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How To Create a Shift Code

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1 Introduction

This document describes how to set up shift codes for the 5900 and 7900 printers.

You need a User Level C password to perform all the tasks that are described in this document.

1.1 Health and Safety

Make sure that you read and understand the Health and Safety information in the 'Safety' section of the *Linx 5900 & 7900 Quick Start Guide*.

2 Shift codes

A shift code records the time or the day of the week during which a message was printed. You can use the shift code to help you identify each batch of products. The 5900 and 7900 printers can generate two types of shift code field—Daily or Weekly. These types are described below.

2.1 Examples

The two types of shift code are shown in the examples that follow.

2.1.1 Example 1: Daily shift code

This type of shift code is repeated each day and indicates the time during which a message was printed. For example:

Time	Shift Code
06:00 to 14:00	"AAA"
14:00 to 22:00	"BBB"
22:00 to 06:00	"CCC"

Figure 1. Daily shift code

The start time of each period defines the end of the previous period.

2.1.2 Example 2: Weekly shift code

This type of shift code is repeated each week and indicates the day on which a message was printed. For example:

Day and Time	Shift Code
Monday 00:00 to Friday 23:59	"AAA"
Saturday 00:00 to Saturday 23:59	"BBB"
Sunday 00:00 to Sunday 23:59	"CCC"

Figure 2. Weekly shift code

When you create a Weekly shift code, you can set the time at which the code changes on each day. The start day and time of each period defines the end of the previous period.

3 Shift Code Editor

You use the Shift Code Editor to create a shift code. To access the Shift Code Editor from the **Print Monitor** page, press the **Menu** key. Then select **Stores** > **Shift Code Store** to display the **Shift Code Store** page.
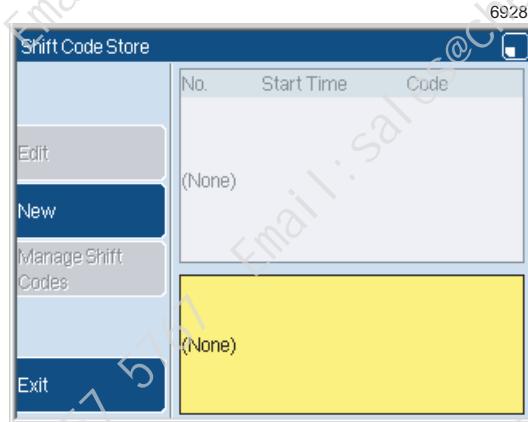

Figure 3. Shift Code Store page

If there are shift codes in the store, this page shows a list of the shift code names. If there are no shift codes in the store, the **Edit** key and the **Manage Shift Codes** key are not available.

3.1 Create a shift code

To create a new shift code, do the following.

1   At the **Shift Code Store** page, press the **New** key to display the **Shift Code Editor** page. The printer displays the **Shift Code Editor** page, which contains a new blank shift code.
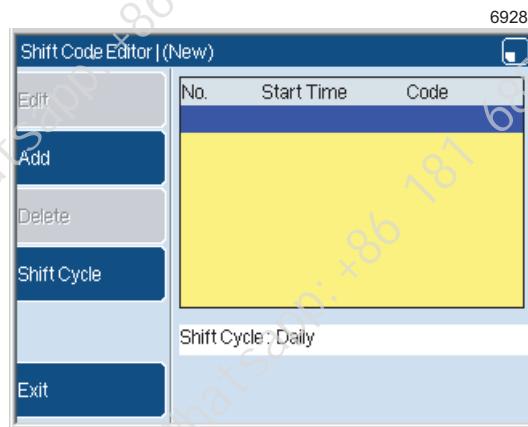

Figure 4. New shift code

The **Shift Code Editor** page shows the current type of Shift Cycle ("Daily" in Figure 4). Before you begin, you must select one of the shift cycle types—Weekly or Daily.

NOTE: You *cannot* change the type after you add an item to the shift code.

2   Press the **Shift Cycle** key to display the **Shift Cycle** page.

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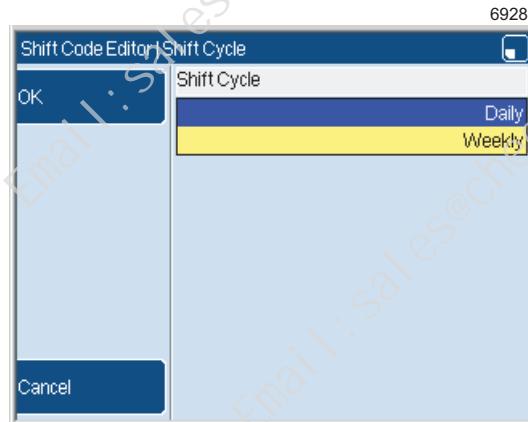
Figure 5. Shift Cycle page

3   Highlight the required type then press the **OK** key to return to the S**hift Code Editor** page.

4   To insert the first item, press the **Add** key. The printer displays the **Add** page (Figure 6). If you selected a Daily shift code, the **Start Day** option is not available.

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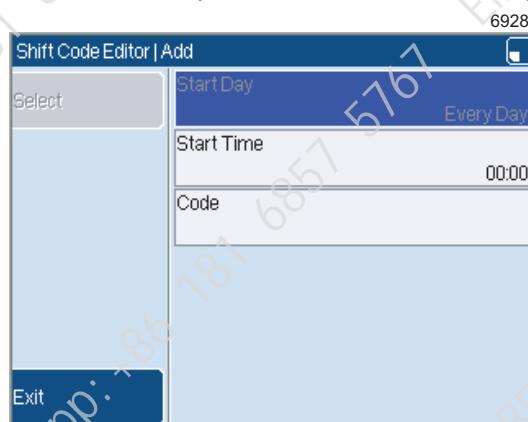
Figure 6. Add page: Daily shift code

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If you selected a Weekly shift code, the option is available, as shown below.

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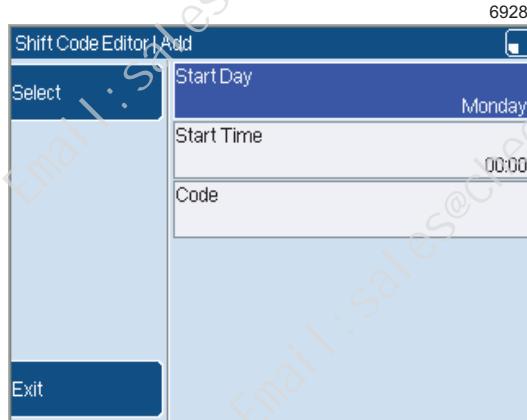
Figure 7. Add page: Weekly shift code

5   For a Weekly shift code, select the **Start Day** option to display the **Start Day** page.

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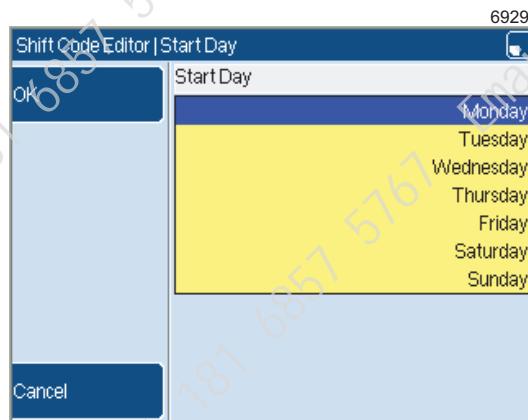
Figure 8. Start Day page

In Example 2 on page 3, the first Start Day is Monday. Highlight the required day and press the **OK** key to return to the **Add** page.

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6   To set the time at which the shift begins, select the **Start Time** option to display the **Setup** page.

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Shift Code Editor | Setup

OK

Time
00:00

Cancel
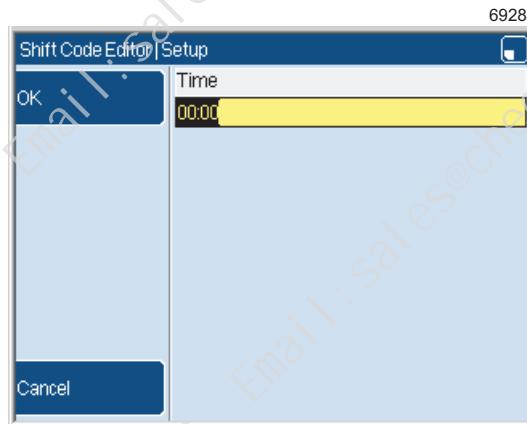
Figure 9. Setup page: time

For the "Daily" example on page 3, the first Start Time is "06:00". For the "Weekly" example, the Start Time for each day is "00:00".

Enter the start time and press the **OK** key to return to the **Add** page.

7   To enter the text for the shift code, select the **Code** option to display the **Shift Code** page.

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Shift Code Editor | Shift Code

OK

Shift Code

Cancel
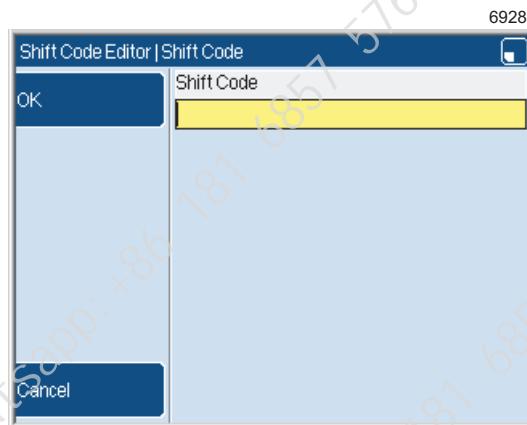
Figure 10. Shift Code page

For both examples, the text for the first item is "AAA". Enter these letters *without* the quotation marks, then press the **OK** key to return to the **Add** page.

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The **Add** page shows you the information that you entered for the first item. The page for the Daily shift code is as follows.
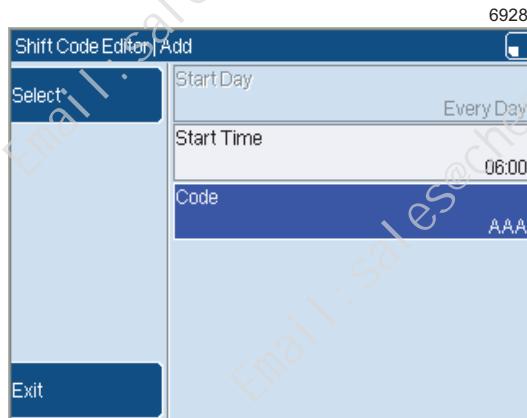
Figure 11. Add page: Daily shift code

The page for the Weekly shift code is as follows.
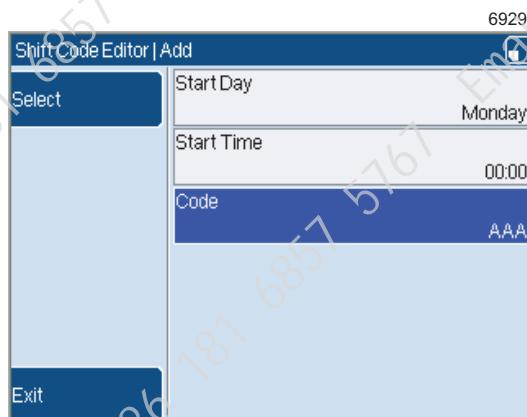
Figure 12. Add page: Weekly shift code

8   Press the **Exit** key to return to the **Shift Code Editor** page. The page shows the first item in the shift code.
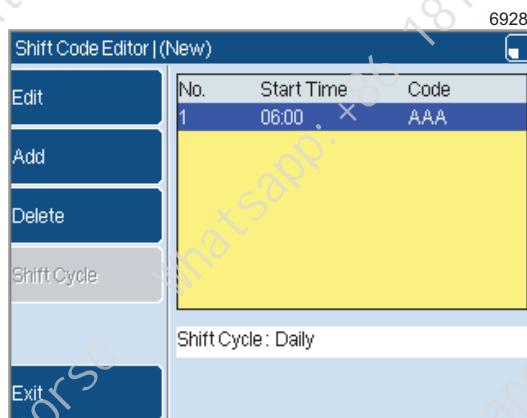
Figure 13. Shift Code Editor page: first item

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9 Repeat steps **4** to **8** to add the next two items. The **Shift Code Editor** page shows the three items in the shift code.

Figure 14. Shift Code Editor page: Daily shift code

10 To save the shift code, press the **Exit** key. The printer displays the **Save As** page.
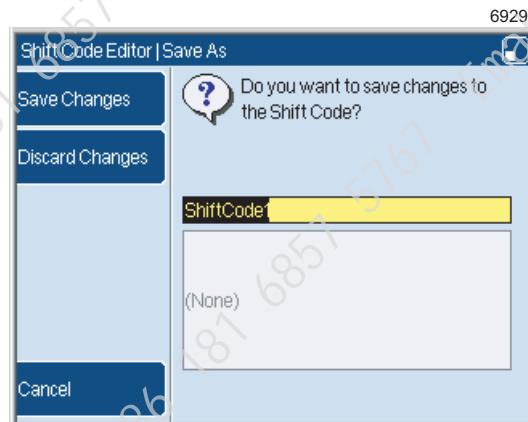
Figure 15. Save As page

The *Linx 5900 & 7900 Quick Start Guide* describes how you use the **Save As** page.

3.2 Edit a shift code

To edit an existing shift code, do the following.

At the **Print Monitor** page, press the **Menu** key. Then select **Stores** > **Shift Code Store**. The printer displays the **Shift Code Store** page.
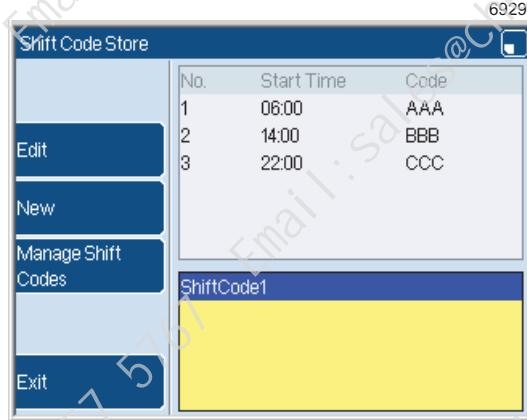
Figure 16. Shift Code Store page: Daily shift code

The page shows you a list of the shift codes that are in the store. Highlight the name of the required shift code and press the **Edit** key. The printer displays the **Shift Code Editor** page.
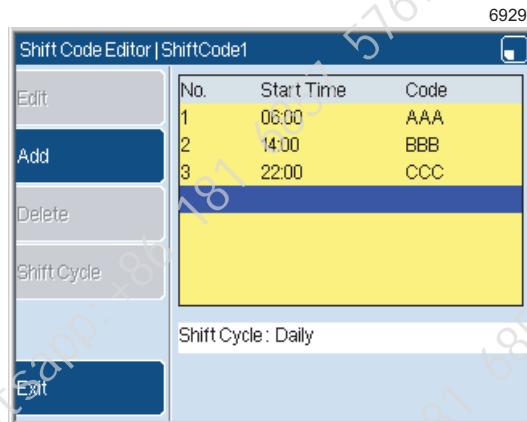
Figure 17. Shift Code Editor page: ShiftCode1

To add an item to the shift code, press the **Add** key (see step **4** on page 5). When you add an item, the position of the cursor is not important. The printer puts the new item in the correct position in the list. The position depends on the Start Time of the new item. For a Weekly shift code, the position depends on the Start Day and the Start Time.

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To make other changes, move the cursor to highlight an item. The **Edit** key and the **Delete** key become available.

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Figure 18. Shift Code Editor page: ShiftCode1

Press the **Delete** key to delete the highlighted item. The printer displays a confirmation page.

To edit the highlighted item, press the **Edit** key to display the **Edit** page.

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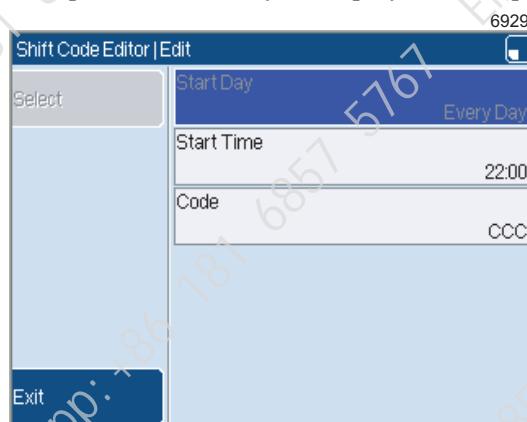
Figure 19. Edit page

The **Edit** page is like the **Add** page which is described on page 5.

3.3 Manage shift codes

At the **Shift Code Store** page (see Figure 16 on page 10), press the **Manage Shift Codes** key to display the **Manage Shift Codes** page.
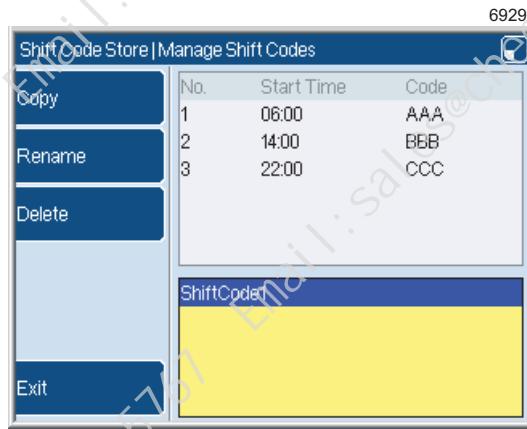

Figure 20. Manage Shift Codes page

You can use the **Manage Shift Codes** page to copy a shift code, change a shift code name, or delete a shift code. The **Copy** option, the **Rename** option, and the **Delete** option are not described in this document. These options are like the options in the **Message Store** > **Manage Messages** page, which is described in the *Linx 5900 & 7900 Quick Start Guide*.