

# Quickstep<sup>™</sup> User Guide

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# **Notes To Readers**

The *Quickstep™* User Guide provides the following information:

- An overview of the Quickstep editor, Parameter editor, Data Table editor, and Symbol Browser.
- Step-by-step instructions explaining how to set up the parameters for your Quickstep program.
- Step-by-step instructions showing how to create a Quickstep program, define symbolic names, and create a Data Table
- Step-by-step instructions for compiling and downloading your Quickstep program to a controller.
- Step-by-step installation instructions.

### **Related Documents**

The following documents contain additional information

- For information on Quickstep, refer to the *Quickstep<sup>TM</sup> Language and Programming Guide*.
- For information on your controller and its modules, refer to the appropriate Installation and Applications Guide.
- For information on the registers in your controller refer to the *Register Reference Guide* (available at www.control.com).
- For information on the DeviceNet configurator, refer to the *DeviceNet Configurator User Guide*.
- For information on Microsoft Windows or your PC, refer to the manuals provided by the vendor.

### **Book conventions**

ALL CAPS BOLDFACE	Identifies DOS, Windows, installation program file names.	
Boldface	Indicates information you must enter, an action you must perform, or a selection you can make on a dialog box.	
Italics	Indicates a word requiring an appropriate substitution. For example, replace <i>filename</i> with an actual file name. It can also indicate a manual, book, or chapter title.	
Text_Connected_With_Underlines	Indicates symbolic names used in Quickstep programs. Step Names are ALL_CAPITALS. Other symbolic names can be Initial_Capitals or lower_case.	
Small Caps	Identifies the names of Quickstep instructions in text.	
Courier font	Identifies step names, comments, output changes, and QuickALL CAPS BOLDFACE Identifies DOS, Windows, installation program file names.	
ArtCode – DN-24	Identifies the file name of a particular graphic image.	

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# **Chapter 1**

# **Getting Started**

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## Launching the Quickstep Editor

As part of the installation **QSSETUP.EXE** creates a Quickstep program group.

To launch the Quickstep editor:

- 1. Open the Quickstep program group and select the Quickstep icon
- 2. Click the mouse twice to launch the Quickstep editor

Starting the Quickstep editor displays the editing window, the Parameter editor and the icon for the minimized Symbol Browser.

# **NOTE:** Installation instructions are in the Release Notes provided with your Quickstep program disks. They are also included in Appendix A.

### **Parameter Editor**

The Parameter editor allows you to specify information about your Quickstep program and your controller:

- The model of your controller
- The number of rows and columns in data table
- Any dedicated inputs assigned

After you select the controller model, the Parameter editor can list the controller's limits.

When you start the Quickstep editor or open a new Quickstep program file, the editor displays the Parameter editor. You cannot minimize the Parameter editor until you:

- Specify a controller model and select Ok when beginning a new Quickstep program.
- Open an existing Quickstep program.

### Symbol Browser

The Symbol Browser allows you to specify step names, as well as symbolic names used in your program. Symbolic names can identify the function of the numeric values, controller resources and specialized devices. For example, an output that controls a pneumatic cylinder for a stamping press can be called stamp\_press\_on and stamp\_press\_off.

**NOTE:** Outputs need two symbolic names, one for turning the output on and another for turning it off. Inputs can have two symbolic names, one for the normally open and another for the normally closed state.

You can also give servo motors different symbolic names, e.g., traverse, rotate, spindle, rather than call them servo\_1, servo\_2, and servo\_3.

### **Data Table Editor**

The Data Table editor allows you to enter information for a data table. In a new Quickstep program, the Data Table editor does not appear until you select Data Table from the View menu. It automatically appears when you open a program that has a Data Table already defined.

### **Editor Screen Overview**

The following illustration shows the Quickstep editor window and describes the different parts of the window.



about the insertion point position and the status of some important keys. Display or hide the Status bar by selecting Status Bar from the View menu.

### The Selection Bar

When you program step names, output changes, and Quickstep instructions, the Selection bar displays the appropriate choices. You can select among those choices using either the keyboard or mouse as explained below.

The Selection bar is empty until you select an empty placeholder or choose an option from the Edit menu, Search menu, Shortcut menu, or Toolbar.





After you choose an option, the Selection bar displays the appropriate selections or choices.

To start using the Selection bar to program a step, highlight an empty **<<New Step Name>>**, **<<Output Change>>**, or **<<Statement>>** placeholder with the mouse pointer and do one of the following:

- Double click the **left mouse button**.
- Press Enter.

The Selection bar will display the appropriate selections.

As you program an instruction, the Selection bar first displays the list of quickstep instructions, then it displays the possible choices for each parameter.

**NOTE:** For examples showing how to use the Selection bar to specify step names and output changes and to program instructions, see Chapter 4, *Using the Quickstep Editor - Writing a Quickstep Program*.

### The Toolbar

The Toolbar appears across the top of the Quickstep editor window, below the menu bar. It contains the following tools:



	New - Opens a new Quickstep program file.
1	Open Existing File - Opens an existing Quickstep program. The editor displays the Open dialog box.
	Save - Saves the active program with its current name. When saving a new program, the editor displays the Save As dialog box.
ð	Print - Displays the Print dialog box to print the current Quickstep program.
X	Cut - Removes the selected text and places it on the Clipboard
	Copy - Copies the selected text and places it on the Clipboard
ł	Paste - Inserts the contents of the Clipboard in the program file.
ļļ	Insert After - Inserts a new comment line, output change, or statement place- holder (instruction) after the current line.
	Insert Before - Inserts a new comment line, output change, or statement place- holder (instruction) before the current line.
new step	Insert Step After - Inserts a new step after the current step.
H	Goto Step - Goes to the step whose name is highlighted.
<b>\$4</b>	Find Reference - Finds the next occurrence of the symbolic name specified by Find Symbol.
?	About the Quickstep editor - Displays the program information for the Quickstep editor, version number, and copyright.
<b>▶</b> ?	Help Button - Gives you information about parts of the editor screen and Toolbar.
	To hide or display the Toolbar, choose <b>Toolbar</b> from the <b>View</b> menu.

### **The Shortcut Menu**

The Shortcut menu gives you fast access to Quickstep editor commands. It appears when you highlight an entire line or part of a line or a placeholder in the editor window and press the right mouse button.

<u>R</u> eplace with Alternate
<u>D</u> elete
Insert Statement <u>B</u> efore
Insert Statement <u>A</u> fter
<u>D</u> elete Statement
<u>E</u> dit Line Text
<u>N</u> ew First Statement
Insert Step <u>B</u> efore
Insert Step <u>A</u> fter
<u>G</u> oto Step

From the Shortcut menu you can select the following options:

- Replace the highlighted selection with another Quickstep instruction or a parameter or operator for the instruction.
- Delete the selected text from a line or step.
- Insert a new comment, output change, or statement line before or after the current line.
- Delete a comment, output change, or statement line.
- Activate the Line editor to edit an output change or instruction.
- Insert a new <<Statements>> placeholder before any other instructions in a step.
- Insert a new step before or after the current step.
- Go to a step

The options on the Shortcut menu change and some selections may be grayed out, depending on the previous command the editor executed, and where the cursor is in the editing window. For example, when the cursor highlight is on an output change line, the Shortcut menu appears as follows:

<u>R</u> eplace with Alternate <u>D</u> elete Output Change
Insert Output Change <u>B</u> efore Insert Output Change <u>A</u> fter <u>D</u> elete Line <u>E</u> dit Line Text <u>N</u> ew First Statement
Insert Step <u>B</u> efore Insert Step <u>A</u> fter <u>G</u> oto Step

### **Starting a New Editing Session**

Starting the Quickstep editor displays the editing window, the Parameter editor and the icon for the minimized Symbol Browser. When starting a new editing session you should:

- Use the Parameter editor to specify the model of your controller, the number of rows and columns in a data table, and any dedicated inputs.
- Specify symbolic names. You can specify symbolic names in the process of writing your program. However, we recommend you use the Symbol Browser to define the names of controller resources you will be referring to often.
- Start writing your Quickstep program.
- If you are using a Data Table, enter values in the Data Table.

### Programming a Step

When you start the Quickstep editor, it displays a step with all of its placeholders empty. A Quickstep program uses steps to define each new state of a machine. A complete program is made up of a series of steps executed in a defined pattern or specific sequence. You program a step by selecting each placeholder. Steps should be programmed in order, starting with the step name.

Step name placeholder
Step number —— [1] < <new name="" step="">&gt; Comment line placeholder&lt;<comment line="">&gt;</comment></new>
Output change placeholder< <output change="">&gt;</output>
Statements placeholder (for< <statements>&gt; Quickstep instructions)</statements>

Summary of operations to program a new step:

- Enter the step name. Step names are optional, but Control Tech strongly recommends you use them. If you have not previously defined a symbolic name for the step, the editor allows you to define it as you program the step.
- Enter any comments for the step. You can edit comments later, using the comment editor.
- Specify the output change(s). The output change can be one of the following: turn all outputs off, do not change the current state of the outputs, or turn specific outputs on or off. You must select one of these three choices for each step.
- Enter the instructions for this step.

If you have not already defined them, you can define symbolic names while you program a step.

For step-by-step examples showing how to enter a step name, comments, output changes, instructions, and symbolic names, see Chapter 4.

# **Converting an Existing Quickstep Program**

You can convert a Quickstep 1.6 or 1.7 program to a Quickstep 2.0 program by opening it with the Quickstep 2.0 editor. After converting a program, you should look for the following changes:

- The Quickstep 2.0 editor changes the counter, register, etc. names to symbolic names, such as ctr#2 to ctr\_2. You should change these names to ones appropriate to your application.
- Instructions and input/output changes that the Quickstep 2.0 editor could not convert properly (called unparsed source) are displayed in red text (system default).

NOTE:	If you have changed the default color for Unparsed Source, unconverted lines are displayed in that color.
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# Chapter 2

# **Using the Parameter Editor**

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## **Parameter Editor Overview**

When you start the Quickstep editor, it automatically activates the Parameter editor. Use the Parameter editor to specify and display the following information:

- The model of your controller
- The number of rows and columns in a data table
- Which, if any, of the first four inputs are used for dedicated functions
- Specific limits for your controller



When you open a new Quickstep program file or start the Quickstep editor, it displays the Parameter editor. You cannot minimize the Parameter editor until you:

- Specify a controller model and select Ok when beginning a new Quickstep program.
- Open an existing Quickstep program.

## **Specifying Parameters**

### **Specifying the Controller Model**

Controller Model field allows you to specify the model of controller you are using. To select the controller model:

- 1. Click the arrow on the right side of the controller field to display a list of controller models.
- 2. Select your **controller model** by clicking it with the mouse.

Controller Model	2600XM	Ŧ
	2400iE	+
Data Table Cols	24UUIEA	
ata Table Rows	2600	
	2600XM 28006	
	2800iEA	
	28EAXM	+

The Parameter editor displays the controller model in the field.

QS 2.0 Parameters	•
Controller Model 2600XM 📃 Start On Inpu	ut#1 <u>D</u> K
Data Table Cols 0 Stop On Inpu	ıt#2 <u>C</u> ancel
Data Table Rows 0 Reset On Ing	out#3 <u>H</u> elp
Show Limits >> 🗌 Step On Inpu	ıt#4

3. After you select any other parameters you want (e.g., Data Table parameters), select the **OK** button.

#### **Specifying Dedicated Input Functions**

You can also assign inputs one through four as dedicated inputs. These functions are triggered automatically when an external switch connected to the appropriate input closes. The inputs are as follows:

- Start on Input #1: Starts or continues execution of a program.
- Stop on Input #2: Stops the execution of a program.
- **Reset on Input #3:** Re-initializes the controller and starts executing the program at the first step.
- Step on Input #4: Advances the controller one step in the program.

The inputs are active at every step of your Quickstep program, subject to the priorities and rules listed for each input. See the *Quickstep Language and Programming Guide* for additional information on dedicated input functions.

To select an input:

1. Select the box (by clicking it with the mouse) next to the dedicated input function you want.

🗌 Start On Input#1

The box is filled with an X.

Start On Input#1
Stop On Input#2
Reset On Input#3
Step On Input#4

- 2. Select the box next to any other dedicated input functions you want
- 3. After you select any other parameters you want (e.g., Data Table parameters), select the **OK** button.

### **Specifying Data Table Parameters**

You specify the number of columns and rows in a Data Table from the Parameter editor.

IMPORTANT!	• The value of all the cells in a new Data Table are set to zero.
	• If you resize a Data Table by making it smaller, any information in the rows and/or columns outside of the resized Data Table is lost.
	• If you resize a Data Table by making it larger, the cells in the new rows and/or columns are set to zero.
1	o specify the columns and rows:
1	. Place the cursor in the Data Table Cols field using one of the following methods:
	<ul> <li>Press the Tab key until it is highlighted.</li> <li>Select the field with the mouse pointer and delete the zero.</li> </ul>
	Data Table Cols Data Table Rows 0
2	. Enter the number of columns in the data table.
	Data Table Cols 50 Data Table Rows 0
3	. Place the cursor in the Data Table Rows field.
	Data Table Cols 30 Data Table Rows 1
4	. Enter the number of rows in the data table.
	Data Table Cols   30     Data Table Rows   10

5. After you select any other parameters you want (e.g., dedicated input parameters), select the **OK** button.

📼 QS 2.0	) Parameters	-
Controller Model 2600×M	Start On Input#1	<u>0</u> K
Data Table Cols 30	Stop On Input#2	<u>C</u> ancel
Data Table Rows 10	Reset On Input#3	<u>H</u> elp
Show Limits >>	Step On Input#4	

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# **Opening Files**

### **Opening a New Quickstep Program File**

To open a Quickstep Program file:

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose New from the File menu (shortcut, type CTRL + N).
  - Choose the **New** icon on the **Toolbar**.



2. Select OK.

**REMEMBER:** You must specify the controller model from the Parameter editor when opening a new file.

### **Opening an Existing Quickstep Program File**

To open an existing Quickstep program file:

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose **Open** from the **File** menu (shortcut, type **CTRL** + **O**).
  - Choose the **Open** icon on the **Toolbar**.



- Select a file from the **Recent** file list at the bottom of the **File** menu.
- 2. When the Open dialog box appears, type or select the document you want to open in the File Name box.

	File Open	
File Name: I2-15. dsp 12-27. dsp grinder. dsp today. dsp turn. dsp twrn. dsp	Directories: h:\qs\qswin → h:\ → qs → qs → qswin → qsbackup	OK       Cancel       Help       Network
List Files of <u>Type:</u> Qsedit Files (*.dsp)	Dri <u>v</u> es: h: compressed	Ŧ

If the document you want to open is not listed in the File Name box, select the appropriate directory and/or drive.

3. Select OK.

## **Saving Quickstep Programs**

You can save a new Quickstep program file by using the Save As command. The Quickstep editor calls new, unnamed files qsedit.dsp. You can save an existing file by selecting the Save command. Save records any changes you make to an active file, and the file name and location remain the same. You should save files frequently as you work.

### Saving a New, Unnamed File

To save a new unnamed file:

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose Save As from the File menu.
  - Choose the **Save** icon on the **Toolbar**.



- 2. When the File Save As dialog box appears, enter a name for the new file.
- 3. If you want to save the file in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.
- 4. Select OK.

### Saving an Active File

To save the file, choose one of the following:

• Choose the Save icon on the Toolbar.



• Choose Save from the File menu (shortcut, type CTRL + S).

### **Reverting to the Last Saved File**

Revert returns your Quickstep program to the last saved version of the program. When you revert to a previous version of your program, all changes you have made since the last save are gone.

To revert to the last saved version, choose Revert from the File menu.

### Using the Backup File

The Quickstep editor also creates a backup version of your program. Backup files are located in the directory where you saved your Quickstep program in a subdirectory called **QSBACKUP**. The backup file is a copy of your Quickstep program prior to your most recent save.

# **Printing Quickstep Program Files**

### Printing a Quickstep Program

You can print a Quickstep program:

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Select the **Print** icon on the **Toolbar**.



- Choose **Print** from the **File** menu (shortcut, type **CTRL** + **P**).
- 2. When the Print dialog box appears, select one of the following:
  - Choose All to print the entire program file.
  - Choose **Pages** and specify the numbers of the page numbers you want to print.
- 3. Select OK.

### Selecting a Printer and a Printer Connection

Print Setup allows you to select a printer and a printer connection. It gives you the following options:

- Default Printer Lists the name of the default printer.
- Specific Printer Provides a list of installed printers
- Orientation Specifies the printing orientation.
- Paper Size Specifies the paper size.
- Paper Source Specifies the paper source, paper tray, manual feed, etc.
- Options Provides access to other printing options for the printer you select
- Network Provides access to other printers on a network.

To select a printer and printer connection:

- 1. Select **Print Setup** from the **File** menu.
- 2. When the Print Setup dialog box appears, select options you want.
- 3. Choose OK.

### **Previewing a File Before Printing**

Print Preview allows you to see how a file will look before you print it.

The Quickstep editor displays the Print Preview bar across the top of the Editing window when you choose this option. In Print Preview, the cursor appears as a magnifying glass when it is in the editing window.

To view a Quickstep program before printing:

- 1. Select **Print Preview** from the **File** menu.
- 2. Choose the view options you want.
- 3. To display the Print dialog box and print the file, select **Print**.
- 4. To return to editing mode, select Close.

Print	<u>N</u> ext Page	Pre <u>v</u> Page	<u>T</u> wo Page	Zoom <u>I</u> n	Zoom <u>O</u> ut	<u>C</u> lose
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To control the display of pages, select the buttons or press keys.

<b>Button</b> Print	<b>Кеу</b> Р	Function Opens the Print dialog box.
Next Page	Ν	Displays the next page.
Prev Page	V	Displays the previous page.
Two Pages	Т	Switches to a two-page display.
One Page	0	Switches to a one page display.
Zoom In	Ι	Zooms in on the page display. You can zoom in twice. The Prev Page, One Page, and Two Page buttons are hazed out when you zoom in.
Zoom Out	0	Zooms out the page display.
Close	С	Ends print preview and returns to the normal view.

# **Closing Files and Exiting the Quickstep Editor**

### Closing a File

There are two ways to close a Quickstep program file:

- 1. Open another Quickstep program file.
- 2. **Exit** the Quickstep Programming Editor, using one of the following methods:
  - Choose **Exit** from the **File** menu.
  - Press ALT + F4.
  - Double-click the Application Control-menu.

**IMPORTANT!** If you open another Quickstep file without saving the current, active file, your changes will be lost.

### **Exiting the Quickstep Programming Editor**

Choose Exit from the File menu to exit the Quickstep programming editor.

## **Changing Editor Field Colors**

The Quickstep editor displays program items such as, comment lines, the current field, in different colors. You can change the default colors using the QSEditor Properties dialog box.

If you change the default colors, you should always have the color for the current field and for Unparsed Source as distinct colors. This way you can quickly see which field is the current field and if any lines were not parsed by the editor. Cyan with black text is the default for the current field, and white with red text is the default for Unparsed Source.

To change Quickstep editor display colors:

1. Choose **Properties** from the **Edit** menu.

	QSEditor Properties	
<u>C</u> olors		
Comment Keyword Operator Output Other Source To Statement Step Monder	Sample Text	OK Cancel <u>Apply</u> <u>H</u> elp
Foreground Color	Background Color	

The QSEditor Properties dialog box appears.

2. Select the program item whose color you want to change.



The sample text box displays the current text (foreground) color and background color.

3. Select the new Foreground Colors and/or Background Colors.



The Sample Text box displays your changes.

Sample Text
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- 4. Continue selecting program items whose color you want to change.
- 5. To apply your changes, do one of the following:
  - Press Enter.
  - Select OK.
- 6. To exit without saving your changes, select Cancel.

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## **Programming a Step**

When you begin writing a Quickstep program, the Quickstep editor displays a step with all of its placeholders empty. You program a step by selecting each placeholder in order, beginning with the step name, and filling in the required information.

Summary of operations to program a new step:

- Enter the step name. Step names are optional, but Control Tech strongly recommends you use them. If you have not previously defined a step name, the editor allows you to create them as you program the step.
- Enter any comments for the step. You can edit comments later, using the comment editor.
- Specify the output change. The output change can be one of the following: turn all outputs off, do not change the current state of the outputs, or turn specific output(s) on or off. You must select one of these choices for each step.
- Enter the instructions for this step.

If you have not already defined them, you can define symbolic names for steps, outputs, inputs, controller resource, and specialized I/O and motion control devices while you program a step.

Step name placeholder	
Output change placeholder ———— < <output change="">&gt;</output>	
Statements placeholder (for Quickstep instructions) ——— < <statements>&gt;</statements>	

### **Using the Selection Bar**

When you program step names, output changes, and Quickstep instructions, the Selection bar displays your choices and allows you to select among them. To start using the Selection bar to program a step, place the mouse pointer on an empty <<**New Step Name>>**, <**Coutput Change>>**, or <**Statement>>** placeholder and do one of the following:

- Double click the left mouse button .
- Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.

The Selection bar will display the appropriate selections. It only displays the symbolic names that could possibly be used at that time. For example, it only lists the symbolic names for outputs when you are specifying an output change.

### Listing and Selecting Items in the Selection Bar

To list or select items from the Selection bar and enter them in a placeholder, use one of the following methods:

- Place the mouse pointer on the item and double click the mouse.
- Select the item with the mouse pointer and press Enter.
- Press the Tab key to move the focus to the list of options displayed in the Selection bar. Use the Arrow keys to highlight the item and press Enter.
- Type the name of the item. Once you have entered enough letters to uniquely identify the item, it appears in the Selection box. Press Enter.

#### **Selection Bar Choices - Data Sources and Destinations**

As you program steps, the Selection bar displays different options depending on what part of an instruction you are programming. Some Quickstep instructions can obtain and send data to and from a variety of locations. These locations are listed in the Selection bar as follows:

Numeric Source:	A numeric source supplies a numeric value. It can be a servo position or error, a numeric constant, or the value derived from a counter, register, analog input, thumbwheel, or Data Table column.
Data Destination:	A data destination accepts a numeric value. It can be a register, counter, analog output, display, or a value entered into a Data Table column.
<b>Resource Delay:</b>	A resource delay is any controller resource or specialized I/ O device that provides the value for a Delay instruction.
Data Source:	A data source supplies a numeric value and is a Numeric Source. It can be a numeric constant or the value derived from a counter, register, analog input, thumbwheel, or Data Table column.
Servo Value:	A servo value is the servo position or error and is a Numeric Source

#### **Selection Bar Choices - Immediate Actions**

In some cases, the choices in the Selection bar allow you to delete placeholders for optional parameters in an instruction or provide options for completing the output change or instruction. Immediate action selections are as follows:

= = > All Off	Enters <turn all="" digital="" off="" outputs=""> in the output change line. If there are any output changes in the step, it deletes them.</turn>
==>No Changes	Enters <no change="" digital="" in="" outputs=""> in the output change line. If there are any output changes in the step, it deletes them.</no>
= = > Finish	Deletes any placeholders for optional parameters left in an instruction. You can only use this if all required parameters are specified
= = > Delete	Deletes a highlighted placeholder for an optional parameter in an instruction.

### **The Current Field**

The Quickstep program, as it appears in the Quickstep editor window, is composed of a number of fields (software professionals may think of these as "tokens"). As you work in the Quickstep editor window, you may move a cursor from one field to another by using the arrow keys on your computer. The field to which you have moved the cursor is known as the "current field." The current field is indicated by displaying it in a unique color scheme.

When a placeholder is displayed in this color scheme, it is the current field. Step headers, output lines, comments and instructions are also made up of fields. Comment and output lines are considered one field. A step header has two fields, the step number and step name. Each parameter in an instruction is considered a separate field. For example, the instruction-monitor partsensor goto next-actually consists of four fields:

- The instruction name: monitor
- The input name: partsensor
- The instruction token: goto
- The destination of the instruction: next

You can modify how the current field cursor is displayed by changing its colors, so that it may be displayed in any color you choose. For information on changing the colors of fields, see *Changing Editor Field Colors* in Chapter 3, *Quickstep Editor Basics*.

## **Defining Symbolic Names**

The Quickstep editor uses symbolic names for step names, numeric constants, controller resources, and specialized I/O and motion control devices. You can specify symbolic names in the process of writing your program. Symbolic names defined using this method are automatically entered in the Symbol Table. However, we recommend you use the Symbol Browser when defining several symbolic names at once. For information on using the Symbol Browser, see Chapter 6, *Using the Symbol Browser*.

**IMPORTANT!** Each symbolic name must be unique, and within a symbol type (e.g., servos, registers) each numeric must be unique. This means you can only have one symbolic name for register 10. Inputs and outputs each have two possible states, and each state can be given a unique symbol name.

An exception to this rule is numeric constants. You can have two numeric constants one called Over\_Pressure with a value of 5000 and another called Base\_Velocity with a value of 5000.

You can define symbolic names from the Quickstep editor by selecting New Symbol from the Edit menu. This displays the Define New Symbol dialog box and allows you to define new symbolic names. This example defines a symbolic name for a flag. For an example showing how to define a symbolic name while you are programming an instruction, see *Defining Symbolic Names When Programming an Instruction* in this chapter.

To define symbolic names:

1. Choose New Symbol from the Edit menu.

The Define New Symbol dialog box appears.

-	Define New Symbol	
Name:	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Туре:	Delay Source 🛨	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	0	<u>H</u> elp

- 2. To enter a new symbolic name, do one of the following:
  - Click the **arrow** on the right side of the **Name** field to display a list of symbolic names and select an existing symbol name to edit

Define New Symbol			
Name:		<b>±</b>	<u>0</u> K
Type: Number:	ADJ MODE IADJUST_DOWN ADJUST_GRIND_POS IADJUST_UP ADJUSTMENT_AT_LIMIT ADJUSTMENT_AT_LIMIT_1 AFTER_HOME_MOTOR_OFF	•	<u>C</u> ancel <u>H</u> elp

• Type the symbolic name in the **Name** field.

Name calibration_complet	e
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3. Press Tab to go to the next field.

4. Click the **arrow** on the right side of the **Type** field to display a list of **symbol types** and select the **symbol type** by clicking it with the mouse pointer.

Define New Symbol		
Name:	Calibration_complete	<u> </u>
Туре:	Delay Source 🛨	Cancel
Number:	Delay Source   Display Name DTable Col Name Evisting Step Name	<u>H</u> elp
	Input Name	

The **Type** field displays the symbol type and the highlight moves to the **Number** field.

-	Define New Symbol	
Name:	Calibration_complete	<u>0</u> K
Туре:	Flag Name	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	0	<u>H</u> elp

5. Type the **number** of the controller resource or device in the **Number** field.

-	Define New Symbol	
Name:	Calibration_complete	<u> </u>
Туре:	Flag Name 👲	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	1	<u>H</u> elp

6. Select **OK** to enter the symbolic name.

**NOTE:** If the correct Type is already displayed, you can skip steps 3 and 4.
# **Entering Step Names**

Step names are optional, but Control Tech strongly recommends you use them. If you have not previously defined a symbolic name for a step, the editor allows you to define it as you program the step.

**NOTE:** Control Tech's support of step numbers in Do and Goto instructions is for backwards compatibility only. Future releases of Quickstep will require step names in step headers and in Do and Goto instructions.

If you have previously defined step names using the Symbol Browser, they appear in the Selection bar. If not, the selection bar is blank and you must define a step name now.

### **Entering a New Step Name**

To enter a new step name:

- Place the mouse pointer on the <<New Step Name>> placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the **left mouse button**.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.
- 2. Type the **Step Name**. It appears in the Selection box; the editor automatically enters underlines for spaces.

New Step Name
SET_INITIAL_C

3. Press Enter when you are done.

The editor inserts the step name.



# **Entering a Previously Defined Step Name**

To enter a previously defined step name:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the <<New Step Name>> placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.

2. Select the **Step Name** using the mouse or keyboard The editor places it in the Selection box.



3. Press Enter to insert the name in the step.



# **Entering Comments**

# **The Comment Editor**

The Comment editor window appears when you are entering a new comment or editing an existing one.



### **Comment Editor Menus**

The menu bar contains the File, Edit and Help menus. Using these menus you can

- Insert comments into your Quickstep program
- Cut, copy and paste text in the editor
- Display the Help file for the Comment editor.

Selecting File displays the following menu:

<u>F</u> ile	<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> elp
E <u>x</u> it	Savin	g Changes
Exit	: <u>D</u> isca	rding Changes

- Exit Saving Changes: enters the new or edited comment in the comment line.
- Exit Discarding Changes: exits the Comment editor without changing the existing comment line or comment line placeholder.

**WARNING!** Exiting the Comment editor by double clicking on the Application Control menu button or using ALT + F4 keys does not save your changes. You must select Exit Saving Changes from the File menu to save comments.

Selecting Edit displays the following menu:

<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> e
Cut	
<u>С</u> ор	у
<u>P</u> as	te

- **Cut:** removes selected text and places it on the clipboard. The text you place on the Clipboard remains there until you replace it with a new item.
- **Copy:** copies selected text to the Clipboard. The text you place on the Clipboard remains there until you replace it with a new item.
- **Paste:** inserts a copy of the Clipboard contents at the insertion point, If you have highlighted any text, the editor replaces the selection with the text on the Clipboard. You cannot use paste if the Clipboard is empty or if the selected text cannot be replaced.

You can cut, copy, and paste text from the editing window, another comment, the text currently displayed in the Comment editor or another Windows application.

# **Inserting Comments**

You insert or edit comment lines using the Comment editor. Once you are in the Comment editor you can write multiple comment lines for a step and enter them. The Comment editor automatically places the leading semicolons, required by the Quickstep editor, and a space before any text.

To insert a comment:

1. Highlight a **<<Comment Line>>** placeholder using one of the following methods:



- Highlight <<**Comment Line**>> and double click the mouse to activate the Comment editor.
- Highlight <<**Comment Line>>** and press **Enter** to activate the Comment editor.

The Comment Editor window appears.

2. Type the text of the comment. The editor adds the semicolons and a space before the text when it enters the comment in the step.

<u>F</u> ile	<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> elp						
This line	step ar ta	sets ble.	up th	e ini	tial	conditions	for	the

**REMEMBER:** The maximum line length is 255 characters.

3. To insert the comment in the step, select **Exit Saving Changes** from the **File** menu.

The Quickstep editor enters the comment in the step.



# **Entering an Immediate Action Selection**

The possible output changes are: turn all outputs off, no change in the current state of the outputs, or turn specific output(s) on or off. To enter an output change using an immediate action selection:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the **<<Output Change>>** placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.

[1]	SET_INITIAL_CONDITIONS ;;; ;;; This step sets up the initial condi ;;; the linear table. ;;;
	< <ol> <li>Change&gt;&gt;</li> </ol>
	< <statements>&gt;</statements>

The editor displays the types of output changes in the Selection bar.



2. Select the output change using the mouse or keyboard.



The editor enters the output change in the step.

[1]	<pre>SET_INITIAL_CONDITIONS</pre>
	<turn all="" digital="" off="" outputs=""></turn>
	<pre></pre>

# Entering an Output Change for a Specific Output

To enter an output change

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the **<<Output Change>>** placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.



The editor displays the types of output changes in the Selection bar.



2. Select Output Name using the mouse or keyboard.

The list or symbolic names for outputs appears.

Output Name
clamp_part clamp_part_off load_part load_part_off start_lathe

3. Select the symbolic name for the output using the mouse or keyboard.

Output Name
load_part
clamp_part clamp_part_off load_part load_part_off

The editor enters the output change in the step.

[11] LOAD_CYLINDER
load_part
< <statements>&gt;</statements>

# **Programming Quickstep Instructions**

When programming instructions, you follow these general steps:

- 1. Select the <<Statements>> place holder to display the list of Quickstep instructions in the Selection Bar.
- 2. Select the instruction you want to program.
- 3. When the Selection bar lists the possible parameters for the instruction (this includes symbol names), choose the appropriate selection.

As you program an instruction, your choices appear in the Selection bar and the placeholder for the next parameter appears in the Editing window.

4. Continue selecting each placeholder to list the possible parameters for the instruction in the Selection bar until you are finished programming the instruction.

Use one of the following methods to list items in, or select items from, the Selection bar

- Double click on the item with the mouse pointer.
- Select the item with the mouse pointer and press Enter.
- Press the Tab key to move the focus to the list of options displayed in the Selection bar. Use the Arrow keys to highlight the item and press Enter.
- Type the name of the item. Once you have entered enough letters to uniquely identify the item, it appears in the Selection box. Press Enter.

The following sections show how to program instructions using PROFILE SERVO and MONITOR BOOLEAN instructions as examples. This section also shows how to define a symbolic name in the process of programming an instruction.

# **Programming Instructions and Parameters**

This example shows how to use the selection bar to program an instruction.

- 1. Highlight a **<<Statements>>** placeholder with the mouse pointer and do one of the following:
  - Double click the **left mouse button**.
  - Press Enter.

The list of Quickstep instructions appears in the Selection bar.

- 2. Select the instruction, in this example Profile, using one of the following methods:
  - Select **Profile** with the mouse pointer and double click the mouse.
  - Type **P** from the keyboard to select **Profile** and press **Enter**.

Statements	
Profile	
lf Monitor Profile Reset	

The list of profile instructions appears in the Selection bar and the placeholder **<< Profile What>>** appears in the Editing window.



3. Select **Profile Servo** and insert it in the statement using the mouse or keyboard.

The placeholder **<Servo Name>** is highlighted in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists the symbolic names of all the servos.



- 4. Select the servo name using the mouse or keyboard as before.
- **NOTE:** You can also define a new servo name at this time, see *Defining Symbolic Names When Programming an Instruction* in this chapter.

The Quickstep editor inserts the servo name into the instruction.



The Quickstep editor continues to highlight each placeholder until you have filled in the parameters for the instruction.

# **Entering Numeric Constants Defined as Symbolic Names**

Any numeric constant can be given a symbolic name and used in your Quickstep program. The Selection bar lists numeric values defined as symbolic names as Data Sources. This example shows the **<<Numeric Source>>** placeholder for the servo's maxspeed.

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the **<<Servo Maxspeed>>** placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.

OR) goto START_PROGRAM			
rvo.			
S>			
vo at position KCervo Maxspeed)	< <servo< td=""><td>Accel&gt;&gt;</td><td>&lt;<serve< td=""></serve<></td></servo<>	Accel>>	< <serve< td=""></serve<>

The placeholder **<<Numeric Source>>** appears in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists the types of Numeric Sources. There are three choices; one choice, **Data Sources**, includes symbolic names.

Numeric Source	ŧ	TPUTS>
	H	ONITOR) goto START_PROGRAM
Data Source Number Serve Value		n servo.
Selvo value		TPUTS>
		servo at position maxspeed= allumento Sourcess < <servo ac<="" th=""></servo>

2. Select Data Sources to list the symbolic names.



3. Select the appropriate symbolic name using the mouse or keyboard as before.

In this example, **maxspeed=X\_Y\_home\_maxsp** appears in the Editing window.

tion maxspeed=X\_Y\_home\_maxsp <mark><<Serve Accel>></mark> <mark><<Serve P>></mark>

# **Entering Numeric Constants From the Keyboard**

You can also enter numeric constants by typing the number from the keyboard. This example enters the proportional parameter (Servo P) in a Profile Servo instruction.

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the **<<Servo P>>** placeholder and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Select the placeholder with the mouse pointer and press Enter.

X\_Y\_home\_maxsp accel=X\_Y\_home\_accel <mark><<Sonvo F</mark>ox <mark><<Servo</mark>

The placeholder **<<Numeric Source>>** appears in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists the types of Numeric Sources.

Numeric Source	+		
Data Source Number			
Servo Value			
		X V home maxsh accel=X V home accel P=CHumeric Seurces	
		The second	

2. Select Number using the mouse or keyboard.

The Selection box is empty.

A Number	+	
		X_home_maxsp accel=X_Y_home_accel P= <b>XA_Number23 &lt;<ser< b=""></ser<></b>

3. Type a number and press **Enter**.



**P=2** appears in the Editing window.



### **Programming Boolean Monitor Instructions**

Monitor instructions allow the controller to check the state of inputs, flags, motors, and servos. A Boolean Monitor instruction can check the state of more than one controller resource and specialized I/O or motion control device.

To program a Boolean Monitor instruction:

1. Select **Monitor** from the list of instructions in the Selection bar, using the mouse or keyboard.

The placeholder **<<Monitor What>>** appears in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists choices for monitor.

Monitor What	<pre>[1] START_PROGRAM</pre>
=>Finish Boolean Flag Input Motor Servo	<turn all="" digital="" off="" outputs=""> monitor &lt;&gt; goto &lt;&gt;&gt; &lt;</turn>

2. Select Boolean using the mouse or keyboard as before.



The placeholder **<<Monitor Operator>>** appears in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists the Boolean operators.

Monitor Operator	[1] START_PROGRAM				
or	;;; This step checks the table input and lathe flac ;;; It also starts the counter				
and					
nand	<turn all="" digital="" off="" outputs=""></turn>				
nor					
nxor	monitor (< <monitor operator="">&gt; &lt;<monitor what="">&gt; &lt;<m< th=""></m<></monitor></monitor>				
	< <statements>&gt;</statements>				

3. Select the Boolean operator you want. This example uses Or.

The placeholder **<<Monitor What>>** appears in the Editing window and the Selection bar lists choices for monitor.

4. Select the controller resource or device you want using the mouse or keyboard as before.

Monitor What Flag	<pre>[1] START_PROGRAM     ;;;     ;;; This step checks the table input and lathe fla     ;;; It also starts the counter     ;;;</pre>
Boolean	<turn all="" digital="" off="" outputs=""></turn>
Input Motor Servo	monitor (or <mark>&lt;<monitor what="">&gt;</monitor></mark> < <monitor what="">&gt;) got &lt;<statements>&gt;</statements></monitor>

The Selection bar lists the symbolic names for the resource type you chose.

5. Select the symbolic name you want.



- **NOTE:** You can also define a new servo name at this time, see *Defining Symbolic Names When Programming an Instruction* in this chapter.
  - 6. Continue choosing controller resources or devices until you complete the Monitor instruction.
  - 7. When you are finished with your Boolean expression, select the **<<Destina**tion>> placeholder and specify the destination.

Destination	
Step Name	e input and lathe flag. r
Next Step Name	>
	table_running < <monitor what="">&gt;) goto <mark>&lt;<destination>&gt;</destination></mark></monitor>

The Quickstep editor inserts the destination step.

table\_running <<<Monitor What>>) goto MACHINE\_NOT\_READ

8. When you select the next placeholder, the editor deletes any unused placeholders in the monitor instruction.

monitor (or lathe\_running:set table\_running) goto MACHINE\_NOT\_READY
<<<statements>>

# **Defining Symbolic Names When Programming an Instruction**

You may need to define a symbol when you are partially through entering an instruction. You can define new symbolic names from the Selection bar. Symbolic names defined using this method are automatically entered in the Symbol Table.

To define a symbolic name from the Selection bar:

1. Type the new symbol name in the Selection box and Press Enter.

Flag Name
lathe_running

The editor displays the Define New Symbol dialog box. The symbolic name and type appear in the Name and Type fields.

-	Define New Symbol	
Name:	lathe_running	<u>         0</u> K
Туре:	Flag Name 👱	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	0	<u>H</u> elp

- 2. Edit the symbolic name, if necessary.
- 3. Press Tab to go to the Number field.

-	Define New Symbol	
Name:	lathe_running	<u> </u>
Туре:	Flag Name 👱	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	0	<u>H</u> elp

4. Type the **Number** of the controller resource (flag number 1 here) in the **Number** field.

	Define New Symbol	
Name:	lathe_running	<u>0</u> K
Туре:	Flag Name 👱	<u>C</u> ancel
Number:	1	<u>H</u> elp

5. Select **OK** to enter the symbolic name in the instruction.

```
set lathe_running
turn Z_position_servo to 2607
monitor Z_position_servo:stopped goto Next
```

# **Inserting New Lines and Steps**

As you write your Quickstep program you will need to insert:

- New steps
- New output change placeholders
- Comment line placeholders
- Statement placeholders.

You can insert new steps before or after the current step, and the editor numbers or renumbers the steps accordingly.

You can also insert new comment lines (<<Comment Line>>), output changes (<<Output Change>>), and instructions (<<Statements>>) before or after the current line. Depending on the location of the cursor, the Quickstep editor displays different options. For example, when the highlight is on a comment line, the selections in the edit and shortcut menus appear as follows:

### Line Menu

Lines	Insert Comment <u>B</u> efore
<u>S</u> teps	Insert Comment <u>A</u> fter
Pr <u>o</u> perties	Delete Comment Edit Line Text New First Statement

### Shortcut Menu

Replace with Alternate
<u>D</u> elete Comment
Insert Comment <u>B</u> efore
Insert Comment <u>A</u> fter
<u>D</u> elete Comment
<u>E</u> dit Line Text
<u>N</u> ew First Statement
Insert Step <u>B</u> efore
Insert Step <u>A</u> fter
<u>G</u> oto Step

When the highlight is on an instruction line, the selections in the Edit or Shortcut menu appear as follows:

#### Line Menu

<u>L</u> ines	Insert Statement <u>B</u> efore
<u>S</u> teps	Insert Statement <u>A</u> fter
Pr <u>o</u> perties	Delete Statement
	<u>Eant Line Text</u> <u>N</u> ew First Statement

#### **Shortcut Menu**

<u>Replace with Alternate</u>
<u>D</u> elete
Insert Statement <u>B</u> efore
Insert Statement After
<u>D</u> elete Statement
<u>E</u> dit Line Text
<u>N</u> ew First Statement
Insert Step <u>B</u> efore
Insert Step <u>A</u> fter
<u>G</u> oto Step

You can also insert a new statement placeholder before any other instructions in a step by selecting New First Statement from the Edit or Shortcut menus.

### **Inserting New Steps**

The following example inserts a new step after the current step. You can also insert a new step before the current step. In either case, the editor numbers or renumbers the steps.

To insert a new step:

1. Highlight an item in the current step with the mouse pointer.



- 2. Do one of the following
  - Select Steps from the Edit menu and choose Insert Step Before or Insert Step After.
  - Select Insert Step Before or Insert Step After from the Shortcut menu
  - Select the **New Step** icon on the **Toolbar** to insert a new step after the current step.



In this example, the editor inserts a new step after the current step.

[5]	HOME_Z_POS_SERVO ;;;; ;;;; Establishes a home position for t ;;;;
	<no change="" digital="" in="" outputs=""></no>
	profile Z_position_servo servo at pos search and zero Z_position_servo monitor Z_position_servo:stopped goto
[6]	< <new name="" step="">&gt; &lt;<comment line="">&gt;</comment></new>
	< <output change="">&gt;</output>
	<pre></pre>
[7]	MOVE_TABLE_X

# **Inserting New Lines**

You can insert new comment, output change, and Statement placeholder before or after the current line.

The following example inserts a new statement after the current line.

1. Highlight an item on the line above with the mouse pointer.

[12]	LATHE_START
	load_part_off start_lathe
	set lathe_running turn <mark>Z_position_servo</mark> to 2607 monitor Z_position_servo:stopped goto MACHINE_NOT_READY

- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Lines from the Edit menu and choose the Insert Before or Insert After option you want.
  - Select the **Insert Before** or **Insert After** icons on the **Toolbar** with the mouse pointer.



• Select the **Insert Before** or **Insert After** option from the **Shortcut** menu.

**REMEMBER!** The selections on the Edit and Shortcut menus change depending on the location of the cursor.

The editor inserts a new placeholder after the current line.

[12	] LATHE_START
	load_part_off start_lathe
	set lathe_running turn <mark>Z_position_servo</mark> to 2607 << <table border="1">&lt;<table border="1"></table></table>

### **Inserting an Output Change**

The following example inserts a new placeholder for an output change.

1. **Highlight** an item on the line with the mouse pointer.



- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Lines from the Edit menu and choose the insert option you want.
  - Select the **Insert Before** or **Insert After** icon on the **Toolbar** with the mouse pointer.



Select the insert option you want from the **Shortcut** menu.

**REMEMBER!** The selections on the Edit and Shortcut menus change depending on the location of the cursor.

The editor inserts an output change placeholder above the current line.



# Inserting a New First Statement Placeholder

New First Statement inserts a new <<Statements>> placeholder before any other instructions or statement placeholders in a step. It also inserts a new <<Statements>> placeholder in a step that has had all its instructions or statement placeholders deleted.

To insert a new first statement:

1. Highlight any step name, comment, output change, statement placeholder, or instruction in a step.



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- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Lines from the Edit menu and choose the New First Statement option.
  - Select the New First Statement option from the Shortcut menu.

The editor places a new statement placeholder as the first statement in the step.



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# **Cutting, Copying and Pasting Lines and Steps**

# The Importance of the Current Field when Cutting, Copying and Pasting

	The Quickstep program, as it appears in the Quickstep editor window, is com- posed of a number of fields (software professionals them "tokens"). For ex- ample, the instruction-monitor partsensor goto next-actually consists of four fields:
	<ul> <li>The instruction name: monitor</li> <li>The input name: partsensor</li> <li>The instruction token: goto</li> <li>The destination of the instruction: next</li> </ul>
	As you work in the Quickstep editor window, you may move a cursor from one field to another by using the arrow keys on your computer. The field, or token, to which you have moved the cursor is known as the "current field." The current field is indicated by displaying the field in a unique color scheme. You can modify how the current field cursor is displayed by changing its colors, so that it may be displayed in any color you choose. For information on changing the colors of fields, see <i>Changing Editor Field Colors</i> in Chapter 3, <i>Quickstep Editor Basics</i> .
	If you Paste text from the clipboard to the current field, the Quickstep editor will attempt to deduce whether the pasted text should be placed before or after the field, based on a series of rules.
	If, however, you wish to replace one or more fields with text from the clipboard, you must "select" the field by dragging the mouse pointer across it, similar to selecting text in word processor applications. Then, pasting text will cause the new text to <i>replace</i> the selected field.
	Similarly, you cannot use the copy or cut commands on the current field without first selecting it by dragging the mouse across it.
Cutting Text	
	<b>Cut</b> removes selected text or lines of text and places it on the clipboard. The text placed on the Clipboard replaces the previous contents and remains there until you replace it with a new item.
	When you cut a step header (number and name) the Quickstep editor cuts the entire step.
	Cut text by choosing:
	<ul> <li>Cut from the Edit menu (shortcut, type CTRL + X).</li> <li>Cut icon on the Toolbar</li> </ul>
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# **Copying Text**

**Copy** copies selected text to the Clipboard. Any text that you copy to the Clipboard replaces the previous contents and remains there until you replace it with a new item.

When you copy a step header (number and name) the Quickstep editor copies the entire step.

Copy text by choosing:

- Copy from the Edit menu (shortcut, type CTRL + C).
- Copy icon on the Toolbar



# **Pasting Text**

**Paste** and **Paste After** insert a copy of the Clipboard contents in your program. You cannot use paste if the Clipboard is empty or if the text cannot be replaced or pasted.

The Quickstep editor has the following rules for pasting:

- When you have selected a field, a line or a step with the mouse pointer, **Paste** replaces it.
- When you do not select anything with the mouse, **Paste** inserts the text, line, or step in the adjacent syntactically correct location to the current field.
- When you do not select anything with the mouse and are pasting text that can be placed either before or after the current field, then **Paste** inserts the text, line, or step before the current field and **Paste** After inserts it after the current field.
- The Quickstep editor does not paste a step in the middle of an existing step or an instruction in the middle of an existing instruction.

Paste text by choosing:

- **Paste** from the **Edit** menu (shortcut, type **CTRL** + **V**).
- Paste icon on the Toolbar



Paste text after the highlight by selecting Paste After from the Edit menu.

# Copying and Pasting Text from one Program to Another

Cut, copy and paste work by copying and pasting text to and from the Clipboard. Symbolic names in pasted text are interpreted in the context of the program you paste them into. Pasting text from one Quickstep program to another can result in three types of errors:

- 1. The symbolic name is not defined in the destination program. This causes an error message, and the editor flags the pasted text as unparsed source.
- To correct this error, define the new symbol name and select **Check Syntax** from the **Edit** menu to recheck the line.
- 2. The symbolic name(s) have a different definition in the destination program than in the orginally program. For example, the name may refer to a flag in the original program and to a servo in the destination program. The symbolic name no longer makes sense in the new context. This causes and error message and the editor flags the pasted text as unparsed source.

To correct this error, you can do one of the following:

- Define a new symbol name and use the Line editor to correct the symbol name.
- Use the Line editor to change the symbol name to different name.
- 3. The symbolic name has a different, but syntactically valid definition, in the destination program. This causes an error that **is not detected**.

**NOTE:** The best way to avoid copy and paste problems is to define a standard set of symbolic names for use in related Quickstep programs and import them into each program as it is created.

# **Deleting Lines and Text**

# **Deleting Items**

You can delete a portion of the text in a comment or instruction. The **Delete**, **Delete Line**, **Delete Step** functions permanently delete the selected text. Deleted items cannot be replaced or pasted. The wording of the delete function changes depending on the location of the cursor.

You can delete an entire line or step by highlighting the line or group of lines and selecting **Delete**.

The Quickstep editor has the following restrictions:

- Deleting a step name or number deletes the entire step
- Deleting the first word in an instruction deletes the entire instruction

WARNING! Do not delete all the steps in a program. This causes a General Protection Fault.

To delete text or other items:

1. **Highlight** the text you want to delete with the mouse pointer.



2. Select **Delete** from the **Edit** or **Shortcut** menu.

The editor deletes the text.

profile Y\_position\_servo servo at pos turn Y\_position\_servo 3700 steps monitor Y\_position\_servo:stopped goto

### **Deleting an Entire Line**

You can delete an entire comment, output change or instruction line. The **Delete** Line function permanently deletes the highlighted or selected lines. Deleted items cannot be replaced or pasted. The wording of the delete function changes depending on the location of the cursor.

To delete lines:

1. Highlight a portion of the line you want to delete with the mouse pointer.

```
1] START_PROGRAM

::::

:::: This step checks table input and .

:::: It also starts the counter

::::

<NO CHANGE IN DIGITAL OUTPUTS>

monitor (or lathe_running:set table_runing:set table_runi
```

- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Lines from the Edit menu and then the Delete option.
  - Select the **Delete** option from the **Shortcut** menu

The editor deletes the line.

```
[1] START_PROGRAM
;;;
This step checks table input and
;;; It also starts the counter
;;;

<p
```

# **Changing Step Names**

Using the Quickstep editor you can change the name of a step. The editor automatically goes through your program and changes every reference of the step to the new step name. The editor does not allow you to change the step name to the name of an existing step.

To change a step name:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer over the step name and do one of the following:
  - Double click the **left** mouse **button**.
  - Highlight the step name and press **Enter**.



The Selection bar lists the options to change the step name or step number



- 2. Select =>Step Name using the mouse pointer or keyboard.
- 3. Type the new step name.

It appears in the Selection bar.



4. Press Enter to change the step name.

The editor changes the step name and all the references to it.



# **Changing Step Numbers**

Using the Quickstep editor you can change step numbers. When necessary, the editor automatically goes through your program and changes the numbers of the steps below it. When you change a step number to the number of an existing step, the editor renumbers the steps.

**NOTE:** The editor does not permit you to change a step number to a number lower than the preceeding step.

To change a step number:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer over the step number and do one of the following:
  - Double click the **left** mouse **button**.
  - Highlight the step number and press Enter.



The Selection bar lists the options to change the step name or step number.



- 2. Select =>Step Number using the mouse or keyboard.
- 3. Type the new step number.

It appears in the Selection bar.

Step Number

4. Press Enter to change the step number.

The editor changes the step number and the number of subsequent steps.

```
[100] MACHINE_NOT_READY

:::

Displays a message so that the operator can

:::

<NO CHANGE IN DIGITAL OUTPUTS>

store 1 to not_ready_msg

goto CHECK_MACHINE

[101] CHECK_MACHINE

Step number of next step also changed
```

# **Editing Comments**

You can edit comment lines with the Comment editor. The Comment editor automatically places the leading semi-colons and a space before any text.

To edit a comment:

1. Place the mouse pointer on the comment line and do one of the following:

[5]	HOME_Z_POS_SERVO
	<no change="" digital="" in="" outputs=""></no>
	profile Z_position_servo servo at position maxspeed=Z_home_maxsp accel search and zero Z_position_servo monitor Z_position_servo:stopped goto Next

- Double click the **left** mouse **button** to activate the Comment editor.
- Highlight the comment and press **Enter** to activate the Comment editor.

The Comment Editor window appears

<u>File Edit H</u>elp Homes Z position servo

2. Edit the comment. You can use the cut, paste, and copy commands.

<u>F</u>ile <u>E</u>dit <u>H</u>elp

```
Establishes a home position for the Z position servo.
```

**REMEMBER:** The maximum line length is 255 characters.

3. To insert the comment in the step, select **Exit Saving Changes** from the **File** menu.

The Quickstep editor enters the comment in the step.



# **Using Replace with Alternate**

Replace with Alternate allows you to replace an output change or a selected portion of an instruction with a different choice. When you select Replace with Alternate, the editor lists the alternate choices in the Selection bar.

When replacing part of an instruction, depending on the instruction and the part of the instruction you choose, the Selection bar choices change.

**NOTE:** Selecting Replace with Alternate when the highlight is on an instruction line containing unparsed source, activates the Line editor.

### **Replacing Part of an Instruction**

To replace with an alternate:

1. Place the mouse pointer over the portion of the instruction you want to replace and do one of the following:



- Highlight the selection and choose **Replace with Alternate** from the **Edit** or **Shortcut** Menu.
- Highlight the selection and press Enter.

The Editor lists the alternate choices in the Selection bar.



2. To replace the selection, use the mouse or keyboard to select your choice



The Editor replaces the selected text with the alternate.

Direction	turn X_position_servo to X_servo_first_turn monitor X_position_servo:stopped goto Next				
ccw clockwise	[7] MOVE_TABLE_Y				
Counter-clockwise	<pre></pre> <no change="" digital="" in="" outputs=""></no>				
	profile Y_position_servo servo at position_maxspeed=X_ turn Y_position_servo				

4. Continue programming the instruction.

# **Replacing an Output Change**

You can replace an output change using Replace with Alternate.

- 1. Place the mouse pointer over the output change you want to replace and do one of the following:
  - Double click the left mouse button.
  - Highlight the output change and choose **Replace with Alternate** from the **Edit** or **Shortcut** Menus.

[11]	104 ::::	AD_CATI9	IDEI	R		
	<no< td=""><td>CHANGE</td><td>IN</td><td>DIGITAL</td><td>OUTPUTS&gt;</td><td></td></no<>	CHANGE	IN	DIGITAL	OUTPUTS>	

The Editor lists the alternate choices in the Selection bar.

Output
Output Name
=>All Off =>No Changes Output Name

2. To replace the selection, use the mouse of keyboard to select your choice.

If you select **All Off** or **No Changes**, the editor enters the choice in the step and deletes any other output changes in the step. If you select **Output Name**, the editor lists the symbolic names for the outputs in the Selection bar.

4. If you are turning an output on or off, select the symbolic name for the output you want using the mouse of keyboard.



The editor enters your selection in the output change line.

[11] LOAD_CYLINDER
load_part

# Using the Line Editor

# The Line Editor

The Line editor window appears when you select Edit Line Text from the Shortcut or Edit menus. Using the Line editor, you can edit a single output change or an instruction. If you type additional lines, the Line editor ignores them.

### **Line Editor Menus**

The menu bar contains the File, Edit and Help menus. Using these menus you can enter edited text into your Quickstep program, cut, copy and paste text in the Line editor; and display the Help file for the Line editor.

Selecting File displays the following menu:

<u>F</u> ile	<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> elp		
Exit Saving Changes				
Exit <u>D</u> iscarding Changes				

- Exit Saving Changes: enters the edited line.
- **Exit Discarding Changes:** exits the Line editor without changing the existing instruction or output change.

Selecting Edit displays the following menu:

<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> e	
Cu <u>t</u>		
<u>С</u> ору		
<u>P</u> aste		

- Cut: removes selected text and places it on the clipboard.
- Copy: copies selected text to the Clipboard.
- **Paste:** inserts a copy of the Clipboard contents at the insertion point. If you have highlighted any text, the editor replaces the selection with the text on the Clipboard. You cannot use paste if the Clipboard is empty or if the selected text cannot be replaced.

**NOTE:** Selecting Replace with Alternate when the highlight is on an instruction line containing unparsed source, activates the Line editor.

### **Editing Output Change and Instruction Line Text**

You can edit an output change or instruction using the Line editor. The Line editor only edits one line at a time. If you type additional lines, the editor does not enter them in the program.

To edit an instruction line:

1. Open the editor using one of the following methods:

monitor (or lathe\_running:set table\_moving) goto MACHINE\_NOT\_READ start widget\_ctr up (count\_up\_close) down (count\_down\_close) goto HOME\_X\_SERVO

- Highlight a parameter in the instruction and select Edit Line Text from the Shortcut menu.
- Highlight a parameter in the instruction and select Edit Line Text from Lines on the Edit menu.

The Line Editor window appears

<u>F</u> ile	<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> elp			
monit	or (or	lathe_running:set t	able_moving) (	goto MACHINE_NOT_READ	л

2. Edit the instruction. You can use the cut, paste, copy commands.

<u>F</u> ile	<u>E</u> dit	<u>H</u> elp	
monit	or (or	lathe_running:set table_moving X_Position_Servo:running)	goto MACH

3. To insert the edited instruction in the step, select **Exit Saving Changes** from the **File** menu.

The Quickstep editor checks the line syntax and enters the instruction in the step.



# **Removing Placeholders**

As you program steps, and their component instructions, output changes, and comments, the Quickstep editor displays empty placeholders. In most cases, the editor deletes optional placeholders, but sometimes you must delete them yourself.

To delete all the unused placeholders in a program:

Select Remove Placeholders from the Edit menu.

The following is a list of placeholders that you may want to delete when the editor does not:

• Optional place holders have a cyan background and black lettering (default). They can be removed if you are not using them.

<<Servo I>>

• Comment placeholders can be removed if the step does not have comments.



• Extra output change placeholders can be removed. However, you must specify no change, all off, or an output change at the beginning of each step.

```
[12] LATHE_START
    ;;; This step turns off output tha
    ;;; turns on the lathe which machi
    ;;;
    load_part_off
    start_lathe
    <<Output Change>>
```

• Extra Statement placeholders can be removed.

<<Statements>>

# **Checking Syntax**

The Quickstep editor displays lines with errors in red (default). A paste operation can create unchecked lines, and converting an 1.6 or 1.7 Quickstep program can cause lines to be displayed as errors when they do not have any.

To make the editor check the syntax of these lines, choose **Check Line Syntax** from the **Edit** menu.

#### **Searching for Syntax Errors**

To search for lines with an error or unchecked syntax, choose **Find Next Error** from the **Search** menu.

To find an error or unchecked syntax in a previous step, choose Find **Previous Error** from the **Search** menu.

# Searching for a Step

**Goto** searches a Quickstep program for a specific step. The Quickstep editor can search forward or backward for the step, depending where you start the search.

NOTE: Goto is the name of a search function in the Quickstep editor. Goto is also an instruction in the Quickstep programming language. For information on using the Goto instruction, see the Quickstep<sup>™</sup> Language and Programming Guide.

You can use Goto to search for a step in two different ways:

### Method One

1. Highlight the step name you want to find.

```
monitor in_1A goto SELECT_PROGRAM
monitor in_2A goto SELECT_PROGRAM
monitor in_3A goto GET_INFO
monitor in_4A goto EXIT_SET_UP
monitor in_8A goto SEND_RUN_MODE
monitor in_9A goto SEND_CAL_MODE
monitor (and in_8B in_9B) goto SEND_ADJ_MODE
```

- 2. Search for the step name using one of the following methods:
  - Choose Goto Step from the Search menu.
  - Choose Goto Step from the Shortcut menu.
  - Select the Goto icon on the Toolbar.



The editor finds the step.

#### **Method Two**

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose **Goto Step** from the **Search** menu.
  - Choose Goto Step from the Shortcut menu.
  - Select the Goto icon on the Toolbar.



The list of step names appears in the Selection bar.
2. Use the mouse of keyboard to select the name of the step you want to find



The editor finds the step.



### Searching for Symbolic Names

Find Symbol searches a Quickstep program for a specific symbolic name. The Quickstep editor begins the search from the location of the cursor. If you are at the end of a program file you should go to the beginning before starting your search. After the editor has found the first occurrence of a symbolic name, you can use Find Next. Find Next finds the next occurrence of the symbolic name specified by Find Symbol.

To search for a symbolic name:

1. Choose Find Symbol from the Search menu.

The editor displays the symbolic names in the Selection bar.

Find Symbol		
HOME_SERVOS HOME_SERVOS HOME_SERVOS IN_10A IN_11A IN_12A IN_13A IN_13A IN_18 IN_2A IN_28 IN_28 IN_3A IN_38	•	

2. Select the symbolic name you want to find.



3. Press Enter.

The editor finds the symbolic name.

monitor in\_1A goto SELECT\_PROGRAM monitor in\_2A goto ZERO\_COUNTER monitor in 3A goto GET INFO

**NOTE:** If you double click on the symbolic name with the mouse pointer, you can skip step 3.

- 4. To find the next occurrence of the symbolic name, do one of the following:
  - Choose Find Next from the Search menu.
  - Choose the **Find Next** icon on the **Toolbar**.



The editor finds the next occurrence of the symbolic name.



# **Chapter 6**

# **Using the Symbol Browser**

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### **Screen Overview**

When you start the Quickstep editor, it automatically activates the Symbol Browser. Use the Symbol Browser to specify step names and symbolic names for the following controller resources and specialized I/O and motion control devices:

- Analog inputs
- Analog outputs
- Counters
- Data Table columns
- Displays
- Flags
- Inputs
- Outputs
- Stepping motors
- Servo motors
- Numeric registers
- Thumbwheels

You can also give symbolic names to numeric constants used in the program.

You can edit the symbolic names that appear in the list of symbolic names, using the copy, cut, paste and delete options on the Edit menu and Toolbar. To move from one field to another on the list of symbolic names and list of symbol types, use the arrow keys



### The Toolbar

The Toolbar appears across the top of the Symbol Browser window and gives you quick mouse access to many tools used in the Symbol Browser.

D	Open - Opens an existing Symbol Table. Accessible only when using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor.
	Save - Saves the current Symbol Table with its current name. Accessible only when using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor.
Þ	Copy - Copies the selected text and places it on the Clipboard
Ē	Paste - Inserts the contents of the Clipboard at the insertion point
	New Symbol - Displays the Define Symbol dialog Box.
Ч	Sort Key - Toggles from ${\bf N}$ to ${\bf V}$ and displays the list of symbolic names in alphabetic order or by their value.
◄	Sort Order - Toggles from é to ê and displays the list of symbolic names in ascending or descending order of value.
[∞]	Find Step - Tells the Quickstep editor to find the step whose name you've highlighted
	Find Reference - Tells the Quickstep editor to find the first refer- ence to the symbolic name you've highlighted
?	About - displays the version number and the copyright notice.

### **Changing Column Size**

You can adjust the size of the columns in the list of symbolic names by moving the column dividers.

To change the column size:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the column divider line.
- 2. When the double arrowhead symbol appears, press the mouse button and move the column divider.

<b>-</b> Q	uickstep Symbol Browser	▼ ▲
<u>F</u> ile <u>E</u> dit <u>O</u> ptions	s <u>H</u> elp	
<b>F B B B</b>		
Types	Name	Value
<b></b>	Grinding_wheel_on	1
Analog Input	Coolant_ready	2
Analog Output	In_calibration_mode	3
Counter	Calibration_complete	4
Data Table Colum	Motor_in_home_position	5
Display		
Flag		
Input		
Motor		
Number		
Output	l	
Register		
Servo		
Step		
Thumbwheel		
Undefined Step		

3. Release the mouse button when the column divider is in the correct location.

<b>-</b> Q	uickstep Symbol Browser	▼ ▲
<u>File Edit Options</u>	s <u>H</u> elp	
	V↓ <sup>ra</sup> Ref ?	
Types	Name	Value
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Grinding_wheel_on	1
Analog Input	Coolant_ready	2
Analog Output	In_calibration_mode	3
Counter	Calibration_complete	4
Data Table Colum	Motor_in_home_position	5
Display		
Flag		
Input		
Motor		
Number		
Output		
Register		
Servo	L	
Step		
Thumbwheel		
Undefined Step		

#### **Re-displaying Columns**

It is possible to move the column divider so far that the column disappears. When this happens, re-display the column by selecting:

- Show Name from the Options menu to re-display the name field.
- Show Value from the Options menu to re-display the value field.
- Show Transition from the Options menu to re-display the output transition field.
- Show State from the Options menu to re-display the input state field.

### **Changing the Font**

The Symbol Browser displays text in Microsoft Sans Serif font. You can change the default font using the Font dialog box.

1. Select Font from the Options menu.

The Fonts dialog box appears.

	Font
Eont: MS Sans Serif MS Sans Serif MS Serif MS SystemEx T Playbill Small Fonts	Font Style: Size: OK Bold Regular Italic Bold Bold Bold I2 I4 I8 I
Effects Strikeout Underline Color: Black	⁻Sample AaBbYyZz

2. Select the Font, Font Style, Size, and Color.

The Sample box displays the current font.

#### NOTE: We do not recommend selecting the Strikeout or Underline effects.

3. Select **OK** to apply your changes.

To exit without saving your changes, select Cancel.

### Specifying the Order of Symbolic Names

The Toolbar contains two icons that control how the Symbol Browser displays the list of symbolic names. One icon toggles to display the list by name (**N**) or value (**V**), and the other icon toggles to display the list in ascending ( $\clubsuit$ ) or descending ( $\bigstar$ ) order of value.

#### Listing by Name or Value

Using the toggle icon on the Toolbar, you can display the list of symbolic names in alphabetic order by name or in order of value.

Change the way in which symbolic names are listed by selecting:

• The N or V icon on the Toolbar.



Lists the symbolic names in alphabetic order by name.



Lists the symbolic names in order by value

### Sort by Value from the Options menu

A check mark next to Sort by Value indicates that the list is sorted in order of value. No check mark indicates that the list is sorted in alphabetic order by name.

### **Examples of Sorted Lists**

٠ A list ordered by name appears as follows:

Name	Value
Calibration_complete	4
Coolant_ready	2
Grinding_wheel_on	1
In_calibration_mode	3
Motor_in_home_position	5

A list ordered by value appears as follows:

Name	Value
Grinding_wheel_on	1
Coolant_ready	2
In_calibration_mode	3
Calibration_complete	4
Motor_in_home_position	5

### Listing in Ascending or Descending Order

Using the toggle icon on the Toolbar, you can display the list of symbolic names in ascending or descending order of value. To change the way in which symbolic names are listed select:

The up or down arrow icon on the Toolbar. •

Lists the symbolic names in ascending order of value.



 $|\downarrow|$ 

- Lists the symbolic names in descending order of value.
- Sort by Ascending from the Options menu

A check mark next to Sort by Ascending indicates that the list is sorted in ascending order. No check mark indicates that the list is sorted in descending order of value.

### **Examples of Sorted Lists**

A list ordered by value in ascending order appears as follows:

Name	Value
Grinding_wheel_on	1
Coolant_ready	2
In_calibration_mode	3
Calibration_complete	4
Motor_in_home_position	5

• A list ordered by value in descending order appears as follows:

Name	Value
Motor_in_home_position	5
Calibration_complete	4
In_calibration_mode	3
Coolant_ready	2
Grinding_wheel_on	1

• A list ordered by name and ascending order appears as follows:

Name	Yalue
Calibration_complete	4
Coolant_ready	2
Grinding_wheel_on	1
In_calibration_mode	3
Motor_in_home_position	5

• A list ordered by name and descending order appears as follows:

Name	Value
Motor_in_home_position	5
In_calibration_mode	3
Grinding_wheel_on	1
Coolant_ready	2
Calibration_complete	4

### Inserting an Existing Symbol Table

You can insert an existing table from another Quickstep program in your current Symbol Table. This allows you to use the same symbolic names for more than one program without having to redefine them.

- 1. Bring up the Quickstep editor and define the parameters for your Quickstep program.
- 2. Click the Symbol Browser icon to display the Symbol Browser.
- 3. Select **Insert** from the **File** menu.

The Load Symbol Table dialog box appears.

	Load Symbol Table	
File <u>N</u> ame:   .sym  grinder.sym  gsedit.sym sorted.sym	Directories: h:\qs\qswin Prix qs gs Prix qs magawin	OK Cancel Network <u>R</u> ead Only
List Files of <u>T</u> ype:	Dri <u>v</u> es:	
Symbols (*.sym) 👤	🖻 h: compressed	<b>±</b>

4. If the Symbol Table is in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.

- 5. Select the name of the Symbol Table you wish to load.
- 6. Select **OK**.

### Saving a Symbol Table

The Quickstep editor automatically saves the Symbol Table when it saves your Quickstep program, using the same name you specified for your Quickstep program.

When using the Symbol Browser in conjunction with the Quickstep editor the Save options on the File menu and Toolbar are grayed out.

We recommend saving your Quickstep program several times during an editing session.

**NOTE:** When using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor, you must save your Symbol Table using the Save options on the File menu or on the Toolbar.

### **Defining Symbolic Names**

Using the Symbol Browser, you can create symbolic names for the following types of symbols:

- Controller resources, such as flags or registers
- I/O devices, such as numeric displays
- Motion control devices, such as servos
- Undefined steps
- Numeric constants

Symbolic names are entered using the Define Symbol dialog box.

**IMPORTANT!** Each symbolic name must be unique, and within a symbol type (e.g., servos, registers) each numeric must be unique. This means you can only have one symbolic name for register 10. Inputs and outputs each have two possible states, and each state can be given a unique symbol name.

An exception to this rule is numeric constants. You can have two numeric constants one called Over\_Pressure with a value of 5000 and another called Base Velocity with a value of 5000.

#### **Entering Symbolic Names**

To define symbolic names:

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- 1. Display the Define Symbol dialog box using one of the following methods:
  - Selecting New Symbol from the Edit menu (shortcut, type CTRL + N).
  - Selecting the **Define Symbol** icon on the **Toolbar**.

The Define Symbol dialog box appears.

	Define Symbol	<b>-</b>
Name		<u>0</u> k
Туре	. <u>•</u>	Apply
Number	0	<u>C</u> ancel
		<u>H</u> elp

2. Type the symbolic name in the Name field. This example uses flags.

Name	calibration_complete

3. Press **Tab** to go to the next field.

### Defining Symbolic Names

4. Click the **arrow** on the right side of the **Type** field to display a list of symbol types

Туре		Ŧ	
	Analog Input	+	
Number	Analog Output		
	Counter		
	Data Table Column		
	Display		
	Flag		-
	Input		
	Motor	Ŧ	

5. Select the **symbol type** by clicking it with the mouse pointer.

	Ŧ	
Analog Input	ŧ	
Analog Output		
Counter		
Data Table Column		
Display		
Flag		=
Input		
Motor	÷	
	Analog Input Analog Output Counter Data Table Column Display Input Motor	Analog Input Analog Output Counter Data Table Column Display Input Motor

The Type field displays the symbol type.

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- NOTE: If the symbol type is already displayed, you can skip steps 4 and 5.
  - 6. Press Tab to go to the next field.
  - 7. Type the **number** of the flag in the **Number** field.

	Define Symbol	<b>•</b>
Name	calibration_complete	<u>0</u> k
Туре	Flag 👲	Apply
Number	4	<u>C</u> ancel
		<u>H</u> elp

- 8. Do one of the following:
  - Select **OK** to display the symbolic name in the list and to close the Define Symbol dialog box.
  - Select **Apply** to display the symbolic name in the list and keep the Define Symbol dialog box open.

The new symbol name appears in the list.

Types	Name	Value
	calibration_complete	4
Analog Input	collant_ready	2
Analog Output	grinding wheel on	1
Counter	in calibration mode	3
Data Table Colum		
Display		
Flag		

### **Specifying Step Names**

You can create symbolic names for steps. These symbolic names must be created using the symbol type Undefined Steps. Once an undefined step name is used in a Quickstep program, the Symbol Browser automatically changes the symbol type definition from Undefined Step to Step.

When you enter a step name for an undefined step, you cannot give it a value for a step number. The value field is zero until you use it in your Quickstep program.

To specify undefined step names:

- 1. Display the Define Symbol dialog box using one of the following methods:
  - Selecting New Symbol from the Edit menu (shortcut, type CTRL + N).
  - Selecting the **Define Symbol** icon on the **Toolbar**.



The Define Symbol dialog box appears.

	Define Symbol	<b>T</b>
Name		<u>0</u> k
Туре	<u>+</u>	Apply
Number	0	<u>C</u> ancel
		<u>H</u> elp

2. Type the undefined step name in the Name field.

Name	FAULT_MONITOR

3. Press **Tab** to go to the next field.

4. Click the **arrow** on the right side of the **Type** field to display a list of symbol types

	Define Symbol	<b>•</b>
Name	FAULT_MONITOR	<u>0</u> k
Type Number	Analog Input Analog Output Counter Data Table Column Display	★ <u>Apply</u> ★ <u>Cancel</u> Help
	Input	•

5. Select **Undefined Step** by clicking it with the mouse pointer.

The Type field displays the symbol type.

	Define Symbol	<b>•</b>
Name	FAULT_MONITOR	<u>0</u> k
Туре	Undefined Step 🛨	Apply
Number	0	<u>C</u> ancel
		<u>H</u> elp

**NOTE:** If the correct symbol type is already displayed, you can skip steps 3 through 5.

- 6. Do one of the following:
  - Select **Ok** to display the symbolic name in the list and to close the Define Symbol dialog box.
  - Select **Apply** to display the symbolic name in the list and keep the Define Symbol dialog box open.

Types	Name	Value
	FAULT_MONITOR	0
Analog Input	IMPRINT	0
Analog Output	INITIALIZE_AND_HOME	0
Counter	MOTOR_NEXT	0
Data Table Colum	POSITION_MOTOR	0
Display	STAMP_PRESS_OFF	0
Flag		
Input		
Motor		
Number		
Output		
Register		
Servo	L	
Step		
Thumbwheel		
Undefined Step		

### **Specifying Symbolic Names for Inputs**

Inputs can have two symbolic names for the same input. One symbolic name is for monitoring the input as a normally open input. This means the input's active state is closed. The other possible symbolic name refers to the same input as a normally closed input. In this case, the input is considered active when the input is open. Refer to the *Quickstep Language and Programming Guide* for a description of normally open and normally closed inputs.

The Define Symbol dialog box has an extra field labeled Normal. Use this field to specify normally open or closed for inputs.

	Define Symbol	<b>•</b>
Name		<u>0</u> k
Туре	Input 🛨	Apply
Number	0	<u>C</u> ancel
Normal	±	
	Closed Open	<u>H</u> eip

The list of symbolic names has three columns (shown below):

- Symbolic name
- Value (number of the input)
- Normal state of the input

Name	Value	Normal State

### **Specifying Symbolic Names for Outputs**

Outputs can have two symbolic names for the same value. One symbolic name turns the output on, and the other turns it off. The Define Symbol dialog box has an extra field labeled Turn to enter this information

	Define Symbol	<b>•</b>
Name		<u> </u>
Туре	Output 🛨	Apply
Number	0	<u>C</u> ancel
Turn	<u>+</u>	<u>H</u> elp
	On =	·

The list of symbolic names has three columns (shown below):

- Symbolic name
- Value (number of the output)
- Output transition (output on or off)

Name	Value	Output Transition

### **Editing Symbolic Names**

You edit a name in the list of symbolic names by selecting the field and entering the new name.

To edit a symbolic name:

1. Place the cursor in the appropriate field by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** and **Arrow** keys.

Name	Value	Normal Stat	+
in_10A	10	Open (0)	
in_11A	11	Open (0)	
in_12A	12	Open (0)	
in_13A	13	Open (0)	
in_1A	1	Open (0)	
in_1B	1	Closed (1)	
in_2A	2	Open (0)	
in_2B	2	Closed (1)	
in_3A	3	Open (0)	

2. Type or paste the new name and press Enter.

Name	Value	Normal Stat	ŧ
in_10A	10	Open (0)	
in_11A	11	Open (0)	
in_12A	12	Open (0)	
in_13A	13	Open (0)	
On_start_open	1	Open (0)	
in_1B	1	Closed (1)	
in_2A	2	Open (0)	
in_2B	2	Closed (1)	
in_3A	3	Open (0)	

3. To edit a value in another field, you can use the **Arrow** keys to move the field.

### **Deleting Symbolic Names**

You can delete a name in the list of symbolic names by selecting the field and deleting it. This deletes the both the symbolic name and its associated value. If you try to cut a symbol name that is used in your Quickstep program, the Symbol Browser displays a message stating that the symbol is used in the program. You must first delete all references to the symbolic name before you can delete it. If you are using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor, the message does not appear.

To delete a symbolic name and its associated value:

1. Place the cursor in the appropriate field by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** and **Arrow** keys.

Types	Name	Yalue
	Grinding_adjustment	1
Analog Input		
Analog Output		
Counter		

2. Select Delete from the File menu (Shortcut, press the Delete key).

The Symbol Browser deletes the entry.

### **Copying and Pasting Text**

You can copy and paste text in the Symbol Browser.

### **Copying Text**

**Copy** copies selected text to the Clipboard. This command is available only when you select text.

Copy text by selecting:

- **Copy** from the **Edit** menu (shortcut, type **CTRL** + **C**).
- Copy icon on the Toolbar



### **Pasting Text**

**Paste** inserts a copy of the Clipboard contents at the insertion point. If you have highlighted text, Paste replaces it. You cannot use paste if the Clipboard is empty or if the selected text cannot be replaced.

Paste text by selecting:

- **Paste** from the **Edit** menu (shortcut, type **CTRL** + **V**).
- Paste icon on the Toolbar



# Printing a Symbol Table

You can print a Symbol Table:

- 1. Select **Print** from the **File** menu.
- 2. When the Print dialog box appears, choose the options you want.

Print	
Printer: Default Printer (HP LaserJet 4Si/4SiMX PS 600dpi on	OK
└ Print Range	Cancel
	<u>S</u> etup
○ Selection	
O Pages	
<u>F</u> rom: <u>T</u> o:	
Print <u>Q</u> uality: 600 dpi 👤	<u>C</u> opies: 1
Print to File	Collate Cop <u>i</u> es

3. Select **Ok** to print the Symbol Table.

### Finding Steps and Symbols in a Quickstep Program

### Finding a Step in a Quickstep Program

Find Step finds the selected step name in your Quickstep program. This function does not work when the Symbol Browser is in Standalone mode.

To find a step in your Quickstep program:

1. Highlight a step name in the list of symbolic names.

Name	Value
CHECK_MACHINE	51
HOME_X_SERVO	2
HOME_Y_SERVO	3
HOME_Z_POS_SERVO	5
LATHE_START	12
LATHE_STOP	13
LOAD_CYLINDER	11
MACHINE_NOT_READY	50
MOVE_TABLE_X	7
MOVE_TABLE_Y	9
MOVE_Z_SERVO	10
NEXT_PART	15
START_PROGRAM	1
UNLOAD_CYLINDER	14

2. Click the Find Step icon with the mouse pointer.

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The Quickstep editor finds the step.



### Finding the First Occurance of a Symbolic Name

Find First Reference finds the first reference to a symbolic name in your Quickstep program. This function does not work when the Symbol Browser is in Standalone mode.

To find a step in your Quickstep program:

1. Highlight a symbol name in the list of symbolic names.

Flag	count_up_open	5	Open (0)
Input	machine_ready	11	Open (0)
Motor	Reset_controller	3	Closed (1)
Number	reset_ctr_close	7	Closed (1)
Output	reset_ctr_open	7	Open (0)
Bogietor	start_controller	1	Closed (1)
Convo	stop_controller	2	Closed (1)
	table_running	10	Closed (1)
	table_stopped	10	Open (0)
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### Finding Steps and Symbols in a Quickstep Program

2. Click the Find First Reference icon with the mouse pointer.

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The Quickstep editor finds the first occurance of the symbolic name.



### Using the Symbol Browser as a Standalone Editor

In some cases you may want to specify the symbolic names before activating the Quickstep editor. To do this you must use the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor.

The steps for creating a Symbol Table using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor are as follows:

- Activate the Symbol Browser
- Enter the symbolic names
- Save the Symbol Table using a different name than Quickstep program you are planning to write.

### Activating the Symbol Browser and Opening a Symbol Table

- 1. To activate the Symbol Browser, chose one of the following methods:
  - Using the File Manager:
    - a. Open the File Manager and select the directory where the Quickstep 2.0 files are stored. The default directory is C:\QSWIN.
    - b. Place the mouse pointer over the file labeled **browser.exe**, and double click the left mouse button.
  - Using the Program Manager:
    - a. Following the instructions provided with Microsoft Windows, create an icon for Symbol Browser in the Quickstep group in the Program Manager.
    - b. Activate the Symbol Browser by selecting the icon as you would any Microsoft Windows program icon.

The Load Symbol Table dialog box appears.

	Load Symbol Table	
File <u>N</u> ame:          *.sym         grinder.sym         ngrinder.sym         qsedit.sym         sorted.sym	Directories: h:\qs\qswin   ← h:\   ← qs   ← qswin	OK Cancel Network Bead Only
List Files of <u>Type</u> : Symbols (*.sym)	Dri <u>v</u> es: h: compressed	<b>±</b>

- 2. To open a Symbol Table, chose one of the following methods:
  - To create a new Symbol Table, select **Cancel** on the Load Symbol Table dialog box to display the Symbol Browser.
  - To open an existing Symbol Table, choose the name of the Symbol Table you wish to load and select **OK**. If the Symbol Table is in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.

### **Saving Symbol Tables**

Once you have defined your symbolic names you must save your Symbol Table. The table must have a different name than the Quickstep program you are planning to write. When the Quickstep Programming Editor creates a new program file, it overwrites any Symbol Table with the same name as the program file.

### Saving a New Symbol Table

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Select Save as from the File menu.
  - Select the Save icon on the Toolbar.



The Save Symbol Table dialog box appears:

	Save Symbol Table	
File <u>N</u> ame: Sym new.sym	Directories: h:\qs\qswin ┌─ h:\ ┌─ qs ☞ qswin	OK       Cancel       Network       Bead Only
Save File as <u>T</u> ype:	Dri <u>v</u> es:	
Symbols (*. sym) 👲	🔳 h: compressed	<b>±</b>

2. Enter a name for the new table.

**REMEMBER!** The table must have a different name than the Quickstep program you are planning to write.

- 3. If you want to save the Symbol Table in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.
- 4. Select OK.

#### Saving an Existing Symbol Table

Do one of the following:

- Select Save from the File menu (shortcut, type CTRL + S).
- Select the Save icon on the Toolbar.



### **Exiting the Symbol Browser**

When using the Symbol Browser as a standalone editor, you must exit it before you start the Quickstep editor. The editor will then reactivate the Symbol Browser. The only time you should exit the Symbol Browser is when you are using it as a standalone editor. To exit a standalone Symbol Browser:

1. Select **Exit** from the **File** menu.

If you have not saved your most recent changes the following dialog box appears:



2. Select the appropriate choice.

# Chapter 7

# **Using the Data Table Editor**

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### **Data Table Editor Overview**

The Data Table editor allows you to enter the information in a Data Table. The Data Table stores numeric information and messages used in Quickstep programs. It can contain greater than 8000 numbers in an array, depending on the controller model. The numbers can range from 0 to 65,535.

You specify the number of rows and columns in a table using the Parameter editor. You activate the Data Table editor from Quickstep editor by selecting the Data Table option from the View menu.

You can use the copy, cut, paste and delete options on the Edit menu to edit the values or messages that appear in the table.

You can also use the arrow keys to move from one cell to another on the list of values or messages.

### **Data Table Editor Screen Overview**

The Data Table editor menu is shown below and has the following parts:

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	2	25	12	0	0	0	
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	14	Quici	kstep p	rogram	l.		the table. You can
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	16	25	17	1	25	19	create message for
	17	25	17	2	25	19	transmission to
		+					external devices
							💳 such as, alpha-
							numeric displays or
							bar code readers.

### The Toolbar

The Toolbar appears across the top of the Data Table editor window, below the menu bar. It contains the following tools:



ľ	Open Existing File - Opens an existing Data Table. Accessible only when using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor.
	Save - Saves the current Data Table with its current name. Accessible only when using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor
¥	Cut - Removes the selected text and places it on the Clipboard
Þ	Copy - Copies the selected text and places it on the Clipboard
Ē	Paste - Inserts the contents of the Clipboard in the Data Table.
Rows:	Rows: - Indicates the number of rows in the Data Table.
Cols:	Cols: - Indicates the number of columns in the Data Table.
<b>N</b> ?	Help Button - Gives you information about parts of the Data Table editor screen and Toolbar.

To hide or display the Toolbar, choose **Toolbar** from the **View** menu.

**IMPORTANT!** After you specify the size of a Data Table, you must select Data Table from the View menu in the Quickstep editor to create the Data Table. Otherwise, the Quickstep editor does not create the Data Table at compile time. You must do this even if you are planning to use CTCMON or another utility to download information to the Data Table in the controller.

### **Changing Column Size**

You can change the size of the columns and message display area on the Data Table by moving the column dividers. To change the column size:

- 1. Place the mouse pointer on the divider.
- 2. When the double arrowhead symbol appears, press the mouse button and move the column divider.

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2	10000	15000	20000	25000	30000	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
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4	650	700	750	800	850	•••••			
-5	32	32	32	32	32	GRINDING COMP			
-6	0	0	0	0	0	•••••			
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6	0	0	0		••••••••••••				
7	0	0	0						
8	0	0	0						
9	0	0	0						
20	0	0	0						
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NOTE: You can also move the dividers between the columns.

#### **Changing the Number of Rows and Columns**

You can change the number of columns and rows in a Data Table. To change the rows and columns:

3. Release the mouse button when the column divider is in the correct location.

1. Place the cursor in the **Rows:** field by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** key.

Rows: TO Cols: 10	
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2. Enter the new number of rows in the table and press Enter.

Rows: 15	Cols:	10
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The Data Table editor changes the number of rows and the cursor highlight moves to the **Cols:** field.

Rows: 15	Cols: 🔟
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3. Enter the new number of columns in the table and press Enter.

Rows: 15	Cols:	120
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The Data Table editor changes the number of columns in the Data Table.

**IMPORTANT!** • The value of all the cells in a new Data Table are set to zero.

- If you re-size a Data Table by making it smaller, any information in the rows and/or columns outside of the re-sized Data Table is lost.
- If you re-size a Data Table by making it larger, the cells in the new rows and/or columns are set to zero.

### Saving a Data Table

The Quickstep editor automatically saves the Data Table when it saves your Quickstep program, using the same name you specified for your Quickstep program.

When using the Data Table editor in conjunction with the Quickstep editor the Save options on the File menu and Toolbar are grayed out. We recommend saving your Quickstep program several times during an editing session.

**NOTE:** When using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor, you must save your Data Table using the Save options on the File menu or on the Toolbar.

### **Changing the Font**

The Data Table editor displays text in Courier New font. You can change the default font using the Font dialog box.

1. Select **Font** from the **Options** menu.

The Fonts dialog box appears.

	Font	
Eont: Courier New Courier Courier New Fixedsys	Font Style: Bold Italic Bold Bold Bold Italic	Size: 10 10 10 11 12 14 16 ★ 0K Cancel
Effects Strikeout Underline Color:	Sample A	aBbYyZz
Black 生		

2. Select the Font, Font Style, Size, and Color.

The Sample box displays the current font.

NOTE: We do not recommend selecting the Strikeout or Underline effects.

3. Select **OK** to apply your changes.

To exit with out saving your changes, select Cancel.

### **Entering Information in the Data Table**

### **Entering Numbers in the Data Table**

You can enter a number by typing from the keyboard or pasting it from the Clipboard.

To enter a value:

1. Place the cursor in the appropriate cell by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** and **Arrow** keys.

The Data Table editor highlights the cell.

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	2	10000	15000	20000	25000	30000	•••••
	3	413	576	927	842	328	••••••
	4	0	0	0	0	0	
	5	0	0	0	0	0	••••••

2. Type or paste the number and press Enter.

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Row #	1	2	3	4	5	Message
1	5000	5500	6000	6500	7000	•••••
2	10000	15000	20000	25000	30000	•••••
- 3	413	576	927	842	328	•••••
4	650	0	0	0	0	••••••
5	0	0	0	0	0	••••••

- 3. To enter a value in another cell:
  - Press Enter to move to the next column in the row.
  - Use the **Arrow** keys to move to the another cell.

The Data Table editor highlights the cell.

### Entering Messages in the Data Table

You can enter a message in Message field in the Data Table editor by typing.

# **NOTE:** The length of message (letters, numbers, and spaces) cannot be longer than the number of columns in the table.

To enter a message:

- 1. Select the **Message** field using one of the following methods:
  - Place the mouse cursor on the **Message** field and double click the mouse.
  - Highlight the **Message** field using the **mouse** or **Tab** and **Arrow** keys and click it with the mouse.
  - Highlight he **Message** field using the **mouse** or **Tab** and **Arrow** keys and start typing your message.

The Data Table editor expands the field.



- **NOTE:** The dots in the message indicate that the corresponding cell in the Data Table does not contain a number which is an ASCII code for a printing character.
  - 2. Type the message and press Enter.

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To enter a message in another field, use the Arrow keys to move that field.
 The Data Table editor highlights the field.

### **Editing Information in the Data Table**

### **Editing Numbers in the Data Table**

You edit an entry in the table by selecting the cell and entering the new number.

To edit a table entry:

1. Place the cursor in the appropriate cell by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** and **Arrow** keys.

Row #	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	5000	5500	6000	6500	7000	7500
2	10000	15000	20000	25000	30000	35000
3	413	576	927	842	328	50

2. Type or paste the number and press Enter.

Row #	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	5000	5500	6000	6500	7000	7500
2	10000	15000	20000	25000	30000	35000
3	413	576	937	842	328	50

- 3. To edit a value in another cell:
  - Press Enter to move to the next column in the row.
  - Use the **Arrow** keys to move to another cell.

The Data Table editor highlights the cell.

### **Editing Messages in the Data Table**

You edit a message by selecting the message and editing it.

To edit a message:

- 1. Select the appropriate Message field using one of the following methods:
  - Place the mouse cursor on the **Message** field and double click the mouse.
  - Highlight the **Message** field using the **Tab** and **Arrow** keys and click it with the mouse.



he editor displays the entire message.

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- 2. Position the cursor on the part of the message you want to edit.
- **NOTE:** The dots in the message indicate that the corresponding cell in the Data Table does not contain a number which is an ASCII code for a printing character.
  - 3. Press the **Backspace** key to delete that part of the message.

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4. Type the corrections and press Enter.

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6. To edit or enter a message in another field, use the **Arrow** keys to move to that field.

### **Printing a Data Table**

You can print a Data Table:

- 1. Select **Print** from the **File** menu.
- 2. When the Print dialog box appears, choose the options you want.

- Print	
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- 3. To print the Data Table in Landscape mode, select Setup.
- 4. When the Setup dialog box appears, select Landscape.

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Orientation A Portrait C Landscape	Paper       Size:     Letter 8 1/2 x 11 in       Source:     Auto Tray Select

NOTE: You can also choose other print setup options you want at this time.

- 5. Choose **Ok** to return to the Print dialog box.
- 6. Select **Ok** to print the Data Table.

### Using the Data Table Editor as a Standalone Editor

In some cases you may want to enter values or messages in the Data Table before activating the Quickstep editor. To do this you must use the Data Table editor as a standalone editor.

The steps for creating a Data Table using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor are as follows:

- Activate the Data Table editor
- Enter values and messages in the table.
- Save the Data Table using a different name than the Quickstep program you are planning to write.

### Activating the Data Table Editor and Opening a Data Table

- 1. To activate the Data Table editor, chose one of the following methods:
  - Using the File Manager:
    - a. Open the File Manager and select the directory where the Quickstep 2.0 files are stored. The default directory is C:\QSWIN.
    - b. Place the mouse pointer on the file labeled **dtable.exe** and double click the mouse.
  - Using the Program Manager:
    - a. Following the instructions provided with Microsoft Windows, create an icon for Data Table editor in the Quickstep group in the Program Manager.
    - b. Activate the Data Table editor by selecting the icon as you would any Microsoft Windows program icon.

The Load Data Table dialog box appears.

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- 2. To open a Data Table, choose one of the following methods:
  - To create a new Data Table, select **Cancel** on the Load Data Table dialog box.
  - To open an existing Data Table, choose the name of the Data Table from the Load Data Table dialog box and select **OK**. If the Data Table is in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.

### Specifying the Number of Rows and Columns

When you create a new Data Table using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor, the new table has 0 rows and columns. You specify the rows and columns as follows:

1. Place the cursor in the **Rows:** field by selecting it with the mouse pointer or by using the **Tab** key.

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2. Enter the number of rows in the table and press Enter.

Rows:	10	Cols:	0

The cursor moves to the Cols: field.

Rows: 10 Cols: 0
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3. Enter the number of columns in the table and press Enter.

The table displays the rows and columns

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Row #	1	2	3	4		Message	
1	0	0	0	0			
2	0	0	0	0			
- 3	0	0	0	0			
4	0	0	0	0			
5	0	0	0	0			
6	0	0	0	0			
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9	0	0	0	0			
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**IMPORTANT!** • The value of all the cells in a new Data Table are set to zero.

- If you re-size a Data Table by making it smaller, any information in the rows and/or columns outside of the re-sized Data Table is lost.
- If you re-size a Data Table by making it larger, the cells in the new rows and/or columns are set to zero.

### Saving a Data Table

Once you have specified the values and messages in a Data Table you must save your file. The file must have a different name than the Quickstep program you are planning to write. When the Quickstep editor creates a new program file, it overwrites any Data Table with the same name as the program file.

#### Saving a New Data Table

To save a new Data Table:

- 1. Do one of the following:
  - Select Save as from the File menu.
  - Select the Save icon on the Toolbar.

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The Save Data Table dialog box appears:

1	Save Data Table	
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Save File as <u>T</u> ype: Data Tables (*.tab) 👤	Dri <u>v</u> es: h: compressed	±

2. Enter a name for the new file.

**REMEMBER!** The file must have a different name than the Quickstep program you are planning to write.

- 3. If you want to save the Data Table in a different directory, select the appropriate directory.
- 4. Select OK.
#### Saving an Existing Data Table

To save an existing Data Table:

Do one of the following:

- Select Save from the File menu (shortcut, type CTRL + S).
- Select the Save icon on the Toolbar.



#### **Exiting the Data Table Editor**

When using the Data Table editor as a standalone editor, you must exit it before you start the Quickstep editor. The editor will then reactivate the Data Table editor. The only time you should exit the Data Table editor is when you are using it as a standalone editor.

To exit a standalone Data Table editor:

1. Select **Exit** from the **Edit** menu.

If you have not saved your most recent changes the following dialog box appears:

	Data Table has Changed	
Save changed data table?		
	Yes No Cancel	

2. Select the appropriate choice.

# Compiling and Downloading a Quickstep Program

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### **Compiling a Quickstep Program**

You must compile a Quickstep program before downloading it to a controller.

If you did not enter the location (pathname) of the Quickstep editor files in your **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file on your computer during installation, you must do so now before compiling. The default installation directory is **C:\QSWIN**, and the **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file is located in **C:\**.

- 1. Enter set QSWIN=pathname in your AUTOEXEC.BAT file:
- 2. Reboot your computer.

#### **Compiling a Program**

You compile your Quickstep program from the Quickstep editor. The editor notifies you if your program has compiled successfully or not. To compile a Quickstep program, choose **Compile** from the **View** menu.

• The following window appears (temporarily):



If your program is compiled successfully, the following window appears:



#### **Using the Cross-Reference List**

When the Quickstep editor successfully compiles your program, it creates a cross-reference list. This list contains the name of every controller resource, I/O and motion control device in your program. Instead of listing your symbolic names, the list shows the internal names used by the controller.

The Cross-reference list shows each use of the internal name on a separate line. The cross-reference list is shown below. To display the cross-reference list, choose **Xref** from the **View** menu.

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**NOTE:** When the CTC Utilities for Windows package becomes available, you will be able to use it to view the cross-reference list with symbolic names.

#### **Viewing Complier Errors**

After compiling a program, the editor notifies you if your program compiled successfully or not. If a program has errors, the Quickstep editor displays the compile error log. The compile error log shows each error on a separate line, along with a link to the step where the error occurs. To go to an error, select the step number with the mouse.

Compile Error Log 🔽 🗖
H:\QS\QS\VIN\3-17.LST
<ul> <li>***ERROR*** in step [1] Instruction: monitor (or FLAG#1:set IN#10B) goto MACHINE_NOT_READY Problem: The destination label does not exist.</li> <li>***ERROR*** in step [3] Instruction: monitor SERVO#2:stopped goto Next Problem: The next step does not exist.</li> <li>***ERROR*** in step [12] Instruction: monitor SERVO#3:stopped goto MACHINE_NOT_READY Problem: The destination label does not exist.</li> </ul>
Done

### Downloading a Program to the Controller

After compiling a Quickstep program, you can download it to your controller. You can use either serial or ethernet communications to download programs. To download your program successfully:

- Make sure the controller model you download your program to is the same one specified in the Parameter editor.
- Compile your program.
- If you are using the CTCMON Monitor Utility, suspend it. You cannot download a program with the CTCMON Monitor Utility active.
- Make sure your controller is turned on and connected to your PC.
- Specify either serial or ethernet communications

For serial communications, you must specify the following parameters before you download your program:

- Port used: COM1 to COM8.
- Baud rate: speeds from 300 to 19200

For ethernet communications, you must specify the following Node IDs before you download your program:

- Node ID of the host PC: You must assign the Node ID of the host PC. Each host PC must have a unique Node ID, and it can range from 1 to 999.
- Node ID of the target controller: If you do not know the controller's Node ID, use the CTCMON Monitor Utility to read the value stored in register 20,000. This is the Node ID for the controller.

The editor notifies you if your program downloaded successfully or not.

#### **Downloading a Program**

Once you have compiled your Quickstep program, you can download it to your controller. To download a Quickstep program:

1. Choose **Download** from the **View** menu.

The Download dialog box appears

- Download					
File: A:\MYPROG.DSO	Browse	Download			
Communications		Cancel			
Type: Serial 🛓					
Communications Settings	Node ID				
Port: COM1 🛓	Host: 0				
Speed 9600 ±	Target: 0				

2. Click the **arrow** on the right side of the **Type** field and select either **Serial** or **Ethernet** communications.

- 3. Do one of the following:
  - For serial communications, click the arrow on the right side of the **Port**, and **Speed** fields to select the communication port, and baud rate.
  - For ethernet communications, specify the **Node ID** for the **Host PC** and **Target** controller.
- 4. Select Download.

If your program downloads successfully, the following window appears:



# **Installation Instructions**

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# **Before You Install Quickstep**

#### **General Information**

Your Quickstep 2.0 package contains the following items:

- Two disks containing the **QSSETUP.EXE** program, **README.WRI**, and the **WG1001** subdirectory. **QSSETUP.EXE** includes the Quickstep editor, compiler, download program, and Windows help files.
- One disk containing the **MONSETUP.EXE** program. **MONSETUP.EXE** includes Control Tech's controller monitor utility, CTCMON, and its Windows help file.
- The Release Notes.
- Copies of the *Quickstep<sup>TM</sup>* Language and Programming Guide and the *Quickstep<sup>TM</sup>* User Guide.

#### **System Requirements**

#### **Recommended System Configuration**

The recommended system requirements are as follows:

- 486, 8.0 Mbytes RAM, 9.5 Mbytes of free disk space.
- 1024 x 768 or 800 x 600 SVGA display
- Microsoft Windows 3.1 or higher.

#### **Minimum System Configuration**

The minimum system requirements are as follows:

- 386/25 MHz, 4.0 Mbytes RAM, 6.0 Mbytes of free disk space.
- Any Windows compatible display
- Microsoft Windows 3.1 or higher.

#### Additional Requirements

In addition to the system requirements, you should have basic knowledge of how to operate Microsoft® Windows as a user.

#### **Reporting Bugs**

Bug report forms are supplied with the Release Notes. Please fill them out and either fax them to (508) 435-2373 or email bug reports to help@control.com for Quickstep bugs or to techpubs@control.com for documentation bugs and comments. Copies of the Bug report forms are also supplied in **BUGRPT.WRI**. You can print them out using Micorsoft Write.

## **Installing Quickstep**

#### **Installation Procedures**

You install the Quickstep editor software from Windows as follows:

- 1. Insert **Disk 1** of Quickstep<sup>TM</sup> 2.0 for Windows into **drive A** or **B**.
- 2. Open the **File** menu on the Program Manager and choose the **Run** command.
- 3. Type A:\QSSETUP (type B:\QSSETUP if you are using drive B) in the Command Line text box and press ENTER or select OK.
- 4. When the Select Destination Directory dialog box appears, specify the directory you want to contain the Quickstep editor (default is C:\QSWIN) and select OK or press Enter.

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<ul> <li>docs</li> <li>dos</li> <li>etc</li> <li>msoffice</li> </ul>	+
C: ms-dos_62	Cancel

- 5. When the Customer Identification dialog box appears, enter the registration information and select **OK**.
- **IMPORTANT!** Quickstep licenses are typically sold as site licenses, valid for any number of users within a single facility. Also available are media and documentation kits, which contain disks and manuals, but do not convey any additional licenses. If you are installing your facility's site license, make careful note of the serial number on your registration card and return the reply portion of the registration card to Control Technology Corporation.

If you are installing a secondary copy using a media kit, refer to the holder of the original license within your facility for the serial number or contact Control Technology Corporation to determine that the license was properly registered. Keep your part of the registration card; it is the only place the serial number appears.

- 6. When **QSSETUP** displays a dialog box listing the information you just entered, select **OK** if it is correct or **NO** to correct it.
- 7. When the system prompts you, place disk two into the floppy drive and select **OK**.
- 8. When the Select Program Group dialog box appears, specify the program manager group you want Quickstep to be in (default is Quickstep) and select **OK** or press **Enter**.

**QSSETUP.EXE** displays the **AUTOEXEC.BAT** Changes dialog box. This dialog box gives you the option of having QSSETUP eautomatically modify your **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file to define the environment variable QSWIN or

modifying it yourself. This environment variable points to the location of the Quickstep editor and its associated files.



- 8. Select one of the following:
  - Make the changes for me
  - Let me make the changes

# If you have QSSETUP make the change to the AUTOEXEC.BAT file, follow these instructions. See page A-6 if you choose to make the changes yourself.

9. Select OK or press Enter.

**QSSETUP** displays the following message:

If QSWIN is not already defined you will need to reboot your PC before compiling a program.

10. Select OK or press Enter.

**QSSETUP** displays the following message:

This system must be restarted to complete the installation. Press the OK button to restart this computer. Press Cancel to return to Windows without restarting.

- 11. Do one of the following:
  - Select **OK** to reboot your PC.
  - Select Cancel to return to return to Windows.
- **IMPORTANT!** 1. You cannot compile a Quickstep program until you reboot your PC, unless QSWIN was already defined as an environment variable in a previous Quickstep 2.0 installation.
  - 2. If you install Quickstep in a different directory than the one in which you installed a beta version of Quickstep, you must manually edit your **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file and remove the old SET QSWIN=*Pathname* statement from the file.

# If you elect to change the AUTOEXEC.BAT file yourself, follow these instructions



# **NOTE:** The default directory used by **QSSETUP.EXE** for installation is **C:\QSWIN**. This example shows Quickstep being installed in the **H:\QS\QSWIN** directory.

9. Select **OK** or press **Enter**.

**QSSETUP** displays the following message: Please add the following line to your **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file before you reboot your PC: set **QSWIN=H:\QS\QSWIN**.

10. Select **OK** or press **Enter**.

**QSSETUP** displays the following message: If QSWIN is not already defined you will need to reboot your PC before compiling a program.

- 11. Select **OK** to return to Windows.
- **IMPORTANT!** 1. You cannot compile a Quickstep program until you reboot your PC, unless QSWIN was already defined as an environment variable in a previous Quickstep 2.0 installation.
  - 2. If you install Quickstep in a different directory than the one in which you installed a beta version of Quickstep, you must manually edit your **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file and remove the old SET QSWIN=*Pathname* statement from the file.

#### Intermittent Communications with your Controller

When you use Windows for Workgroups version 3.11 with serial communications, you may experience the following problems:

• If you are using a Pentium<sup>TM</sup>-based machine with a 16550 UART chip, your system stops responding (hangs) if there is data in the chip when the serial communications application attempts to open the communications port.

A problem with the 16550 UART implementation causes the chip to become trapped in a mode in which data is always detected in its FIFO buffer.

• When you are using communications software, you may be able to make one connection after starting Windows for Workgroups, but any subsequent connections fail and may hang your system.

This problem occurs when SERIAL.386 sends an extra NUL character through the port when the communications software calls the CloseComm application program interface (API) function. While this does not normally cause problems, your second connection may fail with some modems.

The WG1001 subdirectory on Disk 2 contains an updated SERIAL.386 driver from Microsoft that corrects both of these problems.

### Installing the CTCMON Monitor Utility

#### **Installation Procedures**

You install the CTCMON monitor utility software from Windows as follows:

- 1. Insert the disk labeled CTCMON into drive A or B.
- 2. Open the **File** menu on the Program Manager and choose the **Run** command.
- 3. Type A:\MONSETUP (type B:\MONSETUP if you are using drive B) in the Command Line text box.
- 4. Press ENTER or select OK to start the installation.

**MONSETUP** displays the following message:

This program will install CTC Monitor Utility onto your computer. Press the **OK** button to start the installation. You can press the **Cancel** button if you do not want to install this software.

5. Select OK.

MONSETUP displays the Select Destination Directory dialog box.

Select Destination Directory
Select the directory you want to contain the CTC Monitor program files.
Destination Directory:
C:\QSWIN\CTCMON
Press the OK button to continue. Press Cancel to abort the installation.
OK Cancel

5. Specify the directory you want to contain the CTC Monitor Utility (default is C:\QSWIN\CTCMON).

If you installed Quickstep in a directory other than C:\QSWIN, you must install the CTC Monitor Utility in a subdirectory under it called CTCMON. For example, if Quickstep was installed in H:\QS\QSWIN, install the CTC Monitor Utility in H:\QS\QSWIN\CTCMON.

6. Select **OK** or press **Enter**.

MONSETUP displays a dialog box showing the progress of the installation.

7. When the Select Program Group dialog box appears, specify the program manager group you want CTC Monitor Utility to be in (default is Quickstep) and select **OK** or press **Enter**.

**MONSETUP** displays the following message:

CTC monitor installation finished!

8. Select OK.

Glossary

# Glossary

#### **Controller Resources**

Control Tech controllers provide the following internal controller resources you can use when writing your Quickstep program: special and general purpose numeric registers, counters, flags, and Data Table.

#### Counters

Counters allow the automatic counting of pulses from the controller's inputs. They work in the background and, once started, operate much like an independent device within the controller.

#### **Data Destination**

A data destination is a controller resource (register or counter), specialized I/ O device (analog output or display), or Data Table column which accepts a numeric value. A data destination is one of the choices that appears in the Selection bar when programming Quickstep instructions.

#### **Data Source**

A data source supplies a numeric value. It can be a numeric constant or the value derived from a counter, register, analog input, thumbwheel, or Data Table column. A data source is one of the choices that appears in the Selection bar when programming Quickstep instructions.

#### **Data Table**

The Data Table is a two-dimensional array of numbers that can be stored in the controller's memory along with your Quickstep program. Storing this information in the Data Table instead of within the body of a program makes the program easier to maintain. The size of the Data Table depends on the controller model.

#### **Dedicated Inputs**

Dedicated inputs are functions that can be programmed for certain controller inputs. They are called Start, Stop. Reset, and Step. For additional information on dedicated inputs, refer to the  $Quickstep^{TM}$  Language and Programming Guide.

#### **Editing Window**

The Editing window is the part of the Quickstep editor where you view and edit your file.

#### Flags

Flags are memory elements within a controller that can be either set or clear and are used to store yes/no types of information.

#### **List of Symbolic Names**

The Symbol Browser displays the symbolic names in a list. Only the symbolic names for the selected symbol type appear.

#### **Numeric Source**

A numeric source supplies a numeric value. It can be a servo position or error, a numeric constant, or the value derived from a counter, register, analog input, thumbwheel, or Data Table column. A numeric source is one of the choices that can appear in the Selection bar when programming Quickstep instructions.

#### **Numeric Registers**

Numeric Registers are storage locations for numbers within your controller. Special purpose registers perform specific functions, depending on the register number and the value stored in it. For the storage capacity of the general purpose registers and a list of the special purpose registers and their functions, refer to the  $Quickstep^{TM}$ Language and Programming Guide and the installation instructions for your controller model.

#### **Parameter Editor**

Use the Parameter editor to specify the following information:

- The model of your controller
- The number of rows and columns in data table
- Which, if any, of the first four inputs are used for dedicated functions

#### **Placeholders**

The placeholders indicate where you need to enter information while you are writing your Quickstep program. Examples are as follows:

- Comment line placeholders <<Comment Line>>
- Output change placeholders <<Output Change>>
- Instruction placeholders <<Statements>>
- Data Source placeholders << Data Source>>>
- Servo Name placeholders <<Servo Name>>

#### **Registers (see Numeric Registers)**

#### **Resource Delay**

A resource delay is any controller resource or specialized I/O device that provides the value for a Delay instruction. It is one of the choices that can appear in the Selection bar when programming Quickstep instructions.

#### Servo Value

A servo value is the servo position or error of a servo. It is one of the choices that can appear in the Selection bar when programming Quickstep instructions.

#### **Source Code**

Step headers (step numbers and names), comments, input/output changes, and instructions are called source code. The editor uses the source code in your Quickstep program to compile the **.dso** file that you download to your controller. Source code lines that have errors in them due to editing or cutting and pasting are displayed in red text (system default). Also refer to the definition for Unparsed Source in this section.

#### **Specialized I/O Devices**

Quickstep supports the following specialized input/output devices:

- Analog inputs and outputs
- Thumbwheel arrays
- Numeric displays

#### Specialized Motion Control Devices

Quickstep supports the following specialized motion control devices:

- Servo motors
- Stepping motors

#### Symbol Browser

Use the Symbol Browser to specify symbolic names for steps, numeric constants and the following controller resources and special devices:

- Analog inputs
- Analog outputs
- Counters
- Data Table columns
- Displays
- Flags
- Inputs
- Outputs
- Stepping motors and servos
- Numeric registers
- Thumbwheels

#### Symbol Type

A Symbol type defines the nature of the object being referred to by a symbolic name. For example, the symbolic name Spindle\_Motor might have a symbol type of servo. Symbol types are listed on the left side of the Symbol Browser.

#### **Templates (see Placeholders)**

#### **Undefined Steps**

Undefined Steps are step names that have not been used in a Quickstep program. Once an undefined step name is used in a Quickstep program, it becomes a step name with a step number and is listed as a Step in the Symbol table.

#### **Unparsed Source**

Unparsed source is any line in a Quickstep program that contains errors or has not been checked by the Quickstep editor. Unparsed source is displayed in red text (system default). See also: Source Code

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