

TranScan Sentinel User Reference Manual

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Product Overview

TranScan Sentinel has been designed specifically to meet the recommendations of Food Hygiene Regulations with the regard to transport and delivery of chilled and frozen foodstuffs in refrigerated vehicles. TranScan Sentinel is approved to EN 12830 (and other national requirements) meeting the objectives of directives 92/1/EEC and 93/43/EEC.

TranScan Sentinel is available in three styles as depicted below :-



Sentinel R for in-cab installation in a standard DIN car radio slot



Sentinel C for in-cab installation on a vertical surface or bulkhead



Sentinel T in weatherproof enclosure for external installation on trailers

1.2 Inputs and Outputs

TranScan Sentinel supports the following inputs and outputs:-

2 channels of temperature measurement using precision thermistor sensors.

1 status or on/off input derived from a volt free contact. This is user definable as one of Door, Defrost, Fridge On/Off or any other appropriate event.

The recorder must be powered from a dc voltage supply within the range 10-36V.

Wiring diagram TWD1117 shows these connections.

1.3 Principle of operation

TranScan Sentinel measures temperatures and status (on/off) conditions and automatically stores these in the form of internal "journey files". A new journey file is normally created for each day. TranScan Sentinel may then provide a record of the day's measurements or any previous journey file retained in memory as either a paper ticket printout or in a form that can be transferred to an industry standard PC. The user can choose to print information in either Delivery Ticket (current temperatures) or Journey Ticket (recorded temperature and status conditions) format.

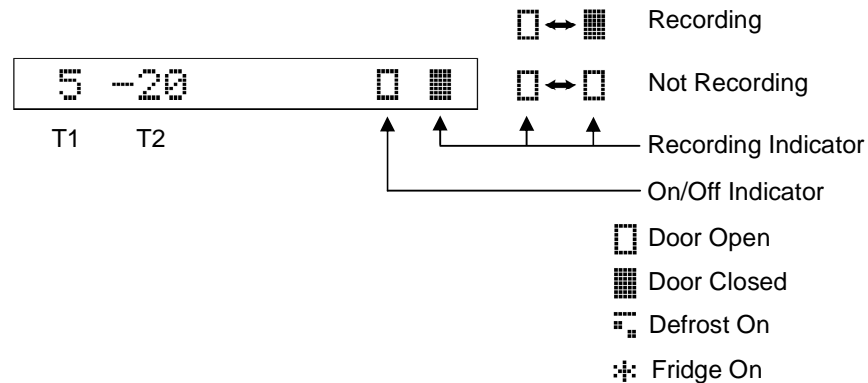
When the Sentinel data memory is full new recordings automatically replace the oldest recordings. The number of recordings that can be retained at any one time depends on the memory size, recording interval and number of temperature channels in use (see 6.8).

1.4 Main components

TranScan Sentinel comprises three main components; the Display, the Operator Keys and the Printer.

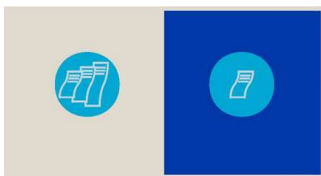
1.4.1 The Display

This normally shows all enabled channels to one degree resolution together with symbols which indicate the current state of each enabled on/off input. The display mode may be changed to show each temperature channel individually with 0.1 degree resolution or to respectively scroll through all enabled channels (see 3.6)



1.4.2 The Operator Keys

The operator keys are colour coded and identified with symbols to indicate their function. For a description of the key functions see 3.1 (basic operation) and 4.1 (advanced operation).



These keys are provided with TranScan Sentinel type "T" and type "C" recorders only.



These keys are provided with all styles of TranScan Sentinel: type "T", type "C" and type "R".

1.4.3 The Printer

The printer is fitted to the left of the Sentinel display and uses a standard 44mm wide x 44mm diameter paper roll and Epson ERC 05 ribbon cartridge. When a ticket is requested the paper feeds automatically. Replacement rolls and ribbons are available from most good stationery suppliers or by contacting your normal TranScan distributor. In case of difficulty contact the TranScan Sales desk on +44(0)1903 249000.

2.0 Getting Started

See also 3.1 "Help Printout"

Before operating your Sentinel recorder for the first time check that it is set to operate to your requirements by carrying out a few simple checks in the following order:-

2.1 Set the Language of Operation

Press **◆** and **h** together and the Display shows Set User Options

Press **◆** and the Display shows the language selected

TranScan Sentinel is factory set to English. If this is acceptable

Press **■** to return to the normal Display.

If a different language is required

Press **◆** to step through the alternatives available

English Francais Deutsch Nederlands Español Portugues Italiano

Press **✓** to confirm selection and return to the normal Display.

2.2. Print a Journey Ticket.

Press **📄** until the display shows JOURNEY TICKET. An example of a Journey Ticket printout is shown below:-

```

Food Supply Co
Vehicle: X234CCI
Recorder: T19091

JOURNEY TICKET

T1 = Front
T2 = Rear

■ Door Open

Update = 15 mins
13 Jun'01 09:45
  T1 T2
  -20-17
  -13-11
  -12 -9
13 Jun'01 09:00
  -15-11
  -21-19
  -21-19
  -21-19
13 Jun'01 08:00
  -21-19
  -21-19
  -21-19
  -21-19
13 Jun'01 07:00
Sign:

-----
Date of report
13 Jun'01 09:49
■ CCI Sentinel

```

TranScan Sentinel Journey Ticket

2.3 Check the Vehicle Identifiers

Check that the Title and Vehicle descriptions are set correctly. The Title is a total of 16 characters that is usually set to the vehicle operator's company name and is printed on the first line of each report. This is factory set to "Company Name". The Vehicle number is an 8 character descriptor normally used for the registration number or trailer number. It is factory set to AB51 CDE for type "C" and "R" recorders and TRL 1234 for type "T" recorders. To change the Title and Vehicle descriptions see 5.2.8.

2.4 Check the Time and Date

The time and date which are printed at the end of the Journey and Delivery Ticket are factory set to GMT immediately prior to despatch from the factory. Once set the Date should never need adjusting during the lifetime of the recorder. The clock includes automatic adjustment for winter/summer time. This automatically adds one hour to the set time between 2:00am on the last Sunday in March and 2:00am on the last Sunday in October.

To check the clock time and date press **h**.

To adjust the time and/or date see 4.4 and 5.2.7

NOTE : When the time or date are changed a new recording is started and the message NEW FILE will appear on the display.

2.5 Check that all required inputs are being monitored.

TranScan Sentinel supports up to 2 temperature channels and 1 on/off input but the most applications call for two temperature channels only. Inspect the Journey Ticket printout taken and compare with the example above to determine how many temperature channels your recorder is monitoring. Examine the display (see 1.4.1) to determine if door or defrost monitoring is enabled by reference to the relevant symbols. Exercise this input (e.g. by opening and closing the compartment door) to check that the input sensor is working correctly by checking that the symbol on the display changes accordingly.

2.6 Check that recordings are being made

TranScan Sentinel is factory set to record continuously 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Data is recorded in separate complete 24 hour periods, or daily files, for ease of access. This is known as Automatic Daily Recording (ADR) and is a unique TranScan process. Although many different recording regimes are possible this standard setting is very widely used and normally no driver action or adjustment is required to start or stop the recording process.

Use the display (see 1.4.1) to check that recording is in progress.

2.7 Check the Recording Interval

TranScan Sentinel is factory set to record every 15 minutes. To check the recording interval Press **◆** and the Display will show the recording interval in minutes.

To change the recording interval

Press **||** and the Display shows PAUSING

Press **◆** to show the recording interval selected

Press **◆** to step through the alternatives available (5, 15, or 30 mins)

Press **✓** to confirm selection and return to the normal Display.


NOTE : When recording interval is changed a new recording is started and the message NEW FILE will appear on the display.

3.0 Basic Operation

Basic operation covers the most commonly used facilities such as using the display, obtaining printouts and checking the time and date. For additional operational information see 4.0 (Advanced Operation).

3.1 Help Printout

An in-built Help facility is provided to guide the operator through the principal functions of the recorder.

Press  until the Display shows Sentinel Help

Press  and the Help file will be printed.

A typical TranScan Sentinel Help printout is :-

```

###Sentinel Help
  Delivery ticket
  Journey ticket
  Sentinel Help

Press any key to
stop printing

  / to say yes
  < read update
  h read date/time
  m scroll display/
  m display all  /
  m display one  /

  || PAUSE
    < set update  /
    h set hours
    m set minutes
    || exit Pause

  ||/  SELECT PRINT
  <||  SELECT FILE
  <h  SET OPTIONS
    < language    /
    * print F/R   /
    h unit R/T    /
    m degrees C/F/


```

Use the Help Printout to guide you through the operation of the recorder

NOTE since we constantly strive to improve the operation and facilities of TranScan recorders the Help Printout produced by your recorder may vary slightly from that shown above. In case of any discrepancy the Help printout produced by your recorder will always describe the correct operation of your recorder.


3.2 To print a Delivery Ticket


Type "R" – Press  once and the display shows DELIVERY TICKET. After a short pause a Delivery Ticket will be printed.

Type "T" and "C" – Press  once and the display shows DELIVERY TICKET. After a short pause a Delivery Ticket will be printed.

A Delivery Ticket shows the temperatures as measured at the time it is printed and may be used to provide printed confirmation of these at the time of delivery.

3.3 To print a Journey Ticket

Type "R" – press  until the display shows JOURNEY TICKET.
After a short pause a Journey Ticket will be printed.

Type "T" and "C" – Press  once and the display shows JOURNEY TICKET. After a short pause a Journey Ticket will be printed.

3.4 To print any file from memory

TranScan Sentinel stores data as Journey Files each of which normally cover a complete 24 hour period. Other types of recording regime are possible to cover specific requirements (see 5.2.2). TranScan data memory is battery backed and data is retained with or without power for a minimum of 5 years. Individual Journey Files may be printed from memory as often as required. See 4.2 for further information about printing data from memory and see 6.8 for a description of memory size and data storage capacity.

3.5 To set the display mode

The TranScan Sentinel display can be set to any of the following options:-

Summary display

All enabled temperature channels are displayed simultaneously (resolution 1.0 degree) together with symbols representing the enabled on/off inputs. This is the factory default setting.

Single display

One selected enabled temperature channel is displayed individually (resolution 0.1 degrees) together with its name. This is useful when undertaking a temperature verification or reference check on an individual temperature channel.

Scroll display

This shows each enabled channel plus the summary display in turn.

To change the display mode.

Press **m** and the display shows `scroll display`.

Press **m** to show the summary.

Press **m** to step through the individual temperature channels enabled.

Press **✓** at any time to confirm your choice.

For more information concerning the display symbols and their meaning see 1.4.1.

3.6 To check and adjust the recording interval

TranScan Sentinel is factory set to record every 15 minutes. To check the recording interval

Press **◆** and the Display will show the recording interval in minutes.

To change the recording interval

Press **||** and the Display shows `PAUSING`

Press **◆** to show the recording interval selected

Press **◆** to step through the alternatives available (5, 15, 30 mins)

Press **✓** to confirm selection and return to the normal Display.

NOTE : When recording interval is changed a new recording is started and the message `NEW FILE` will appear on the display.

4.0 Advanced Operation

Advanced operation covers the less commonly used facilities such as selecting data from memory and printing it, offloading data to a Data Collection Unit or PC, setting user options and adjusting the time and date. For basic operational information see 3.0 (Basic Operation).

4.1 Printing Data from memory (Select Printout)

It is possible to print a list of all files stored in the Sentinel data memory, mark a file to identify those that have been printed (subsequent recordings are then identified as "New"), print all files contained in memory or select and print one or more files.

Press **||** and **✓** together and the display shows `Select printout`

Press **⏮** to scroll through the following options

Print file list

Print new files

Print all files

DD MM hh:mm (then use **h** to move back through older recordings and **m** to move forwards through newer ones)

DD MM hh:mm is the date and start time of the most recent recording in memory. For standard Sentinel operation this will be the current date with a start time of 00:00 (midnight).

When the appropriate selection has been made press **✓** to confirm your choice and printing will begin.

4.1.1 Print file list (Select printout)

A typical file list printout is :-

```

28 Oct '01 13:55
-----
16 Oct 00:00 R
17 Oct 00:00 MR
Old files
18 Oct 00:00 R
19 Oct 00:00 R
20 Oct 00:00 R
21 Oct 00:00 R
22 Oct 00:00 R
23 Oct 00:00 R
24 Oct 00:00 R
25 Oct 00:00 R
26 Oct 00:00 R
27 Oct 00:00 R
28 Oct 00:00 R
New files
Print file list
T51-T510 T12732
## CCI Sentinel

```

The file list shows the start time of all files contained within the TranScan Sentinel data memory at the date that the printout is taken. New files are those that have not been printed or have been recorded with start times which are after the time of the marked file. The marked file is indicated by the letter "M" to the right of the file start time. Old files are those that have been printed or have a start time including and earlier than the marked file.

M indicates the marked file

R indicates that the file is a normal recording generated by the TranScan ADR clock system.

4.1.2 Print new files



Press **||** and **✓** together and the display shows `Select printout`


Press **⏮** until the display shows `Print new files`

Press **✓** and all files recorded with start times after the marked file will be printed starting with the most recent recording.

NOTE when all new files have been printed the mark (M) is automatically moved to the most recent recording in memory and all recordings subsequently made after the printout has been taken will then be identified as new files. See also 4.1.4 "Marking a file"

4.1.3 Print all files



Press  and  together and the display shows `Select printout`


Press  until the display shows `Print all files`


Press  and all files in memory will be printed starting with the most recent recording.

NOTE when all files have been printed the mark (M) is automatically moved to the most recent recording in memory and all recordings subsequently made after the printout has been taken will then be identified as new files. See also 4.1.4 "Marking a file"

4.1.4 Marking a file

Press  and  together and the display shows `Select printout`

Press  until the display shows the date and time of the most recent recording in memory.



Press **h** to move back through older recordings and **m** to move forwards through newer ones and then press ***** or  to mark a chosen file.


NOTE:- the marking of files for printing data from memory is completely independent of that when offloading recordings to a Data Collection Unit or PC (see 4.2.5).

4.2 Offloading data to a computer (Select filedump)

Data recorded by the TranScan Sentinel may be offloaded for archiving on an office computer. TranScan supply a Data Collection Unit (DCU) and software for this purpose. Alternatively a PC running TranScan Data Management software may be connected directly to the Sentinel. **Offloading data is a copying process and does not remove or delete data from the Sentinel data memory.**

NOTE:- Data is offloaded through the communications socket located on the front fascia of the TranScan Sentinel (see 1.4.2) using a lead and jack plug to connect to a DCU or PC running software supplied by TranScan. For further information concerning data offloading, compatible equipment and software contact the TranScan Sales Desk or your accredited TranScan dealer.

Press  and  together and the display shows `Select filedump`

Press  to scroll through the following options

Upload file list


Upload new files

Upload old files

Upload all files

DD MM hh:mm (then use **h** to move back through older recordings and **m** to move forwards through newer ones)

DD MM hh:mm is the date and start time of the most recent recording in memory. For standard TranScan Sentinel operation this will be the current date with a start time of 00:00 (midnight).

When the appropriate selection has been made press  to confirm choice and offloading will begin.

4.2.1 Print file list (Select filedump)

A typical file list printout is:-

```

28 Oct'01  13:55
-----
16 Oct 00:00  R
17 Oct 00:00  XR
Old files
18 Oct 00:00  R
19 Oct 00:00  R
20 Oct 00:00  R
21 Oct 00:00  R
22 Oct 00:00  R
23 Oct 00:00  R
24 Oct 00:00  R
25 Oct 00:00  R
26 Oct 00:00  R
27 Oct 00:00  R
28 Oct 00:00  R
New files
Upload file list
T51-T510  T12732
## CCI Sentinel



```


The file list shows the start time of all files contained within the TranScan data memory at the date that the printout is taken. New files are those that have not been offloaded or have been recorded with start times which are after the time of the marked file. The marked file is indicated by the letter "X" to the right of the file start time. Old files are those that have been offloaded or have a start time including and earlier than the marked file.


X indicates the marked file

R indicates that the file is a normal recording generated by the Sentinel ADR clock system.

4.2.2 Upload new files



Press  and  together and the display shows Select filedump


Press  until the display shows Upload new files


Press  and all files recorded with start times after the marked file will be offloaded starting with the most recent recording.

NOTE when all new files have been offloaded the mark (X) is automatically moved to the most recent recording in memory and all recordings subsequently made after the offload will then be identified as new files. See also 4.2.5 "Marking a file"

4.2.3 Upload old files



Press  and  together and the display shows Select filedump

Press  until the display shows Upload old files

Press  and all files recorded with start times earlier than the marked file will be offloaded starting with the marked file.

Offloading old files does not alter the marked file.

4.2.4 Upload all files



Press  and  together and the display shows Select filedump


Press  until the display shows Upload all files


Press  and all files in memory will be offloaded starting with the most recent recording.

NOTE when all files have been offloaded the mark (X) is automatically moved to the most recent recording in memory and all recordings subsequently made after the offload will then be identified as new files. See also 4.2.5 "Marking a file"

4.2.5 Marking a file

Press  and  together and the display shows Select filedump

Press  until the display shows the date and time of the most recent recording in memory.

Press **h** to move back through older recordings and **m** to move forwards through newer ones and then press ***** or  to mark a chosen file.

NOTE:- the marking of files for offloading data to a Data Collection Unit or PC is completely independent from marking files for printing data from memory (see 4.2.4).

4.3 Setting user options

It is possible to customise the operation of the TranScan Sentinel through the User Options feature. To review or change the User Options for a recorder

Press **◆** and **h** together and the display shows `Set User Options`

Press **◆** to select the operator language

`English Francais Deutsch Nederlands Español Portugues Italiano`

Press **★** to select the print direction as `FORWARD` or `REVERSE`

Press **h** to select recorder type as `R` or `T`.

Select `R` for type "R" recorders

Select `T` for type "T" and type "C" recorders.

Press **m** to select operation in `C` or `F`

In all cases press **✓** to confirm a choice from the options available.

The **↶** and **||** keys return the recorder to the normal operating display.

Journey tickets may be printed in a forward or reverse direction as determined by the selected print direction. The results look similar but timed data is always printed in the reverse time direction (most recent first) independently of the direction of printing.

The default settings for print direction are:

Type "T"/"C" – `REVERSE` direction

Type "R" – `FORWARD` direction.

These settings ensure that printed data emerges from the printer with the text readable as it is being printed (ie not upside down). However this will result in the data being presented differently when comparing printouts produced by type "R" recorders with those produced by type "T" / "C" recorders. If the direction of data on printouts is important for ease of comparing recordings printed by type "R" recorders with those printed by type "T" / "C" recorders then it will be necessary to set the print direction the same for both types.

4.4 Adjusting the time and date

The time and date are factory set to GMT prior to despatch from the factory. Once set the Date should never need adjusting during the lifetime of the recorder. The clock includes automatic adjustment for winter/summer time. This automatically adds one hour to the set time between 2:00am on the last Sunday in March and 2:00am on the last Sunday in October (see 5.2.7).

4.4.1 Clock protect

Adjustment of the real time clock maybe security protected by the Configuration Parameter 'Clk Protect'. This is factory set to `OFF` but maybe set to `ON` to prevent unauthorised adjustment of the time. To check if the clock protect is enabled

Press **||** and the display shows `PAUSING`

Press **h** or **m** and if the clock protect is enabled the display shows `Protected`.

When the clock protect is enabled the clock can only be adjusted by using the PIN protected Configuration Mode. See 4.4.3

4.4.2 Clock adjustment (clock protect not enabled)

When the clock protect is not enabled (see 4.4.1)













Press **||** and the display shows `PAUSING`

Press **h** to adjust hours and **m** to adjust minutes



NOTE: the clock is factory set to GMT and will automatically add one hour to the time used for recordings in the period between 2:00am on the last Sunday in March and 2:00am on the last Sunday in October. When the local time is different from GMT this should be taken into account when setting the clock.

4.4.3 Clock adjustment (clock protect enabled)

To adjust the clock when the clock protect is enabled (see 4.4.1) it is necessary to enter the PIN protected Configuration Mode as follows. PIN code (1,1,1,1) is the factory default value (see 5.0, 5.2 and 5.2.7)

Press  and  and the display shows Enter PIN code
 Press , , ,  and the display shows Start time>00:00
 Press  until the display shows ENG Display>OFF
 Press **h** and the display shows ENG Display> ON
 Press  until the display shows Set clock >hh:mm
 Adjust the date by moving the cursor with the  and  keys and then making the adjustment with the  and  keys.













When clock adjustment is complete

Press  until the display shows ENG Display> ON
 Press **h** and the display shows ENG Display>OFF
 Press  to return to the normal operating display.



NOTE : When the time or date are changed a new recording is started and the message NEW FILE will appear on the display.

4.4.4 Date adjustment

The date is factory set and should never need adjusting during the lifetime of the recorder. The clock system includes a calendar up to the year 2049. The date can only be changed by entering the PIN protected Configuration Mode as follows. PIN code (1,1,1,1) is the factory default value (see 5.0, 5.2 and 5.2.7).

Press  and  and the display shows Enter PIN code
 Press , , ,  and the display shows Start time>00:00
 Press  until the display shows ENG Display>OFF
 Press **h** and the display shows ENG Display> ON
 Press  until the display shows Date >DD MM YY
 Adjust the date by moving the cursor with the  and  keys and then making the adjustment with the  and  keys.

When date adjustment is complete

Press  until the display shows ENG Display> ON
 Press **h** and the display shows ENG Display>OFF
 Press  to return to the normal operating display.

NOTE : When the time or date are changed a new recording is started and the message NEW FILE will appear on the display.

5.0 Configuration Parameters

TranScan Sentinel has been designed to allow a number of variations in the way it operates. This is provided by the configuration parameters and how they are set. Sentinel recorders are normally supplied as a kit that includes appropriate components for the application concerned and the configuration parameters are set accordingly.

Entry to Configuration Mode is password protected to prevent unauthorised adjustment. When the correct sequence of keys is pressed Configuration Mode is entered and each parameter is then presented on the display one at a time. The user can step through each parameter and make modifications as necessary.

In order to enter Configuration Mode a PIN code is required. To enter the PIN code each of the operator keys is associated with a number as follows:-

= 1, = 2, = 3, = 4, = 5, = 6, = 7.

5.1 Printing the parameters

Before attempting to adjust any of the configuration parameters it is recommended that a printout of the parameters is taken.

Press and together and the display shows Enter PIN code

Press , , , (PIN code 1,2,1,2) and after a short pause the parameters and their current settings will be printed.

A typical parameter printout is shown below:-

Printed Parameter list	Parameter Description	Section
CCI Sentinel	Product description and sign on message	5.2.1
TS2-T510.010-128		
Start time>00:00	Recording Regime	5.2.2
Stop time>00:00		
min/update> 0010	Recording Interval	5.2.3
On/Off input> ON	On /Off input	5.2.4
I/P Reverse >OFF		
I/P Name>Defrost	Temperature channels and descriptions	5.2.5
Input symbol> *		
Temperature1> ON		
T1 name >Front	Information to be included in reports	5.2.6
Temperature2> ON		
T2 name >Rear		
Print T1 > ON	Allows access to engineering parameters	5.2.7
Print T2 > ON		
Print On/Off> ON	Vehicle Identifier	5.2.8
ENG Display >OFF	Additional identifiers e.g. used for Company Name	5.2.8
Vehicle>TRL 1234		
Title1 >Food Sup	A 4 digit number unique to this parameter set	5.2.9
Title2 >ply Co.		
Signature: 0556		















5.2 Accessing configuration parameters

To enter the configuration mode and adjust individual parameters it is necessary to enter a PIN code













Press and together and the display shows Enter PIN code

Press , , , (PIN code 1,1,1,1) and the first parameter Start time > 00:00 is displayed. PIN code (1,1,1,1) is the factory default value (see 5.0 and 5.2.7)

The operating keys have the following functions in configuration mode

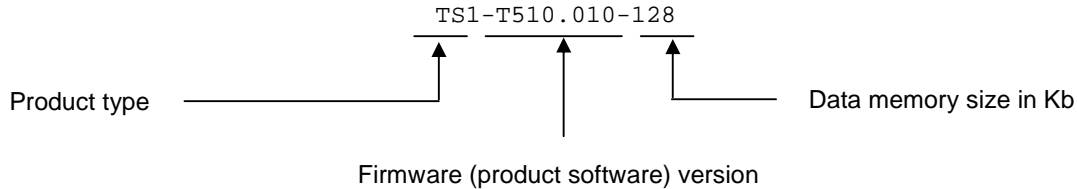
	steps to the previous parameter	
	exits configuration mode	
	steps to the next parameter	
	shifts cursor one place left	
	shifts cursor one place right	
	scrolls backwards through available characters	
	scrolls forward through available characters	

Each parameter consists of a prompt followed by a value that can be changed. Values are one of three different types:-



ON/OFF values	change between ON and OFF by pressing  ,  ,  , or 
Numeric values	use  and  to position the cursor and  and  to select the value required
Alphanumeric values	use  and  to position the cursor and  and  to select the character required



5.2.1 Product description and sign on message

The product description and sign on message appear on the parameter printout (see 5.1) but are not accessible in configuration mode. The sign on message also appears whenever the power to the recorder is restored and is of the format



NOTE: It is possible to reset the recorder without disconnecting the power. This is called a "Soft Reset" and will initialise the recorder and display the sign on message. The soft reset does not interrupt the recording process.

Press  and  together and the display shows Enter PIN code

Press  and  together 4 times and the display shows INITIALISING followed by the sign on message.
See also 5.2.9 "Signature".

5.2.2 Recording regime

Start time > 00:00

Stop time > 00:00

These define the daily start and stop times for the ADR (Automatic Daily Recording) system. If the start time is after the stop time then the recording continues through midnight.

5.2.3 Recording interval

min/update > 0015

Sets the rate at which recordings are made. The value written to memory is the average temperature during the update time which is calculated from samples taken every few seconds.

5.2.4 On / Off Input

On/Off Input> ON

ON tells the TranScan Sentinel that status input 4 is to be used for the On/Off input contact.

I/P reverse> ON

Normal operation of the On/Off Input is that the contact is closed when the event occurs (e.g. a closed contact represents defrost on or door closed). An OFF reply to this prompt means that an open contact represents the event occurring.

I/P name>Defrost

A 7 character description can be entered for the user defined On/Off input.

Input symbol> *

A symbol can be selected from the display character set for the user defined on/off input. There are also special symbols representing a door, defrost and fridge (see 1.4.1).

5.2.5 Temperature channels and descriptions

Temperature1> ON

Temperature 1 input (T1) will be measured and displayed when set to ON. An OFF reply to this prompt will turn the measurement off and there will be no display for T1 on the display or in reports.

T1 name >Air Ret

The name of T1 is shown on the display and in reports. A 7 character description can be used.

The second temperature input (T2) is similarly programmed.

5.2.6 Information to be included in reports

Print T1 > ON

Print T2 > ON

Print On/Off> ON

It is possible to define which inputs are printed on reports and in order to appear on the printout the relevant parameter must be set to ON. Only activate those inputs which are being monitored.

5.2.7 Engineering Display

ENG Display >OFF

This parameter is normally set to OFF.

An ON value allows the following parameters to be displayed

R standard> 9090

This is a standard calibration constant for the TranScan. This constant must not be modified.

T1 cal val> 2252

This is the standard calibration value for the thermistor probes supplied for use with TranScan recorders. This value must not be modified.

The second temperature input (T2) is similarly programmed.

PIN number> 1111 (Factory default value)

The PIN can consist of any digits in the range 1-7. Setting a PIN of 0000 has the effect of not requiring a PIN code to be entered in order to access the Configuration parameters. **WARNING** If the PIN is changed, access to parameters will be denied unless the new PIN code is entered correctly. See 5.0, 5.1 and 5.2

Unit I/D> T12345

This is an individual 6 character identifier which is always set to the serial number of the recorder. The identifier is recorded with the data. The unit I/D is printed on line 3 of each report. Please refer to your TranScan dealer if you need to change this parameter.

Baud Rate > 9600

This is the speed of communication when the recorder is connected to a PC or other device via the serial port.

Date >15 Oct'01

Adjust the date by moving the cursor with the ◀ and ▶ keys and then making the adjustment with the ▲ and ▼ keys. Invalid dates cannot be set.

Set clock >12:00

Adjust the clock by moving the cursor with the ◀ and ▶ keys and then making the adjustment with the ▲ and ▼ keys.

Auto Clk Adj> ON

Set this parameter to ON to automatically adjust the time by one hour at 2:00 am on the last Sunday in March (add 1 hour) and 2:00 am on the last Sunday in October (subtract 1 hour).

Clk Protect >OFF

When this parameter is set to OFF it is possible to adjust the clock without the need to enter Configuration Mode by pressing **||** and using the **h** and **m** keys (see 4.4.3).

5.2.8 Vehicle identifiers

Vehicle>TRL 1234

A 8 character identifier which may be used to identify the vehicle registration or trailer ID number and which is printed on the second line of each report.

Title 1>XXXXXXXX



Title 2>XXXXXXXX


A further two 8 character identifiers which are used together to specify a user defined 16 character title line which is printed as line 1 of each report.

5.2.9 Signature

This is a four digit number which uniquely characterises the current settings of the configuration parameters. The signature does not depend on any of the descriptive names which may be specified as parameter values.

NOTE: the signature may be inspected without the need for taking a parameter printout by viewing it on the display. This is useful when a quick comparison between a number of recorders is required in order to establish if their parameter settings are identical.

Press  and  together and the display shows Enter PIN code

Press  and **h** together and the signature will be shown on the display for a few seconds.

Recorders with identical firmware (product software) and different signatures have different parameter settings. To check the firmware of the recorder see 5.2.1 "Product description and sign on message".

6.0 Specification

TranScan temperature recorders are designed to meet the requirements of EN12830 and other national requirements to support the objectives of directives 92/1/EEC (amended by 93/43/EEC) -usually known as the Quick Frozen Food Directive.

6.1 Type of application

Suitable for recording storage temperatures.
Suitable for recording transport temperatures.

6.2 Measuring range

Certified range	-30 °C to +30 °C
For Germany	-35 °C to +25 °C
Available range	-50 °C to +50 °C

6.3 Autonomous power

Lithium Thionyl Chloride ½ AA battery gives 10 year unpowered retention of data and time/date. The battery is not user replaceable.

6.4 Protection

IP65 for Trailer models, IP20 for Rigid models.

The recorder but not the internal printer in the Rigid model is protected to IP22. In the event of the printer being subject to drips or spillage, it should be allowed to dry out before use. In order to ensure that a printout may be made on demand, a spare printer roll should be carried at all times.

6.5 Supply Voltage

DC 10 V to 32 V. The DC supply shall be either from a vehicle battery fused in-line with a Bussmann type TDS501-2 A (or equivalent T2A fuse approved to EN60127) or from an approved mains operated SELV power supply rated for 3A minimum and limited to 100 VA maximum output. The mains operated power supply should be suitable for IEC installation category II. In order to protect the recorder against reversed power supply connections there is a diode in series with the input supply. Occasionally this may impair printer operation at the minimum supply voltage.

6.6 Accuracy class

Class 1. Maximum permitted error under all operating conditions of recorder and sensor is 1°C at a resolution of 0.5°C.

6.7 Recording interval

May be set at 5, 15 or 30 minutes. For the installation to comply with current German legislation, the user must not set the recording interval longer than 15 minutes.

6.8 Recording duration

The memory capacity with a 15 minute recording interval is 246 days

6.9 Data archiving

In order to satisfy the requirements of national legislation, data must be retained for at least one year. The files may be printed on the internal printer or may be transferred via a Data Collector Unit to a PC. The maximum interval at which this can take place may be determined from the above table, but it is recommended to perform the operation monthly. Records from the internal printer should be kept in a clean dry place to ensure that they are readable after one year.

6.10 Time recording error

Relative error less than 0.1%, typical < 0.01%. error less than 15 min in 7 days, typical <1 min in 7 days.

6.11 Climatic environment

Recording -30 °C to +70 °C
Printing -10 °C to +50 °C
Transport and storage unpowered -40 °C to +85 °C
TranScan Trailer for indoor or outdoor use
TranScan Rigid for installation in vehicle cabin

6.12 EMC

Conforms with requirements of EN50081-1 and EN50082-1.

Radiated immunity 10v/m. Sensor screens should be bared and clamped to the chassis with the fixture provided

6.13 Power surge

Conforms with BS AU 243 (ISO7637-1) grade 4.

6.14 Electrical safety

Conforms with EN 61010-1. Safety may be impaired if installation instructions are not adhered to.

Note that the area marked by the symbol at the rear of the TranScan Rigid unit may become hot if the printer is run for an extended time at the upper limit of ambient temperature.

6.15 Periodic verification

In accordance with EN141012 (under preparation)

6.16 Cleaning and maintenance

Visible surfaces may be cleaned with a damp cloth and mild detergent. There are no general maintenance procedures, but replacement of the paper and ribbon is described in section 2.3.

6.17 IEC symbols used



Direct current



Protective conductor terminal.

If the user wishes to bond metalwork to a protective conductor as part of their procedures, this terminal should be used.



Caution (refer to accompanying documents).

7.0 Declaration of Conformance

Declaration of Conformity to European Council Directives

Cold Chain Instruments hereby declare that representative samples of the following products:

Models Transcan Trailer (4, 2 ADR, Sentinel)
 Transcan Rigid (4, 2 ADR, Sentinel)

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have been tested and found to comply with the essential requirements of the following European Council Directives:

Electromagnetic Compatibility 89/336/EEC (amended by 93/68/EEC)
Quick Frozen Foodstuffs 92/1/EEC (amended by 93/43/EEC)
Low Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC
Automotive EMC Directive 95/54/EC

by application of the following harmonised European Standards:

Temperature Recorders EN12830:1999
Generic Emission Standard EN50081-1:1992
Generic Immunity Standard EN50082-1:1997
Environmental Testing (Vibration and Shock) EN60068:1993
Degrees of Protection provided by Enclosures EN60529:1992
Safety of Electrical Equipment EN61010-1:1993/A1:1995

provided that:

- a. The product is correctly installed in accordance with the installation instructions supplied.
- b. The product has not been modified in any way.
- c. The product bears the CE mark.

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