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About This Guide

This section identifies the users of this guide and describes the contents and structure. In addition, it includes a list of conventions used in this guide.

This guide provides a product overview, installation, operation, and maintenance information for the StorageWorks SBB, Embedded Drive, and TZ89 Tabletop DLT Cartridge Tape Subsystem, which contain a TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive.

Intended Audience

This guide is intended for people who will install, operate, and maintain the StorageWorks SBB, Embedded Drive, and/or TZ89 Tabletop DLT Cartridge Tape Subsystems.

Document Structure

This guide contains the following chapters:

Chapter 1. Introduction

Chapter 1 gives an overview of the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive, describes its components, and identifies design features (including basic components and performance considerations). The chapter also includes overview descriptions of the data tape and cleaning cartridges used with this equipment, defining the basic functions of each, and identifies what is supplied with the tape drive unit.

Chapter 2. Installation and Operation of the TZ89 DLT Tabletop Tape Drive

Chapter 2 provides specific details pertaining to the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive, which is designed to be operated as an independent standalone unit on the desktop, on a convenient shelf, or other flat surface. This chapter describes how to unpack the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive, how to prepare the drive for installation, how to set the SCSI ID of the tape drive, how to perform the Power-on Self-Test (POST) procedure, and how to connect the tape drive to a host computer.

Chapter 3. Controls, Indicators and Operation

Chapter 3 describes the tape drive's LED indicators and how to use them to monitor tape drive operation. This chapter identifies the switches and LED indicators on the front panel of the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive, describes how to use them (including operation of the power-on self-test (POST), provides use rules for the CompacTape DLT data cartridge and cleaning cartridges, gives detailed procedures for correct loading and unloading of the tape cartridges, and explains how to select a desired density format for recording.

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Chapter 4. Installation and Operation of the Tape Drive in a Storage Subsystem

Chapter 4 provides specific details pertaining to the SBB Tape Drive, which is designed to be operated in a Digital StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal subsystem. This chapter describes how to unpack the received drive, how to prepare the drive for installation in the pedestal, how to set the SCSI ID of the tape drive, how to install the device into a StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal subsystem, and how to confirm operation integrity by performing the Power-on Self -Test (POST) exercise.

Chapter 5. Maintenance

Chapter 5 describes how to clean the heads of the tape drive, and provides a troubleshooting table to help diagnose common problems. This chapter describes preventive maintenance and general troubleshooting for the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive.

Appendix A. Specifications

Appendix A lists the physical, electrical, cooling, environmental, and environmental stabilization specifications for the tape drive.

Appendix B. Product Notes for Windows NT and Novell NetWare

Appendix B provides information for the system administrator who should read this appendix before installing and using the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive with a host system operating under the Windows NT or Novell NetWare operating systems.

Appendix C. Product Notes for Sun

This appendix describes how to include the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive in a Sun SPARC system running Solaris 2.4 (or later). The information covers the installation of the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive hardware and configuring the system to communicate with the drive.

Appendix D. Product Notes for IBM RS/6000

This appendix provides information for the system administrator. It should be read before installing and using the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Tape Drive with a host system with the AIX 4.1.4 (or later) operating system.

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Associated Documents

In addition to this guide, the following documentation is useful to the reader:

Document Title	Order Number
CompacTape Handling and Storage Instructions	EK-SMP01-UG

Conventions

This guide uses the following conventions:

Style	Meaning
boldface type	For emphasis
italic type	For emphasis and manual titles

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CompacTape is a digital linear tape (DLT) that has been designed and formulated for use in DLT tape drives and tape libraries. The high-grade metal particle tape features demonstrated tape durability and a long archival life.

As any data storage medium, DLT tape cartridges require some care in handling and storage. This information summarizes guidelines that will ensure protection of your valuable data.

General Handling and Storage Guidelines

- Do not carry cartridges loosely in a box or other container that exposes them to unnecessary physical shock.
- Store each cartridge in its protective case until you select it for use in a tape drive or library.
- Do not drop or bump the cartridge: this may dislodge and/or damage internal components.
- Avoid unnecessary opening of the cartridge door; this may expose the tape to contamination or physical damage.
- Do not allow direct contact with tape or the tape leader. Even dust or natural skin oils can contaminate the tape and impact tape performance.
- Do not expose the tape cartridge to moisture or direct sunlight.
- Maintain a clean operating, working, and storage environment.
- Do not place cartridges on or near devices that may produce a magnetic field, such as computer terminals, motors, and video or x-ray equipment. Such exposure can alter or erase data on the tape.
- Do not attempt to remove a cartridge from the drive unless the drive indicator (the green led) is illuminated. Overriding the drive handle will cause damage to both the media cartridge and the drive.
- The ambient operating environment for the tape cartridge is:

Temperature 10°C to 40°C (50°F to 104°F) Relative Humidity 20% to 80% (non-condensing)

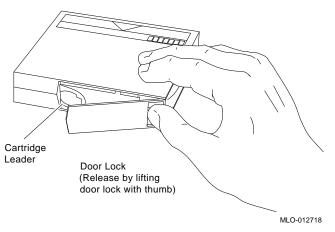
If storage and/or transportation of a tape cartridge has exposed it to conditions outside the ambient values above, you should allow the cartridge to remain unused in its operating environment for 24 hours before using it.

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A Word About Cartridges That Have Sustained An Impact

If a cartridge has been dropped, inspect it carefully before you insert it into either a DLT tape drive or library. Shake the cartridge, listening for any sound of a broken part (such as a reel lock). Any rattling noise is an indication that the cartridge has been damaged and must not be used. Look at the plastic case carefully for any sign of distortion, bending, or cracks. Open the spring-loaded cartridge door by releasing the slide lever at the door hinge (Figure 1).

Figure 1 Opening the Cartridge Door to Check the Tape Leader



Check to see that the cartridge leader appears in its normal position and protrudes at about a 5-degree angle from the case. Compare it to a cartridge that has not been dropped. If the leader is out of position, do NOT use the cartridge: it will very likely cause the drive take-up leader to fail. Check to see if the two reel lock levers are in position: one is located on the same surface as the cartridge leader door, the other is located on the bottom of the cartridge near the front left-hand corner. Both reel locks should be visible and in the same position as a cartridge that has not been dropped.

Check to ensure that the hub reel is flush with the case surface. If the hub reel is compressed it could become misaligned.

Labels

Place labels only in the front slide slot of the cartridge. Do not put any label on the top, bottom, sides, or rear of the cartridge. This may interfere with normal cartridge operation and may damage other subsystem components.

Do not use graphite pencils, water-soluble felt pens, or other debris-producing writing instruments on your labels. Never erase a label — replace it.

Make sure that you place the unused labels in the protective box so that you do not inadvertently pick them up along with the cartridge during subsequent usage. A label that is accidentally inserted into a drive along with a cartridge can prevent the hub reel and drive gear from meshing.

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Storage/Archival Environment

Ensure the reliability of archived cartridges that contain recorded data by storing them in a clean, controlled environment with the following conditions:

Temperature: 18°C to 28°C (64°F to 82°F) Relative Humidity 40% to 60% (non-condensing)

The above environment also ensures maximum shelf life of cartridges that do not yet contain data. As a worst case, *unrecorded* cartridges can be stored under the following conditions:

Temperature: 16°C to 32°C (61°F to 89°F) Relative Humidity 20% to 80% (non-condensing)

Recommendations for Cartridge Transportation

We recommend that the cartridges be kept within the following conditions during transportation:

Environment

Unrecorded (Blank) Cartridges

Temperature: $-23^{\circ}\text{C} \text{ to } 48^{\circ}\text{C} (-10^{\circ}\text{F to } 118^{\circ}\text{F})$

Relative Humidity: 5% to 100% Wet Bulb Temperature: 26°C, maximum

Duration: 10 consecutive days, maximum

There shall be no condensation in or on the cartridges.

Recorded Cartridges

Temperature: 5°C to 32°C (41°F to 89°F)

Relative Humidity: 5% to 80% Wet Bulb Temperature: 26°C, maximum

There shall be no condensation in or on the cartridges.

Transportation Hazards

Be aware of the potential for three types of transportation hazards:

- 1. Impact Loads and Vibration: Minimize potential for this type of damage by:
 - Avoiding mechanical stress that may distort the shape of the cartridge;
 - Avoid dropping or bumping the cartridge;
 - Fit cartridges into a rigid container with adequate shock-absorbing material. Place the
 cartridges within the container so that the axes of the hubs are horizontal. The container
 should have a clean interior and construction that provides sealing to prevent invasion by
 dirt and/or water;
 - Mark the shipping container to clearly identify its correct orientation.

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- 2. Extremes of Temperature and Humidity: Minimize potential for this type of damage by:
 - Avoiding exposing cartridges to widely varying temperatures and/or humidity whenever possible.
 - Conditioning newly-received cartridges in their operating environment for a period of at least 24 hours before use.
- 3. <u>Effects of Stray Magnetic Fields:</u> Minimize potential for this type of damage by ensuring a nominal spacing of not less than 80 mm (3.2 inches) between the cartridge and the outer surface of its shipping container. This should minimize the possibility of data corruption due to magnetic fields.

Head Cleaning Recommendations

Under normal conditions, the cleaning cartridge is effective for about 20 cleanings. If the cleaning cartridge has been overused, so that it is expired, the Use Cleaning Tape will remain lit after you load the cleaning cartridge, and no cleaning action will take place. When this happens, try another cleaning tape.

DLT tapes do not usually need regular cleaning, their design allows for minimal head contamination. The action of loading and using any tape tends to clean the head of the tape drive.

Normally, the heads only need to be cleaned with a cleaning tape when the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED is lit. This carries some small risk where a poor quality tape may light the LED, build up more head contamination, and then fail before the Cleaning Tape can be used. Of course, this may lead to a re-run of the job that failed.

Should you wish to minimize that risk, Digital recommends you use the cleaning tape as a preventive measure, but no more often than once every 2 weeks (or after 50 hours of continuous use).

When the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED lights, take special note of the tape in use at the time. It may be that this tape is causing the head contamination. Try another tape before using the cleaning tape to see whether the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED stays on.

It may be necessary to use the cleaning tape more than once if a bad tape has fouled the heads. If the problem persists after two cleanings, call Digital for service.

To optimize the reliability of the TZ89 subsystem, Digital recommends:

- Use only better quality DLT cartridges.
- Provide storage of the tapes in a controlled environment.
- Avoid rough treatment of the tapes.
- Always store the cartridges horizontally, not vertically.

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Introduction

This chapter provides a product overview of the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive and identifies design features (including basic components and performance considerations). The chapter also includes overview descriptions of the data tape and cleaning cartridges, defining the basic functions of each, and identifies what is supplied with the tape drive.

1.1 Product Overview

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive is a streaming tape drive which connects to a wide and fast single-ended or differential SCSI bus. Assuming a 2:1 compression ratio on a CompacTape IV cartridge, this device can store up to 70 GB of data with compression, or up to 35 GB of data without compression. The primary uses for this drive are data backup, data archiving, and loading software onto computer systems. The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive comes either embedded in a system enclosure, in which case it is identified as a StorageWorks Building Block (SBB), or else in an enclosure with a self-contained power supply, in which case it is identified as a TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive. This initial section of this document discusses the generic information that is common to either version; subsequent sections provide details that are specific to either product.

1.2 Design Features

Figure 1–1 shows a view of the front panel, which provides status indicators for system operation, along with an access door for inserting and removing the DLT tape cartridge.

1.2.1 Basic Components

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive has an integrated SCSI controller module that connects to the host computer system's SCSI adapter. The controller module is responsible for processing SCSI commands and for initiating tape drive operations. In the case of the SBB the connection to the SCSI bus is made through the StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal, as discussed in Chapter 4. For the TZ89 Tabletop device, the connection to the SCSI bus must be made through an appropriate cable, depending on the type of host adapter that is used and/or the desired physical length of cable (See Chapter 2).

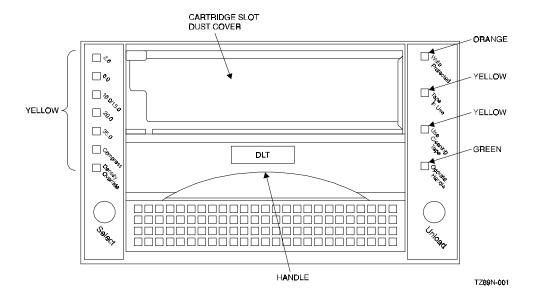
1.2.2 Performance Considerations

The performance you can achieve with the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive can depend on a number of considerations, including your system processor. When set to compressed mode, this tape drive theoretically can back up 36 GB of data per hour (tape streaming at maximum speed and recording highly compressible data). In a host-based configuration,

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proper choice of system processor, cache, hard drive, adapters, and backup software can help to approach this throughput rate. Host SCSI IO or other computer-intensive operations on the host CPU reduces throughput to tape.

Figure 1-1 Front Panel of TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive



When data is being passed from or to client workstations in a client-server environment, additional parameters having to do with reduced local area network bandwidth, network traffic, or lower client workstation performance characteristics will also tend to reduce maximum throughput to the tape drive.

1.3 Data Tapes

Refer to Table 1-1 for tape compatibility with the TZ89 and to Table 1-2 for information about TZ89 support of Digital UNIX.

1.3.1 CompacTape IV Description

The CompacTape IV cartridge is a 4-1/8-inch square, black, plastic cartridge, containing 1800 feet of 1/2-inch magnetic, metal particle (MP) tape. A write-protect slide switch on the front surface lets you select between two positions: write enabled (switch moved to the right), which lets the tape drive write data on the tape, and write protected (switch moved to the left), which prevents the tape drive from writing over data you want to preserve (See Figure 1–2).

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1.3.2 CompacTape III and IIIXT Description

The CompacTape III and IIIXT tape cartridges can also be used with the tape drive. The CompacTape III cartridge is a 4-1/8-inch square, black plastic cartridge, containing 1167 feet of 1/2-inch magnetic tape and a data storage capacity of 10 GB uncompressed and 20 GB compressed. The CompacTape IIIXT is a 4-1/8-inch square, white plastic cartridge, containing 1800 feet of 1/2-inch magnetic and a data storage capacity of 15 GB uncompressed and 30 GB compressed.

Table 1-1 Tape Compatibility

Media Format	TZ85	TZ86	TZ87	XT	TZ88	TZ89
Native Capacity	2.6 GB	6 GB	10 GB	15 GB	20 GB	35 GB
CompacTape III	OK	OK	OK	N/S	N/S	N/S
CompacTapeIIIXT	N/S	N/S	N/S	OK	N/S	N/S
CompacTape IV	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	OK	OK
Compaction	N/S	N/S	OK	OK	OK	OK
Compressed Capacity			20 GB	30 GB	40 GB	70 GB

Note: "N/S" = Not Supported

Table 1-2 Digital UNIX Support

Format	Device Special Filename	Cartridge	Capacity (GB)	I/O	Compression	Density Code
TZ85	*	CompacTapeIII	2.6 GB	R/W	N/S	17h
TZ86	*	CompacTapeIII	6 GB	R/W	N/S	18h
TZ87	rmt#m	CompacTapeIII	10 GB	R/W	Off	00h
TZ87	rmt#h	CompacTapeIII	20 GB	R/W	On	00h
TZ85	rmt#a	CompacTapelIIXT	2.6 GB	R/W	N/S	17h
TZ86	rmt#l	CompacTapelIIXT	6 GB	R/W	N/S	18h
TZ87	TZ87 rmt#m CompacTapeIIIXT		15 GB	R/W	Off	00(19h)
TZ87	rmt#h	CompacTapelIIXT	30 GB	R/W	On	00(19h)
TZ88	rmt#a	CompacTapeIV	20 GB	R/W	Off	1Ah
TZ88	rmt#l	CompacTapeIV	40 GB	R/W	On	1Ah
TZ89	rmt#m	CompacTapeIV	35 GB	R/W	Off	00(1B)
TZ89	rmt#h	CompacTapeIV	70 GB	R/W	On	00(1B)

Note: "*" = Not Supported read only previously written format

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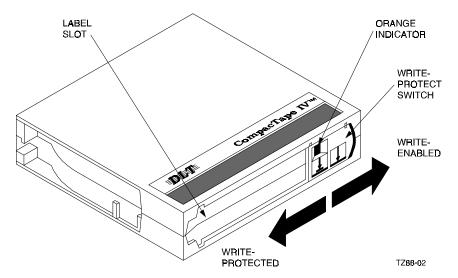
For VMS and OpenVMS Users

Due to the increase in capacity of current and future storage devices, there is a greater possibility that the maximum number of records may be reached when appending save sets or records to tape.

Since the file sequence and section numbers are stored as four decimal digits, ANSI volume sets cannot support more that 9999 files or 9999 sections in a file.

Refer to your operating system documentation for additional information.

Figure 1-2 CompacTape IV Data Tape Cartridge



1.3.3 Cartridge Packaging

Your CompacTape IV cartridge comes supplied with:

1. A set of slide-in labels

1.4 Reading and Writing Data

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive writes 52 quad sets of tracks — 208 tracks total — on the CompacTape IV tape. The drive reads and writes data in a four-track parallel, serpentine fashion, traveling the entire length of tape on four tracks (at about 160 inches per second). The drive then steps the head, reverses tape direction, and continues to read/write on the next four tracks, repeating this same process for a total of 52 times per tape.

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1.4.1 Write-Protecting Data

The CompacTape IV cartridge has a write-protect slide-bar switch on its front surface that prevents accidental erasure of data. When you move the switch to the left, so that a small orange rectangle is visible in the aperture over the left arrow symbol on the switch (see Figure 1–2), the tape is write-protected and data cannot be written to the tape. When you move the switch to the right, so that no orange color shows in the rectangular aperture, the tape is write-enabled, and the tape drive can write to the tape. The symbols on the slide-bar switch indicate this function by depicting data flow as a downward-pointing arrow and the tape medium as a horizontal line below the arrow's point. The arrow on the left side of the slide-bar switch depicts a barrier line between the data-flow arrow and the tape; this symbolizes that the data cannot reach the tape when the switch is moved to the left. No such barrier line appears below the arrow on the right side of the switch, indicating that data can flow to the tape when the switch is moved to the right.

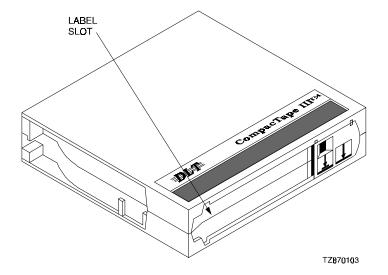
1.5 Head Cleaning Cartridge

Head cleaning cartridge is used to maintain the cleanliness of the read/write heads in the tape drive. Accumulation of dirt on the heads can cause read and/or write errors. The head cleaning cartridge should be used whenever the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED indicator indicates that cleaning is required. Refer to paragraph 5.3 for the cleaning procedure.

1.5.1 Cleaning Tape III Description

The CleaningTape III cartridge is a 4-1/8-inch square, light yellow, plastic cartridge containing 1200 feet of 1/2-inch cleaning tape (see Figure 1–3). For information on using the CleaningTape III cartridge, refer to Table 3–8.

Figure 1-3 CompacTape III Cleaning Cartridge



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1.5.2 Cleaning Tape III Packaging

The CleaningTape III cartridge comes supplied with:

1. A slide-in label containing 20 boxes, one box to be checked off following each use of the CleaningTape III cartridge.

1.5.3 Cleaning Tape III Cartridge Expiration

Each use of the CleaningTape III cartridge uses up some of the cleaning area on the tape. You can use the CleaningTape III cartridge approximately 20 times before the cleaning area is used up. After that many uses, the cartridge will be ineffective and should be replaced with a new cartridge.

To keep track of the number of times the tape has been used, place a check mark in one of the 20 boxes on the cartridge label after each cleaning.

1.6 Supplies

1.6.1 Cartridges Provided

One CompacTape IV cartridge and one CleaningTape III cleaning cartridge come with each TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive, in the shipping package.

1.6.2 How To Order Replacement Cartridges

You can order additional cartridges by contacting your Digital reseller or by calling Digital's DECdirect ordering service in the U.S.A. and Canada, at 1-800-DIGITAL.

Table 1–3 lists ordering numbers for data cartridges for the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drives:

Table 1-3 Ordering Numbers for Data Tapes and Cleaning Cartridge

Order Number	Description	
TZ88K-01	CompacTape IV Data Cartridge (quantity, 1)	
TK85K-01	CompacTape III Data Cartridge (quantity, 1)	
TZ87X-01	CompacTape IIIXT Data Cartridge (quantity, 1)	
TK85-HC	CleaningTape III Cleaning Cartridge (quantity, 1)	

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Installation and Operation of the TZ89 Tabletop Tape Drive

This chapter provides specific details pertaining to the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive that is designed to be operated as an independent standalone unit. The chapter tells how to unpack the tabletop unit, how to perform required preinstallation adjustments, set the SCSI address, operate the power-on self-test, and connect the unit to your host system.

2.1 Introduction

CAUTION

Refer to your specific operating system documentation before installing the drive and executing the power-on self-test procedure.

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive is an independent unit that requires a shelf space measuring at least 9-1/4" wide by 13" deep (plus cable connection space). Connection to your host computer is accomplished through a SCSI-bus interface cable. To install the drive, you first must set the SCSI ID address to the desired device number. You can then power-up the drive and use the Power-On Self Test (POST) procedure to confirm the operational integrity of your tabletop unit. Once you know the tape drive is fully operational, you can connect an applicable SCSI interface cable from the connector at the rear of the tape drive to the SCSI-bus interface card in your host system and, if applicable, terminate the SCSI bus.

This chapter describes how to unpack the received tabletop drive, how to prepare the drive for installation, how to set the parity capability and SCSI ID of the tape drive, how to perform the initial Power-On Self-Test (POST) procedure, and how to connect the tape drive to your host computer. The information in this chapter is divided as follows:

2.2 Unpacking

Unpack and inspect the contents of your shipment. It should contain the following items:

- This guide
- One TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tabletop Tape Drive
- One blank CompacTape IV tape cartridge
- One Cleaning Tape III cleaning cartridge
- One SCSI bus terminator

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Also, check the contents for damaged components. Notify your vendor immediately if any items are damaged. Keep all boxes and packing material for reshipment.

Confirm that you have received, either as a separate shipment or as part of this same order an appropriate SCSI-bus interface cable corresponding to the type of SCSI interface controller mounted in your computer system.

2.3 Preinstallation Procedures

Perform the following procedure before installing the tape drive.

2.3.1 Setting the SCSI ID Address of the Tape Drive

The TZ89 Tabletop DLT Tape Drive contains a push-button counter switch in the upper right corner of the rear panel. The push-button counter is preset at the factory to SCSI ID 5, but you can easily set the tape drive to any desired specific address by manually changing the setting of the counter. The counter shows the current SCSI ID address selection. Each time you press the button located just above the counter readout, the counter (and the SCSI ID address) increments to the next higher value, until you reach 15, the upper limit. Each time you press the button located just below the counter readout, the counter (and the SCSI ID address) decrements to the next lower value, until you reach 0, the lower limit.

2.4 Installation of TZ89 Tabletop DLT Tape Drive

The TZ89 Tabletop DLT Tape Drive is an independent unit that requires a shelf space measuring at least 9-1/4" wide by 13" deep (plus cable connection space). Connect the tape drive to an appropriate power source, using the supplied power cable, as follows:

- 1. Plug the female end of the power cord into the power jack at the rear face of the tape drive unit and then plug the other end of that cord into an appropriate power source, providing 120/240 Vac at 50/60 Hz.
- 2. Observe the POST test described in the following subsection to verify the operational integrity of the drive.

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2.4.1 Power-On Self-Test (POST)

The POST test verifies operational integrity of the tape drive. The first time that you run this test, the tape drive unit should be disconnected from the host computer, with no tape cartridge in the drive. Once you have confirmed that the tape drive is operational, you can run the POST checkout with the host system connected, as desired. Refer to Figure 2-1 for the locations of the front panel LED indicators on the drive.

To execute the power-on self-test, proceed as follows:

NOTE 1

If all the left- and/or all the right-side indicators remain lit, the POST test has failed. Repeat the test to clear the failure (power off and then on). If the test still fails, replace the drive.

- 1. Ensure that there is no cartridge tape in the drive.
- 2. Power-on the tape drive (depress top "I" portion of I/O rocker switch on rear panel).
- 3. Observe that all left-side panel indicators light in about 3 seconds.
- 4. All right-side indicators then light sequentially, from top to bottom.
- 5. All left-side panel indicators should go out within 1 second after power is applied. All right-side panel indicators remain lighted for 3 to 5 seconds and then go out, except for the Tape in Use indicator. This indicator continues to blink for a few seconds while tape mechanism searches for tape. When the indicator goes out, an internal beeper sounds to alert the operator and the green Operate Handle indicator becomes steadily lit indicating that the door latch is released and that the cartridge insert/release handle can be pulled up to allow insertion of tape.

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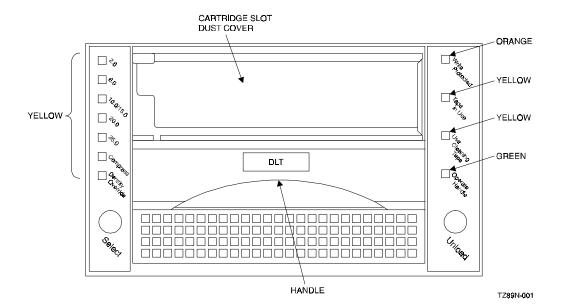


Figure 2–1 TZ89 Tabletop Tape Drive Front Panel Controls and Indicators

- 6. Load a cartridge tape into the drive (refer to Figure 3–3) and observe the Tape in Use indicator. The indicator initially should blink momentarily at 1-second intervals after the handle is closed (pushed down) as the tape drive engages the tape, then double-blink at the same interval while the tape is being moved to the correct position. Depending on whether this is a new tape or a tape with some previously recorded data, this blinking period can extend from 40 seconds to a few minutes after the cartridge is loaded, until the tape has reached the position for recording new data. The Tape in Use indicator should remain steadily on at this point.
- 7. After the unit passes POST, turn the power off and connect the unit to your host computer through appropriate SCSI interface cables, as follows. If applicable, have your system administrator assign a device name to the drive.

NOTE

If you are connecting the tape drive to a fast, wide, single-ended SCSI bus, the interface cable cannot exceed three meters (9.8 feet). If you are connecting the tape drive to a slow, single-ended SCSI bus, the interface cable can be up to 6 meters (19.7 feet) in length. If you are connecting the tape drive to a fast, wide, differential SCSI bus, the interface cable cannot exceed twenty meters (66 feet) in length.

a. Connect the appropriate 68-pin-connector end of the SCSI cable to either of the two connectors at the upper right rear of the tape drive unit.

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- b. If this tape drive is the last unit on the SCSI bus, make sure that the supplied terminator is securely fastened in place in the adjacent connector. If not at the end of the SCSI bus, no terminator is required. For additional information regarding SCSI termination, refer to EK-TZN57-PM.
- c. Connect the other end of the SCSI cable to the applicable connector provided on the SCSI controller card in your host system.
- d. After the unit is connected to the SCSI bus, you may wish to repeat the power-on self-test exercise to confirm the operational integrity of all connections.

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Controls, Indicators, and Operation

This chapter identifies the switches and LED indicators on the front panel of the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive, describes how to use them (including operation of the power-on self-test (POST), provides use rules for the CompacTape IV cartridge data and CompacTape III cleaning cartridge, gives detailed procedures for correct loading and unloading of the tape cartridges, and explains how to select a desired density format for recording.

3.1 General

Digital's TZ89 series of DLT Cartridge Tape Drives offer outstanding performance and integrity, combined with ease of use. All normal-use operator controls are mounted on the front panel, consisting of two push-button switches, a pull-down handle, and several color-differentiated LED indicators to indicate operational status at any given time. The drive uses these indicators to "report" when the unit is ready for a tape, data format of the tape currently mounted, when the heads need to be cleaned, and when it is safe to take a tape out of the drive, as well as whether or not the tape cartridge currently is write-protected.

3.2 Front-Panel Controls and Indicators

All operating controls are located on the front panel (refer to Figure 3-1).

The cartridge insert/release handle provides simplified tape loading and unloading. This handle must be operated in order for a tape cartridge to be loaded or removed, but must not be operated unless the green Operate Handle indicator is lit.

The right-side front panel of the tape drive contains four LEDs (Write Protected, Tape in Use, Use Cleaning Tape, and Operate Handle) and one push-button switch (Unload). Table 3–1 identifies each of these indicators/controls and gives the operating condition and function of each one.

The left-side front panel of the tape drive contains seven LEDs (2.6, 6.0, 10.0/15.0, 20.0, 35.0, Compress, and Density Override) and one push-button switch (Density Select). Table 3–2 identifies each of these indicators/controls and gives the operating condition and function of each one.

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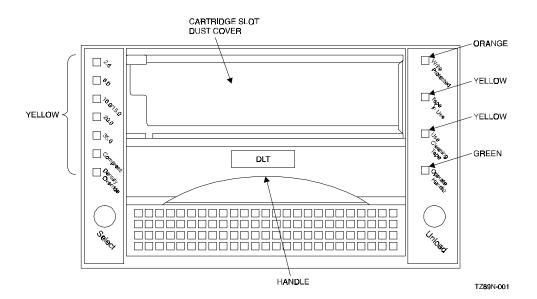


Figure 3–1 Front Panel Layout of TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive

3.2.1 Unload Push-Button

CAUTION

Pressing the Unload push-button during normal tape operations may halt the tape and result in the loss of data.

Pushing Unload causes the tape drive to rewind the tape and then unload the tape from the tape drive mechanism back into the cartridge. The tape must be completely rewound and unloaded into the cartridge before you remove the cartridge from the drive. Depending on the tape position when you press Unload, an unloading operation may take from 10 seconds to 3 minutes.

In the event that the tape drive is writing data to the tape when you press Unload, the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive flushes any buffered write data to the medium before beginning the unloading sequence.

If the drive is in error state (all four right-side panel indicators flashing), pushing Unload causes the tape drive to reset and unload the tape.

When the unload sequence is complete, the green Operate Handle indicator lights and the insert/release handle unlocks.

3.2.2 Cartridge Insert/Release Handle

Operate the cartridge insert/release handle to load a cartridge or to eject a cartridge only when the Operate Handle indicator is lit. The handle lifts to the open position and lowers to the closed position. (See Section 3.5.3 for cartridge loading procedures, Section 3.5.5 for cartridge unloading procedures.)

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Table 3-1 Right-Side Front Panel Indicators and Controls

Label	Color	State	Operating Condition or Function
Write Protected	Orange	On	Loaded tape is write-protected.
		Off	Loaded tape is write-enabled.
Tape in Use	Yellow	On	Tape is loaded, ready for use.
		Blinking	Tape is moving.
Use Cleaning Tape	Yellow	On	Drive heads need cleaning, or else current data cartridge is bad.
		Remaining on after you unload cleaning cartridge.	Cleaning cartridge attempted to clean the drive heads, but was expired (insufficient cleaning area), so heads were not adequately cleaned.
		Turns on again when data cartridge is loaded after cleaning.	Data cartridge may be defective; try another cartridge.
		Off	Cleaning is complete or unnecessary.
Operate Handle	Green	On	Cartridge insert/release handle is unlocked and can be operated.
		Off	Cartridge insert/release handle is locked. Do not operate handle.
Unload			A momentary switch that is used to unload the tape cartridge and enable operation of the door handle (press and hold for 1 to 2 seconds).
All right-side front panel indicators		On (simultaneously)	Power-on self-test is starting.
		Blinking	An error has occurred. Press the Unload push-button. If this does not clear the error, turn drive power off and then on again to clear the error.

3.2.3 Density Select Switch

Pressing (momentary, only) Density Select causes the tape drive first to enter the density-select mode and then, with each subsequent momentary pressing, to select the next-in-sequence density selection. In addition, this switch also functions as an enable/disable selection switch for the tape drive's compression capability when the drive is operating in the 10, 20, or 35 density mode .

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Table 3–2 Left-Side Front Panel Indicators and Controls

Label	Color	State	Operating Condition or Function
2.6	Yellow	On	Indicates tape was last recorded in 2.6-GB format.
		Blinking	Indicates tape was last recorded in another density but has been selected for recording in 2.6-GB density for a write from BOT.
6.0	Yellow	On	Indicates tape was last recorded in 6-GB format.
		Blinking	Indicates tape was last recorded in another density but has been selected for recording in 6-GB density for a write from BOT.
10.0/15.0	Yellow	On	Indicates tape was last recorded in 10-GB format or 15-GB when used with a CompacTape IIIXT.
		Blinking	Indicates tape was last recorded in another density but has been selected for recording in 10-GB density for a write from BOT.
20.0	Yellow	On	Indicates tape was last recorded in 20-GB format.
		Blinking	Indicates tape was last recorded in another density but has been selected for recording in 20-GB density for a write from BOT.
35.0	Yellow	On	Indicates tape was last recorded in 35-GB format.
		Blinking	Indicates tape was last recorded in another density but has been selected for recording in 35-GB density for a write from BOT.
Compress	Yellow	On	Compression mode is enabled. (Compression can be done in 10, 20, or 35 density, only.)
		Off	Compression mode is disabled.
Density Override	Yellow	On	A density selection has been set from the drive's front panel.
		Off (default)	Density selection is under host control or else is automatic.
		Blinking	Unit is in density selection mode; pressing Density Select push-button at this time will cause next-higher density option to be selected.
Density Select			If Density Override indicator is off, pressing this momentary switch activates density selection mode, causing that indicator to blink. If Density Override indicator is blinking (meaning density selection mode is already active), pressing this momentary switch causes next higher density option to be selected.

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3.3 Power-On Self-Test (POST)

The POST (Power-On Self-Test) test, which is performed automatically whenever the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive is powered on, verifies operational integrity of the tape drive. Operation of the POST exercise for the different models is delineated in Section 2.4.1 for the Tabletop and Section 4.5 for the SBB, as part of the installation procedures, but is repeated here, generically, for convenience. The operation may be performed with the host system Power-on (if your operating system permits) or off, and with the SCSI bus connected or disconnected. (Refer to Figure 3–1 for the locations of the front panel LED indicators on the drive.)

NOTE

If all the left- or all the right-side indicators remain lit, the POST test has failed. Repeat the test to clear the failure (power off and then on). If the test still fails, replace the drive.

To execute POST, proceed as follows:

- 1. Power-on the tape drive (if you are using the tabletop unit, depress top "I" portion of I/O rocker switch on the rear panel; if you are using an SBB mounted in a storage pedestal, turn on pedestal power.
- 2. Observe that all left-side panel indicators initially light, with all right-side indicators lighting sequentially, from top to bottom.

All right-side panel indicators should remain lighted for 3 to 5 seconds and then go out except for Tape in Use indicator. This indicator continues to blink for a few seconds while tape mechanism searches for tape. Subsequent indicator activity depends on whether or not a tape cartridge currently is mounted in the tape drive, as defined in Table 3–3. (If a tape is present, the Tape in Use indicator continues to blink until the applicable point for recording new data is under the recording head, at which time that indicator becomes steadily lit. If a cartridge is not present, the Tape in Use indicator goes out, the unit beeps to alert you, and the green Operate Handle indicator becomes steadily lit to indicate that the door latch is released and that you can pull up the cartridge insert/release handle to allow insertion of tape.)

Following initialization, the drive is in one of the four states defined in Table 3–3.

NOTE

Under normal conditions, you should not power up a tape drive with a tape cartridge mounted, so that only conditions **a** and **d** in Table 3–3 would apply. The two intervening conditions, describing situations in which a tape was already mounted before power was applied, are included to cover emergency situations.

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Table 3–3 Operating States of TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive Unit Following Initialization

	Starting Condition	Status Light Sequence		
a.	If no tape cartridge is mounted	(1) The yellow Tape in Use light turns off.		
	in drive and the drive passes	(2) The internal audio-transducer alarm beeps.		
	POST.	(3) The green Operate Handle light turns on.		
		(4) The handle is unlatched.		
		You can now raise the handle and insert a tape		
		cartridge into the drive.		
b.	If a cartridge is present in the	(1) The drive loads the tape cartridge.		
	drive and the cartridge	(2) The yellow Tape in Use light blinks while the		
	insert/release handle is	tape is mounting and then lights solid.		
	down.1	(3) The left-side indicator corresponding with the		
		last-written density format of the current tape cartridge		
		lights.		
		(4) The Density Override blinks.		
		You can now select a density (refer to Selecting		
		Density section); the drive is ready for use.		
C.	If a cartridge is present in the	(1) The yellow Tape in Use light turns off.		
	drive and the cartridge	(2) The internal audio transducer beeps.		
	insert/release handle is up. ²	(3) The green Operate Handle light flashes.		
		When you lower the handle, the cartridge loads.		
d.	If the drive detects an error	All right- and/or left-side lights blink repeatedly.		
	condition.			
		Try to unload the tape and reinitialize the drive by		
		pressing the Unload push-button or by turning drive		
		power off and then on again (or, if you have an SBB, by		
		hot-swapping that unit). If you do this, the right- or left-		
		side lights stop blinking and the drive tries to reinitialize;		
		if the attempt succeeds, the lights momentarily turn on		
		steadily again and then go off.		

Not recommended. Shutting down power while a tape cartridge is still mounted in the drive can result in damage either to the tape cartridge (and/or its data) or to the drive, itself.

Not recommended.

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3.4 Status Indication of Tape Drive LEDs

The status of the tape drive under different conditions is indicated by the Write Protected and Tape in Use LEDs. In the normal operating state, the Write Protected LED only indicates the write-protect status and the Tape in Use LED only indicates the drive activity and load status. Table 3-4 describes the status conditions represented by the LEDs. Refer to Figure 3-1 to identify the LEDs on the front panel.

Table 3-4 Tape Drive LED Status

Status	Write Protected LED	Tape in Use LED
No tape loaded.	Off	Off
Tape loaded, write enabled.	Off	Yellow
Tape loaded, write- protected.	Orange	Yellow
No SCSI/drive activity.	Off [†]	Yellow (steady)
SCSI/drive activity.	Off [†]	Blinks on and off to track activity
Load sequence.	Off†	Blinks yellow @≈1-second interval (25% on). Yellow continuously when done.
Unload sequence.	Off [†] , goes off.	Flashes yellow @≈1-second interval (25% on). Goes off when done.
Reset sequence.	Orange Off [†]	Yellow, blinking. Normal indications.
Power-on self test (POST). Flashes orange for first few seconds, then goes off for remainder of power-on self-test sequence.		Double-flashes yellow for length of test. Normal activity indications when test complete.
Test complete, no failure.	Resume normal operation, off [†] .	Indicates drive action if cartridge is installed. Off if no cartridge is installed
Test failure, drive fault.	Flashes orange.	Double-flashes yellow.

[†] If cartridge is write-protected, orange Write-Protected LED will light.

3.5 CompacTape IV DLT Tape Cartridge

The data tape cartridge is a 4-1/8-inch, black, plastic cartridge containing 1800 feet of 1/2-inch magnetic metal particle tape. The medium is a half-inch cartridge or ANSI-compatible equivalent. It is written and read using the interchange format proposed in the applicable pending ANSI X3B5project.

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NOTE

You can order the CompacTape IV data cartridge (Part No.

TZ88K01) and/or the cleaning cartridge (Part No. TK85-HC) from your reseller or by calling DECdirect at 800-DIGITAL in the U.S.A. and Canada. (Refer to Table 1-3 for tape cartridge part numbers.)

CAUTION

Appropriate label cards are supplied with each tape cartridge. Always place the label in the recessed area on the cartridge. Never affix a label over another label.

To ensure optimal performance from your tape cartridges, observe the following guidelines when using and handling the tapes.

- Avoid placing the tape cartridges near sources of electromagnetic radiation such as terminals, video, or X-ray equipment. Radiation from this type of equipment can erase or corrupt data on the tape.
- Keep tape cartridges out of direct sunlight and away from heaters and sources of heat
- Store tape cartridges and cleaning cartridges at room temperatures between +5°C and
 - +32°C (40°F through 90°F).
- Store cartridges in a dust-free environment where the relative humidity is within the range from 20% to 60%.

3.5.1 Write-Protect Switch

The tape cartridge has a write-protect slide-bar switch on the right side of its front surface to prevent the accidental overwriting of data stored on the tape (see Figure 3–2). To read or copy <u>from</u> the tape cartridges, slide the write-protect bar-switch to the left, so that an orange area is exposed in the rectangular aperture directly over the left-side arrow on the switch, indicating that the tape is in its "write-protected" state. This prevents writing to the tape and ensures that data will not be accidentally overwritten. Use the following guidelines when setting the write-protect tab:

- If you are reading data (copying from tape), set the write-protect tab to "Write Protected" (to the left, orange area showing).
- If you are writing data (writing to tape), set the write-protect tab to "Write Enabled" (to the right, orange area <u>not</u> showing).
- When loading a tape cartridges into the drive, make sure the cartridge's write-protect tab is on the right, facing you.

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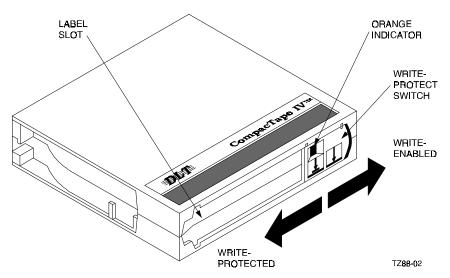


Figure 3-2 CompacTape IV Data Tape Cartridge

3.5.2 Data Protection

If you move the cartridge write-protect switch to the left, the drive turns on the Write Protected LED immediately. If the drive is writing to the tape when you move the switch, however, write-protection does not take effect until that write has been completed.

Table 3–5 describes what happens to data protection when you move the write-protect switch before loading the cartridges.

Table 3–5 Moving Write-Protect Switch Before Tape Drive Operation

If you move the Write Protect switch	Then
To the left, with the orange area showing	The tape drive cannot write data to the
through the aperture above the left arrow symbol on the switch	tape.
To the right, with no orange area showing in the aperture above the left arrow on the switch	The tape drive can write data to the tape (if the tape is not software write-protected).

Table 3–6 describes what happens to data protection when you move the write-protect switch during operation.

Table 3–6 Moving Write-Protect Switch During A Read/Write Operation

If you move the Write Protect switch	Then
From the write-protected position (left) to the write-enabled position (right, no orange area showing in aperture above left arrow symbol)	The tape becomes write-enabled <u>after</u> a variable amount of time (in the order of seconds).
From the write-enabled position (right) to the write-protected position (left, orange area showing in aperture)	The tape becomes write-protected after a variable amount of time (in the order of seconds, unless write operation is in process, in which case the effect does not become active until that write operation is completed).

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3.5.3 Loading A Cartridge

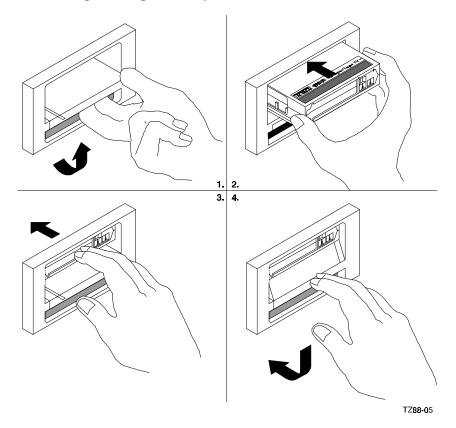
The cartridge insert/release handle on the front of the drive provides outline procedures for loading a cartridge into the tape drive (right side of handle) and unloading a cartridge from the drive (left side of handle). The following is a more detailed version of the procedure for loading a cartridge (refer to Figure 3–3).

CAUTION

Never operate the cartridge insert/release handle unless the green Operate Handle indicator is steadily lit

- 1. When the green Operate Handle indicator is lit steadily, pull the cartridge insert/release handle open by pulling the bottom edge up and forward.
- 2. Insert the rear end of the cartridge (opposite from the surface containing the write-protect switch) into the aperture behind the handle, right side up (name on top, with arrows on write-protect switch on front pointing down).
- 3. Push the cartridge assembly into the drive until the cartridge reaches its full-stop position, with the cartridge fully pressed into the unit.
- 4. Push the insert/release handle closed by pushing front edge back and down. After the door becomes closed, the green Operate Handle indicator goes out and the yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks to show that the tape is loading. When the tape is at the BOT (beginning of tape) marker, the yellow Tape in Use indicator lights steadily. The tape is then ready for use.

Figure 3-3 Loading Cartridge Into Tape Drive



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3.5.4 Tape in Use

When the yellow Tape in Use light is on steadily, the tape is ready for use. While the tape is being read, written to, or rewound, the yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks. Table 3-7 describes what is happening during cartridge use:

Table 3-7 What is Happening During Cartridge Use (Right-Side Indicators)

	If	It means
1.	The yellow Tape in Use indicator is on steadily.	A cartridge is loaded, but the tape is not moving. This condition can mean that no application is communicating with the controller, or that the application is communicating but is not delivering commands for tape motion.
2.	The yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks irregularly.	A read or write is in progress.
3.	The yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks regularly.	The tape is loading, unloading, or rewinding.
4.	The audio transducer beeps and the green Operate Handle indicator turns on.	The tape is unloaded.
5.	All four right-side indicators blink.	An error has occurred during operation.

3.5.5 Unloading A Cartridge

NOTE

The following procedure presumes that the operator manually initiates the unloading sequence by pressing the Unload push-button. In some host-driven applications, the application software may issue the appropriate system software command to initiate the unloading sequence, producing the same effect.

- Press the Unload push-button on the front panel's right side (or issue the appropriate system software command). The yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks as the tape rewinds.
- 2. When the internal audio transducer beeps and the green Operate Handle indicator lights steadily, pull the cartridge insert/release handle open by pulling the bottom edge up and forward. (Refer to Figure 3–4).
- 3. Remove the cartridge by pulling it forward from the aperture.
- 4. Push the insert/release handle closed by pushing front edge back and down.

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Figure 3-4 Unloading Cartridge From Tape Drive

3.5.6 Using the Tape Cleaning Cartridge

NOTE

The cleaning cartridge expires after approximately 20 uses, after which time there is insufficient cleaning area remaining on the cleaning cartridge to adequately clean the heads.

Table 3–8 explains when you should use the cleaning cartridge.

3.5.7 Preserving Cartridges

CAUTION

Remove a cartridge from the tape drive before turning off or powering down the host system. Failure to remove a cartridge can result in damage to the cartridge and/or to the tape drive.

To prolong the life of a cartridge, return the cartridge to its plastic case and secure the case cover when you remove the cartridge from the tape drive.

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To maximize the life of recorded or unrecorded cartridges, store cartridges in a clean environment with the following conditions:

- Do not drop or bang cartridge. Doing so can displace the tape leader, making the cartridge unusable and possibly damaging the drive.
- Keep tape cartridges out of direct sunlight and away from heaters and other heat sources.

Table 3-8 When To Use the Cleaning Cartridge

	If	It means	And you should
1.	The yellow Use Cleaning Tape indicator lights.	The drive heads need cleaning or the tape is defective (see Item 3, in this table).	Use the cleaning cartridge. Follow the instructions in paragraph 3.5.5 for unloading the data cartridge, then follow the instructions in paragraph 3.5.3 to load the CompacTape III Cleaning Cartridge into the drive. The cleaning operation begins automatically as soon as the cartridge insert/release handle becomes closed. When cleaning is complete, the internal beeper sounds to tell you to remove the cleaning cartridge.
2.	A particular cartridge causes the Use Cleaning Tape indicator to turn on frequently.	The data cartridge may be defective.	Back up this data on another cartridge, and then discard the old cartridge. A damaged cartridge may cause unnecessary use of the cleaning cartridge.
3.	The Use Cleaning Tape indicator turns on after you clean the drive heads and reload your data cartridge.	Your data cartridge may be causing the problem.	Try a different data cartridge.
4.	The Use Cleaning Tape indicator is on after you load the cleaning cartridge.	Cleaning has not been done and the cleaning cartridge has expired.	Discard and replace the cleaning cartridge.

- Store tape cartridges in temperatures between 10°C and 40°C (50°F to 104°F). For longer cartridge life, always store the cartridge in its plastic container and in room environment conditions of $72^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 7^{\circ}\text{F}$ ($22^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 4^{\circ}\text{C}$).
- If the tape cartridge has been exposed to heat or cold extremes, stabilize the cartridge at room temperature for the same amount of time it was exposed—up to 24 hours.
- Do not place tape near electromagnetic interference sources, such as computer terminals, motors, video, or X-ray equipment. (Data stored on the tape can be altered by the electromagnetic interference created by such sources.)

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- Store tape cartridges in a dust-free environment where the relative humidity is between 20% and 80%. For longer cartridge life, store the cartridge at $40\% \pm 20\%$ relative humidity.
- Place an identification label only in the slide-in slot on the front of the cartridge; do not affix any adhesive label to the surface of the cartridge.
- Do not affix labels to the cartridge anywhere except in the slide-in slot.

3.6 Selecting Density

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive is designed to WRITE and READ using all supported media and densities as designated in Table 3–9. The tape drive also can both READ and WRITE in lower-density formats used in earlier DLT systems when using the various CompacTape cartridge. All selections, including the compression mode (which constitutes another density selection), are selectable by the Density Select push-button switch, or via software control. This section describes the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive's density select feature.

Table 3-9 Tape Compatibility

Media Format	TZ85	TZ86	TZ87	XT	TZ89	TZ89
Native Capacity	2.6 GB	6 GB	10 GB	15 GB	20 GB	35 GB
CompacTape III	OK	OK	OK	N/S	N/S	N/S
CompacTape IIIXT	N/S	N/S	N/S	OK	N/S	N/S
CompacTape IV	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	OK	OK
Compaction	N/S	N/S	OK	OK	OK	OK
Compressed			20 GB	30 GB	40 GB	70 GB
Capacity						

Note: "N/S" = Not Supported

Table 3–10 Digital UNIX Support

Format	Device Special Filename	Cartridge	Capacity (GB)	I/O	Compression	Density Code
TZ85	*	CompacTapeIII	2.6 GB	R/W	N/S	17h
TZ86	*	CompacTapeIII	6 GB	R/W	N/S	18h
TZ87	rmt#m	CompacTapeIII	10 GB	R/W	Off	00h
TZ87	rmt#h	CompacTapeIII	20 GB	R/W	On	00h
TZ85	rmt#a	CompacTapeIIIXT	2.6 GB	R/W	N/S	17h
TZ86	rmt#l	CompacTapeIIIXT	6 GB	R/W	N/S	18h
TZ87	rmt#m	CompacTapelIIXT	15 GB	R/W	Off	00(19h)
TZ87	rmt#h	CompacTapeIIIXT	30 GB	R/W	On	00(19h)
TZ88	rmt#a	CompacTapeIV	20 GB	R/W	Off	1Ah
TZ88	rmt#l	CompacTapeIV	40 GB	R/W	On	1Ah
TZ89	rmt#m	CompacTapelV	35 GB	R/W	Off	00(1B)
TZ89	rmt#h	CompacTapeIV	70 GB	R/W	On	00(1B)

Note: "*" = Not Supported read only previously written format

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CAUTION

If you reuse a tape on which other data was previously recorded, and write from the Beginning Of Tape (BOT), all previously recorded data is lost, including density changes.

3.6.1 How To Select Density At The Front Panel

To select density with the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive:

- 1. Insert a tape cartridge into the tape drive. The yellow Tape in Use indicator blinks while the tape loads and calibrates.
- 2. Wait until the yellow Tape in Use indicator becomes and remains steadily lit, indicating completion of the calibration process.
- 3. Press and release the Density Select push-button on the front panel's left side one time (momentary depression only; do not hold down) to enter the density-select mode. The Density Override indicator lights. If this is a previously recorded cartridge, the indicator corresponding to the density selection used the last time this tape was written to also lights.
- 4. Press and release the Density Select switch again (momentary depression, only) to cause the indicator corresponding to the next-in-sequence density option to blink, and repeat this action as necessary until the indicator corresponding to the desired density option is blinking. (If this cartridge was previously recorded in a different format, the indicator corresponding to the tape's current density selection remains steadily lit. If this is a blank tape, each indicator goes out when the next-in-sequence density is selected, except that the 10.0, 20.0 or 35.0 indicator remains lit if you press the Density Select button again to enable compression mode, in which case both the density indicator and Compress indicators will be blinking.)
- 5. After the host system writes new data to the tape in the selected format, the indicator corresponding to the selected density lights steadily, and the indicator identifying the last-used density option goes out.

3.6.1.1 Selection of Compression Mode

Depending on the type of data involved, the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive can store up to double the amount of data on a tape. This compression capability is another density selection. When the tape drive is operating in regular 35 mode (only the yellow 35.0 indicator is lit), the tape drive can store up to 35 GB on a CompacTape IV DLT data cartridge and can transfer data at a rate of up to 5 MB/s. When the tape drive is operating in compressed mode (both the yellow 35.0 indicator and the adjacent Compress indicators are lit), the tape drive can store up to 70 GB on a CompacTape IV cartridge.

3.6.1.2 Reformatting a 20-GB Formatted Tape to 35-GB

CAUTION

If you reuse a tape on which other data was previously recorded, and write from the Beginning Of Tape (BOT), all previously recorded data is lost, including density changes.

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Suppose, for example, that you have installed a CompacTape IV tape cartridge with a prerecorded 20 density, and you use the Density-Select push-button to select the 35 density. You should observe the following:

- The Density Override indicator is lit, indicating that a density selection has been made from the front panel.
- The 20.0 indicator lights and remains lit, indicating that the tape was previously recorded at the 20.0-density.
- After you momentarily press the Density Select push-button a second time, the 35.0 indicator blinks, the 20.0 indicator remains steadily lit and the reformatting write process begins.

After the completion of the write from BOT, you should observe the following:

- The 35.0 indicator becomes steadily lit.
- The 20.0 indicator goes out.
- The Density Override indicator remains lit.

If you momentarily press the Density Select push-button after the drive has completed the 35 reformat, the tape drive goes into its compression mode. The 35.0 indicator remains lit and the Compress indicator lights. Assuming a 2:1 data compression ratio, 70-GB of data can be stored on a CompacTape IV.

3.6.2 Density Selection Rules

Density selection occurs in accordance with the following rules (See also Table 3–10):

READ or WRITE APPEND Density Selection

The indicator on the left side of the front panel of the drive will designate the density of the tape currently mounted in the drive.

WRITE From BOT Density Selection

Full-tape density for a new tape or one that is to be reused may be selected by:

- Use of the front-panel Density Select push-button. (Using the Density Select push-button always overrides an existing selection.)
- Programmable host commands from the application software.
- If neither of these two conditions exists, however, the selected density will be the default, native 35 mode (with compression enabled) for the data cartridge.

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CAUTION

Regardless of the operating conditions, a write from BOT destroys existing data on the tape.

NOTE

You can use the drive's control panel at various times, not just after loading a tape. Density selection will be inactive until a write command is issued (at BOT). The controller remembers the last-used density selection state until you do one of the following:

- Change the density selection.
- Unload the tape.

Table 3-11 Results of Density Selection

If	Then
You did not press the Density Select push-button.	The corresponding indicator on the left side of the front panel lights to show the actual density of the loaded tape while the tape is reading or writing. The applicable drive density indicator lights steadily, and the Density Override indicator is not lit.
You pressed the Density Select push- button, and the actual (last-used) density of the tape loaded in the drive is the same as the density you selected.	Both the indicator for the actual density and the Density Override indicator light.
You pressed the Density Select push- button, and the actual (last-used) density of the tape loaded in the drive differs from the selected density option.	The following conditions should occur during the initial portion of the writing process from BOT: The Density Override indicator lights steadily. The indicator next to the designation of the actual (lastused) density designation lights steadily. The indicator next to the designation of the desired density option blinks. If the actual/default density of the currently loaded tape is 6 GB, for example, and you have selected the 10 density option, the 6.0 indicator initially lights steadily to show the current format, the 10.0 indicator initially blinks to show that you have selected that format, and the Density Override indicator remains steadily lit until the BOT signal is processed, marking the actual beginning of writing. After that actual writing begins, the Density Override indicator remains steadily lit during the writing process, but the 6.0 indicator goes out and the 10.0 indicator becomes steadily lit.

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Installation and Operation of the Tape Drive in a Storage Subsystem

This chapter provides specific details pertaining to unpacking, preinstallation setup, installation, and POST operational testing of the StorageWorks Building Block (SBB) Cartridge Tape Drive, which is designed to be operated in a Digital StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal.

4.1 Introduction

The Tape Drive is housed in an SBB storage carrier and is designed for installation into a StorageWorks Storage Expansion Pedestal subsystem, Model BA356. The drive occupies three adjacent slots in the storage enclosure and is configured as one of up to fifteen devices on the SCSI bus. This chapter describes how to unpack the drive, how to prepare the drive for installation, how to set the SCSI ID of the tape drive, how to install the device into a StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal subsystem, and how to perform the Power-On Self-Test (POST) procedure.

4.2 Unpacking

Unpack and inspect the contents of your shipment. It should contain the following items:

- This guide
- One TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive
- One blank CompacTape IV data tape cartridge
- One CleaningTape III cleaning cartridge

Also, check the contents for damaged components. Notify your vendor immediately if any items are damaged. Keep all boxes and packing material for reshipment.

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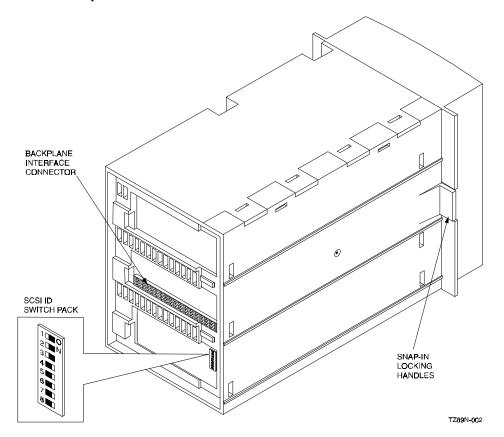
4.3 Preinstallation Procedures

Perform the following procedure before installing the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive.

4.3.1 Setting the SCSI ID Address of the Tape Drive

The storage enclosure slots are numbered 0 through 7 with the power supply occupying slot 7. The SCSI address switches on the rear of the SBB Tape Drive (refer to Figure 4–1) are preset at the factory to *automatic* — SW-1, SW-2, SW-3, and SW-4 set off (to left); SW-5, SW-6, SW-7, and SW-8 set on (to right). This setting means that the SBB tape drive will have the address of whichever physical slot is connected. Because of the mid position of the unit's backplane interface connector, this physical connection will be to the middle of the three slots occupied by that unit. Physically, this means it will be one of slots 2 through 5, as applicable. If you want a different specific logical address for any reason (i.e., if you wish to use SCSI ID 1 or 6, or any specific value less than 15, regardless of physical location of the unit), you can set the tape drive to any desired logical address by manually changing the settings of switches SW-1, SW-2, SW-3, and SW4 on the SCSI switch pack, as delineated in Table 4–1, before inserting the SBB into the pedestal.

Figure 4-1 SBB Tape Drive SCSI ID Switches



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Address	SW-1	SW-2	SW-3	SW-4	SW-5	SW-6	SW-7	SW-8
0	Off							
1	On	Off						
2	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
3	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
4	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
5	On	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
6	Off	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
7*	On	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
8	Off	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
9	On	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
10	Off	On	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
11	On	On	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
12	Off	Off	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
13	On	Off	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
14	Off	On	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
15	On	On	On	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
Automatic†	Off	Off	Off	Off	On	On	On	On

Table 4-1 SBB Tape Drive SCSI ID Switch Settings

4.4 Installing the SBB Tape Drive Into a Storage Pedestal

CAUTION

Refer to the applicable documentation for your host computer and/or your specific operating system before installing the drive. This installation procedure assumes that you have already installed and appropriately cabled a StorageWorks Storage Expansion Pedestal and have checked out that subsystem as applicable, so that it is ready to receive this SBB unit.

You install the SBB tape drive in a storage enclosure by inserting the drive so that the connector on the lower portion of the rear surface fits into any available SCSI device storage slot.

The drive can be installed using the *hot-swap* method where the drive is installed with the host system powered on and operating, or with the cold-swap method where the host system is powered off. Before using the *hot-swap* method, consult your system administrator to ensure that your operating system supports this type of installation.

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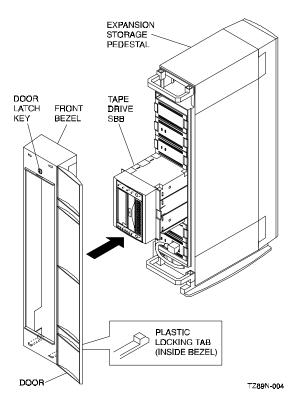
^{*} Normally reserved for host.

[†] Sets device address to storage subsystem slot number.

To install the tape drive:

- 1. Open the door on the front bezel of the StorageWorks Expansion Storage Pedestal subsystem (refer to Figure 4–2) and remove the bezel by pressing down on the plastic locking tabs at the bottom inside surface of the bezel (just in front of the power supply) and then pulling the bottom of the bezel forward, after which you can simply lift the entire bezel assembly free.
- 2. Remove the filler panel (or any previously mounted SBB) from the desired three adjacent device slots in the storage subsystem by squeezing the locking handles at the ends of each respective panel (or SBB) and removing the panel (or SBB).
- 3. Install the tape drive in the open slot, sliding the drive in firmly until its locking handles snap into place.
- 4. Perform the POST test, as described in the following subsection, to verify the operational integrity of the drive.

Figure 4–2 Installing the Tape Drive into an Expansion Storage Pedestal



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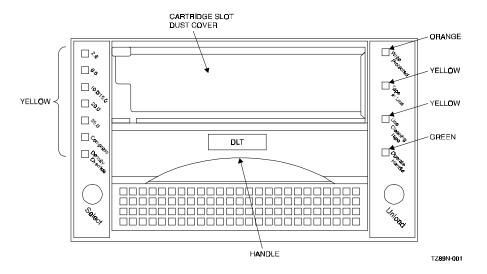
4.5 Power-On Self-Test (POST)

The power-on self-test (POST) exercise verifies the proper installation of the tape drive. The test can be performed with the host computer powered on, if your operating system permits, and with the SCSI bus either connected or disconnected. Refer to Figure 4–3 for the locations of the front panel LED indicators on the drive. To execute the power-on self-test, proceed as follows:

NOTE 2 If all the left- and/or all the right-side indicators remain lit, the POST test has failed. Repeat the test to clear the failure (power off and then on). If the test

Figure 4–3 Tape Drive Front Panel Controls and Indicators

still fails, replace the drive.



- 1. Ensure that there is no cassette tape in the drive.
- 2. Power-on the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive device, either by cycling the storage enclosure's power switch off and on or, if other SBB units in that subsystem are active and should not be powered down, by hot-swapping the SBB unit under test (i.e., pull it free from the pedestal and then slide it back into its operating position).

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- 3. Observe that all left-side panel indicators initially light, with all right-side indicators then lighting sequentially, from top to bottom.
- 4. All left-side panel indicators should go out within 1 second after power is applied. All right-side panel indicators remain lighted for 3 to 5 seconds and then go out, except for the Tape in Use indicator. This indicator continues to blink for a few seconds while tape mechanism searches for tape. When the indicator goes out, an internal beeper sounds to alert the operator and the green Operate Handle indicator becomes steadily lit indicating that the door latch is released and that the cartridge insert/release handle can be pulled up to allow insertion of tape.
- 5. Load a cassette tape into the drive and observe the Tape in Use indicator. The indicator initially should blink momentarily at 1-second intervals after the handle is closed (pushed down) as the tape drive engages the tape, then double-blink at the same interval while the tape is being moved to the correct position. Depending on whether this is a new tape or a tape with some previously recorded data, this blinking period can extend from 20 seconds to a few minutes after the cassette is loaded, until the tape has reached the position for recording new data. The Tape in Use indicator should remain steadily on.
- 6. After the unit passes POST, connect the subsystem to your host computer through appropriate SCSI interface cables, and then have your system administrator assign a device name to the drive, if applicable.

NOTE

If you are connecting the tape drive to a wide and fast, single-ended SCSI bus, the interface cable cannot exceed three meters (9.8 feet). If you are connecting the tape drive to a slow, single-ended SCSI bus, the interface cable can be up to 6 meters (19.7 feet) in length. If you are connecting the tape drive to a wide and fast, differential SCSI bus, the interface cable cannot exceed twenty meters (66 feet) in length. (In each case, this maximum cable length includes not only the length of cable from the storage enclosure to the host computer but also the length of bus internal to the storage enclosure (including the backplane) and the length of bus internal to the host computer.

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Maintenance

This chapter describes how to clean the heads of the tape drive and provides a troubleshooting table to help diagnose common problems. This chapter describes preventive maintenance and general troubleshooting for the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive.

5.1 Introduction

This chapter describes what to do if you have problems with your tape drive or tape.

5.2 Common Errors

5.2.1 Avoiding Basic Problems

You can avoid some errors by following these basic guidelines:

- Use the correct cartridge type, as delineated in Chapter 1. (Any substitute media must comply with ANSI X3B5 certification requirements.)
- Care for your cartridges (both data and cleaning) in accordance with the guidelines in Section 3.5.7.
- Make sure the cartridge leader and the drive leader are in their correct positions. (Refer to Section 5.4.)
- Unload the cartridge before powering down the tape drive.
- Do not load a cartridge until after tape drive is initialized (green "Operate Handle" LED is lit).

5.2.2 Error Influences

If an error occurs during tape drive operation, you may be able to correct the error yourself. Factors influencing errors include the following:

- Defective media.
- Dirty drive heads.
- Operator or user errors.
- Incorrect backup commands.

Use Table 5–1 to interpret error symptoms, determine their cause, and to take corrective action.

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Table 5-1 Possible Corrections for Common Error Situations

Symptom	Probable Cause	Possible Correction
Failure to mount or read/write with new or used cartridge.	Bad cartridge.	Retry same operation with a different cartridge.
	Dirty drive head(s).	Use CleaningTape III head-cleaning cartridge (see Section 5.3).
Application software- generated initialize command fails with parity error.	Tape calibration failed.	Use CleaningTape III head cleaning cartridge, or else try a different data cartridge.
Green Operate Handle indicator stays lit and tape does not move; Yellow Tape in Use indicator is lit but does not blink.	Cartridge loading error.	Dismount the cartridge and inspect it for a mispositioned leader (see Section 5.4.1). If the drive leader is not in the correct location, call your reseller or Digital services.
		Inspect the drive for a damaged, misplaced, or unhooked leader (see Section 5.4.2). If the drive leader is not in the correct location, call your reseller or Digital services.
All right-side or left-side indicators are blinking.	Drive failed self-test or detected a hard error during operation.	Try to clear the error by pressing the Unload button, or turn power off and then back on again. If the error does not clear (the tape does not rewind and unload, and the lights blink), you have a hardware failure; call your reseller or Digital services.

5.3 Cleaning the Heads

This section describes how to clean the heads of the tape drive. The heads are the components that physically read and write data to and from the cartridge tape (media). Under normal conditions, the heads require cleaning only when the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED indicates that it is required. A false indication can be caused by a bad cartridge. In this case, try another cartridge.

CAUTION
Never attempt to clean the heads in a manner other
than described in the following procedure. Doing so
will void the product warranty.

To clean the heads, use the CleaningTape III cleaning cartridge, as follows:

- 1. Apply power to the tape drive and wait for the internal audio transducer to beep and the green Operate Handle indicator to light.
- 2. Pull open the cartridge insert/release handle and insert the yellow CleaningTape III cleaning cartridge (Part No. TK85–HC) into the drive, then close the handle (refer to Figure 3–3).

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- 3. When you close the cartridge insert/release handle after inserting the tape, the drive automatically executes the head-cleaning operation, which takes at least 30 seconds. When the -cleaning cartridge has completed this task, the tape drive electronics (1) stop the drive, (2) unlatch the cartridge insert/release handle, and (3) turn on the green Operate Handle indicator so that you can remove the cleaning cartridge.
- 4. Mark the frequency-of-use label on the cleaning cartridge, placing a check mark in the next-available square on the card each time you use the cleaning cartridge.

CAUTION

Remove the cleaning cartridge as soon as possible following completion of the cleaning operation. Leaving a cleaning cartridge in the drive might result in redundant cleaning operations each time power to the tape drive unit is turned off and on, resulting in unnecessary wear on the tape drive's read/write heads.

Under normal conditions, the cleaning cartridge is effective for about 20 cleanings. If the cleaning cartridge has been overused, so that it is expired, the Use Cleaning Tape will remain lit after you load the cleaning cartridge, and no cleaning action will take place. When this happens, try another cleaning tape.

DLT tapes do not usually need regular cleaning, their design allows for minimal head contamination. The action of loading and using any tape tends to clean the head of the tape drive.

Normally, the heads only need to be cleaned with a cleaning tape when the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED is lit. This carries some small risk where a poor quality tape may light the LED, build up more head contamination, and then fail before the Cleaning Tape can be used. Of course, this may lead to a re-run of the job that failed.

Should you wish to minimize that risk, Digital recommends you use the cleaning tape as a preventive measure, but no more often than once every 2 weeks (or after 50 hours of continuous use).

When the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED lights, take special note of the tape in use at the time. It may be that this tape is causing the head contamination. Try another tape before using the cleaning tape to see whether the "Use Cleaning Tape" LED stays on.

It may be necessary to use the cleaning tape more than once if a bad tape has fouled the heads. If the problem persists after two cleanings, call Digital for service.

To optimize the reliability of the TZ89 subsystem, Digital recommends:

- Use only better quality DLT cartridges.
- Provide storage of the tapes in a controlled environment.
- Avoid rough treatment of the tapes.
- Always store the cartridges horizontally, not vertically.

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5.4 Inspections

5.4.1 Checking the Cartridge Leader

CAUTIONS

Do not touch exposed magnetic tape inside your tape cartridge; the normal oil on your skin can damage the tape and cause subsequent problems with respect to writing new data or reading data already stored.

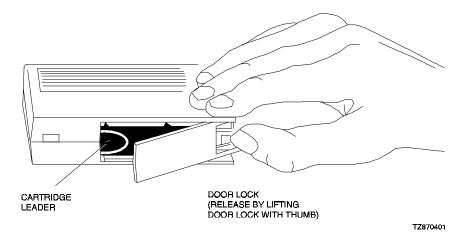
If the tape leader inside the cartridge is not in the correct position, do not try to fix it. Instead, discard that cartridge and substitute a different cartridge.

Before you use a tape cartridge, be sure its tape leader is in the correct position, as illustrated in Figure 5–1. Lift the door latch with your thumb and open the small door on the rear face of the cartridge to expose the leader.

5.4.2 Checking the Drive Leader

To examine the drive take-up leader, tilt the cartridge receiver door on the front of the drive and look inside to see that the drive leader is connected to the buckling link-hook, which should be engaged in the leader slot as illustrated in Figure 5–2 and Figure 5–3.

Figure 5-1 Checking the Cartridge Leader



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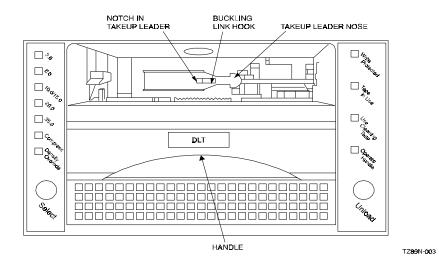


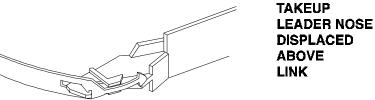
Figure 5–2 Correct Engagement of Take-Up Leader in Tape Drive

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Figure 5-3 Correct and Incorrect Positions of Tape Drive Leader

ACCEPTABLE TAKEUP LEADER BUCKLING LINK LEADER NOSE IN FRONT OF LINK

NOT ACCEPTABLE BUCKLING LINK HOOK HOOK TAKEUP LEADER NOTCH LEADER NOSE LEADER NOSE



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5.5 Troubleshooting

Table 5–2 describes some common drive problems and suggests possible solutions.

Table 5-2 Troubleshooting Table

Symptom	Probable Cause	Possible Solution
Unable to back up or copy data to tape.	Cartridge write- protected. No tape in drive.	Set write-protected tab on cartridge to write-enabled or, if software protected, modify that protection. Insert tape.
Write Protected indicator flashes orange.	Excessive tape errors.	Perform head cleaning procedure (Section 5.3) . If error repeats, try another tape.
Tape in Use and Write Protected LEDs flash rapidly in unison.	Dirty heads or bad media. Drive error, possibly a hard failure.	Eject tape. Perform head cleaning procedure (Section 5.3). If error repeats, try another tape. Eject tape. Power off and Power-on the drive. If error repeats, replace the drive.
After applying power, nothing happens. All indicators off, except green Operate Handle indicator.	No tape loaded.	Load tape.
Drive not available to system.	Drive not plugged in. (If SBB unit, Storage Expansion Pedestal may not be plugged in.) SCSI ID switches set to incorrect address. Defective SCSI cable.	Check ac power source. Check SCSI ID switch settings. Ensure power cable is plugged in and SCSI cable is seated properly.

NOTE

For VMS and OpenVMS Users

Due to the increase in capacity of current and future storage devices, there is a greater possibility that the maximum number of records may be reached when appending save sets or records to tape.

Since the file sequence and section numbers are stored as four decimal digits, ANSI volume sets cannot support more that 9999 files or 9999 sections in a file.

Refer to your operating system documentation for additional information.

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Specifications

This appendix describes the physical, electrical, and environmental specifications for the Model TZ89 DLT Series Tape Drive, covering both the StorageWorks Building Block (SBB) and Tabletop DLT Cartridge Tape Drive.

Table A-1 TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive Specifications

Characteristic	Specification(s)
Performance	
Read/write speed	160 in/s, streaming
Transfer rate, raw	6.8 MB/s
Transfer rate, user native	5 MB/s
Average Access time (typical)	60s
Error rate, detected	1 in 10 ¹⁷ bits read
Error rate, undetected	1 in 10 ²⁷ bits read (calculated)
Error correction code	Custom Reed-Solomon ECC
Drive interface	SCSI-2
Passes per tape cartridge	Over 500,000 passes
Power requirements	120/240 Vac @ 60/50 Hz
Data organization	
Recording format, quad	208, Quad serial serpentine fixed block
Recording density	85,937 bits/in
Track density	256 tracks/in
Data encoding	2,7 RLL
Record size	Variable/Fixed (1 to 16 MB - 1)
Data compression algorithm	DLZ
Maximum capacity (formatted)	70 GB (per cartridge) [†]

[†] Assumes a 2:1 compression ratio.

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Table A-1 TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive Specifications (continued)

Characteristic	Specification(s)	
Recording medium:		
Tape	0.5 metal particle (MP) tape, 1540 to 1850 Oersted,	
	0.5 mil thick	
Length	Type IIIXT/IV: 1800 ft (usable) Type III: 1167 ft (usable)	
Cartridge	4 1/8-inch square	
Durability	500,000 tape-head passes	
Shelf life	10 years minimum @20°C and 40% RH (noncondensing)	
Operating environment:		
Temperature	10°C to 40°C	
Relative humidity	20% to 80% noncondensing	
Altitude (maximum)	8,000 ft	
Physical Characteristics		
SBB Tape Drive		
Height	14.52 cm (5.72 in)	
Width	23.49 cm (9.25 in)	
Length	33.22 cm (13.08 in)	
Weight	7.1 Kg (15.9 lb)	
Tabletop Tape Drive		
Height	13.49 cm (5.31 in)	
Width	23.50 cm (9.25 in)	
Length	33.22 cm (13.08 in)	
Weight	7.7 Kg (16.9 lb)	

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Product Notes for Windows NT and Novell NetWare

This appendix provides information for the system administrator who should read this appendix before installing and using the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive with a host system operating under the Windows NT or Novell NetWare operating systems.

B.1 Host SCSI Interface

Digital Equipment Corporation has tested and supports the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive under the Windows NT and Novell NetWare operating systems.

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive uses the standard SCSI-2 command set to interface to a PC-based host system. The host system must be equipped with a SCSI adapter to properly interface the tape drive with the host. For example, the host SCSI adapter might interface the computer's PCI bus to the SCSI-2 port of the tape drive. A host PC SCSI adapter is normally supplied with compatible software drivers for use with several operating systems. The software driver(s) must be pre-loaded in accordance with the SCSI adapter manufacturer's installation procedure.

In addition, there are many commercial software products available that provide host or network-based functionality (data backup and restore, archiving, data logging, etc.) for these operating systems. Before selecting a user-level software product, ensure that the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive is supported by that product. Commercial software vendors usually publish a supported hardware list, or have telephone technical support personnel that will answer questions regarding compatibility of a particular tape drive or other storage device. Additionally, Digital Equipment Corporation publishes a list of commercial software products that support the TZ89. Digital's StorageWorks web page is: http://www.storage.digital.com. When choosing a software product to operate your tape drive, follow the software vendor's installation procedure to implement support for your tape drive.

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Product Notes for Sun

This appendix describes how to include the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive in a Sun SPARC system running Solaris 2.4 (or later). The information covers the installation of the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive hardware and configuring the system to communicate with the drive.

C.1 General Information

Densities can only be changed at the beginning of the tape.

Front panel operation will override software control of density and compression settings.

To use software-controlled density selections, the drive must first be placed in "automatic" mode. To accomplish this, press the DENSITY SELECT button the required number of times until only the DENSITY OVERRIDE light is blinking.

Compression can be enabled or disabled at any time, with the change taking effect immediately when writing TZ89 density.

Table C-1 Density Codes for Solaris

Density Code	Meaning
00h	Use default density
17h	CT-III – 42500 bpi FMF serial cartridge tape X3B5/91-1174, 2.6 GB
18h	CT-III – TZ86 – Same as TK85 except with 56 track pairs versus 24, 6 GB
19h	CT-III – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 10 GB
1Ah	CT-III – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (without compression)
7Fh	No change from previous density (Mode Select)
80h	CT-IV – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 10 GB (without compression)
81h	CT-IV – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (with compression)
82h	CT-IV – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (without compression)
83h	CT-IV – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 40 GB (with compression)
84h	CT-IV – 85937 bpi, 52 quad tracks, serial cartridge tape, 35 GB (without compression)
85h	CT-IV – 85937 bpi, 52 quad tracks, serial cartridge tape, 70 GB (with compression)

Where:

CT-III = CompacTape III Data Cartridge

CT-IV = CompacTape IV Data Cartridge

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C.2 Modifications Required for Solaris 2.4 (or later)

C.2.1 Installation Procedure

NOTE

In order to support the addition of this device, drive information must be supplied in the /kernel/drv/st.conf file as global properties that apply to each of the targets, or as properties that are applicable to one target only. The "st driver" looks for the property called "tape-config-list". For additional information, read the man page "st". We recommend here the use of the global properties approach.

C.2.1.1 System Modification

Perform the following steps to modify the system to communicate with the tape drive:

1. From the command line, type:

```
cd /kernel/drv
```

2. Edit the "st.conf" file by adding the following before the first occurrence of "name=":

```
# entry for TZ89 tape drive
tape-config-list = "DEC TZ89",
"DEC 70GB Cart. DLT Streaming /w Compression", "TZ89-data";
TZ89-data = 1,0x36,0,0x1639,4,0x82,0x83,0x84,0x85,3;
```

Where:

In the "tape-config-list" parameter:

- The first parameter (DEC TZ89) is the parameter returned by the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive on a SCSI inquiry command. (There should be five spaces between "DEC" and "TZ89" elements.)
- The second parameter (DEC 70GB Cart. DLT Streaming /w compression) is a *nickname* for the drive.
- The third parameter is defined as follows:

In the "TZ89-data" string:

- The first parameter (1) is the revision level of the software and is set to 1.
- The second parameter (0x36) is the **tape type**, specifying "other" tape drive.
 (This is defined in /usr/include/sys/mtio.h.)
- The third parameter (0) is the block size in bytes. Zero "0" means variable block size.

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- The fourth parameter (0×1639) defines the options selected. The 0×1639 value represents the following options:

```
\begin{array}{lll} ST_VARIABLE &= 0x0001 \\ ST_BSF &= 0x0008 \\ ST_BSR &= 0x0010 \\ ST_LONG_ERASE &= 0x0020 \\ ST_KNOWS_EOD &= 0x0200 \\ ST_UNLOADABLE &= 0x0400 \\ ST_LONG TIMEOUTS &= 0x1000 \end{array}
```

 The fifth parameter (4) defines the number of densities. The maximum definable number of densities is 4, which is a Sun Operating System limitation.

NOTE

In our example entry we choose to use TZ88 native and compressed modes for the two lower densities and TZ89 native and compressed modes for the two higher density drivers. Because your situation may demand something other than these settings, we have included Table C–1 which lists all other valid density values. Refer to Table C–1 for other density settings.

- The sixth parameter (0x82) is the vendor-unique density code for the CT-IV,
 20 GB.
- The seventh parameter (0x83) is the vendor-unique density code for CT-IV, 40
 GB compressed mode.
- The eighth parameter (0x84) is the vendor-unique density code for the CT-IV, 35 GB.
- The ninth parameter (0x85) is the vendor-unique density code for the CT-IV,
 70 GB compressed mode.
- The last parameter in the **TZ89-data** parameter is the default density 3, CT-IV in the 70 GB *compressed* mode.

Where:

CT-IV = CompacTape IV Data Cartridge

C.2.1.2 System Shutdown

After you have edited the "st.conf" file, shut down the system as follows:

```
sync
cd /
shutdown -i0 -g0 -y
```

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C.2.1.3 Installation of the Tape Drive

Install the tape drive into the storage subsystem and power on the workstation. We recommend that the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive SCSI device address be set to ID 4 or 5.

NOTE

If your SCSI host adapter is supported by the "probe-scsi" command, then you can use this command at the boot prompt to verify that the connected device is correctly attached to the system.

C.2.1.4 Rebooting of System

Reboot the system using the following command at the boot prompt:

Note that the switch "**r**" forces the kernel to be re-configured, and switch "**v**" enables a display of the system configuration at boot time.

The system compiles the kernel and creates special files in /dev so that it can communicate with the TZ 89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive. Since you booted the system using the verbose switch, the system displays all of its SCSI targets. Verify that "DEC 70GB Cart. DLT Streaming /w Compression" is displayed as a target when the system is booting.

At this time, the tape drive is configured in the /dev directory in two ways: rmt format, and rst format.

"rmt" format

In this format, the drive is configured with various options. For further explanations, see the man pages on "st" (the modes are x, xl, xm, xh, xc, and xu, where x is the **rmt** number).

- Options x, xu, and xc, correspond to the 0x85 (CT-IV, compressed) density mode.
- Option xl, corresponds to the 0x82 (CT-IV) density mode.
- Option xm corresponds to 0x83 (CT-IV) density mode.
- Option *xh* corresponds to 0x84 (CT-IV, *native*) density mode.
- Option *b* associates with the BSD behavior and is for backward compatibility on all of the above options. For further information, refer to the man pages of "mtio".
- The *n* option provides access to the device with **no rewind**, similar to *nrst* (below), and is also applicable to all of the above options.

Where:

CT-IV = CompacTape IV Data Cartridge

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"rst" format

Special files "rst" (rewind on close) and "nrst" (no rewind on close) are also built and reside in the /dev directory. For example, if the SCSI target ID for the drive is 4 and the drive is connected to the native SCSI bus, then "rst" will be "rst4, rst12, rst20, and rst28" and nrst will be "nrst4, nrst12, nrst20, and nrst28".

- *rst4* and *nrst4* correspond to the 0x82 density mode (CT-IV, *native* format)
- rst12 and nrst12 correspond to the 0x83 density mode (CT-IV, compressed format)
- *rst20* and *nrst20* correspond to the 0x84 density mode (CT-IV, *native* format)
- rst28 and nrst28 correspond to the 0x85 density mode (CT-IV, compressed format)

Where:

CT-IV = CompacTape IV Data Cartridge

C.2.1.5 Test

To test the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive, back up the "passwd" file to tape using the "tar" command, as follows:

```
tar cvf /dev/rst4 /etc/passwd
```

The system responds with:

```
a /etc/passwd 1 blocks
```

Note that, depending on the size of the file, a different number of blocks may be reported.

C.2.1.6 Verification

Verify that the "passwd" file was saved to tape using the following command:

```
tar tvf /dev/rst4
```

The system responds with

```
/etc/passwd
```

The installation and verification procedure is now complete.

C.2.2 Dump Parameters for the Tape Drive

The parameters that should be used when running the **ufsdump** utility with the tape drive are as follows:

```
density (d) = 85937 (BPI)
blocking factor = 126
```

Example,

The following parameter is an example of how to back up the entire disk partition (/dev/rdsk/c0t3d0s6) onto the tape drive:

ufsdump 0dbf 85937 126 /dev/rst4/dev/rdsk/c0t3d0s6

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Product Notes for IBM RS/6000

This appendix provides information for the system administrator. It should be read before installing and using the Model TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive SBB or Tabletop Tape Drive with a host system with the AIX 4.1.4 (or later) operating system.

D.1 Modifications Required to Operate the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Drive with AIX 4.1.4 (or later)

After the TZ89 DLT Cartridge Tape Drive SBB or Tabletop Tape Drive has been properly attached to the SCSI bus, install the device using "smit" or by executing specific commands while logged into the root account. Section D.1.1 below describes how to install the tape drive using the fast-path command (smit dev). Section D.1.2 describes how to install the device using the command-line interface.

D.1.1 Installing the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Drive Using the SMIT Command

The TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Tape Drive can operate with a variable block size (0, specified) or the conventional values of 512 or 1024.

1. From the command line, type:

smit dev

- 2. Select menu entry "Configure the devices you have added after the IPL".
- 3. Select menu entry "Change/show the characteristics".
 - a) Select the entry that matches the controller and target ID of your installation. *Example:* rmt1 available 00–03–00–50 other SCSI tape drive
 - where 3 is the SCSI controller number and 5 is the SCSI target ID
 - b) On the menu, change the settings of the "BLOCK size", "DENSITY setting #1", and "DENSITY setting #2".

Set "BLOCK size" to 0.

Set "DENSITY setting #1" to 133.

Set "DENSITY setting #2" to 132.

Density codes are listed in Section D.1.2 below.

c) Accept the changes.

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D.1.2 Installing the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Tape Drive Using Command-Line Interface

1. From the command line, type:

```
# cfgmgr
```

2. To determine which *rmt* has been added, type:

```
# lsdev -Cc tape
```

Example:

lsdev -Cc tape

```
Name Status Location Description rmt0 Available 00-03-00-50 Other SCSI Tape Drive
```

3. Next, type:

```
# chdev -l <rmt*> -a density_set_1=133 -a density_set_2=132
```

4. Finally, type the following:

```
# chdev -l <rmt*> -a block_size=<SIZE>
```

Example:

```
# chdev -l rmt0 -a block_size=0
rmt0 changed
```

Where,

```
<rmt*> is the tape drive added as shown by the lsdev command.
<SIZE> is the fixed block size (0 = variable).
```

Density code "133" specifies compressed format while "132" specifies uncompressed format. In rare cases, other density codes may be useful. The legal values for the density code are listed in the following table:

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Den	sity Code	Meaning
23	(0X17H)	TK85 – 42500 bpi FMF serial cartridge tape X3B5/91-1174, 2.6 GB
24	(0X18H)	TZ86 – Same as TK85 except with 56 track pairs versus 24, 6 GB
25	(0X19H)	TZ87 – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 10 GB
26	(0X1AH)	TZ88 – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (without compression)
128	(0X80H)	TZ87 – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 10 GB (without compression)
129	(0X81H)	TZ87 – 62500 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (with compression)
130	(0X82H)	TZ88 – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 20 GB (without compression)
131	(0X83H)	TZ88 – 81633 bpi, 64 track pairs, serial cartridge tape, 40 GB (with compression)
132	(0X84H)	TZ89 – 85937 bpi, 52 quad tracks, serial cartridge tape, 35 GB (without compression)
133	(0X85H)	TZ89 – 85937 bpi, 52 quad tracks, serial cartridge tape, 70 GB (with compression)

The files that are created are:

Tape Drive Special File Characteristics							
Special File Name	Rewind-on-Close	Retention-on Open	Bytes-per-Inch				
/dev/rmt*	Yes	No	Density Setting # 1				
/dev/rmt*.1	No	No	Density Setting # 1				
/dev/rmt*.2	Yes	Yes	Density Setting # 1				
/dev/rmt*.3	No	Yes	Density Setting # 1				
/dev/rmt*.4	Yes	No	Density Setting # 2				
/dev/rmt*.5	No	No	Density Setting # 2				
/dev/rmt*.6	Yes	Yes	Density Setting # 2				
/dev/rmt*.7	No	Yes	Density Setting # 2				

NOTES

- 1. The suggested values of *density setting #1* and *#2* are for compressed and uncompressed format respectively. The only use of uncompressed format is if the data is already compressed.
- 2. The *density value* can be useful in reading tapes on earlier TK85, TZ86, TZ87, and TZ88 cartridges.
- 3. Digital recommends changing the block size of the TZ89 DLT Cartridge SBB Tape Drive or Tabletop Tape Drive to the maximum allowed by the operating system, utility, or application. However, for some uses such as making bootable tapes or transferring tapes between host systems, a value of 512 or 0 (variable size) may be needed.

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