Decipoints

# = Number of decipoints (1/720 inch)

$E_C * c \# A$  - Dots

# = Number of dots (see Unit of Measure Command)

## Vertical Rectangle Size (Decipoints or Dots)

Specifies the rectangular fill area height in decipoints or dots.

$E_C * c \# V$  - Decipoints

# = Number of decipoints (1/720 inch)

$E_C * c \# B$  - Dots

# = Number of dots (see Unit of Measure Command)

## Set Pattern Reference Point

Sets pattern reference point to cursor position and will either keep pattern fixed or rotate with print direction changes.

$E_C * p \# R$

# = 0 - Rotate patterns with print direction

1 - Keep patterns fixed

## Pattern (Area Fill) ID (Pattern ID)

Specifies the level of shading or type of cross-hatch to select via Fill Rectangular Area command.

$E_C * c \# G$

If Shading fill is selected:

OR,

if Cross-Hatch Pattern fill is selected:

# = 1 thru 2 = 1-2% shade  
3 thru 10 = 2-10% shade  
11 thru 20 = 11-20% shade  
21 thru 35 = 21-35% shade  
36 thru 55 = 36-55% shade  
56 thru 80 = 56-80% shade  
81 thru 99 = 81-99% shade  
100 = 100% shade

# = 1 - Pattern #1



2 - Pattern #2



3 - Pattern #3



4 - Pattern #4



5 - Pattern #5



6 - Pattern #6



OR, if User-Defined Pattern

# = # of Pattern

Range = 0-32767

# Rectangular Area Fill Graphics (continued)

## Fill Rectangular Area

Causes the defined rectangular area to be filled with the specified rule pattern.

$E_C * c \# P$

- # = 0 - Solid area fill
- 1 - Solid white area fill
- 2 - Shading fill
- 3 - Cross-hatch pattern fill
- 4 - User-defined pattern
- 5 - Current pattern

## User Defined Pattern

Downloads binary data that defines a user-defined pattern.

$E_C * c \# W [\text{pattern data}]$

- # = 0 - Number of pattern data bytes

## Pattern Control

Provides a means for manipulating user-defined (soft) patterns.

$E_C * c \# Q$

- # = 0 - Delete all patterns (temporary and permanent)
- 1 - Delete all temporary patterns
- 2 - Delete pattern (last pattern ID specified)
- 3 - Reserved
- 4 - Make pattern temporary (last pattern ID specified)
- 5 - Make pattern permanent (last pattern ID specified)

# Raster Graphics

## Raster Graphics Resolution

Designates the graphics resolution for raster data operations.

$E_C * t \# R$

- # = 75 - 75 dots-per-inch
- 100 - 100 dots-per-inch
- 150 - 150 dots-per-inch
- 200 - 200 dots-per-inch
- 300 - 300 dots-per-inch
- 600 - 600 dots-per-inch

## Raster Graphics Presentation Mode

Specifies the presentation of the raster image on the logical page.

$E_C * r \# F$

- # = 0 - image printed in the current print direction.
- 3 - image printed along the width of physical page.

## Source Raster Height

Specifies the height in raster rows (pixels) of the raster picture area.

$E_C * r \# T$

- # = Height in raster rows

## Source Raster Width

Specifies the width in pixels of the raster picture area.

$E_C * r \# S$

- # = width in pixels of the specified resolution

## Destination Raster Width

Specifies the width in decipoints of the destination raster picture when raster scaling.

$E_C * t \# H$

- # = Width in decipoints

## Destination Raster Height

Specifies the height in decipoints of the destination raster picture when raster scaling.

$E_C * t \# V$

- # = Height in decipoints

## Scale Algorithm

Selects an algorithm for enhancing details when down-scaling color images having light or dark backgrounds.

$E_C * t \# K$

- # = 0 Enhances color source image having a light background
- # = 1 Enhances color source image having a dark background

# Raster Graphics (continued)

## Start Raster Graphics

Specifies the left raster graphics margin.

$E_C * r \# A$

- # = 0 - sets left graphics margin at X-position 0.
- 1 - sets left graphics margin to the current column (current X-position).
- 2 - Turn on scale mode (start raster at logical page left boundary)
- 3 - Turn on scale mode (start raster at cursor position)

## Y Offset

Moves the cursor vertically the specified number of raster lines from the current line in the picture area.

$E_C * b \# Y$

# = Number of raster lines of vertical movement.

## Compression Method

Determines how the printer interprets (decodes) the binary data in the Transfer Raster Data command.

$E_C * b \# M$

- # = 0 - Unencoded (default)
- 1 - Run-length encoding
- 2 - Tagged Image File Format (TIFF) revision 4.0
- 3 - Delta Row
- 5 - Adaptive Compression

## Transfer Raster Data by Plane

Transfers a plane of raster data to the printer.

$E_C * b \# V [data]$

# = Number of bytes in the plane data

## Transfer Raster Data by Row/Block

Transfers a row of raster graphics to the printer.

$E_C * b \# W [binary\ data\ bytes]$

# = Number of bytes in the raster row

## End Raster Graphics

Signifies the end of a raster graphic image transfer.

$E_C * r B$ - All LaserJet printers III and newer

$E_C * r C$ - All LaserJet printers IIISi and newer (Preferred)

# Color

## Simple Color

Creates a fixed-size palette whose color specifications cannot be modified.

$E_C * r \# U$

- # = -3 - 3 planes, device CMY palette
- 1 - Single plane black and white palette
- 3 - 3 planes, device RGB palette

## Configure Image Data (CID)

The CID command provides configuration information for palette creation and raster data transmission in a single escape sequence by:

- designating the color space of the default palette,
- designating the size of the palette to be created,
- providing data for the resolution of color-space specific values into device-specific values,
- designating the format of raster data, and
- designating how primary components are combined to yield the raster presentation.

$E_C * v \# W$  [binary data]

# = Number of data bytes

## Color Component One

Specifies the first component of any new color entry of the palette.

$E_C * v \# A$

# = First component

## Color Component Two

Specifies the second component of any new color entry of the palette.

$E_C * v \# B$

# = Second component

## Color Component Three

Specifies the third component of any new color entry of the palette.

$E_C * v \# C$

# = Third component

## Assign Color Index

Assigns the three current color components to the specified palette index number.

$E_C * v \# I$

# = Index number



## Color (continued)

### Push / Pop Palette

Pushes or pops the palette from the palette stack. The last item pushed is the first item popped.

$E_C * p \# P$

# = 0 - Push (save) palette

= 1 - Pop (restore) palette

### Select Palette

Selects a new active palette by ID. The previously active palette is unchanged.

$E_C \& p \# S$

# = Palette ID number

### Palette Control ID

Specifies the ID to be used by the Palette Control command.

$E_C \& p \# I$

# = Palette ID number

### Palette Control

Provides a mechanism for copying and deleting palettes.

$E_C \& p \# C$

# = 0 Delete all palettes except those in the stack (active palette deleted)

= 1 Delete all palettes in the stack (active palette is not affected)

= 2 Delete palette specified by Palette Control ID

= 6 Copy the active palette to the ID specified by the Palette Control ID

### Foreground Color

Sets the foreground color to the specified index of the current palette.

$E_C * v \# S$

# = Palette Index number

## Color (continued)

### Render Algorithm

Selects an algorithm for rendering page marking entities on a given page.

$E_C * t \# J$

- # = 0 Continuous tone detail 300 lpi (device-best dither)
- = 1 Snap to primaries
- = 2 Snap black to white, color to black
- = 3 Device-best dither
- = 4 Error diffusion
- = 5 Monochrome device-best dither
- = 6 Monochrome error diffusion
- = 7 Cluster ordered dither
- = 8 Monochrome cluster ordered dither
- = 9 User-defined dither
- = 10 Monochrome user-defined dither
- = 11 Ordered dither
- = 12 Monochrome ordered dither
- = 13 Noise ordered dither
- = 14 Monochrome noise ordered dither
- = 15 Continuous tone smooth 150 lpi
- = 16 Monochrome continuous tone detail 300 lpi
- = 17 Monochrome continuous tone smooth 150 lpi
- = 18 Continuous tone basic 100 lpi
- = 19 Monochrome continuous tone basic 100 lpi

### Download Dither Matrix

Specifies a single dither matrix for all three primaries, or three matrices (one for each primary) which may have different sizes and contents.

$E_C * m \# W$  [binary data]

# = Number of bytes in the data field

### Color Lookup Tables

Enables and specifies color lookup tables.

$E_C * l \# W$  [binary data]

# = Number of bytes in the data field

### Gamma Correction

Specifies the gamma correction to be applied equally for each primary.

$E_C * t \# l$

# = Gamma number

### Viewing Illuminant

Specifies the relative white point used in the determination of a viewing illuminant condition.

$E_C * i \# W$  [binary data]

# = Number of bytes in the data field

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## Color (continued)

### Monochrome Print Mode

Designates either the current rendering mode or a fast gray-scale equivalent.

$E_C \& b \# M$

- # = 0 Print in mixed render algorithm mode
- # = 1 Print everything in gray equivalent

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## Status Readback

### Set Status Readback Location Type

Sets the location type for an inquire entity status request.

$E_C * s \# T$

- # = 0 - Invalid Location
- 1 - Currently Selected
- 2 - All Locations
- 3 - Internal
- 4 - Download entity
- 5 - Cartridge
- 7 - SIMMs

### Set Status Readback Location Unit

Sets the location unit for an inquire entity status request.

$E_C * s \# U$

Location Type	Location Unit
0	# = * Invalid location
1	= * Currently selected
2	= * All Locations
3	= 0 All internal
4	= 0 All downloaded
	= 1 Temporary downloaded
	= 2 Permanent downloaded
5	= 0 All cartridge
	= 1 Highest priority cartridge
	: :
	n Lowest priority cartridge
7	= 0 All SIMMs
	= 1 Highest priority SIMM
	: :
	n Lowest priority SIMM

## Status Readback (continued)

### Inquire Status Readback Entity

Identifies the entity type and causes the printer to create a status response.

$E_C * S \# I$

- # = 0 - Font
- 1 - Macro
- 2 - User-defined pattern
- 3 - Symbol set
- 4 - Font extended

### Free Space

Returns the amount of total available user memory and the largest block available.

$E_C * S 1 M$

### Flush All Pages

Suspends accepting I/O data until all pages currently in printer are printed.

$E_C \&r \# F$

- # = 0 - Flush all complete pages
- 1 - Flush all pages

### Echo

Echoes the value field value back to the host.

$E_C * S \# X$

- # = Echo value (-32767 to 32767)

# Picture Frame

## Picture Frame Horizontal Size in Decipoints

Specifies the horizontal dimension of the area to be allocated for rendering an HP-GL/2 plot.

$E_C * C \# X$

# = Horizontal size in decipoints

## Picture Frame Vertical Size in Decipoints

Specifies the vertical dimension of the area to be allocated for rendering an HP-GL/2 plot.

$E_C * C \# Y$

# = Vertical size in decipoints

## Set Picture Frame Anchor Point

Sets the picture frame anchor point to current PCL cursor position.

$E_C * C \emptyset T$

## HP-GL/2 Plot Horizontal Size

Specifies the horizontal size of the HP-GL/2 drawing being imported into PCL.

$E_C * C \# K$

# = Horizontal size in inches

## HP-GL/2 Plot Vertical Size

Specifies the vertical size of the HP-GL/2 drawing being imported into PCL.

$E_C * C \# L$

# = Vertical size in inches

## Enter HP-GL/2 Mode

Causes printer to begin interpreting the incoming data stream as HP-GL/2 commands instead of PCL commands.

$E_C \% \# B$

- # = 0 - Use previous HP-GL/2 pen position
- 1 - Use current PCL cursor position for HP-GL/2 pen position
- 2 - Use current PCL dot coordinate system and old HP-GL/2 pen position
- 3 - Use current PCL dot coordinate system and the current PCL cursor position

## Enter PCL Mode

Causes printer to return to PCL mode from HP-GL/2 mode.

$E_C \% \# A$

- # = 0 - Return cursor to previous PCL position
- 1 - Use current HP-GL/2 pen position for cursor position

## Configuration and Status Group

### Default Values

Sets most programmable HP-GL/2 features to default conditions.

DF [;]

### Initialize

Sets all programmable HP-GL/2 features to default conditions.

IN [;]

### Input P1 and P2

Establishes new or default locations for the scaling points P1 and P2.

IP [X<sub>P1</sub>, Y<sub>P1</sub> [X<sub>P2</sub>, Y<sub>P2</sub>]] [;]

X<sub>P1</sub>, Y<sub>P1</sub> = P1 location coordinates

X<sub>P2</sub>, Y<sub>P2</sub> = P2 location coordinates

### Input Relative P1 and P2

Establishes P1 and P2 locations in relation to the PCL Picture Frame.

IR [X<sub>P1</sub>, Y<sub>P1</sub> [X<sub>P2</sub>, Y<sub>P2</sub>]] [;]

X<sub>P1</sub>, Y<sub>P1</sub> = P1 location as percentage of PCL Picture Frame

X<sub>P2</sub>, Y<sub>P2</sub> = P2 location as percentage of PCL Picture Frame

### Input Window

Sets up a window (soft-clip limits).

IW [X<sub>LL</sub>, Y<sub>LL</sub>, X<sub>UR</sub>, Y<sub>UR</sub>] [;]

X<sub>LL</sub> = X coordinate (lower left)

Y<sub>LL</sub> = Y coordinate (lower left)

X<sub>UR</sub> = X coordinate (upper right)

Y<sub>UR</sub> = Y coordinate (upper right)

### Rotate Coordinate System

Rotates the HP-GL/2 coordinate system.

RO [ angle ] [;]

angle = 0, 90, 180, or 270

### Scale

Establishes a user-unit coordinate system.

SC [ X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>, Y<sub>1</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub> [,type [,left, bottom ] ] ] [;]

type = 2 (point factor)

or

SC X<sub>MIN</sub>, X<sub>FACTOR</sub>, Y<sub>MIN</sub>, Y<sub>FACTOR</sub>, type [;]

X<sub>1</sub>, Y<sub>1</sub> = User-unit coordinates for P1

X<sub>2</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub> = User-unit coordinates for P2

type = 0 (Anisotropic) or 1 (isotropic)

left, bottom = Positions isometric area within P1/P2 limits

## Vector Group

### Arc Absolute

Draws an arc using absolute coordinates.

AA  $X_{CTR}, Y_{CTR}, \text{sweep angle} [, \text{chord angle}] [;]$

### Arc Relative

Draws an arc using relative coordinates.

AR  $X_{INCR}, Y_{INCR}, \text{sweep angle} [, \text{chord angle}] [;]$

### Absolute Arc Three Point

Draws an arc from the current pen location through two absolute points.

AT  $X_{INTRM}, Y_{INTRM}, X_{END}, Y_{END} [, \text{chord angle}] [;]$

### Bezier Absolute

Draws a Bezier curve using absolute coordinates.

BZ  $X_1, Y_1, X_2, Y_2, X_3, Y_3 [;]$

### Bezier Relative

Draws a Bezier curve using relative coordinates.

BR  $X_1, Y_1, X_2, Y_2, X_3, Y_3 [;]$

### Circle

Draws a circle with a specified radius.

CI radius [, chord angle] [;]

### Plot Absolute

Enables movement to absolute coordinate locations (with respect to the origin [ 0,0]).

PA [ X, Y... [,X,Y ] ] [;]

### Pen Down

Lowers the logical "pen" to the page.

PD [ X, Y... [,X,Y ] ] [;]

### Polyline Encoded

Encodes common HP-GL/2 commands to increase throughput.

PE [flag] [val] | coord pair... [flag] [val] | coord pair ;  
or  
PE;

Flag = < – pen up  
> – fractional data  
= – absolute  
7 – 7-bit data7  
: – Select pen

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## Vector Group (continued)

### Plot Relative

Enables movement relative to the current pen location.

PR [ X,Y... [,X,Y ] ] [;]

### Pen Up

Lifts the logical “pen” from the page.

PU [ X,Y...[,X,Y ] ] [;]

### Relative Arc Three Point

Draws an arc from the current pen location through two relative points.

RT X<sub>INCR</sub> INTRM, Y<sub>INCR</sub> INTRM, X<sub>INCR</sub> END,  
Y<sub>INCR</sub> END[,chord angle] [;]

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## Polygon Group

### Edge Rectangle Absolute

Outlines a rectangle defined with absolute coordinates.

EA X,Y [;]

X,Y = Coordinates of opposite corner of rectangle.

### Edge Rectangle Relative

Outlines a rectangle defined with relative coordinates.

ER X,Y [;]

X,Y = Coordinates of opposite corner of rectangle.

### Edge Wedge

Defines and outlines a wedge-shaped polygon.

EW radius,start angle,sweep angle[,chord angle] [;]

### Edge Polygon

Outlines the polygon resident in the polygon buffer.

EP [;]

### Fill Polygon

Fills the polygon specified in the polygon buffer with the current fill type.

FP [fill method][;]

fill method = 0 - Odd/Even fill

1 - Non-zero winding fill



## Polygon Group (continued)

### Polygon Mode

Allows creation of user-defined polygons in the polygon buffer.

PM polygon definition [;]

polygon definition = 0 (Clears polygon buffer and enters polygon mode)

1 (Closes current polygon or subpolygon and remains in polygon mode)

2 (Closes current polygon or subpolygon and exits polygon mode)

### Fill Rectangle Absolute

Fills a rectangle specified with absolute coordinates.

RA X,Y [;]

X,Y = Coordinates of opposite corner of rectangle.

### Fill Rectangle Relative

Fills a rectangle specified with relative coordinates.

RR X,Y [;]

X,Y = Coordinates of opposite corner of rectangle.

### Fill Wedge

Defines and fills a wedge-shaped polygon.

WG radius,start angle,sweep angle[,chord angle] [;]

## Line and Fill Attributes Group

### Anchor Corner

Specifies the starting point for fill patterns.

AC [ X,Y ] [;]

### Fill Type

Selects the pattern to use when filling polygons.

FT [ fill type[,option1[,option2 ] ] ] [;]

Fill Type =	description	option1	option2
1 and 2 =	Solid black	ignored	ignored
3 =	Hatched	line spacing	angle
4 =	Cross-hatched	line spacing	angle
10 =	Shading	% shading	ignored
11 =	User-defined	raster-fill index	ignored
21 =	PCL Patterns	pattern type	ignored
22 =	PCL User-defined	pattern ID	ignored

## Line and Fill Attributes Group (continued)

### Line Attributes

Specifies how line ends and joins are shaped.

LA [ kind, value...[,kind, value ] ] [;]

Attribute =	Kind,	Value	- Description
Line Ends =	1,	1	- Butt (default)
=		2	- Square
=		3	- Triangular
=		4	- Round
Line Joins =	2,	1	- Mitered (default)
=		2	- Mitered/beveled
=		3	- Triangular
=		4	- Round
=		5	- Beveled
=		6	- No join applied
Miter Limit =	3,	1 to 32,767	- Max. length of miter (miter length/pen width ratio) (default = 5)

### Line Type

Selects the line pattern to use for drawing lines.

LT [ line type[,pattern length[,mode ] ] ] [;]

mode = 0 (relative mode – interprets pattern length as percentage of diagonal distance between P1 and P2.)  
 = 1 (absolute – interprets the pattern length parameter in mm.)

### Pen Width

Specifies a new pen width.

PW [ width [,pen ] ] [;]

### Raster Fill Definition

Defines a pattern for use as area fill.

RF [ index[,width, height, pen number [,...pen number ] ] ] [;]

### Symbol Mode

Draws a symbol (character) at each coordinate location.

SM [ character ] [;]

### Select Pen

Selects a pen for plotting.

SP [ pen ] [;]

pen = 0 (white)  
 1 (black)

Default is no pen.

## Line and Fill Attributes Group (continued)

### Screened Vectors

Selects type of area fill for vectors (lines, hatch lines, arcs, circles, edges of polygons, rectangles, and wedges).

SV [ screen type [,option1[,option2]]][:;]

screen type =	description	option 1	option 2
0 =	No screening	ignored	ignored
1 =	Shaded fill	% shading	ignored
2 =	User defined	index no.	pen flag
21 =	PCL Patterns	pattern type	ignored
22 =	PCL User-defined Patterns	pattern ID	ignored

### Transparency Mode

Defines how the white areas of the source graphics image affect the destination graphics image.

TR [ n][:;]

n = 1 (Transparency mode=on [ default])

0 (Transparency mode=off)

### User Defined Line Type

Defines a line pattern.

UL [ index[,gap1, . . . ,gapn ] ][:;]

index = Line pattern number. [1–8]

gap = Percentage of pattern length for that portion (first gap is a pen-down move).

### Pen Width Unit Selection

Specifies whether pen width is defined in millimeters or as a percentage of P1/P2 distance.

WU [ type] [:;]

type = 0 (millimeters)

= 1 (percentage of P1/P2 distance)

## Character Group

### Alternate Font Definition

Specifies an alternate font for labeling.

AD [ kind, value...[,kind, value ] ] [;]

Kind	Attribute	Value
1	Symbol Set	*
2	Font spacing	0 (fixed); 1 (prop.)
3	Pitch	characters per inch
4	Height	font point size
5	Posture	0 (upright); 1 (italic)
6	Stroke Weight	0 (medium); 3 (bold)*
7	Typeface	*

\* See tables in Appendix C of the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide*.

### Character Fill Mode

Specifies how outline fonts will be rendered.

CF [ fill mode [,edge pen\*] ] [;]

fill mode = 0 (solid fill and edged)  
 1 (edging with specified pen [or current pen if edge pen parameter not specified]; characters filled if can't be edged)  
 2 (fill with current fill type; characters are not edged)  
 3 (fill with current fill type; edge characters with the specified pen or current pen if edge pen parameter is not specified)

edge pen = pen number to be used for edging.

\* Using 0 means edge in pen 0.

### Character Plot

Moves the pen the specified number of character "cells" from the current pen location.

CP [ spaces, lines ] [;]

### Absolute Label Direction

Specifies the slope of labels independent of P1 and P2 locations.

DI [ run,rise ] [;]

run = the X-component of the label direction or COSINE of the angle

rise = the Y-component of the label direction or SINE of the angle

## Character Group (continued)

### Relative Label Direction

Specifies the slope of labels relative to P1 and P2 locations.

DR [ run,rise ] [;]

run = percentage of distance between P1<sub>x</sub> and P2<sub>x</sub>

rise = percentage of distance between P1<sub>y</sub> and P2<sub>y</sub>.

### Define Label Terminator

Defines the character that “turns off” labeling.

DT [ lblterm [,mode ] ];

lblterm = character to be used as terminator

mode = 0 (print label terminator)

1 (do not print terminator)

### Define Variable Text Path

Specifies the label path as right, left, up, or down.

DV [ path [,line ] ] [;]

path = 0 (0 degrees – right)

1 (-90 degrees – down)

2 (-180 degrees – left)

3 (-270 degrees – up)

line = 0 (-90 degrees – normal line feed)

1 (+90 degrees – reverse line feed)

### Extra Space

Increases or reduces space between characters and lines of text.

ES [ width [,height ] ] [;]

width = number (or fractional number) of character spaces

height = number (or fractional number) of lines

### Select Primary Font ID

Selects as primary a font previously assigned a PCL font ID number.

FI font ID [;]

font ID = Font ID number assigned in PCL mode.

### Select Secondary Font ID

Selects as secondary a font previously assigned a font ID number.

FN font ID [;]

font ID = Font ID number assigned in PCL mode.

## Character Group (continued)

### Label

Prints text using the currently selected font.

LB text . . . text lbterm [:]

text . . . text = Any characters.

lbterm = Label terminator (default Ext or defined with DT command).

### Label Origin

Specifies the positioning of the characters within a label.

LO [ position] [:]

position = Number indicating label position relative to current cursor position (see command description in *PCL5 Technical Reference Manual*).

### Label Mode

Determines how LB (Label) and SM (Symbol Mode) interpret characters. Most often used for printing a 2-byte character set such as Kanji.

LM [mode,[row number]:]

mode = determines the interpretation mode as follows:

- 0 Interprets each byte as a character (8-bit mode).
- 1 Interprets the next two bytes as a character (16-bit mode).
- 2 Same logic as mode 0 except that vertical substitutes are used if found in a VT segment of the current font.
- 3 Same logic as mode 1 except that vertical substitutes are used if found in a VT segment of the current font.

row number = indicates the first byte while the LB or SM instruction supplies the second byte. Used only in mode 0 when a 16-bit character set is selected.

### Select Alternate Font

Selects the font designated by AD.

SA [:]

### Scalable or Bitmap Fonts

Specifies the type of fonts to be used for labels.

SB [ n] [:]

- n = 0 (Scalable fonts [default])
- = 1 (Bitmap and scalable fonts)

## Character Group (continued)

### Standard Font Definition

Specifies the standard font for printing labels.

SD [ kind, value...[,kind, value ] ] [;]

Kind	Attribute	Value
1	Symbol Set	*
2	Font spacing	0 (fixed); 1 (prop.)
3	Pitch	characters per inch
4	Height	font point size
5	Posture	0 (upright); 1 (italic)
6	Stroke Weight	0 (medium); 3 (bold)*
7	Typeface	*

\* See tables in Appendix C of the *PCL 5 Comparison Guide*.

### Absolute Character Size

Specifies an absolute character size (in centimeters).

SI [ width, height ] [;]

### Character Slant

Specifies the slant at which labels are printed.

SL [ tangent of angle ] [;]

tangent of angle = Tangent of slant angle (measured from vertical)

### Relative Character Size

Specifies character size as a percentage of the P1/P2 distance.

SR [ width, height ] [;]

### Select Standard Font

Selects the font designated by SD for printing labels.

SS [;]

### Transparent Data

Specifies whether control characters perform their function or are printed as characters.

TD [ mode ] [;]

mode = 0 (Normal)  
1 (Transparent)

## Technical Drawing Extensions Group

### Merge Control

Specifies the logical operation (ROP3) to be performed.

MC[mode[,opcode]];

mode = 0 - opcode value ignored (ROP set to 252 [default])

1 - opcode value used as ROP value

opcode = logical operation (ROP3 value)

### Pixel Placement

Specifies either grid intersection or grid-centered pixel placement.

PP[mode];

mode = 0 - grid intersection (default)

1 - grid centered

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## Programming Hints

### End-Of-Line Wrap

Defines action that occurs when text reaches right margin: perform a carriage return or do not perform carriage return (truncate data).

$E_C$  & s # C

# = 0 - Enables End-Of-Line Wrap

1 - Disables End-Of-Line Wrap

### Display Functions

Causes all escape sequences and control codes to be printed instead of executed.

$E_C$  Y – Enables Display Functions

$E_C$  Z – Disables Display Functions



## Kernel

### Universal Exit Language

Terminates operation of current language and returns control to PJL. Every job should begin and end with this command.

**<ESC> % -12345X**

### Enter Language

Causes PJL to enable the specified language.

**@PJL ENTER LANGUAGE =**  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{PCL} \\ \text{POSTSCRIPT} \\ \text{others} \end{array} \right\} \text{ [CR] <LF>}$

### Comment

Allows one line of comment text to be entered in PJL.

**@PJL COMMENT** *comment text* . . . **[CR] <LF>**

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## Job Separation

### Job

Indicates the start of a print job, resets the page count and allows naming of the job; supports non-printing mode. Also, used for providing the password for PJL security.

**@PJL JOB**  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{[NAME= "job name"]} \\ \text{[START= first page ]} \\ \text{[END= last page ]} \\ \text{[PASSWORD = number ]} \end{array} \right\} \text{ [CR] <LF>}$

### End-Of-Job

Tells printer the job has completed, resets the page count.

**@PJL EOJ [NAME = "job name"] [<CR>] <LF>**

## Environment

### Initialize

Resets current and default PJL variables to factory default values.

```
@PJL INITIALIZE [<CR>]<LF>
```

### Reset

Resets current PJL variables to default values.

```
@PJL RESET [<CR>]<LF>
```

### Default

Sets default value for environment variables.

```
@PJL DEFAULT [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable = value [<CR>] <LF>
```

### Set

Sets the environment variable for the duration of a PJL job.

```
@PJL SET [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable = value [<CR>] <LF>
```

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## Status Readback

### Inquire

Requests the current value for an environment variable.

```
@PJL INQUIRE [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable [<CR>] <LF>
```

Response

```
@PJL INQUIRE [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable<CR><LF>  
value <CR><LF>  
<FF>
```

### Dinquire

Requests the default value for a specified environment variable.

```
@PJL DINQUIRE [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable [<CR>] <LF>
```

Response

```
@PJL DINQUIRE [LPARM : personality | IPARM : port]  
↪ variable<CR> <LF>  
value <CR><LF>  
<FF>
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↪ - Indicates that the following data is part of the preceding line.

## Status Readback (continued)

### Info

Request a specified category of printer information.

**@PJL INFO *category* [<CR>]<LF>**

Response

**@PJL INFO *category* <CR><LF>**

[1 or more lines of printable characters or <WS> followed by]

**<CR><LF>**

**<FF>**

### Echo

Returns the “words” portion of the command to the host computer.

**@PJL ECHO [<Words>] [<CR>] <LF>**

Response

**@PJL ECHO [<Words>] <CR><LF>**

**<FF>**

### Ustatus

Allows printer to send unsolicited status messages.

**@PJL USTATUS *variable = value* [<CR>]<LF>**

Response

**@PJL USTATUS *variable* <CR><LF>**

[1 or more lines of printable characters or <WS> followed by]

**<CR><LF>**

**<FF>**

### Ustatusoff

Turns off all unsolicited status.

**@PJL USTATUSOFF [<CR>]<LF>**

## Device Attendance

### Operator Message

Displays specified message on control panel and takes printer offline.

**@PJL OPMSG DISPLAY = "message" [<CR>]<LF>**

### Ready Message

Specifies a message that replaces the READY message on the printer control panel. Doesn't affect on-line state.

**@PJL RDYMSG DISPLAY = "message" [<CR>]<LF>**

### Status Message

Displays specified message on printer control panel and takes printer offline. Returns name of the key that is pressed by operator to put the printer back online.

**@PJL STMSG DISPLAY = "message" [<CR>]<LF>**

Response

**@PJL STMSG DISPLAY = "message"<CR><LF>**  
**key <CR><LF>**  
**<FF>**

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## File System

### FSDELETE

Deletes printer disk files.

**@PJL FSDELETE NAME = "pathname" [<CR>]<LF>**

### FSDOWNLOAD

Downloads a file to the printer disk file system.

**@PJL FSDOWNLOAD FORMAT:BINARY [SIZE=int] [<CR>]<LF>**

### FSINIT

Initializes the printer disk file system.

**@PJL FSINIT VOLUME = "pathname" [<CR>]<LF>**

### FSMKDIR

Creates the specified directory on the printer disk file system.

**@PJL FSMKDIR NAME = "pathname" [<CR>]<LF>**

# PCL COMMAND SUMMARY

## Job Control

Universal Exit Language	E <sub>C</sub> % - 1 2 3 4 5 X
Configuration (I/O)	E <sub>C</sub> & b # W[data]
Printer Reset	E <sub>C</sub> E
Number of Copies	E <sub>C</sub> & l # X
Simplex/Duplex	E <sub>C</sub> & l # S
Long-edge Offset Registration	E <sub>C</sub> & l # U
Short-edge Offset Registration	E <sub>C</sub> & l # Z
Duplex Page Side Selection	E <sub>C</sub> & a # G
Job Separation	E <sub>C</sub> & l 1 T
Output Bin (Media Bin)	E <sub>C</sub> & l # G
Unit-of-Measure	E <sub>C</sub> & u # D
<b>Page Control</b>	
Page Size	E <sub>C</sub> & l # A
Paper (Media) Source	E <sub>C</sub> & l # H
Page Length (Obsolete)	E <sub>C</sub> & l # P
Orientation	E <sub>C</sub> & l # O
Print Direction	E <sub>C</sub> & a # P
Character Text Path Direction	E <sub>C</sub> & c # T
Text Parsing Method	E <sub>C</sub> & t # P
Left Margin	E <sub>C</sub> & a # L
Right Margin	E <sub>C</sub> & a # M
Clear Horizontal Margins	E <sub>C</sub> 9
Top Margin	E <sub>C</sub> & l # E
Text Length	E <sub>C</sub> & l # F
Perforation Skip	E <sub>C</sub> & l # L
Horizontal Motion Index	E <sub>C</sub> & k # H
Vertical Motion Index	E <sub>C</sub> & l # C
Line Spacing	E <sub>C</sub> & l # D

## Cursor Positioning

### Horizontal Cursor Positioning

Columns	$E_C \& a \# C$
Decipoints	$E_C \& a \# H$
Units-of-Measure	$E_C * p \# X$

### Control Codes

Carriage Return	CR
Space	SP
Backspace	BS
Horizontal Tab	HT

### Vertical Cursor Positioning

Rows	$E_C \& a \# R$
Decipoints	$E_C \& a \# V$
Units-of-Measure	$E_C * p \# Y$
Half Line-Feed	$E_C =$

### Control Codes

Line-Feed	LF
Form-Feed	FF

Line Termination	$E_C \& k \# G$
Push/Pop Cursor Position	$E_C \& f \# S$

## Font Selection

Symbol Set†	$E_C ( ID$
Spacing†	$E_C ( s \# P$
Pitch†	$E_C ( s \# H$
Height†	$E_C ( s \# V$
Style†	$E_C ( s \# S$
Stroke Weight†	$E_C ( s \# B$
Typeface†	$E_C ( s \# T$
Font Selection by ID #†	$E_C ( \# X$
Select Default Font†	$E_C ( 3 @$
Transparent Print Data	$E_C \& p \# X$ [transparent data ]
Underline - Enable	$E_C \& d \# D$
- Disable	$E_C \& d @$

## Font Management

Font ID # (specify)	$E_C * c \# D$
Font Control	$E_C * c \# F$
Alphanumeric ID	$E_C \& n \# W$ [operation][string]

## User-Defined Symbol Set

Symbol Set ID Code	$E_C * c \# R$
Define Symbol Set	$E_C ( f \# W$ [symbol set definition data]
Symbol Set Management	$E_C * c \# S$

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†Command shown for primary only, reverse parenthesis for secondary command.

## Font Creation

Font Descriptor /Data	$E_C$ S # W [descriptor data ]
Character Code	$E_C$ * C # E
Character Descriptor/Data	$E_C$ ( S # W [binary data ]

## Macros

Macro ID # (specify)	$E_C$ & f # Y
Macro Control	$E_C$ & f # X

## Print Model

Source Transparency Mode	$E_C$ * v # N
Pattern Transparency Mode	$E_C$ * v # O
Pattern (Area Fill) ID	$E_C$ * c # G
Select Current Pattern	$E_C$ * v # T
User-Defined Pattern	$E_C$ * c # W [pattern data]
Set Pattern Reference Point	$E_C$ * p # R
Pattern Control	$E_C$ * c # Q
Logical Operation	$E_C$ * l # O
Pixel Placement	$E_C$ * l # R

## Rectangular Area Fill Graphics

Horizontal Rectangle Size	
Decipoints	$E_C$ * c # H
Units-of-Measure	$E_C$ * c # A
Vertical Rectangle Size	
Decipoints	$E_C$ * c # V
Units-of-Measure	$E_C$ * c # B
Pattern ID (Area Fill ID)	$E_C$ * c # G
Fill Rectangular Area	$E_C$ * c # P

## Raster Graphics

Raster Resolution	$E_C$ * t # R
Presentation	$E_C$ * r # F
Source Raster Height	$E_C$ * r # T
Source Raster Width	$E_C$ * r # S
Destination Raster Height	$E_C$ * t # V
Destination Raster Width	$E_C$ * t # H
Scale Algorithm	$E_C$ * t # K
Start Raster Graphics	$E_C$ * r # A
Y Offset	$E_C$ * b # Y
Set Compression Mode	$E_C$ * b # M
Transfer Raster Data	$E_C$ * b # W [raster data ]
End Raster Graphics	$E_C$ * r B $E_C$ * r C

## Color

Simple Color	E <sub>C</sub> * r # U
Configure Image Data	E <sub>C</sub> * v # W [data]
Color Component One	E <sub>C</sub> * v # A
Color Component Two	E <sub>C</sub> * v # B
Color Component Three	E <sub>C</sub> * v # C
Assign Color Index	E <sub>C</sub> * v # I
Push/Pop Palette	E <sub>C</sub> * p # P
Select Palette	E <sub>C</sub> &p # S
Palette Control ID	E <sub>C</sub> &p # I
Palette Control	E <sub>C</sub> &p # C
Foreground Color	E <sub>C</sub> * v # S
Render Algorithm	E <sub>C</sub> * t # J
Download Dither Matrix	E <sub>C</sub> * m # W [data]
Color Lookup Tables	E <sub>C</sub> * l # W [data]
Gamma Correction	E <sub>C</sub> * t # I
Viewing Illuminant	E <sub>C</sub> * i # W [data]
Monochrome Print Mode	E <sub>C</sub> &b # M

## Status Readback

Set Location Type	E <sub>C</sub> * s # T
Set Location Unit	E <sub>C</sub> * s # U
Inquire Entity	E <sub>C</sub> * s # I
Free Space	E <sub>C</sub> * s # M
Flush All Pages	E <sub>C</sub> &r # F
Echo	E <sub>C</sub> * s # X

## Picture Frame

Picture Frame Horizontal Size	E <sub>C</sub> * c # X
Picture Frame Vertical Size	E <sub>C</sub> * c # Y
Set Picture Frame Anchor Point	E <sub>C</sub> * c 0 T
HP-GL/2 Plot Horizontal Size	E <sub>C</sub> * c # K
HP-GL/2 Plot Vertical Size	E <sub>C</sub> * c # L
Enter HP-GL/2 Mode	E <sub>C</sub> % # B
Enter PCL Mode	E <sub>C</sub> % # A



## Config./Status Group (HP-GL/2)

Default Values	DF[;]
Initialize	IN[;]
Input P1 and P2	IP[X <sub>P1</sub> , Y <sub>P1</sub> [,X <sub>P2</sub> ,Y <sub>P2</sub> ] ] [;]
Input Relative P1 and P2	IR[X <sub>P1</sub> , Y <sub>P1</sub> [,X <sub>P2</sub> ,Y <sub>P2</sub> ] ] [;]
Input Window	IW[ X <sub>LL</sub> ,Y <sub>LL</sub> ,X <sub>UR</sub> ,Y <sub>UR</sub> ] [;]
Rotate Coordinate System	RO[ angle ] [;]
Scale	SC[ X <sub>1</sub> ,X <sub>2</sub> ,Y <sub>1</sub> ,Y <sub>2</sub> [,type[,left bottom ]]] [;] or SC X <sub>MIN</sub> ,X <sub>FCTR</sub> ,Y <sub>MIN</sub> ,Y <sub>FCTR</sub> , type[;]

## Vector Group (HP-GL/2)

Arc Absolute	AA X <sub>CTR</sub> ,Y <sub>CTR</sub> ,sweep angle [,chord angle] [;]
Arc Relative	AR X <sub>INCR</sub> ,Y <sub>INCR</sub> ,sweep angle [,chord angle] [;]
Absolute Arc Three Point	AT X <sub>INTRM</sub> ,Y <sub>INTRM</sub> ,X <sub>END</sub> , Y <sub>END</sub> , [,chord angle] [;]
Bezier Absolute	BZx1_control_pt,y1_control_pt x2_control_pt,y2_control_pt x3_control_pt,y3_control_pt... [x1_control_pt,y1_control_pt x2_control_pt,y2_control_pt x3_control_pt,y3_control_pt];
Bezier Relative	BRx1_control_pt_increments, y1_control_pt_increments, x2_control_pt_increments, y2_control_pt_increments, x3_control_pt_increments, y3_control_pt_increments... [x1_control_pt_increments, y1_control_pt_increments, x2_control_pt_increments, y2_control_pt_increments, x3_control_pt_increments, y3_control_pt_increments];
Circle	CI radius[,chord angle] [;]
Plot Absolute	PA[ X,Y...[,X,Y] [;]
Pen Down	PD[ X, Y...[,X,Y] [;]
Polyline Encoded	PE[ flag][val]   [coord pair]... [flag][val]   [coord pair ] ; or PE;
Plot Relative	PR[ X,Y...[,X,Y]] [;]
Pen Up	PU[ X,Y...[,X,Y]] [;]
Relative Arc Three Point	RT X <sub>INCR</sub> INTRM, Y <sub>INCR</sub> INTRM, X <sub>INCR</sub> END, Y <sub>INCR</sub> END [,chord angle] [;]

## Polygon Group (HP-GL/2)

Edge Rectangle Absolute	EA X,Y[:]
Edge Polygon	EP[:]
Edge Rectangle Relative	ER X,Y[:]
Edge Wedge	EW radius, start angle, sweep angle [,chord angle] [:]
Fill Polygon	FP fill method[:]
Polygon Mode	PM polygon definition[:]
Fill Rectangle Absolute	RA X,Y[:]
Fill Rectangle Relative	RR X,Y[:]
Fill Wedge	WG radius, start angle, sweep angle [,chord angle] [:]

## Line and Fill Attributes Group (HP-GL/2)

Anchor Corner	AC [ X,Y] [:]
Fill Type	FT[ fill type[,option1 option2 ] ] [:]
Line Attributes	LA [ kind, value...[,kind,value] ] [:]
Line Type	LT [ line type[,pattern length [,mode] ] ] [:]
Pen Width	PW[ width[,pen] ] [:]
Raster Fill Definition	RF [index[,width,height,pen number][, . . . pen number] ] [:]
Symbol Mode	SM[ character ] [:]
Select Pen	SP[ pen ] [:]
Screened Vectors	SV[ screen type[,option1 [,option2] ] ] [:]
Transparency Mode	TR[ n ] [:]
User Defined Line Type	UL[ index[,gap1 . . . gapn] ] [:]
Pen Width Unit Selection	WU[ type ] [:]

## Character Group (HP-GL/2)

Alternate Font Definition	AD [ kind,value...[,kind,value]] [:]
Character Fill Mode	CF[ fill mode[,edge pen] ] [:]
Character Plot	CP [ spaces,lines] [:]
Absolute Direction	DI[ run,rise] [:]
Relative Position	DR[ run, rise] [:]
Define Label Terminator	DT[ lbterm[,mode] ] ;
Define Variable Text Path	DV[ path[,line] ] [:]
Extra Space	ES[ width[,height] ] [:]
Select Primary Font	FI font ID[:]
Select Secondary Font	FN font ID[:]
Label	LB text . . . text lbterm[:]
Label Origin	LO[ position] [:]
Label Mode	LM[mode,[row number]:]
Select Alternate Font	SA[:]
Scalable or Bitmap Fonts	SB[ n ] [:]
Standard Font Definition	SD[ kind,value...[,kind,value] ] [:]
Absolute Character Size	SI[ width,height] [:]
Character Slant	SL[ tangent of angle] [:]
Relative Character Size	SR[ width,height] [:]
Select Standard Font	SS[:]
Transparent Data	TD[ mode] [:]

## Technical Drawing Extensions Group (HP-GL/2)

Merge Control  
Pixel Placement

MC[mode[,opcode]];  
PP[mode];

### Programming Hints

End-Of-Line Wrap  
Display Functions - Enable  
- Disable

E<sub>C</sub> & S # C  
E<sub>C</sub> Y  
E<sub>C</sub> Z

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## Notes





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