

Barcode Scanning Made Easy



Freedom Scanner

WWS500 Programming Guide

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Introduction

Barcoding is the most common Automated Data Collection (ADC) technology providing timely, error-free information that can be used to increase productivity, accuracy, and efficiency in the workplace. Virtually every type of industry is using bar codes to replace keyboard data entry. Studies have shown that a proficient data entry operator will make one error for every 300 characters that are manually entered. The error rate using barcodes is almost negligible and can be error-free using barcode symbologies with the check digit enabled.

The Wasp Charged Coupled Device (CCD) technology is a technique whereby a barcode is photographed, digitized, and electronically sampled by built-in photodetectors. The detectors process the measurement of every bar and space using the number of adjacent photodetectors which contrast a black mark and a white space. The Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner is extremely rugged since it has no moving parts.

Of all the hand held barcode scanning devices on the market, the CCD reader is the easiest to use and most cost effective for the typical business user. The Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner is an extended distance scanner with a depth of reading of up to one foot depending on the mil size of the barcode. To activate the scanner, the user simply points the scanning aperture towards the barcode, pulls the trigger, and aims the red LED beam across the barcode.

Barcode Symbologies

Barcodes are symbols consisting of a series of bars and spaces which can be applied to packages, cartons, bottles, and other commercial products. The bars and spaces in each symbol are grouped in such a way to represent a specific ASCII character or function. The interpretation of these groups is based on a particular set of rules called symbologies. Various symbologies have been developed for particular applications. Some examples are shipping and receiving, manufacturing, retail, healthcare, transportation, document processing and tracking, and libraries.

The resolution of a barcode is dependent on the narrowest element of a barcode (X dimension), and can vary from high density (nominally less than 0.009 in./0.23 mm), medium density (between 0.009 in./0.23 mm and 0.020 in./0.50 mm), and low density (greater than 0.020 in./0.50 mm). Medium and low densities are the most common since these are the easiest to read (scan) with nearly all scanning devices. The Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner can read barcodes with X-dimensions as low as 5 mils (0.005 in./0.13mm).

The Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner can read the most popular barcode symbologies including Code 39, Code 93, Code 128, Interleaved 2 of 5, UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN/JAN-8, EAN/JAN-13, Codabar, and MSI/Plessey.

Please see test chart on pages 28-30.

Quick Start

1. Unpack

Open the box and remove all the pieces from their protective packaging.

2. Charging the WWS500

You must charge the scanner for 4 hours before first using it. To charge the scanner plug the power supply in to the bottom of the scanner.

3. Setting up the Bluetooth Adaptor

If you already have Bluetooth setup on your PC or device, please continue to the next step.

To setup Bluetooth on your PC you will need to insert the Bluetooth adapter into an available USB port. Windows will detect the adapter and install the required Microsoft Bluetooth software. If Windows does not detect the Bluetooth adapter, please remove the adapter and insert the CD with the adapter's Bluetooth software on it. Follow the instruction on the CD for installing the Bluetooth software.

4. Connecting the scanner to a Bluetooth device.

The scanner will connect to most Bluetooth devices that support HID connection.

You will need to open your Bluetooth software and search for Bluetooth devices. The Bluetooth software can be found by clicking the Bluetooth symbol on the start bar near the computer time. If the Bluetooth symbol is not found, there could be a problem with the Bluetooth adapter installation.

Once you have the Bluetooth software open you will need to scan the Set Connection barcode (right). This will make the scanner ready to be detected by the Bluetooth software.



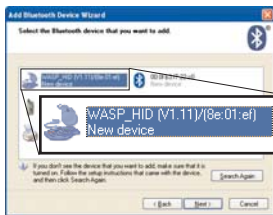
Set Connection

The following screens are Microsoft's standard Bluetooth wizard.

*Most Bluetooth wizards will have similar steps.



Check the “My device is setup and ready to be found.” and click Next.



The scanner will show up in the list of Bluetooth devices found. Select the WASP_HID and click Next.

- * If WASP_HID does not show up in the available devices please check the following.
- Make sure the scanner is on by pressing the trigger.
 - If you are using a pre-installed Bluetooth adapter, make sure the adapter supports HID.



The next step will ask you to add setup a passkey for the device. By default the scanner will not have a passkey set. Please select “Don't use a passkey” and click Next.



The last screen of the wizard will be complete the wizard. Just click Finish to complete.

Once the wizard is complete the scanner will show up as a WASP_HID Device. Click OK to close the screen. You are now ready to use the WWS500.

Setup & Configuration

In order to configure Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner, you must familiarize yourself with the setup procedures on the following pages. The default settings of the scanners are identified on each page and clearly marked using an asterisk (*). **The default settings have been preprogrammed for the most common barcode configurations. Use the setup & configuration barcodes only to customize the WWS500 Freedom Scanner settings.** If you need to configure the Scanner, the default settings will be overwritten. All the programmed settings are stored permanently in non-volatile memory.

In order to configure Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner, two basic steps need to be followed:

- (1) Locate the group that contains the options to be changed.
- (2) Scan the barcode representing the option to be changed.
The scanner will sound two beeps.

To change Minimum/Maximum Length:

- (1) Scan the Minimum or Maximum Length barcode on page 15.
- (2) Scan a 2 digit value from the ASCII table on pages 31-34
- (3) Scan the Minimum or Maximum Length barcode again.

Example: To have a minimum length barcode of 1, you must scan a 0 then 1, then scan the minimum barcode again. To have a maximum length barcode of 10, you must scan a 1 then 0, then scan the maximum barcode again.

Factory Default

Use the Factory Default barcode to reset the scanner to the Default settings.



Factory Default

Autosense Stand Mode

Scan this Autosense Stand Mode bar code to enable the hands-free autosense feature of the WWS500 Freedom Scanner. If you desire to turn this mode “off,” please scan the default bar code above.



Autosense Flash Mode Enable

Note: Enabling this option will significantly increase the WWS500 Freedom Scanners battery consumption.

The 'Beep and Delay' configuration supports the general control options for the Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner. These options include the volume, intercharacter delay, and interblock delay.

Interblock delay is the minimum time interval between two adjacent scans. If the processing speed of your host device is slower than your scanning speed, a longer interblock delay may ensure the data integrity.

Intercharacter delay is the time period that the scanner will wait before transmitting the next character. If data sent by the scanner has incorrect or missing characters, a longer intercharacter delay may solve the problem. The intercharacter delay should be changed only if the transfer rate cannot be maintained between the scanner and the keyboard buffer of the computer.

Note: The default for the intercharacter delay is set to '140us' and is the most common configuration; however, your PC may be different. When you scan a bar code, if some stray or scrambled characters appear, increase the intercharacter delay to slow down the transfer rate.

Beep Settings



Beep Off



Beep Hi



Beep Medium *



Beep Low to High



Beep High to Low



Beep Low

*Default

Interblock Delay**0ms *****10ms****50ms****100ms****200ms****500ms*****Intercharacter Delay*****140us *****500us****1ms****4ms****16ms**

*Default

- **Caps Lock Auto (For PC XT/AT only):**
In Auto mode, the scanner will keep track of the Caps Lock status automatically. For some PCs, the scanning performance may be compromised because of the auto tracing. If the scanning performance is poor (or cannot scan) or the scanner cannot output the upper/lower case characters correctly, try to select one of the next two choices instead of auto tracing.
- **Caps Lock Off:**
When the keyboard is in the unshifted state (Caps Lock is not pressed), select “Lower Case.”
- **Caps Lock On:**
When the keyboard is in the shifted state (Caps Lock is on), select “Upper Case.”

**Caps Lock On****Caps Lock Off *****Caps Lock Auto**

The 'Keyboard Language' setting controls the key codes for your keyboard's language.



U.S. *



German



French



Spanish



Italian

*Default

The 'Preamble/Postamble' configuration is used to add a prefix or suffix set of characters to the barcode value. Up to 8 characters may be added for each option separately. Preamble and postamble characters can function concurrently, but need to be configured separately.

To add preamble or postamble characters, follow the steps below:

- 1) Scan the 'Clear Pre/Postamble' barcode on this page.
- 2) Scan the 'Preamble' or 'Postamble' barcode.
- 3) Use Appendix B on pages 32-35 to locate the characters you want to add as preamble or postamble characters. Make sure that you scan the barcode associated with each letter before preceding to the next character. For example, to add the letter "A," scan the barcode corresponding to the letter "A" on page 34. The letter "A" will always appear in your data as prefix or suffix to the barcode value.
- 4) Scan the corresponding 'Pre/Postamble' barcode on this page to exit this setting.



Clear Pre/Postamble



Preamble



Postamble

Terminator

The 'Terminator' option is used to specify the end-of-text message and is primarily used to denote the end of the barcode value.



CR *



Tab



None



Space



LF



ESC



CR + LF

Code ID

The 'Code ID' option sends a specific value when a particular barcode symbology is scanned. For example, if 'Code ID' is enabled and Code 39 is scanned, an "M" will appear in the data stream in front of the barcode value.



Code ID On



Code ID Off *

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| O - MSI/Plessey | T - EAN 128 |
| S - EAN 8 | K - Code 128 |
| E - UPC E | N - Codabar |
| A - UPC A | D - Full ASCII Code 39 |
| F - EAN 13 | M - Std. Code 39 |
| L - Code 93 | I - Interleaved 2 of 5 |

*Default

Enable



Enable All



MSI Plessey



Interleaved 2 of 5 *



Code 128 *



Codabar *



Code 39 *

Disable



Disable All



MSI Plessey *



Interleaved 2 of 5



Code 128



Codabar



Code 39

*Default

Enable



UPC A *



UPC E *



EAN 8 *



EAN 13 *



Code 93

Disable



UPC A



UPC E



EAN 8



EAN 13



Code 93 *

*Default

Code 39 is variable length and is the most frequently used symbology in industrial barcode systems today. It is extensively used within the Department of Defense (DOD). The principal feature is to encode messages using the full alphanumeric character set. Standard Code 39 contains only 43 characters (0-9, A-Z, \$, /, %, +, -, ., SPACE) and can be extended to a 128 character symbology (full ASCII) by combining one of the special characters (S, /, %, +) with a letter (A-Z) to form the characters that are not present in the standard Code 39 symbology.

See page 6 for information on setting the minimum and maximum lengths.



Enable Code 39 *



Disable Code 39



**Enable Code 39
Full ASCII ***



**Disable Code 39
Full ASCII**



**Check Digit Do
Not Calculate ***



**Check Digit Calculate
And Send**



**Check Digit Calculate
But Do Not Send ***



Minimum Length (1 *)



Maximum Length (48 *)

*Default

Interleaved 2 of 5 is a variable length, even numbered, numeric barcode. It is typically used in industrial and master carton labeling and also in the automobile industry. The symbology uses bars to represent the first digit of a pair and the interleaved (white) spaces to represent the second digit of a character pair.

See page 6 for information on setting the minimum and maximum lengths.



**Enable Interleaved
2 of 5 ***



**Disable Interleaved
2 of 5**



**Check Digit Do
Not Calculate ***



**Check Digit Calculate
And Send**



**Check Digit Calculate
But Do Not Send**



Minimum Length (6 *)



Maximum Length (48 *)

Code 93 encodes the full 128 ASCII character set using 9 modules arranged into 3 bars with adjacent spaces. Two of the characters are check characters. Code 93 is similar to Code 39 but encodes more characters per inch.



Enable Code 93



Disable Code 93 *



Minimum Length (6 *)



Maximum Length (48 *)

*Default

Code 128 is the most flexible of all the common linear symbologies. It supports alpha and numeric characters easily, has the highest number of characters per inch, and is variable length.

See page 6 for information on setting the minimum and maximum lengths.



Enable Code 128 *



Minimum Length (5 *)



Disable Code 128



Maximum Length (48 *)



**UCC/EAN 128
Enable ***



**UCC/EAN 128
Disable**



**UCC/EAN 128
Code ID Enable**



**UCC/EAN 128
Code ID Disable ***



**Function 1
Character Send**



**Function 1
Character Do Not Send ***



**Define UCC/EAN 128
Group Separator**

To Define UCC/EAN 128 Group Separator:

1. Scan Define UCC/EAN 128 Group Separator
2. Scan ASCII code from pages 31-34
3. Scan Define UCC/EAN 128 Group Separator

Note: Default Group Separator is GS

*Default

MSI Plessey is a variable length numeric symbology and is primarily used in marking retail shelves. Each character consists of four bars with intervening spaces for each encoded digit, one or two symbol check digits, and a reverse start code.

See page 6 for information on setting the minimum and maximum lengths.

**Enable****Disable *****Check Digit Verify
And Send *****Check Digit Verify
And Do Not Send****Check Digit Double
MOD 10****Check Digit Double 11
Plus MOD 10****Check Digit Single MOD 10****Minimum Length (6 *)****Maximum Length (48 *)**

*Default

Codabar is a variable length symbology capable of encoding six special alphanumeric characters, capital letters A through D, T, N, *, E, and all numeric digits. Codabar is one of the oldest barcode symbologies and is still used in some library applications. It should not be considered for new applications except under unusual circumstances.

See page 6 for information on setting the minimum and maximum lengths.



Codabar Enable *



Codabar Disable



Send Start/Stop *



**Do Not Send
Start/Stop**



**Check Digit
Do Not Verify ***



**Check Digit
Verify And Send**



**Check Digit Verify
And Do Not Send**



Minimum Length (6 *)



Maximum Length (48 *)

*Default

UPC-A (Universal Product Code-A) is fixed length and is the most common UPC barcode for retail product labeling. It is seen in most grocery stores across the United States. The symbology encodes a 12-digit number. The first six digits are assigned from the Uniform Code Council (UCC). The next five digits are assigned by the manufacturer, and the final digit is a modulo 10 check digit. The nominal height for the UPC-A barcode is one inch. The reduced size is 80% of the nominal size.

**UPC-A Enable *****UPC-A Disable****Send Leading Digit *****Do Not Send
Leading Digit****Send Check Digit *****Do Not Send
Check Digit**

*Default

This option enables the two and five digit supplements for the UPC and EAN/JAN barcode symbologies.



**5 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**5 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



**2 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**2 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



Transmit if Present



Must Be Present *

This option expands the UPC-A barcode to EAN-13.



**UPC-A to EAN-13
Enable**



**UPC-A to EAN-13
Disable ***

*Default

UPC-E (Universal Product Code-E) is fixed length and is a compressed six digit code used for marking small packages, including magazines and paperback books. UPC-E symbols are UPC-A symbols that have been zero suppressed (i.e. consecutive zeros are not included in the symbol). The printed value of the UPC-E code is a twelve digit code. The nominal height for the UPC-E barcode is one inch. The reduced size is 80% of the nominal size.

**UPC-E Enable *****UPC-E Disable****Send Leading Digit *****Do Not Send
Leading Digit****Send Check Digit *****Do Not Send
Check Digit****Expand to UPC-A
On****Expand to UPC-A
Off ***

*Default

This option enables the two and five digit supplements for the UPC and EAN/JAN barcode symbologies.



**5 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**5 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



**2 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**2 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



Transmit if Present



Must Be Present *

*Default

The EAN/JAN-8 is fixed length and is similar to the UPC-E code, but includes two more digits for the country code. The nominal height for the EAN/JAN-8 barcode is one inch. The reduced size is 80% of the nominal size.

**EAN-8 Enable *****EAN-8 Disable****Send Leading Digit *****Do Not Send
Leading Digit****Send Check Digit *****Do Not Send
Check Digit**

This option enables the two and five digit supplements for the UPC and EAN/JAN barcode symbologies.



**5 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**5 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



**2 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**2 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



Transmit if Present



Must Be Present *

The EAN/JAN-13 (European Article Number/Japanese Article Number) is fixed length and is similar to the UPC-A symbology, but encodes a 13th digit. The nominal height for the EAN/JAN-8 barcode is one inch. The reduced size is 80% of the nominal size.

**EAN-13 Enable *****EAN-13 Disable****Send Leading Digit *****Do Not Send
Leading Digit****Send Check Digit *****Do Not Send
Check Digit****ISBN Enable****ISBN Disable *****ISSN Enable****ISSN Disable ***

*Default

This option enables the two and five digit supplements for the UPC and EAN/JAN barcode symbologies.



**5 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**5 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



**2 Digit Supplement
Enable**



**2 Digit Supplement
Disable ***



Transmit if Present



Must Be Present *

*Default

See Chapter 3 for step-by-step setup instructions.

Connect and Disconnect

Scan the “Set Connection” barcode before pairing up the WWS500 Freedom Scanner and the Bluetooth dongle/internal Bluetooth adaptor.



Set Connection

Scan the “Disconnect Bluetooth” barcode if you are moving the scanner to a different PC or Bluetooth dongle/adaptor. After scanning this barcode you will need to scan the factory default barcode on page 7.



Disconnect Bluetooth

Bluetooth Power Off Settings

This option controls the length of time that the Bluetooth radio will stay powered on when not in use.



1 Minute



3 Minutes



5 Minutes



10 Minutes

Note: Make sure that the appropriate barcode symbology is configured properly and enabled before trying to scan. Use the 'Barcode Symbologies' configuration beginning on page 14 to enable specific symbologies.

Code 39*



Code 93



Interleaved 2 of 5 *



Codabar *



Code 128*



MSI/Plessey



*Default

UPC-A*



UPC-A
w/5 digit supplement



UPC-A
w/2 digit supplement



UPC-E*



UPC-E
w/5 digit supplement



UPC-E
w/2 digit supplement



*Default

EAN/JAN-13*

EAN/JAN-13
w/5 digit supplementEAN/JAN-13
w/2 digit supplement

EAN/JAN-8*

EAN/JAN-8
w/5 digit supplementEAN/JAN-8
w/2 digit supplement

*Default

Use this ASCII Table to add preamble and postamble characters to your barcode value. Please refer to the appropriate configuration section for the number of characters that can be configured.



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LF



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F6



Esc



Page Down



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F8



Home



Enter



F9



Back Space



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MODEL	WWS500
OPTICAL Object / Image Path Depth of Field Width of Field Scan Rate	135mm \pm 5mm 50 ~ 120 mm (Code 39, 5 mil) 120 mm (40 mil) 230 scans / second
ELECTRICAL Light Source Sensor Operating Current Standby Current Battery Charger (AC Adaptor) Battery Type	625 ~ 660 nm visible red LED 2088 Element linear imager <230 mA <120 mA 3.7 VDC Lithium-ion (700 mA)
MECHANICAL Dimensions Weight Housing Impact Tolerance	W 4.2" x L 2.4" x H 6.3" 160 g \pm 5g ABS 1.5 meter drop
ENVIRONMENTAL Operating Temperature Storage Temperature Relative Humidity Safety Certification	5°C to 40°C -10°C to 60°C 10% to 95% non-condensing Conforms FCC Class B and CE requirements

Wasp Barcode Technologies products are warranted against defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year from the date of shipment, provided that the product remains unmodified and is operated under normal and proper conditions.

This warranty is limited to repair or replacement at Wasp Barcode Technologies option, with reasonable promptness after being notified. These provisions do not prolong the original warranty term for any product which has been repaired or replaced by Wasp Barcode Technologies.

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FAQ

Q: How do I change the terminator to a Tab?

A: Scan the “Tab” barcode on page 13.

Q: How do I remove the terminator?

A: Scan the “None” barcode on page 13.

Q: How do I enable the Full ASCII character set for the Code 39 barcode symbology?

A: Scan the “Enable Code 39 Full ASCII” barcode on page 16.

Q: If my PC is Bluetooth HID enabled should I still use the Bluetooth dongle/adaptor?

A: No. You can use the built in Bluetooth of your PC. See “Connecting the scanner to a Bluetooth device” on page 4.

Q: What to the various LED indicators and beep tones mean?

A: *Green Light combined with beep tone:* Successful scan

Red Light: Ready to scan

5 beep tones and flashing Green Light: Out of Bluetooth range

Red and Green flash: Battery being charged

Red and Green Light on: Battery fully charged

5 beep tones: Low battery

Product Support

If you experience any problems with the Wasp WWS500 Freedom Scanner that you are unable to resolve, call for technical assistance at (214) 547-4100 ext 2, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Central Standard Time. Visit www.waspbarcode.com/support anytime.



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