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PRINTER FORMS SPECIFICATIONS FOR HONEYWELL LINE PRINTERS

SUBJECT:

PURPOSE:

Detailed specifications covering physical dimensions, weight, color and methods of fastening continuous forms for Honeywell high-speed printers.

To provide Honeywell customers with a specification standard to aid them in the selection of continuous printer forms for Honeywell printers. By utilizing these standards, Honeywell users can be assured of the highest quality printing results.

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INTRODUCTION

In any high-speed printing application, there are several factors which affect printing quality. Ribbon quality, inking method, paper tension, and print hammer adjustment all affect printer output. However, the basic consideration, and the one upon which all other characteristics depend, is the form being printed.

In order to assist users of Type 206, 222, and 122 line printers in the selection of continuous printer forms, Honeywell has prepared the following list of forms requirements. If closely adhered to, these characteristics will provide the highest quality printing results on the forms selected.

The following specifications were compiled in cooperation with several leading forms manufacturers. It is not Honeywell's intention, however, to recommend a particular supplier, since many of these manufacturers have the capability of providing forms which meet these specifications. What is intended is to provide Honeywell users with a set of guidelines which will enable them to obtain the best possible printing results.

GENERAL FORMS SPECIFICATIONS (Refer to Figure 1.)

Туре

Forms may be blank or printed, single or multipart stock.

Sprocket Holes

Forms should contain 5/32" diameter sprocket holes with a pitch of 1/2 inch, located in both outer margins. The center lines of the sprocket holes should be a nominal 1/4 inch from the outer edges of the form.

Form Width

For Type 122 and 222 Printers: 4 1/2 inches minimum to 20 inches maximum. For Type 206 Printers: 2 3/4 inches minimum to 20 3/4 inches maximum.



Figure 1. General Forms Specifications

PAPER AND STOCK WEIGHT

Single-Part Forms

Minimum Weight: 16 pounds Maximum Weight: 135 pounds

Multipart Forms

Multipart forms should contain a maximum of one original and seven carbons for Type 206 Printers, six carbons for Type 122 and 222 Printers. Maximum forms thickness should be 0.023 inch.

a. Two- to Five-Part Form (One original with one to four carbons).

Two- to five-part forms should consist of a 12-pound bond interleaved with a 9-pound carbon.

b. Six-Part Form (One original with five carbons).

Six-part forms in any of the following three categories may be used:

- 1. 12-pound bond interleaved with 9-pound carbon.
- 2. 11-pound premium sheets interleaved with 9-pound carbon.
- 3. 11-pound premium sheets interleaved with 7-pound carbon.

c. Seven- or Eight Part Form (One original with six or seven carbons).

Seven- or eight-part forms should consist of 11-pound maximum, premiumquality paper interleaved with 7-pound carbon (maximum).

MATERIAL	SHEET SIZE	THICKNESS MILS/SHEET	LBS/REAM
Carbon Paper	20" x 30"	0.6	5, 5
our poir r apor		0.7	6.5
		1.0	8.0
		1.1	9.0
		1.2	10.0
Bond Paper	$17'' \times 22''$	1.8	9.0
Sona i opor		2.2	11.0
		2.6	13.0
		3.2	16.0
		4.0	20.0
		4.8	24.0
Ledger Paper	$17'' \ge 22''$	5.3	24.0
		6.1	26.0
		7.0	32.0
		7.9	36.0
		8.8	40.0
Bristol Board	25 1/4" x 30 1/2"	7.0	90.0
		8.5	110.0
		11.0	140.0
		13.0	170.0
		17.0	220.0
Tab Cards	24'' x 36''	7.0	101.0
Post Cards	24'' x 36''	9.0	125.0

Table 1. Typical Paper Sizes and Weights

NOTE: Table 1 lists some of the common forms materials which are available. It is provided as a guideline to basic paper weights for use in the selection of printer forms. Not all sizes and weights are suitable for use with Honeywell printers. Nor are all figures the same for all forms manufacturers. Generally, these weights may vary by plus or minus one pound.

FASTENING METHODS

Generally, all types of fastening may be used, except staples and those which seal the plies tightly at both edges. In the latter case, the air between the plies cannot escape when the print hammers strike the form. The trapped air buffers the force of the hammers, reducing character definition on the bottom plies. If it is necessary to use forms sealed at both edges, they should be provided with cutouts through which air can be expelled.

Bump Fastening

A crescent-shaped slit is made in each corner of each page of the assembled form in the margins. The resulting flaps are folded part way through the form, causing a bump to appear

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on the opposite side. Forms so fastened feed acceptably through the paper feed tractors, but in subsequent handling they tend to separate too easily.

Crimping

A pronged blade is used to penetrate the form at two-inch intervals. The tabs produced are folded through the form from front to back and usually from the center toward the ends of the form. This type of fastening feeds well.

Glueing

A narrow strip of glue is applied to the same margin of each ply before the plies are collated. This type of fastening, if properly made, will not jam in the paper feed tractors.

Stapling

Fastening by this method should be avoided.

PERFORATIONS

The ratio of cut to uncut in-form perforations should be a nominal 3 to 1. For single-part forms, the cut sizes should be shorter than the cut sizes of multipart forms, as follows:

Single-part: Cut 3/32" — Uncut 1/32" Six-part: Cut 3/16" — Uncut 1/16"

NOTE: If the printing format is such that the printing will occur within 1.2 inches of the perforation, a shorter perforation should be selected to avoid partial breaking. Breaking of the perforation could result in jamming or forms separation during feeding.

COLOR

Dull, low-contrast paper colors, such as green, blue, gray, etc., should be avoided in multipart form makeup, especially on the lower copies. The use of more contrasting colors will improve printing quality.

FORMS HANDLING

Forms should not be fed directly from shipping containers, since drag and other feeding problems may result. Corners of containers may be slit open if removal of forms is difficult.

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