

OWNER'S MANUAL — Please read before using this equipment.

# **PACKAGE CONTENTS**

- Installation driver in floppy diskette (for Windows 98, Windows 98SE and Windows ME. (The driver is pre-installed in Windows 2000, and Windows XP.)
- 6 ft. USB to Parallel Printer Cable
- This Owner's Manual

# compliant. Since the cable is powered by the USB port, it has a very low power

# consumption.

## **System Requirements**

Thank you for purchasing the RadioShack

printer cable lets you connect a printer with a

traditional IEEE-1284 parallel interface to a USB (Universal Serial Bus) interface. This

cable is compatible with most printers that

have a 36-pin socket, and fully compatible

uses single chip (ASIC) USB to parallel for

full speed communication. It supports both true bi-directional communication, and

standard PC parallel port register based

1.1 compliant and IEEE-1284 1994 (bi-

operation. It is both USB Specification Rev.

directional parallel interface) specification

with USB host device drivers. The cable

6 ft. USB to Parallel Printer Cable. This

## Hardware

Your computer must be an IBM PC-compatible with an Intel-compatible 486DX-66 MHz CPU or higher. It must have one standard 4-pin USB port with the symbol.

## Software

Windows 98, Windows 98SE, Windows ME, Windows 2000, or Windows XP.  $\ensuremath{\mathcal{Y}}$ 

# **USB INSTALLATION**

- 1. Turn on your computer.
- 2. Make sure the USB port is enabled and

# **6 Foot USB to Parallel Printer Cable**



Depending on which operating system you have, Windows will detect a USB device and the corresponding Wizard will be initiated.

## Windows 98

Windows 98 detects the RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable device and runs the *Add New Hardware Wizard* to help you installing the driver software for the printer.

- 1. Click Next to continue.
- 2. Insert the supplied USB to parallel printer cable driver diskette into the floppy disk drive.
- 3. Select Search for the best driver for your device (Recommended), and click Next to continue.
- 4. Select Floppy disk drives, and click Next to continue. Windows will detect the driver (A:\PARUPL.INF) and shows the RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable device.
- 5. Click **Next** to continue installation.
- When Windows reports it has finished installing the software required for the new RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable device, click Finish.

## Windows ME

Windows ME detects the RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable device and runs the *Add New Hardware Wizard* to help you installing the driver software for the printer.

B'NOTE B

You cannot operate this printer cable with

Windows 95.

3. Plug the USB plug into the USB port.

1. Insert the supplied USB to parallel printer cable driver diskette into the floppy disk drive.

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Windows 2000 and Windows XP users do not need to remove the driver, since the driver is built-in to Windows.

Windows has found the following hardware. RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable appears.

- 2. Select Automatic search for a better driver (Recommended), and click Next to continue.
- 3. When Windows reports it has finished installing the software required for the new RadioShack USB - Parallel Printer Cable device, click Finish.

## Windows 2000 and Windows XP

Windows 2000 and Windows XP recognize the cable and automatically install driver software to support the USB device.

# **PRINTER SETUP**

## CHANGING THE COM PORT

If you have already connected a parallel printer to your computer's printer port, you will need to change the COM port as part of installing this USB to parallel printer cable.

## Windows 98 and Windows ME

1. Turn off your printer.

- 2. Plug the USB to parallel printer cable's 36-pin plug into your printer's 36-pin socket. If you have already connected a parallel cable, remove the cable and replace it with the USB to Parallel printer cable.
- 3. Turn on your computer, Click Start, Settings, Printers. Right-click the default installed printer and click Properties. The properties dialog box of the installed printer appears.
- 4. Click Details, and change the printer port to LPT2: (RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable).

## Windows 2000 and Windows XP

- 1. Turn off your printer.
- 2. Plug the USB to parallel printer cable's 36-pin plug into your printer's 36-pin socket. If you have already connected a parallel cable, remove the cable and replace it with the USB to Parallel printer cable.
- 3. Click Start, Settings, and then Printers.
- 4. Right-Click on the icon for your printer and select Properties.

## **ADDING A PRINTER**

If you have not yet installed your parallel printer to your computer, you will need to configure your printer for the computer.

## Windows 98 and Windows ME

- 1. Click on Start in your Windows' task bar.
- 2. Select Settings, Printers, and then Add Printer.

The Add Printer Wizard displays to help you install a new printer device.

- 3. Select the printer manufacturer and model name from the list provided by the wizard or use the printer driver diskette supplied with your printer.
- 4. When prompted which port the printer will use, click on LPT2: RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable.
- 5. Follow the succeeding on-screen instructions to complete the installation and also run Print Test Page to see if it prints without problems.

## Windows 2000 and Windows XP

1. Click Start, Settings, Printers, and then Add Printer.

The Add Printer Wizard displays to help you install a new printer device.

- 2. Select the printer manufacturer and model name from the list provided by the wizard or use the printer driver diskette supplied with your printer.
- 3. When prompted which port the printer will use, click USB001 Virtual printer port USB.
- 4. Follow the succeeding on-screen instructions to complete the installation and also run Print Test Page to see if it prints without problems.

## **REMOVING THE DRIVER**

If you no longer need the USB to Parallel cable, you may remove the driver.  $\mathcal{C}$ 

- 1. In Windows 98 and Windows ME execute the DrvUnin.exe program on the driver diskette.
- 2. Double-click Add/Remove Program Properties under Control Panel.
- 3. Select RadioShack USB to Parallel Printer Cable, and click Add/Remove.
- 4. Click OK to complete the removal of the

5. Select Ports. Check USB001 Virtual printer port USB, and then click OK.

driver and reboot Windows.

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