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# US-M5 INDICATOR USER'S MANUAL

Portable Static Weighing Indicator



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## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

## For safe operation of the weighing indicator, please follow these instructions:

- Calibration inspection and maintenance of the indicator are prohibited by non-professional staff
- Please ensure that the indicator rests on a stable surface
- The indicator is a piece of static sensitive equipment; Please cut off power during electrical connections
- Touching the internal components by hand is prohibited
- DO NOT exceed the rated load limit of the unit
- DO NOT step on the unit
- DO NOT jump on the scale
- DO NOT use this product if any of the components are cracked
- DO NOT use for purposes other then weight taking
- To avoid damaging the battery do not keep charger plugged in once battery is fully charged
- Make sure the weight is not over the Max capacity as it could damage the load cell inside
- Material that has a static electric charge could influence the weighing. Discharge
  the static electricity of the samples, if possible. Another
  solution to the problem is to wipe both sides of the pan and the top of the case with
  an anti-static agent

#### Please take anti-static prevention measures

Any accumulated charge on the body of the human operator should be discharged first before opening the protective container with ESDS devices inside. The discharge can be accomplished by:

• Putting a hand on a grounded surface or, ideally, by wearing a grounded Anti-static Wrist Strap and an Anti-static Mat

## **PREPARATION & SET UP**

- Plug into a wall outlet to avoid interference with other wirings
- Turn on the balance while there is no load
- We suggest to warm-up the balance by powering on 5 minutes before use for accurate weighing
- Calibration may be required before weighing when the balance is initially installed or moved from a location

## FEATURES

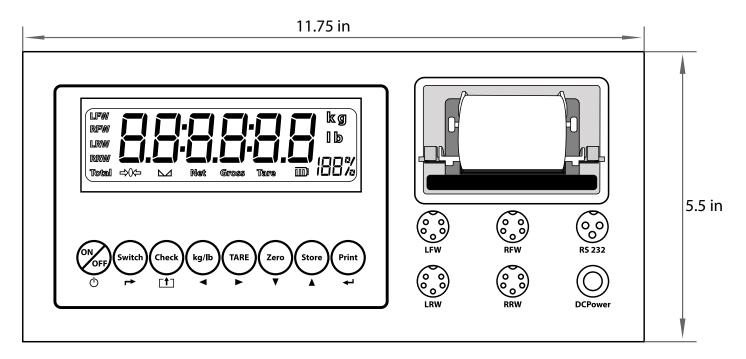
- Designed to work with static axle scales
- Gross weighing and accumulative weighing modes
- LCD display (size: 5.3in x 1.4in)
- Tare, Zero, Print, Save, Check, and Delete functions
- Kg and lb weighing units
- Built-in needle printer
- Different printing formats
- 6v/4.5Ah Battery and 9v/1.2A adapter
- Can connect to a secondary large display/scoreboard
- Can connect with up to 4 weighing pads
- Shows individual scale/pad percentage of the total weight
- Manual and automatic printing modes
- Date and time can be set easily
- Can connect to a PC or printer for data logging
- Wireless capability (optional)
- Splash proof keyboard and display

### **TECHNICAL PARAMETERS**

- Sensitivity : 0.5µV/d
- Input voltage: -30 to +30mV DC
- Accuracy class : III
- Initial zero range : ±10%Max
- Manually zero range : ±2% Max
- Zero Range : 100% Max
- Zero Tracking : 0.5d/s
- Excitation circuit : VDC,6 wire connection, Maximum connect 24 load cell of  $350\Omega$
- AC power: AC 100-250VAC,50/60HZ (use only the 9V adapter supplied)
- Operation temperature : -10°C ~ +40°C
- Operation humidity: ≤90%RH
- Storage temperature : -10°C ~ +40°C

# SPECIFICATIONS

FIGURE 1: INDICATOR MEASUREMENTS



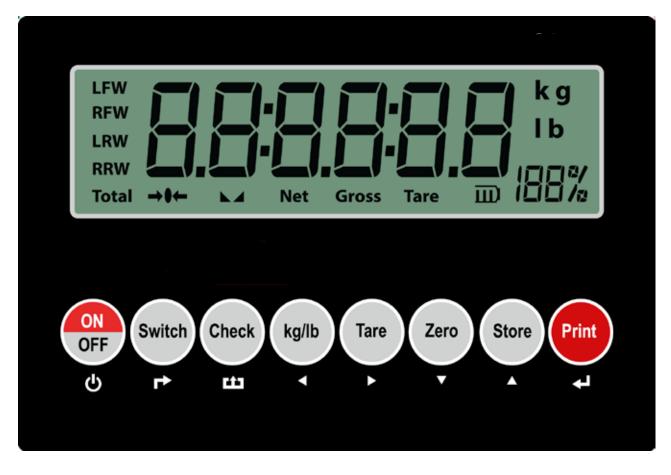
## **POWER SUPPLY**

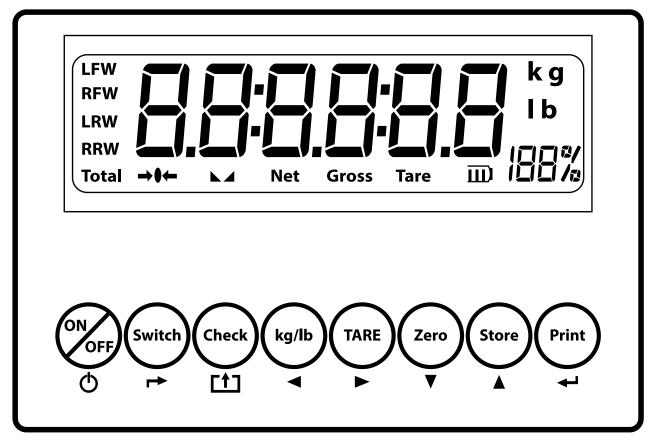
### Battery

Your indicator comes with a rechargeable battery, please charge the internal battery fully before first time use. A 110 to 220V AC adapter should be provided with your indicator. Please use only the AC adapter provided to prevent damage to your indicator.

- When you use the internal battery for the first time, you should charge the battery fully, to prevent low voltage resulted from self leakage of battery
- If the battery is not used for long time, remove to avoid leakage
- To keep the battery in best condition, fully discharge the battery every month by leaving the indicator on until the indicator powers off, and then recharge fully
- **IIII** symbol will indicate the battery's charge
- \_\_\_\_ symbol indicates that the battery needs to be charged

### **US-M5 DISPLAY**





## **DISPLAY AND KEY DESCRIPTION**

ON/OFF	Powers the Indicator On or Off if held for 2 seconds	
SWITCH	Switch the weight between the pad weight and the total weight	
CHECK	Check and read the saved weight data to print	
KG/LB	Shifts between weighing units (kg/lb)	
TARE	1. Zero's the scale. Used when using a container to hold objects	
	2. Clears the tare to see the gross weight	
ZERO	Zero's the scale	
STORE	In accumulative weighing mode it accumulates the axle weight and	
	prints the weight data	
PRINT	1. Print data	
	2. Works with the switch button to enter the calibration menu	
Total	Shows you are in Accumulation mode	
<b>→</b> 0←	The scale is at zero	
	The scale is stable	
Net	Shows you are in Net weight mode (without tare)	
Gross	Shows you are in Gross weight mode (includes tare); default mode	
Tare	Shows you have tared the scale	
	Indicates the charge of the battery	
lb	The weight is shown in pounds	
kg	The weight is shown in kilograms	
	Shows the percentage of weight on the pad out of the total weight	
LFW	The weight of the Left front wheel	
RFW	The weight of the Right front wheel	
LRW	The weight of the Left rear wheel	
RRW	The weight of the Right rear wheel	
Ċ	Power	
	Back	
	Save and Exit	
	Arrow keys	
┛	Return/Enter	

# **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### Power On

• Turn on the power by pressing the power button for 2 seconds. Once on, the scale will flash the voltage and then begin to auto-check and count down from 0-9 sequentially before entering the weighing mode

Note: Anything on the scale before powering on will automatically be tared out.

#### Zeroing

- The zero function is used only when the scale is empty and is not at gross zero due to material build up
- Pressing the ZERO key will reset your scale to 0
- Depending on what your manual zero range parameter is set to, you can zero out any number within your set selection, after that you will receive an error and will need to tare out the weight

### **Unit Selection**

• To switch between measuring units (kg or lb) press the KG/LB key

### **Tare Function**

- The Tare function is used when you only wish to see the current change in weight, not the entire amount of weight that is on the scale
- When the indicator is in normal gross mode pressing the TARE key will Tare the current weight on the scale and enter the net mode →()←
- To exit Tare mode press the TARE key again to enter gross mode

#### To use a pre-set tare weight

- Press and hold the tare key for 2 seconds
- Input the tare weight using the arrow keys
- Press print key to confirm

### Check

- The check key is used check previously saved weights
- In weighing mode, press CHECK key to show "[####"
- ex. if there are 30 records saved it will display "[ []]]]"
- If you wanted to check the 20th saved weight you would input "[ []]?]" and press PRINT to check the 20th record
- The display will show "┍ Ε Я ┫ □". Choose "1" and press PRINT
- The screen will flash the date, time, axle, tare weight and total weight one by one
- Then the screen will show "Pr int []", enter "1" and press PRINT to print this record and go back to the Checking display "[ []]]]"
- Press CHECK key again to exit and return to weighing mode

### Switch

- Switches the display between the total weight and each individual pad/scale weight
- Individual pad display shows the percentage of that pads load, of the total weight

### Print

• If the weight on the scale is stable press the PRINT key to print the current weight

# **CALIBRATION PROCEDURE**

- 1. Turn on the scale by holding the ON/OFF **U** key. (If the scale does not turn on, plug in the ac adapter because the battery may be low.)
- 2. Once on hold SWITCH → and PRINT key to enter the indicator settings mode
- 3. The display will show [F ] to indicate F1 settings mode, use the STORE ▲ key to change to [F 2]
- 5. The display will read [**S**[**R**][**E**]]
- 6. Use the arrow keys to select which scale/pad you will be calibrating (1-4)
- 7. Press the PRINT + key to select and enter the next setting
- 8. The display will read [ [RL ]], use the STORE  $\blacktriangle$  key to change to [[RL ]]
- 9. With nothing on the scale/pad press PRINT ← to Zero Calibrate, the indicator will count down from 9 1 and enter the next parameter if no errors
- 10. The display will show [**SPR**∩-**□**] use the STORE ▲ key to change to [**SPR**∩-**1**], press the PRINT ← key to select and enter the calibration setting
- Use the arrow keys to enter the weight of the calibration weight you will be using (calibration weight must be at least 40% of the scale/pads capacity)
- 12. Load the calibration weight on the pad/scale you are calibrating
- 13. Once stable  $\blacktriangleright$  a press the PRINT  $\leftarrow$  key to calibrate
- 14. The indicator will count down from 9-0 and move on to the Save parameter [SRUE D]
- 15. Press STORE  $\blacktriangle$  to change to [SRUE i], then save your calibration by pressing PRINT
- 16. The indicator will display [F 2], Press CHECK ☐ to exit the settings mode and go back to the weighing mode
- 17. The display will show the value of the calibration weight on the scale
- 18. Unload the scale; the display should read [ $\square$   $\square$   $\square$   $\square$   $\square$
- 19. If no errors the scale has now been calibrated
- 20. Repeat process until all pads/scales have been calibrated and saved

## **INDICATOR PARAMETER SETTINGS**

This indicator has 5 different setting modes, [F 1], [F 2], [F 3], [F 4] & [F 5]. Each mode changes different indicator parameters.

#### To enter calibration/parameter settings, follow the procedure below:

- 1. Press and hold the SWITCH and PRINT key at the same time for 2 seconds
- 3. Press the PRINT **I** key to enter/edit the parameter setting
- 4. Press the CHECK **A** key to save and exit settings at any time

#### F 1 Menu

Setting working mode, unit, decimal, graduation, and capacity

Step	Parameter	Display	Settings/Options	
	Enter F1 Menu	F (	<b>←</b> ┘	
1	Mode	M648 2	Choose how many weighing pad's you'll be using Options: 1/2/3/4	
2	Unit	Choose default unit 0=kg 1=lb		
3	Decimal setting	dot5	C 0 = no decimal 1 = #.# 2 = #.## 3 = #.### 4 = #.####	
4	Graduation Setting (readability of the least significant digit)	E - 05	Options: $1/2/4/10/20/50$ Example with no decimal places (ie step 3=0) 1 = 1 lb 2 = 2 lb 5 = 5 lb 10 = 10 lb 20 = 20 lb 50 = 50 lb	
5	Max Capacity	Full-0	0 = do not change the max capacity 1 = change the max capacity ex. If step 2=0 and step 3=2 when changing max capacity 0100.00 = 100kg Then press 1 to save your settings	

### F 2 Menu

Setting the Choosing a pad to calibrate, zero calibration, loading calibration, and saving

Step	Parameter	Display	Settings/Options
	Enter F2 Menu	F 2	<b>←</b> ┘
6	Pad Choice	SCALE (	Choose a pad/scale to calibrate Options: 1/2/3/4
7	Zero Calibration	<b>CAL D</b> 0 = do not calibrate 1 = calibrate Note: when 1 is selected the indicator will count down from 9-0 and move on to the next setting	
8	Calibration		
9	Save	SAUE-O	0 = do not save calibration 1 = save calibration

#### F 3 Menu

Step	Parameter	Display	Settings/Options	
	Enter F3 Menu	F 3	<b>←</b> ┘	
10	Axle Number	RLE-02	Set the number of axles (for use with accumulation mode)	
11	Cargo Number	5000	Set the cargo number	
12	Printing Format	PF - {	0 = No printing 1 = Normal printing format 2 = Accumulative printing format * See page 13 for examples	
13	Printing Method	PM - 1	0 = Manual 1 = Automatic *Manual is recommended for the most precise results	
14	Printing Coupon	P[ -	Printing coupon numbers setting Options: 1/2/3	
15	Baud Rate	63ud-1	Options: $1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8$ $0 = 600$ $1 = 1200$ $2 = 2400$ $3 = 4800$ $4 = 9600$ $5 = 19200$ $6 = 38400$ $7 = 57600$ $8 = 115200$	
16	Communication Settings	[P -	<ul> <li>0 = Communication off</li> <li>1 = Communication format 1 for PC</li> <li>2 = Communication format 2 for second display (YAO HUA MODEL)</li> <li>3 = Communication format 3 for second display (TOLEDO MODEL)</li> </ul>	

Step	Parameter	Display	Settings/Options
17	Automatic Power Off	0FF-00	00 = turn off auto power off 10 = power off automatically if no change within 10 min 30 = power off automatically if no change within 30 min 60 = power off automatically if no change within 60 min
18	Back Light	6L00	00 = Backlight on 10 = Backlight off after 10 seconds
19	Date Format	99F6-0	0 = year, month, day 1 = month, day , year 2 = day, month, year
20	Date	3007 13	Set according to previous parameter
21	Time	14- 13-20	Set using Military time

### F 4 Menu

Step	Parameter	Display Settings/Options	
	Enter F4 Menu	F 4	<b>←</b> ┘
22	Records	5-0560	Set how many records/weights you want your indicator to store Max. the indicator can store is 2000 cps.
23	PCB	HE- (08	PCB version 1.0A
24	Software	SE- (00	Software version 1.00
25	LFW	LF8cod8	Check the left front wheel ad code
26	RFW	rF8cod8	Check the right front wheel ad code
27	LRW	Lr8cod8	Check the left back wheel ad code
28	RRW	rr8cod8	Check the right back wheel ad code

#### F 5 Menu

Step	Parameter	Display	Settings/Options
	Enter F5 Menu	F S	<b>←</b> ┘
29	Delete Weighing Records	9EF8-0	0 = Do not delete the weighing record 1 = Delete the weighing record
30	Delete All	dERL-0	0 = Do not delete all the records 1 = Delete all the records

## WEIGHING/PRINTING MODES

In the Parameters you can set to have your printer print automatically or manually, we recommend setting to manual (F3 [PM - 0]) for best results.

### **Normal Weighing mode:**

- In the F3 menu set the Printing Format to "1"
- In this mode you have the option of using 1-4 pads

**Example** : There are 3 weighing pads connected to the indicator to weigh an airplane.

- 1. The pads should connect with LFW,LRW,RRW interfaces
- 2. Parameter settings: F1 Working Mode setting: "3" F3 Printing Format setting: "1"
- 3. Drive the plane on the pads. You can press the "SWITCH" key to switch between displaying the total weight, and the weight of each pad, shown with the percentage of that pads load of the total weight
- If [PM 1] Printing and Saving will be done automatically once the load is stable
- If [PM 0] Press the "PRINT" key to print results



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### Accumulative weighing mode:

- In the F3 menu set the printing format to "2"
- In this mode you have the option of using 2 or 4 pads
- The Print mode must be set to manual to function correctly [PM] -
- Drive axle on weighing pads
- Press the "STORE" key to accumulate the axle's weight and print the axle's data

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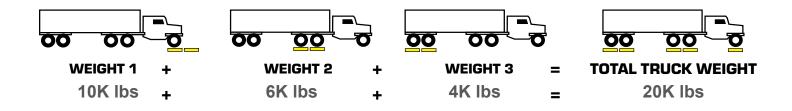
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- Repeat steps until all axles have been weighed
- Then press the "**PRINT**" key to accumulate weights and print the total

**Example:** There are 2 weighing pads connected to the indicator to weigh a truck with three axles.

- 1. The pads should connect with LFW, RFW interfaces
- F1 Working Mode setting: "2" 2. Parameter settings: [MbdE F3 Printing Format setting: "2" r9F -F3 Printing Mode setting: "0" [PM rALE-031 F3 Axle Number setting: "3"
- Measure spacing between tire sets in an axle and place weighing pads accordingly 3.
- Drive the first axle of the truck on the weighing pads. When stable press the 4. "STORE" key to begin accumulation by storing the weight data and printing the first axle's results
- Drive the second axle of the truck on the weighing pads and when stable press the 5. "STORE" key to accumulate and store the second weight data and print the second axle's results
- Drive the third axle of the truck on the weighing pads and when stable press the 6. "STORE" key to accumulate and store the third weight data and print the third axle's results
- Then press the "**PRINT**" key to accumulate all three axle weights and print the 7. total weight of the truck



### PRINT FORMAT

#### **Normal Printing Format**

Single pad: WEIGHTING REPORT

#### Double pads: WEIGHTING REPORT

NO.: 0575 Date: 2013-11-02 Time: 09:59:04 Vehicle: Cargo:34 LFW: 429.0kg ------Gross: 429.0kg Operator: NO.: 0575 Date: 2013-11-02 Time: 09:59:04 Vehicle: Cargo:34 LFW:429.0kg RFW:413.5kg Axle1:842.5kg ------Gross: 842.5kg Operator:

Four pads: WEIGHTING REPORT -----NO.: 0575 Date: 2013-11-02 Time: 09:59:04 Vehicle: Cargo:34 LFW: 429.0kg RFW: 413.5kg Axle1: 842.5kg LRW: 319.0kg RRW: 293.0kg Axle2: 612.0kg ------Gross: 1454.5kg Operator:

#### **Accumulative Printing Format**

Double pads: (Double axles) WEIGHTING REPORT \_\_\_\_\_ NO.: 0594 Date: 2013-11-02 Time: 11:10:41 Vehicle: Cargo:34 LW: 420.5kg RW: 419.5kg Axle01: 840.0kg LW: 309.5kg RW: 297.0kg Axle02: 607.0kg \_\_\_\_\_ Gross: 1447.0kg TOperator:

Four pads: (Four axles) WEIGHTING REPORT \_\_\_\_\_ NO.: 0594 Date: 2013-11-02 Time: 11:10:41 Vehicle: Cargo:34 LFW: 420.5kg RFW: 419.5kg Axle01: 840.0kg LRW: 309.5kg RRW: 297.0kg Axle02: 607.0kg LFW: 420.5kg RFW: 419.5kg Axle03: 840.0kg LRW: 309.5kg RRW: 297.0kg Axle04: 607.0kg -----

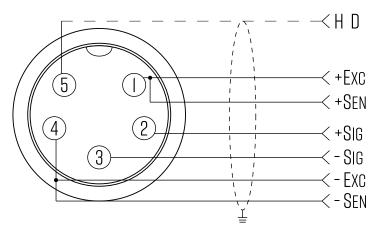
Gross: 2894.0kg Operator:

## CONNECTORS

#### **Connecting load cells to the indicator**

• US-M5 can connect with 4 weighing pads or 24 pcs of load cells of  $350\Omega$  at most

#### QUICK DISCONNECT AS SHOWN BELOW:



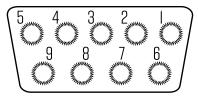
The number of weighing pads and load cells corresponds to the weighing modes. If the pads or load cells are not connected properly the indicator will not function properly. Please use the following table to connect your pads correctly.

#### INNER TERMINAL BLOCK CONNECTION DIAGRAM

Weighing Pad #	Load Cell Connection	Weighing Mode
1	LFW	[Mode 1] Setting "1"
2	LFW, RFW	[Mode 2] Setting "2"
3	LFW, LRW, RRW	[Mode 3] Setting "3"
4	LFW, RFW, LRW, RRW	[Mode 4] Setting "4"

#### **DB9 Connection (9 pin Serial Connector)**

#### **RS232: DB9 SERIAL CONNECTOR PINOUT**



Pin function and definition are bellow:

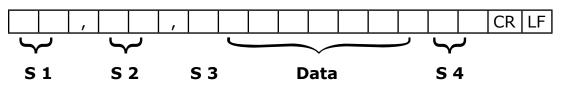
DB9 Pin	Definition	Function
2	ТХТ	Transmit Data
3	RXD	Receive Data
5	GND	Ground Interface

## **COMMUNICATION SETTINGS**

### Format 1 [CP - 1]

Workable with a PC

RS232COM serial interface can receive simple ASCII command. RS232 parameter:9600Bit/S Baud rate,8 digits,no check point,1 stop.



- S1: weight status, ST=standstill, US=not standstill, OL=overload
- S2: weight mode, GS=gross mode, NT=net mode
- S3: weight of positive and negative, "+" or "-"
- S4: "kg" or "lb"
- Data: weight value, including decimal point
- CR: carriage return
- LF: line feed

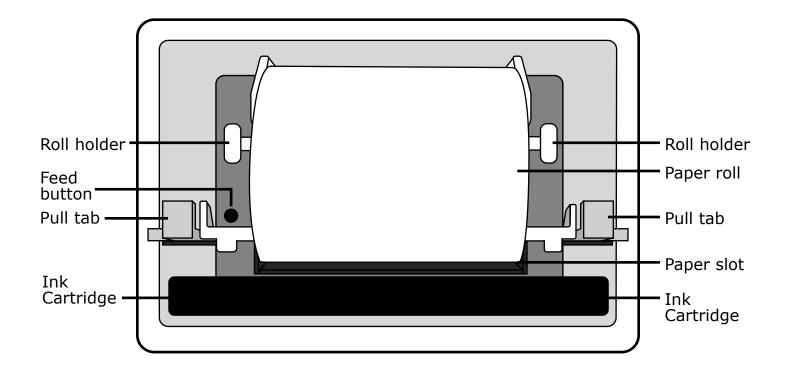
### Format 2 [CP - 2]

Workable with second display from Yaohua, Baud rate 600.

### Format 3 [CP - 3]

Workable with second display from Toledo, Baud rate 1200.

### PRINTER



#### To Remove lid:

Remove lid by pressing on the lower corner tabs and squeezing while pulling outwards

#### To Replace Ink:

Remove lid, then squeeze and pull forward on the pull tabs to pull printer forward from indicator. Next hold ink cartridge on both sides and pull straight down. To replace, feed paper through the new ink cartridge, then align the small holes located on the left side of the ink cartridge with the gears located under the left pull tab. Push cartridge upwards into place and push printer backwards into the indicator and replace lid.

#### **To Replace Paper:**

Remove lid, then squeeze and pull forward on the pull tabs to pull printer forward from indicator. Carefully remove ink cartridge. If the paper roll is not empty use the feed button to empty the roll. Once roll is empty squeeze both sides of the roll holder and pull forward. Remove old roll from the roll holder and replace with a new paper roll. Squeeze both sides of the roll holder and replace back into the printer. Feed paper into the paper slot while holding the feed button. Then feed paper into the ink cartridge. Push cartridge upwards into place and push printer backwards into the indicator and replace lid.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

#### **Error Codes**

Error	Reason	Solution
	1. Overload	1. Reduce the weight
	2. Wrong connection with load cell	2. Check load cell connection
	3. Load cell has quality problem	3. Inspect load cell; Check the input/output
		4. See Q&A section
	1. Calibration is no good	1. Make sure scale is level
	<ol> <li>Wrong connection with load cell</li> <li>Load cell has quality problem</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Check load cell connection</li> <li>Check load cell input and output resistance</li> </ol>
		4. See Q&A section
Err 1	During calibration, weight is not used or	Use correct weight within the defined range
	the weight is above the max. capacity	
	During calibration, the weight is below	The calibration weight minimum is 10% of
Errd	the minimum required weight	the max. capacity set in C04.
		Recommended to use 60%-80% of max. capacity if possible
	During calibration, the input signal is	1. Check all wire connections
Err3	negative	2. Check load cell
		3. Recalibrate
		4. PCB replacement needed if steps 1-3 fail
Erry	During calibration signal is unstable	After the platform is stable, start calibration
Errs	EEPROM Error	Change PCB
Еггб	Exceed Zero Range	See Q&A section
<u>Err 10</u>	Scale was not stable when Zeroed	Wait for the scale to stabilize before zeroing
Errll	Zero function can not be used in Tare mode	Go back to gross weighing, by pressing Tare then you can Zero
Err 12	Out of the zero range	Move the extra load
Err 15	Scale wasn't stable when Tared	Tare once the load is stable
Err 16	Tared without a load	Add your load, then tare
Err 17	Out of tare range	Decrease the tare weight
Err25	The record you are trying to check does not exist	Assure the record you are trying to check exists
Err30	Printing format wrong in accumulative weighing mode	Set Printing format to setting "2"
Err3 (	Working mode wrong in accumulative weighing mode	Set Working mode setting to either "2 or 4"
Err32	You are weighing over max. capacity	Reduce weight on the scale
	or you tried to print while the scale was unstable	Print after scale has stabilized
Err33	Display Error, Printing with the indicator in accumulative weighing mode	Print the total weight after accumulating the weight of axles
Err34	Printing error in normal Weighing mode	Wait for the load to be stable, then print
Err35	Printing format wrong in normal weighing mode	Set Printing format to Setting "1"

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