



TECH FAX

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Topic: 3-SDU Version 3.0, 3.1, and 3.2 Abbreviation Field Use

Introduction

This Tech Fax outlines the correct use of logic group abbreviations. An abbreviation is a short name for a group. You assign this name using the Message Editor. The system then uses the abbreviation in 3-LCD command menu selection lists.

The system uses abbreviations for the following logic groups:

- Check-in
- Guard patrol
- Matrix
- Service
- Zone
- AND
- Instruction text
- Time control

Creating abbreviations

1. On the Configure menu, click Objects.
2. On the Object Configuration tab, select the object then click Edit Message.
3. Enter an abbreviation for the logic group in the Abbreviation box.
4. Click Save.

The abbreviations you create appear in the Abbreviation column of the Object Configuration dialog box (on the Object Configuration tab).

Possible errors

If the size of Location Message Line 1 plus Line 2 plus the Abbreviation is more than 50 characters, the system posts an Exception Event Data Error. This error message persists through system reset cycles and can not be cleared.

Suggestions

1. Location Message Line 1 and Line 2 have a maximum length of 21 characters each. If you use the maximum for these, you have 8 characters available for the Abbreviation field.
2. You can use more than 8 characters in the Abbreviation field provided that the total of the Line 1, Line 2, and Abbreviation fields is 50 characters or less.