The thermostat’s display has four distinct fields. These fields are the Menu field, the Item field, the Number field and the Status field. The four buttons on the face of the thermostat are used to navigate through the menus and items to view and / or adjust the desired settings.
Display Symbols

- **Warning**: Displays when an error exists.
- **Access Level**: Displays when in the user access level.
- **Early Start**: Displays when the thermostat is in early start.
- **Heat One**: Displays when the heat one contact is on.
- **Heat Two**: Displays when the heat two contact is on.
- **Cool One**: Displays when the cool one contact is on.

General

**CYCLES PER HOUR (HEAT CYCLE and COOL CYCLE)**

The thermostat operation is based on cycles per hour. The number of cycles per hour is adjustable through the HEAT CYCLE and COOL CYCLE settings in the Adjust menu. During each cycle that heating or cooling is required, the thermostat turns on the Heat or Cool relay(s) for a calculated amount of time. This amount of time is the “on time”. The on time is calculated based on the requirements of the zone. If the zone requires more heating or cooling, the appropriate on time is increased. If the zone requires less heat or cooling, the appropriate on time is reduced.

In order to prevent short cycling of the heating relay(s), the thermostat ensures that the relay(s) remains on or off for a minimum amount of time. In order to prevent short cycling of the Cool relay, the minimum cooling on time and minimum cooling off time settings are adjusted in the Adjust menu of the 512.

An Auto Cycle setting is available for both the heating cycle and the cooling cycle. This setting allows the thermostat to determine the best number of cycles per hour that balances both temperature swings and equipment cycles.

**EARLY START (⇦⇨☞)**

- **Heating** - The early start function for heating ensures that the zone is up to the proper temperature at the beginning of each period. The thermostat learns the recovery rate over multiple setback events in order to determine the proper lead time for the zone. If both an air sensor and a slab sensor are used, the lead time is the greater of the air sensor’s or the slab sensor’s requirements.

- **Cooling** - The early start function, when used with cooling, allows the cooling system to turn on 30 minutes prior to the beginning of a period that requires cooling.

**NOTE**: The Early Start feature occurs when the schedule changes from a low temperature to a higher temperature.
AUXILIARY SENSORS

The thermostat has a single built-in sensor to measure air temperature at the thermostat. In addition to the built-in sensor, the thermostat has terminals to connect up to two separate sensors. These sensors can be either indoor sensors, slab sensors, a remote sensor, or an outdoor sensor.

Indoor Sensor

An indoor sensor is used to measure the air temperature in the zone that the thermostat is controlling. The temperature being read by the indoor sensor is used in the calculations of the on times for the relay(s) in the thermostat. Either one or both of the auxiliary sensor inputs can be configured for indoor sensors. This setting is made through the Adjust menu of the thermostat. If more than one sensor, either the built-in sensor or an auxiliary sensor set as an indoor sensor, is being used to measure the zone temperature, the temperature of the active sensors is averaged and used to calculate the on time of the relay(s).

Slab Sensor

A slab sensor is used to measure the slab temperature in the zone that the thermostat is controlling. The temperature being read by the slab sensor is used in the calculations of the on time for the Heat relay and allows the thermostat to operate the slab between the slab minimum and slab maximum settings. If more than one slab sensor is used, the slab temperatures are averaged by the thermostat.

Remote Sensor

A single remote sensor can be connected to the thermostat. The temperature measured by a remote sensor does not affect the on time of the relays and is only used for display purposes.

Outdoor Sensor

A single outdoor sensor can be connected to the thermostat. The temperature measured by an outdoor sensor does not affect the on time of the relays and is only used for display purposes.

ACCESS LEVELS

The tekmar Programmable Thermostat has two access levels. These access levels restrict the number of items available in the menus of the thermostat. The two access levels are User and Installer. This selection is made using the DIP switch located on the circuit board inside the thermostat.

The Installer access level allows the installer to adjust all of the settings in the thermostat including those required to match the thermostat to the mechanical system and the devices used.

The User access level allows the end user to adjust the time, temperatures and schedules used by the thermostat.
TWO STAGE HEAT

The two stage mode of operation is selected using the DIP switch located on the circuit board inside the thermostat.

In cases where a one stage heating system can not provide sufficient heat under all conditions, a second stage of heat can be added to supplement the first stage. A two stage system therefore has one thermostat controlling two output relays.

Two Stage Logic

The temperature in a two stage zone is controlled by varying the on time of the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays during a cycle. Under light loads, the Heat 1 relay is cycled on and off. As the load increases, the Heat 1 relay on time is increased until it reaches the maximum of the cycle length or, if a slab sensor is used, the slab temperature reaches the slab maximum setting. The Heat 2 relay is then cycled and its on time is increased as the load increases. When the heating load decreases, the on time of the Heat 2 relay is reduced until the Heat 2 relay is turned off completely. The thermostat then reduces the on time of the Heat 1 relay.

 NOTE: When using a slab sensor, the Heat 2 relay may be on while the Heat 1 relay is off if the slab temperature has reached the slab maximum setting.

Air Sensor(s) Only Operation

When operating with only an air sensor, the on times for the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays are calculated to satisfy the requirements of the air sensor.

Slab Sensor Only Operation

When operating with only a slab sensor, the on times for the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays are calculated to satisfy the requirements of the slab sensor. The thermostat operates to maintain the slab at the minimum slab temperature setting.

 NOTE: Operating with only a slab sensor can lead to either overheating or underheating of the space.

Air and Slab Sensor Operation

When operating with both air and slab sensors, the thermostat calculates an on time for the Heat 1 relay to satisfy the slab sensor’s requirements and on times for the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays to satisfy the air sensor’s requirements. The thermostat operates the Heat 1 relay for the longer of these two on times.

While the minimum slab temperature is satisfied, the on times of the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays are calculated to satisfy the air temperature requirements.

During heavy loads, the maximum slab temperature setting limits the on time of the Heat 1 relay. In this situation, the Heat 2 relay may be on while the Heat 1 relay is off.

 NOTE: During light heating loads, overheating can occur due to the minimum slab temperature requirements.

Mode

Heat In the heat mode, the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays are operated to satisfy the temperature requirement of the zone.

Off In the Off mode, the Heat 1 and Heat 2 relays are not operated.

 NOTE: If an air or slab sensor is active in the Off mode, a freeze protection is enabled that allows the relays to be operated to keep the zone above 35°F (2°C).
The Heat / Cool mode of operation is selected using the DIP switch located on the circuit board inside the thermostat.

**Air Sensor(s) Only Operation**

When operating with only an air sensor, the on times of the Heat 1 relay and the Cool relay are calculated to satisfy the requirements of the air sensor.

**Slab Sensor Only Operation**

When operating with only a slab sensor, the on time of the Heat 1 relay is calculated to satisfy the requirements of the slab sensor. The thermostat operates to maintain the slab at the minimum slab temperature setting.

**NOTE:** When operating with only a slab sensor, the Cool relay does not operate. Operating with only a slab sensor can lead to either overheating or underheating of the space.

**Air and Slab Sensor Operation**

When operating with both air and slab sensors, the thermostat calculates an on time for the Heat 1 relay to satisfy the slab sensor's requirements and an on time to satisfy the air sensor's requirements. The Heat 1 relay operates for the longer of these two on times. The thermostat also calculates an on time for the Cool relay to satisfy the air sensor's requirements. In this situation, heating and cooling can happen at the same time to prevent the space from overheating. This is most likely to occur when the slab is operating at the slab minimum temperature.

While the minimum slab temperature is satisfied, the Heat 1 relay on time is calculated to satisfy the air temperature setting. However, the maximum slab temperature setting limits the Heat 1 relay on time when the slab temperature becomes too warm. In this situation, underheating can occur in the space.

**Mode**

- **Auto** In the Auto mode, the thermostat automatically switches between heating and cooling the space. However, the heating operation has priority over the cooling operation. In this mode, the minimum slab temperature is maintained even when the thermostat is cooling the air.

- **Heat** In the Heat mode, the Heat 1 relay is operated to satisfy the heating temperature requirement of the zone and cooling is disabled.

- **Cool** In the Cool mode, the Cool relay is operated to satisfy the cooling temperature requirement of the zone and heating is disabled. If a slab sensor is used, the slab minimum is ignored.

- **Off** In the Off mode, the Heat 1 and Cool relays are not operated.

**NOTE:** If an air or slab sensor is active in the Off mode, a freeze protection is enabled that allows the Heat 1 relay to be operated to keep the zone above 35°F (2°C).
Heating / Cooling Interlock

Time Interlock
In order to prevent frequent changes between heating and cooling, the thermostat has a Cooling Interlock setting. Once the Heat 1 relay has been off for a minimum of one heating cycle or the length of the Cooling Interlock, (whichever is longer) cooling is permitted.

Temperature Interlock
When in the Auto mode, the cooling temperature is limited to 3°F (1.5°C) above the heating temperature. If the cooling temperature is set below the heating temperature, the thermostat automatically adjusts the cooling setpoint.
When operating in the Cool mode, there is no interlock between the heating and cooling temperature.

View Menu (1 of 1)

ROOM TARGET
The current desired air temperature for the space. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
(Must have an active air sensor.)

ROOM
The current air temperature for the space.
(Must have at least one active air sensor. This is the average of all active air sensors.)

OUTDOOR
The current temperature at the outdoor sensor.
(Sens 2 must be set to Out.)

SLAB
The current slab temperature.
(Must have an active slab sensor. If two slab sensors are present, this is the average temperature.)
The MIN segment is displayed when running on Min.

REMOTE
The current temperature at the remote sensor.
(Sens 1 must be set to Rem.)
## Adjust Menu (1 of 4)

### MODE
Current mode of operation of the thermostat.
- OFF, HEAT
- OFF, COOL, AUTO, HEAT

### ROOM HEAT (No Schedule)
Desired temperature for heating.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Heat or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

### ROOM COOL (No Schedule)
Desired temperature for cooling.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Cool or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

### SLAB MINIMUM (No Schedule)
Minimum slab temperature.
*(Must have an active slab sensor.)*
- OFF, 34 to 122°F (OFF, 1.0 to 50.0°C)

### ROOM HEAT WAKE
Desired temperature for heating during Wake.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Heat or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

### ROOM HEAT UnOcc
Desired temperature for heating during UnOccupied.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Heat or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

### ROOM HEAT Occ
Desired temperature for heating during Occupied.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Heat or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

### ROOM HEAT Sleep
Desired temperature for heating during Sleep.
*(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Heat or Auto.)*
- 35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)
Adjust Menu (2 of 4)

ROOM COOL Wake
Desired temperature for cooling during Wake.  
(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Cool or Auto)  
35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

ROOM COOL UnOcc
Desired temperature for cooling during UnOccupied.  
(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Cool or Auto.)  
35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

ROOM COOL Occ
Desired temperature for cooling during Occupied.  
(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Cool or Auto.)  
35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

ROOM COOL Sleep
Desired temperature for cooling during Sleep.  
(Must have an active air sensor and be set to either Cool or Auto.)  
35 to 100°F (1.5 to 38.0°C)

SLAB MINIMUM Wake
Minimum slab temperature during Wake.  
(Must have an active slab sensor.)  
OFF, 34 to 122°F (OFF, 1.0 to 50.0°C)

SLAB MINIMUM UnOcc
Minimum slab temperature during UnOccupied.  
(Must have an active slab sensor.)  
OFF, 34 to 122°F (OFF, 1.0 to 50.0°C)

SLAB MINIMUM Occ
Minimum slab temperature during Occupied.  
(Must have an active slab sensor.)  
OFF, 34 to 122°F (OFF, 1.0 to 50.0°C)

SLAB MINIMUM Sleep
Minimum slab temperature during Sleep.  
(Must have an active slab sensor.)  
OFF, 34 to 122°F (OFF, 1.0 to 50.0°C)
Adjust Menu (3 of 4)

**SLAB MAXIMUM**
Maximum slab temperature. This item is only available in the Installer access level. *(Must have an active slab sensor.)*
34 to 122°F, OFF (1.0 to 50.0°C, OFF)

**SENSOR 1**
Selects the type of auxiliary sensor present in the Sen 1 input. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
OFF, Indr, SLAB, REM

**SENSOR 2**
Selects the type of auxiliary sensor present in the Sen 2 input. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
OFF, Indr, SLAB, OUT

**ROOM SENSOR**
Selects whether the built-in sensor is functional or not. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
OFF, ON

**HEATING CYCLE**
Determines the number of cycles per hour for the heating equipment. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
Auto, 2 to 12

**COOLING CYCLE**
Determines the number of cycles per hour for the cooling equipment. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
Auto, 2 to 12

**COOLING INTERLOCK**
Selects the time delay between the heating and cooling relays. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
10 to 180 min.

**COOLING MINIMUM ON**
Sets the minimum on time of the cooling contact. This is to prevent short cycling. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
0:30 to 5:00 min.
COOLING MINIMUM OFF
Sets the minimum off time of the cooling contact. This is to prevent short cycling. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
0:30 to 10:00 min.

EARLY START
Selects whether or not the Early Start feature is active. This item is only available in the Installer access level.
OFF, ON

LITE
Sets the operation of the backlighting of the LCD.
ON, Tmpy ON, OFF

UNITS
The units of temperature used to display the items.
°F, °C
Error Messages (1 of 1)

**E01**
The thermostat was unable to read a piece of information stored in its memory. The thermostat was required to load the factory settings. The thermostat will stop operation until all settings are checked. To clear this error, select the Installer access level and check all of the settings in the Adjust and Schedule menus.

**E02**
There are no active sensors selected on the thermostat. Either the internal sensor must be turned on or at least one auxiliary sensor must be set to either INDR or SLAB. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.

**ROOM SHORT**
The thermostat’s internal air sensor is short circuit. This cannot be repaired in the field. The thermostat should be replaced or returned for repair.

**ROOM OPEN**
The thermostat’s internal air sensor is open circuit. This cannot be repaired in the field. Either turn off the internal sensor and use an auxiliary sensor set to INDR or replace the thermostat. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.

**SENSOR 1 SHORT**
The auxiliary sensor connected to the Sens 1 terminal is short circuit. Locate and repair the problem as described in the appropriate sensor brochure. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.

**SENSOR 1 OPEN**
The auxiliary sensor connected to the Sens 1 terminal is open circuit. Locate and repair the problem as described in the appropriate sensor brochure. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.

**SENSOR 2 SHORT**
The auxiliary sensor connected to the Sens 2 terminal is short circuit. Locate and repair the problem as described in the appropriate sensor brochure. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.

**SENSOR 2 OPEN**
The auxiliary sensor connected to the Sens 2 terminal is open circuit. Locate and repair the problem as described in the appropriate sensor brochure. After the fault is corrected, press any button to clear the error message.
**Installation**

**STEP ONE  GETTING READY**

Check the contents of this package. If any of the contents are missing or damaged, please contact your wholesaler or tekmar sales representative for assistance.

Type 512 Includes: • One Programmable Thermostat 512 • Data Brochure D 512 • User Brochure U 512

**STEP TWO  REMOVING THE FRONT COVER**

Place a screwdriver or similar object into the small slot located in the top of the thermostat. Push the screwdriver against the plastic tab and pull the top of the front cover so that it pivots around the bottom edge of the base.

**STEP THREE  MOUNTING THE BASE**

The thermostat should be installed on an interior wall of the desired zone approximately 5' (1.5 m) above the floor. Do not mount the thermostat in a location that may be affected by localized heat sources or cold drafts. It may be necessary to install a draft barrier behind the thermostat to prevent air from blowing through the wiring hole and affecting the thermostat’s built-in sensor.

Mount the base directly to the wall using two #6 1" screws. The screws are inserted through the mounting holes and must be securely fastened to the wall. If possible, at least one of the screws should enter a wall stud or similar surface. If the thermostat is to be mounted to a 2" x 4" electrical box, order an Adaptor Plate 007. This plate mounts to the electrical box and the thermostat mounts to the plate. Ensure that the electrical box does not provide cold air to the thermostat.

**NOTE:** If the thermostat is to be used for remote sensing (i.e. The built-in air sensor is disabled and an indoor sensor is being used.) Mount the thermostat in the desired location in an appropriate manner.
STEP FOUR — ROUGH IN WIRING

- 18 AWG or similar wire is recommended for all 24 V (ac) wiring.
- All wires are to be stripped to 1/4” (6 mm) to ensure proper connection to the control.
- Run wires from the 24 V (ac) power to the thermostat. Use a clean power source to ensure proper operation.
- If an auxiliary sensor is used, install the sensor according to the appropriate Data Brochure and run two wires from the sensor to the thermostat.
- Run wires from the heating device to the thermostat.

STEP FIVE — WIRING THE THERMOSTAT

(Refer to the examples on the following pages.)

24 V (ac) power

Connect the 24 V (ac) power to the R and C terminals (1 and 2) of the thermostat. This connection provides power to the microprocessor and display of the thermostat.

Auxiliary Sensors (S1 and S2)

Either an indoor, slab, or remote sensor may be connected to the S1 input. Connect the two wires from the auxiliary sensor to the Com and S1 terminals (3 and 4).

Either an indoor, slab, or outdoor sensor may be connected to the S2 input. Connect the two wires from the auxiliary sensor to the Com and S2 terminals (3 and 5).

Heat 1

The Heat terminals (6 and 7) are an isolated output. There is no power available on these terminals from the thermostat. These terminals are to be used as a switch for a 24 V (ac) circuit. This circuit can operate a low current 24 V (ac) device directly or an external relay to enable a line voltage or high current device.

Heat 2 / Cool

The Heat 2 / Cool terminals (8 and 9) are an isolated output. There is no power available on these terminals from the thermostat. This circuit can operate a low current 24 V (ac) device directly or an external relay to enable a line voltage or high current device.

STEP SIX — INSTALLING THE FRONT COVER

Align the hinges on the bottom of the front cover with the bottom of the thermostat mounting base. Pivot the front cover around the bottom hinges and push the top against the mounting base until it snaps firmly in place.
WIRING THE 512

One Stage with Zone Valve and Cooling
One Stage Heat with Zone Pump and Cooling

Typical Powered Relay

Unpowered Relay

Two Stage Heat with Zone Valves

Power: 24 V ± 10%
60 Hz 3 VA
Relay: 24 V (ac) 2 A
Class 2
938-02
Switch Settings:
Installer/User2 Stage/Heat-Cool

Transformer: Made in Canada
Meets Class B: Canadian ICES
FCC Part 15

Cooling Zone Pump

Transformer: Made in Canada
Meets Class B: Canadian ICES
FCC Part 15

One Stage Heat with Zone Pump and Cooling

Two Stage Heat with Zone Valves
Two Stage with Zone Pump and Zone Valve

Typical Powered Relay

- Stage 1 Zone Pump
- Stage 2 Zone Valve
- 24 V (ac) Class 2 Transformer

Stage 1 Zone Pump

- 24 V (ac) Class 2 Transformer

Stage 2 Zone Valve

- Unpowered Relay

Made in Canada

Meets Class B:
Canadian ICES
FCC Part 15

Unpowered Relay
PROGRAMMABLE THERMOSTAT 512 Two Stage Heat / Heat-Cool

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