WPM Operator Interface Instruction Manual

Batch Data - Database Storage & Recovery

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1 Overview

The WPM requires settings when running each batch, such as the following:

Weight	Time	WP Speed	FP Speed	Dosage	Wicks	Waxes
600	5.6	50.6	22.6	10.0	80-85mm CDN 20	Soy Wax

These vary from batch to batch with varying requirements.

Rather than calibrating the machine each time, these can be stored in a Database.

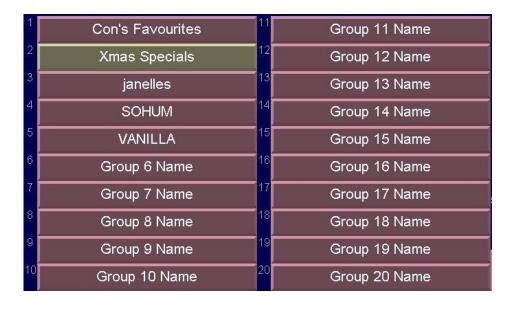
This profile is stored as a Type, ie. "Large Santa":



This example shows 10 Types that are suited for a range of products for the festive season.

These 10 Types are stored as a Group called "Xmas Specials".

This is only one Group of 20 available:

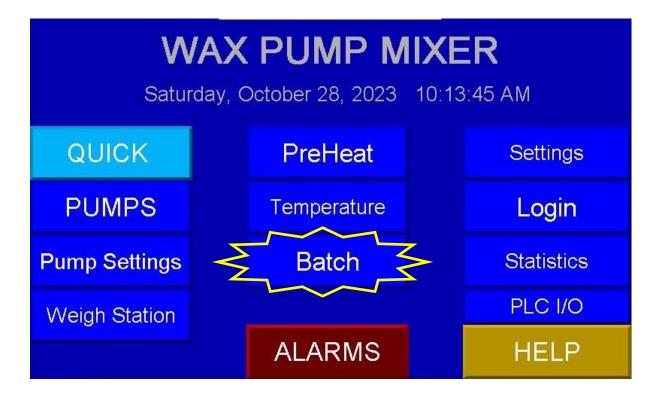


This shows that there are 20 Groups, each with 10 unique Types, giving 200 stored profiles.

2 Basic Operation

2.1 Main Start Screen

Select "Batch" to access the Batch Setup screen.



The "Settings" button will allow access to the Batch Customisation screen containing advanced settings. This is not required for basic operation.

2.2 Batch Setup Screen

The Batch Setup screen is divided into 2 halves.

The LEFT side shows the MACHINE parameters that are set within the WPM.

The RIGHT side shows the DATABASE parameters and has the controls for selecting and adjusting the database information.

Pressing on the "Group" accesses the Group selection page.

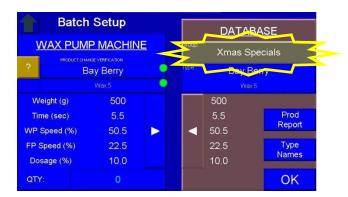
Pressing on the "Type" accesses the Type selection page for that Group.

The Status indictors (Red or Green) verify the information between the WPM and the Database.

The arrows MOVE the parameters between the WPM and the stored data in the Database.



2.3 Group Selection



Selection of the Group navigates to the Group Selection screen.

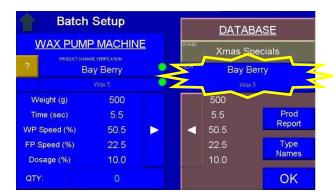
The Group can then be changed.



The Group selection screen also gives access to the "Group Names", where the names can be modified.

2.4 Type Selection

Once the Group has been selected, then the Types are available for that Group.



Selection of the Type navigates to the Type Selection screen.

The Type can then be changed.

Pressing on the required Type will change the selection to that request. ie. Bay Berry has been changed to Large Santa.

These 10 Types are unique for this Group. Selecting a different Group will give different Types.



The Type selection is distributed over 2 screens.

The RED arrow accesses the Wax options, and the BLUE arrow returns to the parameters.

The Left hand column with the Batch Type/Names remains the same on both screens.

The Type selection screen also gives access to the "Names", where the Wax names can be modified.

Any parameter can be changed by simply selecting the parameter.

2.4.1 Wax Selection

Similarly Wax options can also be changed.



Pressing on the Wax to be changed will bring up the "Wax Config" screen.

In this example, although Large Santa is the type, the Wax option for the Small Santa has been selected (Paraffin Wax), thereby allowing that Wax option to be modified.



This enables the setting of all the Wax options for the Batch selected, without the need to change the Type selection.

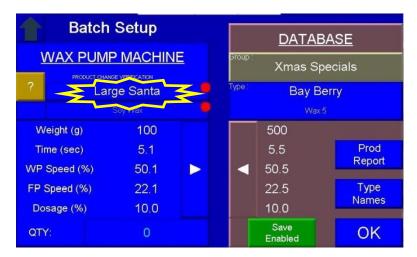
2.5 Verification

The process of verifying reconciles the information between the WPM and the Database.

This also provides positive confirmation that the product has changed.

2.5.1 Type Verification

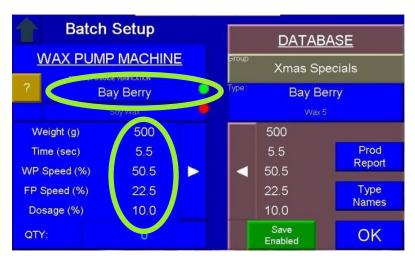
When the WPM parameters are different from those selected in the Database, then the RED status indicators will indicate a discrepancy.



Pressing the WPM Type will acknowledge the requirement for the WPM to adopt those parameters.

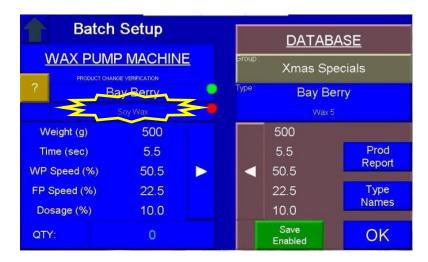
The Database Selections will be loaded into the active program.

This is observed below, where all the parameters match with the Database, and the Type Name is also written into the WPM.



2.5.2 Wax Verification

Pressing the WPM Wax will acknowledge the requirement for the WPM to adopt that Wax selection.



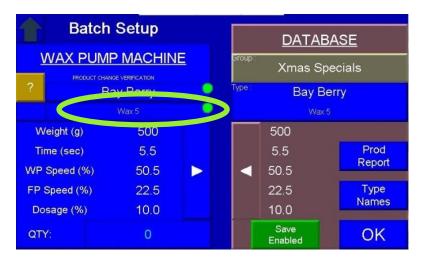
This is a safeguard, and is an attempt to make the operator aware there has been a Wax change.

There is no way for the WPM to make a positive identification, but this gives the operator a chance to conduct a physical check to reduce the chance of a wrong product being used.

The Wax Selection will be written into the WPM program.

This is observed below, where the Wax Selection has been updated in the WPM.

The verification status indicator can also be seen as an acknowledgement of this change as it is GREEN.



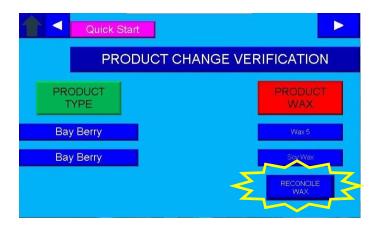
2.5.3 Alternate Verification

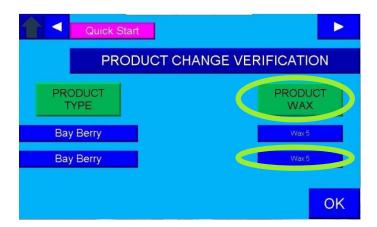
In the event that the parameters are not reconciled on the Batch Setup screen, then upon departing that screen with the "OK" button the operator is referred to the Product Verification page.

In the example below, the Product Type has been verified; however the Product Wax remains unacknowledged.

The Database has been selected as Wax 5, whereas the WPM remains set with "Soy Wax".

Pressing the Reconcile Wax button will acknowledge the change and make the necessary adjustment.





3 Saving, Loading & Copying Data

A calibration procedure is required to calculate the operational parameters for a batch.

After a calibration, it is often required to record the calculated values.

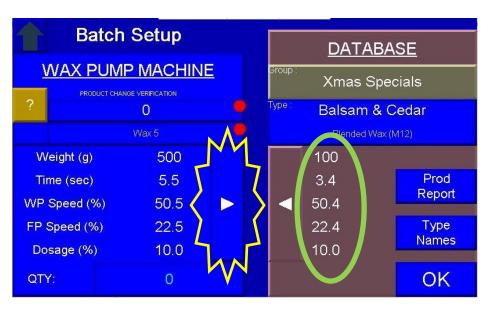
The SAVE function enables these parameters to be stored in a Database.

The Load & Save also assists when using the same or similar profile information for different Types.

3.1 Saving a profile

Select the Group & Type in which the parameters are to be stored.

Pressing the RIGHT pointing arrow will then load these values from the WPM and into the Database.





Select the Type and progress to the Type Config screen.



These values need to be SAVED into the Database.

Pressing SAVE has now stored this profile in the Database.

3.1.1 Restoration

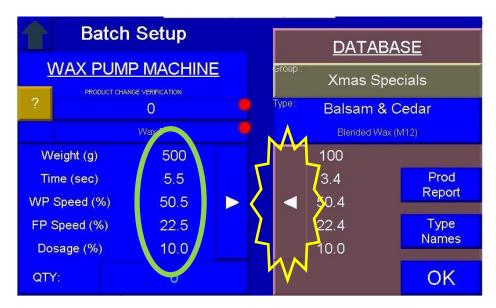
If this has been done erroneously and not yet SAVED, then the LOAD can be selected as below and the previous values restored.

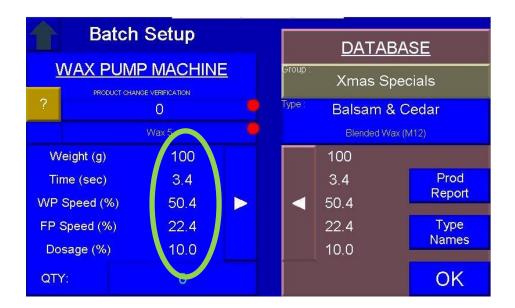


3.2 Loading a profile

Select the Group & Type in which the parameters are to be stored.

Pressing the LEFT pointing arrow will then load these values from the Database and into the WPM.





3.3 Copying a profile

This process is helpful when using the same or similar profile information for different Types.

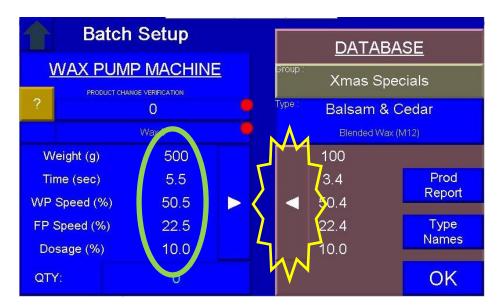
Select the Group & Type in which the parameters are to be stored.

Pressing the LEFT pointing arrow will then load these values from the WPM and into the Database.

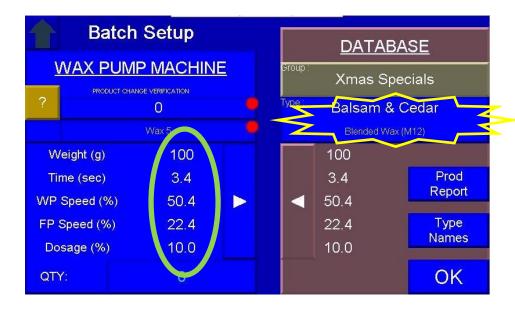
Here we are Copying the parameters from the "Balsam & Cedar" Type, to the "Cedarwood & Fir" Type.

Select the "Balsam & Cedar" Type.

Pressing the LEFT pointing arrow will then load these values from the Database and into the WPM.



Select the Type which will navigate to the Type Config. screen.

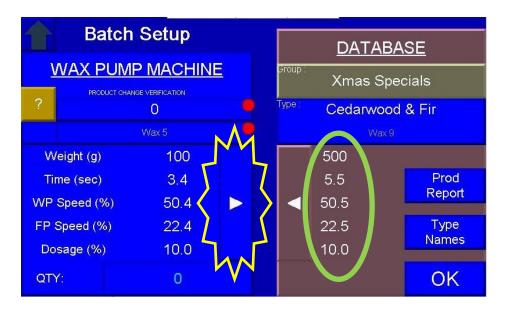


Select "Cedarwood & Fir" from the options. If the required Type is in another Group, then navigate to that Type.

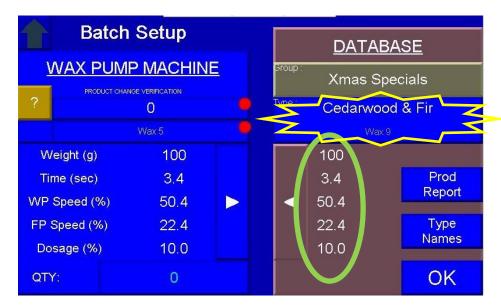


Return to the Batch Setup screen.

Pressing the RIGHT pointing arrow will then load these values from the WPM and into the Database.



Select the Type which will navigate to the Type Config. screen.



The new parameters can be seen in the "Cedarwood & Fir" designation.

Press SAVE to commit this to the Database.

Group: Xmas Specials		Ту	pe Cor	ıfig.		Return
Batch Type/Name	Weight	Time	WP Speed	FP Speed	Dosage	
Large Santa	400	5.1	50.1	22.1	10.0	
Small Santa	600	5.2	50.2	22.2	10.0	
Xmas Tree	300	5.3	50.3	22.3	10.0	
Balsam & Cedar	100	3.4	50.4	22.4	10.0	
Bay Berry	500	5.5	50.5	22.5	10.0	
Christmas Candle	600	5.6	50.6	22.6	10.0	
Fresh Cut Tree	700	5.7	50.7	22.7	10.0	SD
Pine Needle Frasier Fur	400	5.4	50.4	22.4	10.0	LOAD
Cedarwood & Fir	100	3.4	50.4	22.4	10.0	
Winter Mantle	600	5.6	50.6	22.6	10.0	SAVE

4 Renaming

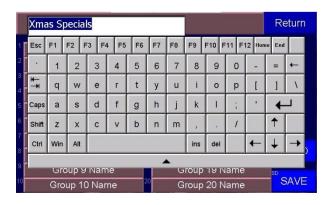
The OIT has a USB on the back, and can be accessed with a keyboard for simplifying the editing process where multiple entries are required.

4.1 Group Names









4.2 Type Names







4.3 Wax Names



Xmas Specials	Type Config.				Return	
Batch Type/Name	Weight		WP Speed	FP Speed	Dosage	
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	600	5.2	50.2	22.2	10.0	
	300	5.3	50.3	22.3	10.0	
Balsam & Cedar	100	3.4	50.4	22.4	10.0	~~
	500	5.5	50.5	22.5	11/0	
	600	5.6	50.6	22.6	14.0	
Fresh Cut Tree	700	5.7	50.7	22.7	10.0	SD
	400	5.4	50.4	22.4	10.0	LOAD
Cedarwood & Fir	500	5.5	50.5	22.5	10.0	
Winter Mantle	600	5.6	50.6	22.6	10.0	





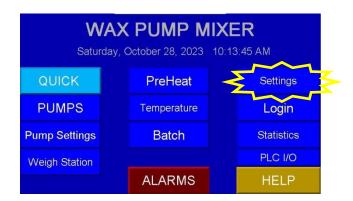
5 Batch Customisation

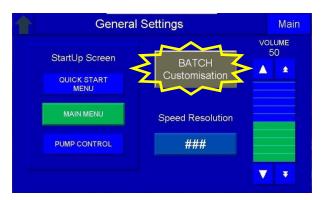
The Batch Setup can be configured to enhance its features to suit more custom operations.

Having a hidden Save button can assist in reducing the occurrence of erroneously overwriting data.

Increasing the Database Size can add functionality to expanding operations, while conversely simplifying smaller scale processes.

Wick information can also be selected if there is a requirement to consider it part of the production process.







5.1 Save Disable Option

The "Save Disable" customisation enable the save button to be disabled.

This prevents erroneous overwriting of Database parameters.

In busy production periods or training, there may be the need to protect the database information from being accidentally erased.

If data is lost then it may require a recalibration.

Selecting "OFF" simply leaves all the Save features readily available.

Selecting "ON" gives the operator the option to disable at their discretion from the Batch Setup screen.







5.2 Extended Data



Extended Data allows for more Types in each group.

The Basic system is restricted to 10 Types, as this reduced the number of screens required to access the data.

Extended Database Size doubles this to 20 records for each Group.

These are split over 2 pages.

Page 1 are for Types 1 - 10.

Page 2 are for Types 11 – 20.

It is suggested to not enable this function unless required, so as to simplify operation and reduce training time for new or inexperienced operators.

5.2.1 Basic Operation:

The default is 10 Types.



5.2.2 Extended Operation with Wick data:

Page down gives access to another 10 Types (11-20). The screens are expanded to Page 1 and Page 2.





5.3 Wick Data



With Wick Data selected, then the Wick options appear alongside the Wax options.



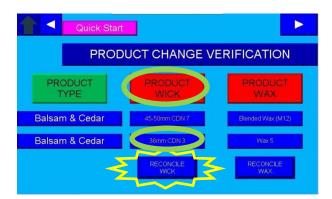
The Wax Configuration screen is expanded to include the Wick selections.



5.3.1 Wick Data Verification

The Batch Setup also includes the Wick data, with the added requirement that the Wick selection also be acknowledged (similar operation to Wax).





5.4 Group / Type Nomenclature

"Group" and "Type" may not be the ideal descriptions for specific operations.

The WPM has the ability to modify these labels that better suit a facility.

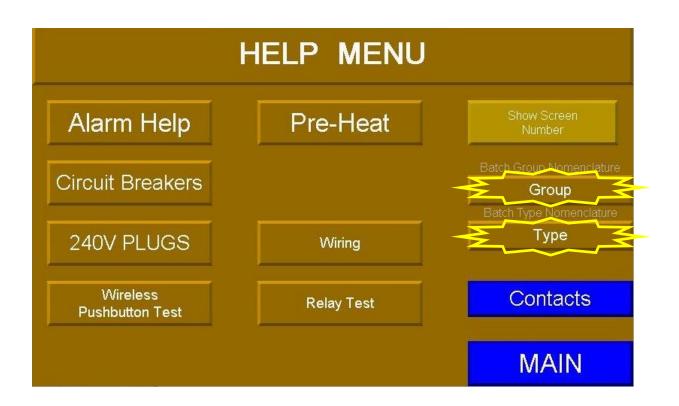
Some alternative names for Group may be:

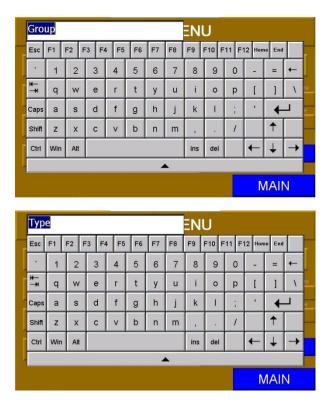
- Customer
- Client
- Theme

Some alternative names for Type may be:

- Profile
- Product
- Batch







6 Warnings & Alarms

6.1 Screen Switching Warning

A warning informing the operator of an issue is displayed as a YELLOW warning banner.

This example shows "Screen switching controlled by external source".

This simply means that the WPM is busy uploading data from the Database (memory card) in order to update the machine.

This may happen when an operator becomes more experienced and progresses at a pace faster than the Database can update.

This data transfer usually only requires 1 second or less.



6.2 Names have Defaulted - LOAD

If the system has not had a chance to upload from the Database, then it may default to more generic names. In this example the Wax Names have not been loaded.



Simply Press LOAD and the Names that are stored in the Database will be updated.



The GREEN LOAD/SAVE indicates a successful read of the memory card.

6.3 Failure to LOAD/SAVE

If the system has an issue reading the Database from the memory card, then and error will occur.

Firstly the LOAD/SAVE buttons will illuminate RED, and then an alarm banner will be displayed with the fault code.



