User Guide – Memory Card Supplement

# **100mm Advanced Process Recorder**

SR100A





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<u> </u>	Earth (ground) terminal		The equipment is protected through double insulation

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# **1** INTRODUCTION

The Memory Card option on the advanced process recorder allows data logging and instrument configuration storage.

The instrument accepts the following memory cards:

SRAM	64K
SRAM	128K
SRAM	256K
SRAM	512K
SRAM	1M
SRAM	2M
SRAM	4M.

#### Notes.

- The advanced process recorder does not work with Flash EPROM, ROM or EPROM cards.
- **DOS format** is used that allows configuration storage and data logging in a form which can be imported directly onto a PC-based spreadsheet.
- The **DOS format** allows data logging and instrument configurations to be stored on the same card. The **DOS format** implemented on the instrument memory card has the following limitations:

Up to 32 files can be stored (including any volume label).

Files can be deleted only by reformatting the card.

• Cards should be formatted on the process recorder to prevent compatibility problems.

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# 2.1 Memory Card Format

#### Notes.

- All memory cards must to be formatted on the instrument before they can be used.
- **DOS format** is used that allows configuration storage and data logging in a form which can be imported directly onto a PC-based spreadsheet.
- The memory card's name (volume label in DOS) can be edited.
- The memory card's size is required to successfully format the card. Sizes available are 64kB, 128kB, 256kB, 512kB, 1MB, 2MB and 4MB.
- Formatting can take place only when data logging is not active.

## 2.1.1 Memory Card Format Page

A memory card can be formatted only if data logging is stopped or invalid. Before installing the card, note its memory size.



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# 2.1.2 Error Messages

The following error messages may be displayed during the format procedure:

Error Message	Error Condition	Action
CARD ERROR CARD ABSENT	Upper display flashing. The card is absent or may not be inserted properly	Fit the memory card correctly into the advanced process recorder.
CARD ERROR NOT FORMATTED	The card is not formatted and the EDIT CARD NAME is selected.	Select DOS FORMAT (Section 2.1.1).
FORMAT FUNCTION CARD WRITE PROTECTED	If the card is write protected and DOS FORMAT is selected, the lower display flashes.	Move the Write Protect tab to the unlocked position.
MEMORY CARD ERROR CARD ABSENT	Flashes if the card is absent (or not inserted properly) when the 😫 key is pressed.	Fit the memory card correctly into the advanced process recorder.
MEMORY CARD ERROR WRITE PROTECTED CARD	Flashes if the card is write protected when the 🕒 key is pressed.	Move the Write Protect tab to the unlocked position.

## 2.1.3 Using a PC to Format Memory Cards

Memory cards can be formatted on PCs that have been fitted with certain types of PCMCIA card reader. This method is faster than using the recorder and does not require data logging to be interrupted for longer than is absolutely necessary.

#### Notes.

- Memory cards cannot be formatted using a PC unless the format image from a blank card of the same capacity has first been created on the PC.
- Not all memory card readers and associated driver software have the facility to transfer card format images between memory card and PC.

The following notes apply generally to stand-alone memory card readers. For information on using specific card readers to format memory cards, refer to the manufacturer's instructions.

- 1) Ensure that the memory card reader and associated software is installed and running on a PC.
- 2) Insert a newly-formatted recorder memory card into the card reader see Section 2.1.1.
- 3) Create an image of the memory card format on the PC.
- 4) To format another memory card on the PC for use in the recorder, first insert the card requiring formatting into the card reader installed on the PC.
- 5) Copy the existing format image file created in step 3 to a newly-formatted card of the same capacity.

# 2.2 Data Logging

#### Notes.

- Data formatted for direct viewing on spreadsheet.
- Recording of up to 12 channels (analog inputs or maths results).
- Recording of process alarm states.
- Date and time stamping of data.
- Channel tags and units recorded for each channel.
- Scan times variable from 1 to 240 seconds.
- Card must be formatted for DOS format in the Memory Card Format Page see Section 2.1.1.

#### 2.2.1 Filenames

Logged data is saved to a unique filename. The filename comprises eight or less characters. All files are automatically given the extension '•SRx' where 'x' is initially '1'. The instrument provides a default filename.

 Default file format = SRddmmyy.SR1
 Example default file created on 17th May 1999 = SR170599.SR1

day month year

17th May 1999

The default filename may be edited by the user. The instrument searches the card directory to ensure that the filename selected is unique and then opens a new file with this name. An error message is displayed if this name already exists.

Some spreadsheets are limited to files of 8192 rows. In order to meet this requirement the process recorder automatically starts a new file when 8192 rows of data are exceeded. The new file has the same filename as before but the extension is incremented, e.g. SR1 becomes SR2. If the instrument is powered-down then powered-up again while data logging is active, ACTIVE-FOF (follow-on-file) is displayed momentarily. Data logging then automatically resumes but the data is stored onto a new file. This file has the same filename as before but the extension is incremented e.g. SR1 becomes SR2.

If data logging is stopped, the card can be removed to be viewed on a PC, and then returned to the process recorder where data logging can be resumed onto the same file. However, if a new filename is created, data cannot then be appended to any existing files. The number of channels and the channel sources are fixed on creation of the file and cannot be edited later. In order to store different channel data a new file has to be created. The scan interval may be changed at any time without creating a new file.

When a memory card becomes full, recording stops and an error message is generated – see Section 2.2.5. The memory card must be reformatted to remove existing data before it can be re-used – see Section 2.1.

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# 2.2.3 Viewing data on a Personal Computer (PC)

To view data on a PC:

- 1) Stop data logging in the Memory Card Data Logging Setup Page see Section 2.2.2.
- 2) Remove card from advanced process recorder.
- 3) Insert card into PCMCIA port. Internal (e.g. in lap-top PCs) or external PCMCIA ports can be used providing they are recognized as DOS drives by the PC.
- 4) Load spreadsheet.
- 5) Import the required file (created by the instrument) as ASCII values, delimited by space characters (refer to individual spreadsheet manuals for details of the procedure).



# 2.2.4 Memory Card Capacity

The data storage capacity is dependent on the memory card size and the scan time. Use the following formula to calculate the running time of a memory card for a given scan time.

Card Running Time (hrs) =  $\frac{\text{scan time (secs) x useable bytes}}{(13 + [No. of channels x 7]) x 3600}$  hrs Where: Scan time = 1 to 240 seconds

Usable bytes = number of bytes usable for data logging – see Table 2.1.

No. of channels = 1 to 12.

Card Size	Usable Bytes	
64k	63,488	
128k	129,024	
256k	260,096	
512k	521,216	
1M	1,045,504	
2M	2,092,032	
4M	4,186,112	

Note. The above calculations are applicable only if alarms are set to OFF - see Section 6.2.8 of the User Guide (IM/SR100A).

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## 2.2.5 Error Messages

Error Message	Error Condition	Action
CARD ERROR NOT FORMATTED	Upper display flashing. The card is not formatted.	Select DOS FORMAT (Section 2.1.1)
CARD ERROR CARD WRITE PROTECTED	Upper display flashing. The card is write protected.	Move the Write Protect tab to the unlocked position.
CARD ERROR CARD ABSENT	Upper display flashing. The card is absent or is not inserted properly	Fit the memory card correctly into the instrument.
CARD ERROR CARD ACCESS FAILURE	Upper display flashing. Hardware communication problem. Failure to read the card filename or, failure to read the memory card file directory.	See Note 1
CARD ERROR FILE EXISTS	The file already exists in the directory.	Use a new filename.
CARD ERROR CARD FULL	There is no vacant area in the directory.	Use a memory card with available space, return to the top of the <b>Memory</b> <b>Card Data Logging Setup Page</b> and complete the whole procedure. See Note 2.

**Note 1.** Check that the memory driver board PL1 is seated firmly on the digital processor board SK4, then repeat the procedure. If the procedure fails again, return the instrument to the Company for repair.

Note 2. Memory cards must be reformatted on the recorder to remove existing data - see Section 2.1.

# **3 CONFIGURATION LEVEL – ADVANCED**



# 3.1 Memory Card Format

This page is identical to the Memory Card Format Page in the Operating Level - see Section 2.2.1.

## 3.2 Memory Card Data Logging Setup

This page is identical to the Memory Card Data Logging Setup Page in the Operating Level - see Section 2.2.2.

## 3.3 Memory Card Database Setup

#### Notes.

- Allows storage of the instrument's configuration onto a memory card.
- Configuration stored as a DOS-compatible file.
- Allows data to be downloaded to another advanced process recorder of the same type fitted with the memory card option.
- Configuration files on the memory card can also be backed-up onto hard or floppy disk using a PC.
- Up to 32 files can be stored on a card.
- Configuration files and DOS format data logging files can be stored on the same drive.
- Allows configurations to be viewed and edited using the Configurator Editor PC software.
- Allows configurations created offline using the Configurator Editor PC software to be downloaded to the instrument.

# 3.3.1 Filename Restrictions

#### Notes.

- Any DOS compatible filename of up to eight characters can be entered by the user.
- Each file is automatically given the extension '.CFG' (Configuration).
- Existing filenames cannot be re-used or deleted (unless card is re-formatted).

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**3.3.2 Memory Card Database Setup Page** Data logging must be stopped in the **Memory Card Data Logging Page** before entry to this Page is enabled – see Section 2.2.2.

MEMORY CARD DATABASE SETUP	Page header – Memory Card Database Setup.		
DATA-BASE FUNCTION UPLOAD TO CARD OWNLOAD FROM CARD	Database Function Select the database function required: DOWNLOAD FROM CARD – Download previously stored configuration data from the card.		
Any error condition or NONE	<b>Note.</b> Only configurations previously stored on the instrument should be downloaded.		
	UPLOAD TO CARD – Upload the current configuration data to the card.		
	NONE – No selection.		
	On entry to this frame, the default is <b>NONE</b> . If the card has not been formatted, the only option is <b>NONE</b> .		
	Note. When uploading or downloading memory card data, all relays are de-energized and any analog outputs are set to 0mA. On completion of the operation, any relays energized previously are re-energized and analog outputs, if fitted, revert to their previous output value. Consequently, it is recommended that the uploading or downloading of memory card data is performed 'Off Line'. Alternatively, ensure any system affected by an analog or relay output is in a stable state before uploading or downloading memory card data.		
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## 3.3.3 Error Checking

When downloading, the database identified by filename is downloaded to the instrument memory and a further checksum is performed. This checksum is compared with that stored with the database. If the checksums are different, then the operation has failed. An error message is displayed depending on the result of the downloaded operation – see Section 3.2.4.

When a configuration database is uploaded to the memory card, the database is stored in a unique location defined by its filename. A checksum is performed and stored with the database. An error message is displayed depending on the result of the uploaded operation – see Section 3.2.4.

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# 3.3.4 Error Messages

Error Message	Error Condition	Action
CARD ERROR CARD ABSENT	The upper display flashes. The card is absent or is not inserted properly.	Fit the memory card correctly into the instrument.
CARD ERROR NOT FORMATTED	Upper display flashing. The card is not DOS formatted.	Select DOS FORMAT (Section 2.1.1). Format the memory card.
CARD ERROR CARD ACCESS FAILURE	Upper display flashing. Hardware communication problem. Failure to read the card status.	See Note 1.
DATABASE FUNCTION CARD WRITE PROTECTED	The lower display flashes if the card is write protected and UPLOAD TO CARD is selected.	Move the Write Protect tab to the unlocked position.
DOWNLOAD DATABASE FILE NOT FOUND	The selected filename cannot be found on the card.	Use an existing file on the card.
DOWNLOAD DATABASE CARD ACCESS FAILURE	Hardware communication problem Fails to read directory from the card.	See Note 1.
DOWNLOAD DATABASE FAILED	Hardware communication problem Fails to write/read data to/from card.	See Note 1.
UPLOAD DATABASE CARD ACCESS FAILURE	Hardware communication problem Fails to read directory from the card.	See Note 1.
UPLOAD DATABASE FAILED	Hardware communication problem Fails to write/read data to/from card.	See Note 1.
DOWNLOAD DATABASE CONFIG FAULTY	Data read from the card has been corrupted, causing a checksum calculation error.	Repeat the download procedure. If an error occurs again, check the instrument configuration.
UPLOAD DATABASE FILE EXISTS	A file with the same name already exists on the card.	Use a new filename.
UPLOAD DATABASE CARD FULL	The file directory of the card already contains 32 files, or there is insufficient available space on the card for the complete configuration.	Use a memory card with available space, return to the top of the <b>Memory Card</b> <b>Database Setup Page</b> and complete the whole procedure. See Note 2.

**Note 1.** Check that the memory driver board PL1 is seated firmly on the digital processor board SK4, then repeat the procedure. If the procedure fails again, return the instrument to the Company for repair.

Note 2. Memory cards must be reformatted to remove existing data – see Section 2.1.

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If problems are encountered using the memory card facility, check for the following:

- 1) Card absent error due to incorrect insertion.
- 2) Card write protect is in the unlocked position.
- 3) Wrong type of card. It must be a 68-pin PCMCIA type 1 S-RAM card.
- 4) Formatting must be carried out on the instrument, not on a PC.



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