

Application Note #4

Axle Weighing on the M2000

Axle weighing applications can be easily created on the M2000. This application note discusses different axle weighing application scenarios including wheel weighers.

This application note discusses the following:

- **Accumulating axles**
- **Working with axle pads (2 channel scale)**
- **Truck In/ Truck Out axle weighing**
- **Displaying and printing axle weights**

This application note has 2 examples and requires M2000 version 1.35 or greater. Ticket formatting in the examples are based on an Epson Tape printer.

Example 1 (basic axle weighing)

This example demonstrates:

- **Printing axle weights**
- **Implementing an axle counter**
- **Initializing accumulator and axle counter to zero**
- **Printing totals and axle weights**

Basic Axle Weighing

This ticket was designed for safety inspectors that check axle weights on trucks using an axle scale. Once again we use an Epson tape printer. This ticket program is split over three different tickets that perform different functions.

The inspector starts the weighing process by using the IN key. This prints the ticket header and clears the accumulator registers. When the trucks axle is positioned over the scale the PRINT/SELECT key is pressed to capture and print the axle weight. This is repeated for each axle on the scale. When the truck is finished being weighed then the OUT key is used to complete the ticket and print the total axle weights.

The tickets are defined and their keys are assigned:

IN key is assigned to ticket 200 and is used to start the axle weighing process

PRINT/SELECT key is assigned to ticket 201 and is used to weigh an axle

OUT key is assigned to ticket 202 and is used to end the axle weighing sequence

Ticket 200 start of axle weighing

This ticket prints the site location time/date and clears the accumulators used to total axle weights and axle counts.

13 CR

10 LF

P100 emphasized mode on

P101 double height ON

P104 underline ON

80,114,105,110,103,101, 32 "Prince "

71,101,111,114,103,101 ,32, 83,111,117,116,104, 32 "George South"

87, 101,105,103,104, 32, 83,99,97,108,101, "Weight Scale"

P108 reset printer fonts

13 CR

10 LF

C20 print time

32 space

C21 print date

C22 Clear the ACC1 register (total axle weights)

C257 Clear the ACC4 register (axle count)

C259 increment axle counter to 1

13 CR

10 LF

Ticket 201 print an axle number and axle weight

This Ticket Prints the Axle # and Axle Weight and adds the weight to the accumulator.

13 CR
10 LF
P913 send the string "axle: " to the printer
C256 print the acc4 as integer number (axle count)
32,32 " " add some spaces
C30 print gross weight channel 1
C25 add gross weight to ACC1
C259 increment the axle count in ACC4
13 CR
10 LF

Ticket 202 finish axle weighing, print total axle weights

Print the total axels and finish off the ticket

10 LF
10 LF
P104 underline ON
P100 emphasized mode on
P914 send the string "Total Axle Weight " to the printer
C24 print the total axle weight
P108 reset printer fonts
13 CR
P114 form feed 9 lines
9 number of lines

Pringe George South Weigh Scale

07:37:37 12/01/2000

Axle: 1 3035 kg

Axle: 2 3120 kg

Axle: 3 3382 kg

Axle: 4 3728 kg

Axle: 5 3810 kg

Total Axle Weight 17075 kg

Example 2 (Wheel weighing)

This example demonstrates:

- **2 weigh pads connected to an M2000**
- **Printing left and right axle weights**
- **Entering an ID number for a truck**
- **Accumulating axle weights**
- **Implementing an axle counter**
- **Initializing accumulator and axle counter to zero**

Axle Pad weighing (using 2 wheel weighers)

A logging company uses axle pads to check proper loading of logging trucks. Two wheel pads or scales are used for the left and right axle wheels. Channels 1 and 2 on the M2000 are connected to individual axle pads running in TOTAL mode. The indicator is connected to a tape printer. The indicator prints the left and right axle weights separately and the totals. From this ticket the truck can be verified that it is loaded properly.

This application uses 3 tickets and is meant for a tape printer. Some minor changes are required to adapt the ticket to other printers.

Ticket 200

This ticket is assigned to the IN key. This ticket is used to start the weighing process. When this ticket is called the axle totals are cleared and indicator prompts the user for a truck ID. After the user enters the truck ID the indicator prints the truck ID and time and date to the printer.

Ticket 201

This ticket is assigned to the print select key. Whenever it is pressed it prints the axle number, left axle weight, right axle weight and total axle weight. The ticket increments the internal axle count and adds the axle weight to the totalizer.

Ticket 202

Assigned to the OUT key.

This ticket prints the total truck weight and the left and right axle totals.

Ticket 200

This ticket is assigned to the IN key
Prints the ticket header and time and date.

- C26 clear the axle counter register to zero
- C27 increment axle count to 1
- C22 clear ACC1 to zero (left axle accumulator)
- C220 clear ACC2 to zero (right axle accumulator)

C81 prompt for ID number (ID number stored in ID register)
(note if clear is pressed, then the ticket aborts here)

13 CR
10 LF

65,120,108,101, 32 ,67,104,101,99,107 "Axle Check "

13 CR
10 LF

C20 print time
32 space
C21 print date

13 CR
10 LF

P906 send the string "TRUCK ID" to the printer

C79 print the ID number stored in the ID register

13 CR
10 LF
10 LF

P913 send the string "Axle" to the printer

32,32 spaces

P922 send the string "Left" to the printer

32,32,32 spaces

P923 send the string "Right" to the printer

32,32,32 spaces

P904 send the string "Total" to the printer

13 CR
10 LF

Axle Check

02:17:29 11/09/2000

Truck ID: 123

Axle Left Right Total

Ticket 201

This ticket is assigned to the PRINT SELECT key
Prints the axle weights.

13 CR
10 LF

C288 ACC1 = ACC1 + channel 1 gross weight (left axle)

C289 ACC2 = ACC2 + channel 2 gross weight (right axle)

C28 print the axle count value

32,32,32 spaces

C30 print the ACC1 register (print left axle weight)

32,32 spaces

C31 print the ACC2 register (print right axle weight)

32,32 spaces

C46 print the total of active channels (total axle weight)

C27 increment the axle count

13 CR
10 LF

001	938 kg	1742 kg	2680 kg
002	954 kg	1742 kg	2696 kg
003	978 kg	1746 kg	2724 kg
004	932 kg	1748 kg	2680 kg

Ticket 202

Assigned to the out key.

This ticket prints the trucks total axle weight.

13 CR

10 LF

P914 send the string "Total Axle Weight" to the printer

P922 send the string "Left " to the printer

C24 print ACC1 weight value

13 CR

10 LF

P914 send the string "Total Axle Weight" to the printer

P923 send the string "Right " to the printer

C240 print ACC2 weight value

13 CR

10 LF

C251 ACC4=ACC1+ACC2

P924 send the string "Total Truck Weight" to the printer

C255 print ACC4 (total axle weight)

13 CR

10 LF

10 LF

10 LF

An example of what the ticket will look like is shown below:

Axle Check			
02:17:29 11/09/2000			
Truck ID: 123			
<u>Axle</u>	<u>Left</u>	<u>Right</u>	<u>Total</u>
001	938 kg	1742 kg	2680 kg
002	954 kg	1742 kg	2696 kg
003	978 kg	1746 kg	2724 kg
004	932 kg	1748 kg	2680 kg
Total Axle Weight Left 3802 kg			
Total Axle Weight Right 6978 kg			
Total Truck Weight 10780 kg			

Example 3 (Wheel weighing (no printer))

This example demonstrates:

- **An application that does not use a printer**
- **2 weigh pads connected to an M2000**
- **Sending text messages to the display**
- **Displaying axle count on the display**
- **Accumulating axle weights**
- **Displaying truck total on display**

Axle Pad weighing (with no printer)

This example is similar to the previous example where two wheel weigh pads are used to weigh axles. The difference here is that we do not use a printer to record the results, as the operating environment does not allow us to do so.

We run the indicator in scan mode. The indicator will then scan through the left wheel, right wheel and the total axle weight. So the operator will have a continuous visual of the weigh pads.

We will use similar tickets to totalize the axle weight, but we won't print them, but instead display the total axle weights on the indicators display. This ticket is designed for two axle pads, but can be adapted to a single axle scale if required.

Three tickets are used for this application:

Ticket 200

This ticket is assigned to the IN key.

It simply clears the running total to zero. It also displays the message "cleared" on the display to indicate to the operator that the axle totals have been cleared.

Ticket 201

This ticket is assigned to the print select key. Whenever it is pressed the sum of channel 1 and 2 are added to the axle running total. The axle count is briefly displayed on the display to indicate which axle count you are on.

Ticket 202

Assigned to the OUT key.

This ticket displays the total axle weight of the truck. It sends a message to the display "TOTAL" and the display the total weight for 3 seconds.

Ticket 200

This ticket is assigned to the IN key.
Clear accumulators to zero.

C300 "send 6 characters to the display_
67,76,69,65,82,69,68 "CLEARED"

C405 pause 1 sec

C301 reset display back to weight

C26 clear the axle counter register to zero

C27 increment axle count to 1

C257 clear ACC4 to zero

C280 $ACC5=ACC4$ (clear the axle totals stored in ACC5)

Ticket 201

This ticket is assigned to the print select key.
Add axle weight to axle total.

C297 $ACC1 =$ channel 1 gross weight (left axle)

C298 $ACC2 =$ channel 2 gross weight (right axle)

C253 $ACC4 = ACC1+ACC2$ (total of axle weight = left+right)

C296 $ACC5=ACC5+ACC4$ add axle weight to accumulator (total axle weight)

C264 copy axle count to ACC4

C411 display ACC4 to display as integer

C405 pause 1 sec

C301 reset display back to weight

C27 increment the axle count

Ticket 202

This ticket is assigned to the OUT key.

Display total axle weights.

C300 "send 6 characters to the display_
84,79,64,65,76,32 "TOTAL "

C405 pause 1 sec

C281 ACC4=ACC5 copy total axle weight to ACC4

C410 display ACC4 to the display as weight (total axle weight)

C405 pause 1 sec

C405 pause 1 sec

C405 pause 1 sec

C301 reset display back to weight

Example 4 (truck in/ truck out)

This example demonstrates:

- **Combining axle weighing with truck in/out**
- **Printing axle weights**
- **Implementing an axle counter**
- **Initializing accumulator and axle counter to zero**
- **Printing totals and axle weights**
- **Storing and recalling truck tare weights**
- **Print Gross, Tare, Net**

Axle Scale with Truck in/ Truck out

A customer has an axle scale and wants to weight the individual axles on the truck and store the total weight using an ID number. This procedure is done both when the truck enters and leaves the facility. At the end of the transaction the driver will have a ticket showing the gross, tare and net weights.

This application requires some careful thought on the optimal procedure for weighing the axles.

To start axle-weighing press 200 followed by the print/select key. This prints the time and date and clears the axle weight accumulator. From here on the operator simply pressed the print/select key to record an axle weight. An axle weight is printed along with the axle number.

When the user has finished weighing all the axles on the truck he can then press the IN key for an inbound transaction or the OUT key for an outbound transaction. The user is then prompted for a truck ID number to either store or recall the total truck axle weights. The OUT key will also print the gross tare and net weights.

IN key is assigned to ticket 202 and is used to start the axle weighing process
PRINT/SELECT key is assigned to ticket 201 and is used to weigh an axle
OUT key is assigned to ticket 203 and is used to end the axle weighing sequence

We are using an EPSON tape printer for this ticket.

Ticket source definition

Four tickets will be used for this application and they are discussed below:

Ticket 200

This ticket will be used for the axle weighing procedure. It prints the time and date and the company name. Clears the accumulators to zero and prepares the axle weighing procedure. This ticket starts the axle weighing process. You must enter 200 print/select to start axle weighing.

Ticket 201

This ticket is assigned to the print/select key. Every time you press the Print/Select key an axle weight will be recorded and printed.

Ticket 202

This ticket is assigned to the IN key and is used to record the truck IN weight. Pressing the IN key will total all the axle weights and store them under an ID number. So after you are done with axle weighing (started by ticket 200), you would then finish the axle weighing for the inbound truck by pressing the IN key followed by print select.

Ticket 203

This ticket is assigned to the OUT key and completes the weighing transaction. It totalizes the outbound axles weights and then prompts the user to enter an ID number to retrieve the stored TARE weight. It finishes the ticket off by printing the gross tare and net weights.

Ticket 200: Start the axle weighing

13 CR
10 LF
P100 emphasized mode on
P101 double height ON
P104 underline ON
87,69,83,84,69,82,78, 32 "WESTERN"
83,67,65,76,69, 32,67,79,46, 32,76,84,68,46 "SCALE CO. LTD."

P108 reset printer fonts

13 CR
10 LF

C20 print time
32 space
C21 print date
C22 Clear the ACC1 register (total axle weights)
C257 Clear the ACC4 register (axle count)
C259 increment axle counter to 1
13 CR
10 LF
C100 Assign Print/Select key to ticket 201
201 ticket 201

13 CR
10 LF

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WESTERN SCALE CO. LTD.  
08:35:42 12/01/2000  
  
Axle: 1 2136 kg  
Axle: 2 2184 kg  
Axle: 3 2312 kg  
Axle: 4 2385 kg  
  
Total Axle Weight 9017 kg  
Truck ID: 123
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Ticket 201: Prints the Axle # and Axle Weight

13 CR
10 LF
P913 send the string "axle: " to the printer
C256 print the acc4 as integer number (axle count)
32,32 " " add some spaces
C30 print gross weight channel 1
C25 add gross weight to ACC1
C259 increment the axle count in ACC4
13 CR
10 LF

Ticket 202: Store total inbound axle weights

After the axles weighing is complete for the inbound truck, the weight can be stored with an ID number. This ticket is assigned to the IN key and stores the total axle weight to an ID number and prints the total axle truck weight along with the ID number. If you enter a used ID number, or an invalid one then the ticket aborts with nothing printed.

C85 Call the truck in loop function and store the total axle weight in ACC1
(Note: if an invalid or used ID number is entered the ticket aborts here)
13 CR
10 LF
P104 underline ON
P100 emphasized mode on

P914 send the string "Total Axle Weight " to the printer
C24 print the total axle weight
10 LF
13 CR
P108 reset printer fonts

P906 send the string "Inbound ID"
C79 print the truck ID number that the weight was stored under

10 LF
13 CR
P114 form feed 9 lines
9 number of lines

Ticket 203 Recall stored axle weights and print gross, tare and net

C86 Call the truck out loop function and retrieve the stored IN weight
(Note: if an invalid or unused ID number is entered the ticket aborts here)

13 CR

10 LF

P104 underline ON

P100 emphasized mode on

P914 send the string "Total Axle Weight " to the printer

C24 print the total axle weight

10 LF

13 CR

P108 reset printer fonts

P916 send the string "Outbound ID"

C79 print the truck ID number that the weight was stored under

10 LF

13 CR

10 LF

P101 double height ON

P901 send the string "gross weight"

C74 print the truck loop GROSS weight

10 LF

13 CR

P902 send the string "tare weight "

C75 print the truck loop TARE weight

10 LF

13 CR

P903 send the string "net weight "

C76 print the truck loop NET weight

P108 reset printer fonts

10 LF

13 CR

P114 form feed 9 lines

9 number of lines

WESTERN SCALE CO. LTD.

08:36:33 12/01/2000

Axle: 1 2579 kg

Axle: 2 2886 kg

Axle: 3 3218 kg

Axle: 4 3555 kg

Total Axle Weight 12238 kg

Outbound Truck ID: 123

Gross 12238 kg

Tare 9017 kg

Net 3221 kg