

# MODEL GL350VF GRAPHICAL OPERATOR TERMINAL



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The Paradigm operator interface Model GL350 was designed to meet the industrial demands of application power, versatility, reliability, and ease of use. The GL350 has provision, common to all Paradigm Family products, allowing for future product upgrades and new options and capabilities are developed.

#### SAFETY SUMMARY

All safety related regulations, local codes and instructions that appear in the manual or on equipment must be observed to ensure personal safety and to prevent damage to either the instrument or equipment connected to it. If equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

Do not use this unit to directly command motors, valves, or other actuators not equipped with safeguards. To do so, can be potentially harmful to persons or equipment in the event of a fault to the unit.





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CAUTION: Risk of Danger Read complete instructions prior to installation and operation of the unit. CAUTION: Risk of electric shock.

- 256 x 128 PIXEL, VACUUM FLORESCENT DISPLAY (VFD)
- 500 ALARM POINT LOGGER
- COMPREHENSIVE REPORT GENERATION
- UNLIMITED PASSWORD PROTECTION
- REAL TIME CLOCK BATTERY BACKED
- EXPRESSION EVALUATION
- 32 BIT / FLOATING POINT MATH
- DIRECT, NETWORK (Including Multiple Protocol) OR MODEM LINK TO PLC
- NEMA 4/IP65





UL Recognized Component, File # E179259

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

 POWER REQUIREMENTS: 11 to 30 VDC @ 6.7 W Power Up Current: 2.5 A for 1 msec. max. Must use a Class 2 or SELV rated power supply.

- DISPLAY: 256 x 128 pixel full graphic display. Automatic temperature compensation. Text formats up to 16 x 40 characters.
- 3. KEYPAD: 4 screen legendable soft keys, 12 User user-legendable function keys, numeric pad and raise, lower, next, previous, enter, delete, exit, alarms and mute keys all are embossed and have tactile feedback
- 4. MEMORY: 256K (192K user) battery backed RAM (Battery life expectancy 3 years 50/50 on/off cycle). Optional expansion to 768K (704K user).
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS: Operating Temperature: 0 to 40°C Storage Temperature: -20 to 80°C

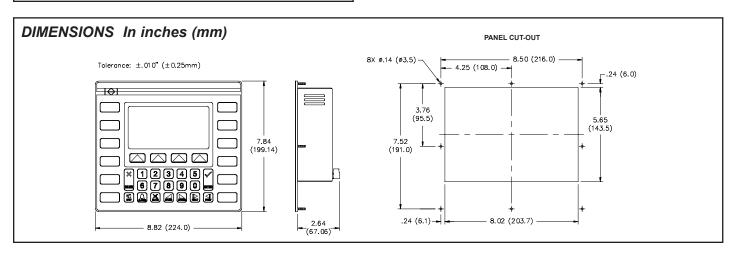
Operating and Storage Humidity: 20 to 80% max. RH (non-condensing) from 0°C to 40°C

Altitude: Up to 2000 meters

6. CONNECTIONS: Compression cage-clamp terminal block.

Wire Gage: 12-30 AWG copper wire Torque: 5-7 inch-pounds (56-79 N-cm)

- 7. **PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS**: L = 8.82" (224 mm), H = 7.84" (199 mm), D = 2.64" (67 mm).
- 8. CONSTRUCTION: Steel rear metal enclosure with NEMA 4/IP65 aluminum front plate when correctly fitted with the gasket provided. This unit is rated for NEMA 4/IP65 indoor use. Installation Category I, Pollution Degree 2



9. MOUNTING REQUIREMENTS: Max. panel thickness is 0.375" (9.5 mm) For NEMA 4/IP65 scaling, a steel panel with a minimum thickness of 0.125" (3.175 mm) is recommended.

#### 10. CERTIFICATIONS AND COMPLIANCES:

UL Recognized Component, File #E179259, UL61010-1, CSA C22.2 No.61010-1 Recognized to U.S. and Canadian requirements under the Component Recognition Program of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

Type 4 IndoorEnclosure rating (Face only), UL50

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CB Scheme Test Report #E179259-A1-CB-1

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IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1: Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use, Part 1.

IP65 Enclosure rating (Face only), IEC 529

#### **ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY**

#### **Immunity to Industrial Locations:**

Electrostatic discharge EN 61000-4-2 Criterion A 4 kV contact discharge 8 kV air discharge Electromagnetic RF fields EN 61000-4-3 Criterion A

10 V/m Criterion A

EN 61000-4-4 Fast transients (burst)

2 kV power 1 kV signal Criterion B

Surge EN 61000-4-5

1 kV L-L,

EN 61000-4-6

2 kV L&N-E power

RF conducted interference

Criterion A 3 V/rms

**Emissions:** 

EN 55011 **Emissions** Class A

Note:

1. Criterion A: Normal operation within specified limits.

2. Criterion B: Temporary loss of performance from which the unit selfrecovers.

11. FIELD CONNECTIONS: Removable screw terminal blocks.

12. WEIGHT: 3.22 lb. (1.46 Kg.)

#### INPUT/OUTPUT COMMUNICATIONS SPECS

1. SERIAL PORTS: Data Format and Baud Rates for each port is individually software programmable up to 19200 baud.

Port 1: Programming Port - RS-232 on an RJ-11 jack.

Port 2: RS-232 Port on a Plug-In Screw Terminal Block

Port 3: RS-485 Port on a Plug-In Screw Terminal Block

(Up to 29 Units can be connected and individually addressed.)

Note: LED Indicators show communications status on Ports 2 & 3

2. COMMUNICATION MODES: Any of the three ports can be used to communicate with Serial Devices.

Model - (unit name) may communicate in Master mode with a different device protocol on each port (See Note & Exception).

However, only one of Ports 2 and 3 may be configured if either is selected as a Slave protocol.

Note: Ports 2 and 3 may be configured as different device protocols in Master mode and Port 1 may be used simultaneously in Slave mode for a third device protocol.

Exception: If Allen Bradley DH485 is selected on either Port 2 or 3, only Port 1 will be available for a separate Device Protocol.

# ORDERING INFORMATION

MODEL NO.	DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER
	VFD, 16 X 40, 12 Function, 4 Soft keys, 256 K memory	GL350VF0
	VFD, 16 X 40, 12 Function, 4 Soft keys, 768 K memory	GL350VF1
	EDICT-97 Development Kit Includes Software, Manual and 9-pin RS232 Programming cables	SFEDT
	Communication Cables	P895xxxZ
	Battery Replacement	BNL20000

# COMMON FEATURES FOR GRAPHIC BASED OPERATOR TERMINALS

# **PROGRAMMABILITY**

#### **Event Driven Configuration Tool**

Edict 97, an extremely powerful Windows 95/3.11 based software program, provides for the intuitive configuration of every aspect of the operator interface's behavior. The requirement for time consuming PLC ladder logic is drastically reduced by the unique event driven approach of EDICT 97. The capability of this program, in conjunction with the PLC and the Paradigm operator interface unit, ensures a great deal of advanced functionality for your system. This powerful PLC/Paradigm system provides many of the capabilities and features normally associated with the more complicated and costly PC/SCADA systems. Display pages are easily generated, including PLC and internal variables, text strings, or bar charts. All dynamic elements are also available as alarms, recipes, triggers, and reports for the run time software. After completion of the programming, the program is directly downloaded to the operator interface from your PC, without any compiling or saving requirement. When you require a change in your program, EDICT 97 loads only the change, not the entire program, saving valuable on-line time.

# DYNAMIC DISPLAY PAGE ELEMENTS

Each display page has provisions to show static and dynamic information, including data variables, text messages, time, and date.

Data Variables can be either PLC derived or internally generated, either in data entry or display only mode. The Paradigm unit has an extremely powerful math capability, allowing the operator to manipulate the variables to meet the specific application's demands. If required, the display can be formatted to BCD, binary, hex, floating point, and string. Upper and lower limits of data entry variables are fully supported and password protected.

Text Message Animation enables several different types of animated text from a local or global message table to be displayed. The message displayed is dependent on the condition of the particular controlling expression. The controlling expression may be a PLC bit level, a timer value, preset counter condition, or any one of a wide variety of message triggers.

Time and Date in the Paradigm unit has the capability to display in any combination of year, month, day, hours, minutes, and seconds.

Bar Graphs in horizontal format are easily attached to data variables. The partial or full length bar graph displays can be scaled and offset to optimize the required display effect.

#### SECURITY

The password protection scheme provides the ultimate in tamper-proof capability. Access can be limited on a unit, page, recipe, or even individual data entries

# *ALARMS*

The Paradigm unit can monitor and log up to 500 alarms. Such triggers as a simple bit level transition, a PLC coil activation, or a complex application algorithm can activate an alarm. The alarms can be time and date stamped, with an automatic screen display and/or downloading to a printer for hard copy recording purposes.

# RECIPE HANDLING

Recipe handling in the Paradigm Operator Interfaces can be tailored to your requirements. Using the "Data Files" section of Named Data, one can set up arrays with meaningful titles, and select, edit, and maintain, recipe data up to 8000 elements per file. In conjunction with User Programs, and the flexible data displays, the operator can select desired recipe, by number or by title, and either upload from, or download to, the target system. All the functions of EDICT97 are available, so the programmer can password protect the editing of the recipes and allow for the transfer of data from a host system.

# REAL TIME SCHEDULE

Real time schedule allows for repetitive or one time task to take place in the system. Typically a schedule action similar to...At 1:55 PM on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday print the production report...is required in the application. In conjunction with the recipe capabilities, a downloading of a special recipe can be requested by the real time schedule feature.

### **USER PROGRAMS**

This feature offers the user the ability to incorporate custom application requirements via a powerful program language. For example, a program designated "Calculate Volume" which determines the amount of fluid in a round tank at specific temperatures could be created. This program would be triggered to run and display each time the page denoted as "Volume Now" is requested. The ability to customize to your applications specialized needs is easily solved with the user program capability.

#### KEYBOARD EDITING

All the interface keys can be programmed to perform virtually unlimited functions with each key, having multiple actions assigned to three types of key events: key pressed, key held down (auto repeat), and key released. Typical key actions would be Gotopage, set value, load recipe, view alarms, print report, and many more.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

With over 70 communication drivers available, the Paradigm operator interface offers a wide range of connectivity including: PLCs, Variable Speed Drives, Temperature Controllers, Bar Code Readers, etc. Utilizing real PLC data references, the automatic comms configuration optimizes the system's communication performance. In the event that your specific driver does not appear on the Paradigm drivers list, let us know, as this list is always being expanded to meet our customers' needs.

## **GRAPHIC UNITS**

In addition to all the features of the character-based units, the GL and GX will provide exceptional value in displaying trend graphs, process schematics and flow, and others, limited only by the imagination of the designer. The programmer can use the built-in standard symbols, or construct them. A sequence of graphical symbols can be assigned to a PLC location, and the powerful software will step through the sequence without the necessity of programming multiple expressions for each bitmap. Some of the inherent features of the Graphical Display units:

- Data Logging
- Process symbols, such as tanks, valves, etc.
- Extraordinary color displays on the VX-500 and VX-550.
- Memory expansion is field-upgradeable.
- Plus all the functions available in EDICT 97, the powerful event driven configuration tool that allows one to configure a system to do what is needed.

#### ANIMATED GRAPHICS

Graphical pages are constructed using both bitmaps and object graphics. Animation items such as tending, tank filling, horizontal and vertical bar graphs, valves, etc., make your display pages aesthetically pleasing as well as informative to the operator.

## HARDWARE INFORMATION

This bulletin contains a variety of information related to the installation and operation of the Operator Interface supplied. Ideally, you should read this document thoroughly before attempting to use the equipment. For information about the software aspects of the terminal, please consult other documentation.

#### CONTENTS OF PACKAGE

The Operator Interface is supplied in a packaging box containing the following...

- ◆ The interface terminal itself.
- ◆ A NEMA 4/IP65 rated mounting gasket.
- ◆ A bag containing panel hardware.
- This hardware bulletin.
- If any of these items is missing, please contact your supplier immediately.

# **POWER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS**

The Operator Interface requires a  $11-30~\rm VDC$  power supply rated at  $6.7~\rm W$  unless otherwise stated on the label.

◆ The terminal may take as little as 100 mA in certain circumstances, so be sure that the chosen power supply can operate correctly with this load. Large switch-mode supplies tend to need a certain minimum load before they will operate correctly.

In any case, it is very important that the power supply is mounted correctly if the unit is to operate reliably. A very high proportion of reported problems are caused by incorrect power supply installation, so please take care to observe the following points...

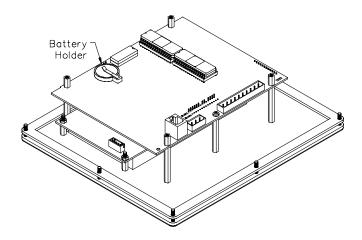
- The power supply must be mounted close to the unit, with usually not more than 6 feet of cable between the supply and the Operator Interface. Ideally, as short a length as is possible should be used.
- ◆ The wire used to connect the Operator Interface's power supply should be of at least 22 gage wire. If a longer cable run is used, you should use heavier gage wire. The routing of the cable should be kept away from large contactors, inverters and other devices which may generate significant electrical noise.

#### BATTERY BACKUP ISSUES

The Operator Interface is supplied with a Lithium Battery designed to maintain the internal memory and real-time clock during power outages. Assuming the operator interface terminal is powered up for 50% of the time, this battery should last over 4 years. A "Battery Low" system variable is available so that the programmer can choose specific action(s) to occur when the battery voltage drops below its nominal voltage.

It is possible to replace the battery without losing the contents of the Operator Interface's memory, but this does not reduce the importance of ensuring that a copy of the terminal's configuration is kept readily at hand to allow the terminal to be re-loaded in the case of mishaps. Please remember that although an image of the database contents can be uploaded, this file is not editable, so the importance of keeping a copy on disk cannot be over stressed.

## CHANGING THE BATTERY



To change the internal battery, follow these steps...

- Remove the power and PLC communications connector from the unit.
- Remove the four screws from the rear-cover, and remove rear cover.
- If you wish to avoid losing the terminal's configuration, reconnect the power connector and re-apply power. Note that this will require the panel to be powered-up and, as such, only suitably qualified staff should carry out this procedure.
- ◆ The battery is located in a holder on the main circuit board. This should be clearly visible. Remove the battery from its holder.
- ◆ Place the new battery in the holder. The terminal's power supply can now be disconnected, if you re-applied power in the step above.
- Replace the lid, screws and connector by following the above procedure in reverse. You may like to make a note of the date the battery was replaced to allow planned maintenance to be carried out.
- ◆ If you did not keep the unit powered-up during battery replacement, hold down the EXIT and MUTE keys on the keyboard and cycle power. Release the keys and follow the menu guides to clear the memory. The unit is now ready for a configuration database to be reloaded.

Please note that the old battery must be disposed of in a manner which complies with your local waste regulations. Also, the battery must not be disposed of in fire or in a manner whereby it may be damaged and its contents come into contact with human skin.

# INSTALLATION & CONNECTIONS

The unit meets NEMA 4/IP65 requirements for indoor use, when properly installed. The units are intended to be mounted into an enclosed panel.





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## INSTALLATION ENVIRONMENT

The unit should be installed in a location that does not exceed the maximum operating temperature and provides good air circulation. Placing the unit near devices that generate excessive heat should be avoided.

Continuous exposure to direct sunlight may accelerate the aging process of the bezel. The bezel should be cleaned only with a soft cloth and neutral soap product. Do NOT use solvents.

Do not use tools of any kind (screwdrivers, pens, pencils, etc.) to operate the keypad of the unit.

# **MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Operator Interfaces are designed for through-panel mounting. A neoprene gasket is provided, to enable sealing to NEMA 4/IP65 specification. The panel cut-out diagram for the model supplied is provided. All mounting holes should be drilled for 0.14" (3.5 mm) clearance. Care should be taken to remove any loose material from the mounting hole to avoid such metal falling into the Operator Interface itself during installation.

# CONNECTING TO A PLC

The Operator Interface is designed to operate with a PLC. A serial communication connection must be made between the operator interface terminal and PLC, and the details of this connection vary according to which PLC is used.

The following section lists the connection details for the PLC to be used .

#### PLC TYPE

Details on how to connect to most PLCs are available on request from RLC.

# CONNECTING TO AN IBM® PC/AT

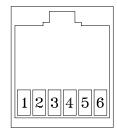
The Operator Interface is programmed via software running on an IBM PC/AT or a compatible computer. The connection between the PC/AT and the operator interface terminal is made via a custom cable provided with the EDICT

Developer's Kit. The cable is designed for a 9-way serial port. Please contact your supplier if you require a 25-way version.

## PROGRAMMING PORT PIN OUT

The Operator Interface's programming port is sometimes used to connect other RS-232 devices, such as printers. The following illustration and table gives the pin-out of this port to enable such connections to be made.

RJ11 FEMALE			
PIN	NAME		
1	RTS		
2	Tx		
3	GND		
4	GND		
5	Rx		
6	CTS		
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**Rear View of Unit** 

The above table denotes the pin names of the programming port. When connecting, the pin name at the programming port is connected to the opposite of that pin name at the destination device.

## **FUNCTION KEY STRIPS**

The function keys on the Models GL350, have clear windows that permit the user to insert labels appropriate to the process. A formatted page is supplied upon which the user can enter function names (e.g. RUN, PRINT, etc.). These strips are inserted from the rear of the panel through slots below the function keys located underneath the gasket.

Take care that the ink applied will not rub off of the paper, or else blemishes will be left on the inside of the window. Laminated paper or plastic film can prove easier to insert than normal photocopier paper. It also heips if the starting edge of the paper has about 0.25 inches of its corners cut off at a 45 degree angle.

Note: Add an additional 1.5" to label length to allow for easier insertion and removal.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

For further technical assistance, contact technical support at the appropriate company numbers listed.

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