# M180 Series

# **Miniature Needle Print Mechanisms**

# **Features**

- 24,30,36,42 Column Mechanisms
- 6 Horizontal Needles
- Fast Printing, 1.6-1 Lines/Second
- Fast Paper Feed Mode
- Dot Graphics Capability
- Uses Standard Paper
- Cassette Ribbon
- Compact Size, Low Profile
- Horizontal or Vertical Mounting
- 5Vdc Supply
- Wide Range of Interfaces
- Industry Standard Mechanisms
- High Reliability
- Low Cost

# Applications

- Industrial Control
- Cash Dispensers
- Vending Machines
- Gaming Machines
- Hand Held/Portable Terminals
- Automatic Test Equipment
- Alarm Monitoring
- Data Logging
- Ticket Issuing



# Introduction

The M180 series are Epson industry standard miniature printer mechanisms using impact dot matrix method. They are later versions of the popular 4 needle M150/M160/M164 range of mechanisms but have 6 needles. They operate 2 at a time to double the print speed. They also have a separate fast paper feed operation. The increased printing speed increases the power requirements.

Their increased speed makes them ideal for receipt or ticket issuing. Their compact lightweight design enables them to be used in hand held terminals. The low cost D193 interfaces enable them to be easily run from serial and parallel sources. The D193 accepts data while printing to maximize the mechanisms print speed. The D165 and D211 plastic assemblies utilise the mechanisms.

The mechanisms can be mounted vertically for panel mount applications. All versions are the same size with the same paper width hence as the number of columns increases the character width decreases.

# Operation

The mechanisms consist of 6 horizontal solenoids on a head which shuttles sideways so that each solenoid prints 1/6 the characters. A +5Vdc signal applied to the single motor activates the shuttle movement. As the head moves, timing signals from a tachometer fitted to the motor are generated. For each timing signal two of the solenoids can be fired causing needles to be propelled outward. The needle hits the inked ribbon onto the paper causing a dot to be printed.

The 6 needles in groups of 2 are fired in turn until the specified number of dots across the paper has been counted. The motor continues operating and a cam is triggered which causes the paper to advance 1 dot line. The cassette ribbon is also advanced. Fast paper feeding can be achieved by activating a separate solenoid. This causes 3 dot lines to be advanced for each head movement. At the beginning of each dot line a reed switch closes to indicate the start of a dot line.

Typically 7 dot lines are used to print characters with a further 3 dot line spacing. As each dot is directly addressable full graphics can be printed.

13 wires must be soldered to the leaf connector to control the mechanism. The mechanisms are fixed via 2 slotted screw holes.



#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### Printing System: Impact Dot Matrix

Characters/Line	:	<b>M180</b> 24	<b>M181</b> 30	<b>M182</b> 36	<b>M183</b> 42
Dots per Line:		144	180	216	252
Print Speed:	1 Dot Line:	75 5 x 7	94	112	131mS
	1 Char Line ( 10 Dot Lines)		1.3	1.1	0.9Line/Sec
Paper Feed:	Normal: Fast:	Fed Au 3.7	itomatic 3.2	ally per l 2.7	Dot Line 2.3 Line/Sec
Dot Size:	Width: Height:	0.33 0.37		0.22 0.37	
Dot Line Pitch:		0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37mm
Character Size:	(5x7 Format) Width: Height:	1.7 2.6	1.4 2.6	1.2 2.6	1.1mm 2.6mm
Paper:	Type: Width: Thickness: Weight:	Standa 57.5mn 0.06 to 47 to 6	n 0.085 n	าฑ	
Inking:	Type: Operation: Life:	Cassette Automatically fed by motor 250,000 characters Approx			
Motor:	Voltage: Currents:		.7 -0.7V Average Peak)		
Print Solenoids:	Number: Voltage: Peak Current: Pulse Width: Duty Cycle:	ЗA	.7 -1.5V ng Pulse		0.2 to 0.6mS)
Timing Detector: Tachometer Connected to Motor					
Reset Detector:	Reed Switch.	Closes	at Hom	e Positic	n
Operating Temp: 0°C to 50°C					
Reliability:	Char Lines	700K	700K	600K	500K
Dimensions:	91(W) x 46.9(D) x 15.8(H)mm				
Weight:	95grams				
Connection:	PCB with 0.1" pitch pads fitted to mechanism				
<b>Power Supply:</b> (Maximum)	To Full Graphics	ext only		,	Average), 3.0A (Maximum)

Full Graphics: 3.3A (Average), 4.0A (Maximum)

#### **ORDER CODE**

- M180: 24 Column Mechanism, Cassette M181: 30 Column Mechanism, Cassette M182: 36 Column Mechanism, Cassette
- M183: 42 Column Mechanism, Cassette

#### ACCESSORIES

Cassette Ribbon:	Stock No:	553-160	
Paper Roll:	Stock No:	552-057	
D193:	Serial and Parallel Interface, 2KRam, Clock		
D167:	Power Supply		
D165:	Panel Mount Plastic Assembly		
D130:	Rewinds		
D175:	Paper Holder		



3U High Mounting Assembly CONNECTIONS PRINT HEAD PIN No 1 2 Reset Detector 3 4 5 Reset Detector

D211:

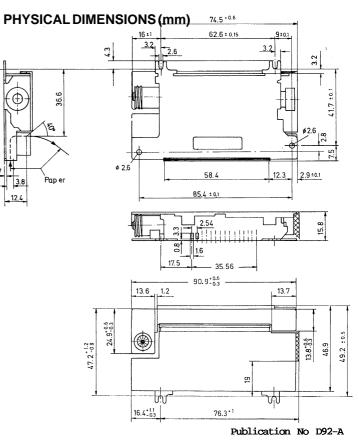
FUNCTION

Fast Feed

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Motor-

Motor- 5   Motor- 6   Print Solenoid B 7   Print Solenoid C 8   Print Solenoid D 9   Print Solenoid E 10   Print Solenoid F 11   Print Solenoid A 13   Timing Detector 14   Timing Detector 15	TERMINAL Nos 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15
PRINT SAMPLES M180	2K BUFFER IBM2 CHAR. SET
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M181	!"#\$%%'()*+,/0123456789;;<= >?@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZI \]^_'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
M182	!"#\$%%'()*+;/0123456789;;(=>?@ABC DEF6HIJKLMNOPQRSTUUUXYZ[\]^_'abcdefg hijklmnopqrstuvuxyz())~ Çüéðäààs@ēei
M183	2% Buffer 19M2 Char. Set
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