

Ink Jet Printer Series

EVOLUTION

High Resolution Large Character

EVOLUTION I is a High Resolution large character ink jet printer. It is the first in a series of printers that has been designed as a direct replacement for the contact style "roller coders" still being used in production.



A Complete System

EVOLUTION I is complete and ready to install right out of the box. The system includes the mounting bracketry, a hand held controller with tactile keypad for message entry and the printhead module with internal product sensor.

Inkjet Technology by Hewlett Packard

Designed by Digital Design, the **EVOLUTION I** is powered with ink jet technology by Hewlett Packard. This combination gives you the benefits of an affordable, compact, and efficient design coupled with the reliability of printhead technology by Hewlett Packard.

Optimum Print Resolution

EVOLUTION I delivers bold, highly legible and fully formed characters in a print resolution of 300 dpi at productions line speed of up to 200 feet per minute.

Variable Character Heights

Print a one line message in 1/2" characters or two lines of text with the 7/32" high characters. Selecting the character size is accomplished through the Font Key on the hand held controller.

Ink Supply

Built into the printhead is a 42 cc ink reservoir. Once the ink in the cartridge is depleted, it can be taken out, disposed of and a new ink cartridge inserted in just minutes.



Breakaway Printhead Protection

We know that on a typical powered conveyor or case taper corrugated cartons can sometimes come through skewed or off center. The horizontal adjusting rod that holds the printhead module has been designed with a breakaway feature that moves the printhead out of harms way should the carton come in contact with it. A detent in the assembly allows you to securely snap the printhead back into position after the misaligned carton has past.

Add-On Printheads

Need more that one line of 1/2" text on your carton? With **EVOLUTION I** you can simply add another printhead. Each printhead module is manufactured with a dovetail slot on one side and a dovetail slide on the other. Simply attach up to three additional printheads on a single bracket by inserting the slide on one into the slot on the other. A small RS 485 data cable is then used to con-



nect the modules. This allows the hand held controller to network all of the printheads on the production line.

Customized

EVOLUTION I is supplied with a built in font style. Optional alternative fonts are available and can be downloaded into the printhead modules through Smart Card media.

Logos are another option, and up to 2 can be downloaded into the message via the Smart Card.

The optional External Programmer is required to perform the download operations.

Networking Capabilities

The hand held controller has the capability of controlling up to 32 individual printhead modules through the use of a RS 485 data cable. A small data cable is used to connect the modules on the same production line while a longer cable connects them to the next production line in the manufacturing area. The printhead modules have a discreet address which is used to identify them for message entry functions.

Complete PC control of the **EVOLUTION I** network through our GenLink software is available as an option.



EVOLUTION IHand Held Controller



Printhead Module with Bracketry



Technical Specifications

Complete Standard System Includes

Controller with 4 line x 16 character LCD and tactile keypad for message entry. High resolution printhead module with complete mounting bracket and internal product sensor for side coding applications.

Standard Operating Features

Alpha/Numeric character set plus special characters Ability to control up to 32 printheads via RS 485 Bracketry capable of mounting up to 4 printheads Character Heights: 1/2" (12.7mm) and 7/32" (5.5mm) Message Length: 24 characters of 1/2" height

48 characters of 7/32" height (24 per line)

Print Resolution: 300dpi at 200 feet (61m) per minute

Programmable line speed Programmable print direction Programmable print delay Inter-character spacing Inverted printing

Multiple language prompts: English and Spanish



Up to 200 feet (61m) per minute

Ink Supply

Cartridge volume: 42cc

Colors: Black, Blue, Red, Green, Yellow

Low ink monitoring

Power Required

115-230 VAC, 50-60Hz

Environmental

50F - 104F (10C - 40C) Up to 80% RH non-condensing

Physical Dimensions

Controller: 4.125" wide x 8.750" long x 1.500" deep Printhead module: 2" wide x 4" deep x 3" high









Ink Cartridge and Printhead Module

Hardware Options

Add-on High Resolution printhead modules

Top coding bracketry

Floor stand

External product sensor

External encoder

External programmer to download logos, upgraded soft-

ware and fonts

Software Options

Alternative fonts: Downloadable via custom programmed

Data Flash Card

Logos: Ability to load up to 2 logos into the message

Downloadable via Data Flash Card

GenLink style software for PC control of network

Special Software Package

Includes

Message Storage: Up to 50 messages system wide

Automatic message repeat Password protection

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