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## RON 3050 CRANE SCALE

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# The Ron 3050 Crane Scale



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# General Cautions and Warnings

The following cautions and warnings, system specifications, and user instruction sheets should be read carefully before attempting to use this Eilon Engineering product.

Products are supplied with the express understanding that the purchaser and/or user are thoroughly familiar with their correct application and proper use. Eilon Engineering will assume no responsibility for the misuse or misapplication of any of its products.

In addition to these guidelines, the user must also comply with general safe operating practices when using the system e.g. when weighing during lifting.

The load limit rating, a.k.a. capacity, indicates the maximum force or load a system can carry under normal working conditions. Overloading or placing a load on the system above its rated capacity is dangerous and is therefore STRICTLY PROHIBITED except during the system's annual safety testing. This testing must be performed by qualified personnel and allows the system to be overloaded up to 25% of its rated capacity, no more than once per year.

Eilon Engineering will accept no liability for damage caused by the product being used in excess of the working load limit or from abuse.

Opening, attempting to open, or any attempt to repair the system by unauthorized personnel (without written authorization) will nullify the warranty as well as the manufacturer's liability and could be dangerous. Refrain from doing so and contact an Elion representative should any problem with the system arise.

When measuring loads using a shifted zero with the tare function, the actual load is the value indicated on the readout plus that of the shifted zero or tare.

The system is designed for static loading. Eilon Engineering or other qualified engineering personnel should be consulted before using the system to measure dynamic loads.

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Avoid bending, twisting, side loading and off-axis loading.

When connecting the load cell in order to measure forces or loads, special care should be taken in choosing appropriate shackles or other connecting accessories that will permit free movement and prevent bending moments and twisting in the load cell.

Always use shackles with a S.W.L. (Safe Working Load) equal to, or greater than the system's rated capacity.

Check the system thoroughly before use, including the lifting accessories which are included with some Ron systems. Do not use a damaged system.

We recommend that the system is checked occasionally by lifting a known weight. Further, the system should be sent back to the manufacturer or to an authorized service center for general examination once every year.

System calibration should at first be performed annually in an authorized laboratory unless local laws, regulations, or other policies require alternative intervals. Once the user becomes familiar with the particular needs of their system, the need for calibration may vary.

Between calibrations, the user can verify whether the systems are still calibrated correctly by using a known weight.

Calibration verification and adjustment must be performed with extreme care. An erroneous calibration adjustment will result in false readings, which could be dangerous.

If there is any doubt as to the reliability of the load indication, do not use the system with an unknown load. To check its reliability, use a known load preferably with a value of more than 50% and less than 100% of the system's rated capacity. Never use a weight that is more that the rated capacity.

The permitted temperature range appears in the Ron system specifications.

Do not allow the system to overheat or fall below the minimum permitted temperature, as doing so may be dangerous and cause damage.

Take particular care not to expose the system to nuclear radiation.

Local environmental conditions such as extreme temperatures (those that exceed the stated temperature range in the system specifications), chemical materials, radio transmissions or other magnetic radiation may interfere with the

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system's reliability causing a false reading which could prove dangerous. Avoid using the system under such conditions.

The system is not explosion-proof and should not be used in hazardous areas.

Unless otherwise specified, Eilon Engineering products are not legal for trade.

Each system consists of a load cell with its own indicator (excluding 1000 & 4000 models).

Important: If you own several systems, make sure that each load cell is used with its original indicator. Load cells and indicators are calibrated as matched pairs and are non-interchangeable.



#### **IMPORTANT:**

At all times, it is the responsibility of the user of this equipment to ensure that normal safety precautions are observed. No amount of safety features and engineering can

be a substitute for common sense and a desire to work safely.

Ron systems are prohibited by the manufacturer and/or seller to be used in any nuclear or similar site where nuclear and/or radioactivity and/or ionizing radiation (henceforth radiation) exists. Ron systems may not function well in any space where radiation exists. If despite this warning the user uses the system in radiation, he/she is waiving any right of claim against the manufacturer and/or seller concerning direct or consequential damages or loss resulting from use of Ron systems in violation of the above restrictions, and the user assumes full responsibility and liability to waive any subrogation claim rights by the insurer to such claim against the manufacturer and/or seller. This restriction does not apply to areas that are deemed safe for people to work in.

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# **Eilon Engineering Limited Warranty**

Eilon Engineering Ltd. load meters and overload detectors are built in accordance with listed specifications. Eilon Engineering Ltd. also guarantees that all its products are thoroughly inspected and performance tested prior to shipment.

If any appropriately maintained part proves to have been originally defective in materials or workmanship within the Warranty Period explicitly stated in the Eilon Engineering Ltd. literature that accompanies the product, Eilon Engineering Ltd. will replace or repair the part at no charge at the sole discretion of Eilon Engineering Ltd.

This warranty specifically excludes shipping costs.

The warranty shall be null and void if any repair or modification is performed on the system, or if any attempt has been made to open any part of the system by any parties other than those specifically authorized by Eilon Engineering Ltd.

Batteries are not covered by this warranty.

The system supplied comes factory calibrated and is accompanied by the relevant certification. All Eilon systems are built to enable user adjustment and recalibrate. As such, our accountability for the state of calibration is limited to the time when the system is received by the user, thus excluding calibration from this warranty.

Eilon Engineering Ltd. reserves the right to change materials or designs without notice when in its opinion such changes will improve its product.

These warranties exclude all other warranties, express or implied.

Eilon Engineering Ltd. will not, in any event, be liable for incidental or consequential damages.

The distributor is solely responsible for ensuring that this warranty is delivered to his sub-distributors and to their ultimate customers or users.

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# 1. General Description

Ron Crane Scale information.

The Ron 3050 is a low headroom crane scale.





The scale housing includes a 5 or 6 digit 2" (50 mm) LCD display. The front panel comes standard with a six key keyboard: **ON/OFF, TARE, ZERO, ENTER, MAX** & **ESC**. In a standard system with no additional options, the **ESC, ENTER**, and arrow keys are for use mainly during the calibration procedure. Systems that have options such as the RS-232, totalizer or data logger include a keyboard with 10 keys.

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The standard system is powered by 3 AA disposable 1.5V alkaline batteries. Continuous operation of the system while using batteries rated 3AH will result in at least 2000 hours of battery life (more than two months). Occasional use will extend the battery life up to several years. During use, press **ENTER** to check the current battery level.

The following are available options:

- 1) Rechargeable batteries (instead of disposable) with a charger.
- 2) Cage for protection against external impacts
- 3) IR (infrared) remote
- 4) Digital RS-232 or RS-485 output for communication with computers, printers or data acquisition devices.
- 5) Additional 2" (50mm) and 5" (125mm) displays.
- 6) Analog output:  $4 \div 20$ mA, loop.
- 7) Analog output:  $0 \div 1V$  or  $0 \div 2V$ ,  $0 \div 3V$ .
- 8) User-adjustable set points (1 or 2 Points).
- 9) User-selectable baud rate.
- 10) User-selectable units of measurement.

- 11) Totalizer: stores/displays a total of selected loads.
- 12) Data logger: stores up to 600 load measurements to be printed or outputted.
- 13) Data logger with extended memory capacity: for storing up to 3000, 6000, or 10,000 load measurements.
- 14) Automatic Data Logger: repeatedly logs ongoing weight values. Up to 600, 3000, 6000, or 10,000 load measurements.
- 15) Clock real time clock: adds a date and time stamp to saved/outputted measurements.
- 16) Dampened (average) display for unstable load
- 17) Wireless communication to additional display or PC

# 2. Operation

Basic operation of Ron systems and helpful tips and tricks

Attach the scale to the crane hook. Press the **ON/OFF** key to turn the system on. The display will read **BATT**, then the percentage of remaining battery life followed by the unit of measurement.

M. TON (Metric Tons)

S. TON (Short Tons, American tons, 2000 Lbs)

LBS

K.NTON (Kilo Newton)

DECA.N (Deca Newton)

N.WTON (Newton)

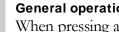
KG

The current weight value will then be displayed.

Before loading the system, press **ZERO** until **ZERO** is displayed. The system should then read **GROSS** then 0.

Once use of the system has been completed, press the **ON/OFF** key to power down. Return both the load cell and indicator to their carrying case or another appropriate safe place of storage.

When closing the carrying case, please ensure that the cable is not caught in the edges of the case as this will likely damage the cable.



#### General operation of the keyboard:

When pressing a key, the system responds with a short audio signal (a beep) followed by a change to the display. For example, if one presses the **MAX** key, the **MAX** sign will be displayed. The key

should be pressed continuously until the beep is heard and visual sign appears. Exceptions are turning the system on or off which does not require a long press. Also, when several keys are pressed in sequence as part of a code during calibration, the visual signal will only appear upon completion of the code, but the beep will still follow each valid key press. If the pass code is not accepted, the display will read COD.E.R. In this case, a new attempt should be made. (See Calibration for more.)

#### 3. Tare

Switching between Gross and Net modes

The system features a Tare function that enables the user to ensure the display reads 0 even though there may be weight on the system such as from a sling, shackles or a container. This capability makes the system easy to use as it eliminates the need for the operator to subtract the weight of the container etc. when only the net amount of the load is required.

To use the tare mode, load the system with the desired container and then press TARE. The screen will display NET, then the value of 0. The system is now in Net mode. To exit out of Net mode, press TARE again. GROSS will appear indicating that the system is back in Gross mode. The system will show NET on the screen about once every minute as a reminder that it is in Net mode. Note that switching between Gross and Net modes will clear the MAX (see MAX section).

#### **CAUTION**:

When measuring loads using a shifted zero with the tare function, the actual load is the value indicated on the readout **plus** that of the shifted zero or tare.

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# 4. Max (a.k.a. Peak Hold)

Checking the maximum registered load value

The system features a MAX (aka PEAK HOLD) function. MAX will store the maximum weight that the system has detected since it was last powered on or since the Gross/Net mode was changed.

Press the **MAX** key until the display shows :M:AX. It will then display the current maximum load the system has registered since the last time the MAX was reset. The weight will be displayed for approximately two seconds with colons in between the digits. These simply serve as a visual indicator that the displayed value is the stored max and not the current weight. The system will go back to the current value then a beep will sound indicating that the system is ready for a new operation.

The MAX memory is cleared every time the system is powered down or the mode is changed between Net and Gross. If the system is equipped with the user selectable units options, the MAX will also be reset if the unit of measurement is changed (see UNITS section).

# 5. Overload Warnings

Two level visual overload warning

The system features a two level visual overload warning. When loaded to 100% of its maximum capacity an up, the displayed weight will flash on and off continuously. Should this occur, the lift should be <u>terminated immediately</u> and the current load set down.

Should the system be drastically overloaded (130% of max capacity), DANG.R (short for danger) will appear on the display. Only when the system is <u>completely unloaded</u> and the measured value reduced to zero will the DANG.R message disappear.

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Should this occur, it is essential that the Ron system and all accompanying rigging accessories are checked by an authorized inspector before being used again.

Please note that both overload warnings remain functional at the same levels (100% & 130% of full capacity) whether the system is in Gross or Net mode. This means that when tare is used, you may see an overload warning at a displayed value that is less then 100% of capacity.

All overloads are dangerous to personnel and should be avoided at all costs. Overloading the system can also result in costly damage to the system itself.

# 6. Power Saving Mode

Low energy consumption for longer battery life

If the system detects a zero value for a 60 second period, it will enter power saving mode and display -000- on the screen. This feature helps save battery power. The system will check the value every 5 second and will awaken if a value other than zero is detected.

This feature will work for the zero of both the Gross and Net modes.

# 7. Battery Care

Maintenance of Ron 3050 batteries for top performance

The standard system is powered by three AA 1.5V disposable alkaline batteries. They are housed in a battery holder located inside the lower part of the indicator.

To replace the batteries, unscrew the two screws on the housing side face and open the battery compartment cover. Gently remove the battery holder being careful not to damage the wiring. Replace the batteries with three fresh AA 1.5V disposable alkaline high quality high energy batteries.

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Batteries rated 3AH will result in at least 2000 hours of battery life (more than two months of continuous use). Occasional use will extend the battery life up to several years.

The display will show LO:BAT when the batteries need to be replaced. Once LO:BAT is displayed, you still have several hours of operation left. If the battery level gets too low, the system will automatically power down in order to avoid damage from low voltage.

When the system is turn on, the batteries' energy level is displayed as a percentage e.g 100 %. During use, press the **ENTER** key to check the current battery level.

#### Optional Rechargeable Batteries

Though we recommend standard alkaline AA batteries, rechargeable batteries are offered. This option includes 3 AA NiMH 2700 mA rechargeable batteries, in a battery holder, the same as the standard disposable alkaline batteries (see details above). The system is supplied with a mating charger.

The batteries should be charged:

- 1. Prior to using the unit for the first time.
- 2. Before use, if more than two months have passed since the last charge.
- 3. When LO:BAT (low battery) is displayed on the screen.

A full charge will take 10-14 hours.

Store bought rechargeable batteries may be used. Choose NiMH AA size 1.2V rechargeable batteries (minimum 1800mAH or higher) and a standard charger.

Due to the difference in battery voltage, rechargeable batteries will display a biased energy level. For example, fully charged NiMH batteries will only show an energy level of 80% rather than 100% and will normally show a value about 20% less than the actually level.



#### **WARNING**

It is dangerous to charge disposable batteries and may result in the batteries exploding. If you are using disposable batteries in a system sold with rechargeable ones, please remove the charger from the system's carrying case or place of storage in order to prevent

potential accidents.

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## 8. Calibration

Performing additional calibration and adjustment to the system

#### Note

It is recommended that calibration be performed by authorized and skilled personnel only! It should be performed using an accurate known weight or in a laboratory.

Unless otherwise required by local laws, it is recommended that the system be calibrated annually. The weight used in the calibration <u>must not exceed</u> the system's capacity.



#### **BEST PRACTICE**

It is recommended that calibration and adjustment are preformed using a known weight that is 80% of the system's maximum capacity. This will give the best and most accurate results. A known

weight between 80% - 100% of capacity may be used but <u>never a weight more than</u> this.

If the system includes a dampened display/averaging, the dampening should be shut off before calibrating (see Dampened Readings section). The system is protected by two different codes to prevent calibration by unauthorized personnel.

#### Main Code:

Press **ESC + ENTER** simultaneously until you hear the beep. The display will show CODE? Quickly press **MAX** then **ZERO**. The display will flash **MENU** and then show one of the available options on the system, e.g. UNITS or **MESSG** (message) etc. This means you are now in the main options menu.

Using the arrow keys \tau scroll to CALIB and press ENTER. The display will once again show CODE? prompting you to enter the secondary calibration code.

#### Secondary Code:

Press **ESC** + **ENTER** simultaneously until you hear the beep, then quickly press **TARE**.

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The display will show the current units in use e.g. Lbs, M. TONS etc. and will then display LOAD.0. At this point all weight/force must be removed from the system.

Once the system is unloaded, press **ENTER**. The display will flash WAIT for a few seconds and then L.VALU (load value). This means that the load of a known weight intended for calibration is ready to be applied.

Once the known weight has been applied (lifted), press **ENTER**. The display will show **APPLY** followed by the max capacity of the system. Using the

**Note:** By holding down an arrow key, you can gradually increase the rate of scrolling.

arrow keys \tau\_, set the load value you intend to use for the calibration. If no key is pressed for 8 seconds, the system will exit out of calibration mode and you will have to start again from the beginning. Once the load value on the

display matches that of the known weight currently loaded, press **ENTER**. The display will flash **WAIT** and then **OK**. This means the system has successfully been adjusted and the display will return to the standard measuring screen.

At any time, you may press **ESC** to exit out of the calibration process. The display will read RETRN and then revert back to the main measuring screen.

# 9. Options

Using the various available options for the Ron 3050

If your Ron system has addition optional features, you will need to use the main code to access them. To do this, press **ESC + ENTER** simultaneously. The screen will display CODE? Using a short press, press **MAX** and then press **ZERO**.

The screen will briefly show MENU, then one of the codes for an optional function e.g. TIME, UNITS or PRINT. If the code was not accepted the display will read FAIL. Start again at the beginning of the code process.

Once you see the first optional function displayed you may use the up arrow \( \) or down arrow \( \) keys to scroll through all of the available option on the system. To enter into the calibration procedure, you will be required to enter an additional code (see CALIBRATION section 8.0).

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At any time you may press **ESC** to exit the menu.

# 9.1 Set Points - Adjusting & General Scheme (if included)

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9.

Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow\downarrow$  to select **SET** P and press **ENTER**. S/P 1 will be displayed. Press **ENTER** again and the display will give the current level of set point #1. Use the arrow keys to level.

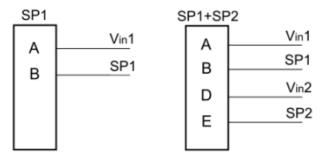
To scroll more quickly, hold down the arrow key. At first the rightmost digit will change. Continue holding down the arrow key for faster scrolling. After a few beeps, the next digit will start to scroll and so on until the leftmost digit is scrolling.

Once the desired level is reached press **ENTER**. The display will flash OK and the revert back to S/P 1. If the system is equipped with a second set point, use the arrow keys to select S/P 2 and follow the same procedure to set the second set point.

Press **ESC** to exit the set point menu.

#### General scheme

An example for the connection of set point 1 to a relay:



 $Vin \le 60 \text{ V DC}$ , AC @ 0.5 A N.C. 5 pin connector

The set point is <u>not</u> triggered only when the scale senses a load whose value is below the set point value.

In any other case, including when the scale is switched off, the set point is triggered.

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#### 9.2 Units, user selectable (if included)

The Ron 3050 comes standard with one factory set unit of measurement. The following is relevant only if the selectable units option was ordered.

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9.

Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow\downarrow$  to scroll through the available options until you see UNITS and press **ENTER**.

The current unit in use will be displayed. Use the arrow keys again and scroll to the desired unit of measurement.

The available units are:

Lbs K.NTON (Kilo Newtons)
DECA.N (Deca Newtons) N.WTON (Newtons)
KG M. TON (Metric tons)

S. TON (Short tons)

When the desired unit appears on the screen, press **ENTER**.

The display will flash **OK**, show the select unit, and then revert back to options menu.

You may select another option or press **ESC** in order to exit from the options menu.

## 9.3 Time - setting the real time clock (if included)

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9. Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow \downarrow$  to scroll through the available option until you see **TIME** and press **ENTER**.

The display will read YEAR. Press **ENTER** again and you will see 20:00 (meaning the year 2000) with the rightmost two digits blinking. Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow \downarrow$  to select the current year and press **ENTER**.

The screen will read **OK** and then **MONTH**. Press **ENTER** and the display will show four digits with the two leftmost digits blinking. This is the month. Use the arrow keys again to select the month and press **ENTER**.

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Continue with this process again for the day, hour, and minute. Press **ESC** to finish setting the clock and exit back to the options menu. You may select another option or press **ESC** again in order to exit from the options menu.

# 9.4 RS-232 Digital Output Communication Data (if included)

Possible baud rates: 9,600 - 19,200 - 38,400 - 115,200.

Length: 8 bits Stop bits: 1 bit Paring bit: none

#### **Data output modes:**

The RS-232 output on Ron systems has two modes of data output that are selectable by the user: on demand and continuous stream.

In on demand mode, data will be sent only when the operator uses the function (see PRINT section). The continuous stream of data mode is factory set to one of two versions that <u>cannot</u> be changed by the user. These are:

- 1) unconditional constant flow
- 2) update on value change

The first will send a signal at a rate of about once per second when in use. The second will send data only when there is a change in value detected by the system.

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#### Electronic specifications:

Transmission rate: 9600 bps or higher

Byte type: hexadecimal Length of each byte: 8 bits

Parity: none Flow control: none Stop bit: 1

Line information content: 10-19 designations ( see # in table ).

Line Length in bytes varies and depends on which object in the range of possibilities is actually activated.

TABLE 1.0 Ron TRANSMISSION RS-232 PROTOCOL - Indicator to PC/Printer

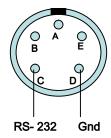
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				DECA .N	6
				K.NTON	6
				LBS	3
				LB.*10	6
				S. TON	5
				M. TON	5
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			Exclusion of fixed weight	Net	3
				Gross	5
	6	tab	space	tab	1
	7	FUNCT	Current indicator command: data	Data	4
			Maximum measured this session	Max	3
			Data Logger	D.L .xxx	5-8
			Totalizer	Tot .NN	6
			Set point1,Set point 2	S.P1./ S.P2	10
	8	tab	space	tab	1
	9*	YY	Year	Year	2
	10*	Space	Space	Space	1
11* MM		MM	Month	Month	2
12* Space Sp		Space	Space	Space	1
	13*	DD	Day	Day	2
14* Space		Space	Space	Space	1
15* HH		HH	Hour	Hour	2
	16* Space		Space	Space	1
	17*	MN	Minute	Minute	2
	18	0x0d	Carriage return (next line)	0x0d	1
	19	0x0a	Start new line	0x0a	1

<sup>\*</sup>APPLICABLE ONLY WHEN REAL TIME CLOCK (RTC) OPTION IS INSTALLED.

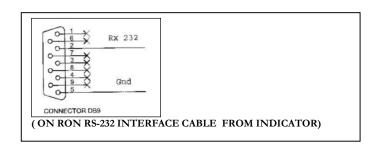
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1.390	M. TON	Gross	D.L.3	0.026	M. TON	liet	D.L.2	07 05 28 16 33
0.315	M. TON	Gross	D.L.4					
1.015	M. TON	Gross	D.L.5	2,622	M. TON	Net	D.L.3	07 05 28 16 40
1.715	M. TON	Gross	D.L.6					
				2160.	LBS	Gross	D.L.4	07 05 29 09 39
				2100.	1-13-7	ar uss	D.L.4	01 00 27 07 07

FIGURE 1.0 Each measurement generates only one line.



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# 9.5 Print, Mode Selection (only if the system is equipped with the RS-232 output)

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9. Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow\downarrow$  to select **PRINT** from the options menu and press **ENTER**. Use the arrow keys again and select the desired output mode:

D. MAND (on demand)

CONT. (continuous stream)

Press **ENTER**. The display will show OK and revert back to the options menu. Press **ESC** again to exit the options menu.

#### On demand mode:

To output data to a PC/printer when the RS-232 is set to on demand mode, simply press **PRINT** while a load measurement is displayed.

#### Continuous mode:

There are two continuous modes. Each system is factory set to one or the other.

- 1. <u>Continuous unconditional constant flow(default)</u>: the displayed valued will be output at a rate of about once per second.
- 2. <u>Continuous upon value change</u>: the displayed value will only be output when there is a change in the reading. If there is a steady change in value, a reading will be output at a rate of about once per second. If there is no change to the load value, no data will be output.

#### Available print commands:

Execute the following commands by pressing the corresponding key when a load value is displayed.

**PRINT** – prints the current displayed value (used only in on demand mode).

**MAX** – besides displaying the current stored maximum load value, will output this value as well (see the MAX section).

**TOTAL** then **PRINT** (if included) — prints the sum total of all load values stored in the totalizer memory and the number of loads that are currently saved.

**DATA L.** then **PRINT** (if included) – prints all the load values currently stored in the data logger memory (see Data Logger section below).

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When the system is first turned on, it will output a lead section of six lines. The first five of these are the system's owner identification info and must be factory set. If no instructions were giving at the time of ordering, these lines will be blank. Each line includes up to 60 characters.

A printed data record line includes the following:

- 1. The load (up to 5 digits)
- 2. The unit of measurement
- 3. TARE mode: NET or GROSS
- 4. Function: LOAD = reading taking directly from display. MAX (PEAK HOLD) = max value reading TOT. # = reading from totalizer memory. Value and total number of loads D.L. 1 = reading #1 from Data Logger memory

D.L. 2 = reading #2 from Data Logger memory

D.L. etc.

5. DATE & TIME – if the system is equipped with the optional real time clock.

#### 9.6 Baud Rate Selection (if included)

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9. Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow\downarrow$  to scroll through the available options until you see BAUD.R and press ENTER. The display will show the current baud rate in use. Use the arrow keys again to scroll through the available rates:

$$115,200 - 38,400 - 19,200 - 9,600$$

Press **ENTER**. The display will show **OK**, the selected baud rate, and then revert back to the options menu. Press **ESC** to exit the options menu.

### 9.7 Analog Output

9.7.1 4÷20mA:  $250\Omega$ Α -Curr +Curr

9.7.2 0÷1V: (see Connector Cables section)

#### 9.8 Totalizer with Data Logging (if included)

The totalizer with data logging allows loads to be stored in the system's memory and sent to a serial printer or PC at a later time. The memory can hold roughly 5000 load values and these can be stored in load groups whose combined totals will be separate from one another.

To store a load in the system's memory, press **TOTAL**. The display will then show **TOTAL** and then N# (this # is the current total number of loads in the memory for the current group of loads). Press **ENTER** and the display will read **ADD** followed by N# (this # will be the current load just stored, one number higher than the former N#). Finally it will display the combined total of all loads stored in the group before going back to standard display screen.

A special "filter" in the totalizer program prevents the user from mistakenly adding the same load twice. This is a very practical feature, because if the operator is unsure if he has already added the current load, he just has to try to add it. If it has already been entered, the system will reject it.

This "filter" is based on the fact that a load reading of zero must be sensed by the system in between loads. If the system does not find a zero value before the current load is entered into the totalizer, it will reject it. Zero for this purpose is between 3% and -3% of the system's capacity. The totalizer will reject duplicate loads by displaying DOUBLE followed by IGNOR.

The system will only accept loads having the same Tare mode i.e. GROSS or NET. If the first load to be entered in the totalizer memory is NET, then no GROSS loads will be accepted. In such a case, ERR.34 will be displayed.

To print or output the stored values of the totalizer, press **TOTAL** then **PRINT**. This will print each load separately (of the newest group of loads), followed by their combined total.

The totalizer can store several groups of loads. After one or more loads are recorded into the memory the user may press **TOTAL** then **ESC** to start a new group of loads. The display will show **NEW**. Upon storing new loads, the **N#** that appears will start again at zero. Whenever **TOTAL** followed by **PRINT** is pressed, the system will print the most recent group of loads. By pressing **TOTAL** then **MAX**, each group of loads with their individual combined total will be printed, one after the other.

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Note that in order to start a new load group, the system must be at a zero reading (between 3% and -3% of full scale). If this is not the case, the DOUBLE/IGNORE message will be displayed.

At any time the user may press **TOTAL** followed by **TOTAL** again to see the current sum of loads of the current load group.

To clear the totalizer memory, press **TOTAL** then **RESET**.

The totalizer knows how to add loads in different units. It does all the calculations needed to convert the values in the memory to the one you have selected. It is possible to start totalizing loads measured in Lbs and then switch to S. TONS (short tons) or any other available unit and to continue adding loads. The system will display and print the values in the current measuring units. You can even "translate" a load value you have in the totalizer by switching to a different measuring unit, provided the user selectable units option is included.

Press the **TOTAL** key to obtain the load value in the new selected measuring units.

#### 9.9 Data Logger, standard (manual) (if included)

**Note:** The system must be equipped with the RS-232 digital output. The Real Time Clock is highly recommended. The standard data logger (D.L.) stores measurements in the indicator's internal memory. Memories are available in 600, 3,000, 6,000 & 10,000 maximum lines of data.

Each single line of data stored in the D.L. memory includes:

- The unit of measurement (Lbs, Kg, kN etc.)
- The tare condition (gross or net)
- The line number in the memory (1, 2, 3 etc.)

If the system is equipped with the optional real time clock, the year, month, day, hour, and minute will be also stored.

Each entry is stored manually by the user by executing a command. Once the maximum number of lines has been reached according to the memory's capacity, the D.L. will start over and #1 and write over the previous data. The operator should consider what the maximum realistic amount of lines needed in a weighing session will be. For example, a perfect 10 minute Bollard Pull test requiring one measurement every 30 seconds, would require only 20 lines. Therefore a D.L. with a 600 line memory would be sufficient.

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#### **Data Logger Operation**

A) Storing the load value currently displayed on the screen during system operation:

Press **DATA L.** DATA L will appear on the screen. Press **ENTER**. The display will flash **OK** and then revert back to the current load value. The reading has now been stored in the D.L. memory

#### B) Storing a MAX reading in the D.L. memory:

Along with the current load value, the D.L. can also record the load value currently stored in the system's MAX memory.

Press **DATA L. DATA.L** will appear on the screen. Then press **MAX**. The display will flash **OK** and then revert back to the current load value. The current MAX reading has now been stored in the D.L. memory. Note: MAX readings will appear as D.L. MAX under the function (FUNCT) column when output to a PC/printer.

C) Seeing the total number of D.L. entries:

Press **DATA L.** DATA.L will appear on the screen. Then press **TARE**. The display will read DL. N and then show the total number of readings currently stored in the D.L. memory.

D) Resetting/clearing the D.L. memory:

Press **DATA L.** DATA.L will appear on the screen. Then press **RESET** and RESET will flash before reverting back to the current load value. The D.L. memory is now clear and the next load logged will appear as #1.

#### E) Downloading the stored info to PC/serial printer:

Note that for a PC, you will need to use a terminal emulator such as Microsoft's HyperTerminal<sup>TM</sup>.

To output the entire contents of the D.L. memory, press **DATA L.** When the screen reads **DATA.L** press **PRINT**. All readings should now be output to the screen/printer.

Ideally, the D.L. data should be output while the handheld indicator is still connected to the load cell. However, the indicator may be used alone to output the readings if need be. When turning the indicator on while not

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connected to the load cell, wait for the screen to show ESC. Then you may output the data with the commands above.

#### 9.10 Automatic Data Logger (if included)

Note: The system must be equipped with the RS-232 digital output and the Real Time Clock.

The automatic data logger (ADL) automatically logs ongoing weight values, repeatedly, in a time interval (T) that is set by the user. It will store up to 600 data lines when using the standard memory, or a higher number of lines when using larger memories. Along with the weight value, a data line includes:

- The unit of measurement (Lbs, Kg, kN etc.)
- The tare condition (gross or net)
- The line number in the memory (1, 2, 3 etc.)
- The date and time that the weight value was recorded
- Function: ADL. MX, ADL. MN, ADL. AV.

If the system includes the ADL, the display will show ADL.OF after the indicator is turned "on". The ADL functions in time intervals (T) set by the user and has three functions that affect the weight value stored: MAX, MIN & AVERAGE.

MAX: The maximum value registered by the system during each time interval will be logged in the memory. To begin logging, the user must switch from ADL.OF to ADL.MX by pressing DATA L and then ESC. One of the functions (ADL.AV, ADL.MN or ADL.AV) will be displayed. In order to switch to a different function than that which is displayed, the user must again press DATA L. then ESC until the desired function appears. Once the desired function is chosen, the ADL is ready to log.

To start logging press **DATA L.** and then **TOTAL**. Display: ADL. MX To stop logging press **DATA L.** and then **TOTAL**. Display: ADL. OF

MIN & AVE: Like MAX but the minimum or average value will be stored.

#### During Logging:

After about 25 seconds the display will show: ADL. MX (OR MN, OR AV) and then after another 25 seconds: LOGS.

The number of lines logged can be displayed by pressing **DATA L.** and then **TARE**. The display will read **DL**. N. and then the number of lines logged.

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#### Time Interval (T) selection

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9.

Scroll to ADL.TI by using the arrows keys, then

Press: ENTER
Display: DAY
Press: ENTER

Display: 0000 – The two digits on the left will be blinking. Use the arrows

keys to select the number of days.

Press: **ENTER** 

Display: OK, then HOUR

Press: **ENTER** 

Display: 0000 - Now the two digits on the right will be blinking. Use the

arrow keys to select the number of hours.

This procedure continues, enabling the user to select the time interval (T) by selecting:

Days (up to 31) and/or Hours (up to 24) and/or Minutes (up to 60) and/or Seconds (up to 60)

Once the selection is completed, press **ESC** to exit and return to the options menu.

#### 9.11 Multiple Wire Rope Falls Option (if included)

Enter into the options menu by following the instructions in section 9. Scroll to MULTI and press **ENTER**. This display will show the number of times the load value will be multiplied by (number of rope falls). Use the arrow keys  $\uparrow \downarrow$  to change the number (1-20). Press **ENTER**. The display will flash **OK**, then the number selected, and will then revert back to the options menu. Select another option or press **ESC** to exit the options menu.

This function is designed to enable the system to be used when the load cell is connected to <u>a single</u> load suspending cable in a multi-cable suspended loading. An example would be when the load cell is connected to the dead end of a multiple wire rope falls crane. The multi option helps the user by multiplying the measured weight by the number of wire ropes the load is actually suspended by.

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The load cell senses one wire rope fall in a crane reeving of four wire rope falls; the system will multiply the sensed load by four and display the result. The system will multiply the sensed load by any number selected by the user to suit the actual reeving arrangement for a given set up. The overload threshold levels also receive the correct values which are the normal threshold levels multiplied by the number of falls.

The set points are also multiplied by the multi number automatically.



#### **Best Practice**

When weighing with multiple rope falls, the friction created by the pulleys will have an effect on the displayed load. This friction will always be in opposition to the direction of the load's movement. When lifting, the displayed value will be that of the load + the force

of the friction. When lowering, the opposite will be true and the displayed valued will be less than the actual load. We recommend that measurements are taken either <u>only</u> while lifting, or <u>only</u> while lowering the load, with the latter being preferred. This will minimize the error in the displayed load.

# 9.12 Dampened Reading aka Averaging (if included)

To switch on the dampening mode, press **ZERO + TARE** simultaneously. The display will show AVR.ON.

To switch off the dampening mode, press both keys again. The display will show AVR.OF.

When calibrating the system, avoid using dampening, i.e. turn off the dampening mode.

The dampening option is effective mainly in cases where instability in the lifted load is cyclical, such as in a load that swings in the manner of a pendulum. In this case the dampening option can find the real weight in a relatively short amount of time, before the load stops swinging. In fact, if the load is in constant motion, this will be the only practical way to find the load's true weight.

In cases where the load changes randomly the dampening option is very limited in its performance, especially when high rates of change are involved.

The dampening option calculates the average load based on the measurements taken over a given number of seconds (here called T). When measuring begins,

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the first reading will show after about one second. After two seconds, the display will show a reading based on the average of the readings from the first two seconds. After three seconds, the displayed reading will be the average of the first three seconds. This will continue for the first T seconds.

After T seconds and onward, the display will show an updated reading about once per second based on the average of the readings from the previous T seconds. The interval T can only be set in the factory. It is set as standard to 5 seconds but can be set to any number of seconds according to the customer's request.

#### 9.13 Connector Cables (if included)

#### 5 Pin Sealed Circular Connector:

#### <u>RS-232 + 2 X SET POINTS:</u>

A.  $Vin \le 60 \text{ V DC}$ , AC @ 0.5 A N.C.

B. S.P.1 (Set Point)

C. RS-232

D. GND RS-232

E. –

#### $RS-232 + 4 \div 20 mA$ :

A. + current supply

B. - current supply

C. RS-232

D. GND RS-232

E. –

#### $RS-232 + 0 \div 1V$ :

A. + V

B. GND for 0÷1V

C. RS-232

D. GND for RS-232

E. –

#### RS-485:

A. NO

B. NO

C. A (RS-485)

D. A (RS-485)

E. GND

# 10. Troubleshooting

#### 1. The system will not turn on:

- a) After the system has been turned off, you must wait a few seconds before turning it on again. Try again after waiting about 10 seconds.
- b) Open the battery compartment cover. Check the battery connection and wiring.
- c) Remove the batteries and replace them in the holder to improve contact. Check the battery pack voltage with a voltmeter. The voltage should be above 3.45V. If it is not, replace (disposable) or charge (rechargeable) the batteries.
- d) If you cannot check the voltage, try replacing the batteries.

#### 2. The system will not turn off:

Disconnect and reconnect the batteries. Turn the system on and then try turning it off. If it does not switch off, it can still be used until you have an opportunity to send it to an authorized service center. With full batteries, the system will function for more than 3 months (or more than 2 months with rechargeable batteries) if left on continuously. If you leave it turned on but unloaded (0 shown on the display) the system will go into sleep mode and battery usage will be halved.

#### 3. DANG.R sign displayed when not overloaded:

- a) Completely unload the system and press the **ZERO** key.
- b) Turn the system off. After waiting approximately 15 seconds turn it on again.

# 4. The system freezes and does not react to changes in force or to keyboard commands:

a) Disconnect and reconnect the batteries. If the fault recurs frequently, send the system to a service center.

#### 5. No load cell No L.C sign:

This means that there is no connection to the load cell.

- a) If this occurs when using the extension cable, try it without the cable i.e. directly to the short cable attached to the hand held indicator.
- b) The system should be checked in an authorized service lab.

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## 6. The system switches itself off:

- a) Check the batteries (see battery care section).
- b) Try to operate the system without the extension cable as per #5. If this is the problem, replace the cable. If the problem persists, send the system to be checked in an authorized service laboratory.

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# 11. Error Table

## Error codes that may appear on the Ron 3050 indicator display

Error	Description	E=Eilon only S=User
No.		Serviceable
E1, E2, E3	EEprom Erron Read/Write	E
001	Calibration or EEprom memory error	E
002	Calibration Baud Watch Timer	E
003	Scrolling Capacity 10% higher than allowed. Recalibrate. Do not load	S
	the system with a weight higher than the test load.	
005	ZeroTracing	E
007	Totalizer sum value overflow.	E
	Reset the Totalizer according to manual. Only applicable if Totalizer was ordered	
800	Data Logger memory overflow.	S
	Reset according to manual (see Data Logger). Only applicable if Data	
	Logger was ordered	
009	Data Logger or Eeprom error.	S
0.4.0	Reset "Data Logger" according to the manual	0
010	Data Logger already active. Wait 5 seconds and Reset Data Logger.	S
011	Eeprom failure	E
015	Active Real time Clock (RTC) power. Check/Replace battery.	
020	RS232 or SetPoint still active - wait several seconds and try again.	S
25-26	Eeprom ON/OFF Write/Read.	E
31-34	Reset according to manual (see Totalizer).	S
40	Tare attempted above capacity.	
45	Zero Setting: Zero value above 30% of capacity. Reset zero value.	S
46	(Multi) Zero = Sum, Tare = Sum	S
49-59	Keyboard error. A key has been pressed more than 3 seconds or	S
60.61	problem with connectors. Check connectors.	C
60-61	Check manual (see Tare). Never use Tare if there is no Tare.	S
070	Multiplication factor failure (see manual Multi-Load).	S
090	Temperature3 > MAX above 80 deg. Celsius	Е
100	Wrong DecPoint	E
102	Data logger does not exist. Read manual.	S
103	Menu: Time. Real Time Clock received incorrect data. See manual.	S
104	Check baudrate according to manual.	S
111	Failure in initial callibration	E
118	Watch Dog Trigger	Е
132	Init WatchTimer	E
150	Units: Capacity > 99999	S

# 12. Suitable Shackles

The following table lists suitable shackles for various capacities of Ron dynamometers and load cells

Capacity	Crosby	C.M. shackles (short tons)			Van Beest
in metric	shackles	(USA)			(The
tons	(USA)	,			Netherlands)
		size	cap. in	model	·
			short		
			tons		
	G209A				
1	3/8"	1/2"	$3^{1}/_{3}$	M650A	
2	3/8"	1/2"	$3^{1}/_{3}$	M650A	
3	1/2"	1/2"	$3^{1}/_{3}$	M650A	
5	<sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "	3/4"	7	M652A	
10	1"	$1^{1}/_{8}$ "	15	M655A	
12	1"	$1^{1}/_{8}$ "	15	M655A	
15	$1^{1}/_{8}$ "	$1^{1}/_{4}$ "	18	M656A	
20	$1^{3}/_{8}$ "		-		
	G-2140				G-5263
25	$1^{1}/_{2}$ "	$1^{1}/_{2}$ "	30	M857A	30
30	$1^{1}/_{2}$ "	-	-		30
40	$1^{3}/_{4}$ "	2"	50	M858A	40
50	2"				50
80	$2^{1}/_{2}$ "				80
	G-2160				P6033
125	125t				125t
200	200t				200t
250	250t				
300	300t				300t

TABLE 2: always use shackles with a S.W.L (safe working load) equal to or greater than the system's maximum capacity.

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