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# SFD 800 - MFD 800

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for the  
SHARP MZ 800

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Owner's Manual

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Dear Purchaser,

congratulation on your purchasing the Kersten & Partner  
5.25" Single - Floppy - Disk SFD 800.

This manual is intended to help you understand the 5.25"  
Floppy SFD 800 form Kersten & Partner.

We assume that you already have some experience in pro-  
gramming in BASIC.

So we have only described the syntax and its limits.  
Only differences from SHARP - Cassette - Basic and new com-  
mands are explained.

This manual should not be regarded as a "book of rece-  
pies". Every programmer should try to find out by himself  
what he can do with this BASIC - interpreter and so gather  
the experience to use this interpreter most efficiently.

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The K & P - Floppy  
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The storage - capacity of one disk is 320 K - Byte with this BASIC - Interpreter. 12 K - Bytes, however, are required for the disk - management by the interpreter itself.

Up to four disk - drives can be connected at the same time. But it is also possible to copy disks with only one disk-drive. The use of the built - in cassette - recorder will not be affected.

Connecting the floppy  
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To connect the 5.25" - floppy you only need a screw - driver.

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Unplug all devices before you start working on them!!!

When connecting the floppy - disk - interface - card pay attention to the instructions in the SHARP - Basic - Manual ("Connecting optional I/O - Interface - cards"). Connect the data - cable of the disk - drive with the controller - interface. The data - cable - plug can be plugged in easily if it is in the right position. Replace the original - slot - cover. Now you can connect all devices to the mains.

Instructions for use  
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Switch on the floppy first, then your computer. If you want to end work: switch off computer first, then the floppy. Note: no disk should be in the drive when switching on or switching off because this could cause the damage of stored data.

Insert the disk with the head - load - sector in front into to drive and close the drive by using the Push - button. To take out the disk, push the Push -

button. Do not remove out the disk while the control - lamp is on.

You can protect the disk against writing on it unintentionally. Take a write-protection-label and use it to cover the write-protection-notch. You can only write on the disk if the write-protection-notch is open.

Only disks which are formatted for your computer can be used. Format new disks with the utility "UTILITY" (Point I). You can also erase all data stored on a disk in that way.

#### How to make a copy of the master - disk =====

It is advisable not to use the original master - disk, but to work with a copy.

#### How to make a copy:

- 1.) Switch on devices
- 2.) Insert master - disk
- 3.) Boot the interpreter by pressing F (IPL). Now the interpreter will be loaded.
- 4.) After the Interpreter Ready - notice type in RUN "UTILITY" to start the copy - programme.
- 5.) Take out master-disk and insert a empty disk.
- 6.) Start formatting by pressing I. The disk will now be formatted and verified.
- 7.) Start copying the disk by pressing C. The programme will advice you to insert "SOURCE - DISK" (Master) or "DESTINATION - DISK" (Slave). The disk will be copied after having changed 10 times.

Now you can use the copy instead of the original master-disk.

The disk BASIC - Interpreter  
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Differences to Cassette - BASIC  
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The 5.25" - disk - BASIC - interpreter is mainly a super-set implementation of SHARP Basic 1Z-013A (MZ-700), 1Z-008 (MZ-700) 1Z-016 (MZ-800), 2Z-046 and 1Z-009 (MZ-800). Programmes written under these BASIC - versions will run, if they only use commands described by SHARP, with little or no changes. But note the following differences:

- 1.) As the disk-Basic-interpreter needs more space than cassette-based-BASIC-interpreters, only about 20 K - bytes are free to be used.
- 2.) All files on disk must be named (File-name).
- 3.) Floppy - basic is loaded by IPL by pressing the F instead of C .
- 4.) Disk - basic supports the following new devices:  
FD1: the first disk - drive (SFD-800)  
FD2: the extension disk - drive (SFD800-1)  
FD3:  
FD4:
- 5.) The number of simultaneously opened files is limited only by main - RAM - capacity. Sequential- and RANDOM - files may be opened at the same time.

Standard Commands  
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Commands are described in uniform syntax manner. Note that only new floppy - commands are described.

Format: Shows the correct syntax of the command. Parts included in < > are optional.

Function: describes the functions of the command.

Note: may describe special effects.

Example: shows an example.



## LOCK - Protecting of Files

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Format: LOCK "<device:>filename"

device may be FD1:, FD2:, FD3: or FD4:

Function: The file specified by filename will be protected against changing or erasing.

Device specifies the drive which the file is stored on.

Protected files are marked in the directory (DIR) by an asterisk.

Note: The protection by locking a file is only controlled by software - function of the disk - Basic - interpreter. The protection by fixing a write-protect-label is controlled by the drive - hardware but does not allow the protection of single files.

Example: LOCK "EXAMPLE"  
LOCK "FD1: EXAMPLE"

## UNLOCK - Removing the File - Protection

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Format: UNLOCK "<device:>filename"

device may be FD1:, FD2:, FD3: or FD4:

Function: The protection set by LOCK will be canceled.

The file specified by filename may be changed or erased after the command.

The declaration of device and filename is the same as for the LOCK - command.

Note: LOCK and UNLOCK may be used with all types of files.

Example: UNLOCK "EXAMPLE"  
UNLOCK "FD1: EXAMPLE"

Commands for Programme - Files

SWAP - Programmes as Subroutines

Format: SWAP "<device:>filename"

device: see LOCK

Function: The BASIC-Programm in main-memory is stored on the default disk and the BASIC-file specified by filename is loaded and executed. Variables are not erased. Their values are passed over to the loaded programm.

After execution of the programm the previously saved programm will be reloaded and execution will be continued after the SWAP - statement.

Note: The SWAP - statement operates like the GOSUB - command. It ist not possible to use this statement in a programme loaded with SWAP. There must be enough space to save the main programm on the default disk.

EXAMPLE: SWAP "SUBPR"

Commands for RANDOM - Files

RANDOM - files differ from sequentiel files in the acces - mode.

It is possible to store data in a RANDOM - file and read data from the same file without closing and reopening the file. This is because records in RANDOM - files always have the same length (32 bytes on MZ-800). Storing more than 32 bytes in a record is only possible by using two or more physical records as one logical record. RANDOM - files can be extended.

The capacity of a RANDOM - file is only limited by disk - storage - capacity.

## XOPEN - Opening a RANDOM - File

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Format: XOPEN #l <, > "<device:>filename"  
l is logical unit number (1 to 127)  
device: FD1: to FD4:

Function: The file specified by filename is opened for  
RANDOM - accessing. If the file does not exist,  
it will be created.

Note: The same file may not be opened twice at the same  
time. It has first to be closed.

Example: XOPEN #1, "FD1:RANDOM-DATA"

## CLOSE - Closing a RANDOM - File

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Format: CLOSE <#l>  
l is logical unit number (1 to 127)

Function: The file opened under logical unit number l is  
closed. If l is omitted, all opened files  
(sequential files and files on devices other than  
floppy too) are closed.

Note: To be sure that all data written to a file are  
stored on the disk, files have to be closed. Not  
closing opened files may result in losing data.

Example: CLOSE  
CLOSE #1

PRINT - Writing Data to a RANDOM - File

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Format: PRINT #1 (r), d1 <, d2, ... , dn>

l is logical unit number  
r is record number of the first record  
d is data to be written

Function: Data in the argument - list following the PRINT - command are calculated and stored in the file specified by logical unit number 1. The first data is written to record r, the second data to record r + 1 and so on.

Data shorter than 32 bytes are complemented by spaces. Data longer than 32 bytes are cut off after byte 32.

Note: The smallest record number is 1.

Storing more than 32 bytes to one logical record can be done by deviding data with LEFT, MID and RIGHT to several physical records.

Example: PRINT #1 (R\*2-1), LEFT\$(A\$, 32), MID\$(A\$, 33, 32)

INPUT - Read Data from a RANDOM - File

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Format: INPUT #1 (r), v1 <, v2, ... , vn>

l is logical unit number  
n is record number  
vn is name of variable

Function: Data stored in the file opened by logical number 1 are read from record r on and stored to the specified variable(s).

Note: Reading data from records with record-number greater than the greatest written record or un-written records will result in numeric value 0 or string value SPACE\$(32).

Reading past end of file can be detected by the EOF - function.

EXAMPLE: INPUT #1 (R\*2-1), A\$ , B\$

## EOF - Detecting the End - Of - File

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Format: IF EOF(#1) THEN line or command

l is logical unit number  
line is line - number or label

Function: The EOF - function will show a true result if the record - number of the record last read is greater than the greatest written record - number.

Example: Accessing a RANDOM - file

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100 XOPEN #1 , "FD1:DATA"
110 PRINT " 1 --> Read
120 PRINT " 2 --> Write
130 PRINT " 9 --> End of programme
140 INPUT "Number ? "; N
150 ON K GOTO 200 , 400
160 CLOSE #1 : END
200 REM Read data
210 GOSUB 2000
220 INPUT #1 (2*R-1), N$, A$
230 PRINT "Name : "; N$
240 PRINT "Address : "; A$
250 PRINT : GOTO 110
400 REM Write data
410 GOSUB 2000
420 INPUT "Name : "; N$
430 INPUT "Address : "; A$
440 PRINT #1 (R*2-1), N$, A$
450 PRINT : GOTO 110
2000 PRINT : PRINT
2010 INPUT "Address - Number ? "; R
2020 IF R < 1 THEN 2010
2030 IF R > 5000 THEN 2010
2040 RETURN

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## Table of Error - Numbers

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1	Syntax error
2	Overflow error
3	Illegal data error
4	Type mismatch error
5	String length error
6	Memory capacity error
7	Array def. error
8	Linelenh error
10	GOSUB nesting error
11	FOR-NEXT error
12	DEF FN nesting error
13	NEXT error
14	RETURN error
15	Un def. function error
16	Un def. line error
17	Cant't CONT error
18	Memory Protection error
19	Instruction error
20	Can't RESUME error
21	RESUME error
22	PAL error
24	READ error
25	SWAP level error
27	System id error
29	Framing error
30	Overrun error
31	Parity error
40	File not found error
41	Hardware error
42	Already exist error
43	Already open error
44	Not open error
46	Write Protect error
50	Not ready error
51	Too many file error
52	Disk mismatch error
53	No file space error
54	Unformat error
55	Too long file error
58	Dev. name error
59	Can't execute error
60	Illegal Filename error
61	Illegal Filemode error
63	Out of file error
64	Logical Number error
65	LPT: Not ready error
67	Dev. mode error
69	Unprintable error
70	Check sum error

## Utilities

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Utilities are stored on the master - disk. Type RUN and the filename to start them.

## UTILITY -- Formatting and Copying a Disk

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Starting this programme the following is displayed:

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DISKETTE INITIALIZE ---> I
DISKETTE COPY       ---> C
RETURN TO MONITOR  ---> M
```

I You have to format disk before you can use them on the MZ-800.

After typing I and the number of the drive, disk will be formatted and verified. If you use already formatted disks, all data stored on the disk are erased, also files which are write-protected by LOCK - command.

Disks are formatted with 2 \* 40 tracks / 16 sectors per track / 256 bytes per sector.

C You need this part of the programme to copy the disk. After typing C the programme demands for SOURCE - DRIVE - number and DESTINATION - DRIVE - number. If you copy on a single drive the programme invites you several time to change SOURCE - disk and DESTINATION - disk.

M The MZ-800 built-in IPL - Monitor is started.

## FILING &lt;-- CMT - Reading Data from Cassette

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This utility will transfer BASIC - typed - files and machine - typed - file from cassette to disk. Insert the cassette in the tape - recorder and a disk in the drive. After typing the drive - number the file will be transferred from cassette to the disk.

Typing M will return to the built-in IPL - Monitor.

**\$VERSN - Testing the Version of Programme - Disk**  
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The Disk - Basic and this manual has been carefully prepared and checked for completeness and accuracy. However, in the event that you should notice any errors, please feel free to contact your dealer or us by communicating the version number of the Basic and a detailed explanation of your problem.

The version - number and the date of linking is stored on the master - disk. \$VERSN will display these dates on the screen.

After running this programme you have to push the reset - button to reload the BASIC - interpreter.

**How to handle disks**  
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A disk is a very delicate storage medium. It should be handled with care. Obey the following instructions:

- 1) Never touch exposed areas of magnetic disk
- 2) Do not fold - do not bend
- 3) Keep away from magnetic fields
- 4) Insert carefully
- 5) Return to envelope after use
- 6) Dont switch on or off disk - drive when disk inserted.



## Commands and supported devices

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File I/O commands and statements cannot be used for all file devices. The table below shows restriction on use of them:

Device	CMT:	CRT:	RAM:	LPT:	KB:	RSx:	FDx:	USR:	QD:
Command/ Statement									
INIT	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o
DEFAULT	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
DIR	x	x	o	x	x	x	o	x	o
LOAD	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o
SAVE	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o
DELETE	x	x	o	x	x	x	o	x	x
RENAME	x	x	o	x	x	x	o	x	x
CHAIN	x	x	o	x	x	x	o	x	o
MERGE	x	x	o	x	x	x	o	x	o
SWAP	x	x	x	x	x	x	o	x	x
ROPEN	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o
WOPEN	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o
XOPEN	x	x	x	x	x	x	o	x	x
PRINT	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o
INPUT	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o
CLOSE	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
KILL	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
LOCK	x	x	x	x	x	x	o	x	x
UNLOCK	x	x	x	x	x	x	o	x	x

o: Can be used

x: Cannot be used

Further, for CMT:, RS1:, RS2:, CRT:, LPT:, RAM:, QD: and KB:, only one file can be opened at a time.