

# Zebra® G-Series™ printers



## Making a difference to your desktop

Zebra's G-Series compact desktop printers deliver best-in-class speed and performance for print widths up to 104mm (4"). From the basic GK™ model to the feature-rich GX™ model, the G-Series printers offer a reliable, durable and flexible desktop solution for any printing application and budget.

Built with Zebra durability and reliability, the G-Series GK model provides the best value of all basic desktop thermal printers, while the premier GX model supports a variety of industries and applications with the widest range of features. Choose the space-saving direct-thermal version of either model for the smallest footprint of any 104mm (4") desktop printer, or the direct-thermal/thermal-transfer version to save users time with the easiest ribbon-loading system available.

With both EPL™ and ZPL® native on all models and a variety of connectivity options for personal, local and networked systems, the G-Series printers integrate easily and seamlessly with other Zebra printing solutions.

[www.g-series.info](http://www.g-series.info)

## Zebra's G-Series printers support many applications, including:

- **Healthcare:**
  - Patient identification
  - Sample and specimen identification
  - Sterile services labelling
  - Pharmacy prescription labelling
- **Retail:**
  - Product labelling
  - Price mark-down
  - Shelf-edge labelling
  - Voucher and receipt printing
- **Travel:**
  - Boarding passes
  - Bag tags
- **Hospitality, Service & Leisure:**
  - Event and exhibition ticketing
  - Fast-food labelling
  - Gaming and betting slips
- **Supply chain:**
  - Process, product and shipping labelling
- **Post & parcel:**
  - Electronic franking
  - Address labelling

## Get the most out of your Zebra, put genuine Zebra™ supplies in!

Zebra offers a wide range of supplies for G-Series printers, all made to a high standard and suitable for a variety of applications.

- Manufactured exclusively for Zebra printers
- Laboratory-tested for optimum performance
- Proven to minimise wear and tear on printheads



▶ For more information, visit [www.zebra.com](http://www.zebra.com)

# SPECIFICATIONS AT A GLANCE\*

## STANDARD FEATURES

- Print methods: Direct thermal or thermal transfer
- Programming languages: EPL and ZPL as standard
- Construction: Dual-wall frame
- Tool-less replacement of printhead and platen
- OpenACCESS™ for easy media loading
- Quick and easy ribbon loading
- Auto-calibration of media

## PRINTER SPECIFICATIONS

### Resolution

- 8 dots per mm/203dpi
- 12 dots per mm/300dpi (optional GX430t™)

### Memory

- Standard: 4MB flash; 8MB SDRAM
- Optional: 8MB (12MB total) flash with RTC (GX models)

### Print width

- 104mm/4.09"

### Maximum print length

- 990mm/39.0"

### Maximum print speed

- GK420: 127mm/5" per second
- GX420: 152mm/6" per second
- GX430: 102mm/4" per second

### Media sensors

- Standard: Fixed reflective and transmissive sensors
- Adjustable reflective and multi-position transmissive sensor (GX models)

## MEDIA CHARACTERISTICS

### Maximum label and liner length

- Maximum non-continuous: 990mm/39"

### Maximum label and liner width

- 19mm/0.75" to 108mm/4.25"

### Maximum media roll size

- 127mm/5" O.D.

### Media thickness

- 0.076mm/0.003" to 0.19mm/0.0075"

### Media types

- Roll-fed or fanfold, die-cut or continuous direct-thermal labels with or without black mark, tag stock, continuous receipt paper, wristbands

## RIBBON CHARACTERISTICS

### Outside diameter

- 35mm/1.36"

### Length

- 74m/244' (when using 0.08mm ribbon thickness)

### Ratio

- 1:1 media roll to ribbon

### Width

- 33.8mm/1.33" to 109.2mm/4.3"

### Core inner diameter

- 12.7mm/0.5"

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

### Environmental

- Operating temperature: 4.4°C to 41°C

- Storage temperature: -40°C to 60°C
- Operating humidity: 5% to 95% non-condensing
- Storage humidity: 5% to 95% non-condensing

### Electrical

- Auto-detectable (PFC-compliant) 100–240VAC, 50–60Hz

### Agency Approvals

- Emissions: FCC Part 15, Subpart B, VCCI, C-Tick
- Emissions and Susceptibility: (CE): EN 55022 Class B, EN 61000-3-2, EN 61000-3-0 and EN 55024, CCC
- Safety: CB Scheme IEC 60950:1991 +A1 +A2 +A3 +A4, TÜV NRTL, IRAM NOM, AAMI, CCC

## PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

### Width

- Direct thermal 171mm/6.75"
- Thermal transfer 193mm/7.6"

### Height

- Direct thermal 152mm/6.0"
- Thermal transfer 190mm/7.5"

### Depth

- Direct thermal 210mm/8.25"
- Thermal transfer 254mm/10.0"

### Weight

- Direct thermal 1.4kg/3lb
- Thermal transfer 2.1kg/4.6lb

## ZEBRALINK™ SOLUTIONS

### Software

- ZebraDesigner Driver (downloadable from [www.zebra.com](http://www.zebra.com))
- ZebraDesigner™ Pro
- ZebraDesigner
- ZebraNet™ Bridge Enterprise
- ZebraNet Utilities v7.0
- Zebra Universal Driver

### Networking/Connectivity

- ZebraNet® 10/100 Print Server (optional)
- 802.11g wireless LAN (optional)
- Bluetooth® wireless PAN (optional)

### Firmware

- EPL2™
- EPL Line Mode (Direct thermal only – GK420d and GX420d)
- ZPL II®
- Web View
- Alert

## COMMUNICATION AND INTERFACE CAPABILITIES

### GX models have triple interface standard

- RS-232 serial interface, DB-9
- USB 1.1, bi-directional
- Parallel DB-25 female connector, bi-directional
- ZebraNet 10/100 Print Server (optional) – replaces parallel
- 802.11g wireless (optional)
- Bluetooth wireless (optional)
- Wireless options include LCD for visual communication

### GK models have dual interface standard

- RS-232 serial interface, DB-9
- USB 1.1, bi-directional
- ZebraNet 10/100 Print Server (optional) – replaces serial

## FONTS/GRAPHICS/SYMBOLOLOGIES

### Fonts and character sets

- 16 resident expandable ZPL II bitmap fonts
- One resident scalable ZPL font
- Five resident expandable EPL2 fonts
- Native OpenType™ font support
- Unicode™-compliant for multi-language applications

### Graphics features

- Supports user-defined fonts and graphics including custom logos
- ZPL II drawing commands for boxes and lines

### Bar code symbolologies

- Bar code ratios: 2:1 (non-rotated) and 3:1 For EPL and ZPL except where noted
- Linear Bar Codes: Codabar, Code 11 (ZPL), Code 39, Code 93, Code 128, EAN-8, EAN-13, EAN-14 (ZPL), German Post Code (EPL), GS1 DataBar (RSS), Industrial 2-of-5 (ZPL), Interleaved 2-of-5, ISBT-128 (ZPL), Japanese Postnet (EPL), Logmars (ZPL), MSI, Plessey, Postnet, Standard 2-of-5 (ZPL), UCC/EAN-128 (EPL), UPC-A, UPC-A and UPC-E with EAN 2 or 5 digit extensions, UPC-E, UPC and EAN 2 or 5 digit extensions (ZPL)
- Two-dimensional: Codablock (ZPL), Code 49 (ZPL), Data Matrix, (ZPL), MaxiCode, MicroPDF417, PDF417, QR Code

## OPTIONS AND ACCESSORIES

- Label dispenser with label-present sensor
- ZebraNet 10/100 Print Server – internal Ethernet for network communication and printing
- 802.11g wireless (optional)
- Bluetooth wireless (optional)
- Wireless options include LCD for visual communication
- Adjustable media sensor (GX models)
- Cutter for various media types (GX models)
- 300dpi print resolution printing for fine detail and crisp images (GX430t)
- 8MB flash memory with real-time clock for total of 12MB (GX models)
- Font packs – Asian and other international font kits
- KDU Plus™ and KDU™ keyboard display units for standalone printing solutions

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## ZEBRA GK420d™ & GK420t™ PRINTER SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications are provided for reference and are based on printer tests using Zebra brand ribbons and labels. Results may vary in actual application settings or when using other than recommended Zebra supplies. Zebra recommends always qualifying any application with thorough testing

### Standard Features

- Maximum speed 5 ips (127 mm/s)
- OpenACCESS™ design for easy media loading
- 203 dpi print resolution (8 dots/mm)
- Direct thermal (d) and Thermal transfer (t) printing of bar codes, text, and graphics
- Fully enclosed 5.0" (127mm) media compartment
- Dual-wall frame
- ZPL II® programming language
- EPL2® page mode programming language
- EPL Line Mode support (GK420d)
- 32 bit RISC processor
- 8MB Standard SDRAM Memory (3MB available to user)
- 4MB Standard Flash Memory (1.5 MB available to user)
- Zebra E<sup>3</sup> Printhead Energy Control
- Dual communications interface: RS-232 Serial & USB (V1.1)
- User interface feed button (ZPL style)
- Odometer for print length tracking
- Unicode™ compliant for multi-language printing
- Auto-Calibration of media
- 16 resident expandable bitmap fonts (ZPL language)
- One resident scalable font (ZPL language)
- 5 resident expandable bitmap fonts (EPL language)
- Auto-switching 100- 240V power supply
- Transmissive and reflective media sensing
- Head-up sensor
- Programmable print speed: 2, 3, 4 & 5ips (51, 76, 102, 127 mm/s)
- Standard Tear-off mode feature
- Zebra printer driver for Windows

### Optional Features

- **Dispenser (peeler)** – Label peel and present with label present sensor
- **ZebraNet™ 10/100 Print Server** – internal interface enables Ethernet 10/100 network communication and printing (replaces serial port)
- **Font Packs** – Asian and other international font kits
- **Power cord** – US, Europe, UK, Australia, Argentina, Japan, and China
- **ZBI 2.0** – Factory or field installed

### Accessories

- **KDU Plus-** full size keyboard with LCD for stand alone printing applications
- **KDU-** keyboard display unit for stand-alone printing applications where space is limited

### ZebraLink Solutions

#### Software

- **ZebraDesigner Pro** – An intuitive, easy-to-use software program for creating complex label designs (option)
- **ZebraDesigner** – Offers basic features for simple label design (standard)
- **ZebraNet Bridge Enterprise** – Centrally manage Zebra printers from a single PC screen anywhere on your global network (option)
- **ZebraNet Utilities v 7.0** – Provides enhanced printing, conversion, and administration capabilities; message management and more (standard)
- **Zebra Universal Driver** – The most powerful driver available from Zebra for Windows 95/98/2000/2003/ME/NT/XP (standard)
- **ZebraDesigner Driver** – Zebra driver compliant with Windows 95/98/2000/2003/ME/NT/XP, and Vista (downloadable from [www.Zebra.com](http://www.Zebra.com))
- **ZBI 2.0** – Powerful programming language that lets printers run standalone applications, connect to peripherals, and much more (option)
- **ZBI-Developer** – Programming utility makes it dramatically easier for programmers to create and test complex ZBI 2.0 programs and distribute them to the printer (standard with ZBI 2.0)

#### Networking Options

- **Ethernet - ZebraNet™ 10/100 Print Server** - Offered in combination with USB interface (replaces Serial port)

#### Firmware

- **EPL2®** – Eltron Programming Language simplifies label formatting and enables format compatibility with legacy applications
- **EPL** – Line Mode support (GK420d) enables format compatibility with legacy applications

## ZPL II – Zebra Programming Language

Provides sophisticated label formatting and printer control. Compatible with tabletop and mobile Zebra printers

**Web View** – Connect and control Zebra bar code printers via the printer's Web interface using a common Web browser

**Alert** – Printers equipped with ZebraNet print servers will notify you via any email-enabled, wired, or wireless device to minimize downtime

## Printing Specifications

- Resolution: 203 dots/inch (dpi) (8 dots/mm)
- Dot Pitch: 0.0049" (0.125mm)
- Maximum print length: 39.0" (991mm)
- Minimum print length: 0.005" (0.127mm – one dot)
- Print length in line mode: Unlimited (GK420d)
- Maximum print width: 4.09" (104mm)
- Minimum print width: 0.005" (0.127mm – one dot)
- Programmable print speed: 2, 3, 4 & 5ips (51, 76, 102, 127 mm/s)
- Bar code modulus "X" dimension: 203 dpi = 5mil to 50mil

## Ribbon Specifications (thermal transfer units)

**NOTE:** For optimum print quality and printer performance, use of Zebra genuine ribbon is recommended as well as a notched ribbon core.

- Ribbon Width: 1.33" (33.8mm) to 4.3" (109mm).
- Ribbon Capacity: 1 roll of ribbon per 1 roll of 5"OD media
- Core ID: 0.5" (12.7 mm).
- Ribbon OD: 1.36" (35 mm).
- Ribbon Length: 244' (74m) using 0.000328" ribbon thickness
- Ribbon Type: Wax, wax/resin, and resin.

## Media Specifications

**NOTE:** For optimum print quality and printer performance, use of Zebra genuine supplies is recommended.

- Media Width: 0.75" (19mm) – 4.25" (108mm)
- Label Length:
  - Using tear off mode:

| Minimum Length | Model  | Printing Mode    |
|----------------|--------|------------------|
| 0.38" (9.7 mm) | GK420d | Direct thermal   |
| 0.38" (9.7 mm) | GK420t | Thermal transfer |
| 0.5" (12.7 mm) | GK420t | Direct thermal   |

- Minimum using dispenser -0.50" (12.7 mm)
- Maximum - 39.00" (990mm)
- Min Core Inner Diameter: 0.5" (12.7mm)
- Max Roll Diameter: 5.00" (127mm)
- Media Thickness: 0.003" (0.08mm) - 0.0075" (0.19 mm)
- Media Sensing: fixed reflective and transmissive gap, black line, and notch
- Media Types: Roll-fed or fan-fold, die cut or continuous direct thermal labels with or without black line, tag stock, continuous receipt paper, and wristbands

## Calibration Procedure

- The GK420 is equipped with a standard auto-calibration feature that can be set to initiate automatically during start-up of the printer - utilizing two to four labels to calibrate for efficient operation and less waste. The printer will also save the new settings in memory until the next calibration is performed.
- A manual calibration procedure can also be performed, if required. Consult your User's Guide for more details on the specific manual calibration steps.

## ZPL Programming Language (ZPL/ZPL II)

- Communicates in printable ASCII characters
- Compatible with mainframe, mini, and PC hosts
- Downloadable objects include graphics and bitmap fonts, label templates and formats
- Automatic memory allocation for format while printing
- Automatic serialization of fields
- Format inversion (white on black)
- Mirror-image printing
- Four position field rotation (0°, 90°, 180°, 270°)
- Slew command
- Programmable label quantities with print, pause
- Status messages to host upon request

## ZPL Font Specifications

203 dpi (8 dots/mm)

| Font | Matrix (in dots) (H x W) | Type*  | Minimum Char. Size (H x W)   | Maximum C.P.I. |
|------|--------------------------|--------|------------------------------|----------------|
| A    | 9 x 5                    | U-L-D  | .044" x .030"                | 33.3           |
| B    | 11 x 7                   | U      | .054" x .044"                | 22.7           |
| C,D  | 18 x 10                  | U-L-D  | .089" x .059"                | 16.9           |
| E    | 28 x 15                  | OCR-B  | .138" x .098"                | 10.2           |
| F    | 26 x 13                  | U-L-D  | .128" x .079"                | 12.7           |
| G    | 60 x 40                  | U-L-D  | .295" x .236"                | 4.2            |
| H    | 21 x 13                  | OCR-A  | .103" x .093"                | 10.8           |
| GS   | 24 x 24                  | SYMBOL | .118" x .118"                | 8.5            |
| P-V  |                          | U-L-D  | Backward compatible w/ S-300 |                |
| Ø    | 15 x 12                  | U-L-D  | Scalable (Smooth) Font       |                |

\* U = upper case, L = lower case, D = descenders

- Character Fonts: Standard bitmapped Zebra fonts: A, B, C, D, E (OCR-B), F, G, H, (OCR-A), GS, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V & Ø Smooth font (CG Triumvirate™ Bold Condensed).
- Supports user defined fonts and graphics – including custom logos
- Bitmap fonts are expandable up to 10 times, height and width independent. Fonts E and H (OCR-B and OCR-A), however, are not considered in spec when expanded.
- Smooth scalable font Ø (CG Triumvirate™ Bold Condensed) is expandable dot-by-dot, height and width independent, while maintaining edges to a max. 1500 x 1500 dots.

## ZPL Barcode Symbolologies

- **Bar code ratios:** 2:1 (non-rotated) and 3:1
- **Linear bar codes:** Code 11, Code 39, Code 93, Code 128, UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN-8, EAN-13, EAN-14, UPC-A and UPC-E with EAN 2 or 5 digit extensions, Plessey, POSTNET, Standard 2 of 5, Industrial 2 of 5, Interleaved 2 of 5, LOGMARS, MSI, Codabar, and GS1 DataBar™ (formerly RSS)
- **2-dimensional bar codes:** PDF417, MicroPDF-417, Code 49, Maxicode, Codablock, Data Matrix, QR code, and Aztec

## EPL Programming Language (EPL2)

- ASCII EPL2 programming language (Page Mode)
- Field Rotations
- Variable field support (up to 100)
- Counter support (up to 10)
- Variable field addition and subtraction
- Status reporting
- Form, fonts, and graphics storage
- Simple set of formatting commands

## EPL Font Specifications

203 dpi (8 dots/mm)

| Font   | Width (dot) | Height (dot) | CPI  |
|--------|-------------|--------------|------|
| 1      | 8           | 12           | 20.3 |
| 2      | 10          | 16           | 16.9 |
| 3      | 12          | 20           | 4.5  |
| 4      | 14          | 24           | 12.7 |
| 5      | 32          | 48           | 5.6  |
| 8-Simp | 32          | 32           | 6.3* |
| 8-Trad | 32          | 32           | 6.3* |

\* Spacing of Asian characters is controlled via the i command. The formula for CPI is  $203 / (32 + i)$ . Thus as i increases, CPI decreases. For example : If  $i = 2$ ,  $CPI = 203/34 = 6.0$

## EPL Bar Codes Symbolologies

- **Linear bar codes:** Code 39, Code 128A, B & C (User selectable/Auto), UCC/EAN-128, Code 93, Codabar, Interleaved 2 of 5, UPC-A, UPC-E, UPC-A with 2 and 5

add on, UPC-E with 2 and 5 add on, EAN 13, EAN 8, EAN 13 with 2 and 5 add on, EAN 8 with 2 and 5 add on, Postnet (5, 9, 11, & 13 digit) Japanese Postnet, Plessey (MSI-1), MSI-3, German Post Code, and GS1 DataBar™ (formerly RSS)

- **2-dimensional bar codes:** Maxicode (modes 2,3,4,6), PDF417, MacroPDF417, QR Code, Data Matrix, and Aztec

## Communications Specifications

- RS-232 Serial interface, DB-9
- USB V1.1, bi-directional
- Internal 10/100 Ethernet – optional ( replaces RS232)

## Electrical Specifications

- Auto-detectable (PFC Compliant) 100-240VAC, 50-60Hz rated at 70Watts

## Agency approvals

- **Emissions:** FCC Part 15, Subpart B, VCCI, C-Tick
- **Emissions and Susceptibility:** (CE): EN55022 Class-B, EN61000-3-2, EN61000-3-3, and EN55024
- **Safety:** CB Scheme IEC 60950:1991 +A1 +A2 +A3 +A4, UL 60950 and C-UL, IRAM, NOM, AAMI, and CCC

## Physical Specifications (no options installed)

|         | GK420d         | GK420t         |
|---------|----------------|----------------|
| Height  | 6.0" (152mm)   | 7.5" (191mm)   |
| Width:  | 6.75" (171mm)  | 7.6" (193 mm)  |
| Depth:  | 8.25" (210mm)  | 10.0" (254 mm) |
| Weight: | 3.0lbs (1.4kg) | 4.6lbs (2.1kg) |

## Environmental Specifications

- Operating Temperature: 40° to 105°F (4.4° to 41°C)
- Storage Temperature: -40° to 140°F (-40° to 60°C)
- Operating Humidity: 10% to 90% non-condensing R.H.
- Storage Humidity: 5% to 95% non-condensing R.H.

## Preventative Maintenance

- Zebra recommends cleaning the printer on a regular basis using standard Zebra printer parts and cleaning supplies. Consult your *User's Guide* for further details



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## ZEBRA GX420d™, GX420t™, and GX430t™ PRINTER SPECIFICATIONS

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### Standard Features

- Maximum speed 6 ips (152 mm/s)
- 4 ips (102 mm/s) maximum print speed - GX430t
- OpenACCESS™ design for easy media loading
- 203 dpi print resolution (8 dots/mm)
- 300 dpi print resolution (12 dots/mm) - GX430t
- Direct thermal (d) and Thermal transfer (t) printing of bar codes, text, and graphics
- Fully enclosed 5.0" (127 mm) media compartment
- Dual-wall frame
- ZPL II® programming language
- EPL2® page mode programming language
- EPL Line Mode support - GX420d
- 32 bit RISC processor
- 8MB Std SDRAM memory (3 MB available to user)
- 4MB Std Flash memory (1.5 MB available to user)
- Zebra E<sup>3</sup> Printhead Energy Control
- Triple communications interface: Serial, USB & Parallel
- User interface feed button (ZPL style)
- Odometer for printer length tracking
- Unicode™ compliant for multi-language printing
- Auto calibration of media
- 16 resident expandable ZPL II bitmap fonts
- One resident scalable ZPL font
- 5 resident expandable EPL2 fonts
- Auto-switching 100-240V power supply
- Transmissive and reflective media sensing
- Head-up sensor
- Standard Tear-off mode feature
- Programmable print speeds of 2,3,4,5, & 6 ips (51,76,102,127, & 152 mm/s)
- Zebra printer driver for Windows

### Optional Features

- **8 MB Flash Memory w/real time clock**– Total of 12 MB (9.5 MB available to user) for applications requiring additional levels of memory, time, and date information
- **Adjustable media sensor** – full width reflective black line sensor and multi-position gap sensor
- **Ethernet - ZebraNet 10/100 Print Server** – Internal Ethernet, offered in combination with USB & Serial interface (replaces Parallel port)

- **Wireless-** 802.11 b/g with LCD display (replaces Parallel port)
- **Wireless-** Bluetooth™ with LCD display (replaces Parallel port)
- **Dispenser (peeler)** – Label dispenser with label present sensor
- **Cutter** –
  - Continuous paper, lined Label & Tag Stock
  - Maximum Thickness 0.0069" (0.175 mm)
- **Font Packs** – Asian and other international font kits
- **Power cord** – US, Europe, UK, Australia, Argentina, Japan, and China
- **ZBI 2.0** – Factory or field installed

### Accessories

- **KDU Plus** – full size keyboard with LCD for stand alone printing applications
- **KDU** – keyboard Display Unit for stand-alone printing applications where space is limited

### ZebraLink Solutions

#### Software

**ZebraDesigner Pro** – An intuitive, easy-to-use software program for creating complex label designs (option)

**ZebraDesigner** – Offers basic features for simple label design (standard)

**ZebraNet Bridge Enterprise** – Centrally manage Zebra printers from a single PC screen anywhere on your global network (option).

**ZebraNet Utilities v 7.0** – Provides enhanced printing, conversion, and administration capabilities; message management and more (standard).

**Zebra Universal Driver** – The most powerful driver available from Zebra for Windows 95/98/2000/2003/ME/NT/XP (standard)

**ZebraDesigner Driver** – Zebra driver compliant with Windows 95/98/2000/2003/ME/NT/XP, and Vista (downloadable from [www.Zebra.com](http://www.Zebra.com))

**ZBI 2.0** – Powerful programming language that lets printers run standalone applications, connect to peripherals, and much more (option)

**ZBI-Developer** – Programming utility makes it dramatically easier for programmers to create and test complex ZBI 2.0 programs and distribute them to the printer (standard with ZBI 2.0)

**Networking Options**

- Ethernet - ZebraNet 10/100 Print Server-** Offered in combination with USB & Serial interface (replaces Parallel port)
- Wireless-** 802.11 b/g with LCD display (replaces Parallel port)
- Wireless-** Bluetooth™ with LCD display (replaces Parallel port)

**Firmware**

- EPL2®** – Eltron Programming Language simplifies label formatting and enables format compatibility with legacy applications
- EPL**– Line Mode support (GX420d) enables format compatibility with legacy applications
- ZPL II** – Universal language for Zebra printers. Simplifies label formatting and enables format compatibility with existing systems that run Zebra printers.
- Web View** –Connect and control Zebra bar code printers via the printer’s Web interface using a common Web browser (ZPL mode).
- Alert** – Printers equipped with ZebraNet print servers will notify you via any email-enabled, wired, or wireless device to minimize downtime (ZPL mode).

**Printing Specifications**

| Resolution                           | 203 dots/inch (dpi)<br>(8 dots/mm)   | 300 dots/inch (dpi)<br>(12 dots/mm)                           |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Speed<br>Inch/sec - ips<br>( mm/sec) | Programmable 2, 3,<br>4, 5 with 6 max.<br>(51, 76, 102, 127<br>with max.152) | Programmable 2, 3<br>with 4 max.<br>(51, 76, with<br>max.102) |
| Dot Pitch                            | 0.0049” (0.13 mm)  | 0.0033” (0.08mm)  |
| Max. print length                    | 39.0” (991 mm)   | 39.0” (991 mm)  |
| Min. print length                    | One dot  | One dot   |
| Max. print width                     | 4.09” (104 mm)   | 4.09” (104 mm)  |
| Min. print width                     | One dot  | One dot   |
| Bar code modulus<br>“X” Dimension    | 5 mil to 50 mil  | 3.27 mil to 32.67 mil   |

**Ribbon Specifications (thermal transfer units)**

- NOTE:** For optimum print quality and printer performance, use of Zebra genuine ribbon is recommended as well as a notched ribbon core
- Ribbon Width: 1.33” (33.8 mm) to 4.3” (109 mm)
  - Ribbon Capacity: 1 roll of ribbon per 1 roll of 5” OD media
  - Core ID: 0.5” (12.7 mm)
  - Ribbon OD: 1.36” (35 mm)
  - Ribbon Length: 244’ (74 m) using 0.000328” ribbon thickness
  - Ribbon Type: wax, wax/resin and resin

**Media Specifications**

**NOTE:** For optimum print quality and printer performance, use of Zebra genuine supplies is recommended.

- Media Width: 0.75” (19 mm) - 4.25” (108 mm)
- Label Length:
  - Using tear off mode:

| Minimum length  | Model           | Printing Mode    |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 0.38” (9.7 mm)  | GX420d          | Direct thermal   |
| 0.38” (9.7 mm)  | GX420t & GX430t | Thermal transfer |
| 0.50” (12.7 mm) | GX420t & GX430t | Direct thermal   |

- Minimum with label present sensor used - 0.50” (12.7 mm)
- Minimum with cutter - 1.0” (25.4 mm)
- Maximum with standard memory - 39.00” (990 mm)
- Min Core Inner Diameter: 0.5” (12.7 mm)
- Max Roll Diameter: 5.00” (127 mm)
- Media Thickness: 0.003” (0.08 mm) - 0.0075” (0.19 mm)
- Media Sensing: fixed reflective and transmissive gap, black line, and notch
- Media Types: Roll-fed or fan-fold, die cut or continuous direct thermal labels with or without black mark, tag stock, continuous receipt paper, and wristbands

**Calibration Procedure**

- The GX420 and GX430 is equipped with a standard auto-calibration feature that can be set to initiate automatically during start-up of the printer - utilizing two to four labels to calibrate for efficient operation and less waste. The printer will also save the new settings in memory until the next calibration is performed.
- A manual calibration procedure can also be performed, if required. Consult your User’s Guide for more details on the specific manual calibration steps.

**ZPL Programming Language (ZPL/ZPL II)**

- Communicates in printable ASCII characters
- Compatible with mainframe, mini, and PC hosts
- Downloadable objects include graphics and bitmap fonts, label templates and formats
- Automatic memory allocation for format while printing
- Automatic serialization of fields
- Format inversion (white on black)
- Mirror-image printing
- Four position field rotation (0°, 90°, 180°, 270°)
- Slew command
- Programmable label quantities with print, pause
- Status messages to host upon request

## ZPL Font Specifications

203 dpi (8 dots/mm)

| Font | Matrix<br>(in dots)<br>(H x W) | Type*  | Minimum Char.<br>Size<br>(H x W) | Maximum<br>C.P.I. |
|------|--------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| A    | 9 x 5                          | U-L-D  | .044" x .030"                    | 33.3              |
| B    | 11 x 7                         | U      | .054" x .044"                    | 22.7              |
| C,D  | 18 x 10                        | U-L-D  | .089" x .059"                    | 16.9              |
| E    | 28 x 15                        | OCR-B  | .138" x .098"                    | 10.2              |
| F    | 26 x 13                        | U-L-D  | .128" x .079"                    | 12.7              |
| G    | 60 x 40                        | U-L-D  | .295" x .236"                    | 4.2               |
| H    | 21 x 13                        | OCR-A  | .103" x .093"                    | 10.8              |
| GS   | 24 x 24                        | SYMBOL | .118" x .118"                    | 8.5               |
| P-V  |                                | U-L-D  | Backward compatible<br>w/ S-300  |                   |
| Ø    | 15 x 12                        | U-L-D  | Scalable (Smooth) Font           |                   |

300 dpi (12 dots/mm), GX430t

| Font | Matrix<br>(in dots)<br>(H x W) | Type*  | Minimum Char.<br>Size<br>(H x W) | Maximum<br>C.P.I. |
|------|--------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| A    | 9 x 5                          | U-L-D  | .030" x .020"                    | 50.8              |
| B    | 11 x 7                         | U      | .037" x .030"                    | 33.8              |
| C,D  | 18 x 10                        | U-L-D  | .060" x .040"                    | 25.4              |
| E    | 41 x 20                        | OCR-B  | .138" x .085"                    | 11.5              |
| F    | 26 x 13                        | U-L-D  | .085" x .053"                    | 19.06             |
| G    | 60 x 40                        | U-L-D  | .200" x .160"                    | 6.36              |
| H    | 30 x 19                        | OCR-A  | .100" x .098"                    | 10.02             |
| GS   | 24 x 24                        | SYMBOL | .80" x .80"                      | 12.7              |
| P-V  |                                | U-L-D  |                                  |                   |
| Ø    | 15 x 12                        | U-L-D  | Scalable (Smooth) Font           |                   |

\*U = upper case, L = lower case, D = descenders

- Character Fonts: Standard bitmapped Zebra fonts: A, B, C, D, E (OCR-B), F, G, H, (OCR-A), GS, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V & Ø Smooth font (CG Triumvirate™ Bold Condensed).
- Supports user defined fonts and graphics – including custom logos
- Bitmap fonts are expandable up to 10 times, height and width independent. Fonts E and H (OCR-B and OCR-A), however, are not considered in spec when expanded.
- Smooth scalable font Ø (CG Triumvirate™ Bold Condensed) is expandable dot-by-dot, height and width independent, while maintaining edges to a max. 1500 x 1500 dots.

## ZPL Bar Code Symbolologies

- **Bar Code Ratios:** 2:1 (non-rotated) and 3:1
- **Linear Bar Codes:** Code 11, Code 39, Code 93, Code 128, UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN-8, EAN-13, EAN-14, UPC-A and UPC-E with EAN 2 or 5 digit extensions, Plessey, POSTNET, Standard 2 of 5, Industrial 2 of 5, Interleaved 2 of 5, LOGMARS, MSI, Codabar, and GS1 DataBar™ (formerly RSS)
- **2-Dimensional:** PDF417, MicroPDF-417, Code 49, Maxicode, Codablock, Data Matrix, QR code, Aztec

## EPL Programming Language (EPL2)

- ASCII EPL2 programming language (Page Mode)
- EPL Line Mode
- Field Rotations
- Variable field support (up to 100)
- Counter support (up to 10)
- Variable field addition and subtraction
- Status reporting
- Form, fonts, and graphics storage
- Simple set of formatting commands
- Support of selected bar codes

## EPL Font Specifications

203 dpi (8 dots/mm)

| Font   | Width<br>(dot) | Height<br>(dot) | CPI  |
|--------|----------------|-----------------|------|
| 1      | 8              | 12              | 20.3 |
| 2      | 10             | 16              | 16.9 |
| 3      | 12             | 20              | 4.5  |
| 4      | 14             | 24              | 12.7 |
| 5      | 32             | 48              | 5.6  |
| 8-Simp | 32             | 32              | 6.3* |
| 8-Trad | 32             | 32              | 6.3* |

\* Spacing of Asian characters is controlled via the i command. The formula for CPI is  $203 / (32 + i)$ . Thus as i increases, CPI decreases. For example: If  $i = 2$ ,  $CPI = 203/34 = 6.0$

300 dpi (12 dots/mm)

| Font | Width<br>(dot) | Height<br>(dot) | CPI  |
|------|----------------|-----------------|------|
| 1    | 12             | 20              | 25.0 |
| 2    | 16             | 28              | 18.8 |
| 3    | 20             | 36              | 15.0 |
| 4    | 24             | 44              | 12.5 |
| 5    | 48             | 80              | 6.3  |

## EPL Bar Codes

- **Linear Bar Codes:** Code 39, Code 128A, B & C (User selectable/Auto), UCC/EAN-128, Code 93, Codabar, Interleaved 2 of 5, UPC-A, UPC-E, UPC-A with 2 and 5 add on, UPC-E with 2 and 5 add on, EAN 13, EAN 8, EAN 13 with 2 and 5 add on, EAN 8 with 2 and 5 add on, Postnet (5, 9, 11, & 13 digit) Japanese Postnet, Plessey (MSI-1), MSI-3, German Post Code, and GS1 DataBar™ (formerly RSS)
- **2-Dimensional:** Maxicode (modes 2,3,4,6), PDF417, MacroPDF417, QR Code, Data Matrix, and Aztec



## Communications Specifications

- RS-232 Serial interface, DB-9
- USB V1.1, bi-directional
- Internal 10/100 Ethernet – optional (replaces Parallel port)
- Bi-directional Parallel with DB-25 female connector
- **Wireless-** 802.11 b/g with LCD display – optional (this configuration eliminates Parallel port)
- **Wireless-** Bluetooth™ with LCD display – optional (this configuration eliminates Parallel port)

## Electrical Specifications

- Auto-detectable (PFC Compliant) 100-240VAC, 50-60Hz, rated at 100 Watts

## Agency approvals

- **Emissions:** FCC Part 15, Subpart B, VCCI, C-Tick
- **Emissions and Susceptibility:** (CE): EN55022 Class-B, EN61000-3-2, EN61000-3-3, and EN55024
- **Safety:** CB Scheme IEC 60950:1991 +A1 +A2 +A3 +A4, TUV NRTL, IRAM, NOM, AAMI, and CCC

## Physical Specifications *(no options installed)*

|         | <b>GX420d</b>  | <b>GX420t/GX430t</b> |
|---------|----------------|----------------------|
| Height  | 6.0" (152 mm)  | 7.5" (191 mm)        |
| Width:  | 6.75" (171 mm) | 7.6" (193 mm)        |
| Depth:  | 8.25" (210mm)  | 10.0" (254 mm)       |
| Weight: | 3 lbs (1.4 kg) | 4.6 lbs (2.1 kg)     |

## Environmental Specifications

- Operating Temperature: 40° to 105°F (4.4° to 41°C)
- Storage Temperature: -40° to 140°F (-40° to 60°C)
- Operating Humidity: 10% to 90% non-condensing R.H.
- Storage Humidity: 5% to 95% non-condensing R.H.

## Preventative Maintenance

- Zebra recommends cleaning the printer on a regular basis using standard Zebra printer parts and cleaning supplies. Consult your *User's Guide* for further details.