

TOSHIBA-TEC B-SV4 PRINTER

QUICK INSTALLATION/ USER GUIDE

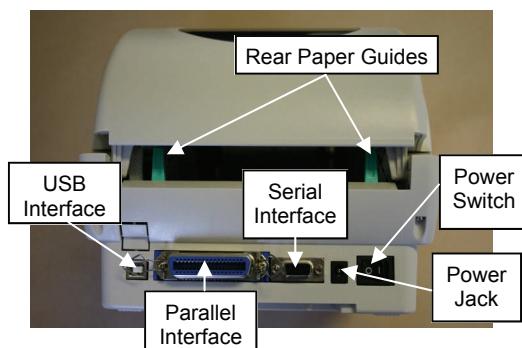
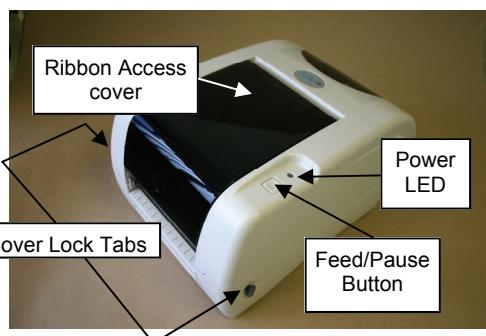
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1.0 INSTALLATION ONTO A HOST DEVICE

Connect the printer to the host device using a Parallel Centronics, Serial RS232 or USB cable.

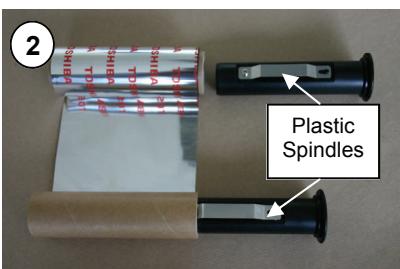
Connect the power cord to the power jack connector on the rear of the printer and connect the Power Supply to a grounded power outlet.



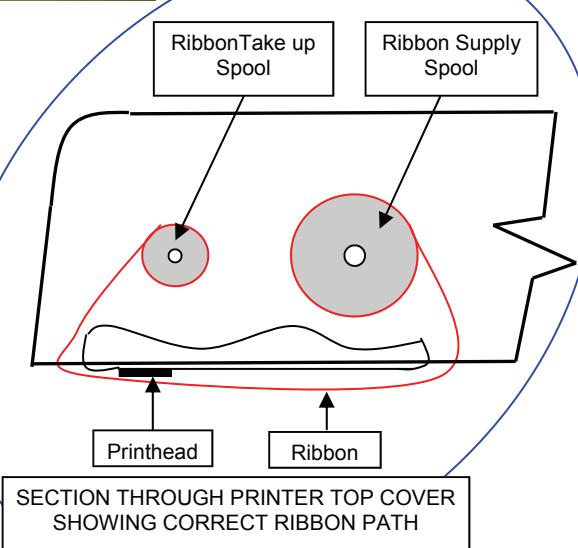
2.0 LOADING THE RIBBON (SV4-T Only)

To load the ribbon:

- 1) Push down on the thumb recess on the access cover to unlock and open the cover
- 2) Inset a plastic spindle into both ribbon cores
- 3) Mount the Take up spool on the front hubs
- 4) Mount the Supply spool on the rear hubs ensuring that the ribbon is routed below the print head
- 5) Manually rotate the take-up spool until the leader section of the ribbon (usually silver) is fully wound onto the Take-up core and the black section of ribbon becomes visible
- 6) Close the ribbon access cover and lock by pushing down on the thumb recess.



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to fully wind the silver leader section
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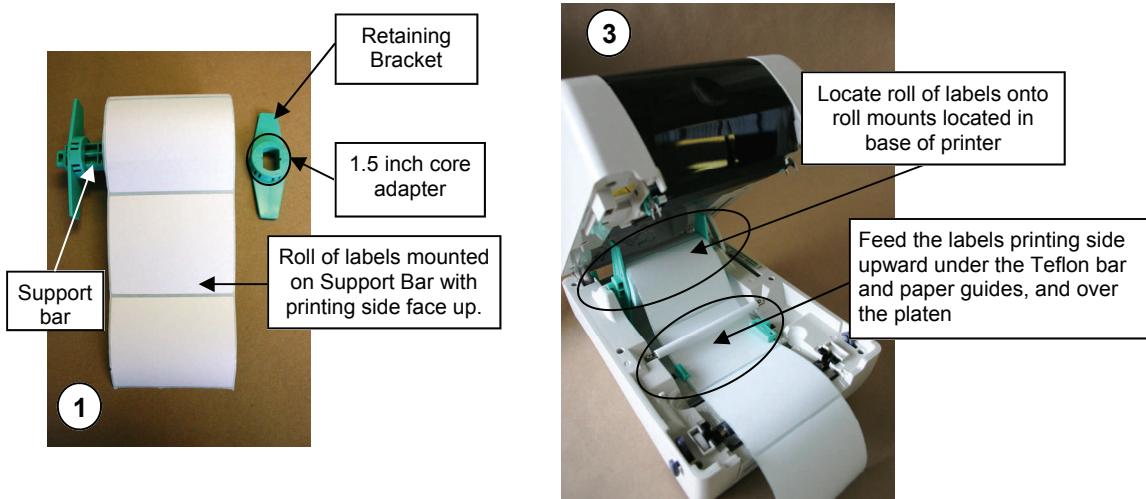


3.0 LOADING THE MEDIA.

To load the Media proceed as follows:

- 1) Insert the Support Bar into the Media roll and slide the left and right retaining brackets onto the Support Bar so that the labels are mounted centrally. (If the core size is 1inch remove the 1.5" core adapters from the retaining Brackets).
- 2) Open the printer top cover by releasing the locking tabs on each side of the printer, and raising the top cover. A support bar at the rear of the printer will keep the cover open.
- 3) Locate the Support Bar onto the Paper roll mount and feed the media (printing side face up) through the Teflon bar and paper guides and pass over the platen.
- 4) Adjust the paper guides in or out to lightly touch the edges of the media backing paper.
- 5) Close the printer by raising the top cover slightly to release cover support bar. Ensure that the cover locks latch securely on both sides of the cover.

Note: Failure to securely close and lock the top cover will result in poor print quality

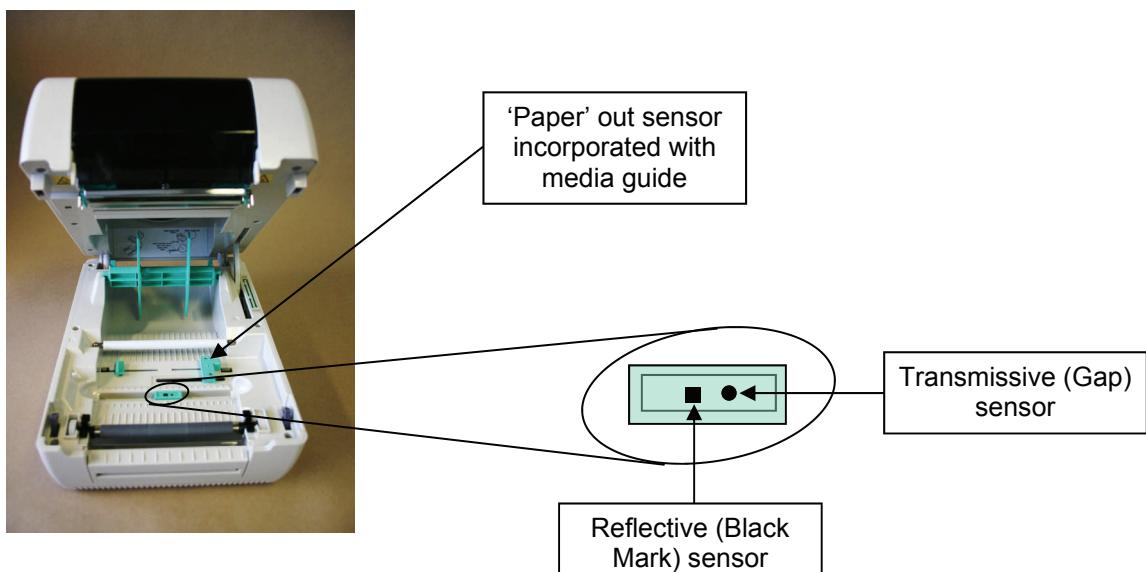


1.4 LABEL SENSORS

The SV4 printer incorporates a transmissive sensor for detecting Gaps between labels, and a reflective sensor for label media which uses black marks printed on the reverse of the media to identify individual labels. These sensors are mounted in a movable assembly located in the base of the printer (see picture below).

When using the transmissive (GAP) sensor ensure that the sensor is positioned in the centre of the printer (ie: opposite the moulded arrow on the platen).

When using the Reflective (Black Mark Sensor) position the sensor assembly so that the Black Mark sensor is in line with the centre of the black marks printed on the reverse of the media.



5.0 INSTALLING THE PRINTER DRIVERS

The latest drivers for the printer may be downloaded from the Seagull Scientific web site (www.seagullscientific.com), or may be installed from the disc supplied with the printer.

If using the Bartender software we recommend downloading the latest drivers from the Seagull site.

Drivers downloaded from the Seagull Scientific website will be contained in a self-extracting file with an "exe" extension (eg: TEC_7.1.1.exe). The first step is to run this file, which will extract the various driver components to a disk drive and directory of your choosing. This information will be required later when installing the driver, so be sure to make a note of the path used.

Note: The Seagull Driver Wizard will normally run automatically after extracting the driver files.
If using Plug & Play installation of the drivers (see 2.1 below) exit from the Seagull Driver wizard and proceed as below.

5.1 PLUG & PLAY INSTALLATION OF DRIVERS:

If using a USB or parallel connection, it is recommended that driver is installed using Plug & Play. To install the driver using Plug & Play proceed as follows:

Note: If the driver is installed manually in this case (instead of using Plug & Play) the driver will appear to install correctly and the printer will operate, however the Windows Found New Hardware wizard may appear every time the printer is turned off and on.

- 1) Turn off the printer, connect the USB or parallel cable, and then turn on the printer.
Windows will automatically detect the printer. The Add Printer Wizard will run automatically.
- 2) When prompted for the driver location, enter either the directory into which the downloaded Seagull driver files were extracted, or the relevant directory on the printer disc (usually \Driver\WinMe-9x, \Driver\WinNT4 or \Driver\Win2000-XP)
Note: A warning may be displayed during installation that the driver is not digitally signed and may not be compatible with your operating system. This driver has been tested thoroughly with all current versions of Windows, and this message may be disregarded.
- 3) Go to section 2.3 below to disable Bidirectional Support for the driver.
- 4) The Label size and Print Method (Direct Thermal or Thermal Transfer) may also be set via the driver (see sections 2.4 & 2.5 below). However this is not mandatory if using Bartender or other host software which sends these parameters to the printer as part of each print job.
- 5) The driver is now installed and ready for use.

5.2 MANUAL INSTALLATION OF DRIVERS:

If installing onto the serial COM port the Windows **Add Printer** wizard must be launched manually:

- 1) From the Windows Printer folder double-click **Add Printer** to launch the Wizard
- 2) When prompted for the driver location, enter either the directory into which the downloaded Seagull driver files were extracted, or the relevant directory on the printer disc (usually \Driver\WinMe-9x, \Driver\WinNT4 or \Driver\Win2000-XP)

Note 1: If the printer is being connected to a serial COM port, it will be necessary to specify the communication parameters for the port, including speed, parity etc. These settings should match with those configured in the printer. The factory default settings for the printer are: 9600 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit

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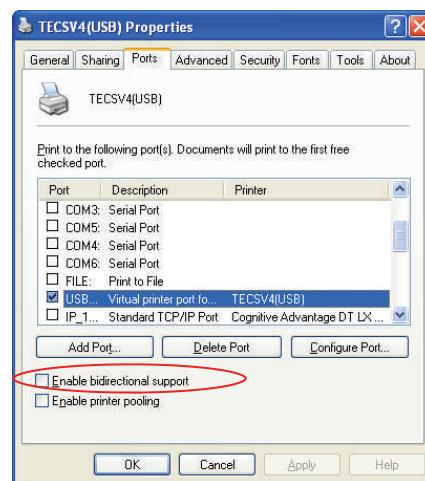
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- 5) The driver is now installed and ready for use.

5.3 DISABLING BIDIRECTIONAL SUPPORT IN THE PRINTER DRIVER:

To disable bi-directional support from the Driver, as follows:

- From the Windows Printers Folder right-click the driver and select **Properties**
- From the tab labelled **Ports** ensure that the **Enable Bidirectional Support** is *not* ticked, as shown below.
(By default bidirectional support *is* enabled after Installation of the driver)

NOTE: If Bidirectional Support remains enabled the driver may set the printer status to 'offline' under certain circumstances. If this happens print jobs sent to the printer will be held in the print queue on the PC waiting for the printer status to return to 'online' (ie: No print jobs appear at the printer). In this case it will be necessary to disable Bidirectional Support (as summarised above), and then to restart the PC to force the driver to re-initialise the printer off-line status. (Note that this will also clear paused jobs from the print queue)

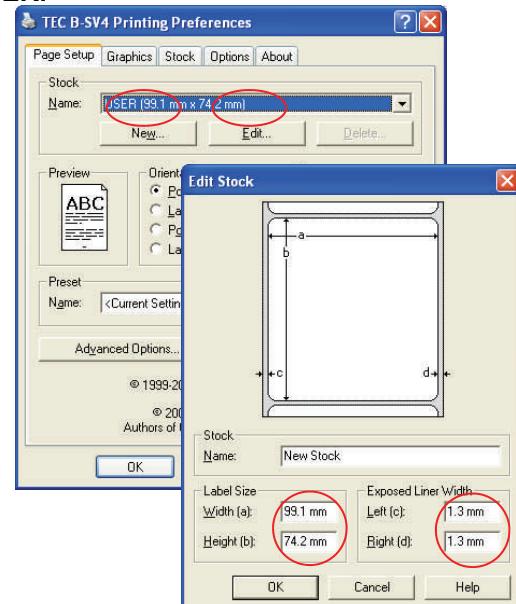


5.4 SPECIFYING THE LABEL SIZE IN THE PRINTER DRIVER:

To specify the label size from within the driver proceed as follows:

- From the Windows Printers Folder right-click the driver and select **Properties**
- From the tab labelled **General** click **Printing Preferences**
- From the **Page Setup Tab** click **New** or **Edit** to enter the relevant label size.

Note: Many host software packages will send the relevant label size to the printer as part of the print job. In many cases therefore it is not necessary to manually set the label size in the driver Properties.

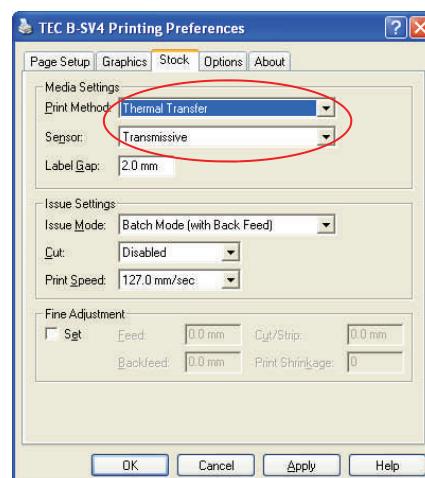


5.5 SPECIFYING THE PRINT METHOD AND SENSOR TYPE IN THE PRINTER DRIVER:

To specify the label size from within the driver proceed as follows:

- From the Windows Printers Folder right-click the driver and select **Properties**
- From the tab labelled **General** click **Printing Preferences**
- From the **Stock Tab** select the **Print Method** and **Sensor Type** from the drop down lists presented.

Note: Many host software packages will send the Print Method and Sensor type to the printer as part of the print job. In many cases therefore it is not necessary to manually set the label size in the driver Properties.



6.0 BUTTON FUNCTIONS

The printer has a single button and LED indicator to control the following functions:

- 1) **Feed Labels.** When the printer is operational pressing the button once will feed one label to the beginning of the next label.
- 2) **Pause a Printing Job.** Press the button once to pause a printing job. When paused the LED will flash green. Press the button again to continue printing.
- 3) **Generating a Test Print, Hex Dump Mode & Resetting the Printer.** To generate a printed test label, to enter Hex Dump mode or to reset the printer settings to factory defaults refer to Appendix B.
- 4) **Selecting and Calibrating the Label Sensors.** The printer has been set to use the transmissive (Gap) sensor by default and to automatically calibrate and feed to the label 'Home' position when the printer is powered ON and the top cover closed. If required however the sensor type may be selected calibrated manually (refer to Appendix C)

7.0 PRINTER OPERATING MODES

The printer may be set to operate in one of 4 Modes:

MODE 0 - Auto-calibrate at power ON + test print and auto-feed to Home position on closing cover.

MODE 1 - Auto-calibrate at power ON + auto-feed to Home position on closing cover.

MODE 2 - Auto-feed to Home position on closing cover.

MODE 3 - No auto-calibrate, no auto-feed to Home position on closing of cover

Note: The printer has been set to Mode1 before despatch from ERS

In this mode the printer will automatically determine the label size and re-calibrate the label sensors every time the printer is powered on and the top cover closed. This means that the printer will feed a number of labels on start up, however in this mode the printer will automatically accommodate different label sizes without the need for manual calibration.

7.1 EXPLANATION OF AUTO CALIBRATION FUNCTION:

When the printer is powered on, the media sensor will automatically calibrate to the media type by feeding several labels. This means that the printer will determine the current label size being used, and re-calibrate the sensors if required to accommodate different backing paper colours or thickness.

If Operating Mode 0 has been selected, a test pattern will be printed after successful calibration

Note: Auto Calibration is only effective for the transmissive (gap) sensor - it will not function if the reflective (mark) sensor is selected.

7.2 EXPLANATION OF AUTO FEED TO HOME POSITION:

When the printer is powered on and loaded with media, opening and closing the cover will result in the printer automatically feeding to the home (start) position of the next label.

Note: Auto feed to Home position is only effective for the transmissive (gap) sensor - it will not function if the reflective (mark) sensor is selected.

7.3 CHANGING THE OPERATING MODE

Please contact ERS if you require to change the printer's default Operating Mode.

APPENDIX A

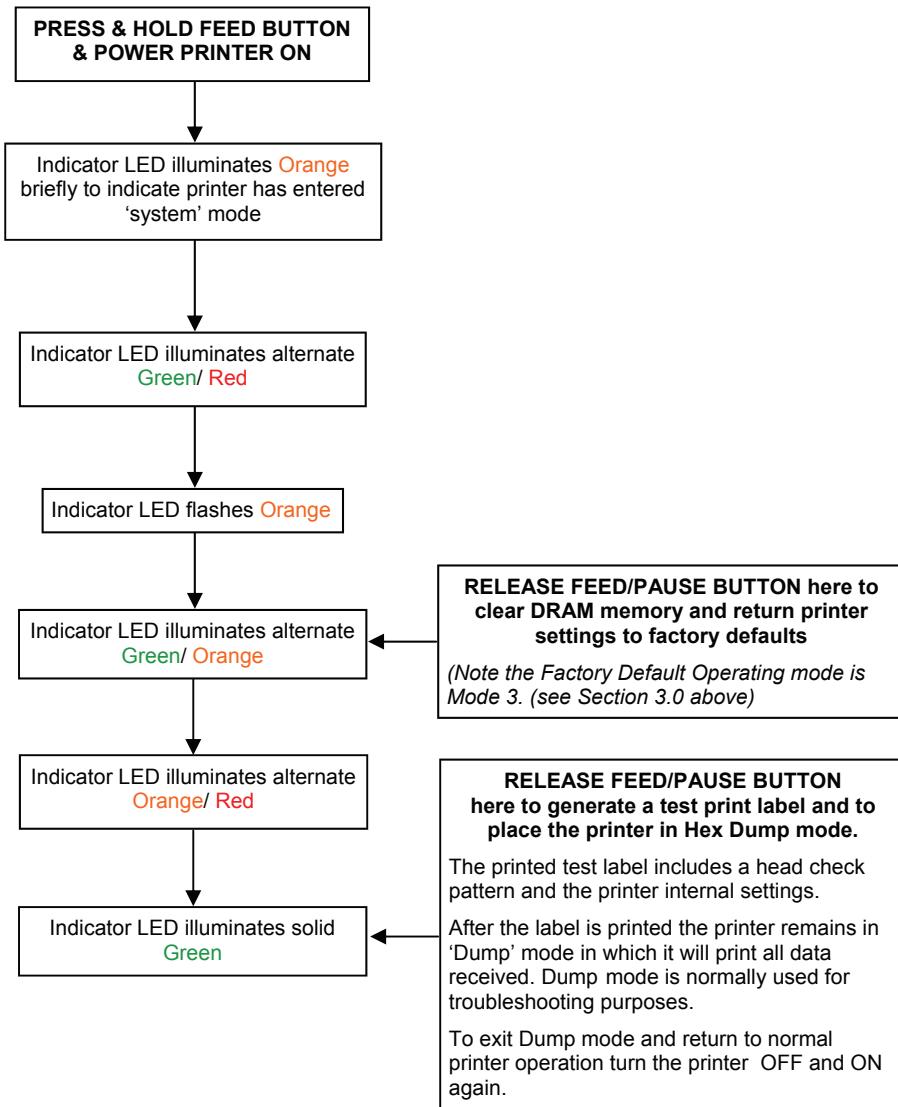
FACTORY DEFAULT SETTINGS

ITEM	SETTINGS
Print Speed	127 mm/s (5 ips)
Density	7
Label Width	108.0 mm (4.25")
Label Height	63.4 mm (2.5")
Sensor Type	Gap Sensor
Gap Setting	3.0 mm (0.12")
Print Direction	0
Reference Point	0,0 (Upper left corner)
Offset	0
Tear Mode	On
Peel off Mode	Off
Cutter Mode	Off
Serial Port Settings	9600 Baud, No parity, 8 Data bits, 1 Stop bit
Code Page	850
Country Code	001
Clear Flash Memory	No

APPENDIX B

GENERATING A TEST PRINT, HEX DUMP MODE & RESETTING THE PRINTER.

To generate a printed test label, to enter Hex Dump mode or to reset the printer settings to factory defaults proceed as follows:



APPENDIX C

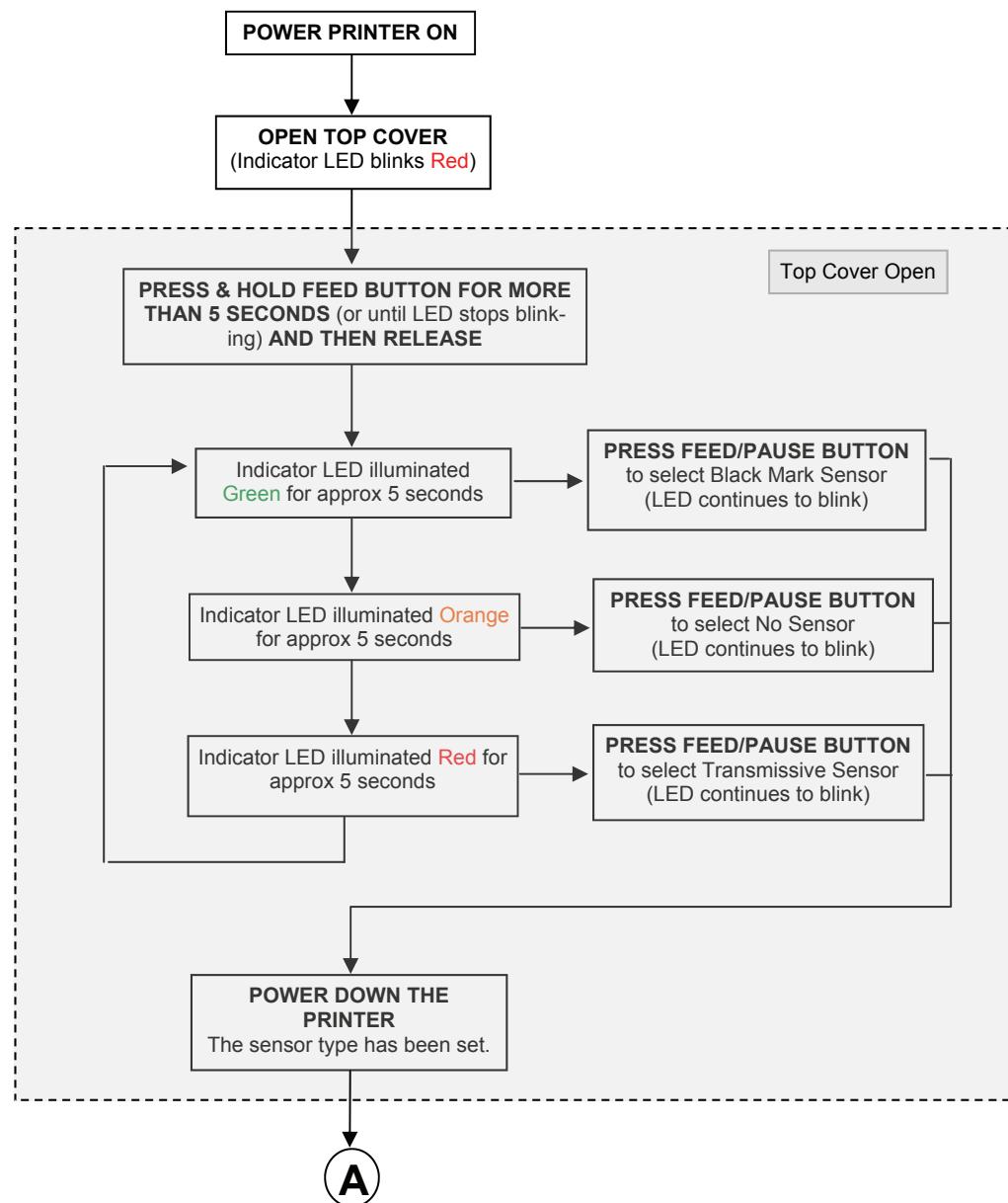
MANUALLY SELECTING AND CALIBRATING THE LABEL SENSOR

STEP 1 - SELECTING THE LABEL SENSOR

The printer may be set to operate with either the Transmissive Sensor (Gap) or Reflective Sensor (Black Bar), or to operate with both sensors disabled.

Note: The label sensor may also be set via the Windows Printer Driver and/or via the Host software package, allowing the sensor type to be dynamically changed to accommodate different label types if required. In many cases therefore the 'manual' selection of sensor type is optional.

To select and configure the relevant sensor type proceed as follows:



STEP 2 - CALIBRATING THE LABEL SENSOR

The sensor selected in step 1 above may be calibrated as follows:

