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Injury Precautions

Review the following safety precautions to avoid injury and prevent damage to this product or any products connected to it.

WARNING. *INVISIBLE LASER RADIATION. To eliminate hazardous laser radiation exposure, do not use controls or adjustments, or perform procedures other than those specified in this manual.*

Laser Radiation. The TFS3031 tests optical fibers by emitting short pulses of laser light. The interval between pulses is large compared to the pulsewidth. Although the pulsed power is in the milliwatt range, the average power is only in the microwatt range. The light is emitted through the Laser Output port on the right side-panel, and is invisible to the human eye.

The TFS3031 is classified as a CFR Class I and IEC Class 1 laser product under the Radiation Control and Health Safety Act of 1968, and complies with 21 CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11.

Even though the TFS3031 is categorized as a Class I, 1 laser product (the lowest classification), you should avoid exposing your eyes to its light:

- Do not look into the Laser Output port when the TFS3031 is turned on.
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Power Sources. The TFS3031 is designed to operate from an internal, rechargeable, 12 cell, 14.4 volt nickel-cadmium (NiCad) battery, or a power/charger adapter rated at 9 to 16 volts DC, 40 watts.

Battery. Do not expose the battery to fire or intense heat. Do not open or mutilate the battery. Avoid contact with released electrolyte which is corrosive and may damage eyes, skin, and clothing. Check with local codes for special disposal instructions. Only the entire battery is replaceable. Individual cells are not replaceable.

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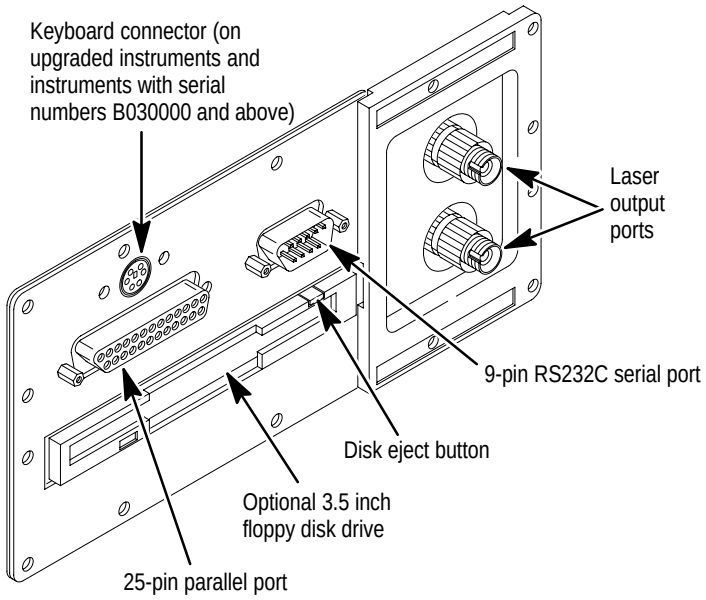
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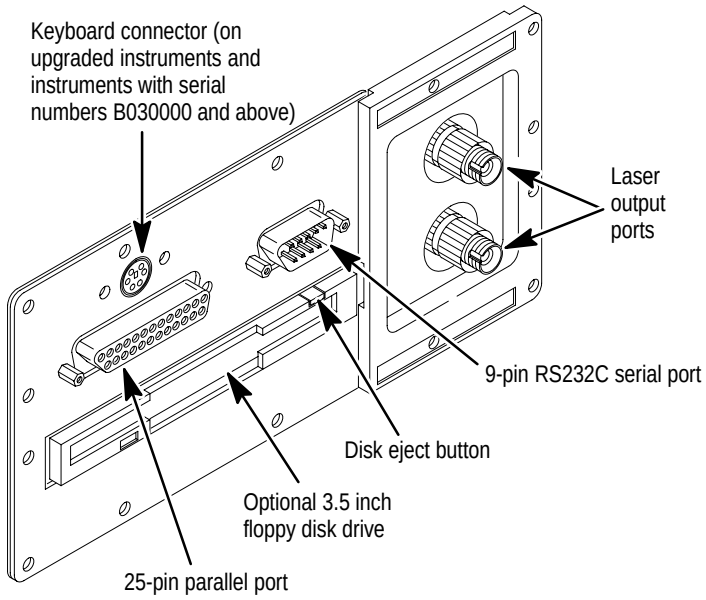
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Connector Adapter Installation and Removal

Connector adapters are keyed for proper mating with the laser output port.

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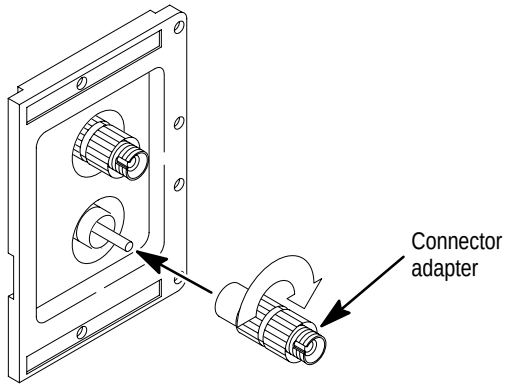


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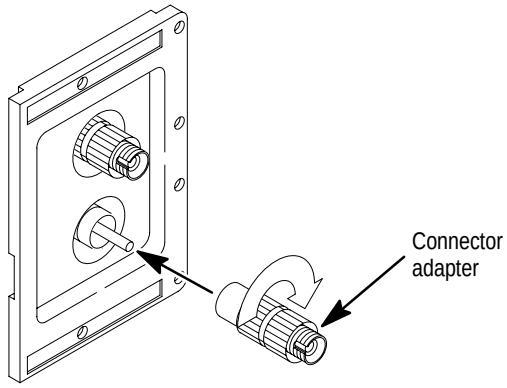


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A mini-DIN connector is available for an optional keyboard (on upgraded instruments, and instruments with serial numbers B030000 and above). Refer to section 5 for tables of keyboard sequences that duplicate front-panel controls and functions.

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Formatting a Floppy Disk

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To format a disk:

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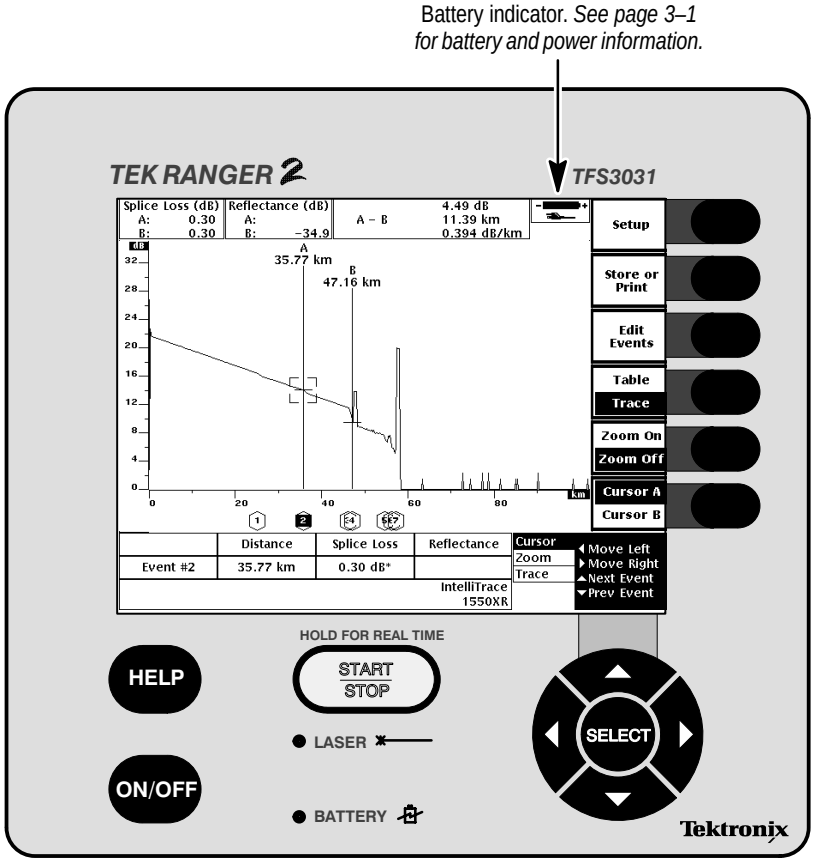
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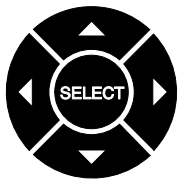
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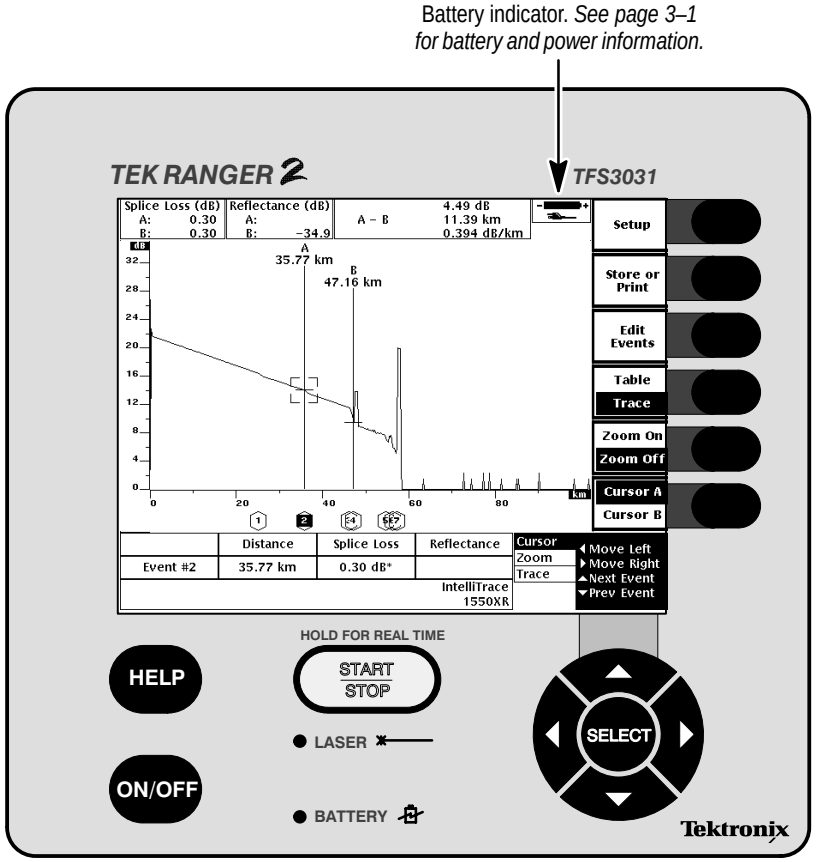


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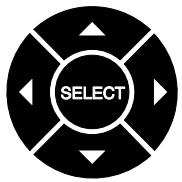


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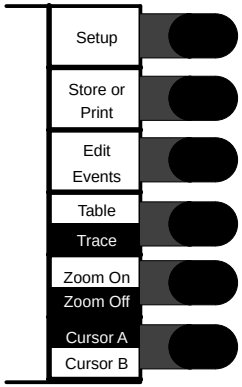
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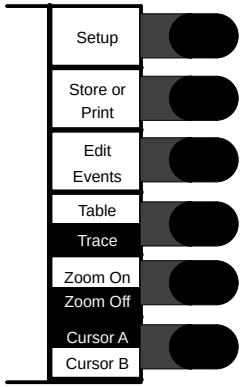
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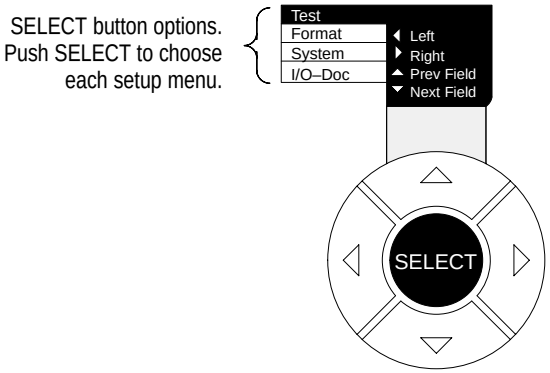


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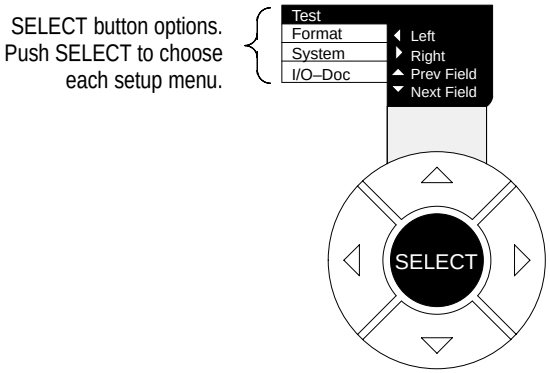


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Splice Threshold	SM:0.02 to 5.00 dB MM: 0.02 to 5.00 dB 0.01 dB steps	SM: 0.05 dB MM: 0.05 dB
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Scan For	All Events, Events Above Threshold	Events Above Threshold
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Table 1–2: Format Setup Menu

Setup	Parameters	Factory Default
Trace Display		
Event	Event measurement data at bottom screen On, Off	On
Cursor A–B	Cursor A to B measurement data at top screen On, Off	On
Splice Loss (at Cursor A and B)	Splice Loss data at top screen On, Off	Off
Reflectance (at Cursor A and B)	Reflectance data at top screen On, Off	Off
Table Display		
Distance	Columns 1 – 10, Off	Column 1
Loss	Columns 1 – 10, Off	Column 2
Reflectance	Columns 1 – 10, Off	Column 3
Slope	Columns 1 – 10, Off	Column 4
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Contrast Adjust	0 (light) to 255 (dark) in steps of 1	128
Sound	On, Off	On
Power Off Time	Off, 15 minutes to 8 hours in 15-minute steps	30 minutes
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Time	0:00:00 to 23:59:59	Current time
Date	1/1/1970 to 12/31/2069	Current date
Date Format	Month/Day/Year Day/Month/Year	Month/Day/Year
Language (Foreign Language Instruments)	English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Standard Chinese, PRC Chinese, Japanese, German, Italian, Finnish	English
Keyboard Translation	USA, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Finnish	USA
Setups at Power On		
Power-On Defaults	User Setup Last Used Factory	Last Used

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Table 1–4: I/O–Doc Setup Menu

Setup	Parameters	Factory Default
RS232C Serial Setup		
Baud Rate	1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400 bps	19200 bps
Flow Control	None XON/XOFF RTS/CTS DTR	None
Printer Setup		
Printer	Epson Seiko DPU411 HP DeskJet HP LaserJet HP ThinkJet PostScript	Seiko DPU411
External Port	Serial Parallel	Parallel
Print Content	Trace Table Trace and Table Setups Fiber Notes	Trace and Table
Company Name	Up to 24 characters	None
File Setup		
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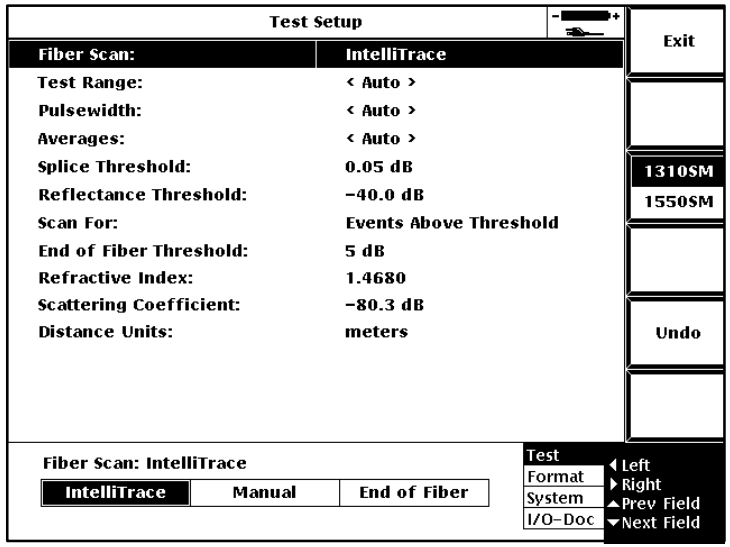


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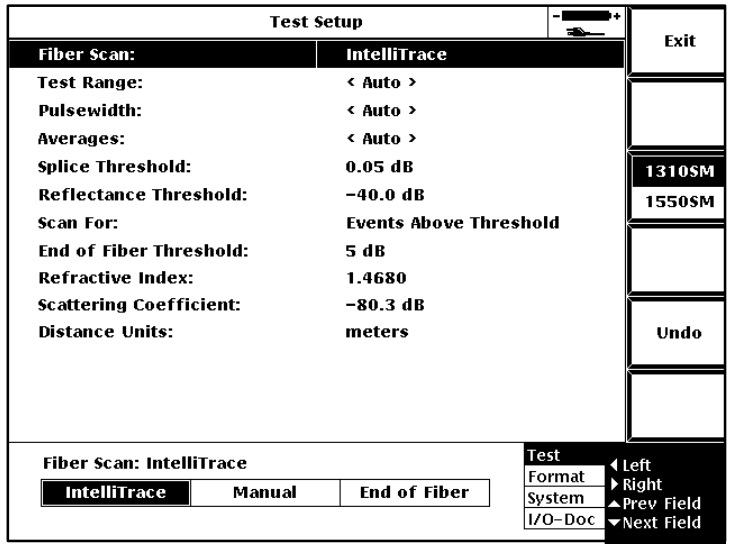


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- A *setup field* in mid screen that lists all the setups in a menu. The currently selected setup is highlighted.
- A *change bar* at bottom screen showing the currently selected setup parameter and options. An arrow that indicates more options may show on either end of the change bar.

***NOTE**. The setup screen last exited is the same one entered when you push the* Setup *softkey.*

Step 2. Push the SELECT button repeatedly to cycle through the setup menus (Test, Format, System, I/O–Doc). SELECT button options are displayed in the lower right corner of the screen.

Choose the *Test Setup* menu to continue with this example.

Step 3. To cycle through the Test setups, push the ▽ or △ arrow key repeatedly (or hold the key down).

Notice how the setups cycle in the setup field and change bar.

Choose the *Fiber Scan* setup to continue. Fiber Scan sets the test mode of the instrument.

***NOTE**. In the Test Setup menu, setups enclosed in angle brackets (< >) are adjusted automatically during the test by the TFS3031 in order to achieve the best results. These setups are not user selectable.*

Step 4. To cycle through the Fiber Scan parameters, push the ▷ or ◁ arrow key.

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Choose the *Fiber Scan: IntelliTrace* parameter to continue. IntelliTrace is the most commonly used test mode, and is used throughout this manual for the various exercises.

Step 5. Continue to use the arrow keys as described in steps 3 and 4 to change other setups in the Test Setup menu as needed for your application.

***NOTE**. If two Laser Output ports are installed in the instrument, make sure that the proper port is selected in the* Test Port *setup.*

If you make a mistake in any menu, use the arrow keys to reselect and correct your mistake, or push the Undo *softkey before going to the next setup.*

Step 6. Push the SELECT button to choose the other setup menus (Format, System, and I/O–Doc).

Use the arrow keys as described in steps 3 and 4 to change setups in these menus as needed for your application.

Step 7. When you are through changing setups:

Push the START/STOP button to immediately begin a test using your new setups (or first push the Exit softkey, then the START/STOP button).

–or–

Before exiting setups, save your new setups as the next power-on defaults:

1. Push the SELECT button to choose the *System* menu.
2. Push the ▽ arrow key to choose *Power-On Defaults*.
3. Push the ◁ arrow key to select *Last Used*.

See page 1–40 for information about other default options. *Only setups established as defaults continue in effect after power off, and battery discharge or removal.*

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        push SELECT button (choose *Test* menu)
          push Exit softkey

(2) To change a setup and establish it as the default:

push Setup softkey
  push SELECT button (choose *Test* menu)
    push ▽ key (choose *Splice Threshold* setup)
      push ▷ key (choose *0.50 dB* parameter)
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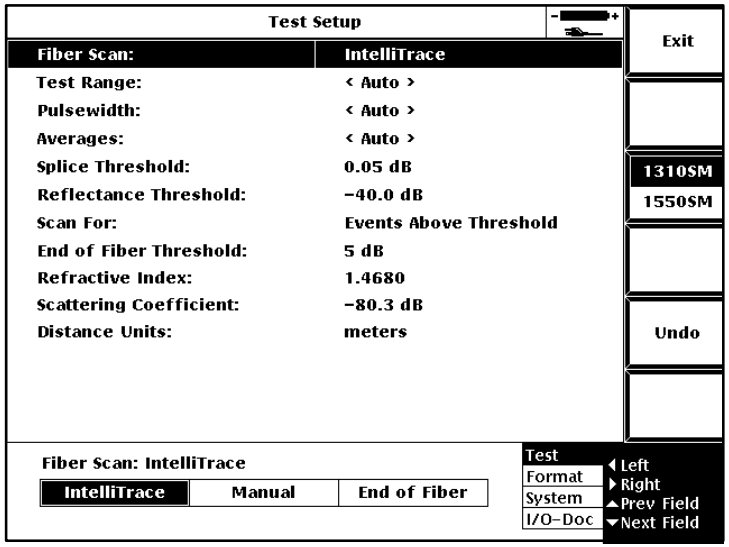


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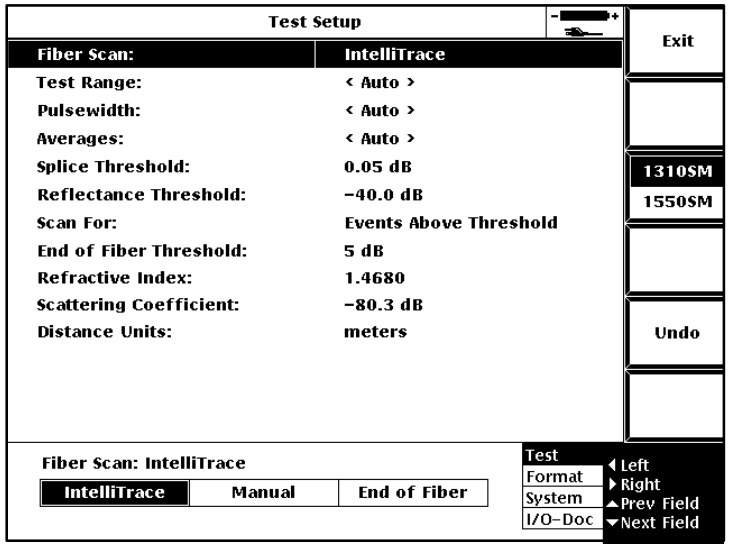


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- **IntelliTrace**. IntelliTrace mode automatically locates and measures all events on a fiber. It is the easiest and most commonly used test mode, and is the factory default.

  IntelliTrace is a single-button test that automatically adjusts the test setups to provide the best possible resolution for measuring close-in events, while maintaining the necessary dynamic range for measuring distant events. The result is a more accurate waveform, and an event table that contains more accurate measurements.

  IntelliTrace mode automatically adjusts the Test Range, Pulsewidth, and Averages parameters during the test. All other parameters are user settable.

- **Manual**. Use Manual mode when testing with specific Test Range, Pulsewidth, and Averages parameters, and when doing real-time and high-density testing.

  The Splice Threshold, Reflectance Threshold, Scan For, and End of Fiber Threshold setups are disabled. All other parameters are user settable.

- **End of Fiber**. End of Fiber mode quickly locates the end of the fiber, and measures total length, slope, and loss. It does not locate or measure other events.

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Test Range depends upon laser wavelength selected. When switching between laser wavelengths (on dual-wavelength instruments), the Test Range parameter automatically changes to accommodate the laser currently selected.

Test Range and Pulsewidth setups are interdependent. Pulsewidth parameters are displayed with the Test Range parameters. If you change the test range, and the current pulsewidth is incompatible, the closest compatible pulsewidth is automatically selected.

Test Range selections depend on the wavelength. Factory default depends on the Fiber Scan setup and the wavelength selected.

Factory default is Auto in IntelliTrace and End of Fiber modes. In Manual mode, factory default is 4 km for 850 nm multimode, 8 km for 1300 nm multimode, and 20 km for all other wavelengths.

Pulsewidth

Pulsewidth specifies the length of time the laser is on during each sampling acquisition, measured in distance units. A sampling acquisition is the acquisition of one complete set of data points on a waveform.

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Averages

Averages specifies the number of averages required by a test based upon the currently selected pulsewidth and test range.

Increase averages to reduce noise and increase range. An estimate of the time necessary to take the selected number of averages is displayed on the screen.

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Splice Threshold specifies the threshold level (in dB) used in marking splices. Splice events that have a loss equal to or greater than the threshold are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Selections are 0.02 to 5.00 dB for both singlemode and multimode, in 0.01 dB steps. Factory defaults are 0.05 dB for both singlemode and multimode.

When the Scan For setup is set to Events Above Threshold, lowering the splice threshold can cause new events to be marked, and increasing the threshold can cause events to be deleted.

Splice Threshold is user settable in IntelliTrace mode, and is disabled in Manual and End of Fiber modes.

Reflectance Threshold

Reflectance Threshold specifies the threshold level (in dB) for marking reflective events. Reflections equal to or greater than threshold are indicated with an asterisk (*).

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Scan For

Scan For specifies whether to display all events or only events equal to or greater than the user-set splice and reflectance threshold levels.

Only those events that are scanned for are displayed on the screen. An asterisk (*) marks the splice loss or reflectance measurements that are equal to or greater than the threshold.

Selections are All Events or Events Above Threshold. Factory default is Events Above Threshold.

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End of Fiber Threshold

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Refractive index varies from fiber to fiber and is an important setup for achieving accurate test results. A change in the refractive index affects the distance scale on the screen and fiber measurements.

The refractive index is usually available from the fiber manufacturer.

Refer to Table 1–1 on page 1–11 for factory default settings.

Refractive Index is user settable in all modes.

If the refractive index of a fiber is unknown, you can calibrate the index using a known length of fiber, or a fiber containing a segment of known length, as follows:

1. Test the fiber and display the waveform.
2. Position Cursor A on the first point on the leading edge of the event at the start of the fiber segment. Position Cursor B on the leading edge of the event at the end of the segment.

   For precise cursor positioning, zoom the waveform (see page 2–15 for instructions on moving the cursors and page 2–19 for information about zooming).
3. Access the *Refractive Index* setup in the *Test* menu.
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NOTE. *The scattering coefficient applies only to reflectance measurements and has no effect on any other types of measurements. When comparing a reflectance measurement to any previous reflectance measurements made on the same event, be sure to use the same scattering coefficient that was used for the previous measurement.*

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If you do not know the scattering coefficient of a particular fiber, but the fiber includes a reflection with a known reflectance, adjust the scattering coefficient until the reflectance value for the event is correct.

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Distance Units

Distance Units specifies measurements to be displayed on the screen in meters, feet, or miles. Factory default is meters.

Distance is displayed on the horizontal scale under the waveform, numerically at the top of each cursor, and in the event table columns.

Distance Units is user settable in all modes.

Test Port

Test Port specifies which Laser Output port option to use if two ports (upper and lower) are installed.

Selections are Lower or Upper port. Factory default is Lower port.

Test Port is user settable in all modes.

This setup is not displayed if your instrument contains only one port.

Setups

Distance Units

Distance Units specifies measurements to be displayed on the screen in meters, feet, or miles. Factory default is meters.

Distance is displayed on the horizontal scale under the waveform, numerically at the top of each cursor, and in the event table columns.

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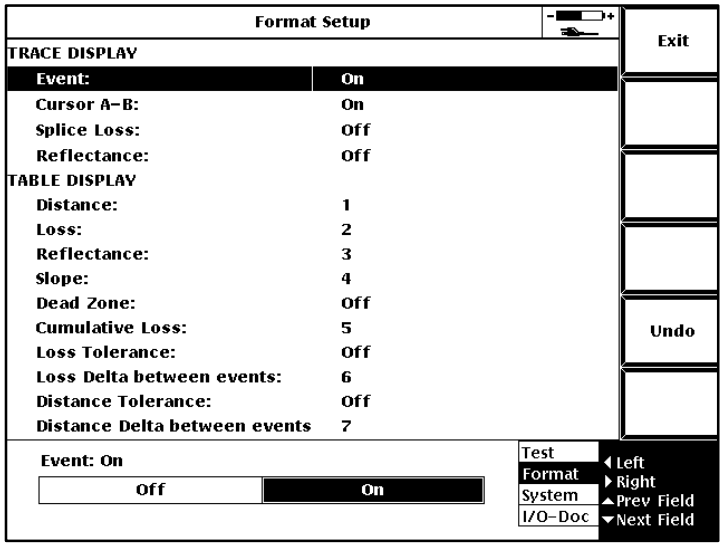


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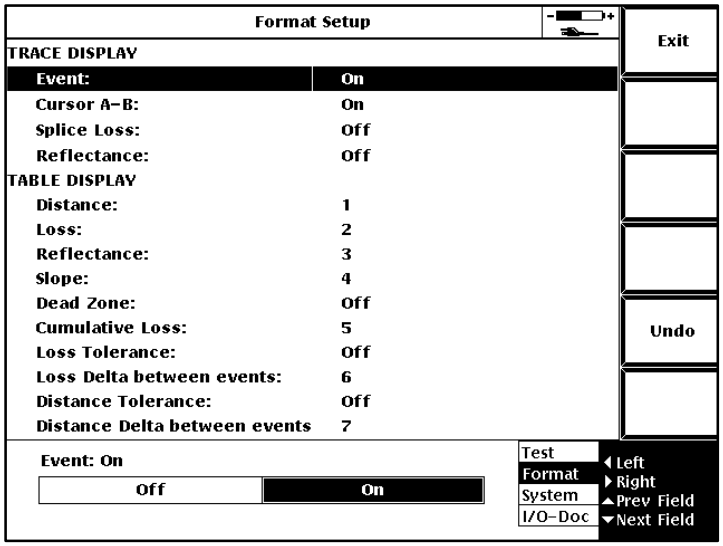


Figure 1–5: Format Setup Menu Screen.

TRACE DISPLAY Setups

Trace display setups turn on and off data included on the waveform screen.

Event

In the waveform display, Event turns display of measurement data for the event closest to the currently active cursor on and off. Event data is displayed at bottom screen.

Selections are On or Off. Factory default is On.

Cursor A–B

In the waveform display, Cursor A–B turns display of the difference in measurement data between the cursors on and off. Measurement data includes loss in dB, distance, and loss/distance. Cursor A–B data is displayed at top screen.

Selections are On or Off. Factory default is On.

Splice Loss

In the waveform display, Splice Loss turns display of the splice loss measurement at each cursor on and off. Moving a cursor causes the TFS3031 to recalculate the splice loss at the new cursor location. Cursor A and B splice loss data is displayed at top screen.

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Reflectance

In the waveform display, Reflectance turns display of the reflectance measurement at each cursor on and off. Moving a cursor causes the TFS3031 to recalculate the reflectance at the new cursor location (if a reflection exists). Cursor A and B reflectance data is displayed at top screen.

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TABLE DISPLAY Setups

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Measurements that are turned off will not appear in the table or printouts. However, they are saved when saving a file in storage so that they can be accessed when the file is loaded back onto the screen.

Distance

Distance is the distance to each event from the TFS3031 front panel.

In the event table display, Distance specifies the position of the Distance data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Distance column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is column 1.

Loss

Loss is the loss of optical power due to scattering, absorption, and bending.

In the event table display, Loss specifies the position of the Loss data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Loss column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is column 2.

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Reflectance

Reflectance is the ratio of reflected optical power to incident optical power for reflective events.

In the event table display, Reflectance specifies the position of the Reflectance data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Reflectance column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is column 3.

Slope

Slope is attenuation of the fiber between an event and the preceding event.

In the event table display, Slope specifies the position of the Slope data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Slope column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is column 4.

Dead Zone

Dead zone is the distance from the beginning of an event to the point at which backscatter is detected, and subsequent events can be accurately detected and measured.

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Cumulative Loss

Cumulative loss is the total loss from the TFS3031 front panel to each event.

In the event table display, Cumulative Loss specifies the position of the Cumulative Loss data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Cumulative Loss column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is column 5.

Loss Tolerance

Loss tolerance is the repeatability of the splice loss at each event.

In the event table display, Loss Tolerance specifies the position of the Loss Tolerance data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Loss Tolerance column off.

Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is off.

Loss Delta (Between Events)

Loss delta is the loss between an event and the preceding event.

In the event table display, Loss Delta specifies the position of the Loss Delta data column relative to the other columns in the table, or turns the Loss Delta column off. The data is for events marked by cursor A and cursor B.

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Distance Tolerance

Distance tolerance is the repeatability of the distance measurement at each event.

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Selections are columns 1 through 10; Off. Factory default is off.

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System Setup Menu

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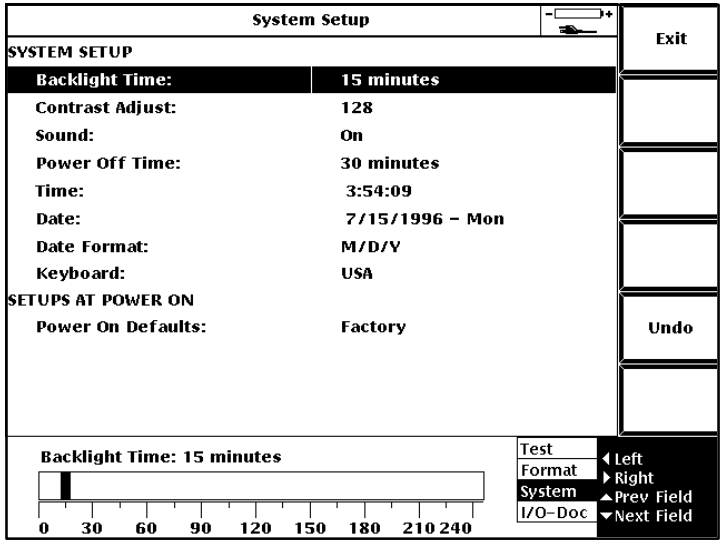


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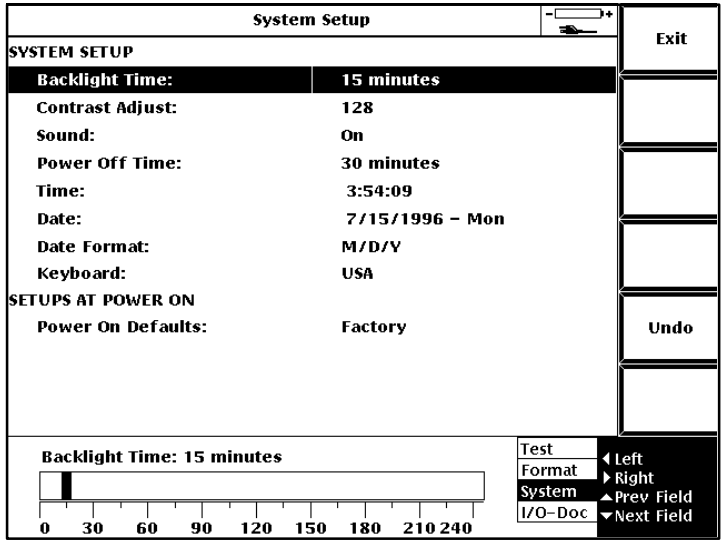


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SYSTEM SETUP

System setups set and adjust screen contrast, and system date and time features, and instrument language features.

Backlight Time

Backlight Time specifies the amount of time before the backlight blanks to save battery power when button and softkey activity is suspended. The backlight will not blank when the power/charger adapter is plugged in, or when a test is in progress.

Selections are backlight Off, 5 minutes to 4 hours in 5 minute steps, and backlight Always On. Factory default is 15 minutes.

Push any button or softkey to reactivate the backlight after blanking.

Contrast Adjust

Contrast Adjust adjusts the contrast level of the screen for optimum viewing. Selections are 0 (light) to 255 (dark) in steps of 1. Factory default is 128 (average contrast). The TFS3031 always powers up with the same constrast setting that was last used.

To adjust screen contrast, push the ◁ arrow key to decrease contrast, or the ▷ arrow key to increase contrast. Contrast can also be adjusted at initial power on after pushing the ON/OFF button, and before pushing any other buttons or keys.

Sound

Sound provides an audible beep when a test is complete, and when you push an inactive button or softkey.

Selections are On or Off. Factory default is On.

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Power Off Time

Power Off Time specifies the amount of time before the TFS3031 powers itself off automatically to save battery power in the event of suspended activity. *The instrument will not time-out when connected to external power, or when a test is in progress.*

Selections are Off (disabled) or 15 minutes to 8 hours in 15 minute steps. Factory default is 30 minutes.

To resume activity after power off, push the ON/OFF button to power the TFS3031 back on.

Time

Time sets the internal time clock to hours:minutes:seconds. Time is used to time-stamp stored, printed, and copied data.

Date

Date sets the internal date clock. The clock is formatted to either month/day/year or day/month/year (depending on Date Format setup). Date is used to date-stamp stored, printed, and copied data.

Date Format

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Factory default is month/day/year.

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Factory default is month/day/year.

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Language

Language establishes the display text language. In addition to English, the TFS3031 may contain any one of the following languages: Spanish, Portuguese, French, standard Chinese, PRC Chinese, German, Japanese, Italian, and Finnish.

Factory default is English.

This setup is displayed only on instruments that have the foreign language options.

When the Power On Defaults parameter is set to Factory, the instrument powers up in the language last used.

Keyboard Translation

Keyboard Translation sets the language used by the keyboard. The selections are USA, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, and Finnish. This parameter allows you to set the TFS3031 to recognize a localized keyboard for any of these languages.

If you do not use a localized keyboard when a foreign language is selected for the keyboard translation, the keyboard produces the foreign-language characters regardless of the keycap labels.

Factory default is USA.

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SETUPS AT POWER ON

Power-on setups determine the setups that will be in effect at the next and future power ons.

Power-On Defaults

Power-On Defaults establishes the setups that will be in effect in the future. Default setups remain in effect when the TFS3031 is powered off, and when the battery is discharged or removed.

To establish defaults, first select your setups. Then, before powering off the TFS3031:

1. Push the SELECT button to choose the *System* menu.
2. Push the ▽ arrow key to choose the *Power-On Defaults* setup.
   - To save the setups that are in effect when the TFS3031 is powered off as defaults at next power on, push the ◁ arrow key to select *Last Used*.
   - To permanently save your own ‘‘personal profile’’ set of setups for future recall (but not necessarily at next power on), push the ◁ arrow key to select *User Setup*. Then push the Save Latest User Setup softkey.

     Your personal profile setups are now saved permanently. In the future you can recall your personal profile setups by selecting *User Setup* before powering off the instrument, and they will be the default at next power on.
   - To revert to original factory setups as defaults at next power on, push the ◁ arrow key to select *Factory.*

***NOTE**. For instruments that contain foreign-language options: when the Power On Defaults are set to Factory, the TFS3031 powers up in the language and keyboard translation that were last selected. Note that these setups work the same way for both the Last Used and the Factory settings of the Power On defauts parameter.*

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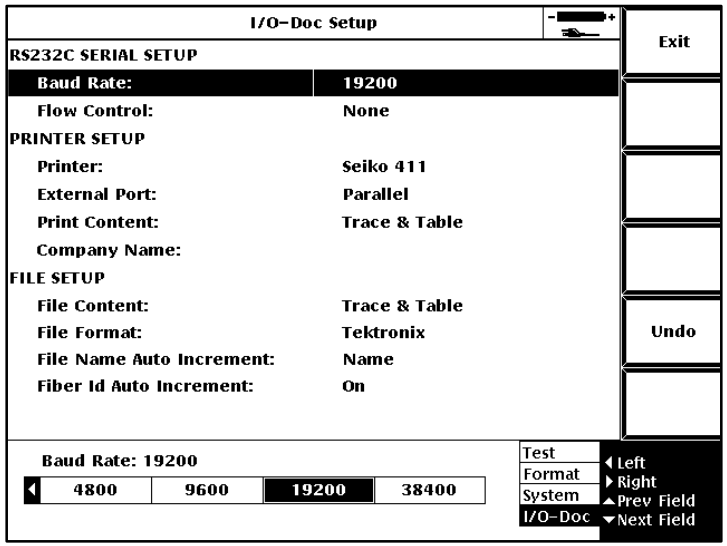


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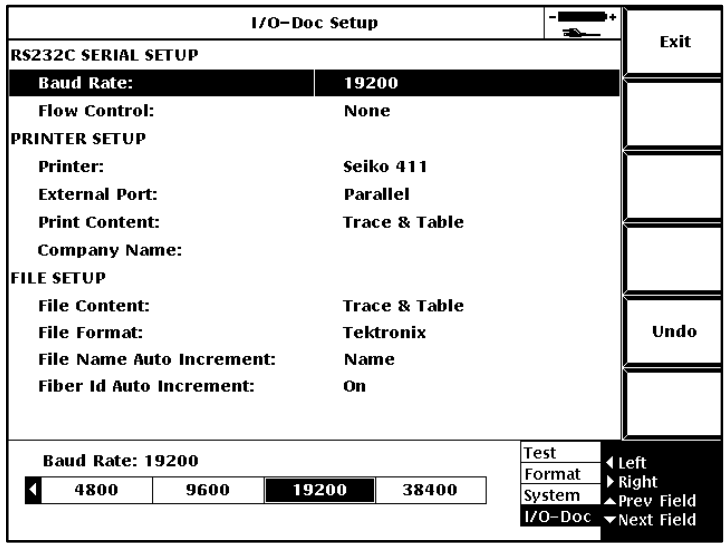


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RS232 SERIAL SETUP

Serial setups set the baud rate and flow control used when downloading files to a personal computer or printer.

Baud Rate

Baud Rate specifies the RS232C serial port data output rate when copying files to a personal computer or using an RS232 printer.

Selections are 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, or 38400 bps. Factory default is 19200 bps.

Flow Control

Flow Control specifies the RS232C serial port data flow control when copying files to a personal computer or using an RS232 printer. If connected to a computer, Flow Control *cannot* be set to XON/XOFF.

Selections are None, XON/XOFF, RTS/CTS, or DTR. Factory default is None.

PRINTER SETUP

Printer setups are setups that affect an external printer.

Printer

Printer specifies the type of external printer used to print files.

Selections are Seiko DPU411, Epson, HP DeskJet, HP LaserJet, HP ThinkJet, and PostScript. Factory default is Seiko DPU411.

Although printers can be connected to the serial port, we recommend using the parallel port. If using the serial port, see Table 5–4 on page 5–5 for information about serial cables and printer setups.

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External Port

External Port specifies the communications port (located on the side panel) that connects the TFS3031 to the printer or personal computer.

If connected to a computer, set External Port to *Serial.*

Selections are Serial or Parallel port. Factory default is Parallel port.

Print Content

Print Content specifies the type of test data to be printed. The selections are:

- **Trace**–prints waveform, instrument setups, fiber notes, and event notes.
- **Table**–prints event table, event notes, fiber notes, and instrument setups.
- **Trace and Table**–prints waveform, instrument setups, fiber notes, event table, and event notes.
- **Setups**–prints instrument setups only.
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Factory default is Trace and Table.

Company Name

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FILE SETUP

File setups determine the content, formatting, and incrementation of test files.

File Content

File Content determines the content of the file to be stored in memory. Selections are:

- **Trace**–saves waveform data, instrument setups, and fiber notes.
- **Table**–saves the event table, instrument setups, fiber notes, and event notes.
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- **Setups**–saves instrument setups and fiber notes.
- **Fiber Notes**–saves fiber notes only.

Factory default is Trace and Table.

File Format

File Format formats file output in either ASCII (Text) or Tektronix common file format.

Use Tektronix common file format:

- For storing waveforms.
- When files will be read by other Tektronix OTDRs.
- When using FMTAP, Tektronix' Microsoft Windows based trace analysis software package.
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FILE SETUP

File setups determine the content, formatting, and incrementation of test files.

File Content

File Content determines the content of the file to be stored in memory. Selections are:

- **Trace**–saves waveform data, instrument setups, and fiber notes.
- **Table**–saves the event table, instrument setups, fiber notes, and event notes.
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- **Setups**–saves instrument setups and fiber notes.
- **Fiber Notes**–saves fiber notes only.

Factory default is Trace and Table.

File Format

File Format formats file output in either ASCII (Text) or Tektronix common file format.

Use Tektronix common file format:

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Use Text format only when transferring waveform or event-table data to a spreadsheet.

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title;description

Title is a field up to 23 characters in length. **Description** is a field up to 55 characters in length. The title and description fields are separated by a semicolon. The fiber-notes file can contain up to 15 of these notes.

If you edit file notes in a Text-format file, be sure to edit only the lines of note text. Leave the rest of the file unchanged in order to ensure that it will reload properly on the TFS3031.

Factory default is Tektronix common file format.

File Name Auto Increment

File Name Auto Increment specifies how file names are automatically incremented when files are saved.

Selections are None (disabled), Name, Extension, or Both (name and extension). Factory default is Name.

Examples:

Name:	FILE0001.CFF increments to FILE0002.CFF
	FILE_A.CFF increments to FILE_B.CFF
Extension:	FILE.001 increments to FILE.002
	FILE.AAA increments to FILE.AAB
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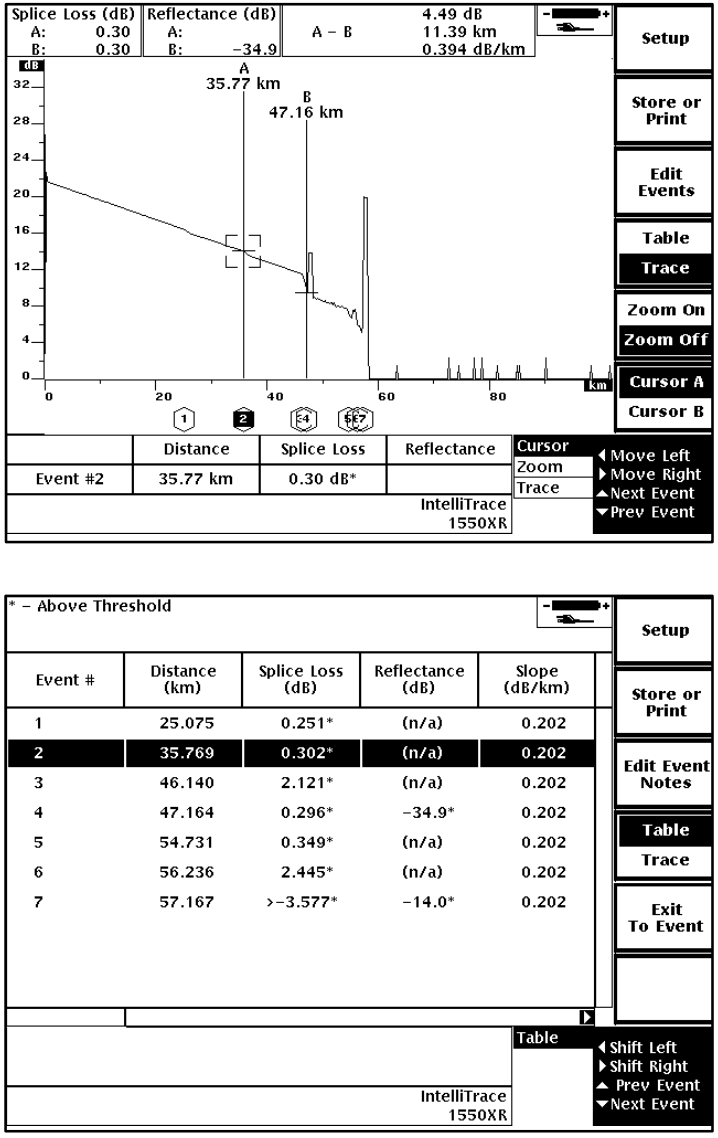


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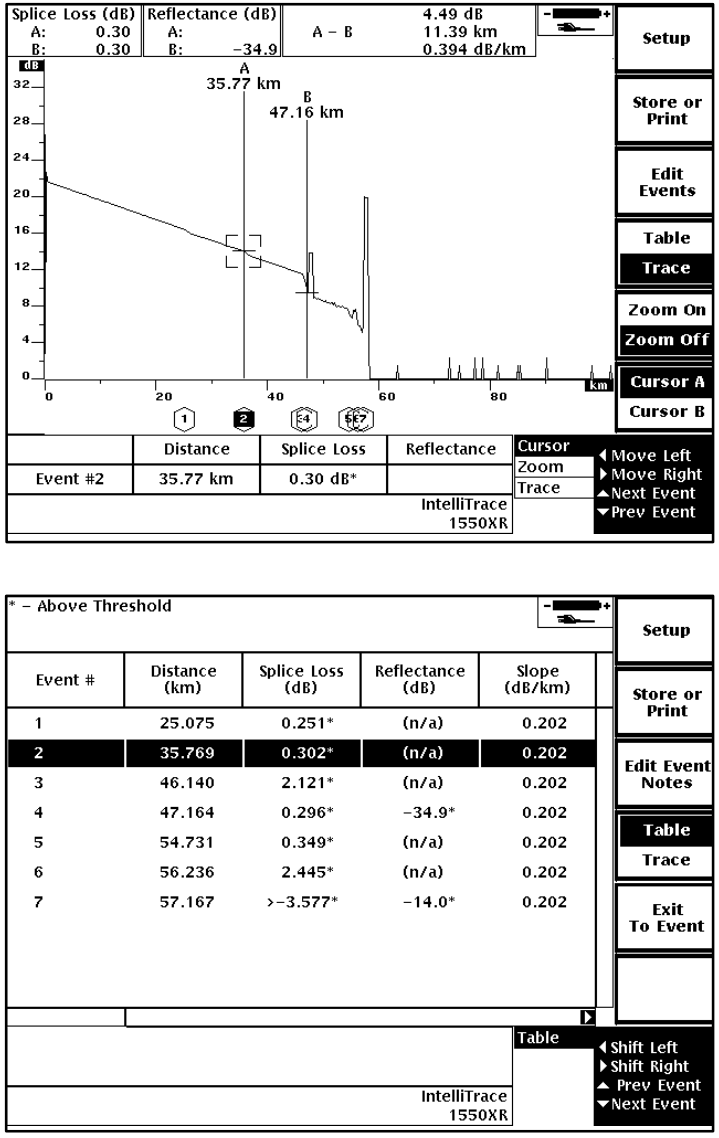


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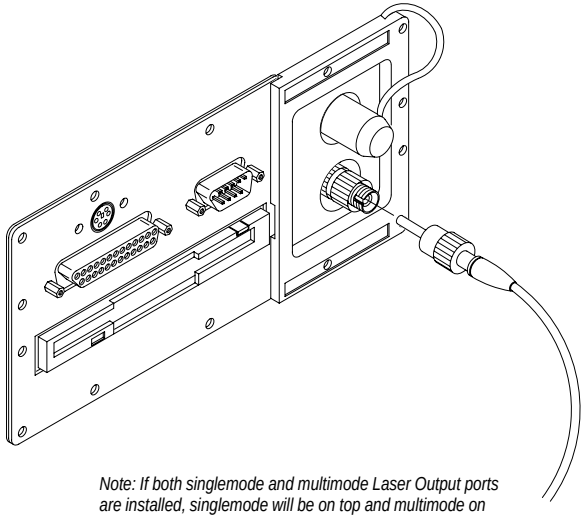
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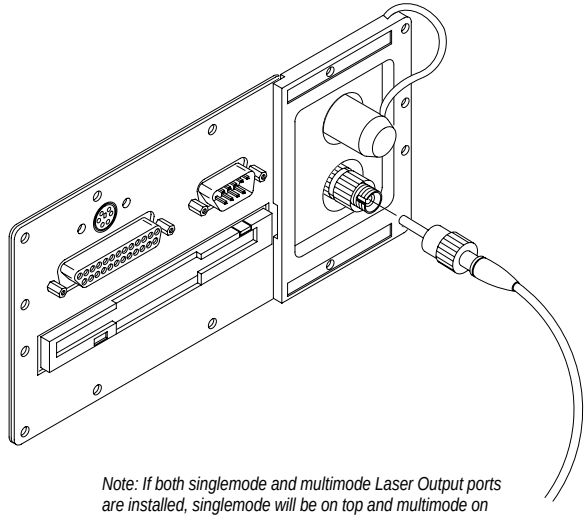
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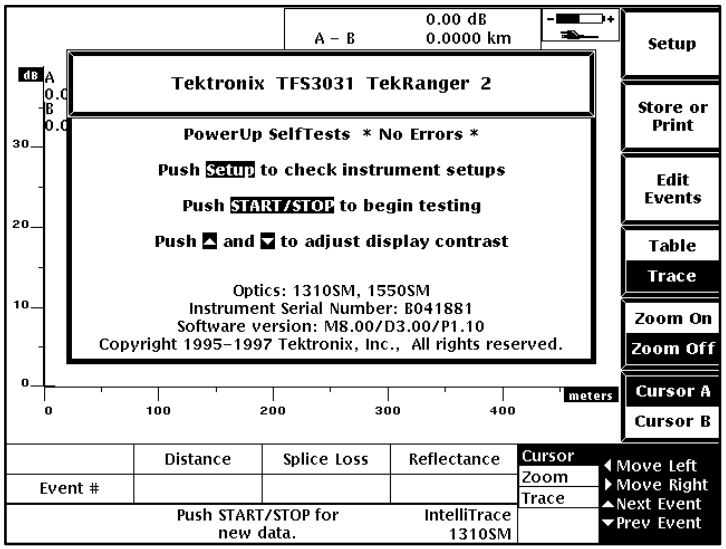
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Note that screen contrast can be adjusted now.



If the TFS3031 displays an error message during power on, see page 4–1 for cleaning and troubleshooting instructions.

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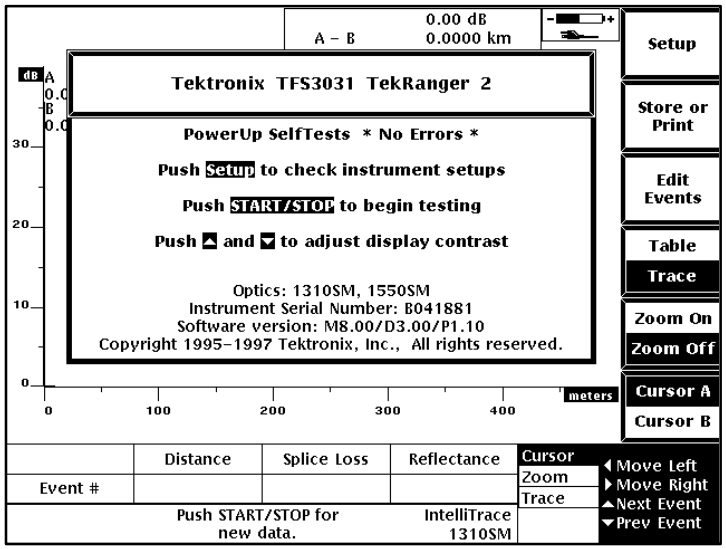
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Step 4. Push the START/STOP button to exit setups and begin testing the fiber.

Wait a moment. The flashing red LASER LED on the front panel indicates that the test is in progress. The screen also displays an elapsed time for the test.

To stop a test in progress anytime, push the START/STOP *button.*

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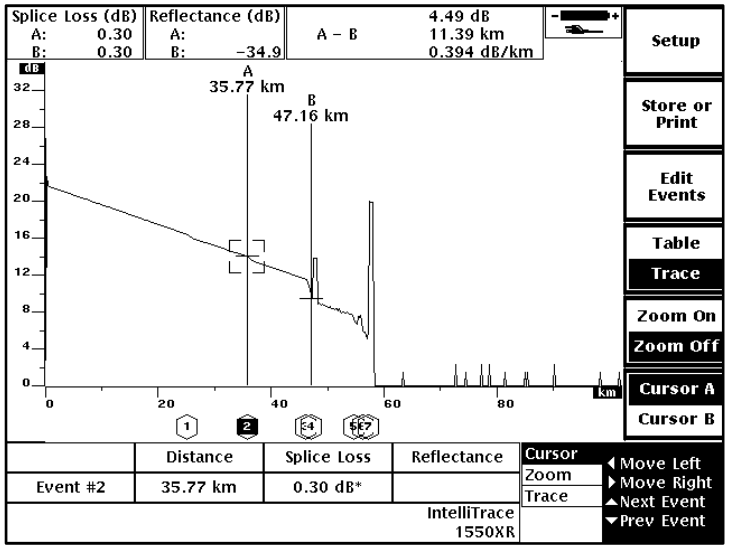


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The waveform screen displays an analog representation of the entire tested length of the fiber.

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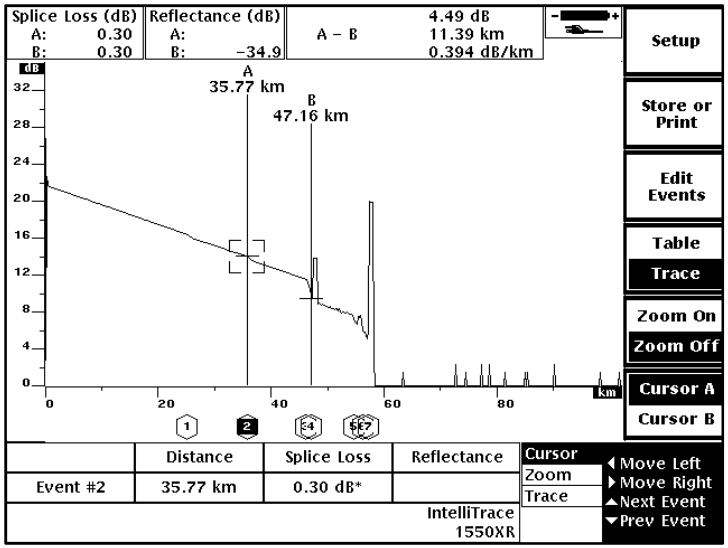


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- The Store or Print softkey accesses menus for storing, loading, copying, and deleting test files in internal memory and floppy disk; printing files on an external printer; and copying files to a personal computer.

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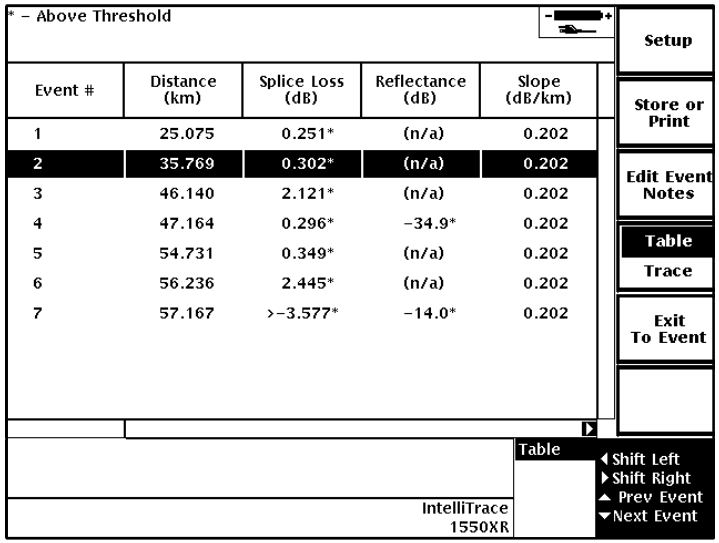


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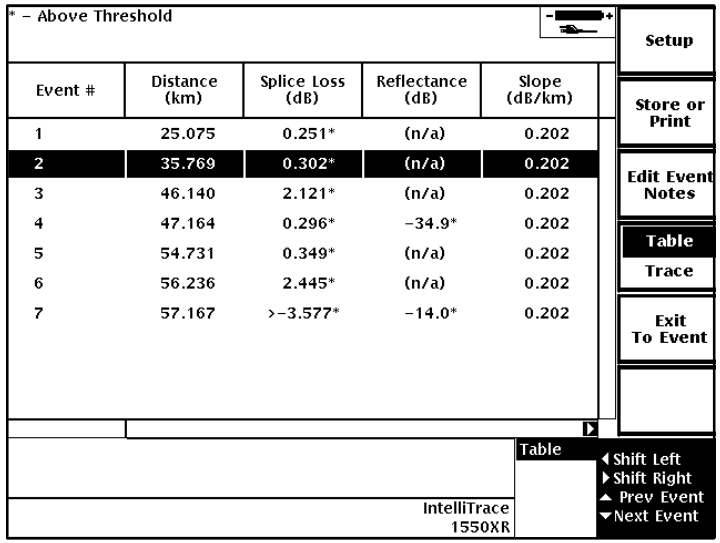


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- The only SELECT button option is Table, which enables use of the arrow keys to manipulate the event table.
- The Edit Event Notes softkey allows adding notational information to the currently selected event. Notes appear in the Event Notes box at the bottom of the screen.

  See page 2–26 for information about adding notes to events.
- The Table/Trace softkey toggles between the waveform and event table screens.
- The Exit To Event softkey moves the active cursor to the currently selected event and displays the waveform view of the event.
- The Event # column may include the following symbols:
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The order of the columns can be user-set or turned off in the Format Setup menu.

- The only SELECT button option is Table, which enables use of the arrow keys to manipulate the event table.
- The Edit Event Notes softkey allows adding notational information to the currently selected event. Notes appear in the Event Notes box at the bottom of the screen.

  See page 2–26 for information about adding notes to events.
- The Table/Trace softkey toggles between the waveform and event table screens.
- The Exit To Event softkey moves the active cursor to the currently selected event and displays the waveform view of the event.
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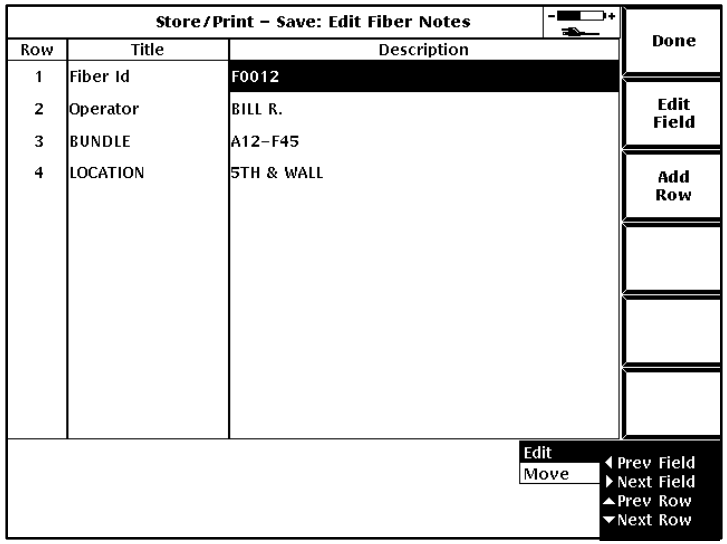


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Enter and edit fiber notes for the current acquisition by pressing the Store or Print softkey and selecting either the Save or the Print option.

View fiber notes for files on floppy disk or in internal memory on the Load, Delete, and Print screens.

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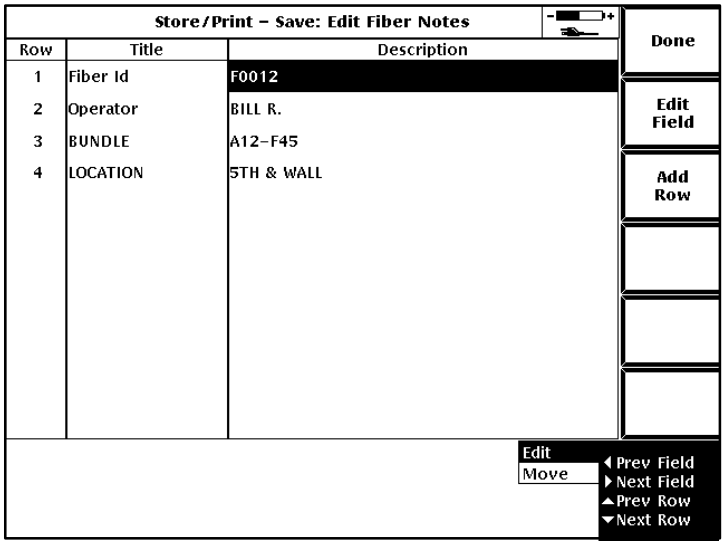


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When you load a fiber-notes file, waveform data for the current acquisition is not affected, but any existing fiber notes are overwritten.

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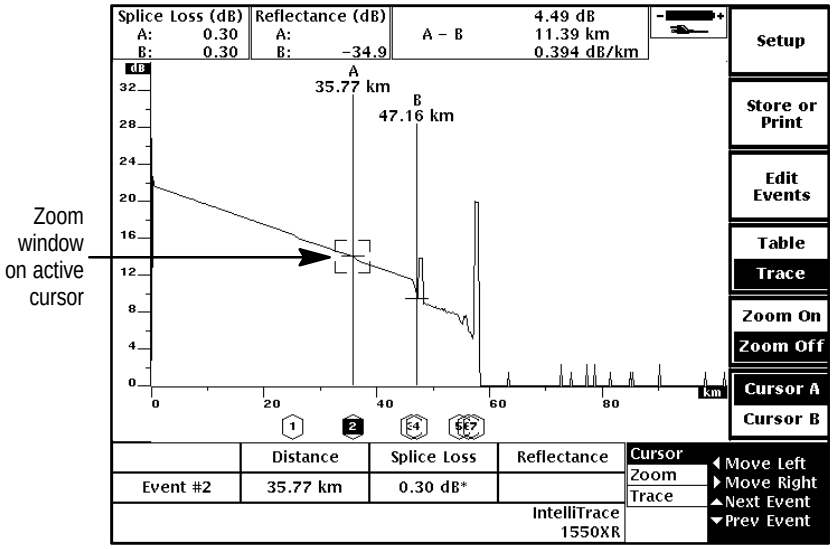


Figure 2–5: Cursors A and B. Cursor A is the Active Cursor.

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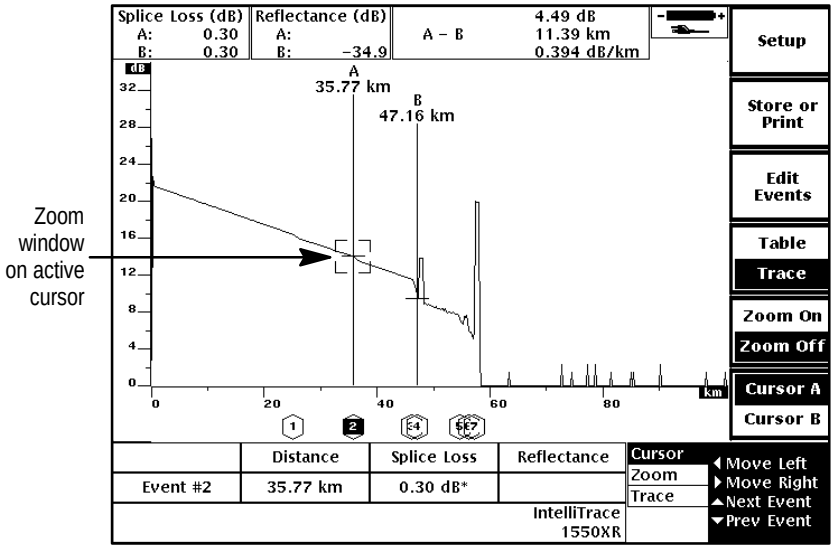


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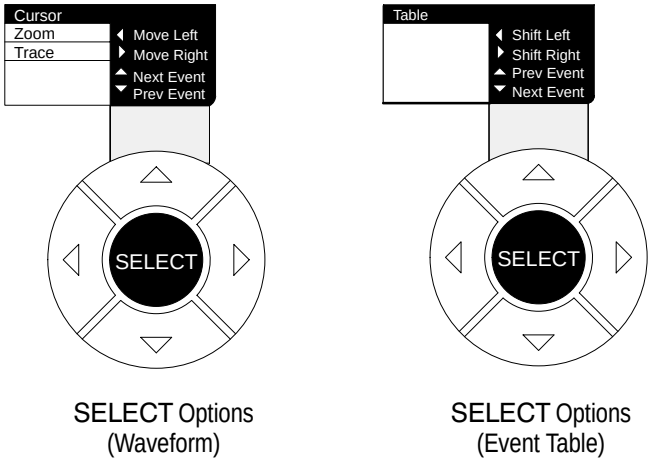


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- The ◁ arrow key scrolls the active cursor *left*.
- The ▷ arrow key scrolls the active cursor *right*.
- The △ arrow key jumps the active cursor *right* to the next event.
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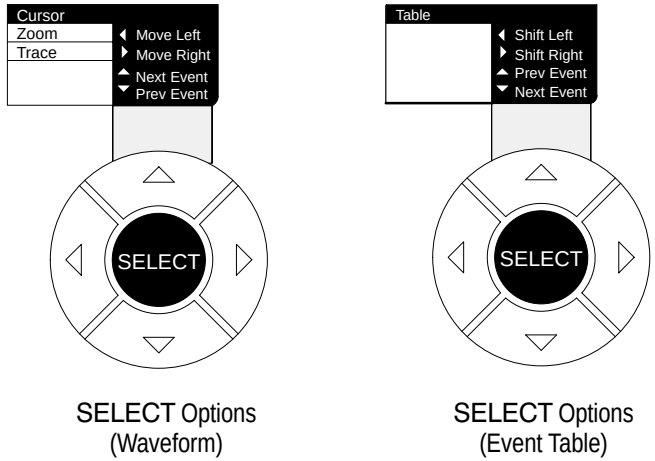


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Trace. The Trace option shifts the waveform on the screen for optimum viewing. When Trace is selected:

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Table. In the event table, the Table option allows selection of events, and shifts the viewing of columns of measurement data.

- The ◁ arrow key shifts the view of the event table *left* to display columns of data that are currently off the left side of the screen.
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Zoom the Waveform to Magnify an Event

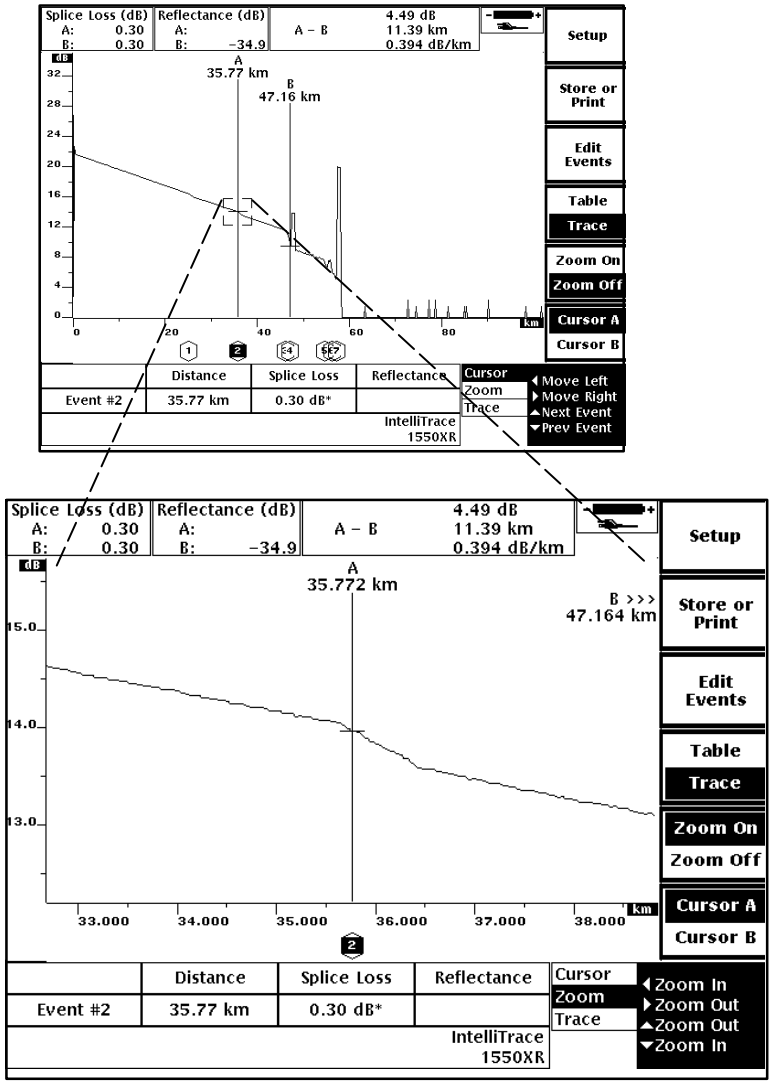


Figure 2–7: Typical Zoomed Waveform Screen. Event 2 is Zoomed.

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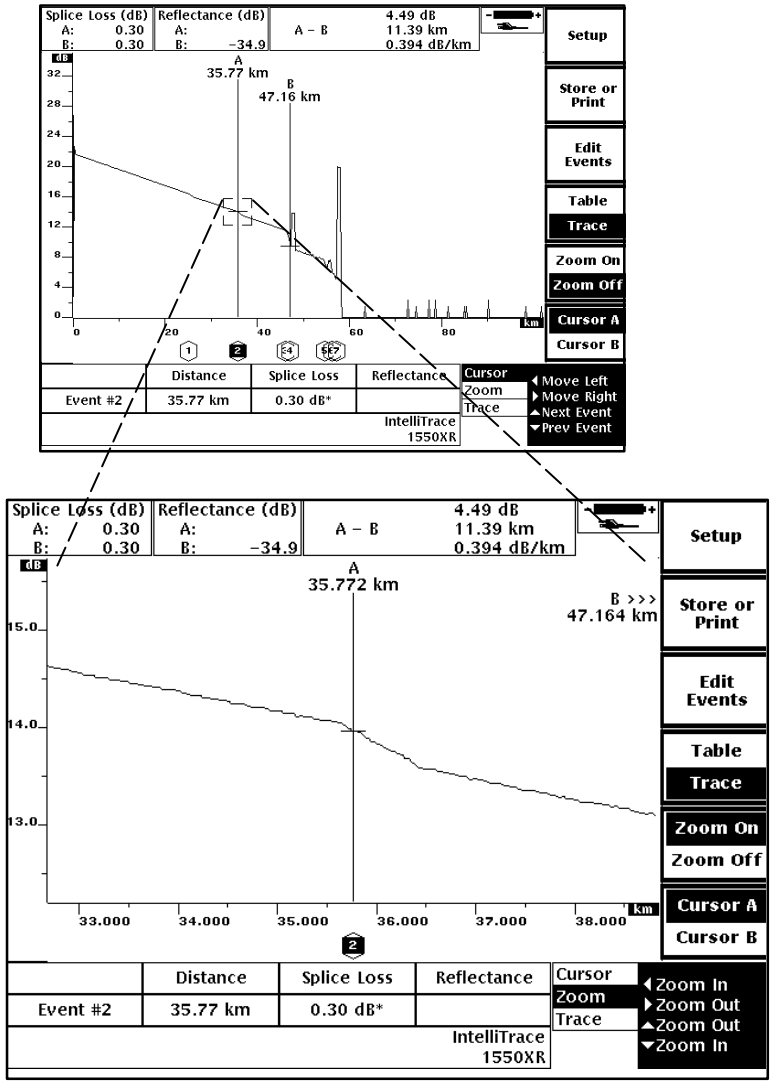


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Waveform zooming lets you see more detail in an event, enables optimum accuracy when positioning a cursor, is useful when testing in real-time mode, and is necessary for high-density testing.

The zoom window is a ‘‘box’’ that is always centered on the *active* cursor. The area within the zoom window expands to fill the entire screen when the Zoom On softkey is pushed.

Zoom Procedure

Step 1. On the waveform, position the active cursor on the *first point on the leading edge* of the event in question.

Step 2. Push the SELECT button to choose the *Zoom* option.

Step 3. Push the ▷ or ◁ arrow key to expand or contract the zoom window horizontally, and the △ or ▽ arrow key to expand or contract the zoom window vertically, to encompass the event in question.

Remember, the smaller the zoom window, the greater the detail when the waveform is zoomed. The arrow keys can also be used to expand and contract the screen after the event is zoomed.

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Real-Time Testing. Real-time testing is useful when adjusting fiber connections and making splices because it immediately displays the results of work being done. New data is acquired quickly and the waveform is continually updated. Changes appear quickly on the screen.

Real-time testing can be done on either the full or zoomed waveform. However, to see more detail and for faster updating of the display, zoom the waveform.



CAUTION. *In real-time mode the laser fires continuously. Do not operate the TFS3031 in real-time mode unless a fiber is connected to the Laser Output port. Severe damage to internal electronics can result.*

High-Density Testing. High-density testing tests a specific section of the fiber at higher density (the sample points are closer together).

Test Procedure

Step 1. Put the TFS3031 in Manual fiber test mode.

1. Push the Setup softkey.
2. Change the *Fiber Scan* setup in the *Test Setup* menu to *Manual*.

Step 2. Push the START/STOP button to complete a test and display the waveform.

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Step 5. Size the zoom window to encompass the event or area in question. The smaller the zoom window the faster the screen updates after zooming.

If necessary, refer to page 2–19 for information about sizing the zoom window.

Step 6. Push the Zoom On softkey. The area within the zoom window expands to fill the screen.

To begin a real-time test, *hold down* the START/STOP button for at least *two seconds*. The laser fires repeatedly, and waveform data is updated continually on the screen.

To stop a real-time test, push the START/STOP button.

To begin a high-density test, push the START/STOP button. Data is acquired at high density for the distance range displayed on the screen.

Allow a high-density test to finish normally.

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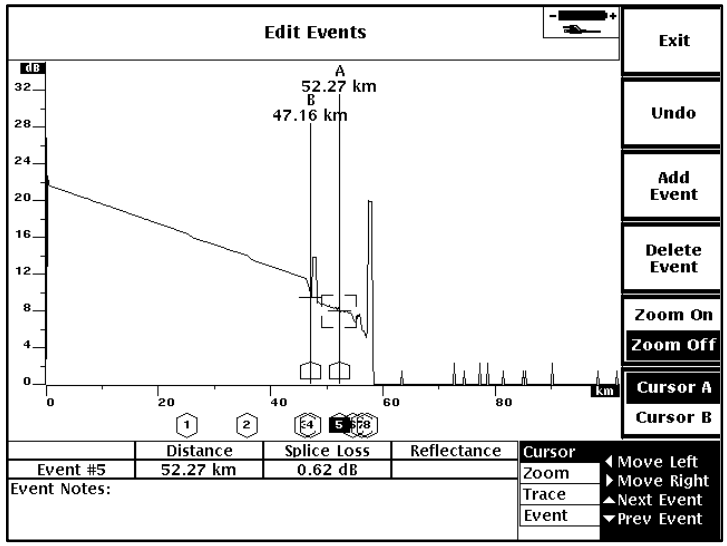


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Add/Delete User-Placed Event Procedure

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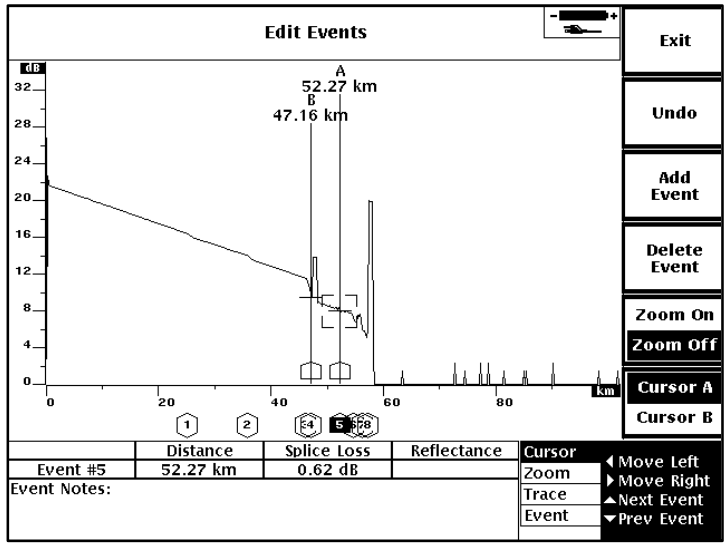


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SELECT button options include the *Event* option (along with the Cursor, Zoom, and Trace options).

Step 3. To add a new user-placed event, or delete an existing event:

1. Select the *Cursor* option.
2. Use the ◀ or ▶ arrow key to locate a point on the waveform to add an event, then push the Add Event softkey.

   The ▲ and ▼ arrow keys jump the cursor to existing events to select them for deletion. Push the Delete Event softkey to delete an event.

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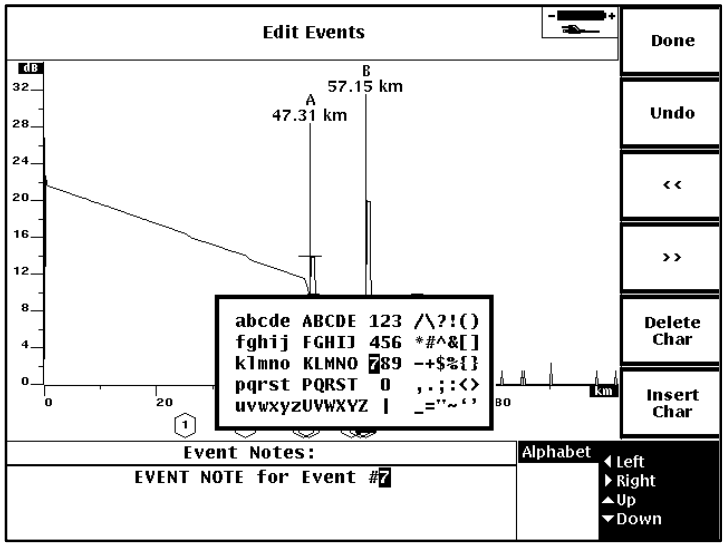


Figure 2–9: Typical Edit Events Screen

Event editing lets you add notes to events. Notes are displayed in the Event Notes box at the bottom of the screen, and are included when files are stored in memory, printed, or copied to a personal computer.

Notes can consist of anything including test data, reminders, comments, and operator information.

NOTE. *Editing the names of files is different from adding notes to events. To edit the names of files, push the* Store or Print *softkey and use the Save option. See page 2–32 for instructions about editing the names of files.*

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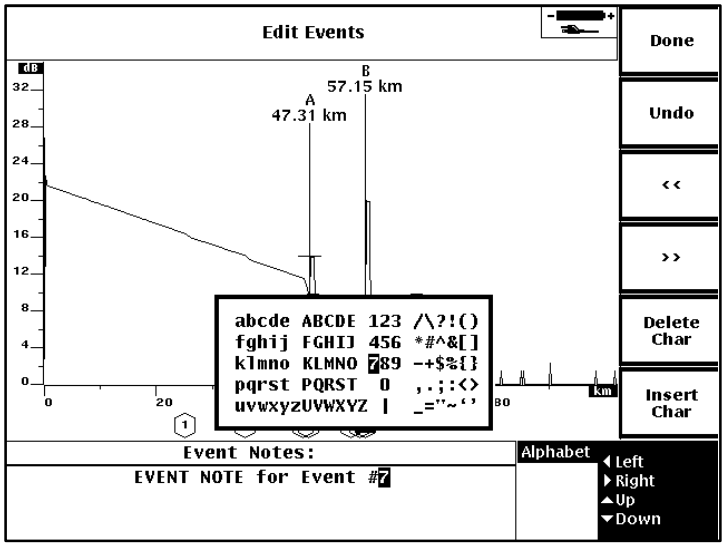

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EVENT NOTE for Event #7
Alphabet
Left
Right
Up
Down

Figure 2–9: Typical Edit Events Screen

Event editing lets you add notes to events. Notes are displayed in the Event Notes box at the bottom of the screen, and are included when files are stored in memory, printed, or copied to a personal computer.

Notes can consist of anything including test data, reminders, comments, and operator information.

NOTE. *Editing the names of files is different from adding notes to events. To edit the names of files, push the* Store or Print *softkey and use the Save option. See page 2–32 for instructions about editing the names of files.*

Procedure to Add Notes to an Event

Step 1. Complete a test and display either the *waveform* or *event table* screen.

Step 2. Select the event to be noted.

Step 3. If the *event table* screen is displayed, skip to step 4.

If the *waveform* screen is displayed:

1. Push the Edit Events softkey.
2. Push the SELECT button to choose the *Event* option.

Step 4. Push the Edit Event Notes softkey.

A pop-up alphanumeric window appears on the screen, and an *Event Notes* box is displayed at bottom screen. Editing takes place in the Event Notes box. You can enter and edit notes using the optional keyboard, or by using the front-panel controls as described below.

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- The Alphabet option enables use of the arrow keys to select characters from the alphanumeric window for inclusion in the Event Notes box.

  Insert a character into the Event Notes box by pushing either the SELECT button or Insert Char softkey. The cursor advances to the next character position.

  Delete a character from the Event Notes box by pushing the Delete Char softkey. The cursor moves to the previous character.

  To move around in the Event Notes box for editing, push the ‹‹ softkey to move left or ›› softkey to move right.

Other softkey options are:

- Undo. Aborts editing and restores the Event Notes box to its contents before editing began.

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- Done. Saves and exits editing. Resumes the waveform/table screen.

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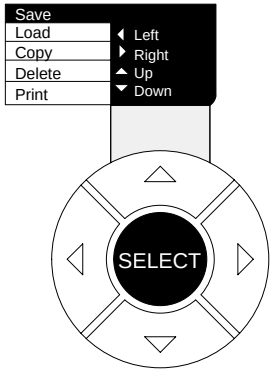


Figure 2–10: Store/Print Options

***NOTE**. Before using any of the store/print options, make sure that the proper memory source is selected by pushing the* Internal/Floppy *softkey.*

Files that are loaded, copied, or printed are not deleted from storage. The only way to delete a file from storage is by using the Delete option.

Floppy Disk Formatting

When you access file storage by pushing the Store or Print softkey, if an unformatted floppy disk is in the disk drive, you are prompted to format the disk.

See ‘‘Formatting a Floppy Disk’’ on page 1–4 for disk formatting information.

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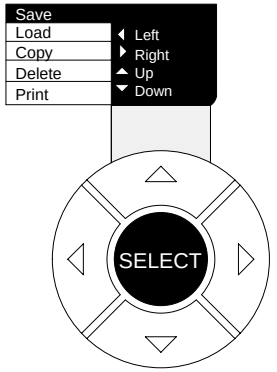


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File Storage Procedure

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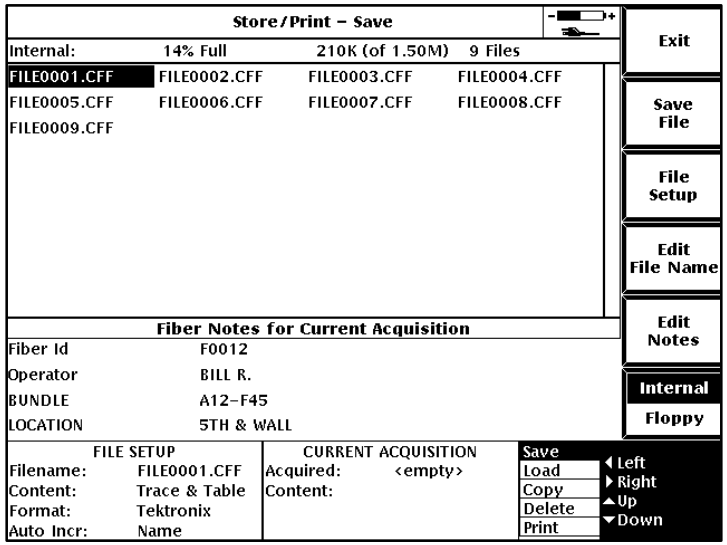


Figure 2–11: Typical Save Screen.

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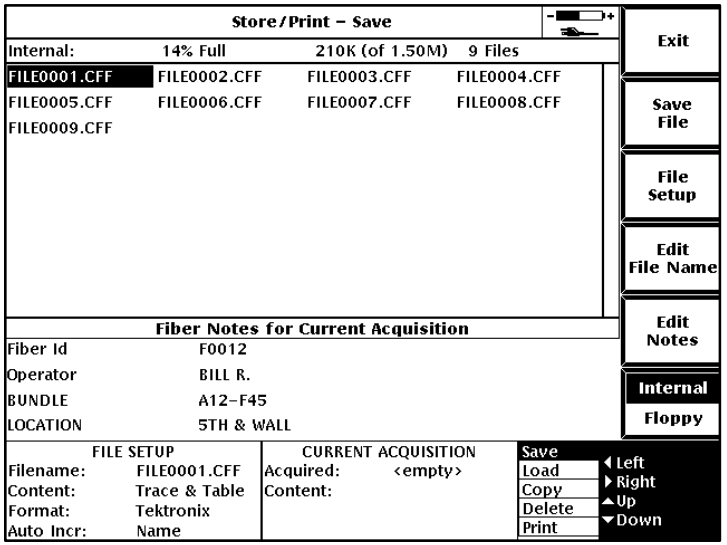


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- File Setup. Changes the setups that affect storage. File setups are File Content, File Format, File Name Auto Increment (displayed in lower left screen), and Fiber ID Auto Increment. *See page 1–44 for descriptions of these setups.*

  Use the arrow keys to select and change file setups *before* saving the current test data in storage.

  The Done softkey saves and exits file setup, and resumes the Save screen.

- Edit File Name. Edits the name of the file into which data is stored. The current file name is displayed in lower left screen. File names are limited to the MS-DOS *nnnnnnnn.eee* format.

  The default file name is FILE0001.CFF. The ‘‘CFF’’ extension identifies Tektronix common file format files. Both the file name and extension can be changed. *See page 1–44 for information about how file names automatically change based on the File Name Auto Increment setup.*

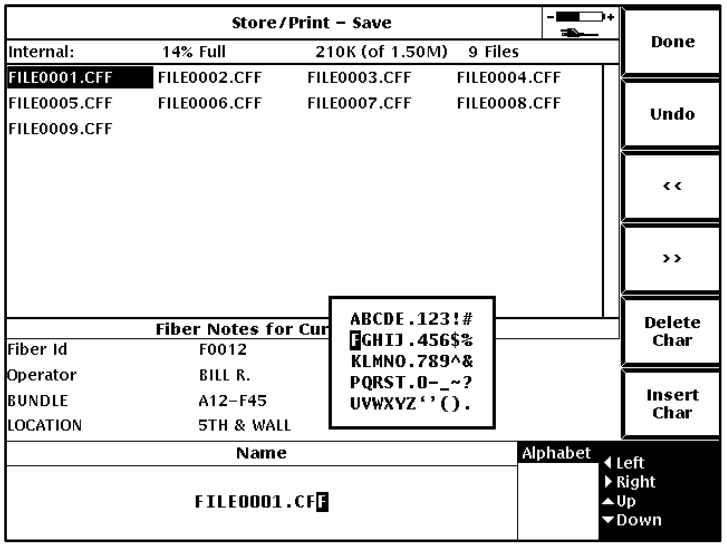


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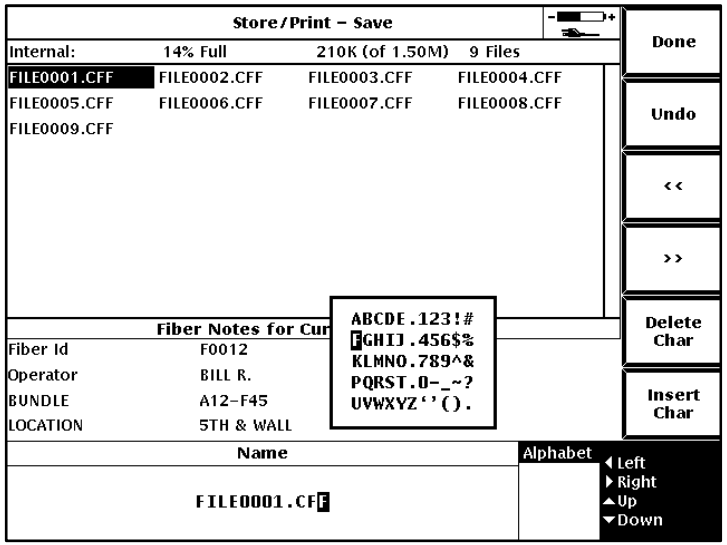


Figure 2–12: Editing the File Name.

When you push the Edit File Name softkey, a pop-up alphanumeric window appears on the screen, and a *Name* box is displayed at the bottom of the screen. Editing takes place in the Name box. You can enter and edit the file name using the optional keyboard, or by using the front-panel controls as described below.

The only SELECT button option is *Alphabet.*

- The Alphabet option enables use of the arrow keys to move around and select individual characters from the alphanumeric window for inclusion in the Name box.

  Insert the selected character into the Name box by pushing either the SELECT button or Insert Char softkey. The cursor in the Name box advances to the next character position.

  Delete a character from the Name box by pushing the Delete Char softkey. The cursor moves to the previous character.

  To move around in the Name box for editing, push the ‹‹ softkey to move left or ›› softkey to move right.

Other softkey options are:

- Undo. Aborts editing and re-establishes the original file name.
- Done. Saves and exits editing. Resumes the Save screen.

- Edit Notes. Allows you to view, enter, edit, and move fiber notes. These notes are saved with the waveform or event table to floppy disk or internal storage, and printed with the waveform or event table. You can also select to save the fiber notes alone into a file.

  Enter or edit notes as follows:

  1. Press the Edit Notes softkey to display the Edit Fiber Notes screen. This screen shows any existing fiber notes. The notes are numbered from 1 through 12 (maximum). The first two notes are Fiber ID and Operator. These notes cannot be deleted or moved, and you cannot edit their titles. They are provided to enter fiber identification and operator name.

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Following notes 1 and 2, you can enter 10 additional user-defined notes. Each user-defined note consists of two fields, the Title and the Description. You can edit both Title and Description fields, as well as move notes to reorder them.

2. Select a field to edit.

   Press the Add Row softkey to enter a new note. A new, blank row is created after the highlighted row. The new row is now the currently selected row. (You cannot add a row between notes 1 and 2, the Fiber ID and Operator. When row 1, Fiber ID, is selected, pressing the Add Row softkey adds a new note after note 2, Operator.)

   Press the ▲ and ▼ arrow keys to select a row.

   Press the ◀ and ▶ arrow keys to select the field to edit. For notes 1 and 2, you can edit only the Description field.

3. Press the Edit Field softkey to display a pop-up alphanumeric window on the screen. The field you are editing appears at the bottom of the screen. Edit the field using the optional keyboard, or by using the arrow keys and softkeys as described on the previous page for the file name. For all notes except for Fiber ID and Operator, you can enter up to 23 characters in the Title field, and up to 55 characters in the Description field.

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4. Press the Delete Row softkey to delete the current note. You cannot delete notes 1 and 2. The Delete Row softkey is not available unless you select a note other than 1 or 2.

5. Press Done to return to the Save screen.

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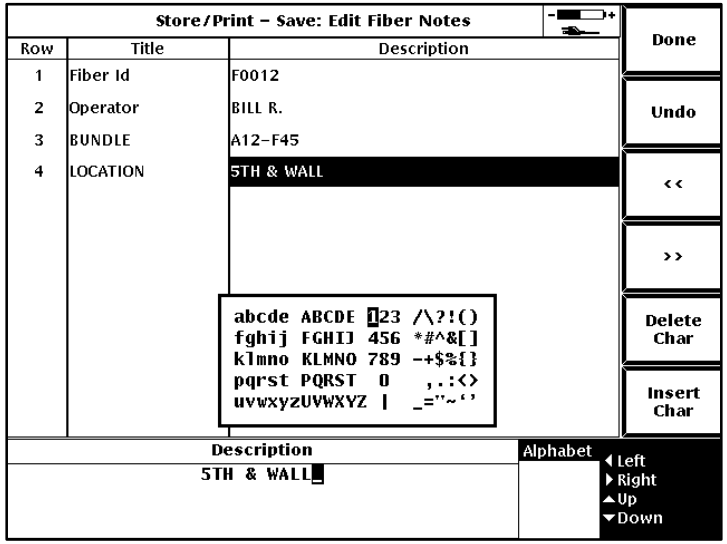


Figure 2–13: Editing a Fiber-Note Field.

Move notes as follows:

1. Press the SELECT button to select the Move option.
2. Press the ◀ and ▶ arrow keys to select which row to move. You cannot select row 1 or 2 to move.
3. Press the ▲ and ▼ arrow keys to move the selected row up or down. After the row is moved, the rows are renumbered.
4. Press the Done softkey to return to the Save screen.

- Internal/Floppy. Selects the memory source in which the file will be saved.
- Exit. Exits the Save screen. Resumes the waveform/table screen.

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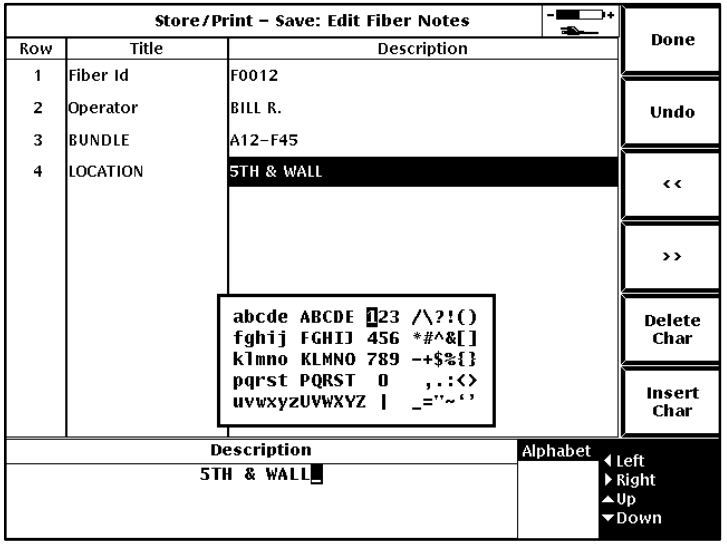


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Load

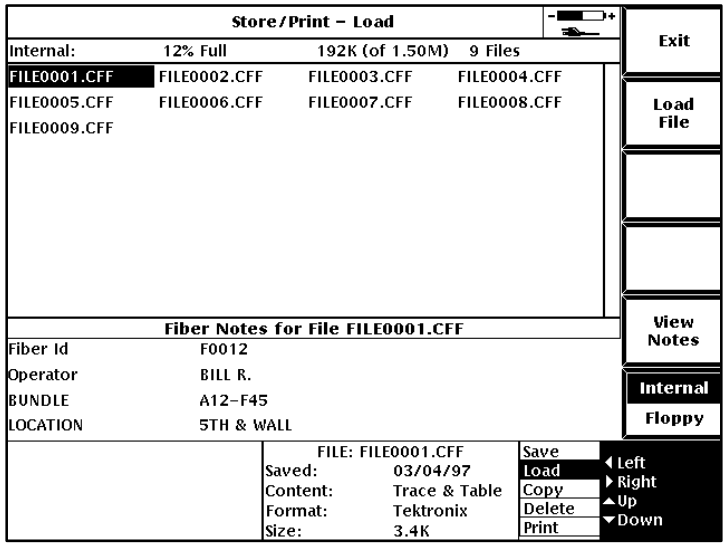


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The Load option retrieves a file from storage and displays it on the screen. What gets loaded depends on file content (the value of File Content setup when the file was saved – see page 1–44).

Note that Text-formatted files other than fiber-note files cannot be loaded onto the screen.

When loading a waveform, event-table, or setup file the current test is cleared from the screen. Then the file contents in storage are loaded onto the screen as a new test.

If the *File Content* setup is set to *Trace*, *Table*, or *Table and Trace*, either or both the waveform and table are loaded along with associated test setups.

If the *File Content* setup is set to *Setups*, only instrument setups are loaded onto the screen. The waveform and event table displays are blank.

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If the *File Content* setup is set to *Fiber Notes*, only fiber notes are loaded. The current test data is not cleared, but any existing fiber notes are overwritten.

***NOTE**. Some TFS3031 software versions prior to version 8.0 allowed the user to define all 12 fiber notes. If you load a fiber-notes file or a waveform file with no "Fiber ID" or "Operator" notes, only the first 10 are loaded as notes 3 through 12. If the existing notes 1 and 2 have the titles "Fiber ID" and "Operator," these are loaded as notes 1 and 2, and the succeeding 10 notes are loaded as notes 3 through 12.*

Load softkey options are:

- Load File. Loads the selected file onto the screen.

  Use the arrow keys to select the file before pushing the Load File softkey.

  Push the Exit softkey to display the file after it has been loaded.
- View Notes. Displays the fiber notes (if any) for the selected file.
- Internal/Floppy. Selects the memory source that contains the file to be loaded.

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Copy

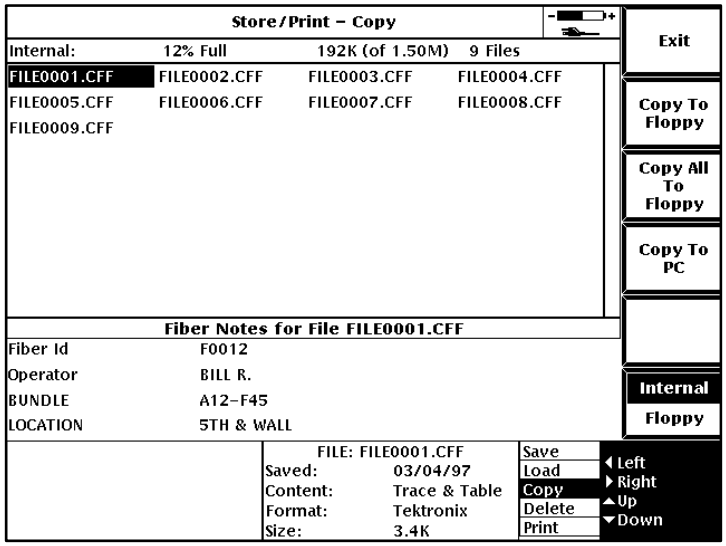


Figure 2–15: Typical Copy Screen.

The Copy option copies files to a personal computer, and between internal memory and floppy disk.

Copy softkey options depend on whether internal memory or floppy disk is selected as the memory source (push the Internal/Floppy softkey first).

Copy softkey options are:

- Copy To Internal. Copies the file selected on floppy disk to internal memory.
- Copy To Floppy. Copies the file selected in internal memory to floppy disk.
- Copy All To Internal. Copies all files on floppy disk to internal memory.

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Copy

Store/Print – Copy
Internal: 12% Full 192K (of 1.50M) 9 Files
FILE0001.CFF FILE0002.CFF FILE0003.CFF FILE0004.CFF
FILE0005.CFF FILE0006.CFF FILE0007.CFF FILE0008.CFF
FILE0009.CFF
Fiber Notes for File FILE0001.CFF
Fiber Id F0012
Operator BILL R.
BUNDLE A12–F45
LOCATION 5TH & WALL
FILE: FILE0001.CFF
Saved: 03/04/97
Content: Trace & Table
Format: Tektronix
Size: 3.4K
Exit
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- Copy To Floppy. Copies the file selected in internal memory to floppy disk.
- Copy All To Internal. Copies all files on floppy disk to internal memory.

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- Copy All To Floppy. Copies all files in internal memory to floppy disk.
- Copy To PC. Copies either the selected file or all files to a personal computer.

  See page 2–49 for information about copying files to a personal computer.
- Internal/Floppy. Selects the memory source from which file(s) will be copied, or the destination for files to be copied.
- Exit. Exits the Copy screen. Resumes the waveform/table screen.

***NOTE**. To maximize battery life when copying multiple files from internal memory to floppy disk, we recommend that you save all the files to internal memory first. Then copy all the files as a group to floppy disk using the* Copy All To Floppy *softkey, rather than copying files to floppy disk individually.*

File Storage

- Copy All To Floppy. Copies all files in internal memory to floppy disk.
- Copy To PC. Copies either the selected file or all files to a personal computer.

  See page 2–49 for information about copying files to a personal computer.
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Delete

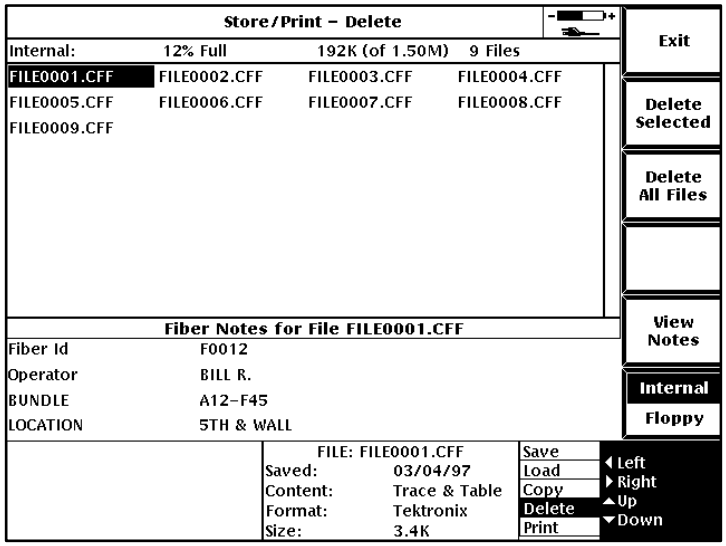


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The Delete option is the only way to delete files from storage. *Important: Deleted files cannot be recovered.*

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- Delete Selected. Deletes the file selected on the screen. Use the arrow keys to select a file before pushing the Delete Selected softkey.
- Delete All Files. Deletes all files from the specified storage medium.
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Printing Files

The *Store*/*Print* – *Print* option prints test results displayed on the screen or test files stored in memory on a supported printer connected to either the 25-pin parallel port or 9-pin serial port. (Refer to 1–42 for information on printer setup and a list of supported printers.)

We recommend that you connect the printer to the parallel-port when possible. The print procedure described in this manual uses a Seiko DPU411 printer connected to the parallel port.

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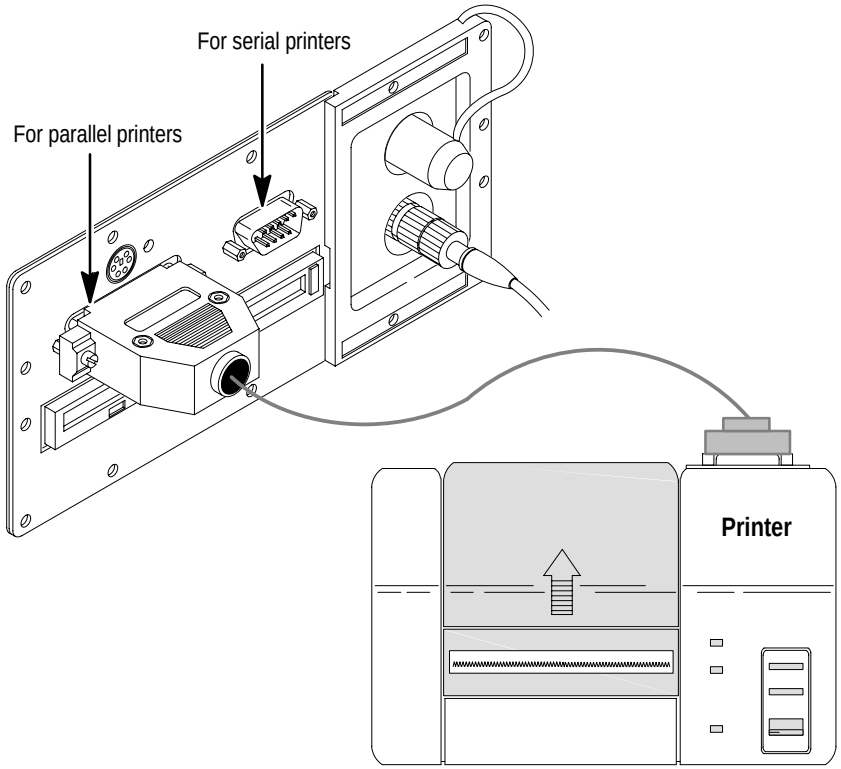


Figure 2–17: Seiko DPU411 Printer Connected to Parallel Port

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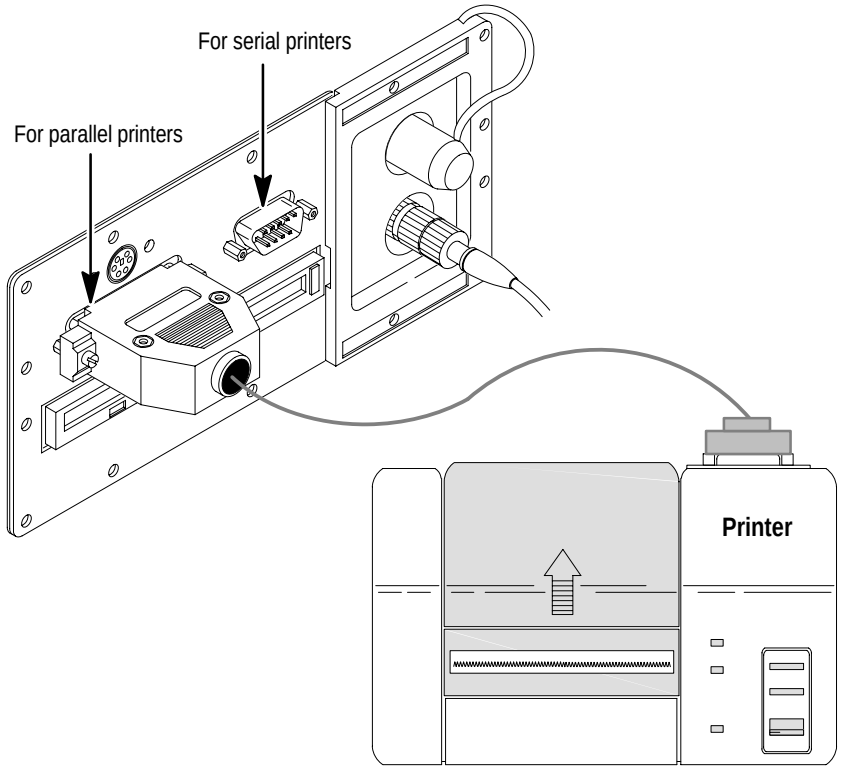


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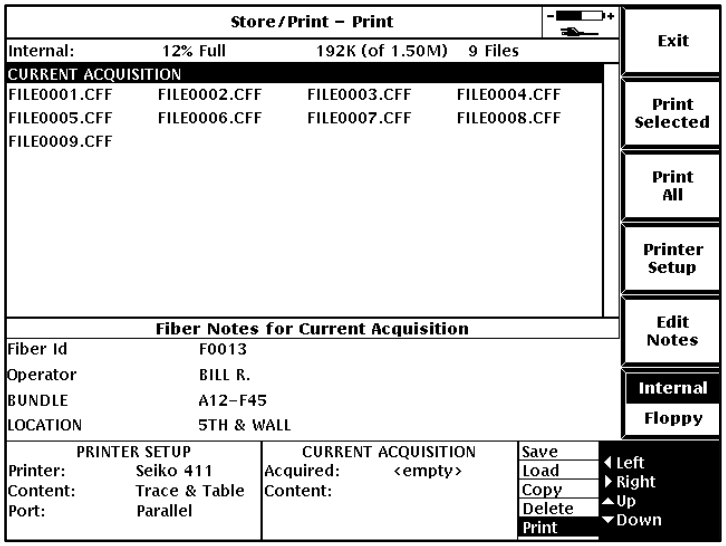
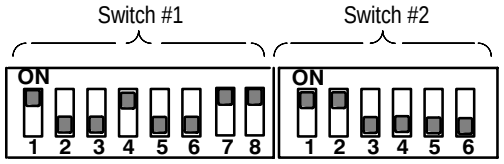


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Step 1. When using a Seiko DPU411 printer with a parallel cable, set the switches on the bottom of the printer as shown:



Seiko DPU411 Switch Settings for Parallel Interface

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Print Procedure

Store/Print – Print
Internal: 12% Full 192K (of 1.50M) 9 Files
CURRENT ACQUISITION
FILE0001.CFF FILE0002.CFF FILE0003.CFF FILE0004.CFF
FILE0005.CFF FILE0006.CFF FILE0007.CFF FILE0008.CFF
FILE0009.CFF
Exit
Print Selected
Print All
Printer Setup
Edit Notes
Internal
Floppy
Fiber Notes for Current Acquisition
Fiber Id F0013
Operator BILL R.
BUNDLE A12-F45
LOCATION 5TH & WALL
PRINTER SETUP
Printer: Seiko 411
Content: Trace & Table
Port: Parallel
CURRENT ACQUISITION
Acquired: <empty>
Content:
Save
Load
Copy
Delete
Print
Left
Right
Up
Down

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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Seiko DPU411 Switch #1 – Parallel Cable	
Switch #	**Function**
1	On – Parallel/Serial Interface
2	Off – Carriage Return
3	Off – Condensed Printing
4	On – Ordinary Characters
5	Off – No Zero Font Setting
6, 7, 8	Off, On, On – English
Seiko DPU411 Switch #2 – Parallel Cable	
Switch #	**Function**
1	On – 8 Bits
2	On – No Parity Permission
3	Off – Even Parity Condition
4, 5, 6	Off, Off, Off – 9600 Baud

If using a Seiko DPU411 printer with a serial cable, Switch #1: 1 (Parallel/Serial Interface) should be set to Off. *All other setups remain as shown in the table.*

For other supported printers, use the setups as directed in each printer's user manual. When using the serial port, make sure the printer is set for eight bits and no parity.

Step 2. Connect the printer to the TFS3031 parallel port (or serial port), using the appropriate interface cable.

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Step 5. Push the Store or Print softkey.

Step 6. Push the SELECT button to select the *Print* option.

Step 7. Push the Internal/Floppy softkey to select the memory source of the file to be printed, then use the arrow keys to select the file for printing.

To print a newly completed test that is not in memory, select the *Current Acquisition* file at the top of the screen.

Step 8. The first four fiber notes for the current file are displayed on the Print screen.

If the current acquisition is selected, you can enter and edit fiber notes for the current acquisition before printing, by pressing the Edit Notes softkey. Refer to page 2–33 for instructions on adding and editing fiber notes.

If a file on floppy disk or in internal memory is selected, the Edit Notes softkey is replaced by the View Notes softkey. Press the View Notes softkey to display all fiber notes for the selected file.

Step 9. Configure the TFS3031 for the printer in use.

Push the Printer Setup softkey. Use the arrow keys to select and change these setups:

- Printer

  Select type of printer being used. Seiko DPU411 is the default.

- Print Content

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content (the value of File Content setup when the file was saved – see page 1–44).

When printing all files in storage, the Print Content setup is ignored and only file content determines printer output.

- External Port

  Select Parallel or Serial port. If the Seiko DPU411 printer is configured as described in step 1, select the *Parallel* port.

- Baud Rate

  (Select 9600. Applies only if the Seiko DPU411 printer is connected to the serial port).

- Flow Control

  (Select RTS/CTS. Applies only if the Seiko DPU411 printer is connected to the serial port).

When through changing printer setups, push the Done softkey to resume the Print screen.

Step 10. Print the file by pushing one of these softkeys:

- Print Selected. Sends the file selected on the screen to the printer.

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The *Store/Print – Copy* option copies files to a personal computer connected to the TFS3031 serial port.

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Either individual files or all the files currently in storage can be copied.

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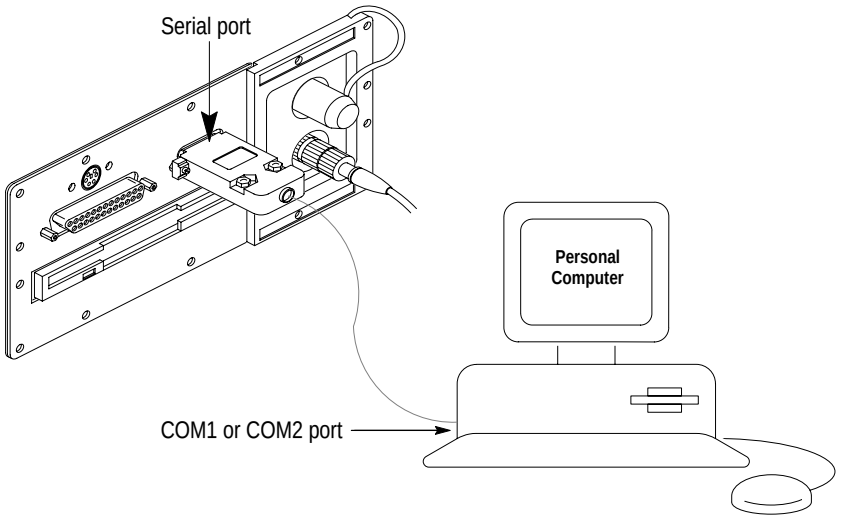


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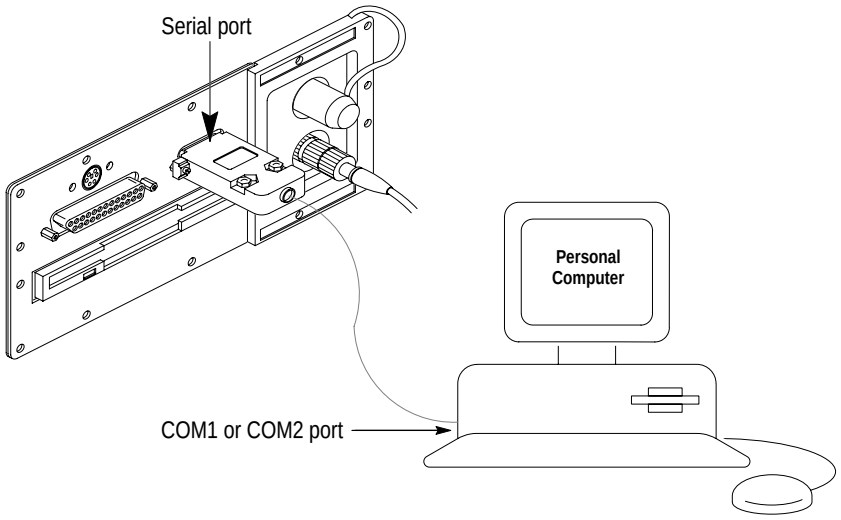


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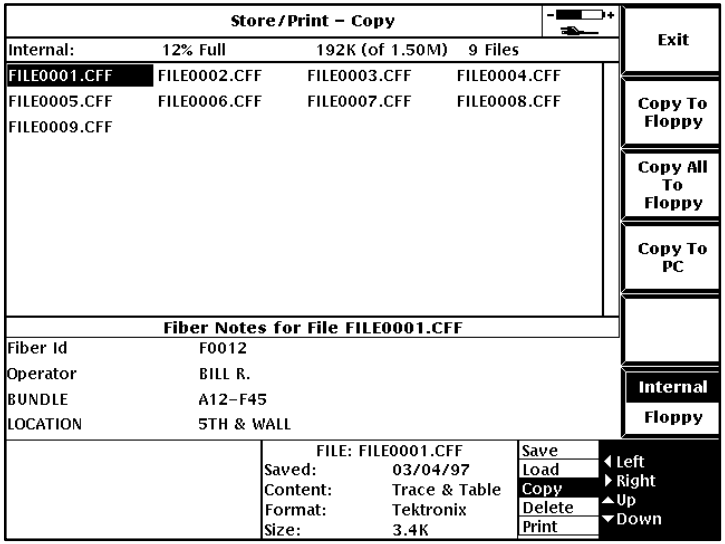


Figure 2–20: Typical Copy To PC Screen.

NOTE. *A newly acquired test displayed on the screen must first be stored in internal memory or floppy disk before it can be copied to a computer.*

Complete a test and store it in memory before beginning this procedure.

Step 1. Establish TFS3031 setups that affect communication with the computer.

1. Push the Setup softkey when the waveform/table screen is displayed. Then push the SELECT button to access the *I/O–Doc Setup* menu.

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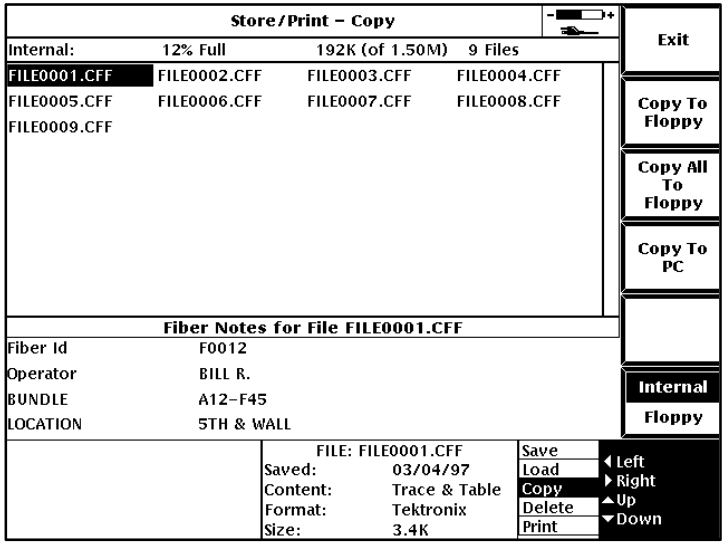


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2. Use the arrow keys to establish the following setups according to the requirements of your computer:
   - External Port

     Select *Serial* port.
   - Baud Rate

     Select baud rate as needed.
   - Flow Control

     Set flow control as needed *(never set to XON/XOFF).*
3. Push the Exit softkey to resume the waveform/table screen.

Step 2. Access TFS3031 storage (internal memory or floppy disk) for file transfer.

1. Push the Store or Print softkey.
2. Push the SELECT button to choose the *Copy* option.
3. Push the Internal/Floppy softkey to access the appropriate storage medium.

Step 3. Push the Copy To PC softkey.

A pop-up message on the TFS3031 screen prompts you to prepare your computer for file transfer.

Step 4. To prepare your computer, connect the computer COM1 or COM2 port (COM1 is the default) to the TFS3031 serial port using the serial cable (an optional accessory – see Table 5–4 on page 5–5).

Step 5. Access the source directory in the computer for file transfer.

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Section 3.
Battery Recharging and Replacement

Section 3 includes information about the power/charger adapter, and describes how to recharge and replace the NiCad battery.

CAUTION. *To prevent overheating, remove the TFS3031 from its carrying case during battery recharging.*

Refer all battery and power/charger adapter problems to qualified service personnel. If the power/charger adapter or battery is faulty it must be replaced. It cannot be repaired.

WARNING. *Do not open or mutilate the battery, nor expose it to fire or intense heat. It may explode. Avoid contact with electrolyte, which may damage eyes, skin, and clothing.*

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Recharging the NiCad Battery

Low-Battery Warning

The charge level of the battery is always displayed in upper right screen.

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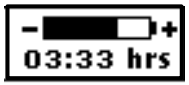
When to Recharge the NiCad Battery

Recharge the NiCad battery before using the TFS3031 on battery power, and when a low-battery warning is displayed.



A‘‘battery’’ indicator that shows the charge level is always displayed in upper right screen. In this illustration the indicator shows that about 60% of battery power remains.

A ‘‘power plug’’ indicator is displayed below the battery indicator when the power/charger adapter or other external DC power source is connected to the instrument.



When the TFS3031 is using battery power, an estimate of the operating time left under *present operating conditions* is displayed in place of the power plug indicator.

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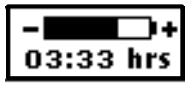
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Power/Charger Adapter

Use the power/charger adapter to recharge the battery (see Figure 3–1 on page 3–3). As long as the power/charger adapter is plugged into an active power source, the battery recharges whether the TFS3031 is powered on and operating, or powered off.

The power/charger adapter accommodates 110 to 240 volt AC source.

The power/charger adapter may also be used to power the TFS3031 when the battery is discharged or removed.



CAUTION. *Do not connect the power/charger adapter to the TFS3031 when the ambient temperature exceeds 40^0 C (104^0 F).*

Using a power/charger adapter other than the one supplied by Tektronix may damage the TFS3031.

The power/charger adapter is not hermetically sealed. Do not expose it to moisture.

An optional 12 volt cigarette lighter adapter lets you recharge the battery when in the field, or while driving to the work site.



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NiCad Battery Recharging Procedure

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The battery recharges as long as the power/charger adapter remains connected to the instrument and power source.

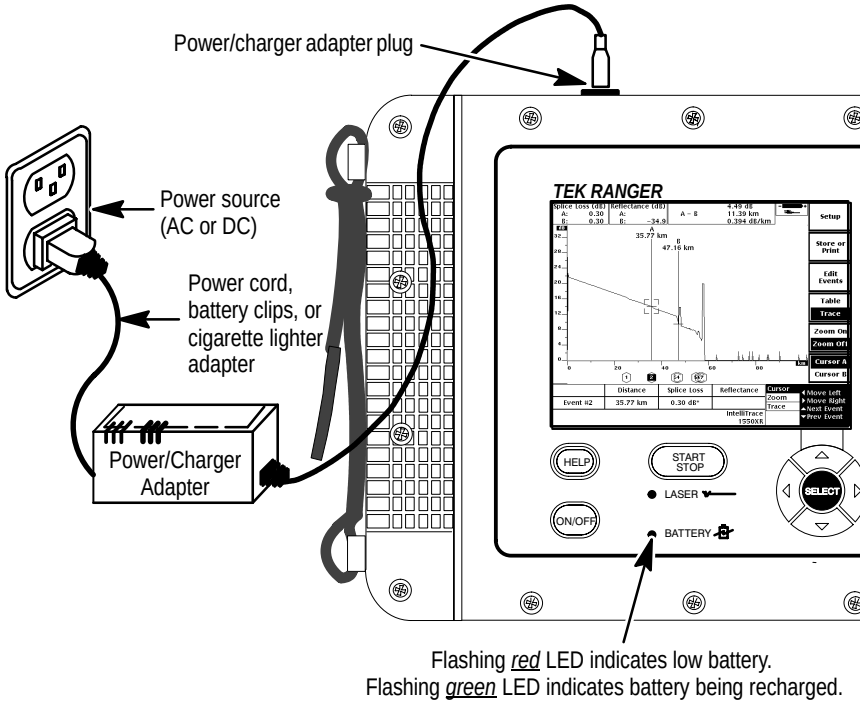


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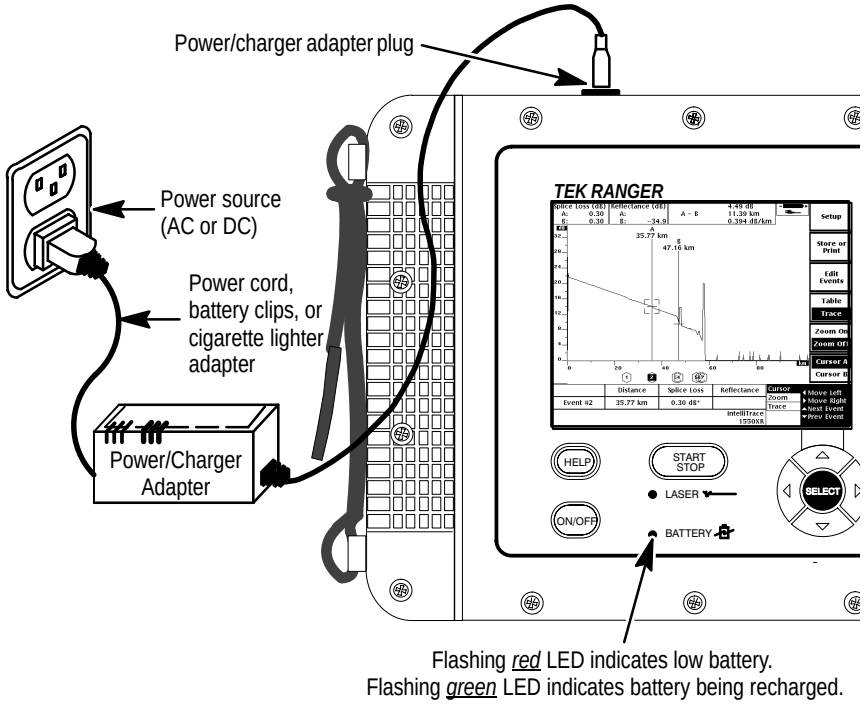


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To prevent overheating, remove the TFS3031 from its carrying case during recharging.

- A warning message on the screen indicates that about 30 minutes of normal operating time remain.
- A flashing *red* BATTERY LED on the front panel indicates that about 10 minutes of normal operating time remain. (If the BATTERY LED is flashing red at power-on and the LCD screen remains blank, there is not enough battery power to run the instrument.)
- The BATTERY LED flashes *green* when the power/charger adapter is connected and the battery is recharging.
- The BATTERY LED glows a steady *green* when the power/charger adapter is connected and the battery has reached full charge.
- The BATTERY LED is *off* when the power/charger adapter is disconnected.
- In the upper right corner of the screen, the ‘‘battery’’ indicator always shows charge level of the battery. A ‘‘power plug’’ indicator is displayed when the power/charger adapter is plugged in and charging the battery.
- Recharging time for a completely discharged NiCad battery at room temperature is about four hours if the TFS30301 is not turned on.
- Operating time for a fully recharged Nicad battery is about five hours.
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Tips for Maximizing Battery Life

- Turn off the backlight, or set a brief backlight blanking time using the *Backlight Time* setup in the *System Setup* menu.
- Set a brief automatic power-off time using the *Power Off Time* setup in the *System Setup* menu.
- If you often use the same setups, select Last Used for power-on defaults on the *System Setup* menu to eliminate setup time each time you power on the instrument.
- Power off the TFS3031 when not in use.
- Minimize floppy-disk use under battery power. Save files to internal memory while unit is under battery power. Later when you can attach the AC adapter, copy the files as a group to floppy disk. *See page 2–36 for more information about saving files.*
- Fully charge the NiCad batteries after each use.
- Operate the TFS3031 without the backlight whenever possible.
- Disconnect the battery if the instrument is stored for an extended period of time (i.e., more than a month).

NiCad Battery Disconnection, Removal, and Replacement

Step 1. Turn off the TFS3031 and disconnect external power.

Step 2. Loosen the six screws that hold the battery compartment cover in place on the back of the instrument (see Figure 3–2 on page 3–6). The screws are captive to prevent loss.

Step 3. Disconnect the NiCad battery cable plug and lift the battery out of the case. The plug and connector snap together.

The foam padding that surrounds the battery stays with the case.

Only the entire battery is replaceable. Individual cells are not replaceable.

Recharging the NiCad Battery

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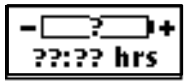
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Step 4. Install the new battery by reversing the removal sequence.



When a NiCad battery is disconnected then reconnected, or a new NiCad battery is installed, the battery indicator in upper right screen displays question marks until full recharge or discharge is reached. The question marks are also displayed for about 10 seconds when the unit is first turned on, as well as when the AC adapter is unplugged, until a valid time estimate is calculated.

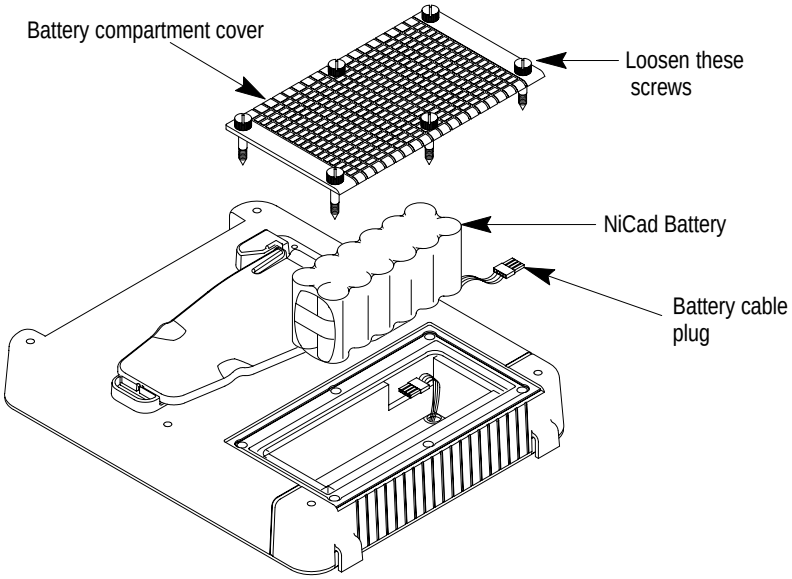
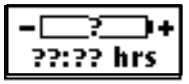


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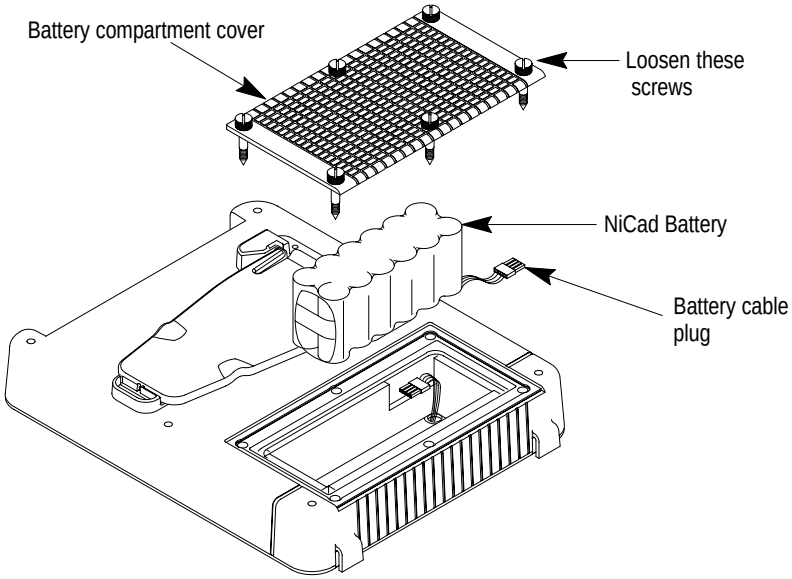


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Cleaning

CAUTION. *Clean the optical connections before testing a fiber.*

Do not touch the exposed end of the Laser Output port or fiber connector with anything but a lint-free swab or paper wipe dampened with electronics-grade alcohol.

Turn off the instrument and disconnect the power/charger adapter before beginning any cleaning procedure.

Do not use index matching fluid or gel on the Laser Output port or fiber connector. It may cause contamination and a fatal error message. If index matching material is inadvertently used, clean the Laser Output port and fiber connector thoroughly.

Do not use acetone on optical connectors.

WARNING. *INVISIBLE LASER RADIATION. To eliminate hazardous radiation exposure do not use controls or adjustments, or perform procedures, other than those specified in this manual.*

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Exposing the Laser Output Port for Cleaning

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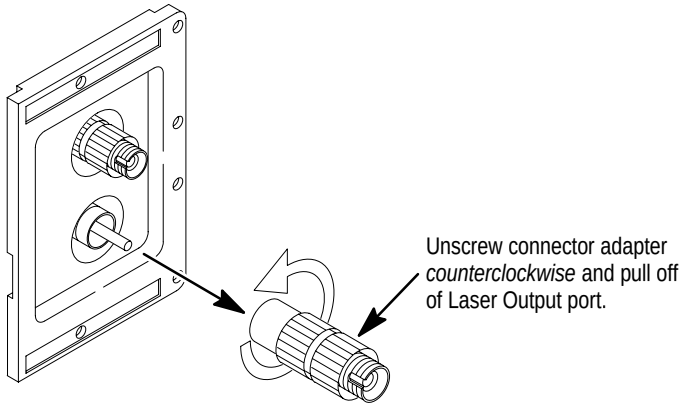


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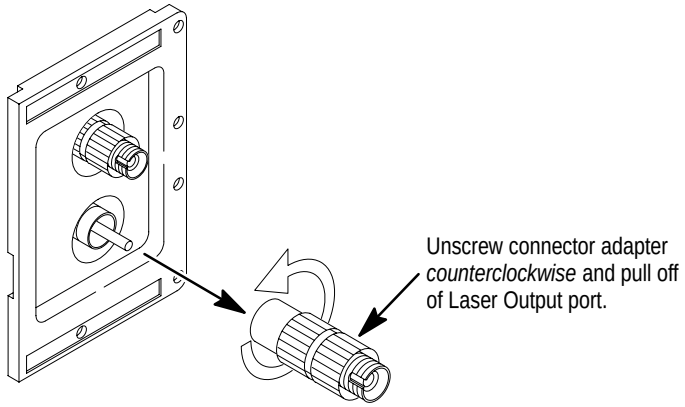


Figure 4–1: Exposing the Laser Output port for Cleaning

Cleaning the Laser Output Port

Dampen a lint-free swab or paper wipe with electronics-grade alcohol, and gently wipe across and around the port a couple of times.

Dry with a dry swab or dry portion of the paper wipe.

If the port is extremely dirty repeat the procedure with a second lint-free swab or paper wipe.

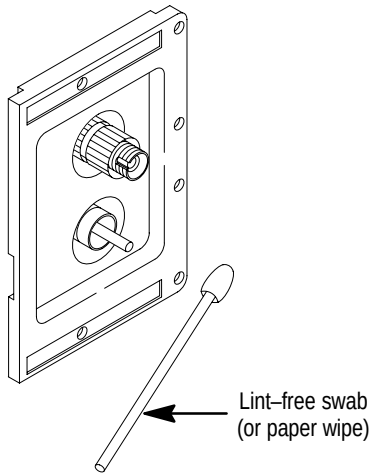


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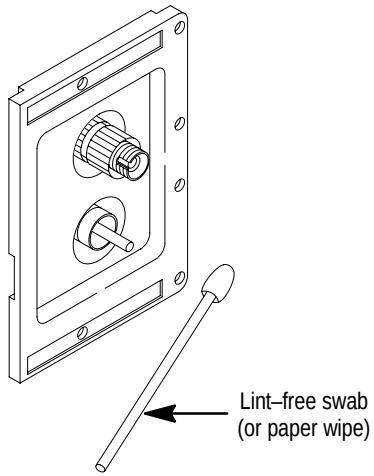


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Cleaning the Connector Adapter

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Step 3. Gently insert the dampened pipe cleaner into the barrel of the connector adapter. Be careful not to scratch the barrel with the wire while inserting it.

Step 4. Pull the pipe cleaner completely through the barrel.

Step 5. Blow the barrel completely dry with dust-free canned air.

If the connector adapter is extremely dirty repeat the procedure with a second pipe cleaner.

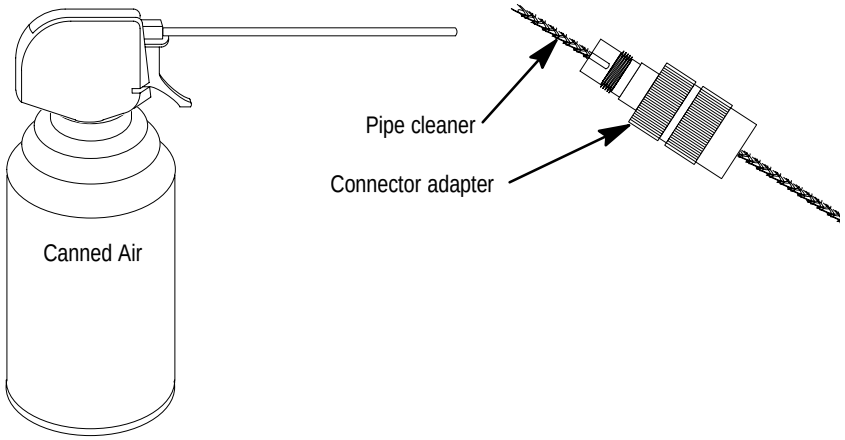


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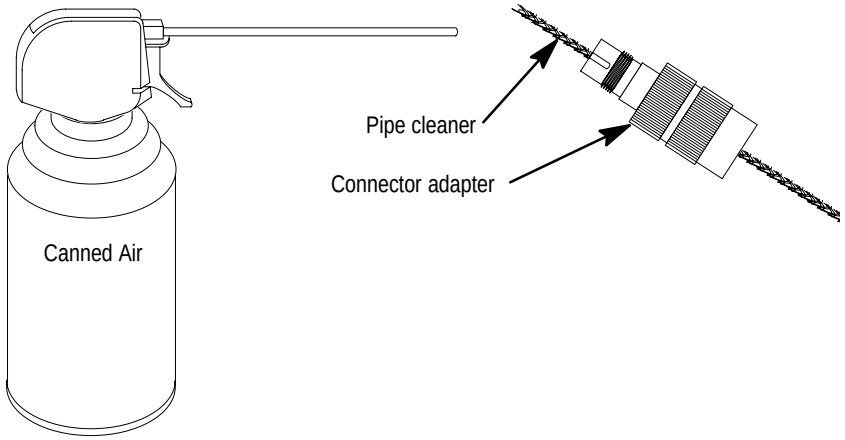


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Cleaning the Fiber Connector

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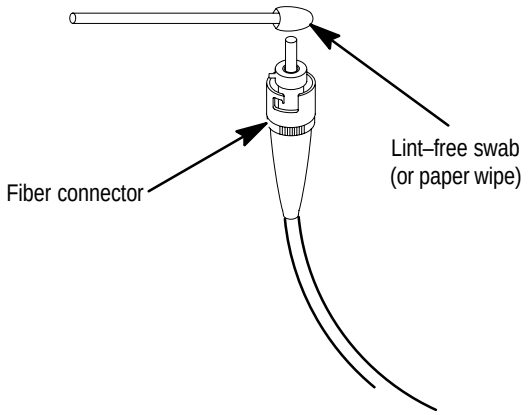


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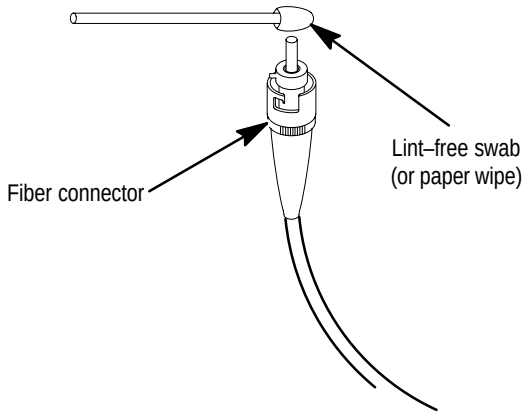


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TFS3031 Does Not Power On

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Error Message Resolution

Front-Panel Connection Status

The TFS3031 automatically checks the front-panel connection for Intellitrace tests. If the front-panel connection is not good, or if the fiber under test is too short, the test stops and the following message appears on the display:

Poor connection or short fiber. Clean/adjust the front panel connector. Push START/STOP to retest, OK to continue, or STOP to exit.

A singlemode fiber 150 meters or less in length or a multimode fiber 75 meters or less in length (or any high-loss fiber) can cause this message to display. In this case, press the OK softkey to continue the test.

If the message is caused by a dirty connector, disconnect the fiber from the TFS3031 and clean the fiber connector and the laser output port as described in the previous section. After cleaning the connectors, either press OK to continue the test or press START/STOP to start a new test and recheck the connection.

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Self Test Error Message

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If the error message reappears, do not continue using the instrument. Note the error message and contact Tektronix service.

Fatal Error Code

If a three-digit fatal error code appears during normal operation of the TFS3031 there is an internal hardware problem.

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Software Version

The TFS3031 is periodically updated to add new features and enhancements. The features described in this user manual apply to the software version noted on the title page of the manual, but can also be used with all TFS3031 instruments with any prior software version. The differences in the user interface consist of the features and enhancements that are added to each successive software version.

You can identify your software version on the power-on screen. The version number appears as shown in figure 4–5.

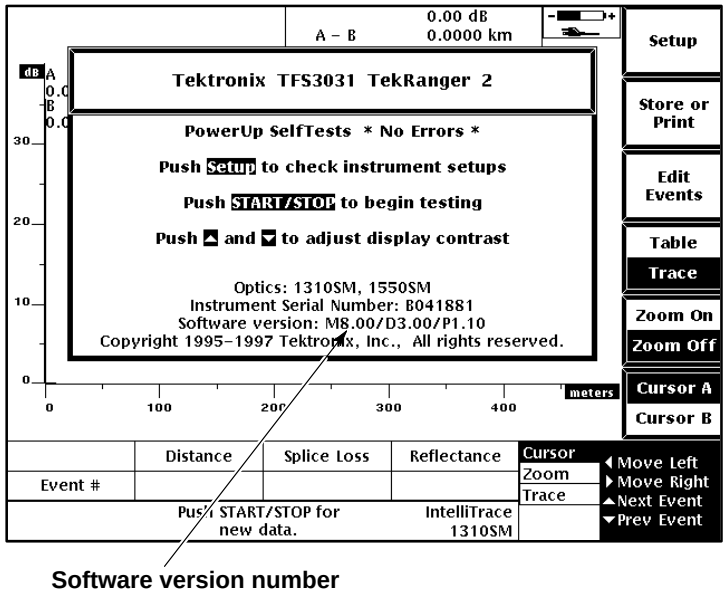


Figure 4–5: Software Version Number on Power-On Screen

Table NO TAG lists the major software version releases, and the features added with each release. If your software is not the most current version, your instrument does not include the features listed in the table as having been added with later versions. The sections of the user manual that cover these features do not apply to the operation of your instrument.

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You can identify your software version on the power-on screen. The version number appears as shown in figure 4–5.

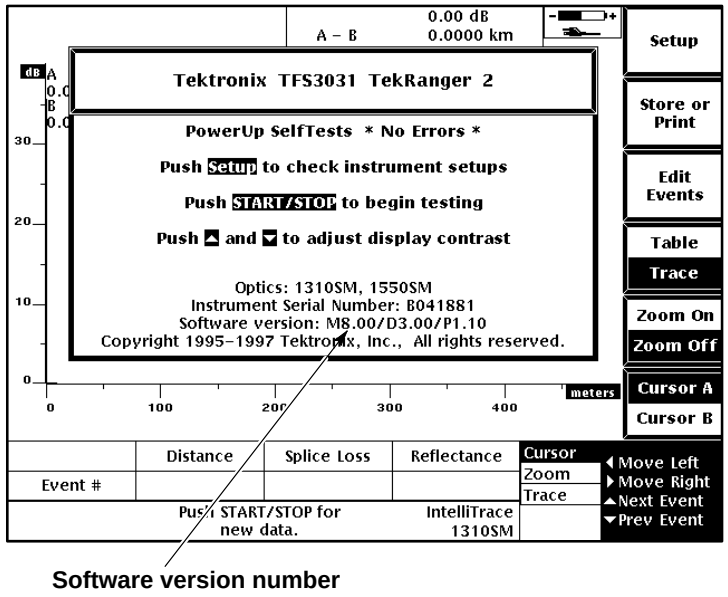


Figure 4–5: Software Version Number on Power-On Screen

Table NO TAG lists the major software version releases, and the features added with each release. If your software is not the most current version, your instrument does not include the features listed in the table as having been added with later versions. The sections of the user manual that cover these features do not apply to the operation of your instrument.

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Section 5. Specifications, Accessories, and Options

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Specifications

Table 5–1: Performance Specifications*

Specification	Characteristic
Laser Output Characteristics	
850 nm Multimode	850 ±30 nm
1300 nm Multimode	1300 ±30 nm
1310 nm Singlemode	1310 ±20 nm
1550 nm Singlemode	1550 ±20 nm
1625 nm Singlemode	1625 ±20 nm
Loss Threshold	
Singlemode	0.02 dB minimum
Multimode	0.02 dB minimum
Loss Resolution	0.001 dB
Distance Resolution	0.25 m (0.8 foot) minimum
Display Measurement Range	
Distance	0.001 km to 240 km (149 miles)
Loss	0.001 dB to 22 dB
Measurement Time (IntelliTrace)	Less than 3 minutes (20 dB accumulated loss)
Dead Zone	
Singlemode	
Event Detection	5 m (16.4 feet)
Loss Measurement	15 m (49.2 feet)
Multimode	
Event Detection	3.5 m (11.9 feet)
Loss Measurement	8 m (26.2 feet)

*Typical performance at 25° C.

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Loss Threshold	
Singlemode	0.02 dB minimum
Multimode	0.02 dB minimum
Loss Resolution	0.001 dB
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Table 5–1: Performance Specifications* (Cont.)

Specification	Characteristic
Selectable Pulsewidths	
Singlemode	Meters: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 3200[1] Feet: 3.3, 16.4, 32.8, 65.6, 164, 328, 656, 1640, 3280, 6560, 10,496[1]
Multimode	
850 nm	Meters: 1, 5, 10 Feet: 3.3, 16.4, 32.8
1300 nm	Meters: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 Feet: 3.3, 16.4, 32.8, 65.6, 164, 328
Dynamic Range (SNR=1)	
850 nm MM (Opt 01)	31 dB
850/1300 nm MM (Opt 03)	31/28 dB
1310 nm SM (Opt 04)	30 dB
1310/1550 nm SM (Opt 06)	30/28 dB
1310/1550 nm SM (Opt 10)	35/35 dB
1625 nm SM (Opt 12)	30 dB

*Typical performance at 25° C.
[1] 3200-m pulse width on Options 10 and 12 only

Specifications

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Multimode	
850 nm	Meters: 1, 5, 10 Feet: 3.3, 16.4, 32.8
1300 nm	Meters: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 Feet: 3.3, 16.4, 32.8, 65.6, 164, 328
Dynamic Range (SNR=1)	
850 nm MM (Opt 01)	31 dB
850/1300 nm MM (Opt 03)	31/28 dB
1310 nm SM (Opt 04)	30 dB
1310/1550 nm SM (Opt 06)	30/28 dB
1310/1550 nm SM (Opt 10)	35/35 dB
1625 nm SM (Opt 12)	30 dB

*Typical performance at 25° C.
[1] 3200-m pulse width on Options 10 and 12 only

Table 5–1: Performance Specifications* (Cont.)

Specification	Characteristic
Hardware Distance Accuracy[2]	±1.25 m ±10^{-5} x distance
Hardware Linearity[3,6]	0.02 dB/dB from 15 dB to 2 dB below backscatter at front panel 0.05 dB/dB from 10 dB to 1 dB below backscatter at front panel
System Accuracy[4,5,6] Loss Distance	 ±0.01 dB ±4 m to 16 km
Reflectance Accuracy[6]	Exceeds Bellcore mini-OTDR requirements (GR-196-CORE)

*Typical performance at 25° C.
[2] Excludes uncertainty caused by fiber IR.
[3] Intellitrace only.
[4] Singlemode only.
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Table 5–2: Power

Specification	Characteristic
NiCad Battery	
Rating	14.4 V, 2.8 amp/hr
Charge Time (Discharged)	4 hours (nonoperating)
Typical Battery Life	
Normal Use	4.5 hours typical
Shelf Life (In Instrument)	70% after 1 mo at 20° C (68° F) 50% after 8 days at 50° C (122° F)
Storage Temperature	–30° to 50° C (–26° to 122° F)
Power/Charger Adapter Output	15.5 VDC, 43 W maximum
DC Input	9 to 16 VDC, 43 W maximum

Table 5–3: Size and Weight

Specification	Characteristic
Weight	
Single-port instrument w/battery	<4.31 kg (<9.5 pounds)
plus standard accessories	<5.90 kg (<13 pounds)
Dual-port instrument w/battery	<4.77 kg (<10.5 pounds)
plus standard accessories	<6.22 kg (<13.7 pounds)
Dimensions	29.21 x 11.43 x 24.1 cm (11.5 x 4.5 x 9.5 inches)

Specifications

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Table 5–4: RS232 Serial Port

Requirement	Specification
DB9 Configuration as DTE	EIA–RS232C IBM AT male
Flow Control	None, RTS/CTS, XON/XOFF, DTR
Baud Rate	1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400 bps

Serial Cable Information

You must use a serial cable to connect the TFS3031 to a personal computer. Use either the Tektronix cable listed as an optional accessory (see Table 5–10 on page 5–11), or build your own serial cable based upon the pinout table on page 5–6. The TFS3031 serial port matches a PC/AT DB9 exactly.

A serial cable can also be used with the TFS3031-compatible printers. However we recommend using parallel cables for printers whenever possible.

Serial Cable Build Procedure		
From TFS3031 (Male DB9)	**To Seiko (Female DB25)**	**To Epson (Female DB25)**
1 DCD (Input)		
2 RD (Input)		
3 TD (Output)	2 RD (Input)	3 RD (Input)
4 DTR (Output)		
5 GND	7 GND	7 GND
6 DSR (Input)		
7 RTS (Output)		
8 CTS (Input)	5 BUSY (Output)	20 DTR (Output)
9 RI (Input)		

Specifications

Table 5–4: RS232 Serial Port

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DB9 Configuration as DTE	EIA–RS232C IBM AT male
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6 DSR (Input)		
7 RTS (Output)		
8 CTS (Input)	5 BUSY (Output)	20 DTR (Output)
9 RI (Input)		

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With the hardware flow control (CTS) connected, set the *Flow Control* setup to *RTS/CTS*, and the *Baud Rate* setup to the fastest rate that the printer can support (Seiko DPU411 is 9600 baud). These setups are available both in the IO–Doc Setup menu and the Store/Print – Print option.

Without CTS connected, the fastest baud rate that the Seiko can support is 2400.

Maximum baud rate without flow control for an Epson-compatible printer depends on the printer.

Table 5–5: Parallel Port

Requirement	Specification
25–Pin D Subminiature	Standard PC parallel cable

Table 5–6: Keyboard

Requirement	Specification
6-pin mini-DIN PS2-style connector	IBM PC-AT type

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Requirement	Specification
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Table 5–7: Environmental

Specification	Performance Requirement
Temperature	
Without Disk Drive	
Operating[1,2]	0º to 40º C (32º to 104º F)
Nonoperating[3]	–20º to 60º C (–4º to 140º F)
With Disk Drive	
Operating[1,2]	5º to 40º C (41º to 104º F)
Nonoperating[3]	–20º to 60º C (–4º to 140º F)
Relative Humidity	
Without Disk Drive	
Operating	5 to 95% relative humidity, noncondensing
Nonoperating	5 to 95% relative humidity, noncondensing
With Disk Drive	
Operating	20 to 80%, noncondensing
Nonoperating	10 to 90% noncondensing
Altitude (Maximum)	
Operating	4.6 km (15,000 feet)
Nonoperating	15.2 km (50,000 feet)
Water Resistance	Drip proof
Dust Resistance	Instrument is dust resistant by design
Free-Fall Drop (Nonoperating)	Height: 30 inches Orientation: on its back Surface: concrete Duration: 1 drop Bellcore TR–NWT–001138, paragraph 5.2.1.3

[1] The TFS3031 must stabilize for about 15 minutes at the ambient temperature before testing if stored outside of operating temperature range.

[2] The maximum ambient temperature when charging the NiCad battery is +40º C (104º F). Do not charge the NiCad battery for long periods while the TFS3031 is in its carrying case.

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Relative Humidity	
Without Disk Drive	
Operating	5 to 95% relative humidity, noncondensing
Nonoperating	5 to 95% relative humidity, noncondensing
With Disk Drive	
Operating	20 to 80%, noncondensing
Nonoperating	10 to 90% noncondensing
Altitude (Maximum)	
Operating	4.6 km (15,000 feet)
Nonoperating	15.2 km (50,000 feet)
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Table 5–8: Certifications and Compliances

Category	Standards or Description
EC Declaration of Conformity – EMC	Meets intent of Directive 89/336/EEC for Electromagnetic Compatibility. Compliance was demonstrated to the following specifications as listed in the Official Journal of the European Union: EN 50081-1 Emissions: EN 55022 Class B Radiated and Conducted Emissions EN 60555-2 AC Power Line Harmonic Emissions EN 50082-1 Immunity: IEC 801-2 Electrostatic Discharge Immunity IEC 801-3 RF Electromagnetic Field Immunity IEC 801-4 Electrical Fast Transient/Burst Immunity IEC 801-5 Power Line Surge Immunity
Australia/New Zealand Declaration of Conformity – EMC	Complies with EMC provision of Radiocommunications Act per the following standard(s): AS/NZS 2064.1/2 Industrial, Scientific, and Medical Equipment:1992
EMC Compliance	Meets the intent of Directive 89/336/EEC for Electromagnetic Compatibility when it is used with the product(s) stated in the specifications table. Refer to the EMC specification published for the stated products. May not meet the intent of the directive if used with other products.
FCC Compliance	Emissions comply with FCC Code of Federal Regulations 47, Part 15, Subpart B, Class A Limits.
EC Declaration of Conformity – Low Voltage	Compliance was demonstrated to the following specification as listed in the Official Journal of the European Union: Low Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC, amended by 93/69/EEC EN 61010-1:1993 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.
U.S. Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory Listing	UL3111-1 Standard for electrical measuring and test equipment.

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Table 5–8: Certifications and Compliances (cont.)

Category	Standards or Description
Canadian Certification	CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.
Pollution Degree	A measure of the contaminates that could occur in the environment around and within a product. Typically the internal environment inside a product is considered to be the same as the external. Products should be used only in the environment for which they are rated. Pollution Degree 1 No pollution or only dry, nonconductive pollution occurs. Products in this category are generally encapsulated, hermetically sealed, or located in clean rooms. Pollution Degree 2 Normally only dry, nonconductive pollution occurs. Occasionally a temporary conductivity that is caused by condensation must be expected. This location is a typical office/home environment. Temporary condensation occurs only when the product is out of service. Pollution Degree 3 Conductive pollution, or dry, nonconductive pollution that becomes conductive due to condensation. These are sheltered locations where neither temperature nor humidity is controlled. The area is protected from direct sunshine, rain, or direct wind. Pollution Degree 4 Pollution that generates persistent conductivity through conductive dust, rain, or snow. Typical outdoor locations.

Specifications

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Table 5–9: Standard Accessories

Accessory	Tektronix Part Number
User Manual	070–9027–xx
Reference Card	063–2096–xx
Power/Charger Adapter	119–4545–01
Power Cord for Power/Charger Adapter	
120 Volt USA and Canada only	161–0228–00
or	
100 Volt Japan only	161–0288–00
Soft Carrying Case	016–1215–01
Shoulder Strap for Soft Carrying Case	346–0284–00
Alcohol packs with application note	006–8134–xx

Table 5–10: Optional Accessories

Accessory	Tektronix Part Number
Power Cord for Power/Charger Adapter	
220 V Europe (Option A1)	161–0066–09
240 V UK (Option A2)	161–0066–10
240 V Australia (Option A3)	161–0066–11
220 V Switzerland (Option A5)	161–0154–00
100 V Japan (Option A6)	161–0288–00
Spare NiCad Battery	146–0112–00
Hard Travel Case	016–1210–00
Visual Fault Finder	015–0684–00
Bare Fiber Adapter	015–0685–00

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Table 5–9: Standard Accessories

Accessory	Tektronix Part Number
User Manual	070–9027–xx
Reference Card	063–2096–xx
Power/Charger Adapter	119–4545–01
Power Cord for Power/Charger Adapter	
120 Volt USA and Canada only	161–0228–00
or	
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Soft Carrying Case	016–1215–01
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220 V Switzerland (Option A5)	161–0154–00
100 V Japan (Option A6)	161–0288–00
Spare NiCad Battery	146–0112–00
Hard Travel Case	016–1210–00
Visual Fault Finder	015–0684–00
Bare Fiber Adapter	015–0685–00

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Table 5–10: Optional Accessories (Cont.)

Accessory	Tektronix Part Number
Bare Fiber Adapter with Cleaver	015–0686–00
RS232C Serial Cable (2 Meters Long) for PC/AT DB9F/DB9F Null	012–1379–00
DB25/Centronics Parallel Printer Cable, Seiko Style (3 Meters Long)	012–1214–00
TDS (Test Data Storage) PC Software (for for transferring files from TFS3031 to PC) (Includes Serial Cable and User Instructions)	FSTIP
FMTAP Trace Analysis Software for Personal Computer (Includes User Instructions)	FMTAP
12 Volt Battery Clips (for Power/Charger Adapter)	198–5809–00
Cigarette Lighter Adapter (for Power/Charger Adapter)	198–5810–00
Service Manual (Module Level)	070–9026–xx
Seiko DPU411 Printer with 120 Volt Adapter	HC411 03*
Seiko DPU411 Printer with 220 Volt European-Style Adapter	HC411 03 A1*
Keyboard (for upgraded instruments and instruments with serial numbers B030000 and above)	118–9402–00

* Not approved for use in countries requiring CE certification. Refer to EC Declaration of Conformity at the front of this manual.

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Table 5–10: Optional Accessories (Cont.)

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RS232C Serial Cable (2 Meters Long) for PC/AT DB9F/DB9F Null	012–1379–00
DB25/Centronics Parallel Printer Cable, Seiko Style (3 Meters Long)	012–1214–00
TDS (Test Data Storage) PC Software (for for transferring files from TFS3031 to PC) (Includes Serial Cable and User Instructions)	FSTIP
FMTAP Trace Analysis Software for Personal Computer (Includes User Instructions)	FMTAP
12 Volt Battery Clips (for Power/Charger Adapter)	198–5809–00
Cigarette Lighter Adapter (for Power/Charger Adapter)	198–5810–00
Service Manual (Module Level)	070–9026–xx
Seiko DPU411 Printer with 120 Volt Adapter	HC411 03*
Seiko DPU411 Printer with 220 Volt European-Style Adapter	HC411 03 A1*
Keyboard (for upgraded instruments and instruments with serial numbers B030000 and above)	118–9402–00

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Table 5–11: Power/Charger Adapter Cord Options

Option Number	Power Cord
A1	220 V Europe
A2	240 V UK
A3	240 V Australia
A4	220 V North America
A5	220 V Switzerland
A6	100 V Japan

Table 5–12: Laser Output Port Options

Option Number	Laser Output Port
01	850 nm Multimode
03	Dual-Wavelength 850/1300 nm Multimode
04	Standard 1310 nm Singlemode
06	Standard Dual-Wavelength 1310/1550 nm Singlemode
10	Extended-Range Dual-Wavelength 1310/1550 nm Singlemode
12	1625 nm Singlemode

Table 5–13: Connector Adapter Options

Option Number		Connector Adapter	Tektronix Part Number
Singlemode	Multimode		
30	20	Biconic	119–4515–00
31	21	FCPC	119–4516–00
32	22	D4PC	119–4514–00

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A5	220 V Switzerland
A6	100 V Japan

Table 5–12: Laser Output Port Options

Option Number	Laser Output Port
01	850 nm Multimode
03	Dual-Wavelength 850/1300 nm Multimode
04	Standard 1310 nm Singlemode
06	Standard Dual-Wavelength 1310/1550 nm Singlemode
10	Extended-Range Dual-Wavelength 1310/1550 nm Singlemode
12	1625 nm Singlemode

Table 5–13: Connector Adapter Options

Option Number		Connector Adapter	Tektronix Part Number
Singlemode	Multimode		
30	20	Biconic	119–4515–00
31	21	FCPC	119–4516–00
32	22	D4PC	119–4514–00

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Table 5–13: Connector Adapter Options (Cont.)

Option Number		Connector Adapter	Tektronix Part Number
Singlemode	Multimode		
34	24	STPC	119–4513–00
35	25	DINPC 47256	119–4546–00
36	26	Diamond 3.5	119–4558–00
38	28	SCPC	119–4518–00
41	—	FC/APC[1]	119–5115–00
42	—	SC/APC[1]	119–5154–00
43	—	E–2000/APC[1]	119–5164–00
44	—	ST/APC[1]	119–5888–00
45	—	DIN/APC[1]	119–5887–00

[1] Angle polish connector adapters (singlemode options 41 through 45) cannot be interchanged with any of the other connector adapters.

Table 5–14: Instrument Configuration Options

Option Number	Instrument includes:
11	3.5 inch floppy disk drive
1S	FMTAP/FSTIP software
1T	Hard transit case
1R	19-inch rackmount configuration
19	Keyboard
2T	TOP130 LED source 850/1300 nm, ST
3T	TOP140 laser source 1310 nm, FC
4T	TOP150 laser source 1550 nm. FC
5T	TOP200 optical power meter 850/1300/1550 nm, ST

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Singlemode	Multimode		
34	24	STPC	119–4513–00
35	25	DINPC 47256	119–4546–00
36	26	Diamond 3.5	119–4558–00
38	28	SCPC	119–4518–00
41	—	FC/APC[1]	119–5115–00
42	—	SC/APC[1]	119–5154–00
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5T	TOP200 optical power meter 850/1300/1550 nm, ST

Table 5–14: Instrument Configuration Options (Cont.)

Option Number	Instrument includes:
6T	TOP300 visual fault finder 635 nm, FC
7T	TOP160 laser source 1310/1550 nm, FC
8T	TOP220 high power optical meter 980/1310/1550 nm
9T	TOP400 adjustable optical attenuator, SM, 0–35 dB
L1	French language option (includes French user manual 070–9507–xx and quick-reference card 063–1839–xx)
L2	Italian language option (includes Italian user manual 070–9587–xx and quick-reference card 063–1843–xx)
L3	German language option (includes German user manual 070–9588–xx and quick-reference card 063–1993–xx)
L4	Spanish language option (includes Spanish user manual 070–9589–xx and quick-reference card 063–1837–xx
L5	Japanese language option (includes Japanese user manual 070–9590–xx)
L6	Portuguese language option (includes Portuguese user manual 070–9593–xx and quick-reference card 063–1842–xx)
L7	PRC Chinese language option (includes PRC Chinese user manual 070–9591–xx)
L8	Standard Chinese language option (includes Standard Chinese user manual 070–9592–xx)
LF	Finnish language option (includes Finnish user manual 070–9689–xx and quick-reference card 063–2553–xx)

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The instrument accepts text entry from the keyboard whevever a character-selection box is on the display (i.e., when entering fiber notes, a file name, or event notes). Table 5–15 lists the keyboard's text-entry functions.

Table 5–15: Text-Entry Functions

Key	Function
Backspace	Delete the character to the left of the cursor
Delete Del (keypad)	Delete the character that the cursor is on
Home	Move the cursor to the beginning of the text being edited
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When the instrument is not in text-entry mode, you can duplicate the front-panel functions listed in table 5–16.

Table 5–16: Front-Panel Functions

Key	Function
F1 through F6	Perform the same function as the corresponding front-panel softkey, as currently labeled. F1 corresponds to the top softkey, F2 to the second softkey from the top, etc.
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