Introduction

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⚠️ WARNING

- Before using this product, read and understand the instructions.
- Save these instructions for future reference.
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This manual provides instructions for the installation of a Dual Meter Multiplexer with two LCR or LCR-II registers sharing a single printer.

The registers can be operated as stand alone units. They can also be operated from a Lap Pad, a Hand Held computer, or a Laptop computer. For this reason, it is important to ensure that the multiplexer is set up according to how it will be operated. This manual provides installation and setup instructions, it does not provide operation instructions for devices such as a Lap Pad, Hand Held, or Laptop computer.

The multiplexer is not a weather proof box. If the unit is to be used on a fuel delivery vehicle, it must be installed inside the truck cab in a location where it will not get wet or stepped on. There are several cables that will be connected to this device. It is recommended that this unit be installed in a safe area where the cables cannot get disconnected or damaged.

This unit is enclosed in a 7" x 2-½" x 7-½" black, metal box. On the front side of the box there are connections for a printer and a Lap Pad, Laptop Computer, or a Hand Held PC. If a Laptop Computer is used, it is plugged into the same connection used for the Lap Pad. There is a toggle switch that is used for selecting one register or the other when using a Lap Pad. When using a computer, selection is done through software.

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Figure 1.1 Dual Meter Multiplexer.

On the rear side of the multiplexer there are two DB25 female connectors where the LCR data cables connect. There is a terminal block for the DC voltage input to the box and the DC voltage output to the LCR registers.
When looking for the proper place to install the multiplexer, the unit should be mounted:
- In a place where it will not be exposed to water or excessive dust.
- In an easily accessible location.
- Where cables cannot be pulled, bent or stepped on.
- Using sturdy metal brackets.
- Close to a good grounding spot.

This will ensure that the unit will not get damaged and that it is properly grounded.

The following instructions show how to install and set up the Dual Meter Multiplexer in different configurations, depending on which device will be used to control the LCR registers (Lap Pad, Hand Held PC, or Laptop PC).

**NOTE:** Make sure vehicle is OFF while the following procedures are being implemented.

**STEP 1: SET THE INTERNAL JUMPERS**

The Multiplexer box has several jumpers inside that have to be set to a certain position depending on the device that will be used to setup the registers. Using a 5/64" allen wrench, remove the 8 black, socket head screws and remove the lid. Using needle nose pliers, set the jumpers to the position required and then replace the lid and tighten the screws.

**STEP 2: INSTALL THE MULTIPLEXER AND CONNECT THE PRINTER**

Install the multiplexer in it’s final location and make sure it is grounded properly. Next, plug in the data and the power cable into the front side of the multiplexer. Plug the other end of the cables into the back of the printer.
STEP 3: CONNECT REGISTER DATA AND POWER CABLES

Run the register’s data and power cables through split loom, under the vehicle and connect them to the multiplexer box as indicated in figure 1.4.

STEP 4: SET UP THE REGISTER’S COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

NOTE: Make sure the register is powered OFF before moving the jumper or the cables.

This step applies to systems that will use or be set up with a Hand Held or Laptop computer. If the system will operate with a Lap Pad, skip to STEP 5.

In order to communicate with a computer device, the cabling must be modified inside both register heads. Remove the RED and VIOLET cable from terminal block J3 and wire them into terminal J2. Move the J10 jumper to the 485 position or, if a protocol switch is installed, move J10 to the DOWN position.

STEP 5: CONNECT CONTROL DEVICE

Connect the control device to be used, such as a Lap Pad, Hand Held PC, or a Laptop computer, to the multiplexer. If using a Lap Pad, plug in the Lap Pad connector into the front side of the multiplexer in the DB9 female port labeled as “RS-232 Lap Pad”.

Figure 1.4 Data and Power Cable Installation

Figure 1.5 Register Setup
If using a Laptop computer with HOST software to control or set up the registers, a 9 pin serial extension cable must be used. Plug the MALE end of the cable into the front side of the multiplexer labeled “RS-232 Lap Pad”. Plug the other end of the cable into the RS-232 Port of the Laptop computer. This cable is not provided by Liquid Controls but it can be acquired at an electronics or computer store.

Once the Laptop computer is connected to the multiplexer, the LCRHOST.exe program (loaded on the computer) is used to communicate with the LCR registers. If using a software application other than LCRHOST, refer to the User Manual provided with that software.
Once installation of the final control device is complete, power up the system and proceed to set up the registers. If using a Lap Pad, select which register to setup. For a system using a Hand Held or Laptop computer, first set up the communication between the computer and the registers. To do this, follow the procedure corresponding that device.

SETTING THE COMMUNICATION ON A HAND HELD COMPUTER.

1- Power up the units. The Hand Held will reboot and possibly display an error message such as: “LCR #0 not found”. This is normal since the unit is new and the PCMCIA card has no data. Press the F5 key to go to the Main Menu.

2- The “MAIN MENU ACCESS KEY” message will be displayed. Currently, there is no password. Press the ENTER key.

3- The Main Menu is now displayed. Move the cursor to SETUP NETWORK and press the ENTER key. The “SETUP NETWORK” screen will be displayed with all lines dashed out.

4- Press the F3 (NEW) key. The “NEW NETWORK NUMBER” message will be displayed. Type the number 8 and press the ENTER key. All lines will now display different information. Do not change this information.

5- Press the F1 key. The “SETUP NETWORK DEVICES” screen should be displayed.

6- Disconnect the cable for METER #2 from the multiplexer.

7- Press the F2 key. Move the cursor down to YES and press the ENTER key.

8- The message “NEW DEVICE NUMBER - 1” will be displayed. Press the ENTER key.

9- The message “NEW DEVICE CONNECTED” is displayed. Reconnect the data cable for METER # 2 to the multiplexer and move the cursor down to YES and press the ENTER key.

10- The “NEW DEVICE NUMBER - 2” message is displayed. Press the ENTER key.

11- The “NEW DEVICE CONNECTED” message is displayed. Press the ENTER key on NO.

12- Press the F5 key to exit to the “SETUP NETWORK” menu. Press F5 again to exit to the Main Menu.

13- Press F1 to exit the Main Menu. The unit should now be on the PRESSET AND DELIVERY screen. The registers are now communicating with the Hand Held.

14- Before the registers can be used, both units must be set up and calibrated. For these procedures, refer to the Hand Held Users Manual.
SETTING THE COMMUNICATION ON A LAPTOP COMPUTER.

1- Power up the system and run the LCRHOST program on the computer. Make sure the communication cable is connected as indicated on figure 1.8. If this is the first time using the LCRHOST program, “LCR#0 NOT FOUND” will be displayed. This is normal since communication has not been established.

2- Press the F5 key to go to the MAIN MENU. The “MAIN MENU ACCESS KEY” message will be displayed. Currently, there is no password. Press the ENTER key.

3- The Main Menu is now displayed. Move the cursor to SETUP NETWORK and press the ENTER key. The “SETUP NETWORK” screen may be displayed with all lines dashed out. If you have used the LCRHOST program before on this computer, each line will already have some information.

4- Press the F3 (NEW) key. The “NEW NETWORK NUMBER” message will be displayed. Type the number 8 and press the ENTER key. All lines will now display different information.

5- Move the cursor down to TX ENABLE BIT and press the ENTER key. Move the cursor down to RTS/DTR and press the ENTER key.

6- Press the F1 key. The “SETUP NETWORK DEVICES” screen should be displayed.

7- Disconnect the cable for METER #2 from the multiplexer.

8- Press the F2 key. Move the cursor down to YES and press the ENTER key.

9- The message “NEW DEVICE NUMBER - 1” will be displayed. Press the ENTER key.

10- The message “NEW DEVICE CONNECTED” is displayed. Reconnect the data cable for METER # 2 to the multiplexer and move the cursor down to YES and press the ENTER key.

11- The “NEW DEVICE NUMBER - 2” message is displayed. Press the ENTER key.

12- The “NEW DEVICE CONNECTED” message is displayed. Press the ENTER key on NO.

13- Press the F5 key to exit to the “SETUP NETWORK” menu. Press F5 again to exit to the main menu.

14- Press F1 to exit the Main Menu. The unit should now be on the PRESET AND DELIVERY screen. The registers are now communicating with the laptop computer.

15- Before the registers can be used, both units must be set up and calibrated. For these procedures, refer to the LCRHOST Manual.