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Revision B of the AutoSet 1500 Plus User Manual covers all AutoSet 1500 Plus models.

Change(s) for Revision B include:

- Integrated reverse load viewing capability has been added to AutoSet 1500 Plus. This is described and explained in Chapters 1 and 4 respectively.
- The 1500 processor board has been revised. Only major components are shown and labeled.
 - A connection has been added to TB1 on the 1500 board for "setup", increasing the connections from 7 to 8.
 - Communications is wired to TB4, and Dialog Station is connected to TB8 (covered in Chapter 2).
- Final Checkout section has been added to the end of Chapter 2. This is done once all the installation, initialization, and calibration procedures have been completed and before operation.
- Illustration and related instructions have been added to Chapter 3 for users to record cal factors and gain settings on the AutoSet operator label.

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How to use the manual

This is the installation and reference manual for AutoSet 1500 Plus. It has information about how to install and use AutoSet 1500 Plus to monitor load.

Chapter 1 introduces you to AutoSet 1500 Plus, tells how it works, and specifically about "repeatability", lists features, and explains how to use AutoSet Plus.

Chapter 2 is the installation chapter. Use it to install AutoSet 1500 Plus if you are installing AutoSet Plus yourself.

Chapter 3 talks about calibration. Read this chapter to calibrate AutoSet Plus properly.

Chapter 4 explains how to use AutoSet Plus. Use it to create and adjust setpoints.

Chapter 5 talks about what happens when AutoSet Plus stops the press and what to do to remedy the situation. It displays the alarms that AutoSet Plus will provide, explains what they mean, and how to correct them. This chapter also discusses how to troubleshoot certain situations that may occur during normal press operation.

Appendix A explains how to install AutoSet 1500 Plus as a panel mount. Mounting and "cutout" dimensions are provided.

Appendix B is specifically included for specially modified AutoSet monitors with custom selectable sampling. It explains how to use stroke sampling for 1, 15, 30, and 60 strokes.

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Chapter 1

The AutoSet[®] 1500 Plus

AutoSet 1500 Plus load monitor from Data Instruments is a simple, easy-to-use load monitor. The "plus" is the repeatability feature that provides more precise, reliable load protection on your press.

AutoSet Plus protects your press and dies from overloads without the need to change or re-adjust settings from die to die. That is because the AutoSet 1500 Plus creates load limits (or setpoints) automatically—for any job. You never have to manually key in settings. With AutoSet Plus, you get overload plus stroke-to-stroke protection, and you are freed from the repetitive process of calculating and setting new setpoints every time you change dies. Additionally, high and/or repeatability setpoints can be changed immediately based upon the actual high load value.

How AutoSet Plus will benefit your operation

- It identifies machine overloading. AutoSet Plus helps reduce unnecessary wear on load-bearing components.
- AutoSet Plus offers repeatability, or stroke-to-stroke, tonnage monitoring which enhances the load protection on your press.
- While AutoSet Plus cannot anticipate a bad stroke, it can signal the press to stop after a bad stroke occurs. This eliminates successive bad hits that can cause catastrophic damage.
- AutoSet Plus displays reverse tonnage to aid in avoiding excessive "snap through" overloads. Press manufacturers typically recommend that reverse loads do not exceed a range between 15% and 25% of total press capacity. Reverse tonnage can be viewed at the LED display.
- Tooling setups are more accurate because of the actual tonnage information AutoSet Plus provides. The correct information about tonnage can be stamped on the die shoe, per OSHA regulation 1910.217 (d) (6) (i).
- AutoSet Plus can detect malfunctions through tonnage variations and can therefore monitor misfeeds, slug stacking, misuse of stop blocks, changes in material thickness and hardness, broken stripper springs, and broken punches in the die. AutoSet Plus makes it possible for one operator to monitor several presses because it stops the press when these or other malfunctions are detected.
- AutoSet Plus helps you keep track of tonnage and tool wear; so repairs to dies and punches can be made on a schedule which permits more efficient use of the press. This results in faster parts production and higher quality parts. You know the tool is wearing if tonnage increases as the die is used again and again.
- AutoSet Plus enables better matching of dies to press capacity since it tells you the exact tonnage produced for each die. Therefore you can avoid using large capacity presses for smaller jobs or overloading a press with too large a job.

The AutoSet 1500 Plus front panel

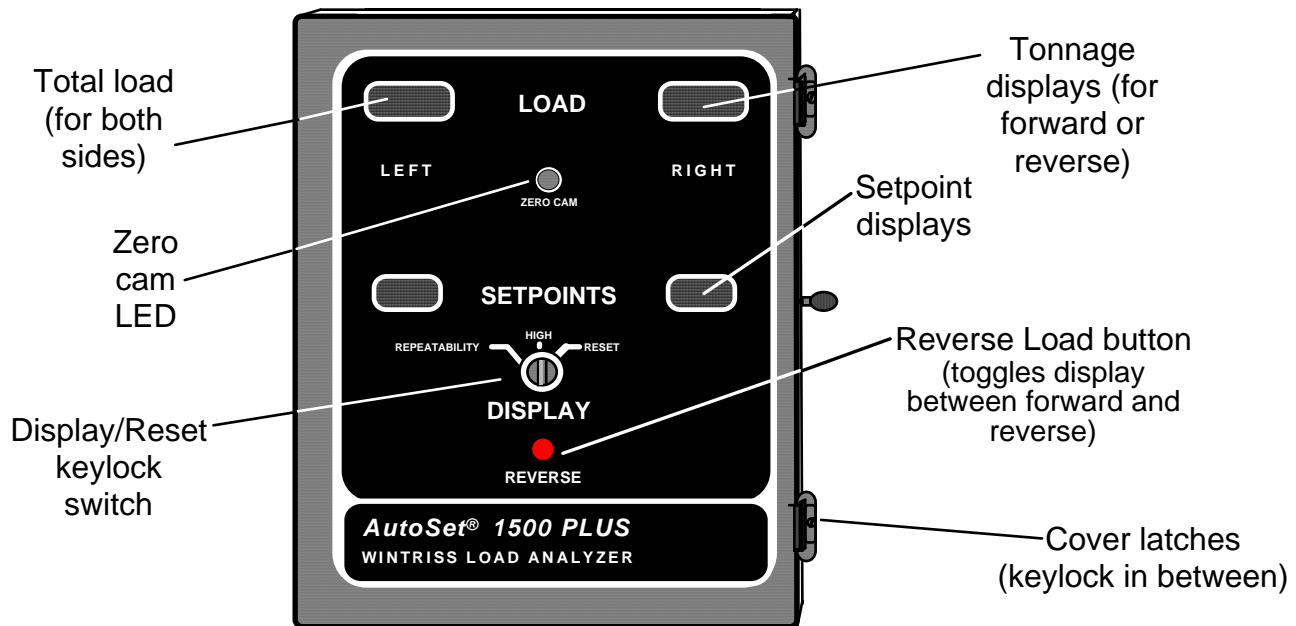


Figure 1-1. The AutoSet 1500 Plus front panel

Tonnage displays. Three-digit tonnage displays show the tonnage at each strain link input. Tonnage displays flash when an overload occurs.

Setpoint displays. Three-digit setpoint displays show the the upper load or repeatability limits (setpoints). AutoSet Plus creates setpoints automatically based upon the load. AutoSet Plus stops the press if any of these limits are exceeded.

Display/Reset switch. This switch has several functions. When you turn it counter-clockwise to the "Repeatability" position, the repeatability setpoints are displayed in the setpoint displays. Similarly, when it is positioned at "High", the upper limits, or high setpoints, are displayed. Turning the display/reset switch momentarily to the right (less than two seconds) to the "Reset" position resets AutoSet Plus after it signals an error condition and stops the press. When an error condition occurs, the tonnage display for the strain link where the limit was exceeded will flash. Holding the switch to the right for more than two seconds signals AutoSet Plus to recalculate setpoints. (This can be done while the press is running.) To recalculate, the switch should always be held to the right until the numbers in the setpoint displays blink once and change to 120% of the full scale tonnage. Complete instructions for using the display/reset switch can be found in Chapter 4.

Keylock. AutoSet 1500 Plus has a lock and key so that the cover can be secured. This prevents unauthorized changes to settings.

Cover latches. The two cover latches keep the AutoSet front panel door firmly closed. To make settings on AutoSet, you unlock the box and loosen the two latches. Then just swing the front panel door open. All settings are made inside the box.

Zero Cam LED. Illuminates when the zero cam is closed, generally through top of stroke.

Reverse Load button. Press this button to view Reverse load information. The "Setpoint" LEDs will display "*rEV*". Press the button again to return to Forward load information.

How tonnage is recorded on the AutoSet Plus displays

The way AutoSet Plus displays tonnage depends upon the full scale tonnage of your press. (You make the full scale tonnage setting during calibration.)

200 tons or less

If AutoSet Plus is set to a full scale tonnage of 200 tons or less, it displays actual tonnage up to 100 tons in tenths of a ton (5.5, 6.0, 45.5, 90.1, 99.9, etc). Over 100 tons, it displays tonnage in whole numbers only.

Between 200 and 1500 tons

For presses with full scale tonnage between 200 and 1500 tons, AutoSet Plus displays only whole numbers for actual tonnage (250, 300, 500 1500, etc).

Over 1500 tons

For presses with full scale tonnage over 1500 tons, you must multiply the displayed tonnage by 10. For instance, a display of 5.5 tons would be 55 tons, a display of 105 tons would be 1050 tons, and so on. (See "Setting full scale tonnage" in Chapter 2 for more details on how AutoSet Plus displays actual tonnage.)

Strain links

Strain links are the sensors used with AutoSet Plus to measure press tonnage. They are mounted to the press frame, or other structural members, where strain is proportional to load, and are wired to AutoSet Plus. Two strain links are used. The strain links convert press frame deflection into an electrical signal. They detect and measure the forces -- tension or compression -- acting on the press frame.

When the press is loaded, the strain link is either stretched or compressed. On straight side presses, strain links measure tension (stretching of the frame). On gap frame presses (OBI or OBG), strain links can measure either tension (front-mounted) or compression (rear-mounted). The tensile (or compressive) force changes the output signal of the resistance bridge located inside the strain link body. The electrical signal sent to the AutoSet 1500 Plus is proportional to the force being exerted by the press.

The two strain links provided with the AutoSet 1500 Plus are called differential strain links. The part number on your links should be 9641601 (30' cable), 9641602 (100' cable), or 9641801 (with Hirschmann connector), depending on the cable length or connector you choose. Contact Data Instruments before trying to use any other strain link. *Strain link mounting is described in Chapter 2 – Installation.*

Calibration

AutoSet Plus must be calibrated before use. To calibrate, you first load the press to a certain tonnage using load cells, which are connected to an independent load monitor that you know will give correct readings. You then adjust the tonnage readings on AutoSet Plus until they match the tonnage readings of the independent load monitor. *Calibration is covered in Chapter 3.*

How the AutoSet 1500 Plus works

AutoSet Plus is so easy to use because it creates and displays high and repeatability setpoints automatically. You never have to calculate and key in setpoints.

Once AutoSet Plus is installed and properly calibrated, there are only three settings you need to make. You set the sample period and two percentage settings (percent high tolerance and percent repeatability). The sample period can be set either to 1 or 15 strokes. The percentage high tolerance setting tells AutoSet Plus how high above the load the setpoints should be. The percentage repeatability tolerance setting tells AutoSet Plus how much stroke-to stroke variation in the load is allowed. The repeatability percentages that you can select are 1%, 2%, 3%, 5%, 7%, 10%, 15%, 25%, or 50%; and the high tolerance settings include 2%, 5%, 10%, 15%, 20%, 25%, 35%, 50%, and 100%. Each of the settings can be made using two switches inside the box.

Once selected, these same settings can be used for any die on the press (in most cases). You do not have to change the setting from job to job. (See Chapter 4 for more details on when it may be necessary to change settings.)

AutoSet Plus calculates setpoints automatically based upon a sample of the load in the same way that you would figure out setpoints yourself on paper. Here is how it is done:

1. Once the press is running, AutoSet Plus begins measuring and recording the load (in tons) at each strain link. It records the load for each stroke in the sample period.
2. After the sample period ends, AutoSet Plus determines the highest load at each strain link. It ends up with two numbers: the highest measured load at the right strain link and the highest measured load at the left strain link.
3. Next it calculates the high setpoints using this formula:

$$\text{highest measured load on each strain link during sample period} + \\ \text{percentage of load selected} = \text{high setpoint}$$

4. It also calculates the repeatability setpoints using this formula:

$$\text{highest measured load on each strain link during sample period} \times \\ \text{percentage of load selected} = \text{repeatability setpoint}$$

5. These calculations are performed simultaneously on both of the numbers in step 2. The results are the high and repeatability setpoints for each side of the press. See the following example. The setpoints are displayed in the setpoint displays, depending upon the position of the display/reset switch (high or repeatability).

During the sample period (while AutoSet Plus is recording tonnage), setpoints are maintained at 120% of the full scale capacity of the press. Therefore, AutoSet Plus offers overload protection even during the sample period.

SETPOINTS NEVER EXCEED 120%

AutoSet Plus will not create setpoints greater than 120% of the full scale capacity of the press.

AutoSet Plus will calculate new setpoints whenever you turn the display/reset switch to "Reset" and hold it for two seconds. The setpoints are displayed after the sampling period is over. Afterwards, it will also change setpoints when you change the percentage settings for either high or repeatability. And while the press is running, both the high and repeatability setpoints are active, regardless of which position the display/reset switch has been set. *Complete instructions for making settings on AutoSet Plus, how to use the display/reset switch, and a discussion of when you need to change settings can be found in Chapter 4.*

What is Repeatability and how does it work

Repeatability is the variation in load from stroke to stroke. The repeatability setpoints monitor this stroke-to-stroke variation on each strain link. Repeatability allows you to monitor your stamping process to detect punch breakage and quality problems. It detects loss of tonnage due to end of stock. It also allows you to relax the high setpoint tolerance, thus avoiding nuisance stops due to acceptable variance in material thickness and hardness.

You select the appropriate percent repeatability on the percent repeatability selector switch inside AutoSet Plus. You can also disable repeatability.

Here is an example of how repeatability works. If the first stroke is 44.0 tons and the second is 46.0 tons, the repeatability (or stroke to stroke variation) is 2.0 tons. In other words, the difference in tonnage between the first two strokes is 2.0 (46.0 - 44.0). If the third stroke is 49.0 tons, then the repeatability is 3.0 tons (49.0 - 46.0). In our example, let's assume that the repeatability limit is 2.5 tons on each strain link. You know immediately when a repeatability setpoint has been exceeded because AutoSet Plus automatically stops the press and displays "rEP" in the setpoint displays.

Example of how high and repeatability setpoints are calculated

To better understand how AutoSet 1500 Plus automatically creates setpoints, let's look at this example. Let's say AutoSet Plus is installed on a 150 ton press. The percent high tolerance setting is at 15%, indicating that AutoSet Plus will create high setpoints 15% *higher* than the highest measured load during the sample period. The percent repeatability setting is at 5%, indicating that AutoSet Plus will create repeatability setpoints at 5% of the highest measured load during the sample period. The sample period is set to 15 strokes.

Before you start the sample period, turn the display/reset switch to the right for at least two seconds. This signals AutoSet Plus to begin the calculation. It also changes the setpoint displays to 90.0 tons each (120% of 75 tons). 75 tons is the full scale tonnage for each side of the press. Next, you run the press for 15 strokes. The highest measured tonnage on the left is 65 tons and on the right is 50 tons. See the graph illustrated in Figure 1-2.

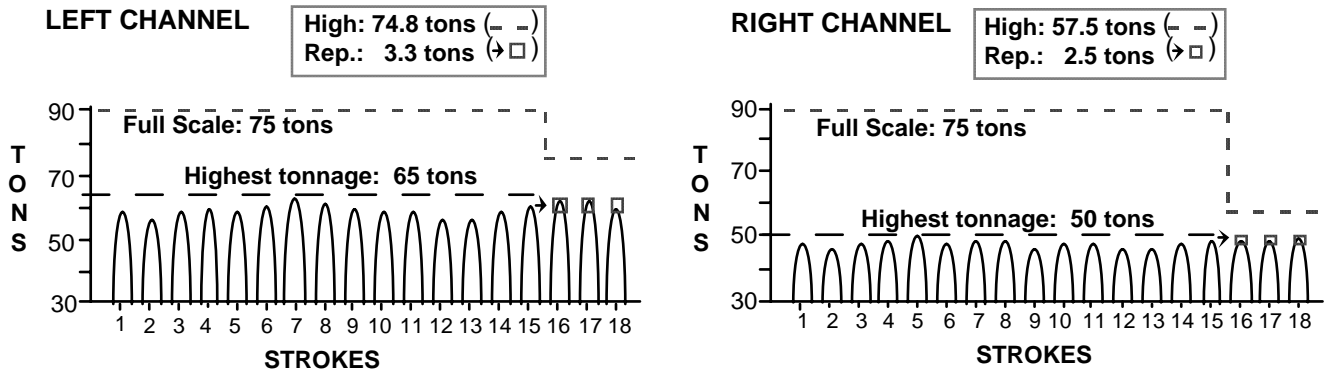


Figure 1-2. Tonnage produced at each strain link in example

Highest load is on stroke 7 for left strain link and stroke 5 for right strain link. Tonnage at far right on each graph are setpoints calculated by AutoSet Plus after sample period.

Instantaneously after the 15 stroke sample period ends, setpoints are calculated as follows:

The high setpoint (15%) for the left strain link is: $65 \text{ tons} + (65 \text{ tons} \times 15\%)$
 or $65 \text{ tons} + 9.75 \text{ tons}$
 or **74.8 tons ***

* We rounded up from 74.75 tons

The high setpoint (15%) for the right strain link is: $50 \text{ tons} + (50 \text{ tons} \times 15\%)$
 or $50 \text{ tons} + 7.5 \text{ ton}$
 or **57.5 tons**

The repeatability setpoint (5%) or the left strain link is: $65 \text{ tons} \times 5\%$
 or **3.3 tons ***

* We rounded up from 3.25 tons

The repeatability setpoint (5%) for the right strain link is: $50 \text{ tons} \times 5\%$
 or **2.5 tons**

Either of these setpoints can be viewed in the setpoint displays, depending upon the position of the display/reset switch. Here we are showing the repeatability setpoints:

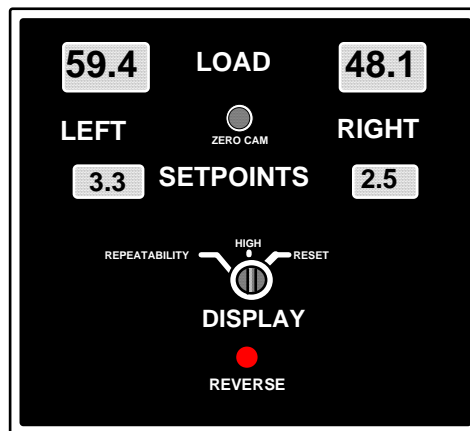


Figure 1-3. Load and repeatability setpoints from example

When AutoSet Plus setpoints are exceeded

AutoSet Plus stops the press when any of the setpoints (high and/or repeatability) are exceeded for the strain link(s). When a high setpoint is exceeded, the load display for the affected strain link input(s) flash, and "HI" appears in the setpoint display for the input(s). Similarly, if a repeatability setpoint is exceeded, the load display flashes, and "rEP" appears in the setpoint displays for that input. If high and repeatability setpoints are exceeded at the same time, the setpoint display alternatively flashes "HI" and "rEP". *For more information about these fault conditions, see Chapter 5 -- AutoSet 1500 Plus Alarms & Troubleshooting.*

RESETTING A FAULT CONDITION

To reset AutoSet Plus after a fault condition has occurred, turn the display/reset switch momentarily to the right to "Reset"—for less than two seconds. The setpoint display indicating the fault condition will stop flashing. If you hold the display/reset switch in that position too long (more than two seconds), the setpoints will change to 120% of full scale tonnage. This tells AutoSet Plus to recalculate setpoints once the press has been started. Most of the time, you will not want to recalculate setpoints after a tonnage fault.

Turning the display/reset switch momentarily to the right clears the error condition, and the displays return to normal. You can once again run the press. Remember that holding the display/reset switch to the right for more than two seconds signals AutoSet Plus to recalculate setpoints. Therefore, when clearing an error condition, turn the switch quickly (less than two seconds). This will clear the overload, but *will not* signal AutoSet Plus to recalculate setpoints.

Remember that the top stop circuits are active only in continuous (automatic) operations on most press controls. If overload protection is required during inch or single stroke mode, you may have to install an additional relay so that AutoSet Plus will stop the press for additional modes.

CONNECTING TO TOP STOP

Data Instruments recommends that you connect AutoSet Plus to the top stop circuit (not the E-Stop circuit) of the press. This is so that the press will not stick on bottom if an overload occurs.

Reverse Load

AutoSet Plus displays "Reverse Load" on the LED displays. Push the "Reverse" button on the front of the AutoSet, at a glance you know if you have proper "snap-through" protection. See the next illustration which shows reverse load.

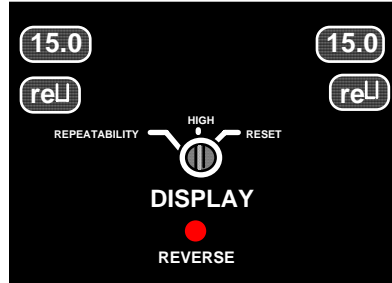


Figure 1-4. Illustration of "Reverse Load" LED displays

Specifications

Equipment	System enclosure 12" x 10.25" x 4" (30.5 x 26 x 10.2 cm), NEMA 12, shockmounted
Power	115 or 230 Vac $\pm 15\%$, 50-60 Hz, 15 W
Operating Temperature	32 ^o to 122 ^o F (0 ^o to 50 ^o C)
Relay contact rating	5 amps @ 120 or 240 Vac Normally open, held closed
Speed	To 2000 SPM
Display (forward or reverse)	Two 3-digit .43" (1.1 cm) high for tonnages Two 3-digit .30" (.76 cm) displays setpoints
Strain links Size Cable	3.75" x 1.19" x 0.75" (9.5 x 3 x 1.9 cm) 30 ft (9.1m) standard, other lengths optional

Chapter 2

AutoSet 1500 Plus Installation

Installation of AutoSet Plus involves mounting the AutoSet Plus control box and connecting wiring for power, strain links, and other devices. This chapter covers:

- Mounting the control box
- Connecting AC wiring and stop circuit
- Mounting and connecting strain links
- Mounting the zero cam
- Connecting AC wires to power source
- Optional wiring connections

Optional wiring connections include: connecting a remote reset switch and connecting a strip chart recorder.

Mounting the AutoSet Plus control enclosure

IMPORTANT!

Go to Appendix A for panel mount instructions and dimensions.

1. Determine a convenient place for the control box. Ideally it should be close to the press control so that operators and setup personnel can easily see the readouts and reach the display/reset switch. (You can install a remote reset button. See "Wiring a remote reset switch" in the last part of this chapter.) Also make sure the strain link cables will reach to the mounting site selected. Leave enough room to open the door at least 120°. The box can be mounted to the press or on a free-standing pedestal.
2. Drill holes for mounting (see below). Shockmount studs are 1/4–20. Tap holes and mount the box using the enclosed shock mounts. Use a No. 7 drill and 1/4–20 tap.

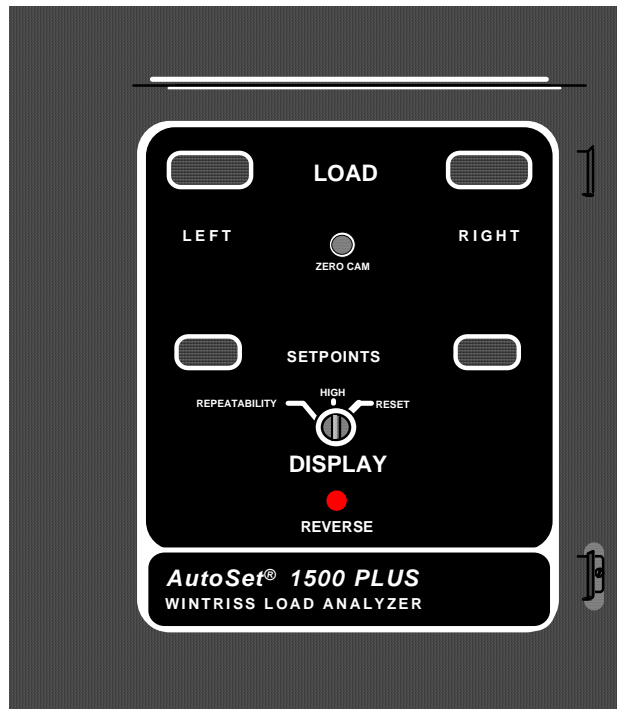


Figure 2-1. AutoSet Plus mounting dimensions

Connecting AC wiring and stop circuit

Wiring connections for AC power and for the stop circuit are on the same connector. To wire the connector, follow these steps.

WARNING! PREVENT SHOCK!

Disconnect main power before installation. All power to the press, press control, and other equipment used with the press must be off during installation. Also "tag out" per OSHA 1910.147 Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/ Tagout). Installation must be performed by qualified personnel only.

1. Determine how you will bring wiring from your 115 Vac power source (or 230V source if applicable) to the control box. For 115 Vac, you need three wires—high (black), neutral (white) and ground (green). No. 16 wire is recommended, no. 14 if local codes require it. For 230 Vac, wires are black and red with green or green/yellow for ground.
2. Determine how you will connect the wires from AutoSet Plus to your press control stop circuit. You need two wires. No. 16 is recommended, no. 14 if local codes require it. *You should wire the AutoSet Plus into the top stop circuit to avoid sticking the press on bottom if AutoSet Plus stops the press due to an overload.*

NOTE: Top stop circuits are active only in continuous (automatic) operations on most press controls. If overload protection is required during inch or single stroke mode, you may have to install an additional control relay so AutoSet Plus will stop the press.

3. Open the cover of the control box. See Figure 2-2 for a drawing of the inside of the box. Near the top of the enclosure, you will see a metal cover. This cover protects you from the power supply. To remove it, unsnap the two white plastic plugs at the bottom of the cover (pull plug straight up). Then loosen the screw on top, and remove the cover. You will see the connector for AC power and the stop circuit at right.

WARNING! SHOCK HAZARD!

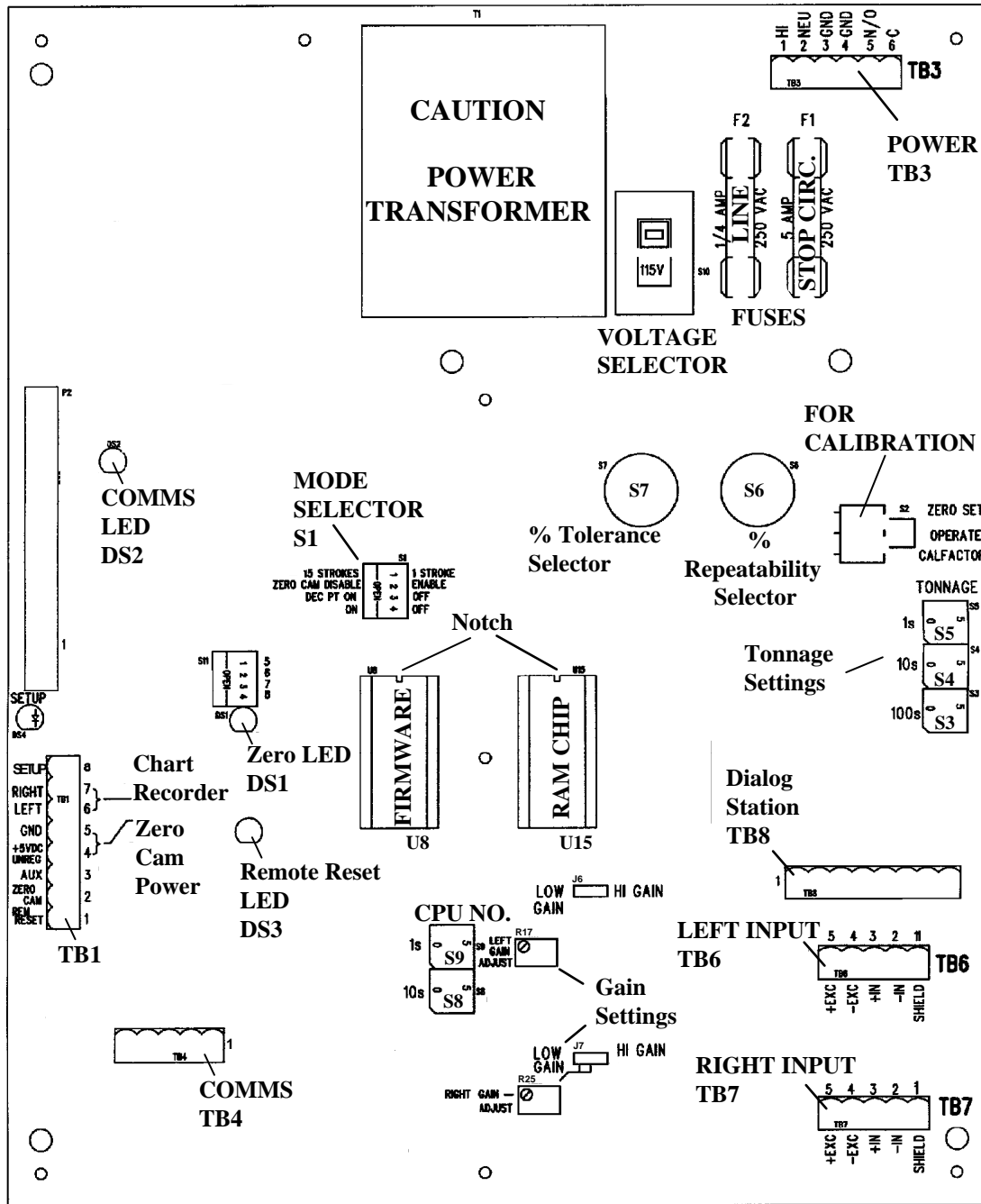
Never apply power to AutoSet when the power supply cover is removed. To prevent shock, always replace the cover before applying power.

4. Find the 115V-230V voltage selector switch. It is just below the power connection to the left. It is a black rectangular box with a red handle and a cavity in the middle. At the bottom of the cavity, you should see "115V." This is the factory setting. This means AutoSet Plus is set for 115 V operation.

If your AutoSet Plus will be used with 230 Vac, push the red handle extending out of the cavity towards you (away from top of the box). You will see 230 V displayed. With the switch in this position, AutoSet Plus will only work with 230 Vac power.

5. Run the power and stop circuit wires through flexible liquid tight conduit to the box. The AutoSet Plus box is rated NEMA 12 (protected against dust and oil). You must use conduit of the same rating and make proper connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection. Wires go through top right knockout hole. Leave a small service loop inside box.

Figure 2-2. Location of components in AutoSet 1500 Plus (only important components shown and labeled)



- First connect the ground (green or green/yellow) wire. It must be connected to the ground block as shown in Figure 2-3, not to "GND" terminal on the connector. The ground block is located on the wall of the box at top right. To connect to ground block, strip ground wire about 1/4" (6.4 mm) from end, loosen screw on block, slide wire in hole, and tighten screw to pin wire in place.

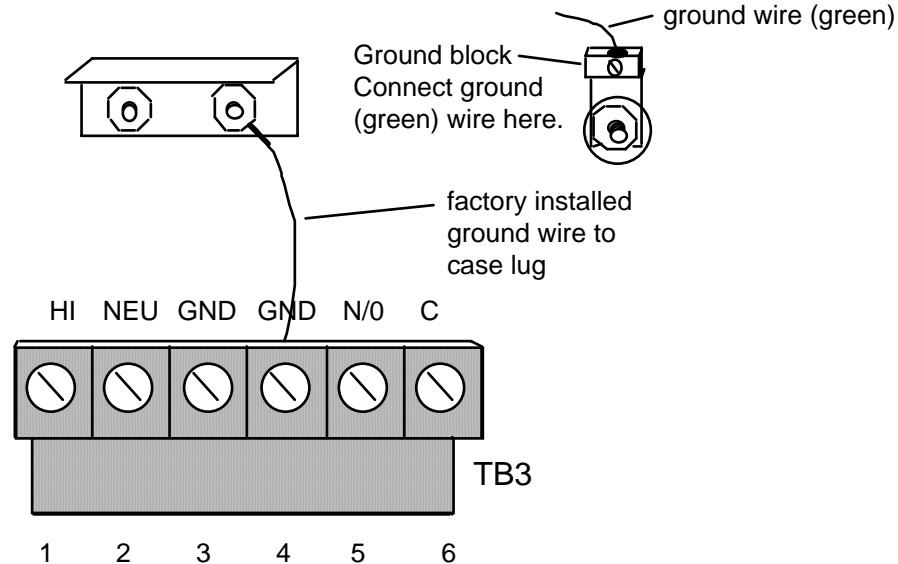


Figure 2-3. Wiring connector and ground block for AC power and stop circuit.

- Now find the connector TB3 for the other AC wires and stop circuit. It is at top right. The connector consists of an L-shaped top section and base. Pull the L-shaped part away from its base. This is the part to which you will connect wiring.

NOTE: A ground wire is attached from the connector to a case lug as shown in Figure 2-3. Leave the ground wire attached to the connector while making connections. *If you remove this wire in order to pull the connector all the way out of the box, be sure to replace it when done.*

- Connect wires to the L-shaped terminal block as shown in Figure 2-3. For 115 Vac, connect black wire to HI slot and white wire to NEU. (For 230 Vac connect black wire to HI slot and red wire to NEU). To connect a wire, find the correct slot and loosen the screw over that slot by turning it counterclockwise (see Figure 2-4). Strip the correct wire for this slot 1/4" (6.4 mm) from end. Insert bare wire into slot 90% of the way. Tighten the screw. The metal tooth inside the slot will clamp down on the bare wire for a tight connection. Make sure the metal tooth is clamped down on the bare part of the wire, not on the insulation. If it is on the insulation, you will have a bad connection.

Connect both wires and double-check connections when done.

NOTE: The connector can only plug in one way. Make sure you do not start at the wrong end when connecting AC wires. Put the connector over the base the way it will plug in and note wire marking next to base before starting.

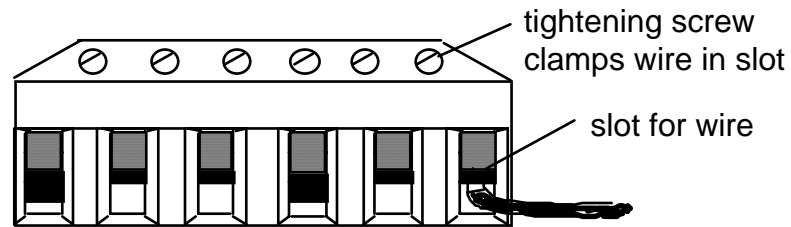


Figure 2-4. Inserting wires into connector

9. Connect one of the two wires from the press control stop circuit to the terminals marked N/O (normally open) and the other to C (common). It does not matter which wire goes to which terminal.
10. Plug connector back into its terminal. Double check connections with markings at the connector base to make sure you did not wire it backwards. (Note: first "GND" from left in Figure 2-3 is not used).
11. Make all necessary conduit connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection.
12. Replace the power supply cover removed earlier. Snap in the white plastic plugs at the bottom of the cover and tighten down the screw at the top.
13. Do not connect wires to AC power source until you are done with all other installation procedures. Also make sure you number all wires in a way consistent with your press's electrical prints.

**WARNING
PREVENT SHOCK**

Do not connect AC wires to the power source until after all other installation procedures are finished.

14. Go on to the next procedure, mounting strain links.

Mounting and connecting strain links

The two strain links provided with the AutoSet 1500 Plus are called differential strain links. The part number on your links should be 9641601, 9641602, or 9641603, depending upon the cable length or connector you choose. If you plan to use other strain links, contact Data Instruments to find out if they will work with the AutoSet 1500 Plus.

To install strain links, follow these steps:

1. Select mounting sites on the press for the strain links. On straight side presses, strain links are typically mounted on diagonal corners (one on front left, one on back right). They measure tension (stretching of the frame). For gap frame (OBI or OBG) presses, strain links can be mounted on the front of the press to measure tension or on the back of the press to measure compression. Usually mounting on back is better because the strain links are away from the work area. Typical strain link locations for most gap frame and straight side presses are shown in Figures 2-5 and 2-6.

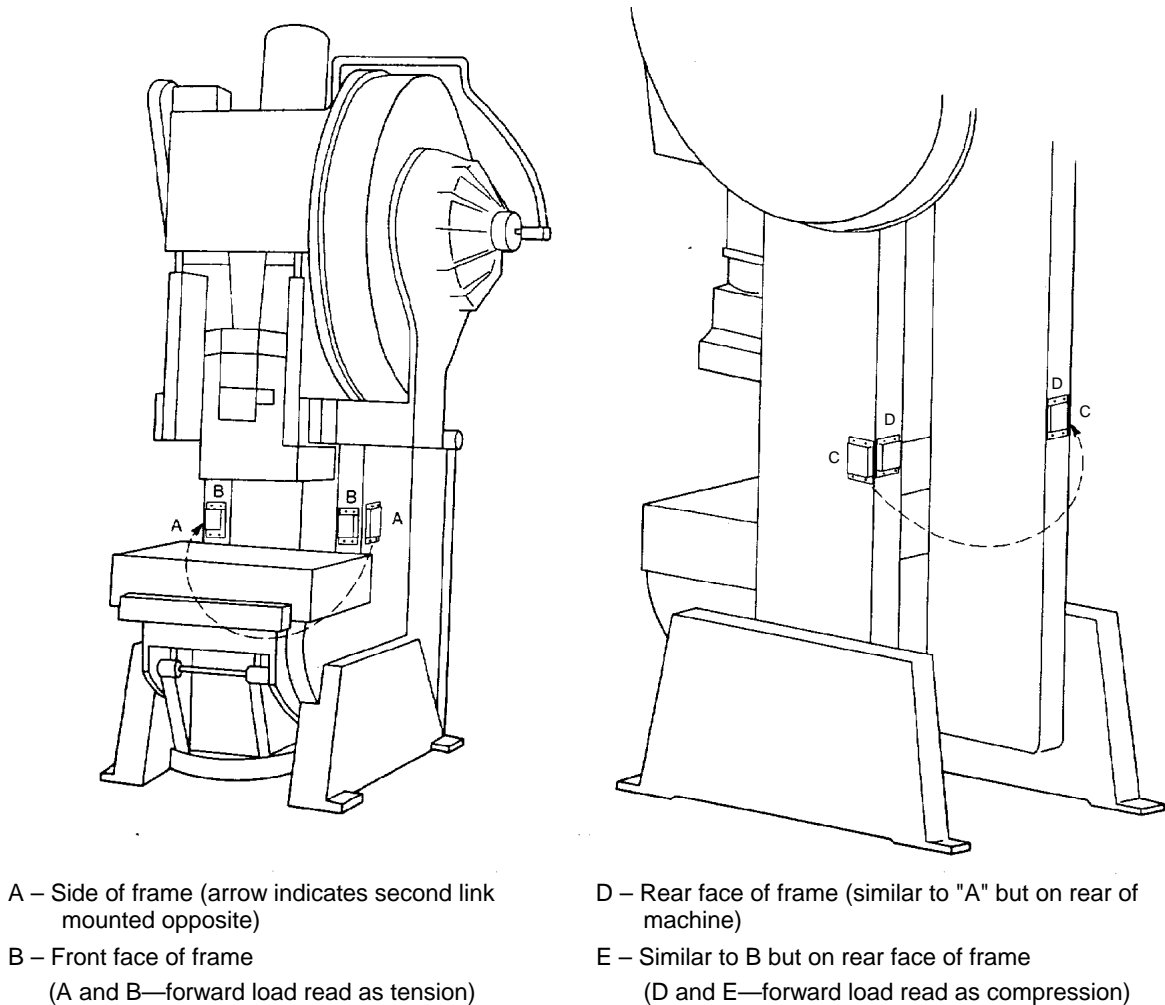


Figure 2-5. Strain link mounting options on OBI/OBG presses

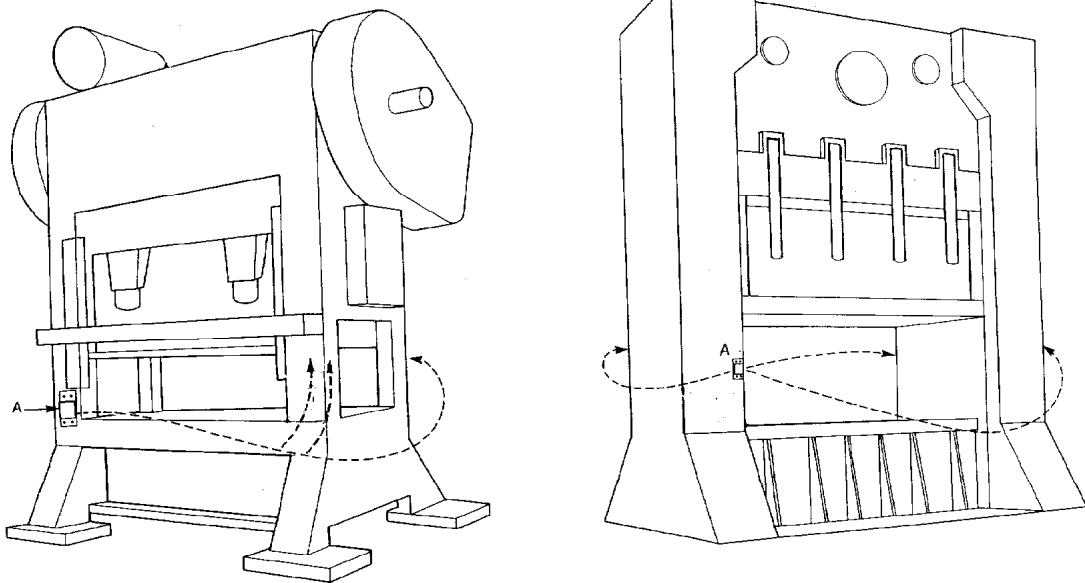
- Sand down the frame's surface to remove all paint or plastic filler which will affect strain link readings. Cast frames may need light grinding to provide a flat surface.

Strain links must be mounted flat

There should be no imperfections, ridges, or cavities on the mounting surface. Such imperfections will make it hard or impossible to zero the links later and cause inaccurate tonnage readings.

WARNING

Use caution when determining an appropriate location for each strain link! Do not mount any strain link under or above a hole (1" in diameter or larger) on the press column. Avoid mounting the strain link inside the die area where it would be subjected to harsh chemicals. If necessary, use a cover to protect the strain link.



A – Diagonal mounting. Right arrow indicates second link mounted diagonally on opposite column. (Forward load read as tension).

Middle arrows indicate strain links can be mounted either on front or side of columns when using other placement methods.

Figure 2-6. Strain link mounting options on a straight side press

3. Select the area for the first mounting hole. Using a No. 7 drill bit, drill the hole 1/2" deep and bottom tap for a 1/4 x 20 thread.

WARNING

When drilling, make sure the holes are at right angles to the surface. The strain link will not work if the mounting holes are cocked or angled.

4. Mount the drill fixture supplied with the strain links, align it, and use the long strain link screw to tighten it to the frame. Use the big hole in the fixture. The screw will not fit through the other holes.
5. Using the drill fixture as a guide, drill the three remaining holes.
6. Remove the drill fixture and tap the three holes.
7. Mount the strain link (use semi-permanent Loctite—blue, no. 242 or equivalent — on the mounting screws). Mark each strain link at the cable end to identify its position on the press. Mark as "left" or "right."

Leave the mounting screws loose for now. Strain links must be properly zeroed (set close to a 0 volt electrical output under no load) before mounting screws are tightened. *This zeroing procedure must be done as part of the calibration procedure in Chapter 3.*

Therefore, do not tighten links until you get to that part of the calibration procedure.

8. Run the strain link cables through flexible conduit to the bottom right knockout on the control enclosure. You must use conduit of the same rating and make proper connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection. AutoSet Plus is rated NEMA 12 (protected against dust and oil)

CAUTION

Do not run strain link wires through the same conduit as power wires. Strain link wires are sensitive to electrical noise. Separate conduit will provide protection and shielding.

Plan to leave a service loop inside box, but do not coil excess cable there. Measure cable for length and cut cable. Strip outer cable 1" to 2" (2.5 to 5 cm) from end—enough to separate and work with individual wires. Strip wires 1/4" (6.4 mm) from end.

9. The strain link connectors are at the lower right inside the box. They are marked "right input" (TB6) and "left input" (TB5). Determine which connector each set of strain link wires go to.

10. Determine the correct wiring connections for your strain links. The way you connect the wires depends on whether you mounted the strain links to read tension or compression forces on the press. Each wiring scheme is shown in Figure 2-7.

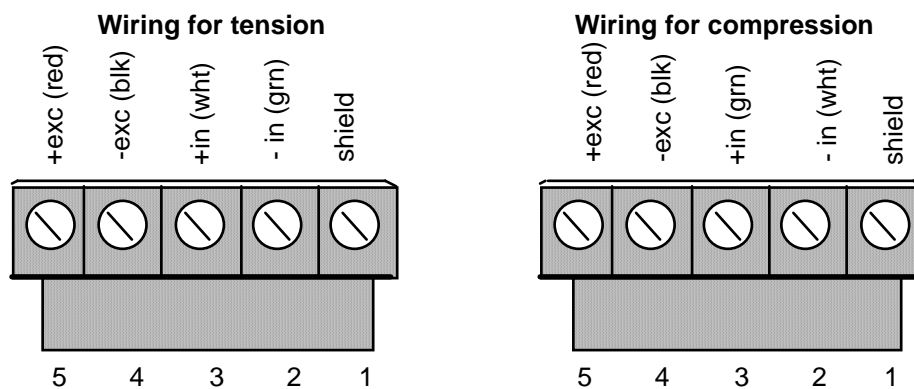


Figure 2-7. Wiring connections for strain links

11. Start with connector TB7 for the right strain link (marked right input). Strain link connectors are the same L-shaped type as used for the AC wires. Pull the L-shaped top section of connector from base. Make wiring connections in the same way as for AC wires.
12. Replace the connector. It only goes in one way. Double check connections.
13. Remove connector TB6 for the left strain link (marked left input). Connect wires from second strain link.
14. Replace the second connector. Double check connections.
15. You are done installing the strain links and connecting them to the AutoSet Plus. Go on to next section— Installing a zero cam.

Installing a zero cam

Quality tonnage monitors need to "rezero" sensitive circuitry in order to ignore the gradual stretching or compressing (shrinking) of the press frame. These changes in the frame are independent of the deflection generated while forming parts. A common reason is the temperature of the press. As the press heats up during a typical day, its frame expands.

Some tonnage monitors can zero themselves without any external signal if they are monitoring high setpoints only. Repeatability, or stroke-to-stroke, monitoring requires an external input from a zero cam. A latching magnetic cam switch (LMCS), Candy switch, or other type of rotary limit switch can provide the zero signal to AutoSet Plus.

CORRECT ZERO SIGNAL SETTING

The zero signal must come on approximately at 240° and turn off at 30°. (The zero signal is a closure to ground. That means during the zero signal the cam switch must be closed. The closed switch makes a connection between the zero cam terminal (pin 2) and GND (pin 5) on connector TB1 (see Figure 2-9).

If using a latching magnetic cam switch that uses magnets to turn the switch on and off, make sure you install the magnets at 240° and 30°. See instructions with switch for proper installation. Make sure that the zero signal does not turn off until after top dead center (TDC). For other types of switches (like a candy switch), you can set the switch after wiring is complete.

Data Instruments provides a latching magnetic cam switch (LMCS) with AutoSet Plus. The following steps explain how to install the LMCS and magnets.

How to install the LMCS and magnets

1. Select a mounting site for the LMCS and the magnets so that the magnets rotate 1:1 with the crankshaft of the press. Ideally this is the crankshaft itself. However, you might also use the pitman *above* the adjusting screw or a drive shaft to a feed or other device.
2. Fabricate a bracket to position the LMCS 1/16" to 1/8" from the face of the magnets. If possible, make the bracket adjustable. To aid in mounting, the LMCS is supplied with a slotted mounting bracket. These slots are 1.5" apart, and approximately .1875" (3/16) wide by .75" long. Install the LMCS as shown in Figure 2-8.
3. To mount the magnets, make sure that you use non-magnetic brass or nylon screws, or epoxy adhesive. The magnets should be installed plastic side up with a non-ferrous metal screw. It is important not to use a ferrous screw because it could cause false signals. A brass screw (6-32) is supplied. Use a No. 36 drill and a 6-32 tap.

NOTE: FOR HIGH-SPEED PRESSES, DI RECOMMENDS THAT YOU USE THE BRASS SCREW, NOT EPOXY OR NYLON SCREWS TO MOUNT THE MAGNETS. IF THE EPOXY DOES NOT HOLD OR IF THE NYLON SCREWS BREAK THE MAGNETS CAN BECOME DANGEROUS PROJECTILES.

Position the red magnet so that it closes the cam switch at 240° of stroke. Set the blue magnet to open the cam switch at 30° of stroke. There should be a dwell of 150° between the two magnets across the top of the stroke, and the switch will be open during the forming portion of the stroke.

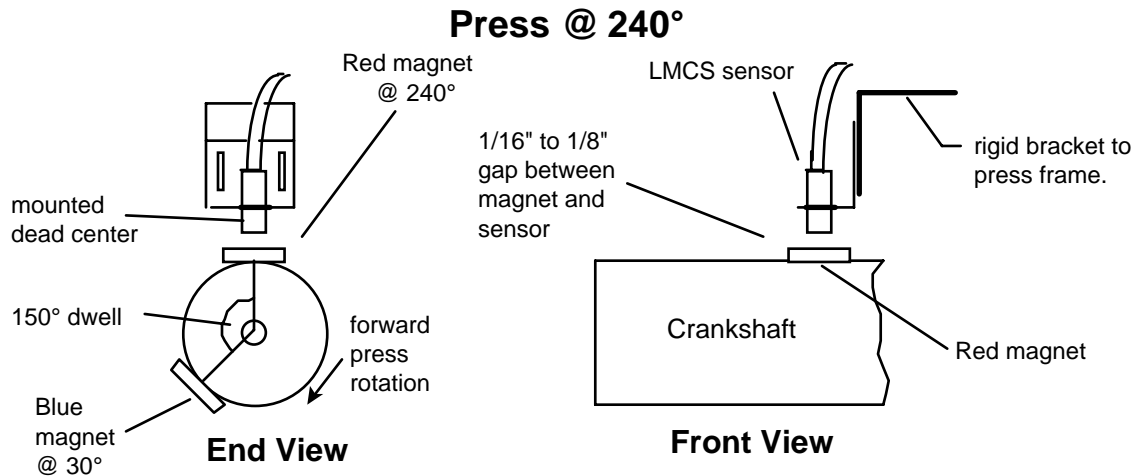


Figure 2-8. Installing the LMCS and magnets

4. Once the LMCS is installed, you are ready to wire it to the connector for TB1. Open the AutoSet Plus cover and find connector TB1 at the left center of the box. See Figure 2-9. Black wire goes to terminal 5 (GND); white or clear goes to terminal 2 (ZERO CAM); red goes to terminal 4 (SENSOR POWER).
5. Run wires from the cam switch through flexible, liquid-tight conduit to the bottom left knockout on box. The control box is rated NEMA 12 (protected against dust and oil). Therefore, you must use conduit rated NEMA 12 and make proper conduit connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection.
6. Pull connector out of socket. How you wire the switch depends on the type used. The LMCS will require power for the switch. Some other switches are mechanical; so you do not need to apply power to the switch. If you are using a programmable limit switch (PLS) to supply the zeroing signal, you will not need power for the switch either. See below for more information.
 - a. If your cam switch needs power, connect power using the terminals marked +12 Vdc (pin 4) and GND (pin 5). See instructions for the cam switch used to make proper connections to switch.
 - b. For all switches, connect the zero cam circuit by connecting the switch to the terminals ZERO CAM (pin 2) and GND (pin 5).

- c. Connections are made in the same way as for AC power and strain link connections (see "Mounting and connecting strain links" and "Connecting AC wires to power source" in this chapter). Make sure you did not get wiring backwards due to turning connector the wrong way once removed from socket.

NOTE

With Data Instruments' latching magnetic cam switch (LMCS), there is no separate ground connection for the zero signal. The ground for power and the ground for the signal are the same. Other switches where power is required may be the same. Check instructions for your switch.

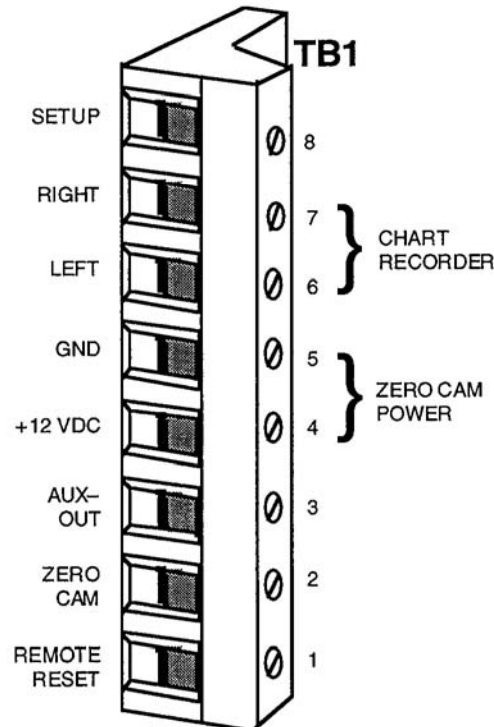


Figure 2-9. Connector for zero cam, remote reset and chart recorder

7. Plug the connector back in socket. It only goes in one way. Check the wiring.
8. If not done previously, adjust the cam switch so the zero signal comes on at 240° and goes off at 30° (approximately). In other words, the switch should close to ground between 240° and 30°.
9. See Figure 2-10 which is an illustration of switch block #S6, and specifically switch #2, "ZERO CAM ENABLE SWITCH". It does not matter how you have positioned switch #2, because the zero cam is required on all AutoSet Plus models, and as a result, the switch is *always enabled* in the system.

Connecting AC wires to power source

Locate switch block S2 in the AutoSet Plus, and set it to "zero". Connect AC wires from the AutoSet Plus control to your AC power source only when you are finished connecting all wiring inside the control box and have connected the zero cam switch. If you plan to make other optional connections to AutoSet Plus (remote reset switch and chart recorder), go to the sections that follow and do the optional wiring first. Then connect AC power.

**WARNING
PREVENT SHOCK**

Make sure main power is off when you connect AutoSet Plus to main power source.

WARNING

Make sure power supply cover is in place

Make sure you replaced the power supply cover (which fits over the power supply near the top of the enclosure). The power supply cover helps prevent shock if you are working inside the box with power on.

What you should see when power is turned on

After connecting AutoSet Plus to a power source, set Switch S2 to "zero", close the cover, and turn power on. The top LOAD displays will show numbers. The bottom setpoint displays will either show dashes (- - -), or "HI" or "rEP"

If the displays are not active, *turn off power to AutoSet Plus*. Re-check connections for power and strain links. Make sure the voltage selector switch is set correctly (either 115V or 230V), and switch block S2 is set to "zero". Then turn power on again. Make sure that the displays are active as noted above. If not, and AutoSet Plus has power, call Data Instruments or your sales representative.

Once all connections are made

Once you have made all connections and AutoSet Plus has power, you are ready to begin calibration. Calibration is covered in Chapter 3. Go to Chapter 3 and begin the calibration procedure.

Optional wiring connections

The following sections explain other optional connections you can make to AutoSet Plus:

- connecting a remote reset switch
- connecting a strip chart recorder

Wiring a remote reset switch to AutoSet Plus (optional)

A remote reset switch allows you to reset AutoSet Plus without using the display/reset switch on the control box cover. A simple normally open momentary pushbutton switch can be used.

NOTE: You can still use the display/reset switch on AutoSet Plus even when a remote switch is connected.

1. Choose a location for the switch and connect wires of appropriate length to it.
2. Run wires through conduit to bottom left knockout. (Use conduit rated NEMA 12 and make proper conduit connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection.)
3. Open the AutoSet Plus cover and find the connector (TB1) for the switch. It is at the left center of the box.
4. Run wires through the bottom left knockout to connector.
5. Pull the connector out of socket.
6. Connect one wire to pin 1 (RESET) and the other to pin 5 (GND). See Figure 2-9 for connections.
7. Replace the connector.
8. You are done installing the remote reset switch.

Wiring a strip chart recorder to AutoSet Plus (optional)

You can connect a strip chart recorder to AutoSet Plus to graphically plot tonnage produced at both strain links. The AutoSet Plus outputs for a strip chart recorder are -5V to +5Vdc.

1. Open AutoSet Plus front cover and find the connector (TB1) for the recorder. It is at the left center of the box.
2. Run wires through the bottom left knockout. You need three wires. (Use conduit rated NEMA 12 and make proper conduit connections to ensure NEMA 12 protection.)
3. Pull the connector out of socket. Connect the wire that will record tonnage at the left strain link to pin 6 (LEFT). Connect wire for right strain link to pin 7 (RIGHT). See Figure 2-9 for connections.
4. Connect third wire to pin 5 (GND).
5. Replace the connector and close the cover.
6. Connect wires to chart recorder. Follow manufacturer's instructions for your chart recorder.

Final checkout for AutoSet 1500 Plus

CAUTION

The Final Checkout needs to be performed after installation (Chapter 2), and initialization/calibration procedures (Chapter 3) have been completed. You should ensure that AutoSet 1500 Plus will properly stop the press *before* running parts.

You need to make a few test press runs to ensure that AutoSet 1500 Plus is working properly and will stop on a fault condition. You will have to load tonnage-related settings and then run a test tool (refer to Chapter 4 (Operation) for more assistance). Here are the steps for the final checkout:

- Set a repeatability % value using the "% Repeatability Selector" on the AutoSet board (see location of components - Figure 2-2). For simplicity, program the repeatability setting at 1% ("position 1" on the selector).
- Run a few parts.
- Check that the press top stops and that an error condition ("*rEP*") flashes on the AutoSet LED display and the display flashes the strain link input(s) affected.
- If AutoSet 1500 Plus displayed a message but the press did not top stop, there is a problem in your top stop circuit. Recheck all wiring and trace the cause of the problem. Do not continue with this procedure until the press top stops when you trip the repeatability setpoint.
- If you got to this step, and everything is working right, clear the error message by pressing Reset. Change the repeatability % to a proper value.

Chapter 3

AutoSet 1500 Plus Calibration

This chapter explains calibration of AutoSet Plus. Calibration means adjusting AutoSet 1500 Plus so that tonnage readings are accurate.

After calibration, the tonnage that AutoSet Plus displays will indicate the true tonnage applied by the press. You must calibrate AutoSet Plus after installation and any time you move the strain links to a different location on the press, restress the tie rods, or perform major repair work to the press frame.

The calibration procedure consists of the following general steps:

- (1) Zeroing the strain links. This means you adjust the strain links until they provide a "zero" signal with no load on the press. Once the strain links are set for "0" at no load, they can properly record the tonnage developed.
- (2) Applying a load to the press measuring this load using load cells and a separate calibration unit. You can use an AutoSet 1500 or the Wintriss Load Analyzer (WLA) calibration kit. How to use either of these units is described in this chapter.

NOTE: Calibration with a hydraulic jack is also possible, although much less accurate than load cells. It is also not as easy a procedure as using load cells. Data Instruments does not recommend hydraulic jack calibration, and it is not covered in this manual. For more information on hydraulic jack calibration, contact a Data Instruments service representative.

- (3) Setting the full scale tonnage of AutoSet Plus to equal the tonnage capacity of your press. This lets AutoSet Plus know the highest tonnage it will be recording.
- (4) Adjusting AutoSet Plus until its tonnage display agrees with the tonnage recorded on your calibration unit. Once you do that, your AutoSet Plus is reading the proper tonnage, and it is ready for use.

The exact procedures for calibration follow.

Calibration

Before starting calibration, make sure the press is adjusted to optimal condition – the gib/ways adjustment should be correct and the ram should be parallel to the bed and tie rod tension checked.

Data Instruments recommends calibrating AutoSet Plus at the tonnage the press will normally operate. If you usually run between 60-90% of press capacity, calibrate at 75% of capacity. For example, if the press is a 100 ton press, calibrate for 75 tons. Do not calibrate at less than 50% of press capacity.

Types of calibration kits you can use

As noted earlier, you must use a separate tonnage monitor with a calibration kit to calibrate AutoSet Plus. You first connect this tonnage monitor to the load cells. Then you apply tonnage to the load cells and display the tonnage on this monitor. Finally, you adjust AutoSet Plus until it displays the same tonnage. You can use either a Wintriss Load Analyzer (WLA) with calibration kit or an AutoSet 1500 calibration kit to read the tonnage applied to the load cells. How to use each type of calibration kit is described below.

How many load cells to use

Use one load cell (single point calibration) if your press has only one connecting rod. The load cell is placed under the rod. If your press has two (or more) connecting rods, use two load cells (double point calibration). Both methods are covered below.

How to begin

The calibration procedure is divided into four parts:

- (1) Zeroing your AutoSet 1500 Plus
- (2) Setting up and adjusting a Wintriss Load Analyzer (WLA) calibration kit
- (3) Setting up and adjusting an AutoSet 1500 calibration kit
- (4) Calibrating your AutoSet 1500 Plus

First follow the procedure for setting up and adjusting the calibration unit you are using. Then go directly to the section titled "Calibrating your AutoSet 1500 Plus".

Zeroing the strain links

1. Before you can adjust AutoSet 1500 Plus to the tonnage on your calibration unit, you have to set the strain links to read "0" at no load.

First, make sure there is no load on the load cells. Move the ram to top dead center if not already there.

2. Make sure the strain link mounting screws are loose. There can be no stress on the link. You will zero and tighten links to the frame at the same time. (Remember that you left the strain links loose in the installation procedure—this is the reason why.)

NOTE: If you did not put Loctite no. 242 (or equivalent) on the mounting screws when following the installation procedure, do so now.

3. Apply power to AutoSet Plus if not already on.
4. Turn the toggle switch (marked S3) to "zero". This is the switch next to the "percent high tolerance selector" just above the strain link connectors. The displays will be lit. The top load LED displays will show numbers. The bottom setpoint LED displays will show dashes or the letters "HI" or "LO."
5. Start with the left strain link. Remove its two cover screws and pull the cover off.

6. Find the potentiometer for zeroing the link. It is a small cube on the circuit board with a tiny screw on top as shown in Figure 3-1.

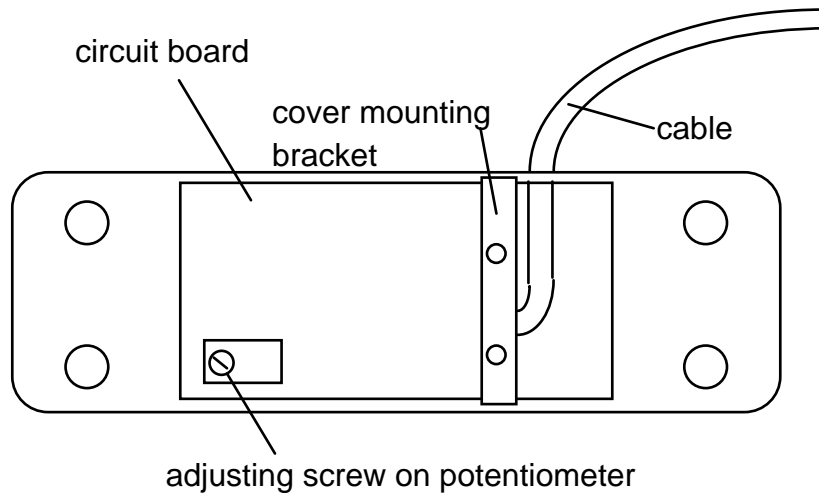


Fig 3-1. Zeroing screw for strain links

7. Turn the screw on the strain link. You will see the numbers in the upper left display window change. Adjust the display by turning the screw one way or another until the display reads between ± 5 . The setpoint display will now show dashes (- - -).

NOTE

If you cannot get the tonnage displays to read between ± 5 , make sure strain link connections are tight and connector is firmly seated. Loose connections can cause the problem. If nothing has worked, the strain link is not working properly. Contact Data Instruments for assistance.

8. Now begin tightening the strain link screws evenly all around. As you tighten, check the display. The numbers on the tonnage display will change. When the strain link is fully tightened (150 inch-pounds), the number on the display must be between ± 90 .
If the number is not between ± 90 , loosen and adjust the mounting screws until you get it. Make sure you get it right. By doing so, you ensure that there is no stress on the link at no load.

NOTE

If you cannot get the tonnage displays to read between ± 90 , you may have drilled the holes crooked, or there may be some other problem with the installation. Contact Data Instruments for assistance.

NOTE: At this point, the setpoint display may say "HI" or "LO" or show dashes (- - -). Ignore this display for now. A "HI" or "LO" means the setting is still too close to the outer limits of the range, but we will take care of that in the next step.

9. Once the strain link is tight, set the display as close to zero as possible, between ± 50 . Set the display by turning the screw on the potentiometer on the strain link, as before. The setpoint display will now show dashes (- - -).
10. Replace the strain link cover. You are done zeroing the link.
11. Repeat Steps 5–10 for the remaining strain links.

Setting up and adjusting Wintriss Load Analyzer (WLA) calibration kit

Follow the steps below if you are using a Wintriss Load Analyzer 2000. You must obtain a WLA2000 unit, up to two calibration modules, and up to two load cells and cables.

NOTE

For two load cell calibration: Ignore total tonnage readings displayed on the WLA during calibration. Use left side reading for left tonnage and right side reading for right tonnage.

For single load cell calibration: Disregard the total tonnage reading. Make sure the load cell is centered under the connecting rod. Use the left side readout and divide it by two for left and right side tonnage readings.

Follow these steps to set up and adjust the WLA calibration unit:

1. Make sure the power to the Wintriss Load Analyzer is off. Then remove *both* signal conditioning modules, if installed. These modules are the ones which have knobs for setting tonnage setpoints and a span adjustment. Loosen the screw at the bottom of the module and pull it out. (Important: you must remove both modules.)
2. Insert the calibration modules, which have a large, green Amphenol plug, in place of the conditioning modules. (For single cell calibration, only insert the left module.)
3. Remove the display module from the WLA. This is the module with the LED display for tonnage readings. It is located between the two conditioning modules. To remove, loosen the screw at the bottom of the module and slide module out. You will see three dial switches with numbers on them.

For two cell calibration, set the tonnage switches to the *sum* of the load cell capacities.

For single cell calibration, set the tonnage switch to the load cell capacity.

To set the dial switches, use a screwdriver to aim the pointer at the number you want.

The switch for the most significant digit (the "1" in 100 for instance) is at the left. When done, replace the display module.

4. Connect the cables to calibration modules—they attach to the front of the module—and to the load cells. Make sure the left cell is connected to the left module and the right cell to the right module. For one cell calibration, of course, you are only connecting one module (the left module).
5. Plug in power cord and turn power on. (If your unit does not have a power cord, refer to your WLA User Manual for instructions on connecting power.)
6. On the WLA computation module:
 - Set the mode switch to ZERO.
 - Set the TENSION/COMPRESSION switch to COMPRESSION.
 - Set the display switch to LEFT.
7. Use a screwdriver to adjust the span control on the left calibration module until the display flickers between "00" and "L0."
8. For two cell calibration only:
 - Set the display switch to RIGHT.
 - Adjust the right calibration module span control with screwdriver until the display flickers between "00" and "L0."
9. On the WLA:
 - Set the mode switch to CALFACTOR.
 - Set the display switch to LEFT.
 - Press and release the RESET button.
10. You should now see a number between 170 and 190 on the display.

If no calibration number appears, change the TENSION/COMPRESSION switch to the opposite position.

If the calibration number is incorrect, stop the calibration procedure. Call Data Instruments for help.
11. For two cell calibrations, set the display switch to RIGHT.

Press and release the RESET button.
12. You should now see a number between 170 and 190 on the display.

If no calibration number appears, change the TENSION/COMPRESSION switch to the opposite position.

If the calibration number is incorrect, stop the calibration procedure. Call Data Instruments for help.
13. On the WLA computation module:

Set the mode switch to OPERATE and the TENSION/COMPRESSION switch to COMPRESSION.

Press and release the RESET button. Set the display switch to LEFT. The letters "cA" will now appear in the displays.

14. If not already done, you must connect a switch to the WLA so you can zero it after every complete stroke. Manually zeroing the WLA is required because it has no zero cam connected to it. (The zero cam tells it when the press reaches top dead center.) Without a zero signal, the WLA does not know when to clear the readings for one stroke and display readings for the next. You tell it when by manually zeroing it. You should zero the WLA after every stroke of the press.

A normally open, momentary pushbutton switch is recommended. Install the switch between terminals #1 and #4 on terminal TB2. TB2 is on the left end of the WLA. Remove the screws on the left end panel and remove panel to see TB2. It is on the edge of the circuit board. Connect the switch. Then re-assemble the end panel.
15. Press the zero switch you just installed. The letters "cA" will disappear from the displays and a zero will appear. Note: The status function light on the WLA will light each time the switch is pressed.
16. You are done setting up the WLA calibration unit. The WLA will now read the correct tonnage when you apply a load to the load cells. Go to the procedure entitled "Calibrating your AutoSet 1500 Plus" to set up the press and calibrate your AutoSet 1500 Plus.

Setting up and adjusting an AutoSet 1500 calibration kit

Follow the steps below if you are using another AutoSet 1500 calibration kit (includes calibration modules) for calibrating your AutoSet 1500 Plus. You must also obtain up to two load cells and cables. The steps below tell you how to set up and adjust the AutoSet to display the correct tonnage applied to the load cells.

1. Find the calibration modules. They are small boxes with cables attached. The end of each cable has a connector that fits into the strain link connector in the AutoSet box. These modules also have a connector on the box where the load cell cable connectors screw in.
2. Swing open the front cover of AutoSet. If your unit does not have a plug, connect power to it as described in Chapter 1—"Connecting AC power and stop circuit." (Do not connect the stop circuit.)

WARNING

Make sure power supply cover is in place

If you remove the power supply cover to connect 115 Vac wires, make sure you put the cover back on. The cover fits over the power supply near the top of the enclosure. It helps prevent shock if you are working inside the box with power on.

3. For one cell calibration, take one calibration module and plug the cable into the slot marked "left input" in the AutoSet box. This slot is at the lower right hand corner of the box. The connector goes in one way only. If there already is a connector plugged into this slot, remove it to plug in the connector to the calibration module.

For two cell calibration, also plug the other calibration module into the slot marked "right input."

For one cell calibration, you must attach a jumper wire to the connector on the unused input. So pull out the connector from the right input slot. If there is no connector in this slot, you will have to put one in. Put a jumper wire between slots 2 and 3 (see Figure 2-7 in Chapter 2). Plug connector back in slot. This connector should have no other wires attached to it.

NOTE

You can use either the right or left input for one cell calibration. We will use the left in this procedure. The unused connector in the other slot must have a jumper wire in place.

4. Get the load cells you are using (one or two). Screw the connector on each load cell cable into the connector on the calibration module.
5. Plug in your AutoSet if you have not done so. If your unit does not have a plug, connect wiring to an AC outlet; then apply power. Make sure power at outlet is off before connecting wires.

**WARNING
PREVENT SHOCK**

If your AutoSet Plus does not have a plug and you wire it to a power source, make sure power at that outlet is off before you connect the wires.

6. Check the AutoSet Plus displays. Once AutoSet Plus has power, the displays will show numbers, dashes, or letters (it does not matter what at this point). Recheck all connections if displays do not light up.
7. Familiarize yourself with the location of the switches and dials inside the box. See Figure 2-2 in Chapter 2 for a drawing of the components inside the box.

8. *You must set the full scale tonnage on AutoSet to two times the tonnage of one load cell. Even if you are using two load cells, you still set this number to 2 times the tonnage of 1 load cell.*

NOTE

Figure 2-2 in Chapter 2 is a drawing of the components in AutoSet Plus enclosure. If necessary, use it to locate the dials and switches which will be mentioned in the following steps.

Determine the number you will use for your setting. Here are two examples of how to determine the correct number:

Example 1: You are using one 100 ton load cell for calibration. The full scale tonnage must be set to 200.

Example 2: You are using two 100 ton load cells for calibration. The full scale tonnage must be set to 200.

9. Set full scale tonnage as follows:

Find the three blocks in a column with white dials on them. See Figure 3-2. They are at the right middle of the box.

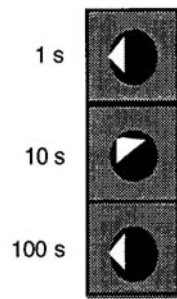


Figure 3-2. Blocks for setting full scale tonnage on calibration unit

The blocks are labeled 100's, 10's and 1's (for the 100's digit, 10's digit and 1's digit in a number). These labels tell you how to "dial in" your number. For instance, if your number is 250, you would set the blocks like this: 100's = 2, 10's = 5, 1's = 0. If your number is 50, you would do this: 100's = 0, 10's = 5, 1's = 0.

You set tonnage by turning the dial screw on each block until the arrow points to the right number. Set your number on AutoSet as noted here:

If you are setting a number from 1 to 999

Set the 100's, 10's and 1's digits to the number. For load cells under 200 tons, AutoSet will display tonnage in tenths of a ton (15.5 20.0, 99.9, etc) up to 100 tons. For 200 tons and above, AutoSet displays tonnage in whole numbers only.

NOTE: Make sure the decimal point switch (No. 3 on S6) is set to the "on" position. See Figure 3-2. If not set to "on", push switch all the way to the left with a pen or your thumbnail.

If you are setting a number between 1000 and 1500

Leave out the least significant digit when setting the switches. For instance 1500 would be set as "1", "5", "0"—the same as if you were setting full scale tonnage to 150 tons. You must also set DIP switch number 3 on Switch block S1 to the closed position (decimal point off). Switch block S1 is located below the full scale tonnage switches. See Figure 3-3. With a ball point pen (not a pencil) or your thumbnail, push the switch to the right (away from the OPEN position). Make sure you push it all the way to the right. This allows AutoSet to display accurate readings within the 1000 to 1500 tonnage range.

NOTE: Changing this switch shuts off the decimal point. Tonnage will only be displayed in whole numbers.



Figure 3-3. Setting decimal point switch on calibration unit

If you are setting a number more than 1500

Leave out the least significant digit when setting the switches. For instance 2000 would be set as "2", "0", "0"—the same as if you were setting full scale tonnage to 200 tons. When your setting is greater than 1500, you must multiply all tonnage readings on your displays by 10. For instance, 15.5 tons would be read as 155 tons. A display of 150 tons would be read as 1500 tons.

NOTE: Make sure the decimal point switch (No. 3 on S6) is set to the "on" position. See Figure 3-2. If not set to "on", push switch all the way to the left with a pen or your thumbnail.

10. Turn power to AutoSet off, then back on. This must be done to reset the unit after changing the tonnage switches. (Also resets decimal point if decimal point switch was changed.)

11. Find the toggle switch marked S3. It is next to the "percent repeatability selector" . Set the switch to "zero." Look at the tonnage displays. For one cell calibration, the number on the left display must be between ± 50 . For two cell calibration, the number on both displays must be between ± 50 .
If the numbers are not within this range, there is a problem with your calibration unit. Call Data Instruments for assistance.
12. Set toggle switch S2 to "calfactor."
13. Find the potentiometers for setting gain. They are small blocks labelled R17 and R25 at the bottom center of the box. A tiny screw protrudes from the upper left corner of each block.

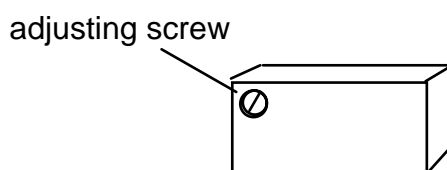


Figure 3-4. Gain potentiometer for setting calfactors on calibration unit

14. Find the block marked R17 (top block). This controls the left display. Turn the screw one way or another until the left tonnage display reads 157 ± 2 . For two cell calibration, adjust the right display as well. Turn the screw on block R25 (bottom block) until the right display reads 157 ± 2 . To calibrate the press in metric tons, set the calfactor to read 173 ± 2 .
15. Set the toggle switch to "operate." The tonnage displays should now show 0 tons.
16. Find the percent high tolerance and percent repeatability selectors near the bottom right of AutoSet. Turn the dial until the pointer is at 0.

Turn the display/reset switch on the AutoSet 1500 to the right for at least two seconds until the displays flash.

Setting both percent tolerance selectors to 0 disables AutoSet Plus's automatic setpoint function. Numbers will appear in the setpoint displays after the unit is reset. Ignore these numbers. You only use the tonnage displays on your calibration unit.

17. You are done setting up AutoSet. It will now read the correct tonnage when you apply a load to the load cells. Go to the next procedure— "Calibrating your AutoSet 1500 Plus."

Calibrating your AutoSet Plus

Whether you are using either AutoSet 1500 or the WLA calibration kit, the unit should now be set up so it will read the correct tonnage applied to the load cells. Follow the steps below to set up the load cells on the press and calibrate AutoSet 1500 Plus installed on your press.

Setting up the press

1. Make sure that the die is removed from the press and that any bolster/bed openings or ram holes are covered with a plate or plates rigid enough to prevent flexing. Data Instruments strongly recommends using 1" to 2" thick steel plates (parallels) above and below the load cells to more evenly distribute the load on the bed and ram. This helps to improve calibration accuracy and linearity.
2. Bring the ram to bottom dead center and turn off the power to the press. *The press must be at 180°.* Use a dial indicator if necessary.
3. Place the load cell (or cells) and parallels under the connecting rod(s). Make sure they are centered under the connecting rods to ensure even load distribution on the press frame.
4. Turn on the press and cycle the press through one stroke.
5. Use the shut height adjustments to lower the ram 0.003" or 0.004" (0.076–0.102 mm) on successive strokes until the readout on your calibration unit indicates that contact on the load cell(s) is being made at bottom dead center.

NOTE: *Do not stop the ram on the load cells. Always cycle the press through a complete stroke.*

NOTE

If you are using the Wintriss Load Analyzer (WLA) as your calibration unit, you should zero it after every complete stroke using the switch you installed on the WLA calibration kit earlier.

You do not have to zero the AutoSet calibration unit.

6. Determine the load you should put on the press. Tonnage on the load cells should be equal to the tonnage normally used when making parts. For example, if you usually run between 60–90% of press capacity, then set the press at 75% of capacity. This will give you the most accurate tonnage readings within this range. In any case, make sure that you set tonnage to greater than 50% of press capacity.

Also make sure the capacity of the press is not exceeded.

7. Adjust the ram downward and cycle the press. Check the tonnage displays on your calibration unit. Keep cycling the press and adjusting the ram downward until you are at the tonnage you want.

WARNING

Do not stick press on bottom

Do not overload the press by bringing the ram too far down at once. *You may stick the press on bottom!* Bring the load up gradually. Load cells are extremely stiff compared to normal material used for making parts. Unlike softer material, they provide no compressive cushion to bring the ram through bottom dead center if you over-adjust.

For two cell calibration, check the left and right load cell readouts. Make sure they display equal tonnage $\pm 2\%$.

If one load cell reading is not equal to the other, add shim stock to the load cell that shows the lower tonnage. Cycle the press. Recheck tonnage. If tonnage is still not equal, add more shim stock until tonnage is equal.

8. When tonnage is correct, lock the shut height adjustment.
9. Check to make sure the load cells, shims, and parallels will not move during calibration. If using the WLA as the calibration unit, zero it first, then recheck tonnage. If using AutoSet, recheck tonnage. See if there has been a decrease in tonnage on the load cells. If so, re-adjust the press to the correct tonnage. Be sure to lock the shut height again if you had to adjust tonnage.
10. Your calibration unit should now display the tonnage you are using for calibration. Your objective from this point on is to adjust AutoSet Plus so it reads the same tonnage as displayed on the calibration unit. At this point, your AutoSet Plus, strain links, and zero cam must be installed (as described in Chapter 2) with all wiring completed.

Open the front cover of AutoSet Plus control box. If necessary, familiarize yourself with the location of the switches and dials inside the box.

NOTE

Figure 2-2 in Chapter 2 is a drawing of the components in AutoSet Plus box. If necessary, use it to locate the dials and switches which will be mentioned in the following steps.

Setting full scale tonnage

1. Determine the full scale tonnage for your press. Full scale tonnage is the rated capacity of the press (2000 tons, 1500 tons, 100 tons, 20 tons, etc.)
2. Find the three rotary switches in a column with white dials on them. See Figure 3-5. They are at the right middle of the main board. These are the settings for full scale tonnage.

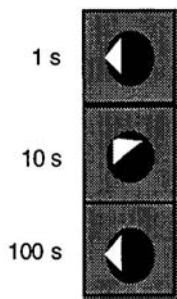


Figure 3-5. Blocks for setting full scale tonnage

3. You set tonnage by turning the dial screw on each switch until the arrow points at the right number. The dials are factory set to 100 tons.

The switches are labeled 100's, 10's and 1's (for the 100's digit, 10's digit and 1's digit in a number). These labels tell you how to set tonnage. For instance, you would set tonnage for a 150 ton press like this: 100's = 1, 10's = 5, 1's = 0. For a 20 ton press, you would do this: 100's = 0, 10's = 2, 1's = 0.

Set full scale tonnage of your press as instructed below:

When full scale tonnage is from 1 to 999

Set the 100's, 10's and 1's digit to the tonnage of your press. For presses under 200 tons, AutoSet Plus will display tonnage in tenths of a ton (15.5 20.0, 99.9, etc) up to 100 tons. For presses 200 tons and over, AutoSet Plus displays tonnage in whole numbers only.

NOTE: Make sure the decimal point switch (No. 3 on S6) is set to the "on" position. See Figure 3-5. If not set to "on", push switch all the way to the left with a pen or your thumbnail.

When full scale tonnage is between 1000 and 1500

Leave out the least significant digit when setting the switches. For instance 1500 would be set as "1", "5", "0"—the same as if you were setting full scale tonnage to 150 tons. You must also set DIP switch number 3 to the closed position (decimal point off). This is the third switch on switch block S1 located below the full scale tonnage switches. See Figure 3-6. With a ball point pen (not a pencil) or your thumbnail, push the switch to the right (away from the OPEN position). Make sure you push it all the way to the right. This allows AutoSet Plus to display accurate readings within the 1000 to 1500 tonnage range.

NOTE: Changing this switch shuts off the decimal point. Tonnage will only be displayed in whole numbers.



Figure 3-6. Switch block showing decimal point switch

When full scale tonnage is more than 1500 tons

Leave out the least significant digit when setting the switches. For instance, 2000 would be set as "2", "0", "0"—the same as if you were setting full scale tonnage to 200 tons. For presses over 1500 tons, you must multiply all readings by 10. For instance, 155 tons would be displayed as 15.5 tons. 1500 tons would be displayed as 150 tons.

NOTE: Make sure the decimal point switch (No. 3 on S6) is set to the "on" position. See Figure 3–6. If not set to "on", push switch all the way to the left with a pen or your thumbnail.

4. Turn power to AutoSet Plus off, then back on. This must be done to reset the unit after changing the tonnage switches. (Also resets decimal point if decimal point switch was changed.)

Adjusting AutoSet Plus to read the correct tonnage

1. Now you are ready to make the all-important adjustments so the tonnage displayed for each strain link reads the same as on your calibration unit.

Turn toggle switch S2 to "operate."

2. Find the two potentiometers for setting gain at the bottom center of AutoSet Plus box. They are the two small blocks with a tiny screw protruding from the upper left corner of each block. (See Figure 2-2). You adjust the tonnage by turning this screw.

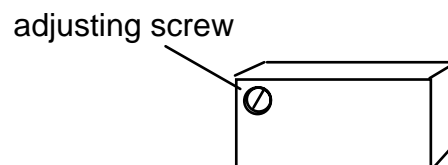


Figure 3-7. Potentiometer for setting gain

3. Start with the left strain link. The gain potentiometer (R17) on top (in line with the left strain link connector TB6) adjusts the gain for this strain link. First take a look at the jumper (J6) above R17 (see Figure 2-2 for exact location). It should be set to the left (in other words, the right pin of the jumper connections will not be covered by the jumper block). See Figure 3-8. This jumper setting is the *low gain* setting. If necessary, you will need to move the jumper to the *high gain* setting later. For now, make sure the jumper is at the low gain setting.



Figure 3-8. Jumper position for low gain and high gain

4. Cycle the press and determine whether the tonnage displayed on AutoSet Plus is greater or less than the tonnage displayed on your calibration unit.

NOTE

If you are using only one load cell, make sure you divide the load cell tonnage shown on your calibration unit in half and use that figure as the tonnage for each AutoSet Plus input.

5. If tonnage is greater on AutoSet Plus than on your calibration unit, turn the potentiometer screw on R17 counterclockwise. Cycle the press to see the new tonnage displayed.

IMPORTANT

You must stroke the press after each adjustment. Otherwise, the display will not change.

Continue cycling the press and adjusting AutoSet Plus until the tonnages on the calibration unit and AutoSet Plus match. The potentiometer screw has a 25-turn limit. You may need to turn it quite a few times to make the adjustment. When the display shows the correct tonnage, stop. You are done calibrating the left input. Go to Step 7. If you reach the end of the adjustment, call Data Instruments for assistance.

NOTE: If you are using the WLA as the calibration unit, remember to zero the WLA (as mentioned earlier) after every stroke so a new tonnage is recorded. Do this just in case tonnage on the load cell changes for any reason.

6. If tonnage is less on AutoSet Plus than on your calibration unit, turn the screw clockwise while cycling the press and watching the left display. (If you do not see any tonnage displayed on AutoSet Plus, do not worry. Just keep turning the screw clockwise while cycling the press, and tonnage will begin to appear.)

Continue adjusting AutoSet Plus tonnage upward. If you get the tonnage on AutoSet Plus to match, you are done. Go to Step 7.

If you reach the end of the adjustment (tonnage display will not change anymore) and the tonnage is still less than the tonnage on your calibration unit, you must set the jumper described in Step 3 to *high gain*. First turn power to AutoSet Plus off. Pull the jumper straight out and place it over the right and center pins. See Figure 3-8. Turn power on and cycle the press.

You may see a tonnage higher than what you want. Also, the load displays may be flashing because tonnage is now over 120% of full scale. If so, turn the display/reset switch momentarily to the right to "Reset".

The displays will stop flashing. Then turn the screw counter-clockwise and keep cycling the press until tonnages match. Reset the unit any time the displays flash. Keep adjusting tonnage downward. When tonnage on AutoSet Plus matches tonnage on your calibration unit, you are done.

7. Find the potentiometer (R25) for the right strain link (below potentiometer R17). Go to step 3 and repeat the procedure through step 6 for the right strain link. Right strain link connector is TB7. The jumper J7 sets gain for the right strain link.
8. You are done with the calibration procedure, but you must do one more thing. Switch the toggle switch from "operate" to "calfactor." Now you will see numbers (not tonnage) in the "left" and "right" setpoint displays between 40 and 960 (tonnage displays show "CAL"). These are *calfactor* numbers. Record them (make sure you record them properly, differentiating left from right) and *save them*. Then if you ever have to replace the control board, you can simply set the switch to "calfactor" and adjust each potentiometer screw until the calfactor number you recorded is displayed. You will not have to go through the whole calibration process.

Record the gain setting as well. (For example, low gain—jumper to left, hi gain—jumper to right.) The gain has to be set properly in order to set the right calfactor number.

Write the calibration and gain information right on the "AutoSet operating instructions" label (pictured below) which is affixed to your unit.

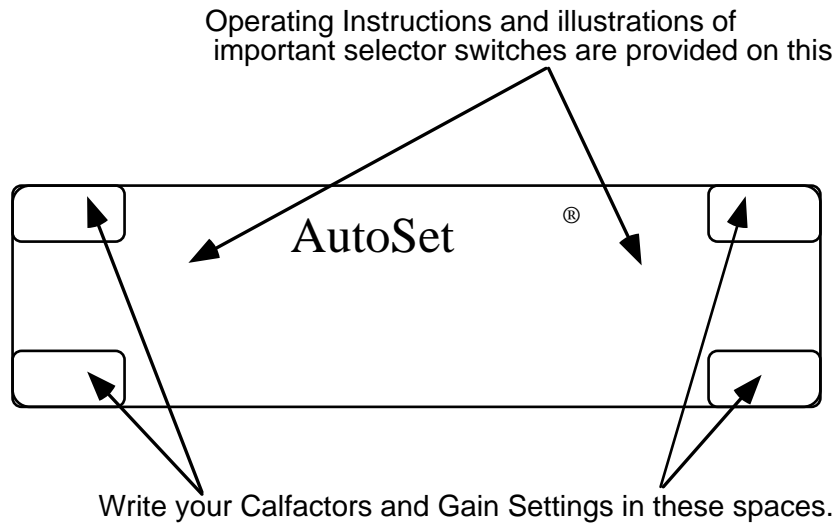


Figure 3-9. Schematic of AutoSet label

9. Set the toggle switch back to operate. Calibration is finished and your AutoSet Plus is now ready for use.

Linearity check

After calibration, you can check linearity to see how accurately tonnage is being recorded at different loads. Linearity means that AutoSet Plus tonnage readings increase proportionately to the load. For instance, if AutoSet Plus reads 40 tons with 40 tons on the load cells, it should read 80 tons with 80 tons on the load cells.

To check linearity, change the load on the press. For instance, if you calibrated at 75% capacity, reduce the load on the load cells to about 45%. If you calibrated at 50%, increase the load to about 80%. The tonnage on AutoSet Plus at each strain link should equal tonnage on the calibration unit at each load cell.

If the tonnages disagree, the problem may be the positioning of your strain links or twisting forces on the press. Consult your service representative or Data Instruments technical advisors. Note, however, that perfect linearity is unachievable. Typically tonnages are 5% to 10% off at 20-80% of press capacity.

Chapter 4

AutoSet 1500 Plus Operation

The AutoSet 1500 Plus load monitor automatically sets high and repeatability tonnage limits based on the measured load. It measures the load at two points on the press—the points where its two strain links are mounted.

Operation is very simple. You make only three settings:

- sampling period
- percent repeatability selector
- percent high tolerance selector

This chapter tells you how to make these settings. This chapter also discusses when you have to change settings for different jobs. Most of the time you will not. This is what makes AutoSet Plus so easy to use. In general, you can use the same settings for all your jobs. There are some cases where you may have to or will want to change settings. These cases are discussed later in this chapter in the section "When you may want to change the setpoint percentage."

The ultimate goal is to create repeatability setpoints first, then high setpoints. Set the percent repeatability selector as tight as possible without having nuisance stops occur during normal press operation. Once you have good repeatability setpoints, set the percent high tolerance setting about two times greater than the percent repeatability setting. In the next sections we will explain how to do this. *To understand repeatability better, go to "What is repeatability and how does it work" in Chapter 1.*

How to make settings on AutoSet Plus

AutoSet Plus requires only three settings before it calculates setpoints: selecting the sample period and setting the high and repeatability percent tolerance selector switches. Here is how to make these settings:

Selecting the sample period

AutoSet Plus has two different sampling periods—15 strokes or 1 stroke. As a rule of thumb, use the 15 stroke sample period when running in continuous mode or when the percent high tolerance selector is set at values less than or equal to 50% and/or the percent repeatability selector is set at values less than or equal to 25%.

Use the 1 stroke sampling period when the percent high tolerance selector is set greater than 50% and/or when the percent repeatability selector is set greater than 25%. Then a sampling period of one stroke would suffice.

SETTING THE SAMPLING PERIOD

If you are not sure what sample period to use, set it for 15 strokes. The 15 stroke sample period allows AutoSet Plus to make a more accurate measurement of tonnage. The one stroke setting is used mainly for convenience in low tolerance jobs.

To select the sample period, follow these steps:

1. Open the cover and find the top (position #1) switch on the DIP switch block (S1). The switch block is located between the two tolerance selector switches. Switch 1 is factory set to 15 strokes.
2. To set the sample period for 15 strokes, push switch #1 to the left (toward the "OPEN" position). See Figure 4-1. Use a small screwdriver or ball point pen (not a pencil) to push on the dimple at the left end of the switch. The switch will snap over and down to the left. Make sure the switch is set all the way left and not in between positions.



Figure 4-1. Stroke select switch (#1) with 15 strokes selected

3. To set the sample period for 1 stroke, just press the switch to the right (away from the "OPEN" position).
4. If you change the switch position, turn the display/reset switch on the front cover to the right to "Reset" and hold for at least two seconds until the setpoint displays flash and change to 120% of full scale tonnage. The next time you run the press, the new sample period will be in effect.

REVIEW "HOW AUTOSSET PLUS WORKS"

It is a good idea to review "How AutoSet Plus Works" in Chapter 1 *before* you go any further. Even though you do not have to understand how AutoSet calculates these setpoints in order to create these setpoints, it may help to clarify the next sections more for you. The steps, which tell you how AutoSet Plus calculates repeatability and high setpoints based upon the percent tolerance settings, have been designed so that you can make the right settings for the job.

Setting the percent repeatability selector

The percent repeatability selector tells AutoSet Plus what percentage to use in calculating repeatability setpoints. The following steps tell you how to determine the correct setting for your die. You will not have to follow this procedure for every die. Once you make the setting for one die, it will work for most of the dies you use on the press. See "When you may want to change the setpoint percentage" later in this chapter for a discussion of when you may need to readjust the percent repeatability tolerance selector.

Here is how to set the percent repeatability selector to the correct setting:

1. First make sure the die you are using is properly adjusted and you are ready to make parts.
2. Open the AutoSet Plus control box and find the percent repeatability tolerance selector near the bottom right of the box.
3. Look at Figure 4-2 to become familiar with the selector settings. (This drawing is also shown on a label inside the AutoSet Plus door.) The selector dial has settings from 0 to 9. Each setting represents a percent. The first dot to the right of 0 is 1. 1 = 1%; 2 = 2%; 3 = 3%; 4 = 5%, and so on.

IMPORTANT

A "1" setting on either of the percent selectors is the lowest you can go. A "0" setting will *not* create setpoints. The "0" position automatically disables AutoSet Plus (it *does not* create any setpoints). In other words, you do not have repeatability protection. However, it will stop the press if tonnage exceeds the high setpoint or 120% of full scale if high setpoints have also been disabled.

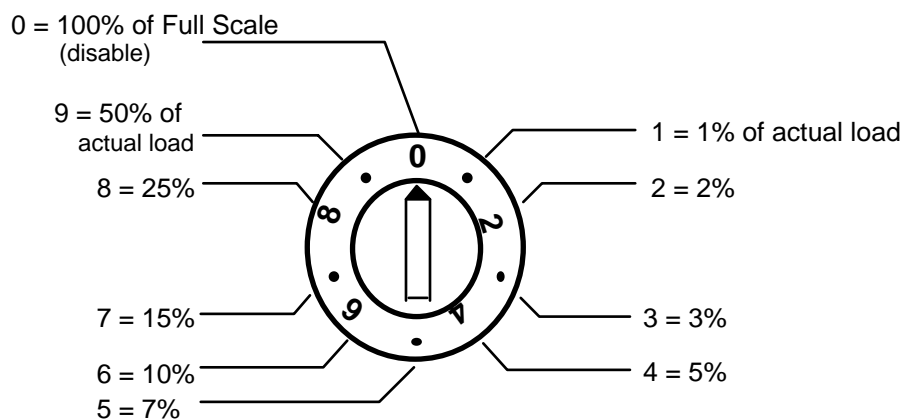


Figure 4-2. Percent repeatability selector switch

4. Set the percent repeatability selector to 5%. Do this by clicking the dial until the pointer is at "4". (This setting means AutoSet Plus will create repeatability setpoints 5% of the highest tonnage recorded during the sample period.)

Setting the percent high tolerance selector

The percent high tolerance selector tells AutoSet Plus what percentage to use in calculating high setpoints. The procedure below tells you how to determine the correct setting for your die. You will not have to follow this procedure for every die. In most cases, once you make the setting for one die, it will work for most of the dies you use on the press. See "When you may want to change the setpoint percentage" later in this chapter for a discussion of when you may need to re-adjust the percent high tolerance selector.

Here is how to set the percent high tolerance selector to the correct setting:

1. First make sure the die you are using is properly adjusted and you are ready to make parts.
2. Open the AutoSet Plus control box and find the percent high tolerance selector near the lower right corner of the box.
3. Look at Figure 4-3 to become familiar with the selector settings. (This drawing is also shown on a label inside the AutoSet Plus door.) The selector dial has settings from 0 to 9. Each setting represents a percent. The first dot to the right of 0 is 1. 1 = 2%; 2 = 5%; 3 = 10%; 4 = 15%, and so on.

IMPORTANT

A "1" setting on either of the percent selectors is the lowest you can go. A "0" setting will *not* create setpoints. The "0" position automatically disables AutoSet Plus (it *does not* create any setpoints). In other words, you do not have overload protection. However, it will stop the press if tonnage exceeds the repeatability setpoint or 120% of full scale if repeatability setpoints have also been disabled.

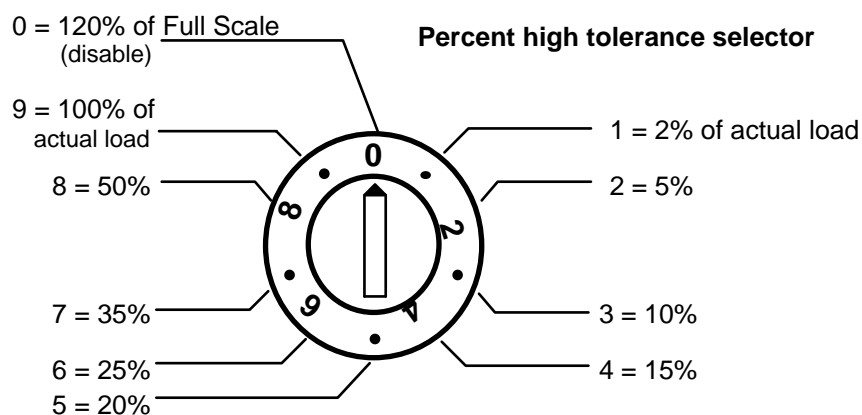


Figure 4-3. Percent high tolerance selector switch

4. Set the percent high tolerance selector to 15%. Do this by clicking the dial until the pointer is at "4". (This setting means AutoSet Plus will create high setpoints 15% above the highest tonnage recorded during the sample period.)

How to select repeatability and high percentage settings

1. You are ready to create setpoints for the job. How you do this depends upon your operation. This section describes how to select the repeatability and high percentage settings the first time. From then on, you may not need to change these settings. Our objective is to set the repeatability percentage setting as low as possible without generating any nuisance stops. The high percentage setting can be set at a percentage value larger than the repeatability setting, typically about two times greater.
2. These instructions describe the different situations that you may encounter as you create setpoints for the job. However, be sure you understand the difference between a *nuisance stop* and a *tonnage fault* before you go any further, since we will be using these terms frequently.

A nuisance stop occurs when setpoints are so tight that small, normal variations in tonnage cause AutoSet Plus to shutdown the press. Our goal will be to create setpoints just tight enough so that nuisance stops will not occur.

A tonnage fault occurs when the tonnage has fluctuated enough to exceed the high and/or repeatability setpoints being used by the load monitor. A fault may be caused by a stuck part, significant change in material thickness or hardness, slug stacking, load imbalance, misfeed, broken punch, end of stock, or any die malfunctions. To correct the problem, carefully inspect the die area. *For your information, the different tonnage faults are discussed in detail in Chapter 5 - AutoSet Plus Alarms & Troubleshooting.*

WARNING

If the press stopped due to a real fault, do not continue until you have completely corrected the problem! Failure to do so may result in damage to the press and tooling.

- A. Set the percent repeatability selector switch to "4" (5%) and also the percent high tolerance selector switch to "4" (15%).
- B. Turn the display/reset switch to the right to "Reset" and hold for at least two seconds until the setpoint displays flash and change to 120% of the press's full scale tonnage. This action tells AutoSet Plus to calculate new high and repeatability setpoints when you start to run the press.
- C. Run the press. After the sample period is over, AutoSet Plus will display new setpoints based upon the highest tonnage during the sample period. Position the display/reset switch upward so that it is set to "High" to view the high setpoints that have been created, or to the left to "Repeatability" to see the repeatability setpoints.

- D. If AutoSet Plus stops the press because these setpoints are exceeded at one or both strain links, go to step 3. (You know AutoSet Plus stopped the press if one or both LOAD displays flash.)

If the press does not stop after the sample period is completed, run the press for about 20 more strokes beyond the sample period. See if AutoSet Plus stops the press. If not, stop the press anyway and go to Step 3, and refer to the following instructions.

3. Here are four possible conditions (A through D) that you will encounter. Use the one that pertains to your application.

A. *If AutoSet Plus shuts down the press due to a repeatability setpoints failure:*

Whenever either or both of the repeatability setpoints has been exceeded, AutoSet Plus stops the press immediately. "rEP" appears in the setpoint display, and the load display flashes for the strain link input(s) affected.

1. Check to see if the press has stopped because of a nuisance stop -- your repeatability setpoints were too low -- which caused the press to stop unnecessarily.
2. If you are satisfied that the press stopped because of a nuisance stop, locate the percent repeatability selector switch inside the AutoSet Plus box. Notice that the switch is set to "4" (5%). Click the dial up to "5" (7%). Note the new setpoints displayed. Start the press again.
3. Run the press for 15 to 20 strokes to see if a nuisance stop occurs again. If one occurs, go to the next step.
4. If a nuisance stop occurs at setting "5", click the repeatability setting to "6" (10%). Again run the press beyond the sample period to see if a nuisance stop occurs again. If one occurs, keep stepping up the percent repeatability setting one location at a time until you no longer have nuisance stops. Once you no longer have repeatability failures, set the percent high tolerance setting about two times your repeatability setting.
5. Once you are running without any nuisance stops, this is the right setting for the job.

B. If AutoSet Plus shuts down the press due to a high setpoints failure:

Whenever either or both of the high setpoints has been exceeded, AutoSet Plus stops the press immediately. "HI" appears in the setpoint display, and the load display flashes for the strain link input(s) affected.

1. Check to see if the press has stopped because of a nuisance stop -- your high setpoints were too low -- which caused the press to stop unnecessarily.
2. If you are satisfied that the press stopped because of a nuisance stop, locate the percent selector switches inside the AutoSet Plus box. Notice that the high tolerance switch is set to "4" (15%). Click the dial up to "5" (20%). Lower the percent repeatability setting to "3" (3%). Note the new setpoints displayed.
3. Run the press for 15 to 20 strokes to see if a nuisance stop occurs.
4. If you get a repeatability fault but your high setpoints are okay, go to step 5. If you only get a high setpoints failure, move the percent high tolerance setting up one switch location to "6" (25%). Run the press. Keep moving the percent high tolerance setting up one switch location at a time until you no longer get high setpoint failures.
5. If repeatability fails but your high setpoints are okay, click the repeatability setting up back to "4" (5%); then run the press. If a nuisance stop occurs at "4", step it up to "5" (7%).
6. Once you are running without any nuisance stops, AutoSet Plus is at the right setting for the job.

C. If AutoSet Plus signals both high setpoints and repeatability failures:

Whenever high and repeatability setpoints are exceeded at the same time, AutoSet Plus stops the press immediately. "HI" and "rEP" alternatively flash in the setpoint display, and the load display flashes for the strain link input(s) affected.

1. Check to see if the press has stopped because of a nuisance stop -- your high and repeatability setpoints were too low which caused the press to stop unnecessarily. Double check that it is not due to a tonnage fault.
2. If you are satisfied that the press legitimately stopped because of a nuisance stop, locate the percent selector switches inside the AutoSet Plus box. Notice that the high tolerance switch is set to "4" (15%). Click the dial up to "5" (20%). Increase the percent repeatability setting to "5" (7%).
3. Run the press beyond the sample period to see if a nuisance stop occurs.
4. If you get a repeatability fault but your high setpoints are okay, move the percentage repeatability setting up one step; then run the press. Repeat this until you no longer get repeatability setpoint failures.

If you get a high setpoints failure but your repeatability has stabilized, move the percent high tolerance setting up one switch location; then run the press. Repeat this until you no longer get high setpoint failures.

If you get both high and repeatability setpoints failure, move each of the percent selectors up one switch location; then run the press. Repeat this until you no longer get failures.

5. Once you are running without any nuisance stops, AutoSet Plus is at the right setting for the job.

D. If AutoSet Plus has gone past the sample period without any failures:

1. Locate the percent selector switches inside the AutoSet Plus box. Notice that the percent repeatability switch is set to "4" (5%). Click the dial down to "3" (3%). Leave the high tolerance setting at "4" (15%). Note the new setpoints displayed.
2. Run the press for 15 to 20 strokes to see if a nuisance stop occurs. If a nuisance stop still does not occur, click the repeatability setting down to "2" (2%).
3. If you do get a nuisance stop at this point, move the dial up one step. Then move the percent high tolerance setting up so that it is about two times the repeatability setting.
4. Once you are running without any nuisance stops, AutoSet Plus is at the right setting for the job.

When you may want to change the setpoint percentage

Once you select the sample period and determine the right percent settings for one die, you can use these settings for all the other dies used on the press. However, there may be times when you will want to change high and repeatability settings.

For some jobs, you may want much tighter setpoints even though the existing high and repeatability percent settings would work just as well for the new job. On other jobs, normal tonnage variations may require setpoints wider than usual. The wider variations could then occur without a press shutdown.

In these cases, you would readjust AutoSet Plus. If you want to change your setpoints for the new die, turn the display/reset switch once to the right to "Reset" and hold for at least two seconds. Then use the "percent high tolerance selector" to decrease or increase the percentage value, one step at a time. Likewise, if you want to change your repeatability setpoints, use the "percent repeatability selector" to decrease or increase the percentage value, again in single increments. AutoSet Plus will create new setpoints at the end of the sample period.

You may have to experiment to find the right setting if nuisance stops occur. Refer to the previous section for guidance.

WRITE IT DOWN!

Always record existing settings before changing them for a new die. Then you can dial in the old settings whenever you re-run the old die again, thus avoiding trial and error.

When you must recalculate setpoints

You always have to recalculate setpoints after a tool change. This is so that setpoints will be based upon the new press load. Simply turn the display/reset switch once to the right to "Reset" and hold for at least two seconds until the numbers in the setpoint display flash once and change to 120% of full scale. Run the press to get new setpoints. After the sample period is completed, AutoSet Plus will display the new setpoints, depending upon where you have the display/reset switch pointing -- "High" or "Repeatability".

NOTE: The setpoints can be recalculated while the press is running.

How AutoSet Plus displays Reverse Load

AutoSet Plus displays "Reverse Load" on the LED displays. Push the "Reverse" button on the front of the AutoSet, and at a glance you know if you have proper "snap-through" protection. See the next illustration which shows reverse load.

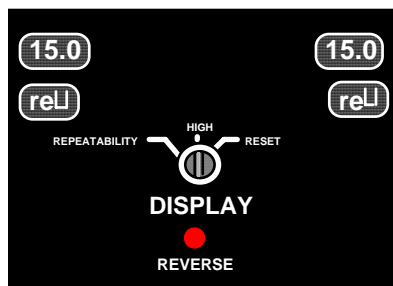


Figure 4-4. Illustration of "Reverse Load" LED displays

Disabling AutoSet Plus

AutoSet Plus can be disabled. This means AutoSet Plus will display tonnages but will not stop the press unless tonnage at either strain link exceeds 120% of full scale tonnage. Setpoints will not be created.

To disable AutoSet Plus, you set both the percent high tolerance and percent repeatability selectors to 0. This clears the old setpoints and shows high setpoints that represent 120% of press capacity and repeatability setpoints equal to 100% of press capacity.

WARNING!

Data Instruments does not recommend the disabling of AutoSet 1500 Plus. Disabling may result in damage to the press and tooling.

Chapter 5

AutoSet 1500 Plus Troubleshooting

AutoSet Plus Alarms

AutoSet 1500 Plus is designed to let you know when fault conditions occur. This chapter explains the faults that occur when AutoSet Plus shuts down the press and how to correct them. Four types of faults are explained here:

- When AutoSet Plus detects an overload condition (high setpoint exceeded)
- When AutoSet Plus detects a repeatability fault
- When AutoSet Plus displays both high and repeatability faults
- When AutoSet Plus displays an offset error

Before you reset AutoSet Plus

Before you reset AutoSet Plus, you want to be sure that you have completely corrected the problem, and that you have determined if the press shutdown because of a nuisance stop or a tonnage fault. Here is the difference between the two:

A nuisance stop occurs when setpoints are so tight that small, normal variations in tonnage cause AutoSet Plus to shutdown the press.

A tonnage fault occurs when the tonnage has fluctuated enough to exceed the high and/or repeatability setpoints being used by the load monitor. A fault may be caused by a stuck part, significant change in material thickness or hardness, slug stacking, load imbalance, misfeed, broken punch, end of stock, or any die malfunctions. To correct the problem, carefully inspect the die area.

WARNING

If the press stopped due to a real fault, do not continue until you have completely corrected the problem! Failure to do so will result in damage to the press and tooling.

The next sections explain how AutoSet Plus displays different fault conditions, and how to resolve each.

When AutoSet Plus displays a high setpoints fault

When the actual "LOAD" tonnage exceeds the "SETPOINT" tonnage on one or both inputs, an overload condition exists. AutoSet will open the output relay. The "LOAD" display for the overloaded input will flash, and "HI" will flash on the one or both of the setpoints displays, depending upon which strain link(s) have been affected. See Figure 5-1.

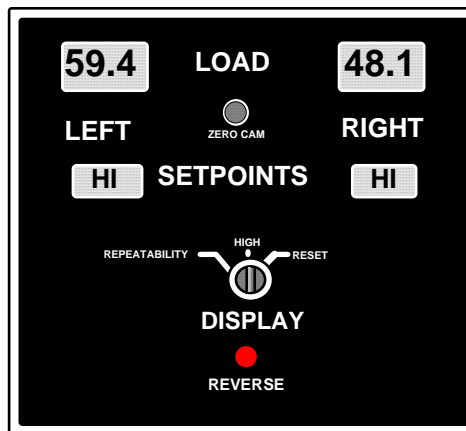


Figure 5-1. Displaying high setpoints exceeded on input (left rear) and input 4 (right front)

Check to see why AutoSet Plus stopped the press. Is it due to a problem in the die, such as stuck part, variation in shut height, drastic change in material thickness, etc.? If so, correct the problem immediately.

Or is it due to a nuisance stop because the high setpoints are too tight? Then see "Creating setpoints for the job" to change the high tolerance percent.

AutoSet Plus is cleared by turning and releasing the display/reset switch momentarily to the right to "Reset" (less than two seconds). The displays will stop flashing, and the overload values remain on the "LOAD" displays until the next stroke, or until power has been turned off.

When AutoSet Plus displays a repeatability fault

When AutoSet Plus detects that a variation in tonnage from the last stroke has exceeded the repeatability setpoint, it will stop the press. It will display the message "rEP" on the setpoints display which corresponds to one or both of the strain links affected. See Figure 5-2.

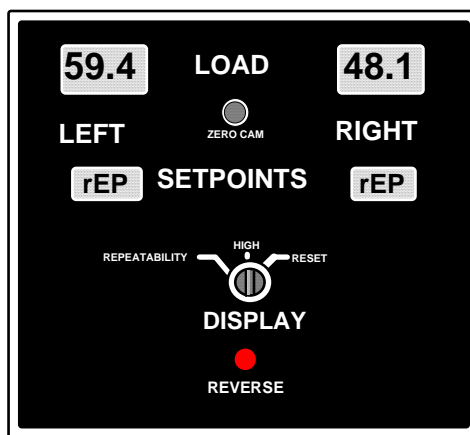


Figure 5-2. Displaying repeatability setpoints exceeded on both inputs

Check to see why AutoSet Plus stopped the press. Is it due to a problem in the die, such as slug stacking, a misfeed, end of stock, or a broken punch, etc.? If so, correct the problem immediately.

Or is it due to a nuisance stop because the repeatability setpoints are too tight? Then see "Creating setpoints for the job" to change the repeatability percent.

When you reset AutoSet Plus, "rEP" will disappear and the setpoint display(s) will once again show the correct setpoints.

When AutoSet Plus displays both faults

If AutoSet Plus detects both a high and a repeatability failure at the same time, it will again stop the press, and "HI" and "rEP" will alternatively flash on one or both of the setpoint displays which corresponds to the strain link(s) affected. See Figure 5-3.

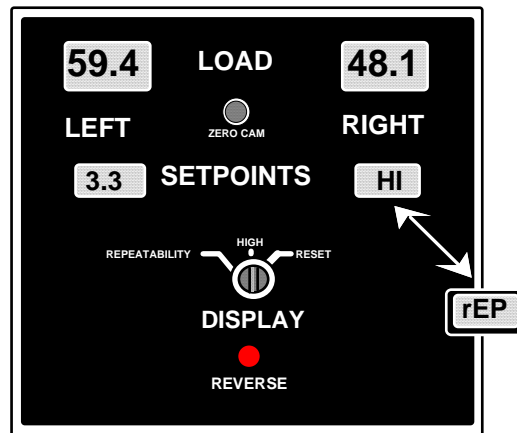


Figure 5-3. Displaying high and repeatability error conditions on input #2

As we said earlier, *make sure* that you *thoroughly* check to see why the press was stopped before resetting AutoSet Plus.

When you reset AutoSet Plus, "HI" and "rEP" will disappear and the setpoint display will once again show the correct setpoints.

When AutoSet Plus displays an offset error

If a strain link loosens, is damaged, or otherwise fails, its output signal may go too high or too low. When this happens, the strain link is no longer sending accurate tonnage information to AutoSet Plus. AutoSet Plus will stop the press when this condition occurs. It will display the message "Err" on the setpoint display for the strain link(s) affected. The tonnage display(s) will also flash "HI" or "LO". See Figure 5-4.

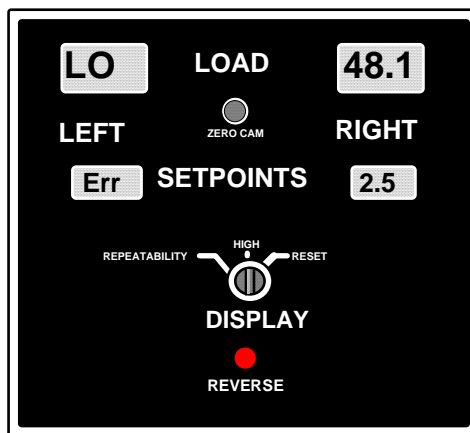


Figure 5-4. Displaying an offset error on input #1

Check to see if the strain link has loosened or is damaged. Also check wiring. If the strain link looks okay, the strain link may have broken internally. Correct the problem by remounting the strain link if it has loosened, or replacing the strain link if it is damaged or broken. In both cases, you must re-zero the strain link. (To re-zero, refer to the section, "Zeroing the strain links" in Chapter 3 - Calibration.) You do not have to recalibrate AutoSet Plus, even when replacing the strain link, unless it has been moved to a different location. When you reset AutoSet Plus, "ERR" will disappear and the setpoint display will once again show the correct setpoints and the affected tonnage display will show 0.

Resetting AutoSet Plus

Once you have determined the problem and have corrected the fault condition, reset AutoSet Plus. Turn the display/reset switch momentarily to the right to clear the error condition, and the displays return to normal. You can once again run the press.

RESET AUTOSSET PLUS

To reset AutoSet Plus after a fault condition has occurred, turn the display/reset switch momentarily to the right to "Reset"—for less than two seconds. The setpoint display indicating the fault condition will stop flashing. If you hold the display/reset switch too long to the right (more than two seconds), the setpoints will change to 120% of full scale tonnage. This tells AutoSet Plus to recalculate setpoints once the press is started. Most of the time, you will not want to recalculate setpoints after a tonnage fault.

AutoSet Plus Troubleshooting

As you are running your press, you may come across some situations that you will need to correct. Here are some situations that you may encounter and how to troubleshoot them.

When none of the load or setpoint LEDs are displayed

If you are not getting any load or setpoint readings:

- Check that you have power. Also check that power is present at both sides of fuse #1. Refer to "Connecting AC wires to power source" in Chapter 2.
- Check the wiring of the strain links. Refer to "Mounting and connecting strain links" in Chapter 2 of this manual. If you are still having difficulty, contact Data Instruments.

When either of the load displays shows no tonnage

If one or both of the load displays always reads "0" tons:

- Check that the zero cam switch (LMCS) has been connected properly. Be sure that the zero cam is closed to ground during the top of the stroke and that it opens at bottom. Also look at where the red and blue magnets are positioned on the crankshaft. See the section, "Installing a zero cam", in Chapter 2 if necessary.
- Check that the mounting and wiring of the strain link affected was done correctly. Were the strain links mounted on a flat, clean surface? Were they wired correctly? See the section "Mounting and connecting strain links" in Chapter 2 for details.

When the tonnage is lower than it should be

If when running your press, you find that that tonnage is lower than you think it should be:

If new installation or calibration:

- Check that the zero cam is closed to ground during the top of the stroke and that it opens at bottom. Also look at where the red and blue magnets are positioned on the crankshaft. See the section, "Installing a zero cam", in Chapter 2 if necessary.
- Check that the mounting and wiring of the strain link(s) affected was done correctly. Were they wired for tension or compression? See the section "Mounting and connecting strain links" in Chapter 2 for more information.
- Check that the calibration was done properly. Are the calfactor(s) correct? Are the calfactor(s) you set the same as the one(s) you wrote down during the calibration? Refer to Chapter 3 AutoSet Plus Calibration if needed.

If existing installation:

- Check for a stretched or broken tie rod on straight side presses.

What happens when power is turned off and restored

When the power to the AutoSet Plus is turned off, the tonnage readings and setpoints are lost. However, the calibration information and full scale tonnage settings are retained. When power is restored, the tonnage displays will read zero and the setpoint displays will read 120% of full scale tonnage. The AutoSet Plus will automatically recalculate setpoints after the appropriate number of strokes.

Appendix A

AutoSet 1500 Plus Panel Mount

This appendix explains how to install your AutoSet 1500 Plus panel mount. Refer to Chapter 2 for the remainder of the installation steps.

Standard Enclosure versus Optional Panel Mount

AutoSet 1500 Plus is available either with an enclosure or as a panel mount. The panel mount can be mounted from the inside or outside. Be sure to allow *at least 4"* (10.2 cm) of clearance behind the panel mounting plane to allow enough room for the electronics.

Preparation for mounting AutoSet Plus using your enclosure

To prepare for mounting AutoSet 1500 Plus using your panel enclosure, follow these steps:

1. Determine a convenient place to mount AutoSet 1500 Plus into your panel enclosure. Ideally it should be close to the press control so operators and setup personnel can easily see the readouts.
2. Cut out a hole in your panel enclosure, and drill and tap fourteen holes for 1/4-20 screws. Refer to the drawings in Figure A-1 for mounting dimensions.
3. Prop AutoSet Plus near the location where it will ultimately be mounted (see Figure A-1). You can do this by connecting ty wraps from two of the left holes on the panel to the corresponding holes on the enclosure for a hinge-like effect. Allow *at least 9"* of service loop when performing the wiring connections. Also make sure all cables will reach.
4. Refer to Chapter 2 of the AutoSet 1500 Plus user manual to complete the entire installation.

PLACE AUTOSSET 1500 PLUS AT A CONVENIENT HEIGHT

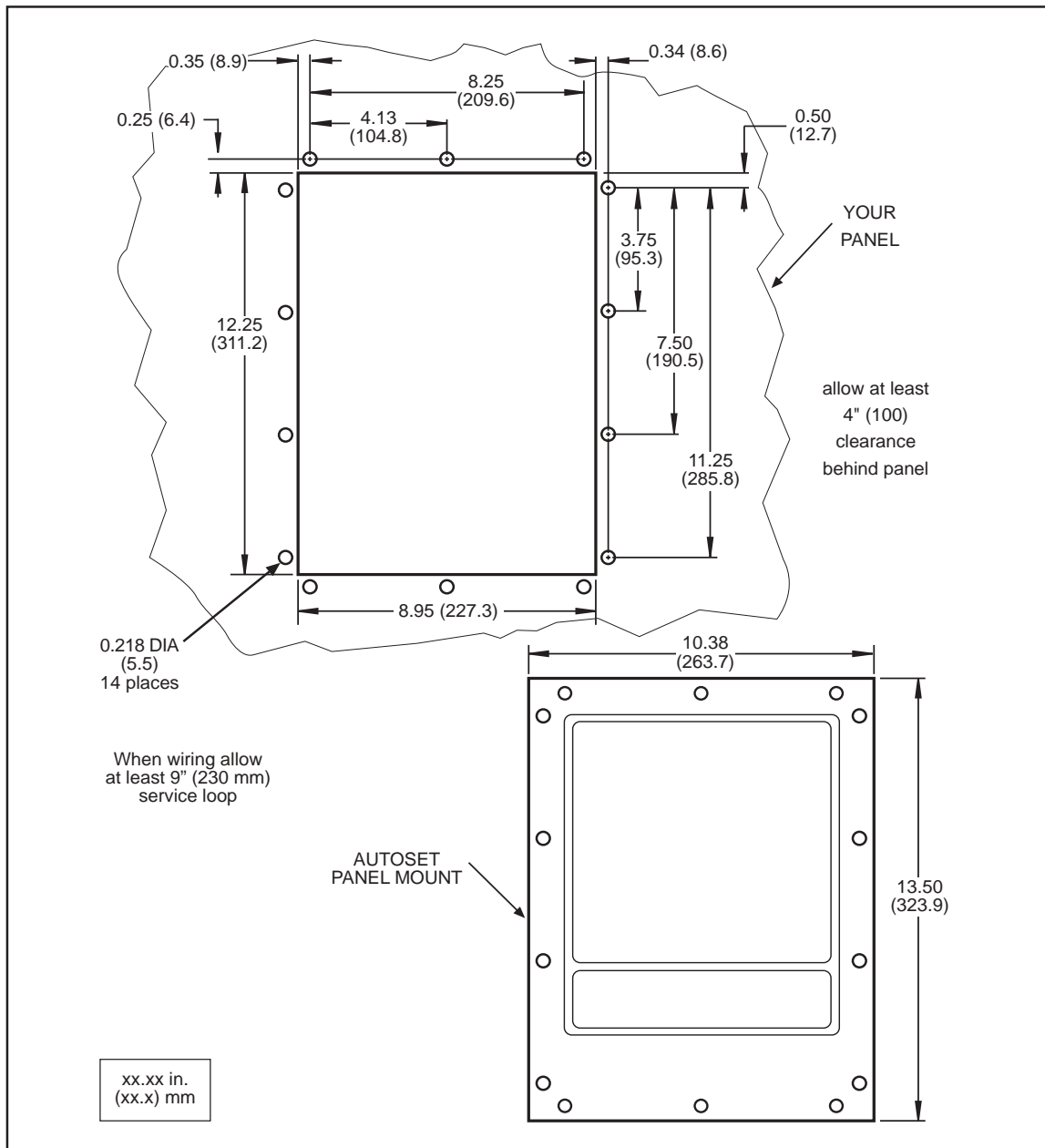
AutoSet Plus should be installed at a convenient height for all users. An ideal height is to have the top edge of the unit approximately at chin level. Experiment to determine a good height for everybody prior to wiring and mounting.

Final assembly

Once the final checkout has been confirmed and AutoSet Plus is working satisfactorily while it has been sitting outside the enclosure, you are ready to completely install the AutoSet 1500 Plus panel mount into your enclosure.

Remember earlier you had cut out a hole in your panel enclosure. Mount the AutoSet Plus panel assembly into this cavity using fourteen 1/4-20 screws. Refer to Figure A-1 for mounting and "cutout" dimensions for AutoSet 1500 Plus panel and your enclosure.

Figure A-1. Mounting and "cutout" dimensions for AutoSet Plus panel and your enclosure



Appendix B

Modification for selectable sampling

For those AutoSet 1500 Plus load monitors which include custom selectable sampling, the stroke sample length can be set to 1, 15, 30 or 60 strokes.

Dip switches 1 and 4 on switch block S1 are used to make the settings. On the standard AutoSet, dip switch 4 is not used.

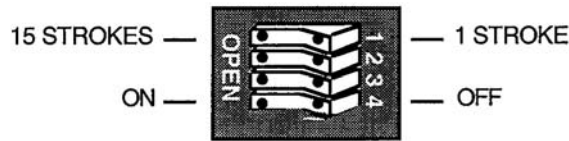


Figure B-1. Stroke select switch (S1) with on-off positions for switch 4 shown

The following chart shows how to set dip switches 1 and 4 for 1, 15, 30 or 60 stroke settings:

To set sample to	set stroke select #1 to:	set switch #4 to:
1 stroke	1 stroke	ON
15 strokes	15 strokes	ON
30 strokes	15 strokes	OFF
60 strokes	1 stroke	OFF

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