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## SAFETY NOTICES

Safety notices are one of the primary ways to call attention to potential hazards.



This Safety Alert Symbol identifies important safety messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, carefully read the message that follows. Be alert to the possibility of personal injury or death.

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### **⚠ WARNING**

Use of the word **WARNING** indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

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### **⚠ CAUTION**

Use of the word **CAUTION** with the Safety Alert Symbol indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

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### **CAUTION**

Use of the word **CAUTION** without the safety alert symbol indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in equipment damage.

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## INTRODUCTION

### SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The PM100 and PM100E are seed flow monitoring systems that provide indicators for row failure and low seed flow.

Features include:

- Monitoring of 1-16 rows (PM100) and 1-8 rows (PM100E)
- Automatic sensor detection
- LED row indicators
- Dual function row failure indication - allows all LED's to blink while planting and turn off to indicate row failure, or may be set to illuminate to indicate row failure
- Adjustable failure threshold settings
- LED brightness adjustment

*Figure 1*

*PM100/PM100E Planter Monitor*

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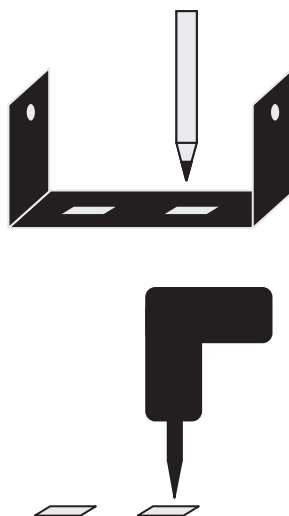
## INSTALLATION

### CONSOLE MOUNTING

To mount the PM100/PM100E console, use the mounting bracket as a template for drilling. Mount the console in a location that is easy to view and easy to reach for threshold adjustment and alarm silencing.

*Figure 2*

*Console Mounting*



Before drilling, ensure that the power and main hitch harness can be routed in the proper manner. Harness retention and routing outside of the cab is also important.

### **CAUTION**

**Do not use the enclosure as a guide when drilling. This may cause damage to the mounting bracket.**

### MONITOR AND POWER CONNECTIONS

Route the monitor harness to the rear of the tractor where the planter harness can be conveniently connected.

Route the power leads of the main harness to the battery. Allow some slack to tie the harness off to the console bracket for strain relief and protection of the harness.

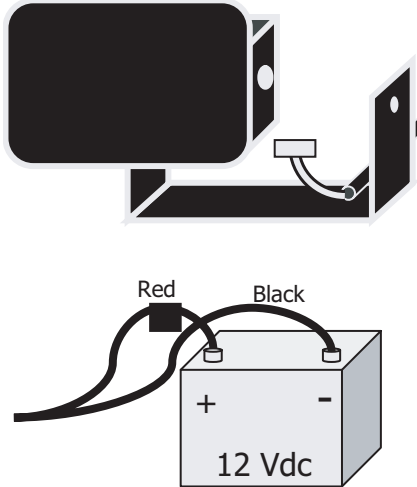
Connect black lead to negative (-) battery terminal and red lead to positive (+) terminal. Route battery leads away from alternator, battery cables, spark plugs and other magnetic field sources.



**IMPORTANT:** Be sure harnesses are not pinched, kinked or positioned against sharp edges and cannot be stepped on.

*Figure 3*

*Monitor And Power Connections*



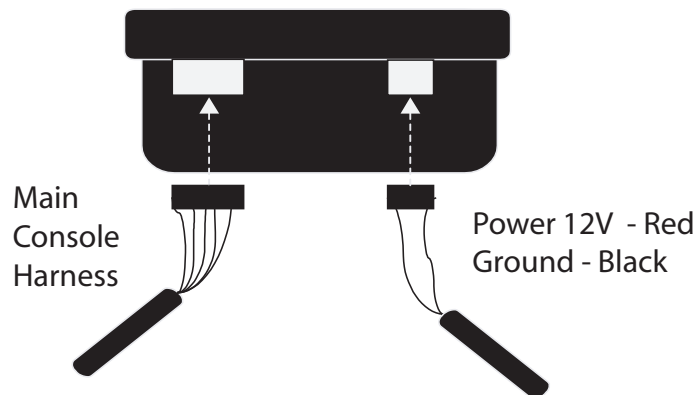
**IMPORTANT:** The seed monitor is designed to operate on 12 volts DC only. Always connect red lead to positive (+) battery terminal and black lead to negative (-) terminal regardless of whether tractor has a negative or positive ground system.

## CONSOLE MAIN HARNESS

Insert the connectors of the harness into the mating connectors located on the console bottom. Each connector is different and may only be inserted into its mate.

*Figure 4*

*Main Harness Connection*



Route the main harness to the rear of the tractor. Mount the harness to a suitable location at the rear of the tractor assuring the connector will reach the implement connector at the hitch.



## SYSTEM OPERATION

### DISPLAY PANEL

The monitor can be set in monitor mode or alarm mode. In monitor mode, the row indicator lamps will blink each time a seed is detected with a maximum of 20 seeds per second. In alarm mode, the row light will only illuminate when a row failure is detected.

*Figure 5*

*Display Panel*



### POWER SEQUENCE

The Power Switch has three positions:

- Down - move the switch down to turn off monitor power.
- Center - move the switch to the center position to turn monitor power on.
- Up - push the switch up to the momentary position to silence the alarm or to change the mode during power up.

The +/- switch is used to set the minimum seeding rate settings.

### INITIAL STARTUP

Move the I-O (power) switch to the center position to turn on the monitor. An indicator lamp in the right hand corner will illuminate while power is on.

At power up, the monitor does a display test by illuminating all row indicator lamps. The alarm will output a single chirp during the display test. The row indicator lamps will then be off until planting begins.

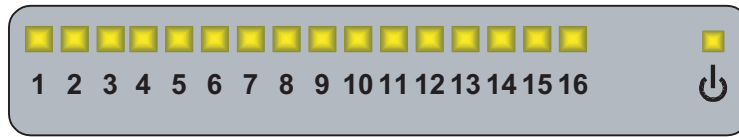
The monitor automatically detects which sensors are connected. If a sensor is disconnected, the row indicator lamp corresponding to that row will not illuminate.

To disable a row from being monitored, turn the monitor off by moving the power switch down. Unplug the sensor at the row unit. Turn the monitor back on and the row indicator lamp will be disabled.



Figure 6

Power Up Indicator And Alarm Test



## DISPLAY INTENSITY

Once the unit has completed the self test, the light intensity can be changed. Move the power switch up to the momentary position to change the light intensity. Keep repeating the procedure until a desired intensity is reached. The alarm will chirp for each step and provide a long chirp if a minimum or maximum setting is reached. Once the dimmest setting is reached, the indicator will reverse and start to brighten.

## MODES

### MONITOR MODE

In monitor mode, each time a seed is detected, the row indicator lamp will blink. The maximum blink rate is 20 times per second. Rows that are planting at a slower rate will appear to be less intense. Any row failure that is detected or seed application that falls below the established minimum threshold will be indicated by a row indicator lamp that is not illuminated.

To set in monitor mode, toggle the I-O (power) switch from On (I) to Off (O) and back to On (I). All row indicator lamps will illuminate for two seconds.

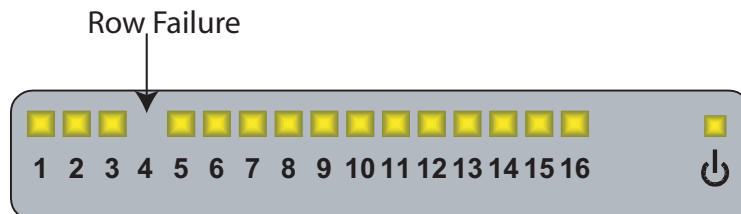
### ROW FAILURE

In monitor mode, if an ALL ROWS FAILURE is detected, none of the row indicator lamps will illuminate and the alarm will chirp eight times then silence.

While planting, if one or more rows fail, the corresponding row(s) will darken and the alarm will sound. The alarm can be silenced by moving the I-O (power) switch up momentarily. The alarm will remain silenced until an ALL ROWS FAILURE condition occurs (typically at the end of a row), the row begins working again, or the monitor power is cycled.

Figure 7

Example Of Row Failure - Monitor Mode





## ALARM MODE

In alarm mode, rows indicator lamps are illuminated only when row failure is detected. None of the row indicator lamps will illuminate while planting rates on all rows remain above the established threshold. If a row falls below the established threshold, the indicator lamp(s) will illuminate and the alarm will sound.

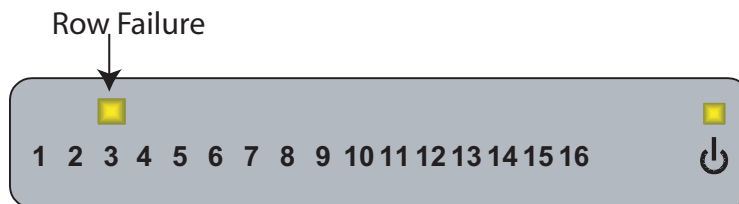
To set to alarm mode, toggle and hold the I-O (power) switch from Off (O) to On (I) to the upper position for one second. The monitor will blink and the alarm will sound, indicating alarm mode is enabled. Release the switch.

## ROW FAILURE

In alarm mode, if an ALL ROWS FAILURE is detected, all rows will illuminate and the alarm will sound and then silence. If one or more rows fail, the corresponding row indicator lamp(s) will illuminate and the alarm will sound. The alarm can be silenced by moving the I-O (power) switch up momentarily. The alarm will remain silenced until an ALL ROWS FAILURE condition occurs (typically at the end of a row), the row begins working again, or the monitor power is cycled.

*Figure 8*

*Example Of Row Failure - Alarm Mode*







## SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

### THRESHOLD SETTINGS

If the actual seeding rate of a row falls below the threshold setting on the monitor, the row will fail and the alarm will sound.

**To set the threshold:**

1. Power up the console and wait until startup is complete.
2. Refer to The Minimum Seeding Rate Table for desired threshold setting.
3. Set the threshold to 2/3 of the nominal planting rate. If the desired threshold is higher than the allowable setting, then set the threshold to the highest setting.
4. Momentarily hold the +/- switch in either the "+" or "-" position to change the threshold adjustment setting. The number of indicator lamps that illuminate indicate the threshold setting.
  - Holding the +/- switch to the "+" position will increase the threshold setting.
  - Holding the +/- switch to the "-" position will decrease the threshold setting.

*NOTE: Changing the tractor speed will change the seeds per second planting rate. An alarm will occur if the tractor speed decreases so that the seeding rate falls below the threshold setting. If the alarm sounds too often then change the threshold setting to the next lower setting.*

To calculate the minimum seeding rate in seeds per second refer to the Minimum Seeding Rate Table.

*Figure 9*

*Minimum Seeding Rate Table (Based on number of LEDs illuminated)*

PM100	PM100E	Threshold Seeds/Second
1	1	2 seeds every second
2	2	3 seeds every second
3	3	4 seeds every second
4	4	6 seeds every second
5	5	8 seeds every second
6	6	12 seeds every second
7	7	20 seeds every second
8	8	30 seeds every second
9		40 seeds every second
10		50 seeds every second
11		60 seeds every second
12		70 seeds every second
13		80 seeds every second
14		100 seeds every second
15		120 seeds every second
16		150 seeds every second







## SEEDING RATE FORMULAS

Use the following formulas to determine the threshold in seeds per second.

### IF POPULATION IN SEEDS PER ACRE IS KNOWN

$$\text{Seeds per second} = P \times R \times V / 360000$$

P = Population in seeds per acre

R = Row width in inches

V = Tractor speed in miles per hour

*EXAMPLE:* Population is 30000, Row width is 30 inches, Tractor speed is 6 miles per hour

$$\text{Seeds per second} = P \times R \times V / 360000$$

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 30000 \times 30 \times 6 / 360000$$

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 15$$

$$2/3 \text{ of } 15 = 10$$

Set the threshold on the monitor to  $2/3$  of the nominal seeds per second or round down to the next setting.

### IF SEED SPACING IS KNOWN

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 17.6 \times V / S$$

V = Tractor speed in miles per hour

S = Seed spacing in inches

*EXAMPLE:* Tractor speed is 6 miles per hour, seed spacing is 7 inches between seeds

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 17.6 \times V / S$$

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 17.6 \times 6 / 7$$

$$\text{Seeds per second} = 15$$

$$2/3 \text{ of } 15 = 10$$

Set the threshold on the monitor to  $2/3$  of the nominal seeds per second or round down to the next setting.





## TROUBLESHOOTING

*NOTE: Do not replace fuse with one having a higher amperage rating, the console could be damaged internally.*

PROBLEM	PROBABLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
Unit will not power on. No LEDs will illuminate during the power up sequence.	Loose connection between power harness and monitor.	Make sure harness connection is centered and fully inserted. Make sure the power harness is properly connected to the monitor.
	Bad fuse.	Check the fuse in the power harness near the battery. If bad, replace with a 3A AGC fuse. Make sure the positive and negative connections of the power harness are not reversed.
	Defective power harness or monitor.	If the fuse is bad again, the power harness or the console can be faulty and require replacement. Contact your distributor or DICKEY-john Service Department at 1-800-637-3302.
	Bad battery connection.	Check battery connections and make sure the connections are clean and tight.
	Low system voltage.	Make sure battery voltage is between 10 and 16 volts DC.



PROBLEM	PROBABLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
An indicator does not illuminate or the alarm does not sound during power up.	Defective monitor.	Contact your distributor or DICKEY-john Service Department at 1-800-637-3302.
One row indicator fails to flash when planting. Alarm sounds continuously. Seeds are being planted by row unit.	Defective seed sensor.	Clean sensing elements using a dry bottle brush. Some seed treatments require scrubbing with water and a commercial cleanser.
	Bad harness connection at the console or at the sensor that is intermittent.	Check harness connections at the console, hitch, and sensors.
	Defective sensor or harness wire that is intermittent.	Check harness for pinched, worn, or broken elements. Swap the sensor with another row. If the problem moves, the sensor is faulty. Otherwise the harness or monitor could be faulty.
Unit powers on, all LEDs illuminate, but no sensors are detected.	Harness is not properly connected.	Check harness connections at the console, hitch, and sensors.
	Defective (shorted) harness.	Check harness for pinched, worn, or broken components. Check sensors for pinched, worn, or broken wires.
	Defective (shorted) seed sensor.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify failed sensor by disconnecting all sensors and then reconnecting each sensor and cycle power to test.</li> <li>2. Connect a suspect sensor in place of a known good sensor and cycle power to test.</li> <li>3. Contact your distributor or DICKEY-john Service Department at 1-800-637-3302.</li> </ol>
	Defective monitor.	Contact your distributor or DICKEY-john Service Department at 1-800-637-3302.



## PM100 SERVICE PARTS

### MONITOR

PM100 Monitor	46794-0111
Mounting bracket	46794-0080
Fuse, AGC 3A	20112-0049
Power harness	46794-0530
16 row cab harness	46794-0510

### PLANTER HARNESSSES

Standard, 4 row	45841-0530
Standard, 6 row	45841-0550
Standard, 8 row	45841-0570
Standard, 12 row	45841-0590
Standard, 16 row	45841-1080

### PLANTER Y CABLES

Y-Cable, 8 row squadron	45968-0610
Y-Cable, 12 row squadron	45968-0960
Y-Cable, 16 row squadron	45968-0950

### PLANTER EXTENSIONS

Extension cable, hitch, 6'	45841-0810
Extension cable, hitch, 15'	45968-0320
Extension cable, hitch, 30'	45968-0321

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## PM100E SERVICE PARTS

### MONITOR

PM100E Monitor	46794-0110
Mounting bracket	46794-0800
Fuse, AGC 3A	20112-0049
Power harness	46794-0530
8 row cab harness, 10 pin Metri-Pack	46794-0520
8 row cab harness, 37 pin AMP CPC	46794-0500

### PLANTER HARNESSSES

	<b>37 Pin AMP CPC</b>	<b>10 Pin Metri-Pak</b>
4 row harness	45841-0530	46794-0540
6 row harness	45841-0550	46794-0550
8 row harness	45841-0570	46794-0560

### EXTENSION HARNESSSES

45841-0810 (6 Ft)
46794-0570 (2m)

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*Dealers have the responsibility of calling to the attention of their customers the following warranty prior to acceptance of an order from their customer for any DICKEY-john product.*

## **DICKEY-john<sup>®</sup> WARRANTY**

DICKEY-john warrants to the original purchaser for use that, if any part of the product proves to be defective in material or workmanship within one year from date of original installation, and is returned to DICKEY-john within 30 days after such defect is discovered, DICKEY-john will (at our option) either replace or repair said part. This warranty does not apply to damage resulting from misuse, neglect, accident, or improper installation or maintenance. Said part will not be considered defective if it substantially fulfills the performance expectations. THE FOREGOING WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR PURPOSE, AND OF ANY OTHER TYPE, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. DICKEY-john neither assumes nor authorizes anyone to assume for it any other obligation or liability in connection with said part and will not be liable for consequential damages. Purchaser accepts these terms and warranty limitations unless the product is returned within fifteen days for full refund of purchase price.

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