

# AHP-1200DCP Dual Cold/Warm Plate Product Manual

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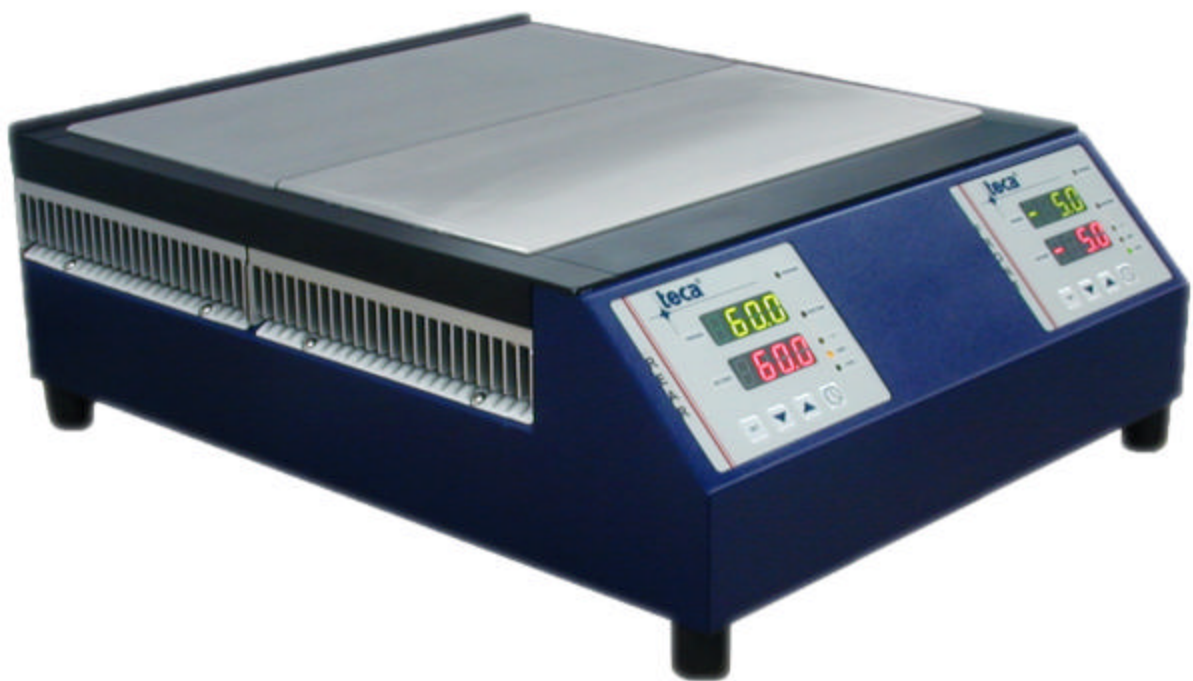


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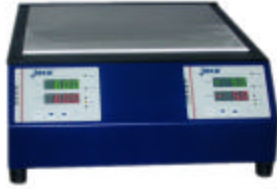
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# AHP-1200DCP

## Dual Cold/Warm Plate



# What's in the Box ???



AHP-1200DCP  
Cold/Warm Plate

Power Cord



Remote RTD Probe

Software  
and  
Manuals

AHP-1200DCP Product Manual and EasyLog Product Manual in print and CD, TECA EasyLog software, DotNet Framework, iTools Engineering Studio, iTools driver, Sample ramp/soak programs, TECA TC-4300 Operations Manual, AHP-1200DCP Literature

# Safety Features

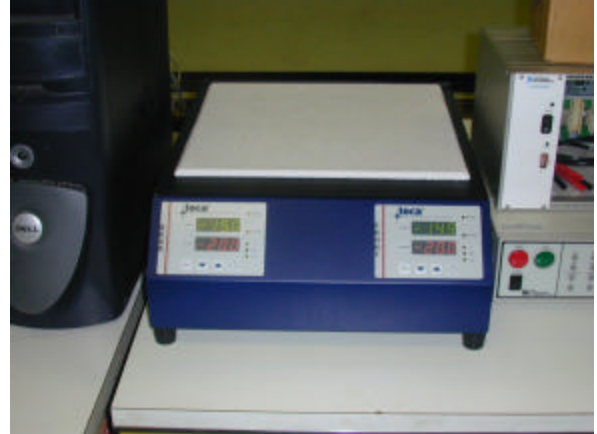
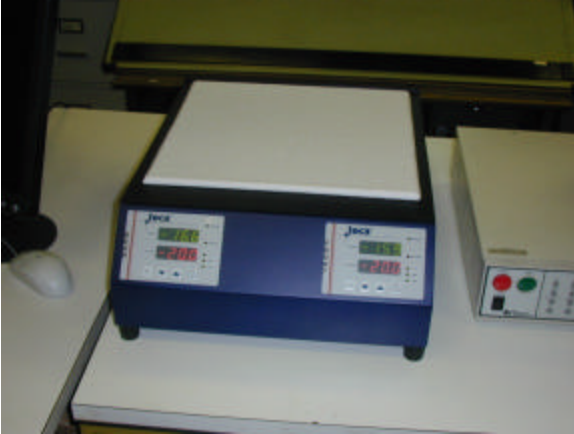
- Independent control over each cold plate
- Automatic recovery to set point after regain of power
- Program resume after regain of power
- Rear Condensate Guard
- Programmable over-temperature limits
- Hardwired safety overheat limits (95 C) will shut down everything and trip an alarm. System automatically recovers after cool down.
- System shut down upon sensor break, over and under range

# Warnings

- Read and understand the manuals included with the product.
- This product can get very COLD and very HOT. CAUTION should be used at all times. Do not touch any surface which may be at an extreme temperature range.
- This product should be serviced by a qualified technician.
- Caution: Risk of electrical shock. Always disconnect the power when performing any servicing.
- Exercise every possible caution if cooling any type of hazardous material. Follow all precautions necessary for the particular materials being cooled.
- Use the external sensor feature with caution. There may be a significant time delay between the cold plate temperature and the sensor temperature causing potentially dangerous overheat or freezing conditions.

# How do I use it? NOW!

Step 1: Locate the unit on a flat level surface like a bench. Make sure you have some room around it for good airflow.



**DO**  
Give it room to “Breath”

**DON'T**  
Pile lots of stuff all around it.

Step 2: Plug the cord in the back of the unit, the other end in the wall outlet and turn the unit on. The temperature controllers will turn on and the plates will begin to approach the set temperatures. The initial set points are 60 C for the rear plate and 0 C for the front plate. The fans will slow and quiet down as they near the set temperatures.



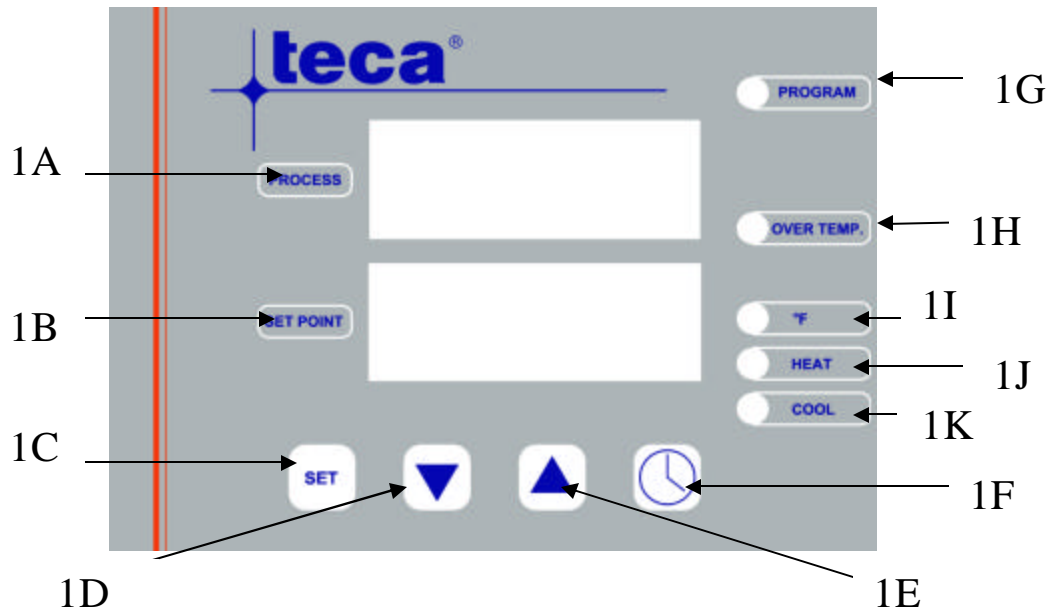
Step 3: Now What? Now to add what you're cooling.



Put something on the cold plates and adjust the set points using the arrow keys.

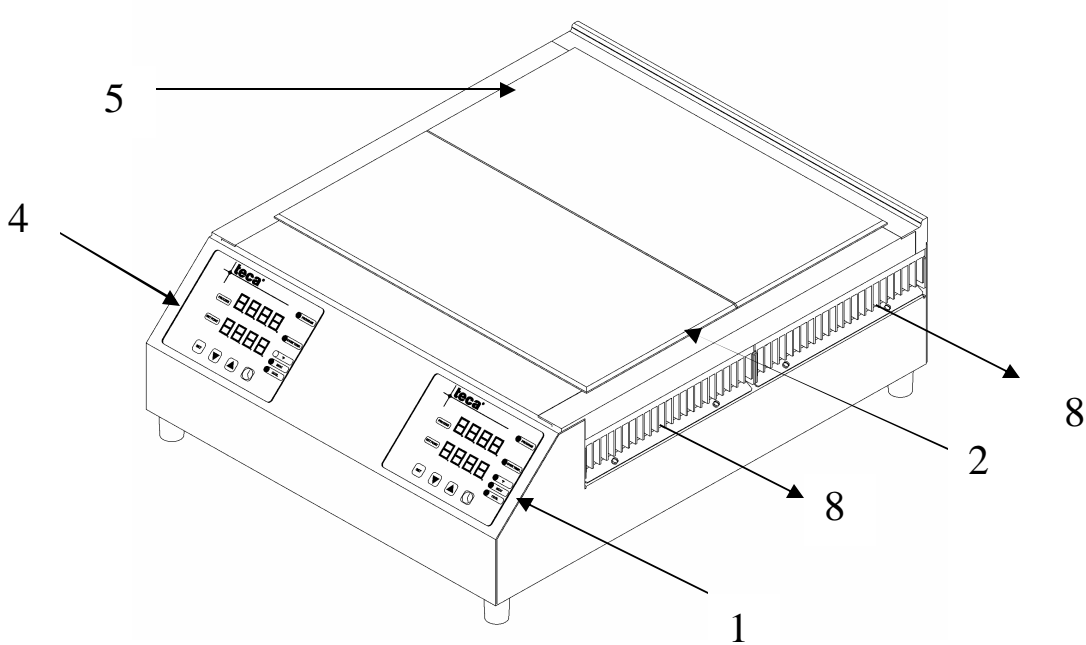
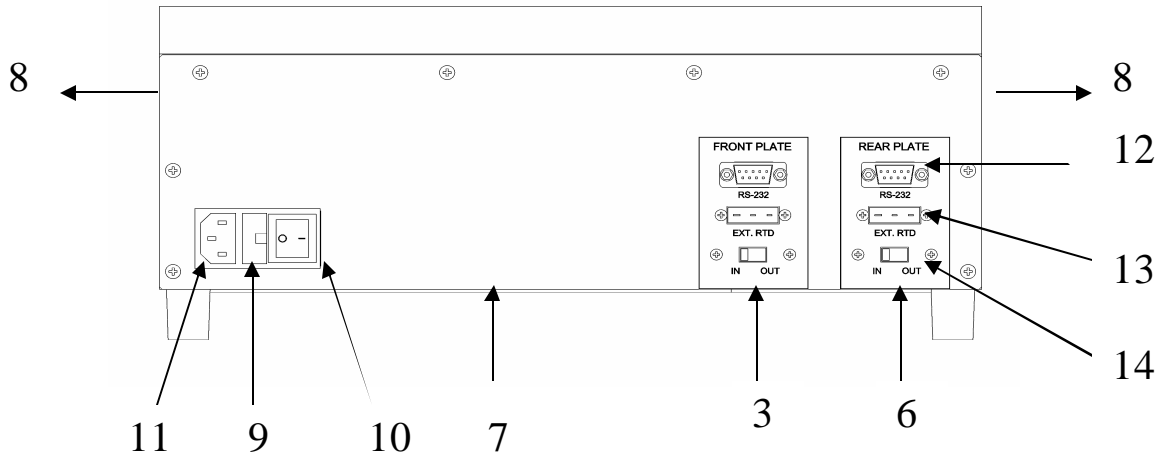


# Temperature Controller Panel Layout



- 1A Process (or fluid) Temperature
- 1B Set Point Temperature
- 1C “Set” - Used in Programming
- 1D “Down Arrow” – Adjust Temperature down
- 1E “Up Arrow” - Adjust Temperature up
- 1F “Clock Symbol” – Used for programming and initiating program
- 1G This yellow light is ON when running a program
- 1H This red light will be ON during an overheat condition and flash after recovery until manually reset.
- 1I This light is ON when the controller is displaying degrees F.
- 1J This light is ON when heating.
- 1K This light is ON when cooling.

# Physical Layout



- |   |                     |    |                                    |
|---|---------------------|----|------------------------------------|
| 1 | Front Plate Control | 8  | Air Exhaust                        |
| 2 | Front Plate Surface | 9  | Fuse (5 x 20 mm, slow blow, 5 amp) |
| 3 | Front Plate Remotes | 10 | On-Off Switch                      |
| 4 | Rear Plate Control  | 11 | AC Input                           |
| 5 | Rear Plate Surface  | 12 | RS-232 Port                        |
| 6 | Rear Plate Remotes  | 13 | External RTD sensor connector      |
| 7 | Air Intake          | 14 | Internal/external RTD Switch       |

## Adjusting the Set Point Temperature

The Set Point for each plate is independently adjusted by pressing the up or down arrow keys of the appropriate controller.

## Over Temperature Safety

When an over temperature condition occurs the following will happen:

- The OVER TEMP light will be on.
- System heating and cooling will be disabled
- The pump reset function will be disabled
- If a program is running it will be placed in the “hold” mode

When the condition has cleared normal operation will resume. The OVER TEMP light will flash until the over temperature condition has been acknowledged using the L.rS parameter in the Basic Mode.

## Initiating the Auto Tune function

The Auto Tune function adjusts specific control parameters to provide good control at the specific set point based upon the reaction of the system to the cooling device. These parameters will be different for different systems and for different circumstances within the same system. These circumstances include changing set point and load.

**To set the Auto Tune** press the “set” button then use the arrow keys to set the process to “on”. The set point should say “OPt”. Press the “set” button again. Wait for the display to clear, about 5-10 seconds, and the temperatures to return in the display. The “process” display will alternately flash “OPt” and a temperature until the tuning process is complete.




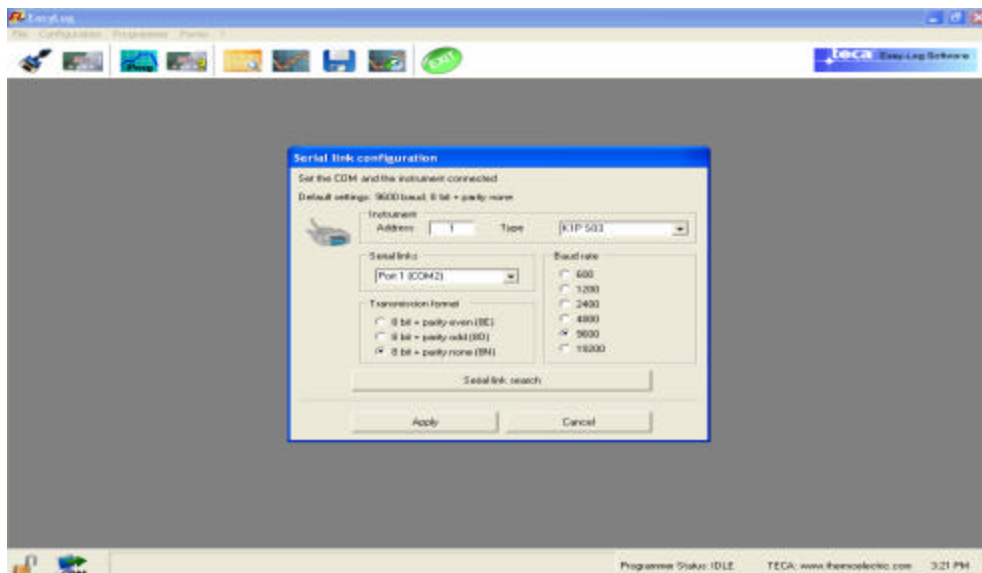
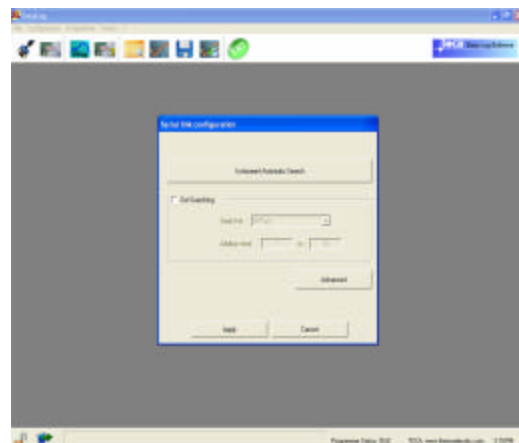
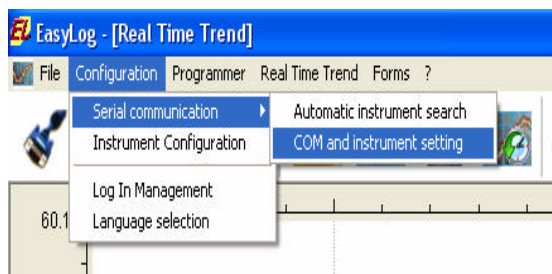
## Changing temperature indication from C to F

Change the P1 parameter in the configuration level, CnF from 7 to 15. See page 14 for instructions regarding Controller Modes.

# Running two controllers with EasyLog Software

A separate copy of EasyLog must be opened for each controller. Otherwise the software works the same for both. See the EasyLog manual for more detailed information.

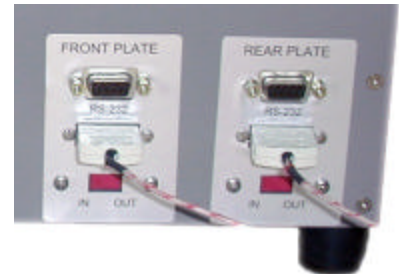
Difficulties in initiating the RS-232 communications may arise. Each controller must be connected to an individual RS-232 serial port. Initiate the search for a controller using the  icon. It will find the controller on the first available port. Follow the windows below for an advanced method to acquire the other controller. You are telling the computer to look for your next available port (COM2, COM3, etc). If you don't do this it will continue to find the same controller on that very same first available port.



## Using the external RTD sensor

Caution!! Use the external sensor feature with caution. There may be a large time delay between the plate and the sensor temperatures causing overheating and under-cooling conditions. Fully evaluate the system conditions prior to and during the use of this feature. The RTD is a three wire, 100 ohm, single element, Class A

Identify where and how you wish to use the external sensor. Take special consideration and thought with respect to safety. Connect the sensor to the back of the chiller, slide the selector switch towards the “out”, turn the unit on and verify function and safety. A faulty or RTD is signaled on the display as % % % %



## Adaptive Fan Control

Adaptive Fan Control is a special feature designed to improve overall temperature control and user comfort while maintaining maximum performance when needed. The most evident characteristic is the reduced fan noise as the system approaches set point. The fan speed is directly related to the amount of cooling required. This feature has been factory preset. Changes, while not recommended, can be made within the “Set-Up Operator” mode described later in this manual. Detailed information is found in the TC-4300 Operators Manual. Each plate has its own fan which in turn is controlled independently.

## Guaranteed Soak and Ramp Tracking Limits

For the Guaranteed Soak Limit function enter the configuration level, CnF and change the P46 parameter to anywhere from 0.1 to 100.0 degrees C or F. Example: SP=70, P46=2.5, the program waits when PV>72.5 or PV<67.5. Setting to OFF will disable this function. Parameters P44 and P45 respectively set the Low and High Tracking limits. Setting to OFF will disable these functions.

## Controller Modes

Warning: There are many parameters which can be changed in each mode. Those used in normal day to day operation have been described in previous sections. Do not make changes to any parameters unless it is covered in this manual. Other changes may alter the function of the system in an inappropriate and/or unsafe manner.

Mode	Code	Description
Basic Operator	OP.b	From this level an operator can change set point, force an auto tuning process, start a predefined program, and reset the pump.
Program Editing	OP.P	In this level individual program segments are defined, as well as the number of program cycles.
Set Up Operator	OP.S	From this level an operator can set PID parameters, set point limits, and other key operational parameters. Use with caution.
Configuration	CnF	This is the level for factory configuration.
Input Calibration	I.CL	This is the level for access calibration parameters.

\* To switch controller modes, press the ⌚ and **SET** pushbuttons for more than 3 s. The display will soon show OPr and the current operational mode. Press the ▲ or ▼ pushbutton to select the new level.

\*To confirm the selection press the **SET** pushbutton.

\*OP.S (1), OP.P(415), and CnF each have their own pass code for level access. If the selection is other than OP.b The display will show display PASS and ---- . Press the ▲ or ▼ pushbutton to set the proper password. **Passwords:** OP.S – 1 OP.P – 2 A.CL, CnF, I.CL – 415

Press **SET** to confirm.


\*To inspect or modify parameters press **SET** key. To modify a selection use the ▲ or ▼ buttons. Press **SET** again to store the new value and to advance to the next parameter.

\*Push ⌚ to scroll backwards through parameters without storing them.

\*If no button is pushed for 10 seconds the normal display will appear

## Basic Operator Mode (Normal, day to day operation)



To change the set point:

- Press ▼ or ▲ pushbutton for more than 1.5 s to begin modifying the set point.
- Continue until the desired set point has been reached.
- The new set point will be loaded automatically after a 2 second delay.
- By pressing  or **SET** it is possible to abort the modification..

To begin control optimization:

- Change the setpoint to the desired temperature
- Press **SET** to view and scroll thru the parameters in the lower display until you find Opt.
- Press ▼ or ▲ to change the Off in the top screen to On
- Press **SET** again to store the new value.
- The display will return to normal in 5 to 10 seconds.
- During the optimization process the upper display will alternate between the actual process temperature and Opt.
- The display will return to normal when the control optimization process is complete.

To begin the Ramp/Soak Program:

- Press **SET** to view and scroll thru the parameters in the lower display until you find nPRg. Select the program you wish to run and press **SET**
- Press the  button on the front panel for 2 – 3 seconds to start the ramp soak program
- Press the  button on the front panel for 2 – 3 seconds to stop the ramp soak program

# Programming Mode

## The Basics:

- There are 32 segments available in 4 programs of 8 segments, 2 programs of 16 segments, 1 program of 32 segments
- Set Points - What temperature do you want to get to? Initial set points are required for every program. Target set points are required for every segment.
- Actions are required for each segment
- Ramp Rates - How fast would you like to get there?
- Dwell Times – How long do you want to stay there?
- Programming can be done from the front panel or software

## The Software:

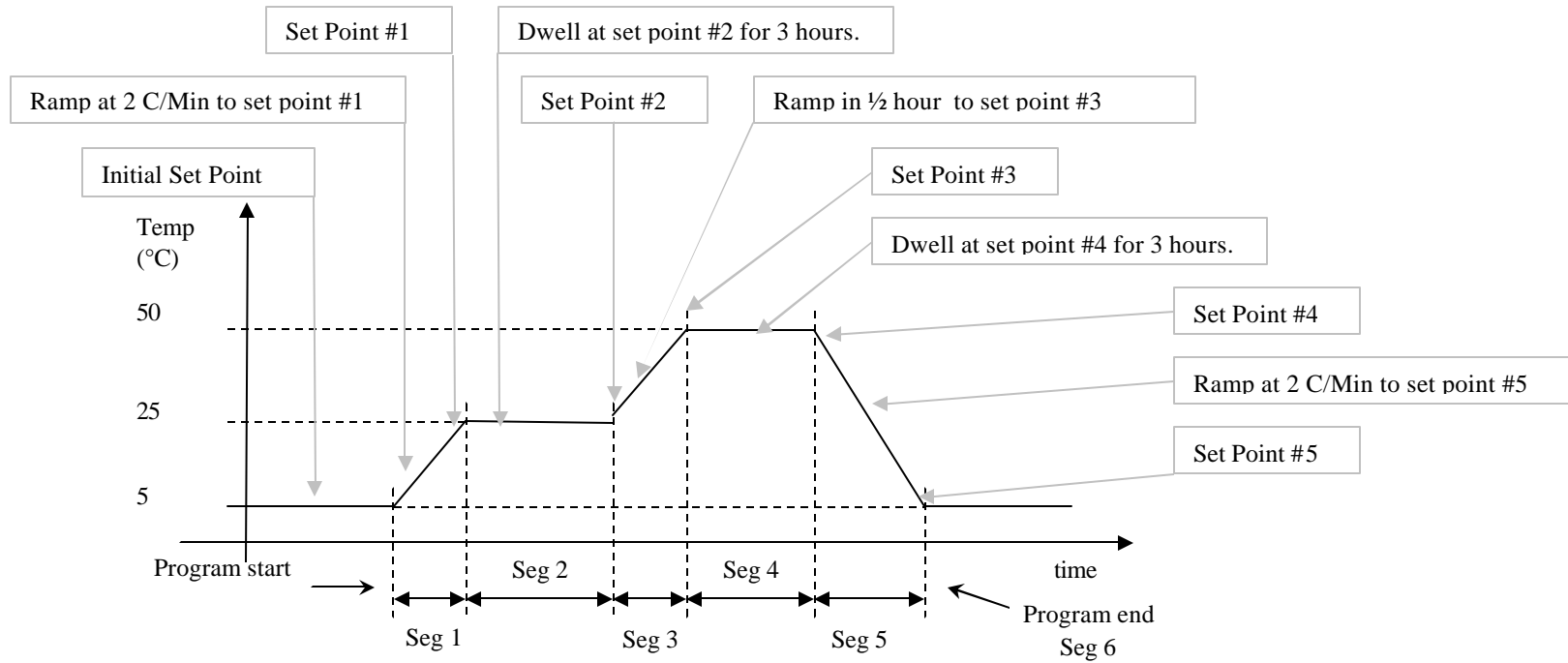
- TECA EZLog is a software package which helps you to build ramp soak programs, set temperatures, tune to set point, view & record data.
- iTools Engineering Studio from Eurotherm is a much more complex software for making many more changes to the controller than just the ramp/soak programs. It can also see and communicate with both instruments at once hence it has advantage. However, only the experienced should work with it. Changing the wrong parameter can cause system failure which is not covered under the warranty. Use with extreme caution.
- Eurotherm iTools OPC Server optional, not included (for connection to Labview, etc)

## The Manual Method:

- The specific definitions for each segment parameter are shown in the following pages.
- Each segment is identified by a number.
- To select a program to edit, modify the nPrg parameter in the basic mode.
- Then access the “Program edit operative mode” to address each parameter of each segment in order.



# Example Profile



Segment			Target Set Point		Temperature	Action				Elapsed
Symbol	Description	Value	Symbol	Description	(°C)	Symbol	Description	Value	Units	Time
			itSp	Initial Set Point	5		dwell			
Seg	Segment #	1	Sp. 1	Set Point 1	25	rr. 1	Ramp at a defined rate	2	C/min	0.5
Seg	Segment #	2	Sp. 2	Set Point 2	25	rH. 2	Dwell for defined time	3	Hours: minutes	3
Seg	Segment #	3	Sp. 3	Set Point 3	50	TH. 3	Ramp in defined time	0.5	hours	0.5
Seg	Segment #	4	Sp. 4	Set Point 4	50	TH. 4	Dwell for defined time	3	Hours: minutes	3
Seg	Segment #	5	Sp. 5	Set Point 5	5	rr. 5	Ramp at a defined rate	2	C/min	1.4
Seg	Segment #	6	Sp. 6	Set Point 6	END					

Symbols and Definitions				
Parameter	Meaning	Range	Available	Alterable
nPrg	number of the selected program	from 1 to 4	always available	only when the programmer state is idle
Seg	number of the segment in execution	from 1 to 8	only when the programmer state is run or hold	never
rt.	remaining time to the end of the program This value refers to the time remaining to the end of the current execution, regardless the programmed number of executions	- from 1 second to 99 min 59 sec the upper display shows 12.30 (12 min 30 sec) the lower display shows rt.S - from 1 h 40 min to 99 h 59 min the upper display shows 18.45 (18 h 45 min) the lower display shows rt.H - from 100 to 9999 hours the upper display shows 125 (125 h) the lower display shows rt.H - over 9999 hours the upper display shows %%%% the lower display shows rt.H	only when the programmer state is run or hold	never
r.rpt	remaining repetitions before the end of the program	- from 0 to 9999 and then inF The figure shows the remaining repetitions after the current execution. For example 0 means that the program stops at the end of the current execution, while inF means that the device is set for endless repetitions.	only when the programmer state is run or hold and the "Program execution repetitions" parameter is different from 0	Never
Rpt	time remaining to the end of the program, considering also the remaining repetitions	- from 1 second to 99 min 59 sec: the upper display shows 12.30 (12 min 30 sec) the lower display shows rpt.S - from 1 h 40 min to 99 h 59 min the upper display shows 18.45 (18 h 45 min) the lower display shows rpt.H - from 100 to 9999 hours the upper display shows 125 (125 h) the lower display shows rpt.H - over 9999 hours the upper display shows %%%% the lower display shows rpt.H	only when the programmer state is run or hold and the "Program execution repetitions" parameter is different from 0	Never
itSp	setpoint is the setpoint used by the programmer during the "idle" state.	OFF, and then from rL (setpoint low limit) to rH (setpoint high limit) If set to OFF control outputs will be disabled during the "idle" state. At a program start, the setpoint will be aligned to measure value and then ramp to SP. 1.	always	only when the programmer state is idle
Sp.1	target setpoint of the first segment. This parameter is used also to select the segment type: - setting it equal to the previous setpoint creates a dwell segment	from rL (setpoint low limit) to rH (setpoint high limit)	always	only when the programmer state is idle
t. 1 or rr. 1	duration or ramp rate of the first segment	from 1 sec to 99 min 59 sec (the lower display shows t.s. 1) from 1 min to 99 h 59 min (the lower display shows t.H 1) from 0.1 to 3000 engineering units (°C or °F) per minute (the lower display shows rr. 1) Use the up or down arrow buton to select the desired value within the current range. To change the range, travel to the high or low limit, release and press again the up or down key. The lower display will change to point out the next or previous available range.	always	only when the programmer state is idle
Sp.2	target set point of the second segment. This parameter is also used to select the segment type: - setting it equal to the previous setpoint creates a dwell segment - setting it different from the previous setpoint creates a ramp segment	End, and then from rL (set point low limit) to rH (set point high limit) The End value, selectable from the second to the seventh set point, is used to end the program before the last segment.	always	only when the programmer state is idle
Rpt	number of program repetitions of the selected program	- from 0 to 9999 and then inF The figure expresses the repetitions after the first execution. Example: If 2 is selected, the program will be executed 3 times, while inF means that the device is set for endless reps.	always	only when the programmer state is idle

Then t. 2 (or rr. 2), Sp. 3, t. 3 (or rr. 3), ... , Sp. 8, t. 8 (or rr. 8) as above.



