

Using the PanTher™ LS8E Hand-Held Thermal Transfer Printer with Microsoft Excel^

1. PanTherLink™ software must be installed on your computer. The PanTherLink file transfer driver must also be installed on your computer. For detailed instructions for installing PanTherLink software and the file transfer driver, please see the related document entitled Installing PanTherLink Software and LS8 USB Drivers.

Create the Excel .CSV File

1. Start a new spreadsheet in Excel.
2. Enter the legend data within the first 4 columns and 100 rows.

Note:

- Each row (up to 100) of the Excel spreadsheet will be treated as a label in the LS8.
- Each column (up to 4) of the spreadsheet will be treated as a line within the label.
- A blank cell will be treated as a blank line.
- A line is limited to 32 characters.
- A blank row will be treated as a blank label.

3. Select FILE, then SAVE AS.
4. In the SAVE AS window, select the CSV (comma delimited)(*csv) in the "Save as type:" list. **File name cannot be more than 8 characters.**
5. Enter a file name, then Browse to the desired folder for saving the file.
6. Click the SAVE button.
7. Select OK for the first warning message.
8. Select YES for the second warning message.
9. The file is now saved.
10. Close the spreadsheet.

Convert Excel .CSV File to LS8 .DAT File

1. Open PanTherLink software.
2. Select FILE, then "Convert CSV to DAT..."
3. In the Select CSV window, browse to the CSV file created by Excel.
4. Select OPEN. The file name will disappear so that you can rename and save the file as a .DAT file. **File name cannot be more than 8 characters.**
5. In the "Select target DAT file" window, enter a file name for the data file.
6. Browse to the desired folder for saving the data file.
7. Select SAVE.
8. The data file is now created and saved. This file can now be transferred to the LS8 printer using PanTherLink software.

Transfer .DAT File to LS8 Printer

1. Power LS8 printer on.
2. Press the SETUP button. Select PC Interface. Select Files/Printing.
3. The LS8 printer is now ready to send or receive files.
4. Open PanTherLink software.
5. Select Send a data file to the LS8 printer from the toolbar. The icon shows "DAT" with an arrow pointing away from a computer.
6. Browse to locate your .DAT file on your computer. Highlight the file and click Open.
7. Select the file storage location on the printer to send the .DAT file to.
8. Click OK.
9. The file transfer progress bar will appear.
10. Once the Data file transfer successful message appears on you computer, click OK.
11. The file menu tree on the left side of the PanTherLink screen will update automatically.
12. Press DEL twice on the LS8 printer to end the PanTherLink session and return to the SETUP menu.
13. Press SETUP to return to the home screen.
14. To insert the data file into a label, press INSERT and select DATA.
15. Scroll right to select the file to insert.
16. Scroll down to Save and Exit.
17. Press ENTER.
18. The Data tool icon will appear on the LS8 home screen.
19. You are now ready to print your data list created in Microsoft Excel.

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