

Puma VII

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User & Service Manual

Machine number: _____



Figure 1: PumaVII

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Chapter 1 Technical Details

1.1 Operating Temperature

0° - 40°

1.2 Weight

Electronic Cabinet	120 kg
Embossing Unit	132 kg
Puncher	40 kg
Box for Electronic cabinet	60 kg
Box for Embossing Unit	58 kg
Box for Puncher	6 kg

1.3 Space Requirement

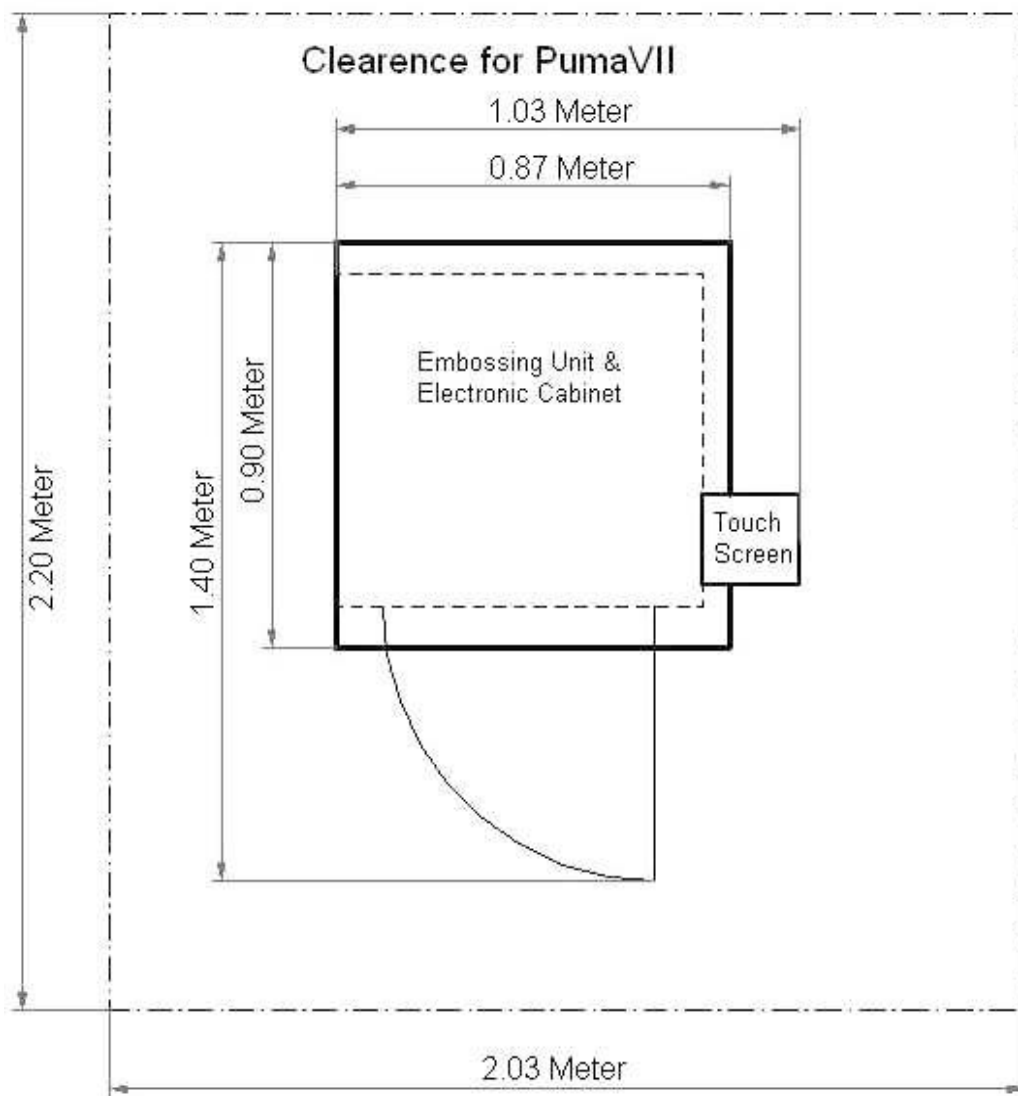


Figure 2: Clearence

1.4 Embossing Specification

Up to 14 Characters / Second (depending on text structure)
6 dot Braille
tactile graphic

1.5 Braille Specification

Small, medium and large print format (must be specified at the order)
Char per line maximum 40 (medium format)
Lines per page maximum 32 (medium format)
Char spacing variable in 0,1 mm steps (default 6 mm at medium format)
Line spacing variable in 0,1 mm steps (default 10 mm at medium format)
Text begin can be positioned on the plate in 1 mm steps

1.6 Size of Plates

Maximum width 285 mm
Maximum height 340 mm
Thickness folded plates maximum 0,6 mm
Area to be embossed maximum 245 * 325 mm

1.7 Materials for Braille Plates

Zinc 99,9% DIN 1706
Aluminium ISO 209-1 „Alu 99,0“
Plastic

1.8 Embossing Modes

forwards
backwards
bidirectional
double sided

1.9 Data Input

Via serial port from PC or notebook
USB–stick
Keyboard

1.10 Power Supply

230 V 50 Hz.
Different voltages possible

1.11 Power Consumption

0,8 KW

Chapter 2 Assembling and initial Operation

2.1 Included in Delivery

Please check if the following items are included in the delivery.
The PumaVII has this components:

- 1 Electric cabinet
- 1 Embossing unit
- 1 Touch screen with arm (placed in electric cabinet)
- 1 Keyboard with USB connector
- 1 accessory -> 2.2
- 1 RS232 connection cable
- 1 User manual
- 1 Inspection sheet (Endabnahme Protokoll)

2.2 Accessory

- 1 bolt for adjusting dot height
- 1 set of taut wires
- 1 eye bolt (for lifting the embossing unit)
- 1 feeler gauge 0,05-1 mm
- 1 set of hex-wrench 1,5-6 mm
- 1 flat spanner size 5,5 and 7 mm
- 1 flat spanner size 8 mm
- 1 flat spanner size 13 mm
- 1 flat spanner size 19 mm
- 1 flat spanner size 30 mm
- 1 slotted screwdriver 2 * 80
- 1 slotted screwdriver 3 * 80
- 1 slotted screwdriver 5,5 * 125
- 1 crosstip screwdriver 1 * 80
- 1 crosstip screwdriver 2 * 200
- 1 crosstip screwdriver 3 * 150
- 1 Teflon spray
- 1 sample of Braille plate with paper copy
- 1 belt for X - drive
- 1 belt for Y – drive
- 1 inspection window for embossing head
- 6 O-ring
- 1 handle for fixing the plate
- 1 key for the electrical cabinet
- 5 countersink screw M3 * 6

2.3 Options

- Pneumatic puncher
- graphic stamp with software for creating Braille graphics

2.4 Assembling the electrical Cabinet

Remove package and wrapping

1. remove top cover 'A' with side panel 'B' (Figure 5).
2. remove remaining side panels 'B'
3. remove packet with accessory and keyboard from the lower tray
4. remove the bracket 'E' and keep it for a possible transportation of the PumaVII
5. lift the electric cabinet carefully out of the box
6. screw up the 4 stands 'C' so the PumaVII is placed on the 4 rollers.
7. Take the touchscreen with the arm placed in the backside of the electrical cabinet.
8. Push the 3 cables from the touchscreen carefully in the slit. Fix the arm with the touchscreen with 3 imbus HEX-screws on the electric cabinet (Figure 4).

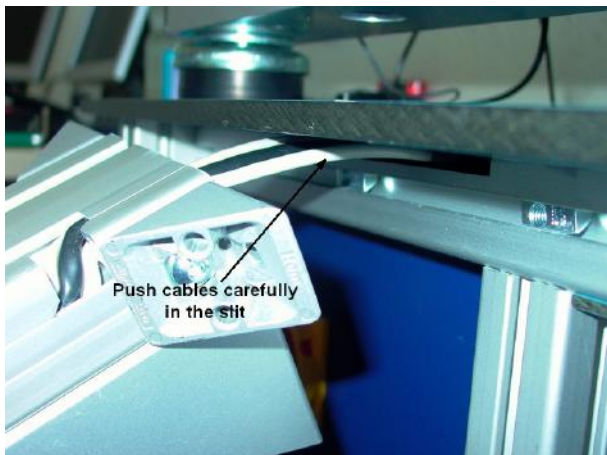


Figure 3: Cables for touchscreen

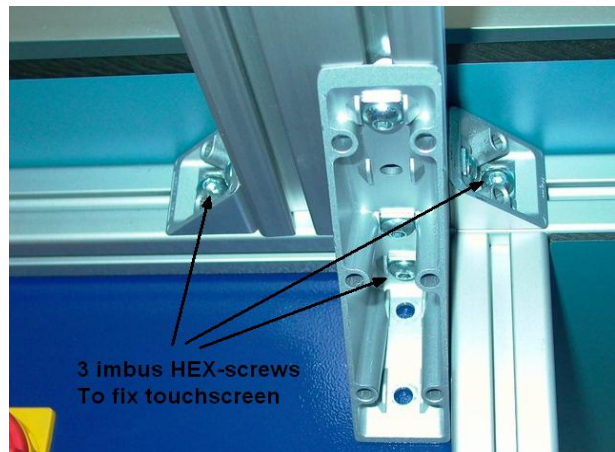


Figure 4: Fix touchscreen

2.5 Draft of the electrical Cabinet

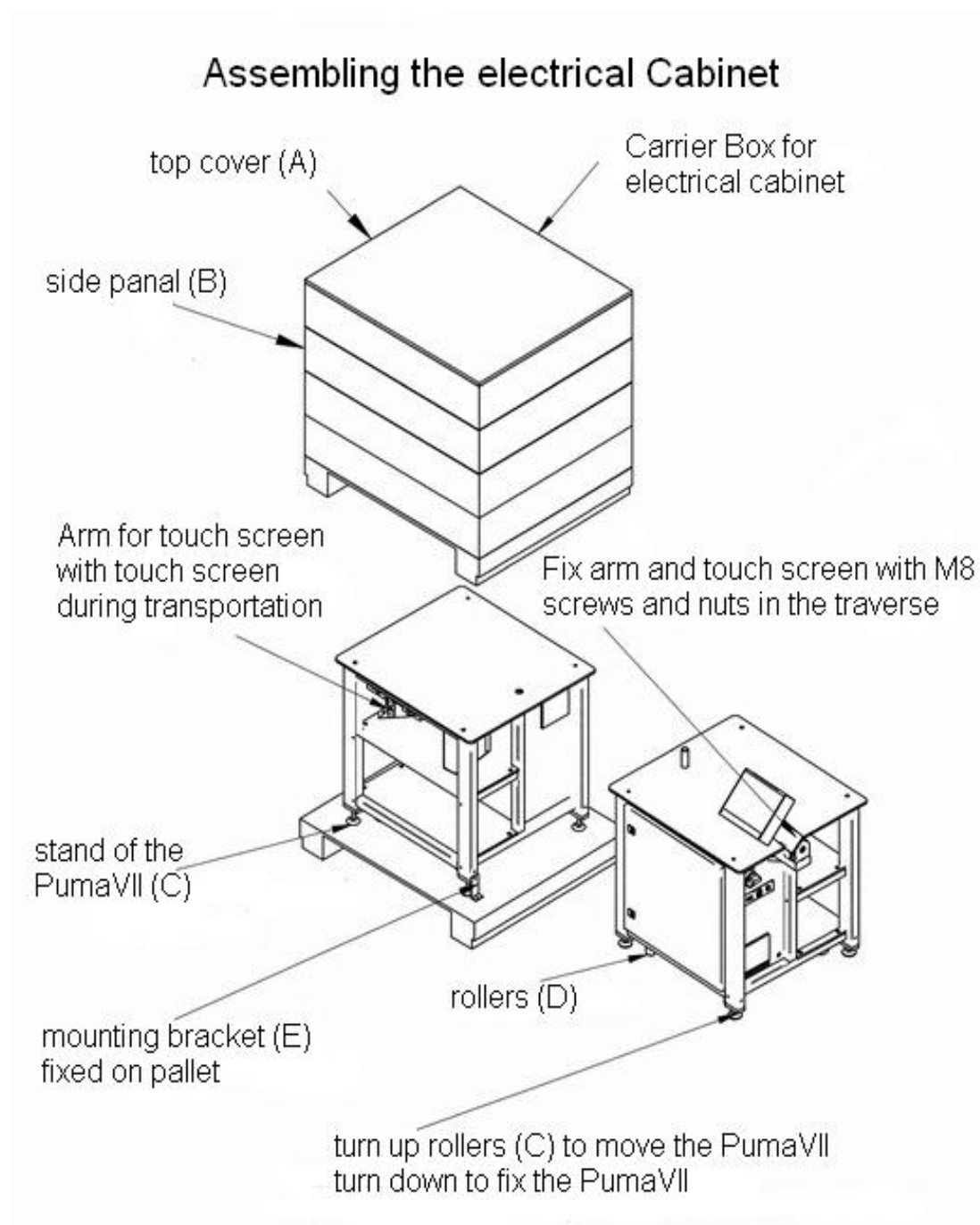


Figure 5: Assembling Electrical Cabinet

2.6 Details of the electrical Cabinet

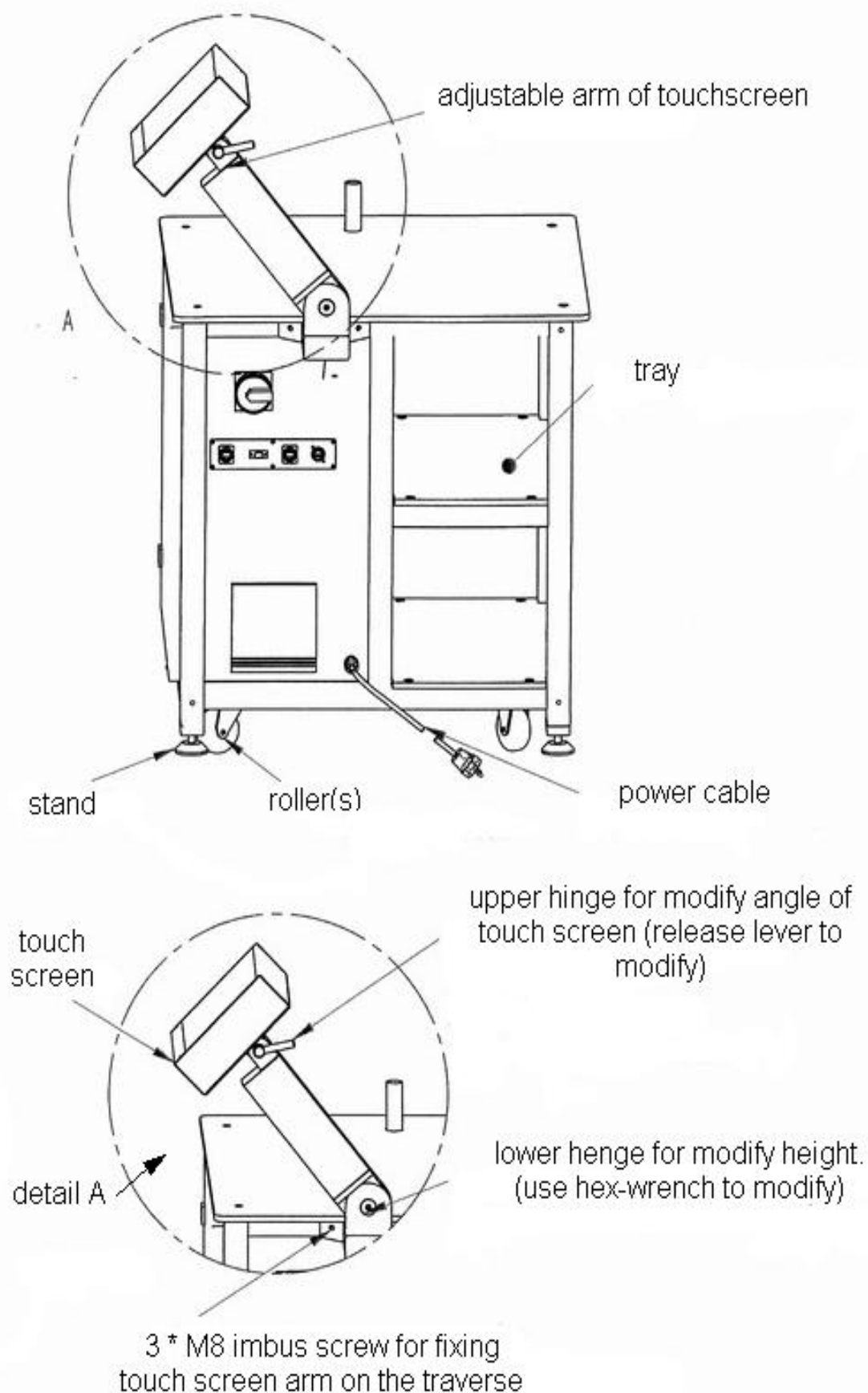


Figure 6: Assembling Details

2.7 Assembling the Embossing Unit

9. Remove package and wrapping
10. remove top cover 'A' with side panel 'B'
11. remove remaining side panels 'B'
12. remove the bar for transportation lock 'F'
13. insert eye bolt „G“ in the embossing unit
14. lift the embossing unit from the palette (use bar through eye bolt 'G') and place it on the electric cabinet (Figure 7)
15. fix the ground strap from electric cabinet to embossing unit in position 'H'
16. connect the USB cable of the keyboard to the USB connector of the electric cabinet (→ figure 11)
17. connect the cables XP16 and XP19 to the plugs in the cable canal (Figure 9) and screw the body's of the plugs
18. connect the cables XP11 and XP13 (the longer cables) to the plugs in the embossing motor (Figure 9) and screw the body's of the plugs
19. connect the cables XP21 and XP23 (the shorter cables) to the plugs in the X-motor under the embossing table (Figure 9) and screw the body's of the plugs
20. move the PumaVII to it's final position, and screw the 4 stands downwards, until the rollers are free from the ground.

2.8 Draft of the Embossing Unit

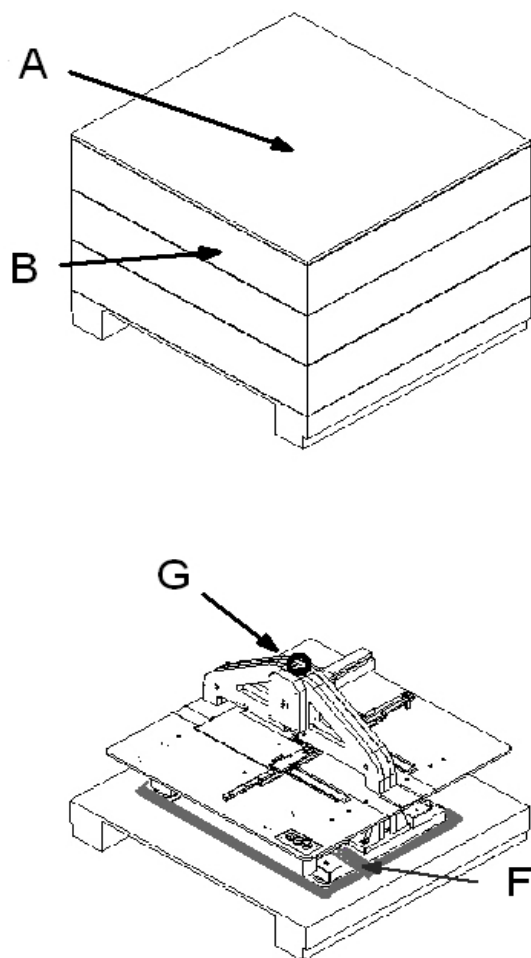


Figure 8: Embossing Unit on Palette

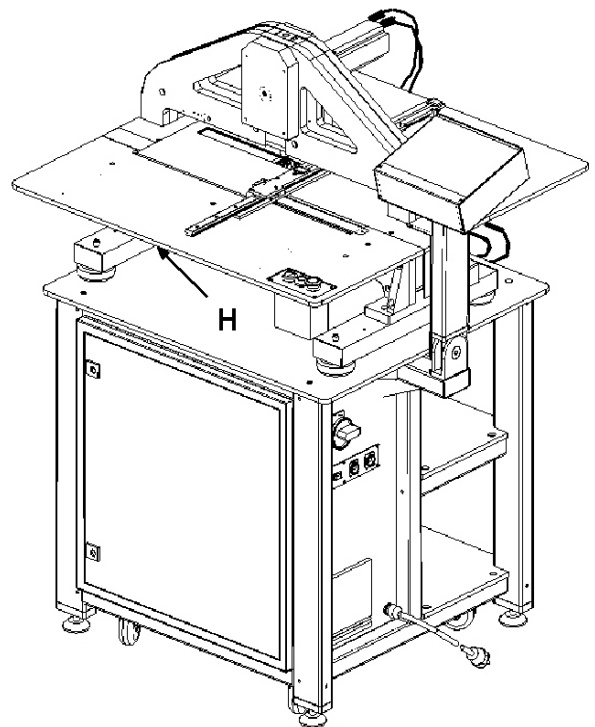


Figure 7: Puma complete

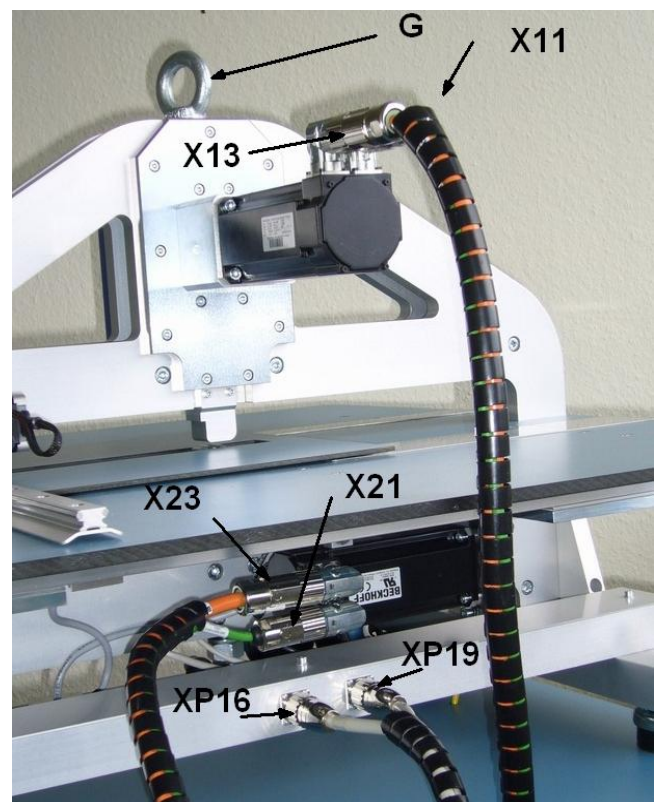


Figure 9: Connectors of Embossing Unit

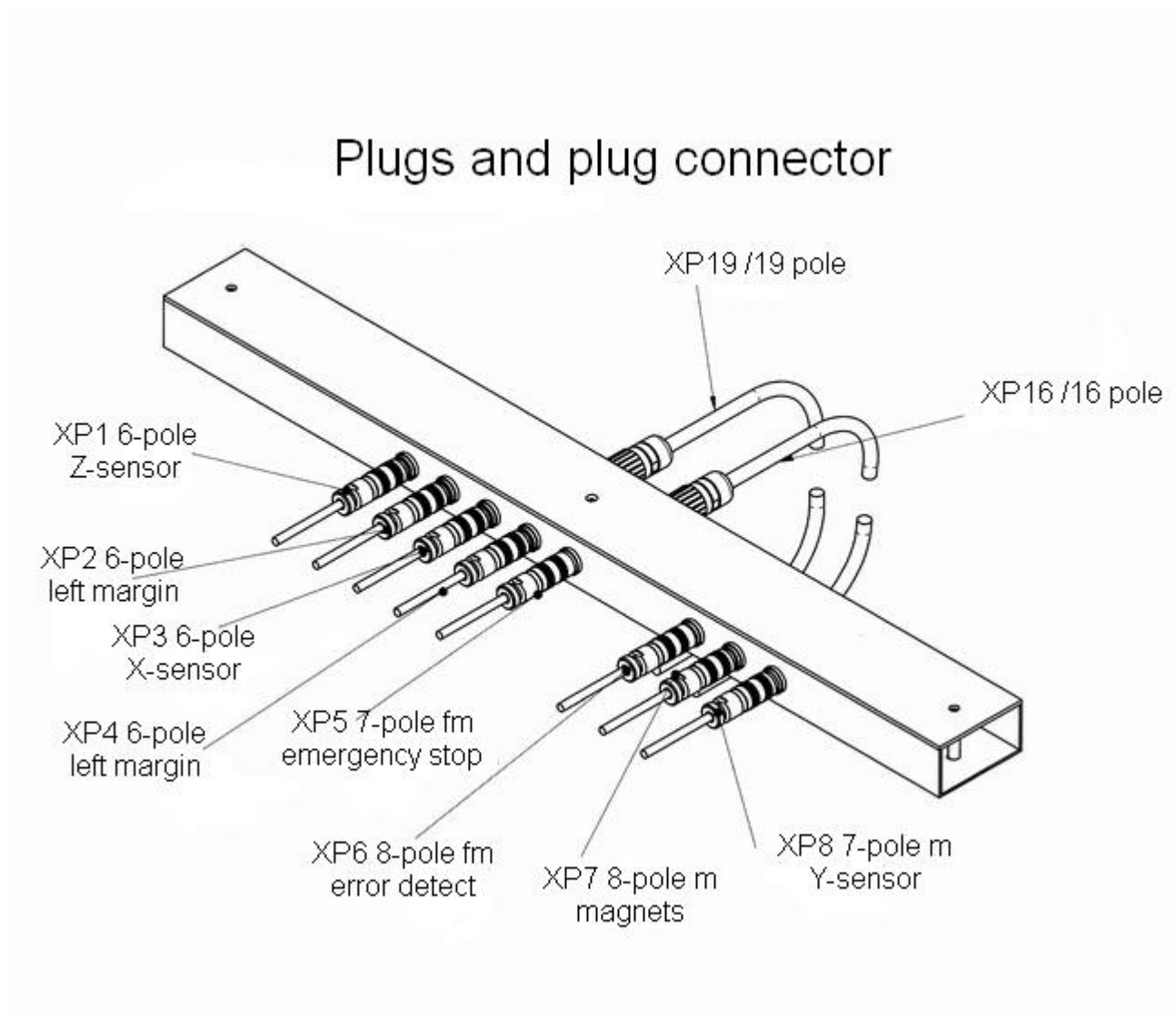


Figure 10: Cable Channel

2.10 Controls electric cabinet

- A - Main switch
- C - Touchscreen Display
- F - Network connector
- G - RS232 serial port (PC)
- H - USB connectors

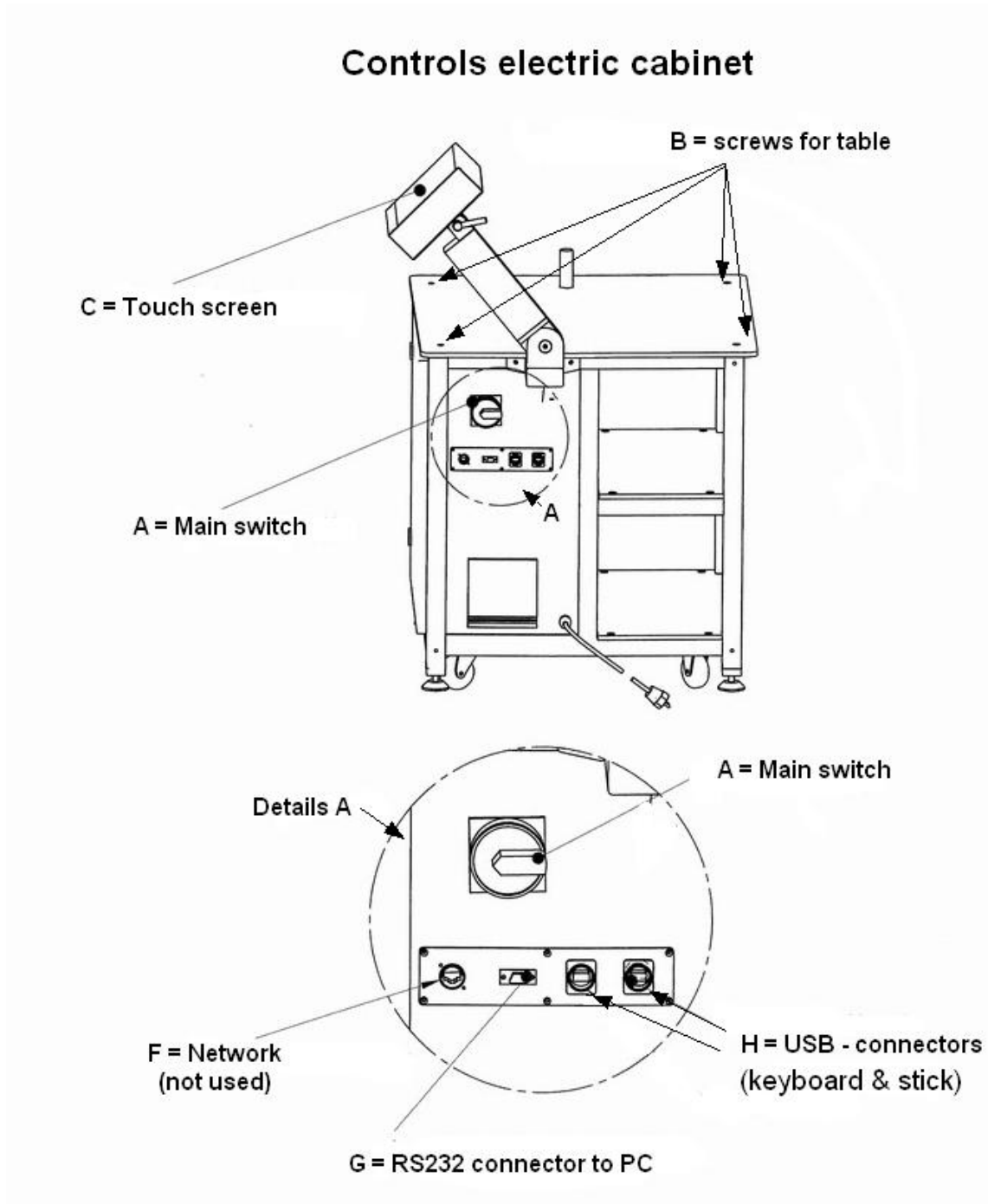


Figure 11: Controls on Electrical Cabinet

2.11 Controls of the embossing unit

- B - Emergency stop key
- D - signal lamp
- E - Enter & Print key

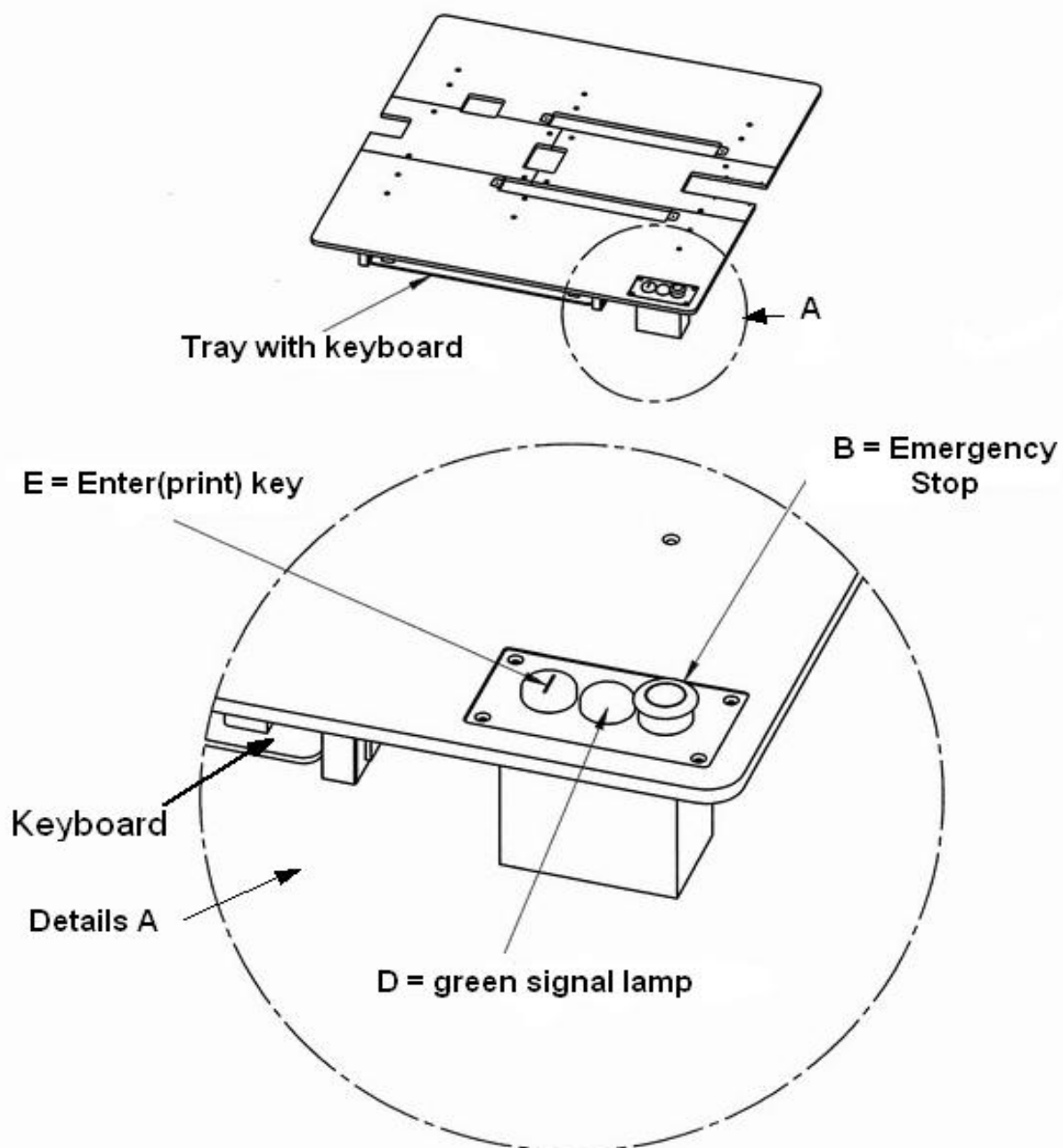


Figure 12: Controls on Embossing Unit

Warning:

The PumaVII is build to emboss with the materials shown in chapter 1.7 . Embossing other materials might damage the Puma. The embossing unit is adjusted for plates with 0,6 mm thickness. If you use other plates, please adjust the dot height (chapter 6.4)

Take care that the maximal thickness must be equal or lower than 1 mm.

Before switching on the PumaVII for the first time, check that the Voltage is equal to the voltage marked in the 'Inspection sheet (Endabnahme Protokoll) (chapter 2.1)'

fix the ground strap from electric cabinet to embossing unit (chapter 15)

Place the PumaVII at a clean and dry location.

The protection windows for the embossing head must be installed when using the PumaVII.

To prevent accidents, never put items or hands in the operating range of the plate.

The PumaVII might only be used by trained staff.

2.12 Electrical Connection

After all connections between electrical cabinet and embossing unit are done (chapter 2.7) you can connect the power supply

Chapter 3 Using the PumaVII

The user must read this manual and must be trained by a service technician of Blista-Brailletec before using the PumaVII.

3.1 Turn-on procedure

After you switched on the main switch (upright position) (Figure 11) the green signal lamp starts flashing. The following actions occur:

Charging of the USV (uninterrupted power supply) In this time only the signal lamp flashes. (Takes 30 – 120 seconds)

After this the internal PC (Windows XP embedded) is booting. You see booting messages on the touchscreen. (Takes about 120 seconds)

Then you see the start screen of the PumaVII program.

It shows a big red button signed 'wait' (Figure 13) Close the protection cap (Figure 38)

If the Puma VII is ready to use, the red button turns into a green button signed 'Puma OK'

The green signal lamp must burn continuously.

Now you can start the Puma VII (touch green button), start a simulation of the PumaVII software (touch button 'Simulation' ,switch off the PumaVII (touch button 'Switch off Puma') or Restart the Puma SPS (touch button 'Restart Puma')

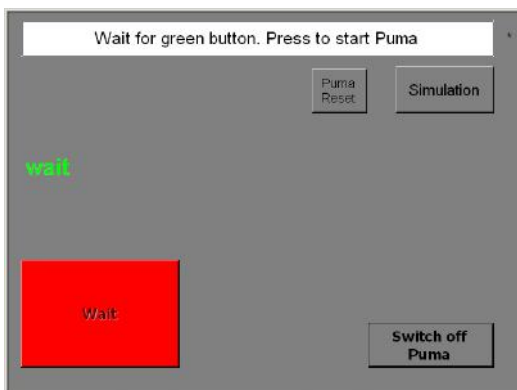


Figure 13: Waiting

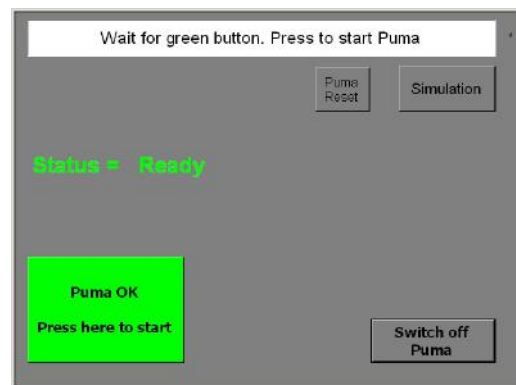


Figure 14: Ready

If you touch the green button, the plate moves in it's home position. On the screen you see the steps of the initialization process. They only are interesting, if there occurs an error.

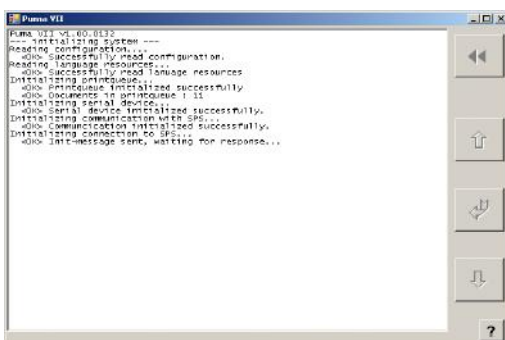



Figure 15: Program Start

After initializing the Puma VII the main screen occurs. The Puma VII is ready to use.

3.2 Turn-off procedure

The PumaVII is equipped with a special power supply that ensures a safe shutdown in case of a power loss. Normally shut down should be done with the button  on the main screen. (figure 16). With this button the PumaVII program is closed and then Windows is shut down.

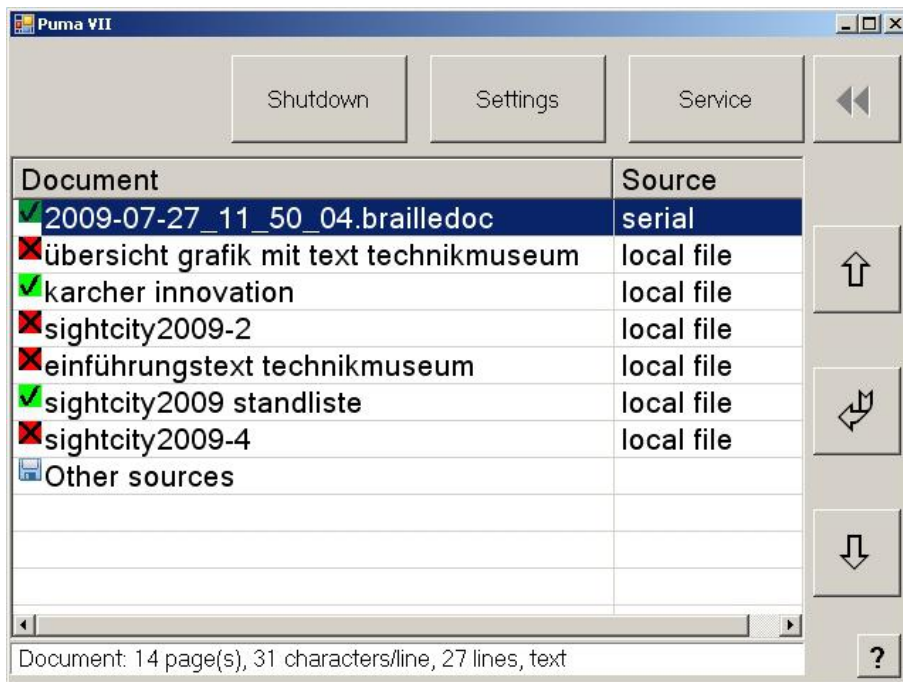


Figure 16: Main Screen

After the screen is switched off automatically, switch off the main switch.

3.3 Using the Puma VII via the touchscreen

3.3.1 General

The surface of the display is touch sensitive.

That means: If you touch a symbol, key or text an action takes place.

There are several screens sorted hierarchical

3.3.2 Main Screen

If the PumaVII is ready, you see this screen. All actions and settings originally start here.

3.3.2.1 Main part of the screen

The main part of this screen shows lists, fields for entering format data, text and braille preview and more.

In the main screen you find the list of braille files to be embossed.

According to each emboss job there are some information.

On the left side of the column 'document' you see a squared box. It might be green and checked or red with a cross. This box indicates if the selected format matches to the braille-file written in this line

Red box with cross -> the format did not match. The text can't be embossed. The reason might be too many lines per page or characters per line in this file.

Green box checked -> the format matches to the file. You can emboss this file.

Right to this box you find the name of the braille-file. If the file was received via the serial port, this name consists of date & time and the appendix 'brailledoc'.

Files received via the serial port might be saved under a meaningful name. They can be reloaded in the embossing list later. (Look at the file 'Karcher innovation' in (Figure 17)

Right of the name you find the column 'Source'.

Here you see the origin of the file. This might be 'serial' (via serial port), 'local file' (saved file), 'testpage' (from Service Emboss testpage) or 'USB' (from USB-stick)

You can select one of the entries with the keys  up and  down. This entry is marked blue.

You see details about the selected file in the section 'Infos' on the bottom of the screen.
(here 14 page(s), 31 Characters/line, 27 lines, text.

If there are no files to emboss in this list, the only entry is 'Other sources'. Selecting this entry, you can add local saved files.

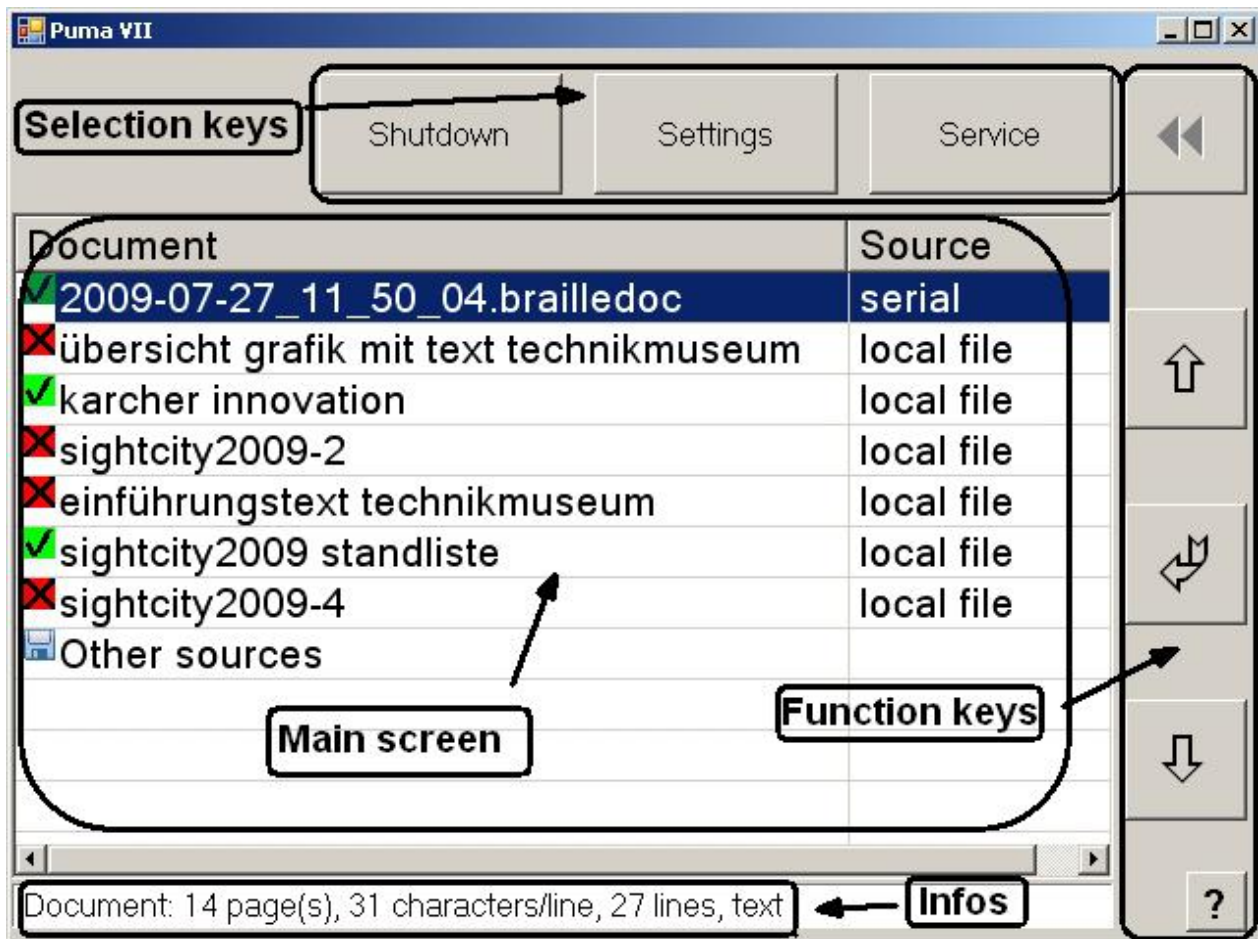










Figure 17: Sections of Main Screen

3.3.2.2 Keys on the right of the touch screen (Function keys)

With the keys on the right you can move up and down in lists   , return to the previous screen  , accept entries or values  and call the help screen. 




3.3.2.3 Keys on the upper part of the touchscreen (Selection keys)

With the keys in the upper part, you can switch off the PumaVII  , change the settings of the machine  and call special functions via the service menu  .

3.3.2.4 Infos in the lower part of the touchscreen

Here you get infos about the selected item. In the main screen you see the no. of pages, and details of the file format.

3.3.3 Screen for the formats

In this screen you see a list of all defined formats. You can select one format with , modify an existing format  or delete it.  (→ image 18)

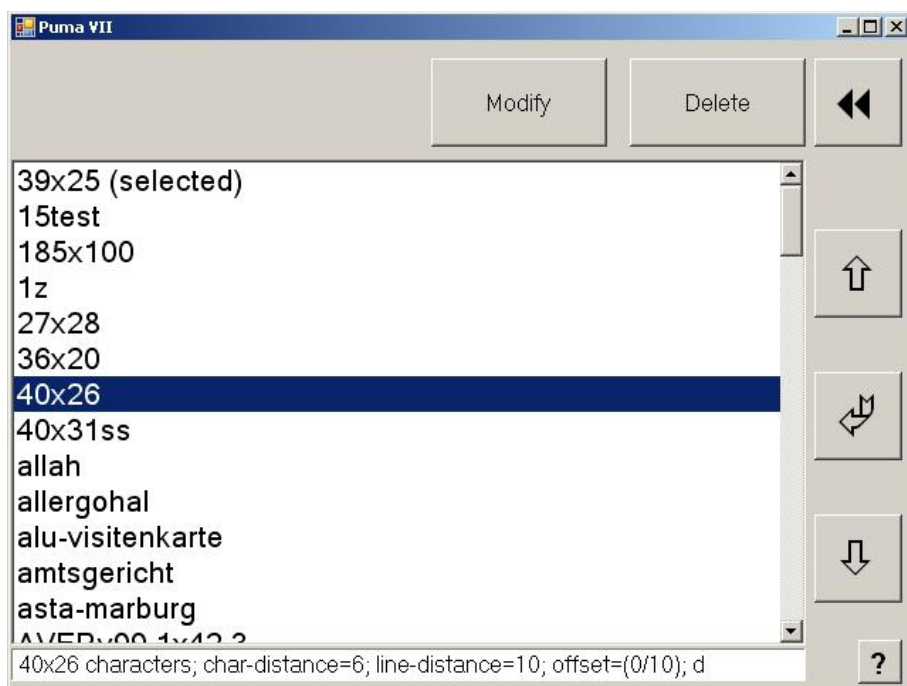


Figure 18: List of Formats

3.3.4 Screen for the documents

Here you can select what you want to do with a document: emboss, preview, save or remove it.

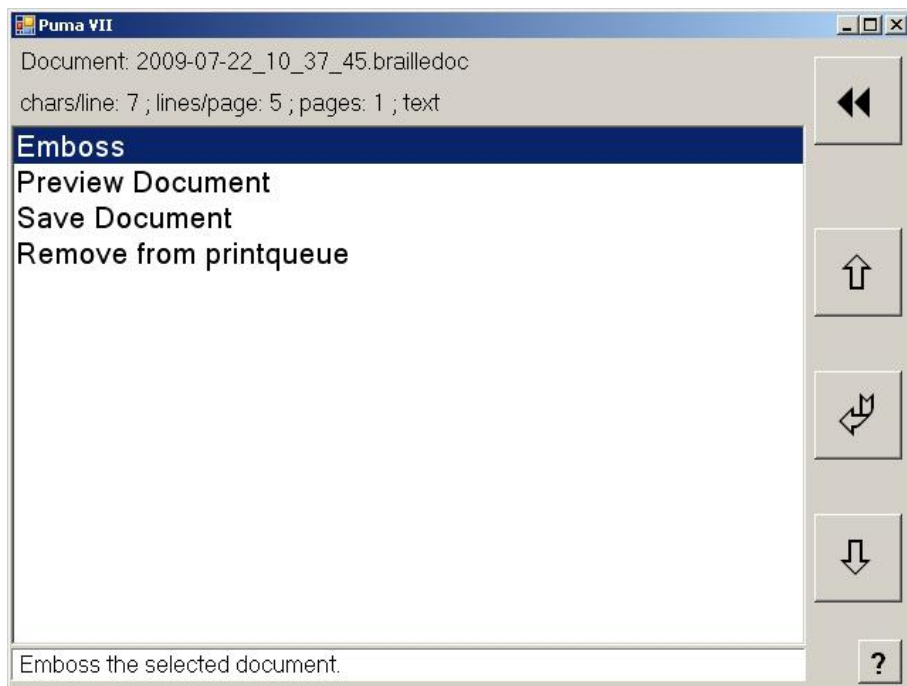


Figure 19: Document Screen

3.3.5 Screen for service

Service

Here you can choose the following actions: add a testpage, adjust the interpoint, use the PumaVII as a 'braille writer' remove the USB stick (only in this list if an USB-stick is inserted) or get information about the machine.

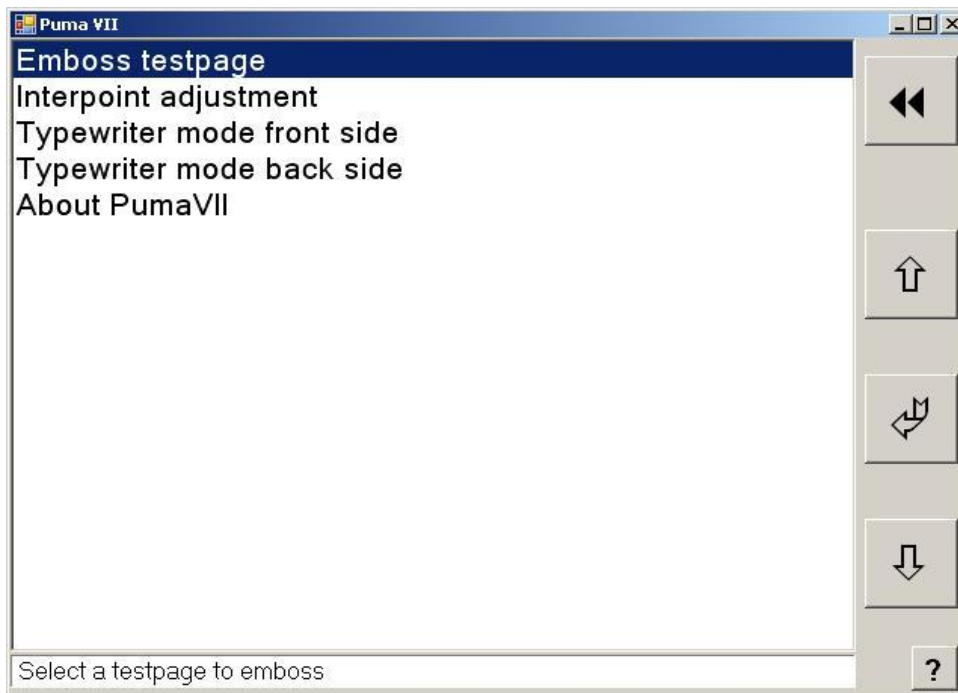


Figure 20: Service Screen

3.3.6 Settings of the Puma VII

Settings

Here you can select the format screen, the language and Time & Date

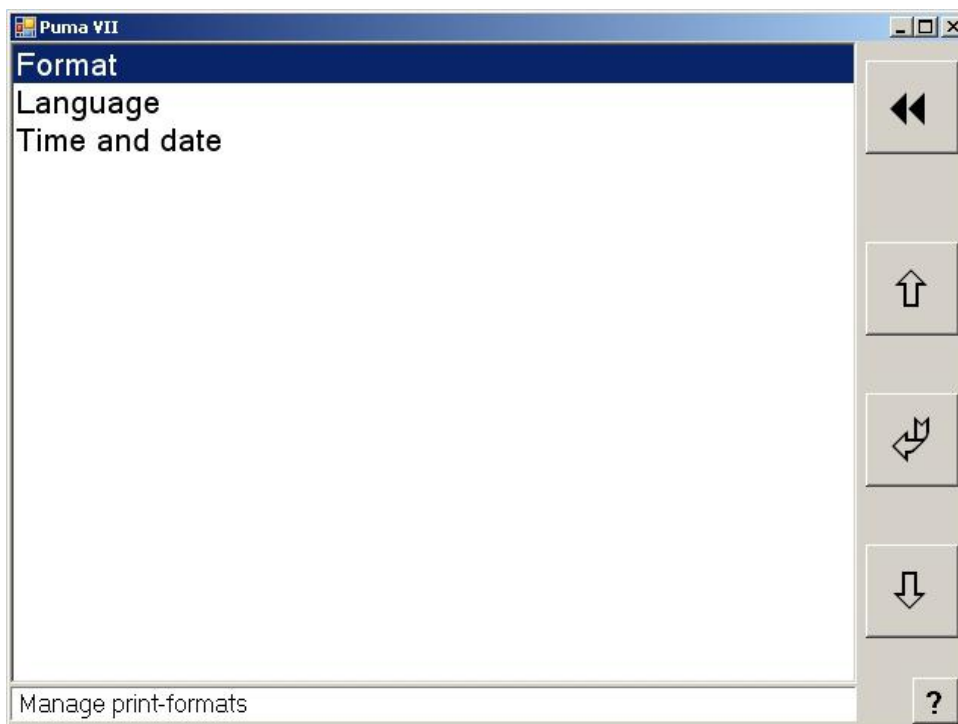








Figure 21: Settings

3.3.7 Selection of a format

Select the key **Settings** from the main screen.

You see a list with an entry 'Format' (image 21). Select this entry with the keys up  and down  and press ENTER .

Now you see the list of existing formats. Select the desired format with  and  and press . The selected format is now active and the plate moves to a new home position.

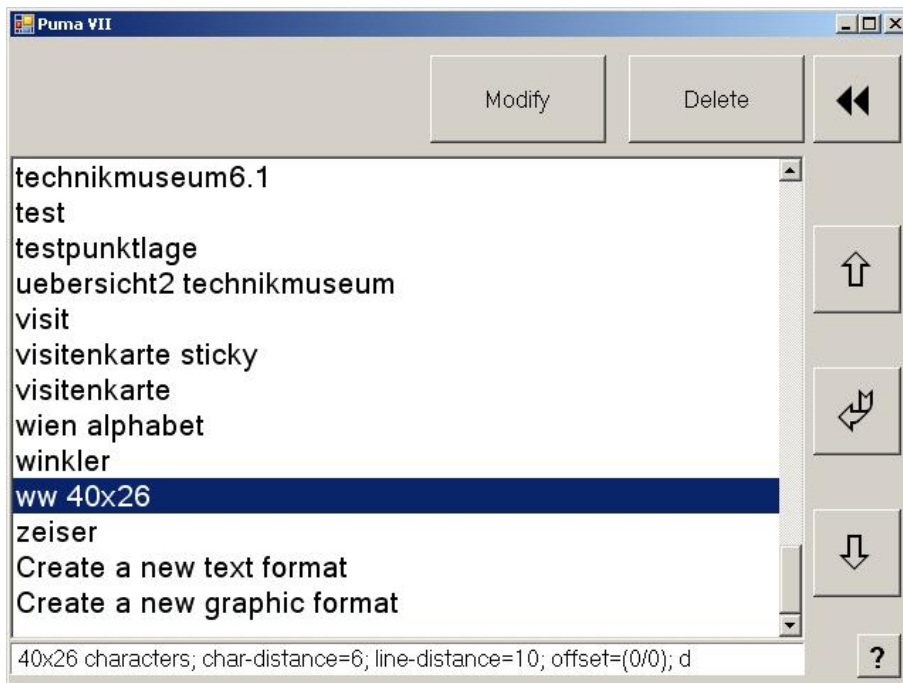




Figure 22: Formats

3.3.8 Creating a new format for text

Select the second entry from the bottom in the list of formats with  (Figure 22) 'Create a new text format' and press . You see the following screen. (Figure 23)

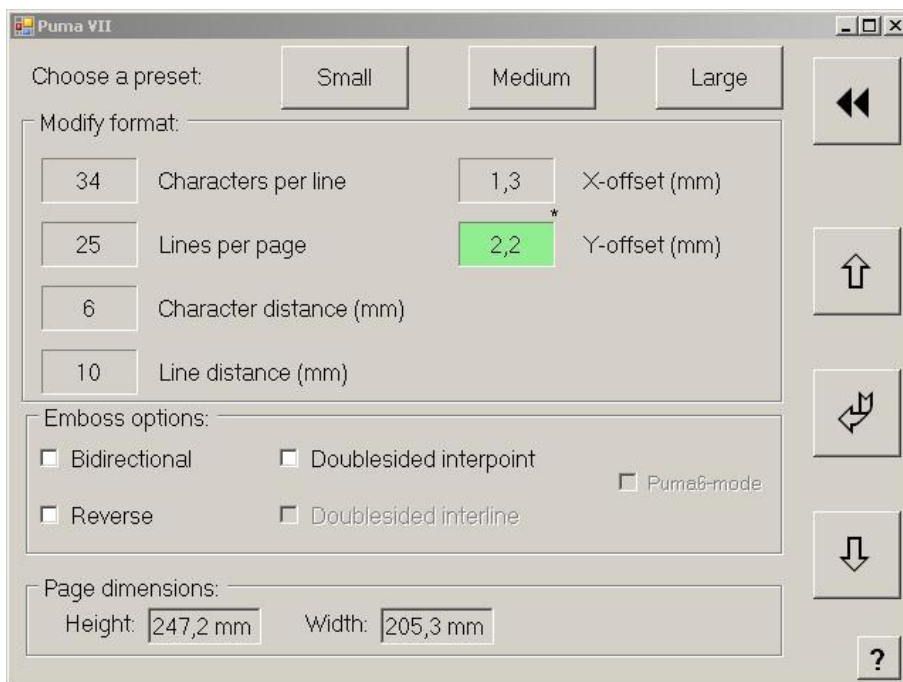





Figure 23: Text Format

With the preset buttons 'Small', 'Medium' and 'Large' you can choose predefined spacings for char- and line distance. These presets relate to the spacings between characters and lines. They didn't change the dot distance in on braille sign. This can only be changed by the complete unit with the pins and stamp, which has to be defined while ordering the PumaVII. In the middle part of this screen you can individually set up the format details.

You can enter:

Char per line	1 - Maximum (max. width 240 mm)
Lines per page	1 - Maximum (max. height 320 mm)
Character spacing	2 - 16 mm in steps of 0,1 mm
Line spacing	2 - 60 mm in steps of 0,1 mm
X-Offset	Offset of the X(char) direction in steps of 0.1 mm *
Y-Offset	Offset of the Y(line) direction in steps of 0.1 mm *

To modify the values, touch the button with this value.  The value changes the color to green. Now you can increase  or decrease  the value

* You can see a dot between the X and Y-Offset's. By clicking on one of the fields, the dot moves.

- Right position: increment/decrement = 0.1 mm
- Mid position: increment/decrement = 1 mm
- Left position: increment/decrement = 10 mm

In the section 'Emboss options' you can choose between bidirectional, reverse, doublesided-Interpoint and doublesided-interline mode

In the section 'page dimensions' you see the resulting size of the printing area.


If you modified all values to be changed, press the  key. Now the settings are stored in the format. Finalize the format by giving it a name (Figure 24)
 Tip: if you choose a name that has an relation to the embossing job, it's easier to find this format again. The name is sorted in the list of the formats alphabetically.



Figure 24: Enter Format-Name

3.3.9 Creating s new format for graphic

Similar to the Text Format you can create a new Graphic Format. Here you can set the weight, height, X and Y Offsets. You can chose the options 'Bidirectional' and 'Reverse' embossing. Selecting the different fields and saving the format is similar to the text format.

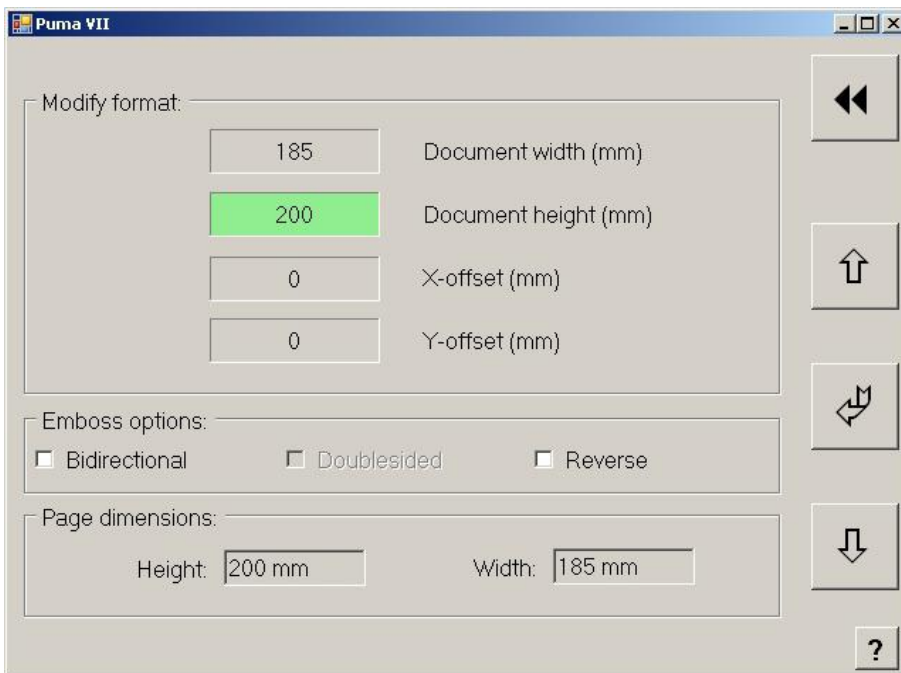


Figure 25: Graphic Format

3.3.10 Select Language

Here you can set the language of the PumaVII software. German and English are installed at the moment. French is not complete. It's easy to create languages for the menus. The texts have to use pure ASCII code (no Unicode)

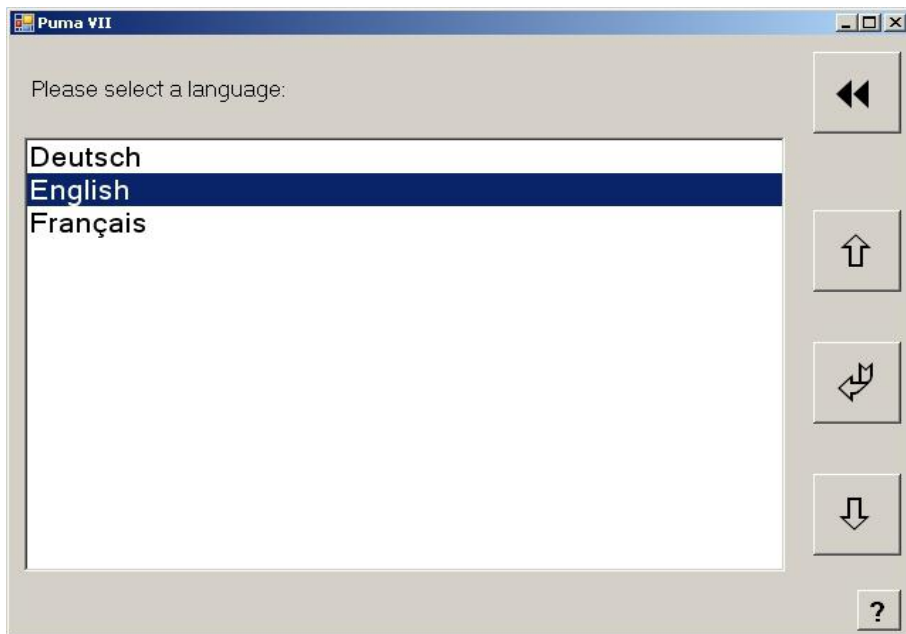






Figure 26: Select Language

3.3.11 Time and date

In this screen you can set time & date. In the section 'Current system time' you see the actual time & date. In the section beneath you can set the new values. Touch the entry to modify and press  or . If all values are correct, save the new settings with . Press  to leave this screen without the changes.

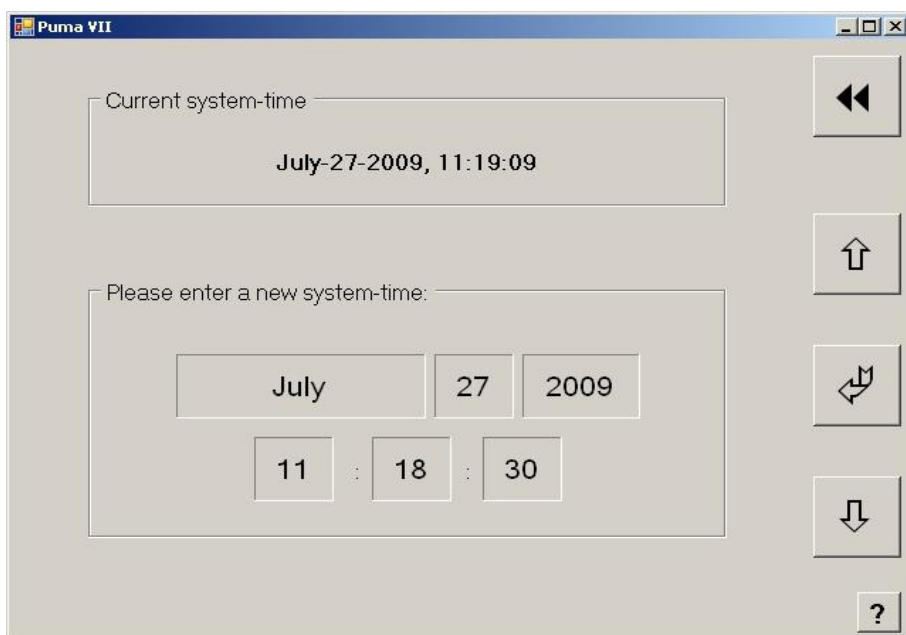



Figure 27: Date and Time

3.4 Menu screen Service

3.4.1 Test page

The test pages are used to check the function of the PumaVII. They are added to this page by Brailletec, and can't be deleted.

Choose one entry from the list and press . After this you are back in the Main screen with the selected test page on top of the embossing list. You can emboss this file as all other files. (→ Chapter 4)

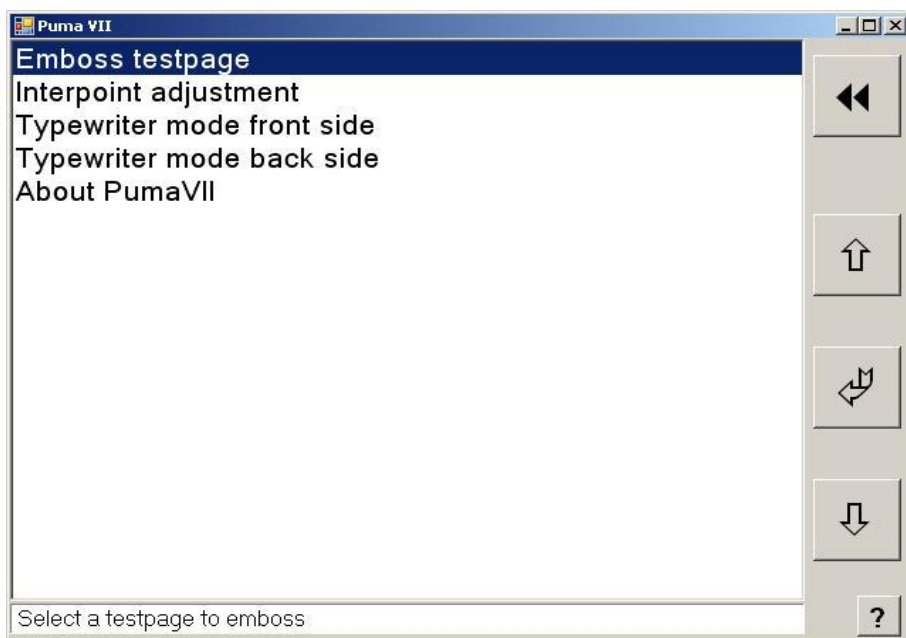


Figure 28: Test Page

3.4.2 Adjust interpoint

Here you can move the distance between front and backside in small steps. Only the Y-direction is moved. Before change this value, note it for the future. Emboss a plate, and check the interpoint in Y-direction. Change the values in small steps (1-2 1/10 mm) and check the result.

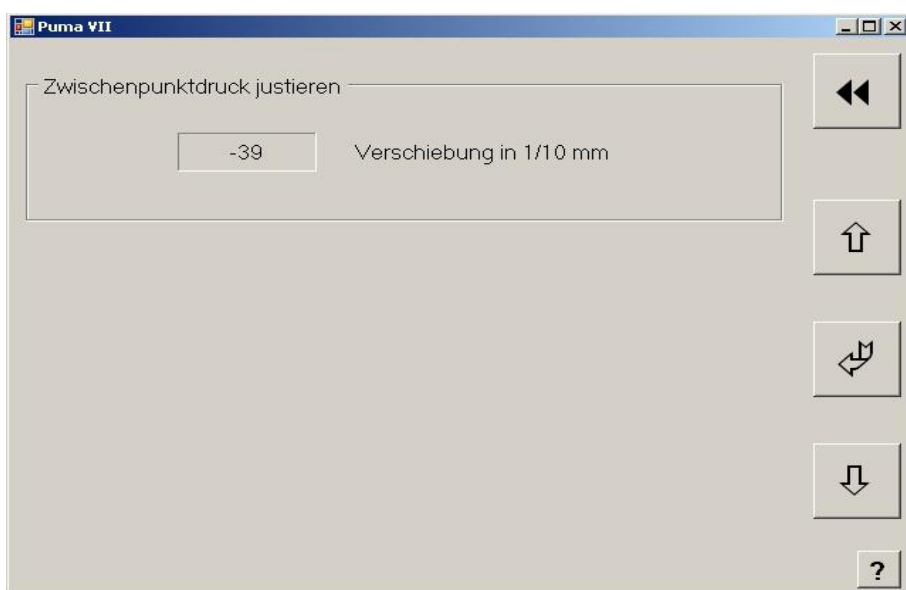


Figure 29: Adjust Interpoint

3.4.3 Typewriter mode front side

In this mode you can directly write on the plate via the keyboard. Always close the protection cup before writing on the keyboard. This might help checking the plate size or set the dot size. If you have only some characters to write, it's sometimes faster to do this in the typewriter mode. You also can correct errors via the keyboard. Pull out the keyboard (Figure 12). The size shown on the screen (Figure 30) depends on the selected format. The dots you see on the screen, are the same as written on the plate. Dots that are set, cant be removed by the PumaVII.

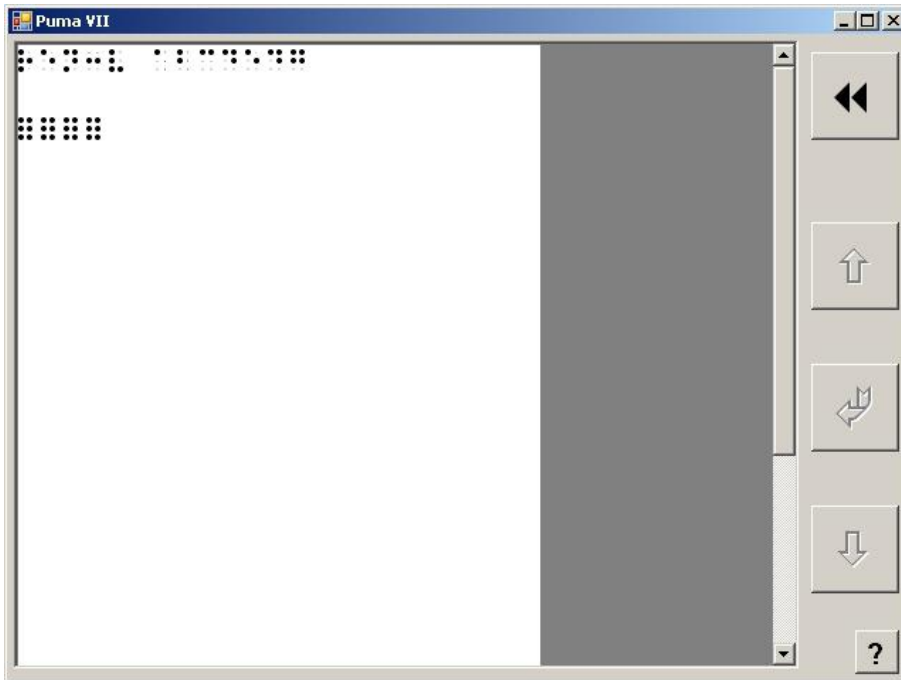



Figure 30: Typewriter Mode

The six dots are written with 6 keys on the keyboard. See the keys and the assigned dots below.

F = dot 1
D = dot 2
S = dot 3
J = dot 4
K = dot 5
L = dot 6

You can move the plate using the 4 arrow-keys. The enter-key moves the plate in the next line. You can add a blank with the space-key. The pos1-key moves the plate in the home position. You can quit this mode with .

3.4.4 Typewriter mode back side

If you want to emboss a plate in double side mode in Typewriter mode you can write the back side with this menu entry. The inter-point settings are used. The back side is embossed mirrored.

3.4.5 Remove USB Stick

If an USB-stick is plugged in connected to the PumaVII you should deactivate the stick via this entry.

3.4.6 About screen Puma VII


On this screen you see some information about the Puma VII.



Figure 31: About Screen

Chapter 4 Embossing

4.1 Add emboss job



Pending emboss jobs are listed in the main screen. A new jobs is placed on top of the list and is selected (marked in blue color). You can handle this job by pressing the  key or the Enter key (E) on the embossing unit (Figure 12). If a job is embossed, it disappears from this list. If you want to emboss a file that is saved in the PumaVII, add this job via the list entry 'other sources'. You find this entry on bottom of the list.

4.1.1 Add via serial port

Usually you will send files to emboss via the serial port (RS232) form the PC to the PumaVII. A new jobs via the serial port is placed on top of the list and is selected (marked in blue color). The file name consists of date & time and the appendix 'brailletec'. So it's easy to identify the file. The text is translated by a special software and send to the PumaVII. The following programs can send translated files to the machine:


- RTFC Braille-Converter from Mr. Hubert (www.rtfc.de)
(available for German, English, English / North America, Spanish and French)
- DBT Braille-Converter from Duxbury Systems (www.duxburysystems.com)
- Braillegraf from Brailletec (Software for embossing graphics)
- DOS driver from Brailletec


4.1.2 Load local jobs

To add a file saved in the internal memory of the PumaVII, select the entry 'Other sources' And press . Then select "Local files' and press  again.

You see a list of all previously saved files. (via 'Save emboss job chapter 4.4)

Select the file you want to emboss and press . In this screen you also can 'Preview', 'Rename' and 'Delete' this file.



Leaving this screen by  you see the Main screen with the local loaded file on top of the list.



You can handle this job by pressing the  key or the Enter key (E) on the embossing unit (Figure 12).

4.1.3 Add via USB Stick

Files that already have been translated to Braille with a software that supports the Puma VII might be added via USB-Stick in one of the USB-plugs 'H' on the right side of the electrical cabinet. (Figure 11)

To generate such files, set the interface from serial port to 'file'.(RTFC, Duxbury or Braillegraf) the resulting file should have the extension .prn,.prt, .ebf or .pbr. See the following figures for the settings. (Figure 32, Figure 33 and Figure 34) Copy the resulting file to the root directory of the USB-Stick.

To load the file in the Puma VII select the entry 'Other sources' And press . Then select "USB-files' and press  again. You see a list of all matching braille files on the stick.

Select the file you want to emboss and press . Now you see the Main screen with the USB file loaded file on top of the list. You can handle this job by pressing the  key or the Enter key (E) on the embossing unit (Figure 12).

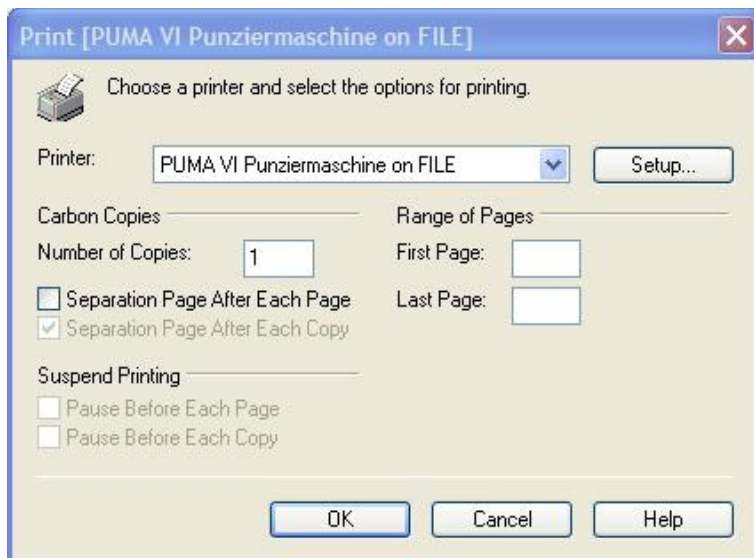


Figure 32: Print to File RTFC

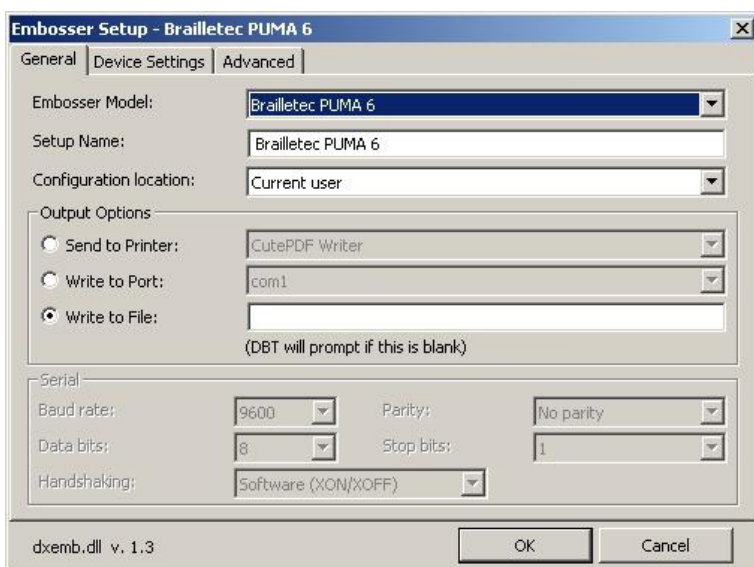


Figure 33: Print to File Duxbury

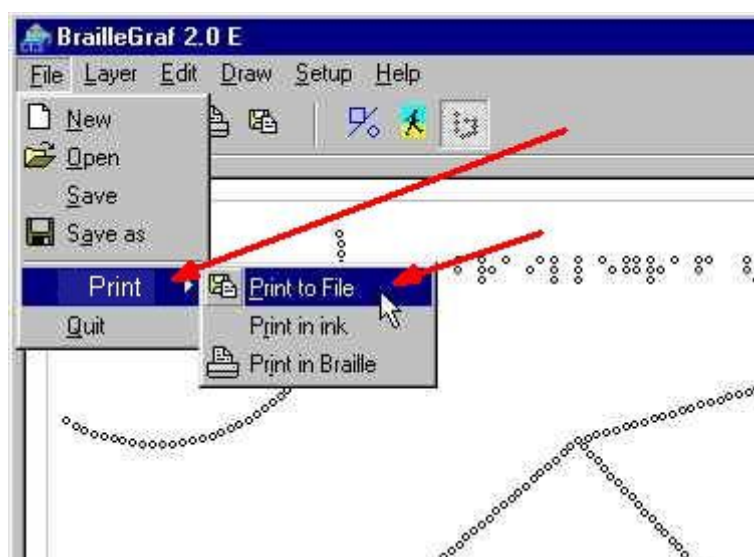


Figure 34: Print to File Braillegraf

4.1.4 Add via network



This option is not included in this software

4.2 Preview print job

Before embossing a file, it must be checked if the braille-file and the selected format matches. You get information about the braille-file in the Information-section in the main screen. (Figure 17) There you find the maximum no. of characters/line and the lines/page. You also see if it's text or graphic.

You can check the other settings in the format screen. (Figure 18 and Figure 23)

If the format matches the file, you see a green checked box left of the file name. If you want to check, if the formatting in the braille-file are correct, you can go to the 'Preview screens (Figure 35 and Figure 37)

Select the file, and press . In the list choose 'Preview Document' and press . You see the preview in Braille. (Text or graphics)

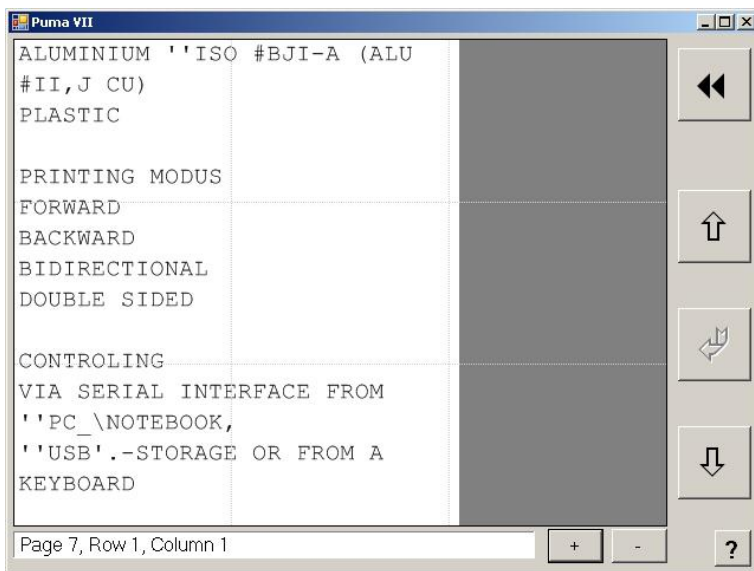


Figure 35: Preview Text

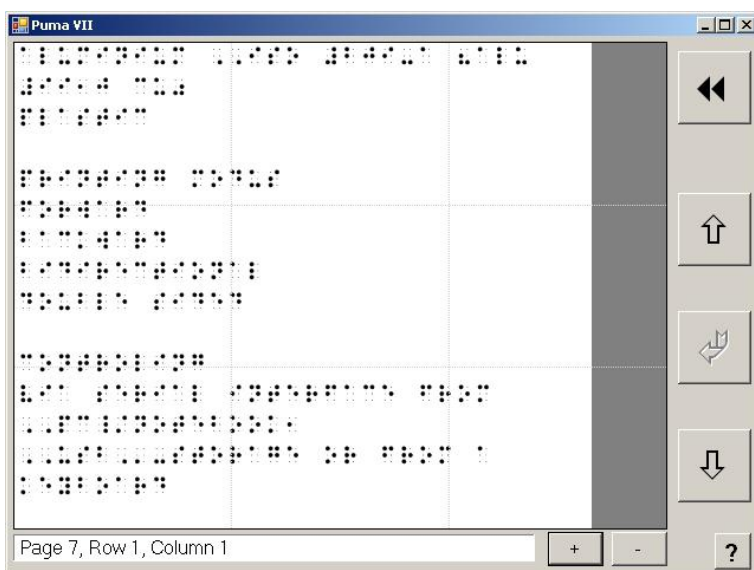




Figure 36: Preview Braille

There are several options to get an overview about the file.

With the keys  and  you can zoom in and out.

With  and  you can scroll through all text pages.

On the screen you see nine sections separated by fine gray lines. Touching one of the eight outer sections you can scroll in one page.

Touching the middle section, you switch between braille and text preview (Figure 35 and Figure 36)(not valid in the graphic preview)

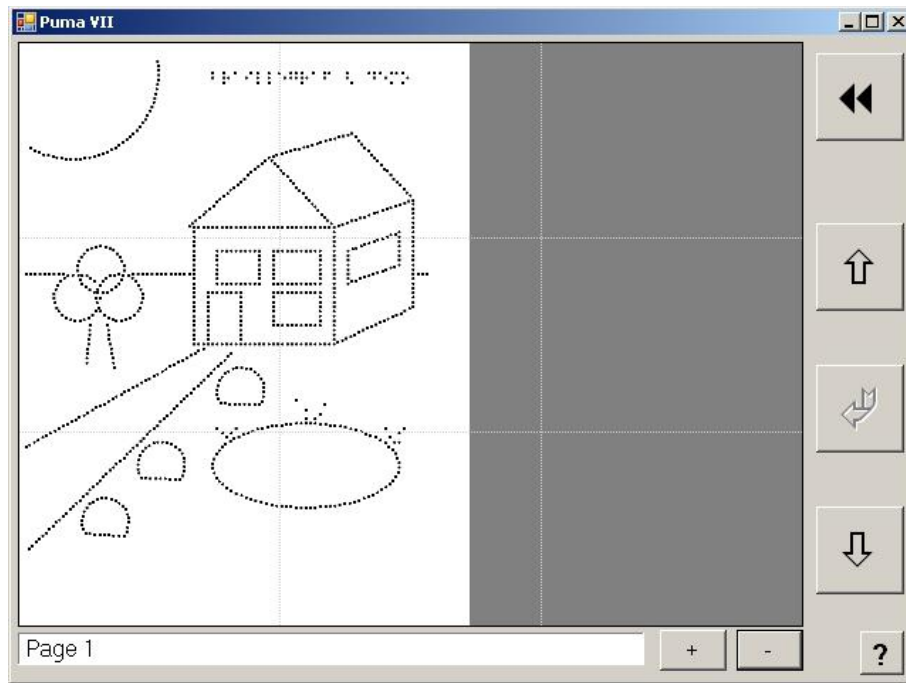


Figure 37: Preview Graphic

You can use the preview screen, also if the text and the format did not match. That helps to find the reason of the problem.

4.3 Emboss a Braille file

To insert a plate first open the protection cap

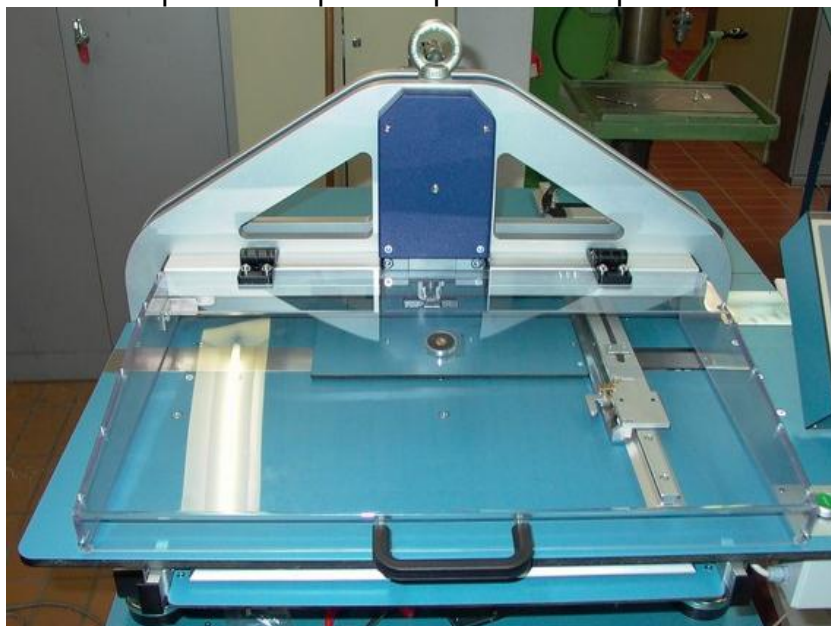


Figure 38: Protection cap

Open the plate holder 'H' and put the punched plate with the holes into the fixing pins 'P'. Close the plate holder to fix the plate.

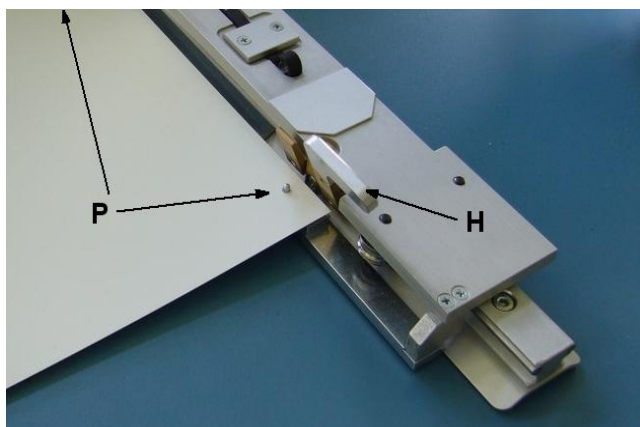


Figure 39: Open Plate holder

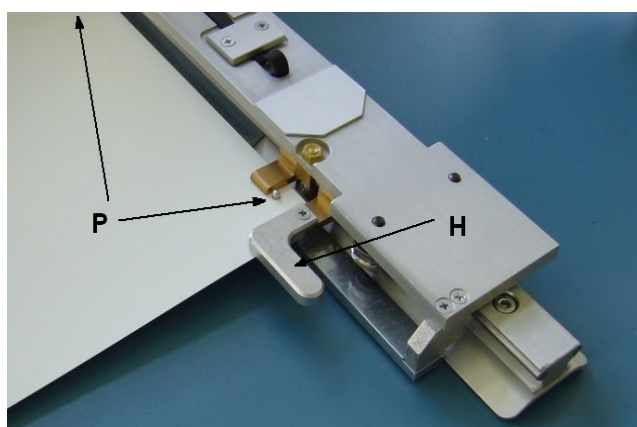






Figure 40: Close Plate holder

After checking the braille file (→ chapter 4.2) you can emboss the plates. Choose the file with  and  and press . Select 'Emboss' and press  or the Enter key 'E'.

In the next screen you can choose the first and last page to be embossed and the no. Of the copies. The default settings emboss one copy of the whole document (first to last page)

If you select two or more copies, the Puma VII first embosses one complete copy, and then the next copies.

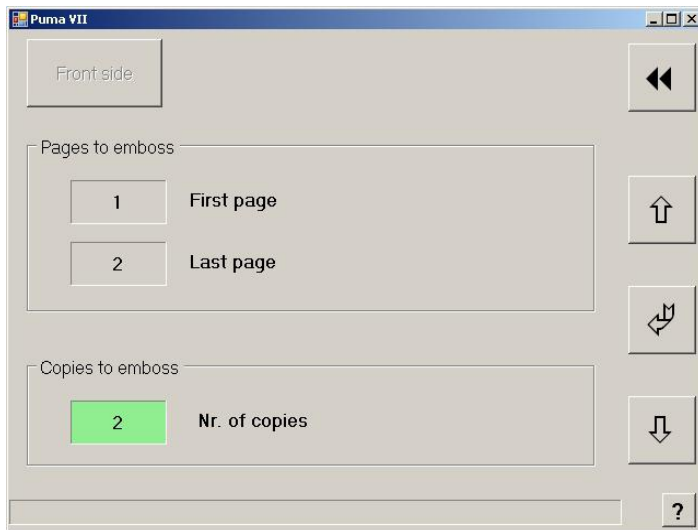



Figure 41: Settings for Embossing

If you emboss a double sided plate, the embossing starts with the front side. It switches automatically from front to back side.

You start the embossing procedure by pressing the  or the Enter 'E' key.

In the following screens you must confirm each page to be embossed. If you emboss double side plates, you must turn the plate via the 'short' side. (The back side is embossed the other way round. You see the actual page no. that will be embossed in the field 'First page'.

You can modify the Front / Back side manually, but this might 'destroy' the double sided plate.

You can cancel the embossing after each page via the  key. You can interrupt the embossing in case of emergency via the 'Emergency-Stop' key (5.1)

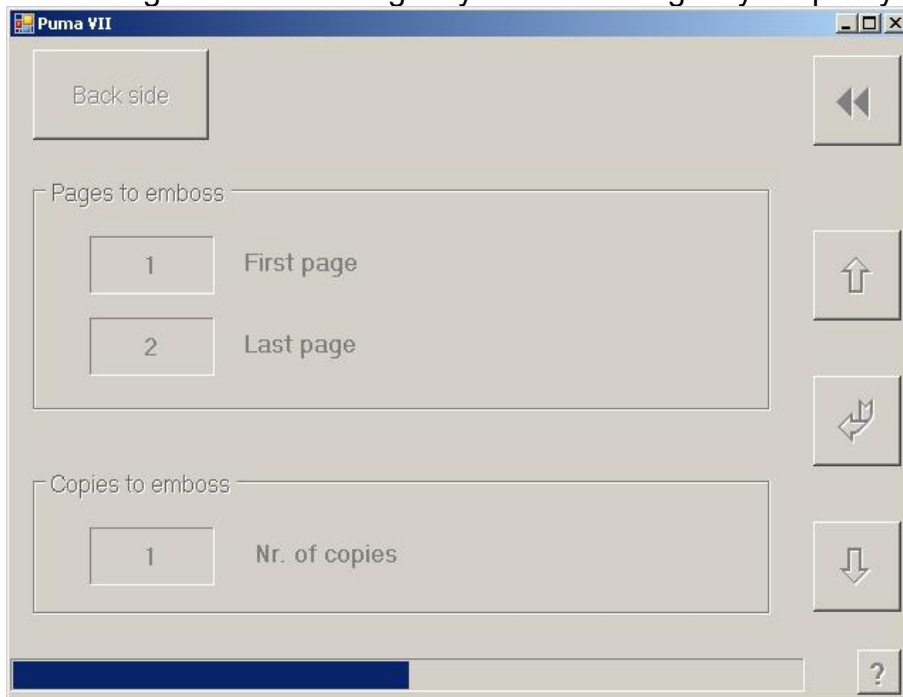




Figure 42: Progress of Embossing

During embossing you see an progress bar (Figure 42)

4.4 Save emboss job

Braille files that have been received via the serial port can be saved in the internal memory of the PumaVII. This files can be re-embossed without the need of an external PC.

After the file has been received via the serial port, select the file (it should be selected) and press . Choose 'Save Document' and press  again.

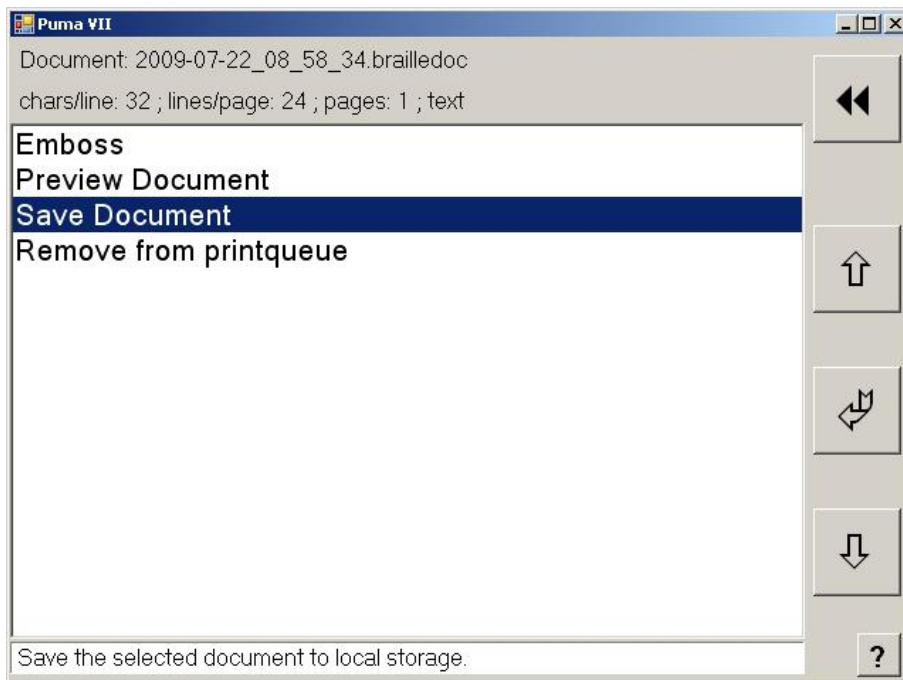




Figure 43: Save Document

In the next screen you can enter a name for the file (see → 24 under save format name). Enter a name for the file (give it a meaningful name so you easy find the file again). You can enter capital letters with the 'Shift' key and other letters with the 'Altgr' key. Save the file by pressing the  key.

4.5 Remove Emboss job

You can remove any file that's in the list of the main screen. Select the file, press  key and choose 'Remove from printqueue'. The file will be removed.

Chapter 5 Safety Functions

5.1 Emergency-Stop key

The red Emergency-Stop key (Figure 12) stops all movements of the Puma VII at once. You see (Figure 44) if the key is pressed during operation. If it's pressed while in lists or other screens, all motors are deactivated. The message occurs if you try to start embossing. Please clear the pending reason for the Emergency-stop and press OK. The Puma VII software restarts see (Figure 13 , Chapter 3)

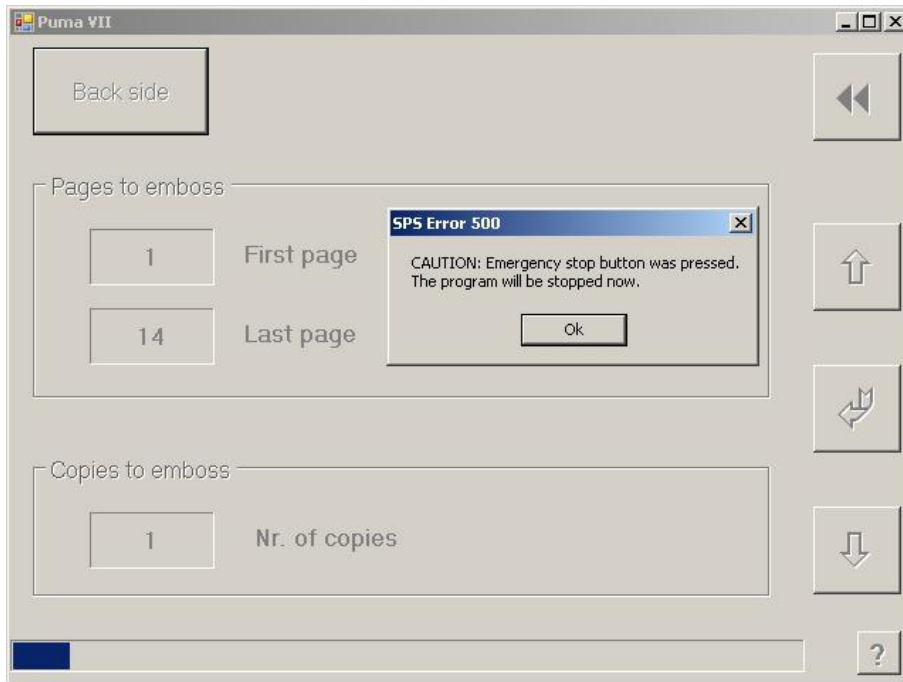


Figure 44: Emergency Stop

5.2 Protection Cap

The Puma VII is equipped with an Protection Cup to prevent injury by the moving plate. This Cup has an safety switch that avoids starting embossing while the Cup is open. If you open the Cup during embossing, all motors are stopped and deactivated immediately. On the screen you see an message that informs you that the Cup has been opened. After confirming this message box with OK, The Puma VII software restarts see (Figure 13 , Chapter 3)

Chapter 6 Maintenance and adjust of PumaVII

If the Puma isn't used for a while, please put a blanket about the machine. The mixture of dust and oil isn't good for the embossing unit. You'll get a bad result of braille dots on the plate.

The most parts of the embossing unit are subject of mechanical wear. There's also some abrasion from the metal plates. That's why you should clean and oil all parts that are moving. Especially the the embossing pins and the parts that move the plate should be cleaned regularly. Depending how often you use the PumaVII the interval should be 1 – 2 month.

6.1 Oil embossing head

Remove 3 screws on front cover of the embossing stamp.

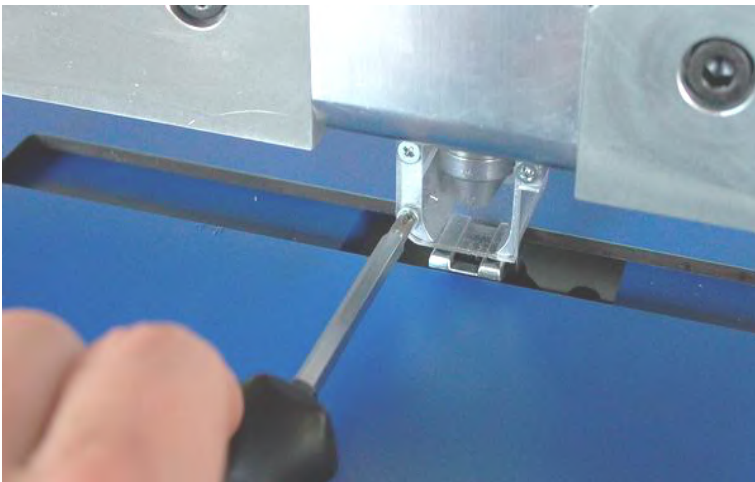


Figure 45: Protection of Stamp

Clean the embossing pins with a brush. Put 2 or 3 drops of the Teflon spray, delivered with the Puma on the 6 dots of the embossing head.

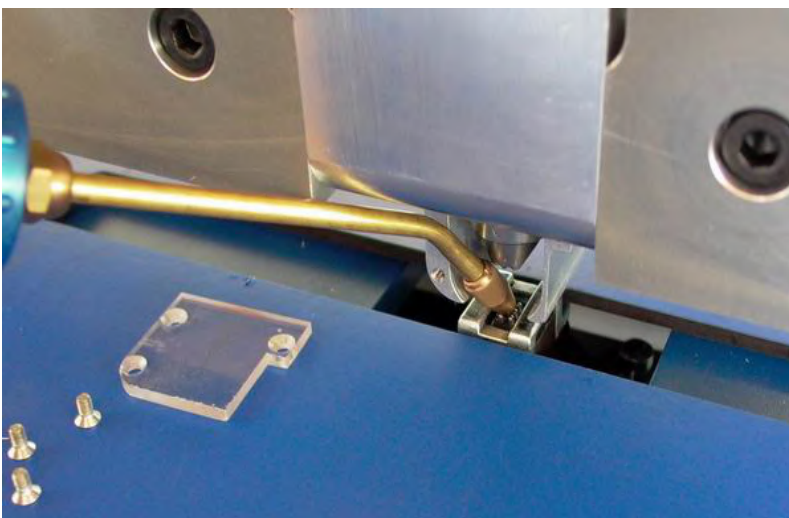


Figure 46: Oil Embossing Pins

After fixing the front cover, start Puma in typewriter mode and write some characters with each dot to disperse the oil.

6.2 Disassemble, clean and oil embossing head

6.2.1 Remove the embossing head

Remove XP6 and XP7 that connect the embossing head with the cable channel (Figure 47).

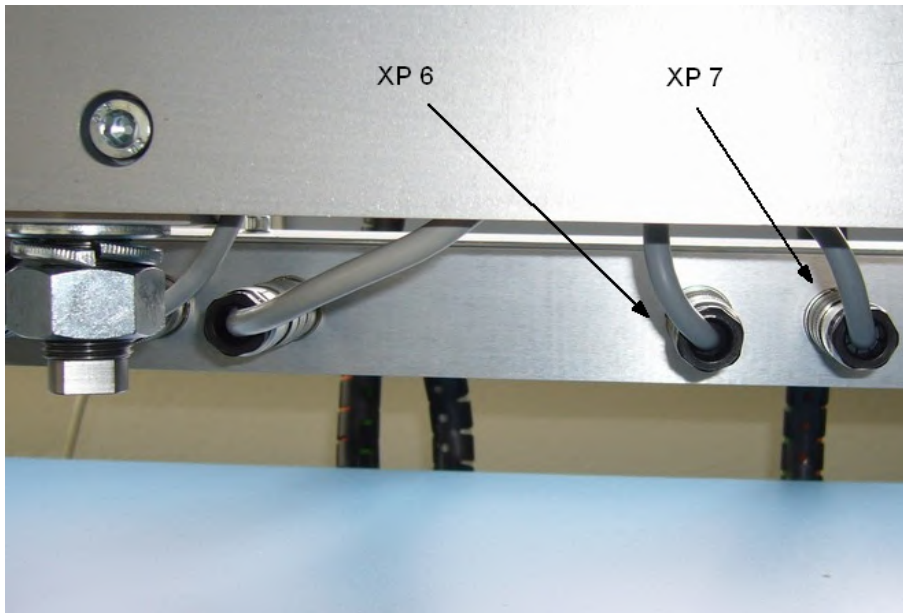


Figure 47: Connectors of Embossing Unit

Loosen Hex Nut 'B' until you can turn it by hand.

Loosen screw 'C' until you can turn it by hand.

Turning shaft nut 'A' to minus direction (-), until the elevating screw 'D' is free and 'fell down'.

Remove Shaft nut 'A'.

Remove the complete embossing unit.

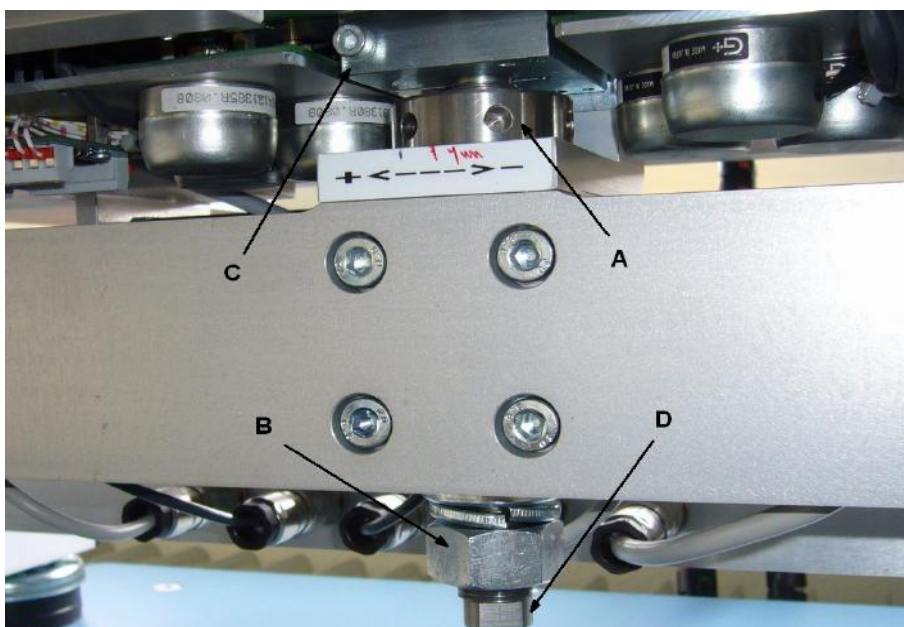


Figure 48: Fixing Embossing Unit

6.2.2 clean embossing unit

To clean the embossing unit, you have to open the embossing head and disassemble the embossing pins and the slides.

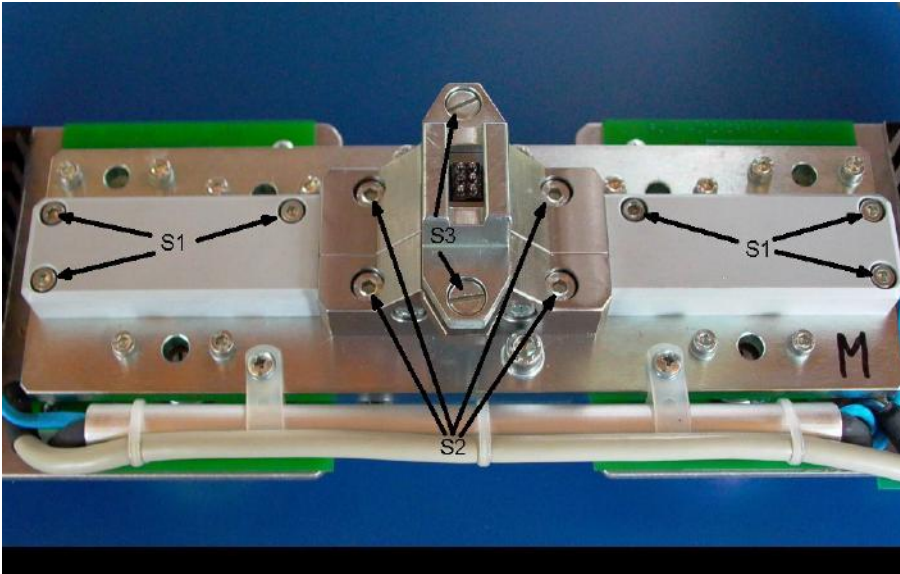


Figure 49: Embossing Unit

Remove the six screws S1. Remove the two PVC plates left and right of the embossing head. Remove the 4 screws S2. Remove the upper part of the embossing head carefully. Take care not to loose the 6 plates with the braille dots and the 2 springs under the head. If there are problems to remove it, use soft beats against the head.

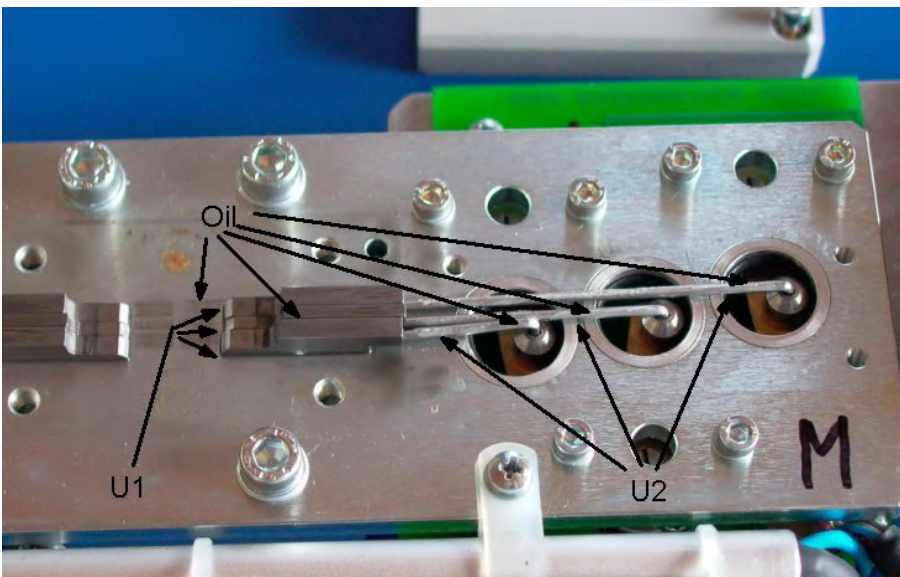


Figure 50: Details Embossing Unit

- For the left and the right side separately remove the 3 slides (U1) and the 3 wires (U2). (The wires have two different ends. The thinner slide (U1) is the middle slide.)
- Clean all parts with a cleansing tissue.
- Oil all parts that have been removed (Figure 50)

6.2.3 cleaning embossing pins

- Take all six embossing pins out of the head (Figure 51).
- Take care that the pins for dot 2 and 5 are not as thick as the other 4 pins.
- Clean all parts of this unit.
- Oil the pins and the two springs.
- Assemble the six pins as in (Figure 51). and insert the block into the housing.

Warning: !!!! The wrong order of the pins will destroy the embossing head.

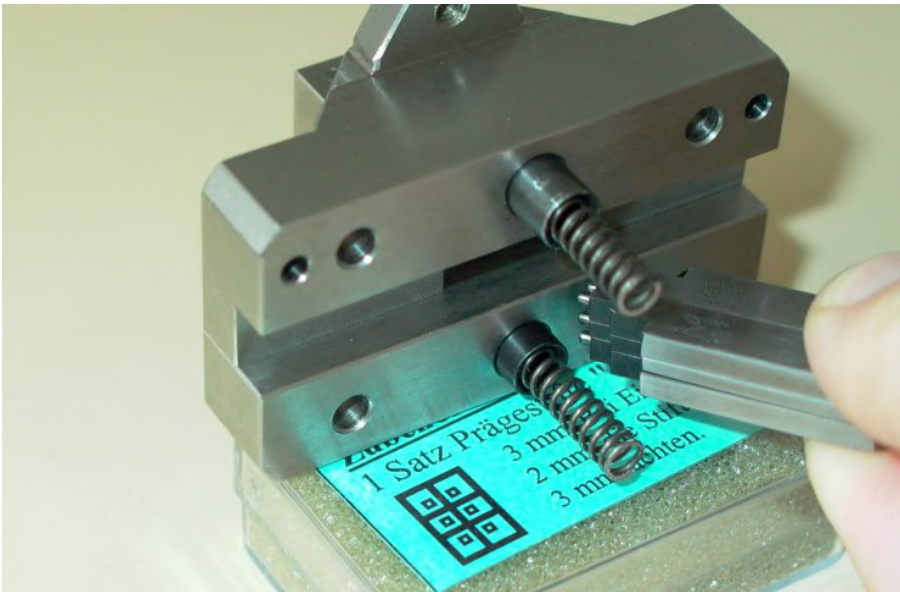


Figure 51: Mounting Embossing Pins

6.2.4 Adjust the stripper

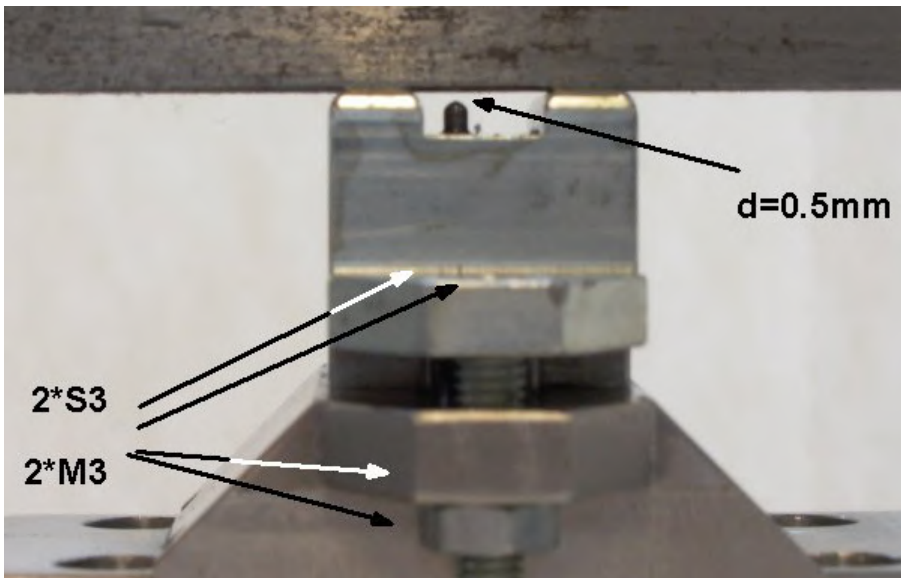


Figure 52: Adjust Stripper

If you have to adjust the stripper that is mounted above the embossing pins here the instructions: Loosen the two lock nuts 'M3'. Adjust the two screws 'S3' so, that the stripper is parallel and the distance between the full pulled out embossing pins is 0,5 mm (pin is 0,5 mm below the upper edge of the stripper. See details in (Figure 52). Fix the lock nuts 'M3'.

6.3 Reassemble the embossing head

Put the six slides as shown in Figure 50 and reassemble the embossing head. Take care, that all slides move easily and the springs and the pins are in the right position. The housing with the embossing pins can only be assembled in one direction because of two extra pins in the upper half.

Fix the screws S2 and close the two PVC plates with screws S1 (→ figure 49).

Install the embossing head in the Puma vice versa as described at chapter 6.2.1 Remove the embossing head) Take care that plate of the embossing head that is fixed with screw 'C' fits complete to the elevating screw 'D' (detail see figure 53 at the marked position)

Adjusting the height of the embossing head with Nut 'A' and 'B' see next chapter .

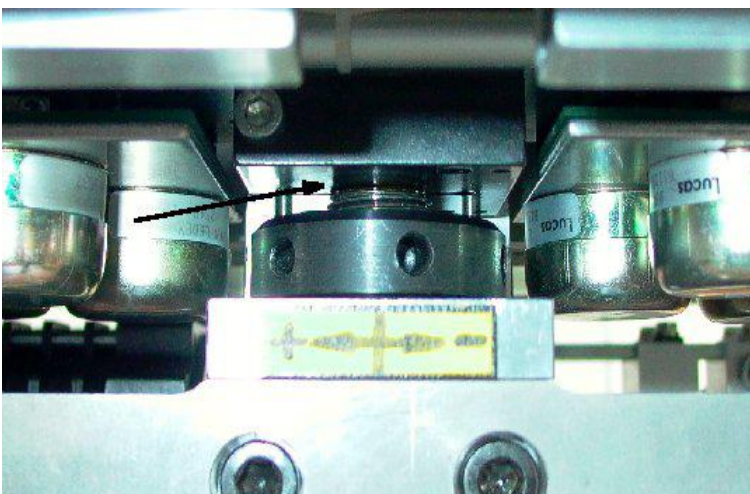


Figure 53: Elevating screw

6.4 Adjust dot height

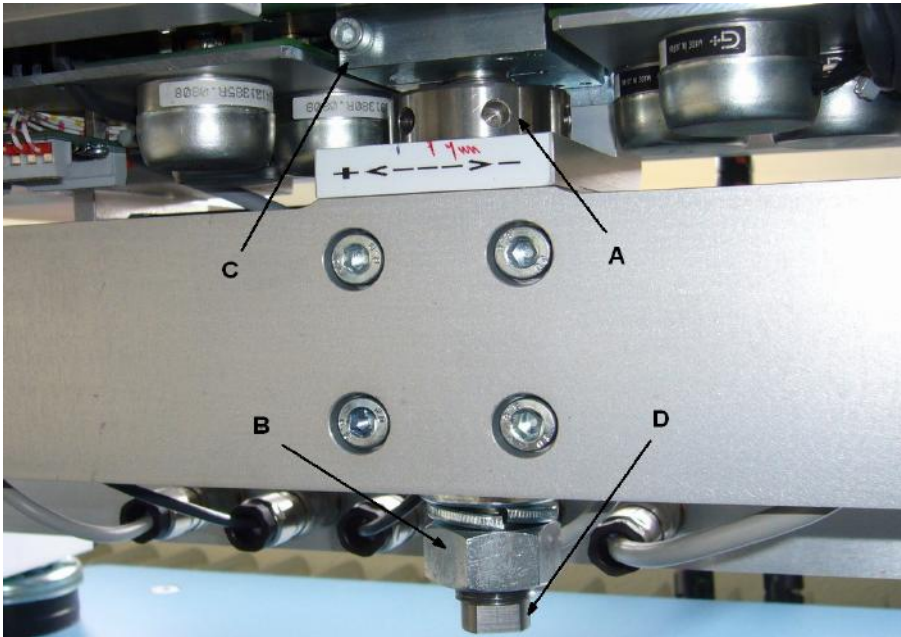


Figure 54: Adjust dot height

Warning!

The adjustment of the dot height is a tricky problem and must be carried out with a great deal of care. Never adjust the dot height during the embossing process. To adjust the dots to the correct height, increase/decrease by very small amounts. Embossing with too high dots will cause damage to the machine.

Loosen Hex Nut 'B' until you can turn it by hand. (Figure 54)

Turning Shaft Nut 'A' to minus or plus direction, until upper part of the embossing head is about 2 mm higher as the embossing table. (Detail Figure 59)

Start the Puma in manual mode and emboss some dots at the margin of an old plate.

Check the dot height as described on chapter 7.1.

Readjust Shaft Nut 'A' to minus or plus direction, as long as the dot height is correct for your plates. When finished fix Hex Nut 'B'

6.5 Adjust interpoint

To emboss interpoint the dots on the back side have to be moved against the dots on the front side. This is done by an offset in X and Y direction. The Y direction is adjustable in the Service settings of the PumaVII (see chapter 3.4.2).

The X direction is fixed in the software to the offset of an half dot to dot distance.

This settings only work correctly, if both movements (X and Y) are exactly adjusted in an 90 degree angle.

This adjustment is done in the factory. You can check it by embossing a double sided plate with interpoint.

Emboss a plate with 4-5 characters on each edge. The characters g or % work fine, because they have 4 or 6 dots in braille.

After embossed, check the plate. If all dots on the plate look like 'Error1' or 'Error2' the reason is a wrong setting in the Y direction. (see chapter 3.4.2).

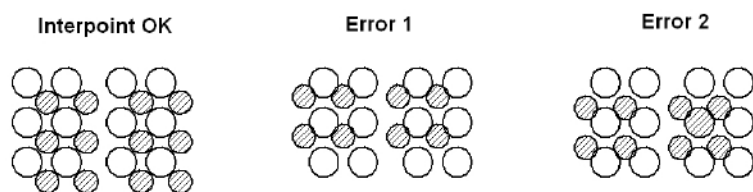


Figure 55: Check Interpoint

If the offset is different on top and bottom of the plate, the angle might be displaced.

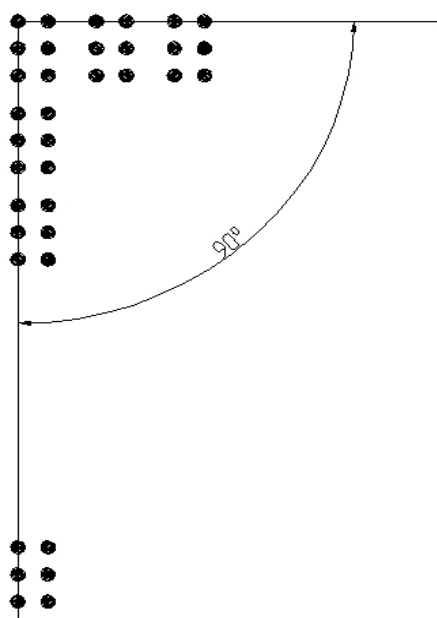


Figure 56: Angle of Characters

You can adjust this in small steps by loosening the screw 'A' shown in (Figure 57) and moving the plate holder a bit to the left or right.
After this fix the screw and check the result.

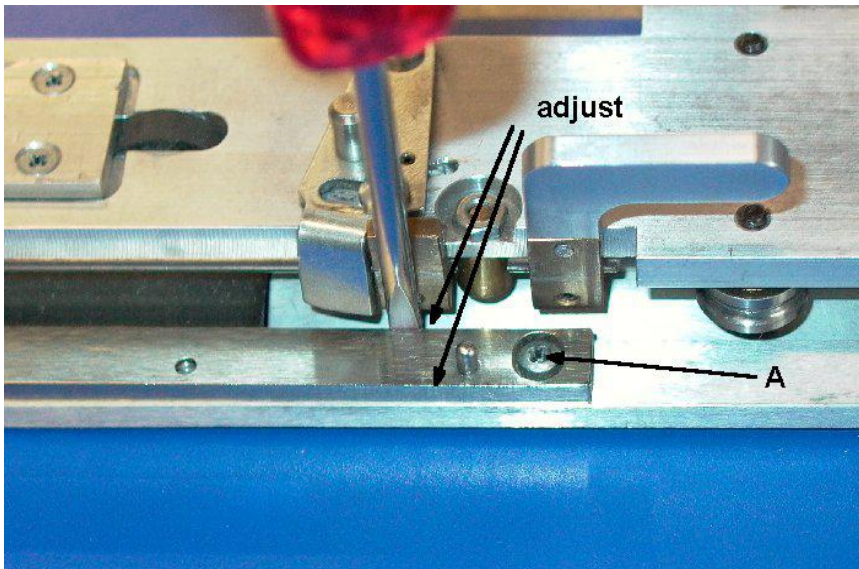


Figure 57: Adjust Angle

6.6 Change embossing stamp (text or graphics)

Lower the printing head as described in the chapter 'Adjust dot height' approximately 2 mm to get more space for changing the head.

Remove the front and backside protection of the head. (3 screws on front (Figure 45) and 2 marked screws (Figure 48).

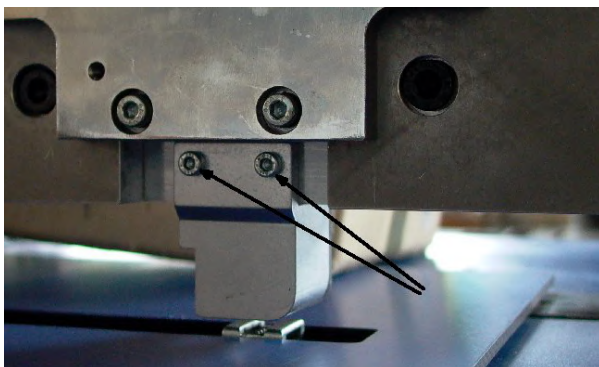


Figure 58: Remove Protection of Stamp

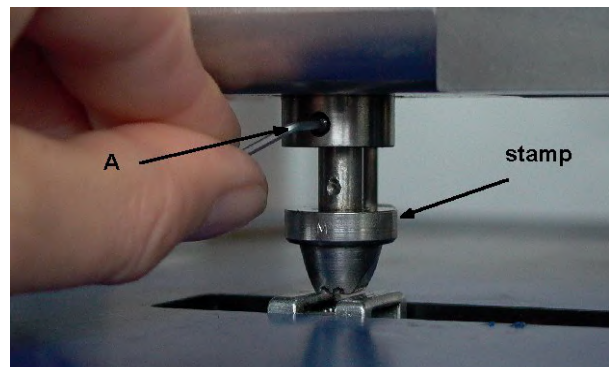


Figure 59: Change Stamp

Loosen the marked screw 'A' (Figure 59) and remove the stamp. Put a drop of oil to the shaft of the stamp and insert the new stamp (Text or graphic) Push it as much as possible to the top. Fix the screw 'A' and assemble both protections. Adjust dot height as described in the chapter 6.4 .

6.7 Clean and oil Y-Drive

Clean the guide bars. Put some drops of oil to the marked parts. (Figure 60)

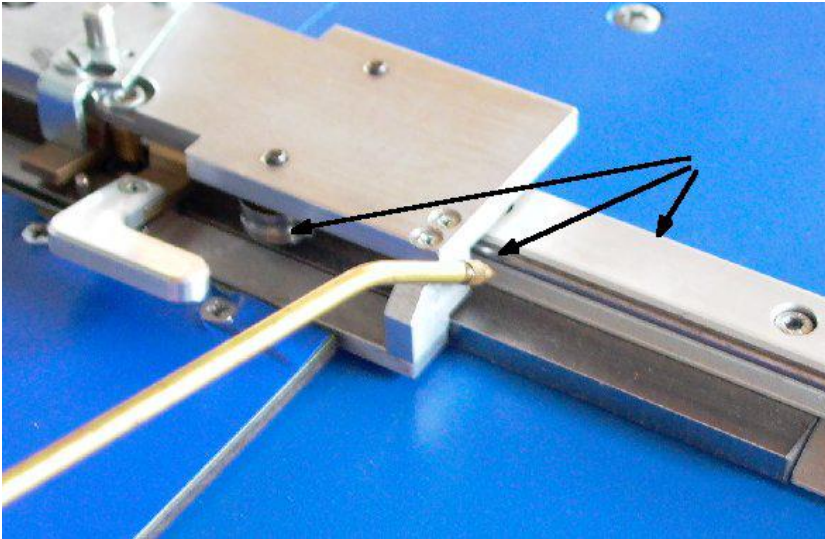


Figure 60: Oil Y-Drive

6.8 Check and adjust tension of the belt

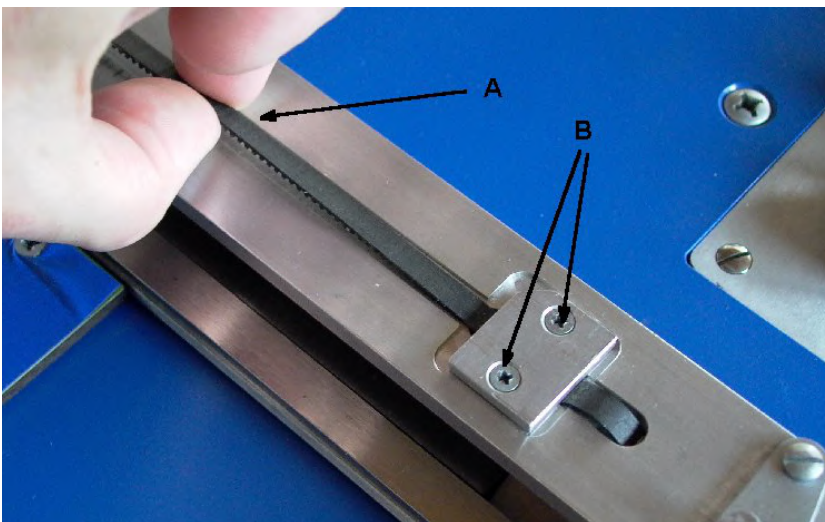


Figure 61: Check Y-Belt Tension

Check the tension by pulling the belt 'A'. It is OK, if you are able to pull it about 1 cm. Otherwise loosen screws 'B' a little bit and adjust the tension by moving the plate to left or right.

6.9 Check embossing motor



Figure 62: Cover of Embossing Sensor

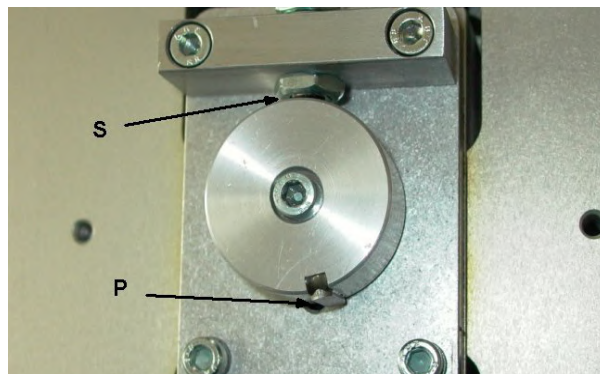


Figure 63: Embossing Sensor

Loosen the 4 screws of the cover (Figure 62) Remove the cover.

Check if you can turn the head bully about 30 degrees to the left and right. If not, remove the motor as described below.

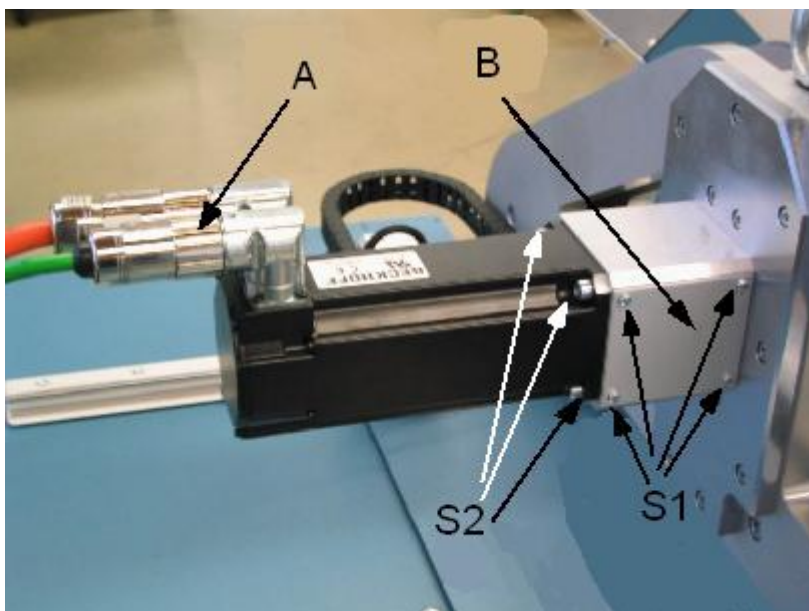


Figure 64: Embossing Motor

6.10 Check the clutch

Loosen the 4 screws S1 of the cover plate for the clutch. (Figure 64)

Check if the two screws S3, S4 (Figure 65) are fixed and if the clutch looks good, or if it has cracks.

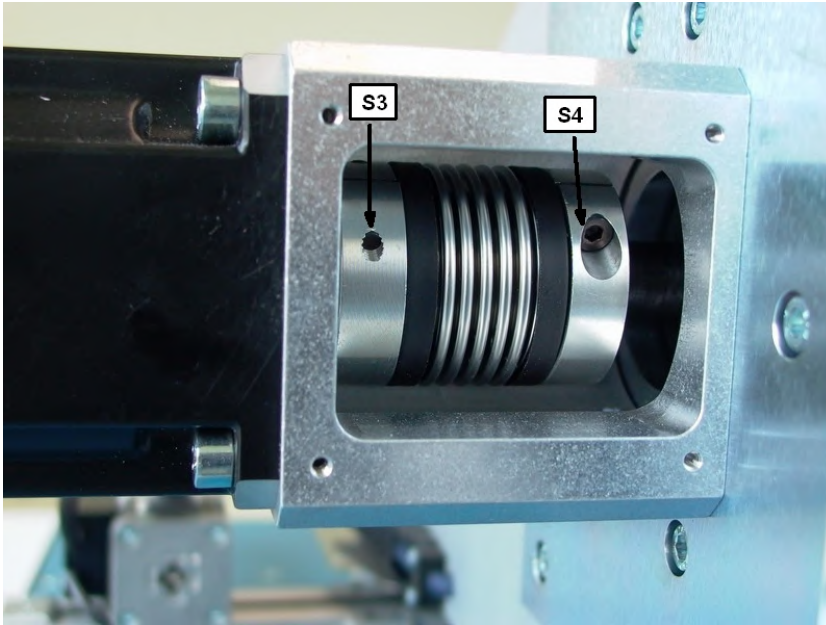


Figure 65: Clutch

6.11 Remove the embossing motor

Remove the 2 plugs for the motor 'A'. Loosen HEX screw 'S3' on the left side of the clutch. Loosen the 4 screws 'S2' and pull out the motor.

To remove the clutch, loosen screw 'S4'.

To reassemble the motor, please fix the clutch first on the motor. There must be a distance between motor-flange and clutch of about 9 mm.

6.12 Check function of all sensors

The sensors for left and right limit of the plate movement and the key for emergency stop can be checked via LED's in the electric cabinet. (Figure 68)

The Sensors for the embossing head, the upper margin and the X-Position can be checked via an LED mounted directly in the sensor.

6.12.1 Sensor for left limit switch

The micro switch is placed on the left side under the embossing table (Figure 66)

To check the function, move the middle of the plate under the embossing head and carefully press the end of the bar to the left. You hear a click. The LED marked 'B' in (Figure 68) must go out.

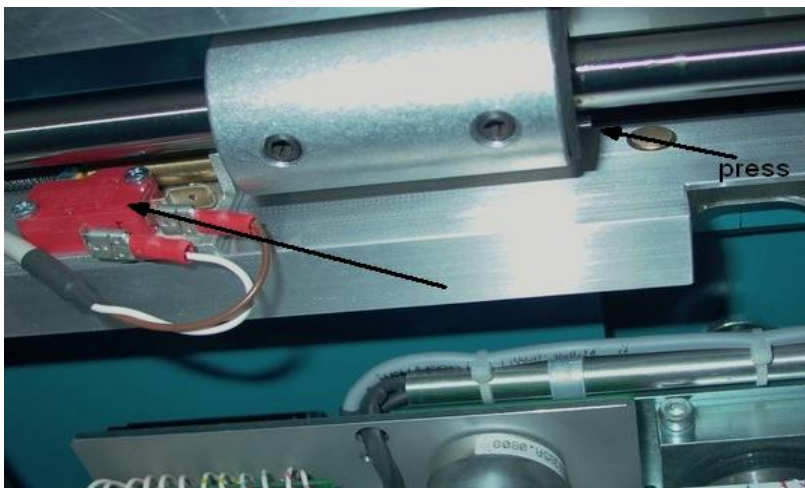


Figure 66: Sensor Margin left

6.12.2 Sensor for right limit switch

The micro switch is placed on the right side under the embossing table (Figure 67)

To check the function, move the middle of the plate under the embossing head and carefully pull the end of the bar to the right. You hear a click. The LED marked 'C' in (Figure 68) must go out.



Figure 67: Sensor Margin right

6.12.3 Check Protection Cup

If you open the Protection Cup (Figure 38), the LED's 'B' and 'C' must go out. If you close the Cup again, the LED's must go on again.

6.12.4 Check Emergency stop

Press the Emergency Stop Key (Figure 12) If the key is pressed, the LED marked 'A' must go out. If you release the key, the LED must burn.

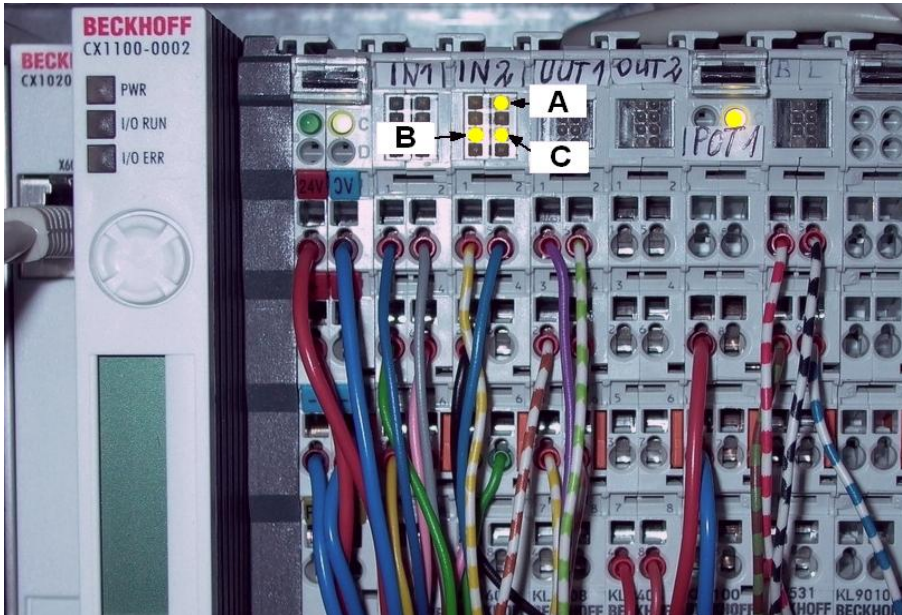


Figure 68: Connection of Sensors

6.12.5 Sensor for embossing head bully

Remove the cover of the embossing sensor shown in chapter 6.9 . The metal bar 'S' must be in an position shown in (Figure 69). Switch on the Puma. If the Puma is ready, press the Emergency Key for your own security. Move a thin metal plate between the bully and the sensor 'S'. The LED inside the sensor must burn. If you remove the metal bar, the LED must go off.

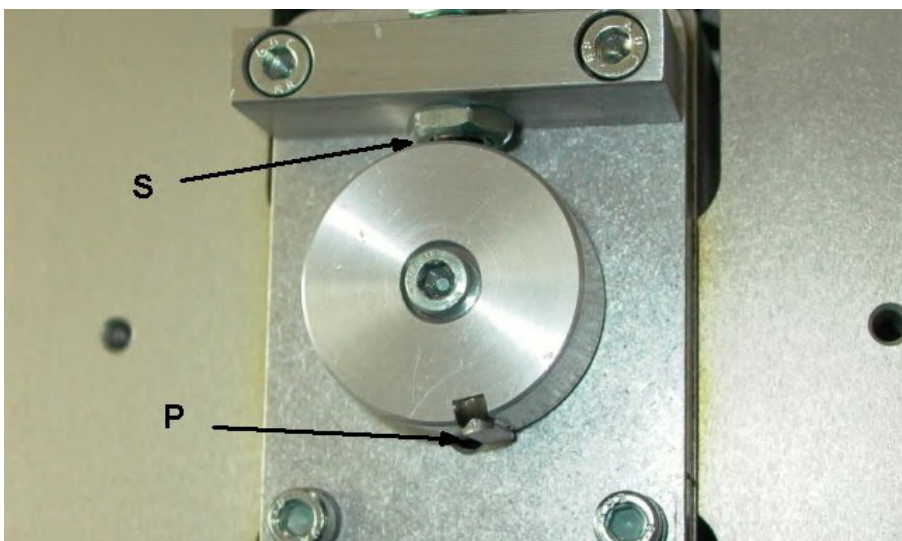


Figure 69: Embossing sensor

6.12.6 Sensor for upper margin (Y-Motor)

Move the slide for the plate in direction to the top of the plate. Short before it reaches the upper margin, the block 'B' switches on the LED in the sensor 'C' (Figure 70)
If you move the slide back, the LED must go off.

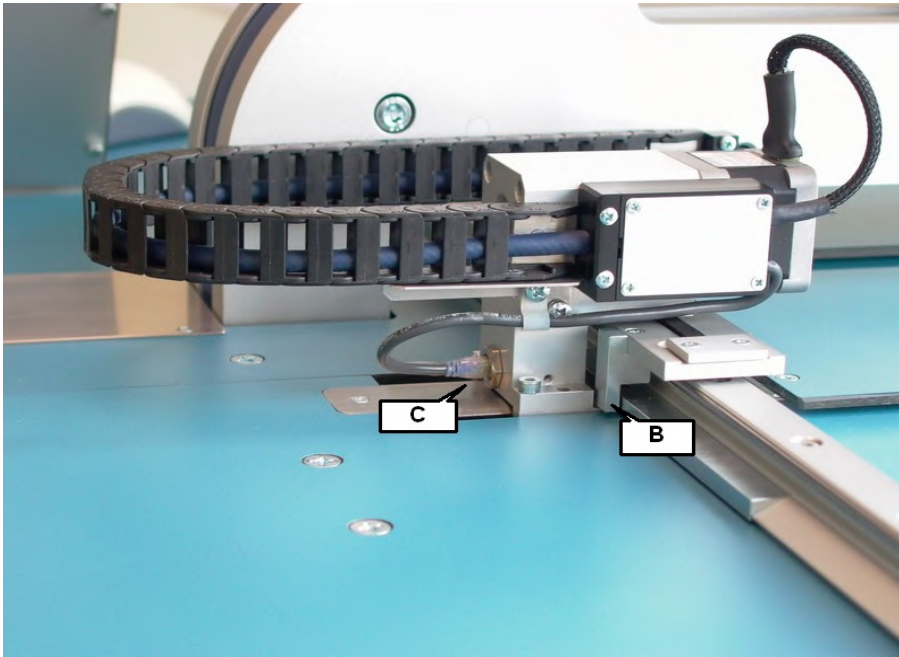


Figure 70: Y-Drive

6.12.7 Check sensor for X-position

Switch on the Puma VII.

Put a metal bar in front of the sensor 'D'. The LED included in the sensor must light. If you remove the metal bar, the LED must go out. (Figure 71)



Figure 71: Sensor X-Position

Chapter 7 Significant Braille data

7.1 Dot height

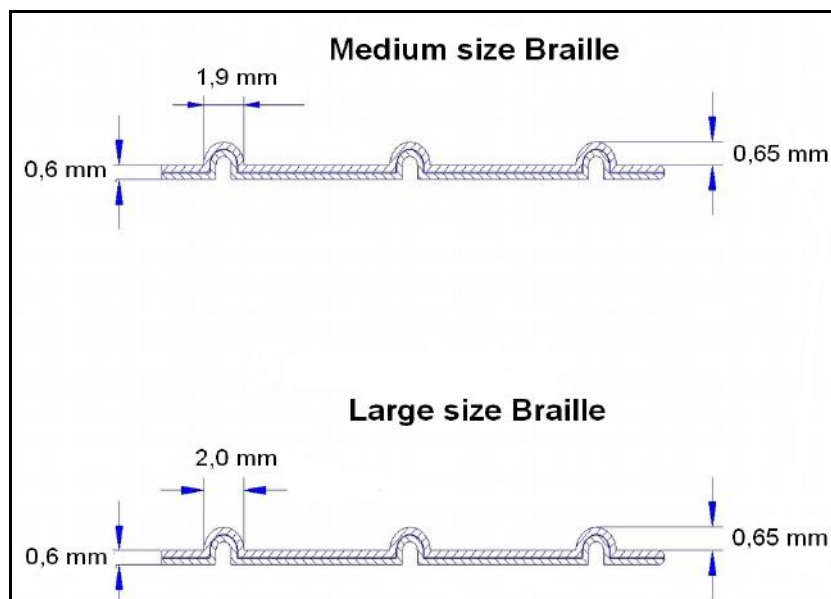


Figure 72: Height of Dots

7.2 Formats

7.2.1 Medium size format

char / line (max)	40
lines / page (max)	31
char per page (max)	1240
distance dot to dot	2,5 mm
distance char to char	6,0 mm
line to line	10,0 mm

7.2.2 Large size format

char / line (max)	36
lines / page (max)	28
char per page (max)	1008
distance dot to dot	2,7 mm
distance char to char	6,6 mm
line to line	10,8 mm

Chapter 8 Miscellaneous

8.1 Data Format for the PumaVII

The PumaVII is connected to the PC via a RS232 serial port.

8.1.1 Settings of the interface:

Baud Rate 9600
Parity: none
Data Bits 8
Stop Bits 1
Handshake XON/XOFF Software Protocol

8.1.2 Data Format in Text mode

The PumaVII embosses in binary-format. That means, the bits of a character that is send to the PumaVII are directly send to the 6 dots.

The LSB (2^0) represents dot one,

The MSB (2^5) represents dot six.

8.1.2.1 Example Data for Text File

0000 0011 = 0x03 hex => dot 1 and dot 2 = letter 'c' in Braille

0011 1111 = 0x3F hex => all six dots

8.1.2.2 Special Characters:

- **Blank** (space) is represented by 0x80 hex (not 0x20 hex)

- **Carriage Return** / New Line is represented by 0x81 hex
If 0x81 is send the text goes on at the beginning of the next line

- **Form Feed** / New Page is represented by 0x83 hex
Only 0x83 should be send. Afterwards the current page is finished. The text continues on the first character of the first line from the next page.
Form Feed should not be followed by Carriage Return.

- Because XON/XOFF protocol is used for PumaVII, the characters for
XON = 0x11 hex = 17 decimal
XOFF = 0x13 hex = 19 decimal

are not allowed as Braille Data

0x11 hex that represents letter 'e' in Braille must be masked to 0x91 hex (plus 0x80 hex)
0x13 hex that represents letter 'h' in Braille must be masked to 0x93 hex (plus 0x80 hex)

- Take care, not to exceed the maximum characters in one line, or the maximum lines of the specific format. Otherwise the file can't be embossed.

8.1.3 Data Format in Graphic mode

The PumaVII embosses Graphic in a special format.

The minimal resolution in X and Y are different.

X direction (line) is 0,03 mm, Y direction is 0,1 mm.

You should not send dots to the Puma that have a lower distance than 2 mm. In this case the previous dot is damaged by the following.

Dots are embossed scanning the Graphic line by line.

That means, you send several positions for one line, and then you go to a new line and continue in this way.

You emboss dots by sending offsets to the last dot.

8.1.3.1 Special Characters in Graphic File

Start of Graphic file = 0x86 (Byte)

New Graphic line = 0xff, 0x0d (2 Byte)

End of Page = 0xff, 0x84 (2 Byte)

Used Abbreviations

Xoff, Yoff Offsets to the last X or Y Position

SOG Start of Graphic Command

NL New Graphic line Command

EOF End of Graphic File

The data flow looks like this:

```
SOG,  
Yoff0 Xoff0 Xoff1 Xoff2 Xoff3 Xoff4 .. Xoffn NL      ( first dot line )  
Yoff1, Xoff0, Xoff1, Xoff2, .. Xoffn NL      ( second dot line )  
Yoffn, Xoff0, Xoff1, Xoff2, .. Xoffn NL      ( n' th dot line )  
EOF      ( End of Graphic )
```

index 0 (first Xoff or Yoff) is always from the upper / left corner

Take care, the Offsets are coded in different ways!

8.1.3.2 Coding of the Offsets (2 Bytes each)

Xoff: X Offset is coded in BCD.

Example: the two Bytes **0x01, 0x67** are an offset of **167_{DEZ}**

Example: the two Bytes **0x33, 0x33** are an offset of **3333_{DEZ}**

Yoff: Y Offset is a simple 2 byte value.

Example: the two Bytes **0x00, 0xFA** = **0x00FA_{HEX}** are an offset of **250_{DEZ}**

Example: the two Bytes **0x03, 0xE8** = **0x03E8_{HEX}** are an offset of **1000_{DEZ}**

8.1.3.3 Value of the Offsets:

X value is 0,03 mm per 1 (167 from the example is 5,01 mm 3333 is 99,99 mm)

Y value is 0,1 mm per 1 (example 0x19 = 25 is 2,5 mm 0x3E8 = 1000 is 100mm)

8.1.3.4 Example Data for a Graphic File

86 00 19 01 66 01 67 01 67 01 66 03 34 66 66 FF 0D 03 E8 76 66 FF 0D FF 84
SOG Yoff0 Xoff0 Xoff1 Xoff2 Xoff3 Xoff4 Xoff5 NL Yoff1 Xoff0 NL EOF

SOG

Yoff0 = 2,5 mm from upper margin

Xoff0 = 4,98 mm from left margin

Xoff1 = 5,01 mm from last dot

Xoff2 = 5,01 mm

Xoff3 = 4,98 mm

Xoff4 = 10,02 mm

Xoff5 = 199,98 mm

NL

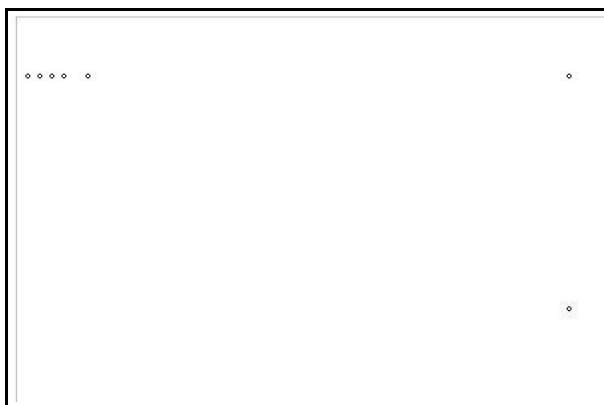
Yoff1 = 100 mm from last line

Xoff0 = 229,98 mm from left margin

NL

EOF

This graphic file looks like this:



TAKE CARE:

Because XON/XOFF protocol can be used for PumaVII and older PumaVI, the characters for XON = 0x11 hex and XOFF = 0x13 hex must be modified.

Here the correct way:

For X Offset, coded in BCD:

Each 0x11 is replaced with 0xA1

Each 0x13 is replaced with 0xA3

This is different than in Textfiles!

For Y Offset, coded in 16 Bit Hex:

High Byte: can't get so big. (0X1100 would be 435,2 cm offset.)

Low Byte: 0x11 and 0x13 should be set to 0x12 or 0x14. (Mistake is ok with 0.1 mm)

8.2 Change of the CPU battery

There is a battery in the CPU module CX1020-N00 (Figure 73). The battery type CR2032 from Panasonic (3V) is placed behind a cover at the marked position. This battery should be changed if Date & Time of the PumaVII software is 'lost', or after about 5 years.

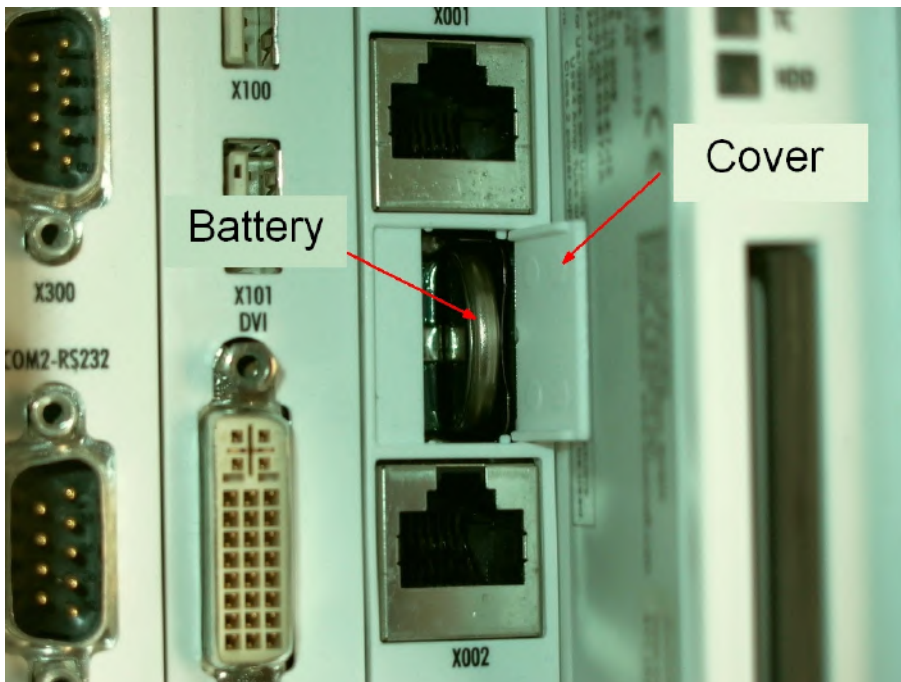


Figure 73: Battery for internal PC

For removing the battery, take the magnetic tool (isolated with black tape) and put it left of the battery. Then pull out the battery. Replace the battery with the same type (CR2032, 3V). Put the plus pole (Figure 74) to the right side (The side where 'Cover' is written in the Figure 73). Close the cover. You have to set date & time in the software. (chapter 3.3.11)

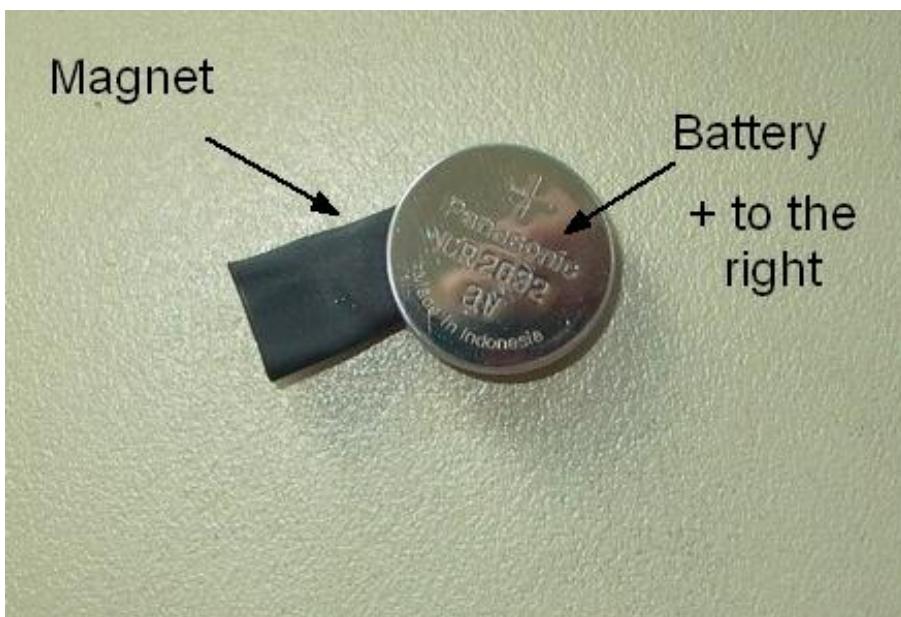


Figure 74: Battery with magnetic tool

If there are problems with the embossing, check all points mentioned in Chapter 6 .
If this didn't help, write exactly how the PumaVII starts, and what problems it in an e-mail or fax and contact

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Chapter 9 Components in the electrical cabinet

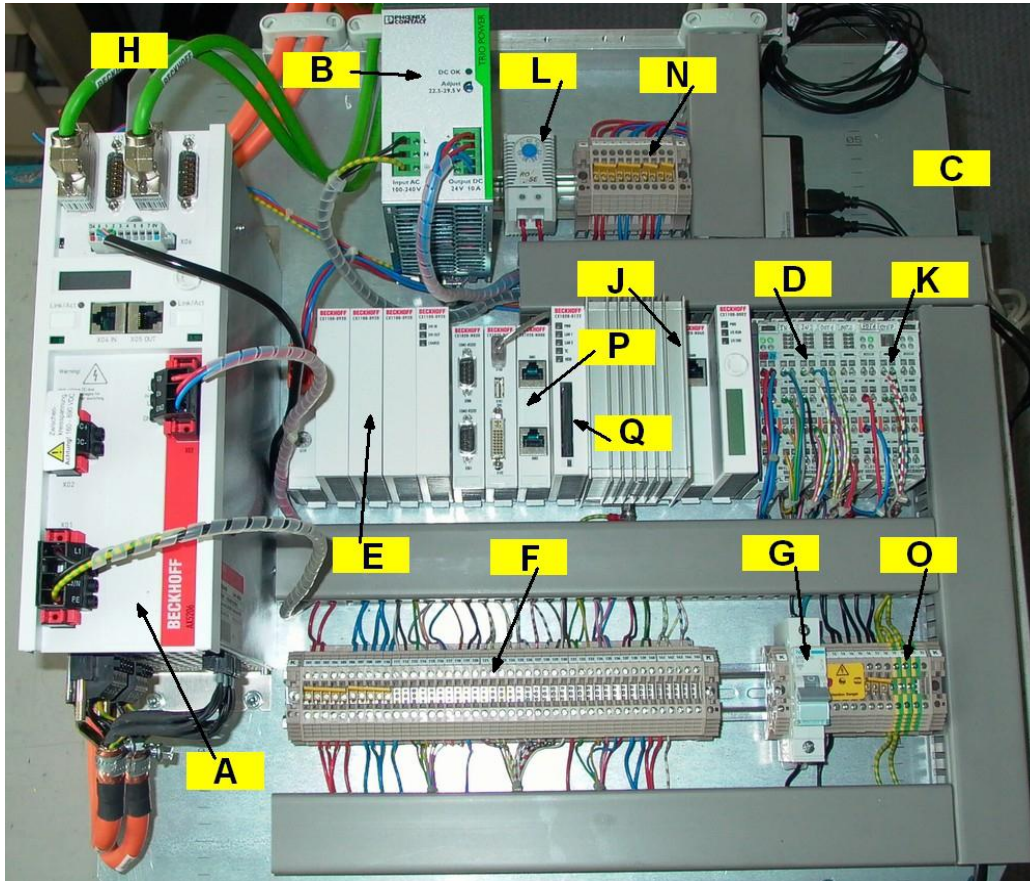


Figure 75: Components in electric cabinet

- A – Power unit for X-motor and the embossing motor
- B - Power supply for electronic 24 V
- C – Main switch
- D - In and output interface
- E – Uninterrupted power supply (UPS)
- F – Terminal block 1
- G – Main fuse
- H – Fan
- J - CPU Unit
- K - Stepping motor end phase
- L - Temperature switch
- N – Terminal block 2
- O – Terminal block 3
- P - Battery case
- Q - Memory Card (SSD)

Chapter 10 Appendix

10.1 Remove / separate the touch screen from the electrical cabinet

- Remove the embossing unit from the electrical cabinet. (see chapter 2.7)
- Remove the 4 screws that fix the top plate of the electrical cabinet (Figure 11)
- Remove the plugs and cables A,B,C=green, D=brown (Figure 76 and Figure 77)
- Remove the touchscreen with arm (see chapter 2.4)
- Pull out the cables through the slit (Figure 3)

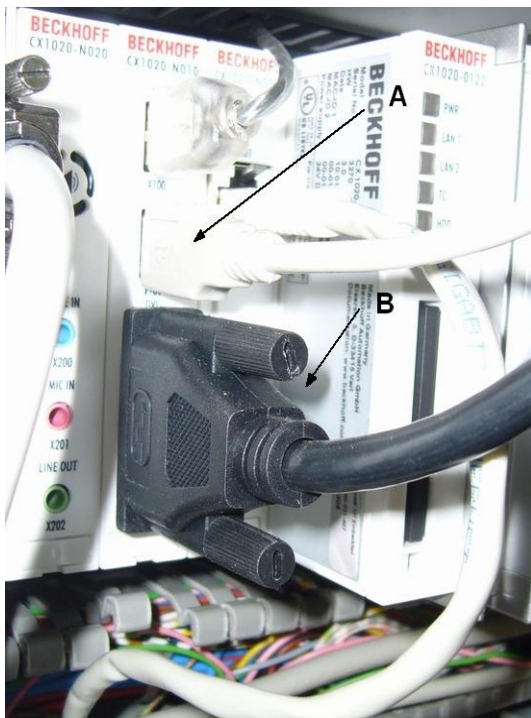


Figure 76: Plugs for Touchscreen
(Video, USB)

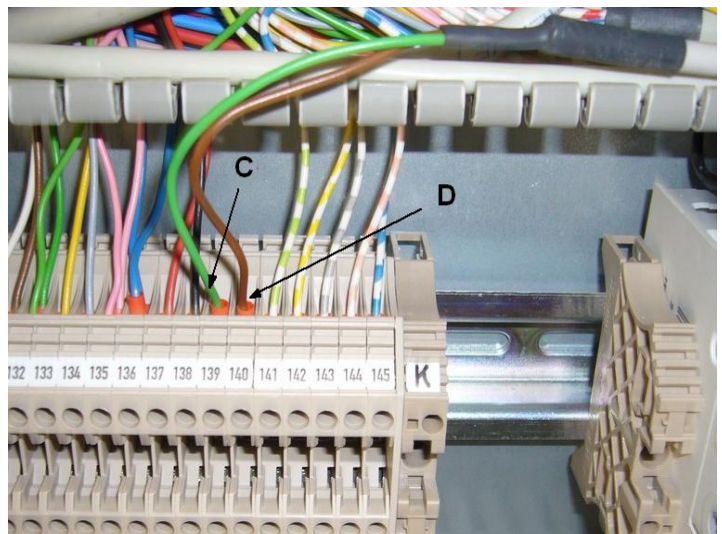


Figure 77: Plugs for Touchscreen (Power)

10.2 Fix An Unbootable XP with Last Known Good Configuration.

If the PumaVII computer does not boot into Windows Properly, there exists an easy option to fix the problem at your disposal. Using the Windows Advanced Options Menu to boot from the Last Known Good Configuration.

Every time you boot successfully, Windows XP embedded records your settings. The Last Known Good Configuration option in the Windows Advanced Options Menu tells Windows XP embedded to load up the last successful boot registry and device drivers

How do I boot Windows XP so that it uses the Last Known Good Configuration?

Answer – Follow the below procedure

Getting to the Last Known Good Configuration is easy. First, start your computer. As soon as the BIOS has finished loading, begin tapping the F8 key on your keyboard. Continue to do so until the Windows Advanced Options menu appears.

Once the Windows Advanced Options menu appears, select Last Known Good Configuration. If you begin tapping the F8 key too soon, some computers display a "keyboard error" message. To resolve this, restart the computer and try again.

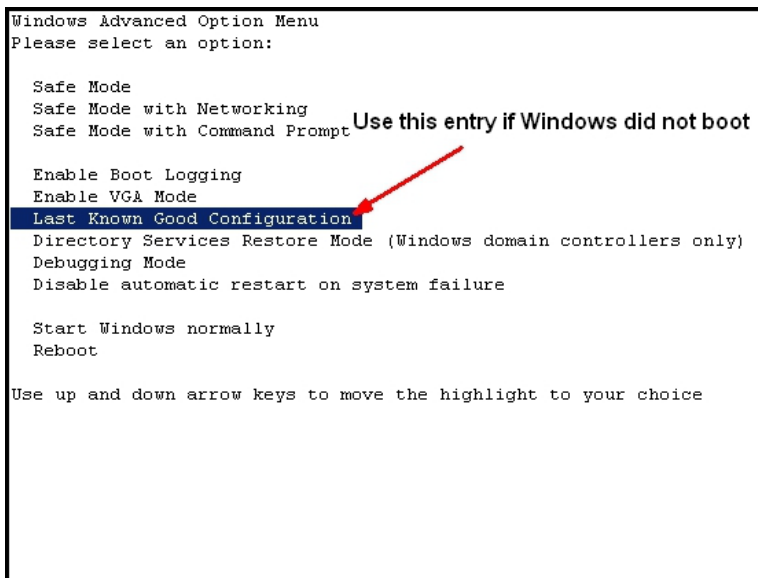


Figure 78: Boot last known good configuration