

# PCH200

## Expert Holter Software System

Directions for Use

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# Directions for Use

## Intended Use



**Caution** US Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

The Welch Allyn Holter System is intended to be used as a Holter ambulatory electrocardiograph system for the purpose of screening for ECG rhythm disturbances over a minimum 24-hour period. The Welch Allyn Holter System is intended for use under the supervision of a physician or those knowledgeable in all aspects of ECG morphology, rhythm, and arrhythmia.

This procedure is known as a Holter procedure and captures infrequent or activity provoked ECG rhythm abnormalities outside of the physician's office.

The Welch Allyn Holter System is comprised of the Welch Allyn Holter Recorder and the Welch Allyn Holter System Application.

As the patient wears the recorder component of the system, it records ambulatory electrocardiograph data. The Welch Allyn Holter System Application analyzes the recorder data.

The Welch Allyn Holter System is not intended for infants weighing less than 10 Kg (22 lbs).

The Welch Allyn Holter System acquires ambulatory ECG waveforms from patients. The recorder and associated accessories provide signal acquisition for up to three channels (HR100 and HR300) or up to eight channels (HR1200) of patient ECG waveforms through surface electrodes adhered to the body.

The subject devices provide the following diagnostic functions:

- Acquire, view, store, and print ambulatory ECG waveforms from patients. The recorder and associated accessories provide signal acquisition for up to 12 leads of patient ECG waveforms through surface electrodes adhered to the patient.
- Using optional Holter algorithms to generate measurements, data presentations and graphical presentations on an advisory basis for patients. These are presented for review and interpretation by the clinician based upon knowledge of the patient, the results of the physical examination, the ambulatory ECG data full disclosure displays, and other clinical findings.
- Using optional interpretive algorithms to generate measurements, data presentations, graphical presentations, and interpretive statements on an advisory basis for patients of sixteen (16) years of age and above. These are presented for review and interpretation by the clinician based upon knowledge of the patient, the results of the physical examination, the ambulatory ECG data full disclosure displays, and other clinical findings.

## Indications for Use



**WARNING** Safety—Computer assisted ECG data acquisition and interpretation is a valuable tool when used properly. However, no automated interpretation is completely reliable and a qualified physician shall review the interpretations before treatment, or non-treatment, of any patient.

The Welch Allyn Holter System is intended for acquiring ambulatory ECG signals from patients. Patients are people with coronary problems or people with suspected coronary problems. This ambulatory electrocardiograph, and associated analysis system, can be used on patients without any limitation on patient age or gender.

The Holter Recorder procedure is one of the many tools that clinicians use to capture infrequent or activity provoked ECG rhythm abnormalities outside of the physician's office. Indications for conducting Holter recording are:

- Arrhythmias
- Chest pain
- Unexplained syncope
- Shortness of breath
- Palpitations
- Evaluation of a pacemaker
- Regulation of anti-arrhythmic drugs
- Evaluation of a patient after myocardial infarction
- Family history of heart disease

## Contraindications

Computer assisted ECG data acquisition and interpretation is a valuable tool when used properly. However, no automated interpretation is completely reliable and interpretations should be reviewed by a qualified physician before treatment, or non-treatment, of any patient.

The Welch Allyn Holter System is not intended for infants weighing less than 10 Kg (22 lbs).

# Warnings and Cautions

Familiarize yourself with these warnings. Specific warnings and cautions are also found throughout this manual.

## Warnings

A warning statement in this manual identifies a condition or practice which, if not corrected or discontinued immediately, could lead to patient injury, illness, or death.



**WARNING** Safety—Remove electrodes, patient lead wires, and recorder from patient before defibrillation.

**WARNING** Safety— Inspect recorder and accessories before each use.

**WARNING** Safety—Peripheral equipment and accessories that touch the patient must comply with all appropriate safety, EMC, and regulatory requirements.

**WARNING** Safety— System is not designed for use with high-frequency (HF) surgical equipment and does not protect against hazards to the patient.

**WARNING** Using non-approved cables and accessories may affect the EMC performance.

**WARNING** Stacking of devices or storage near other equipment is not recommended.

## Cautions

A caution statement in this manual identifies a condition or practice which, if not corrected or discontinued immediately, could lead to equipment failure, equipment damage, or data loss.



**Caution** US Federal law restricts this system to sale by or on the order of a physician.

**Caution** Welch Allyn-certified components are required.

# Symbols



Warning. Read Carefully.



Caution / Notices. Read Carefully.



Attention: See instructions for use.



Meets or exceeds Council Directive 93/42/EEC, MDD, Class IIb



Secure Digital Memory Card Interface.



Bluetooth Wireless Communication Technology



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Serial Number.



Reference Number.



Non-ionizing radiation.

## Introduction

This manual is written for clinical professionals with a working knowledge of medical procedures and terminology as required for monitoring cardiac patients. You must read and understand this manual and all other information accompanying the ambulatory electrocardiograph and related options or accessories before:

- using the Welch Allyn Holter Recorder and the accompanying Welch Allyn Holter software for clinical applications
- before setting up, configuring, troubleshooting, or servicing the recorder

## Inspection upon Delivery

Your new Holter System Application was carefully inspected before shipment. Please inspect all components upon delivery for any damage which may have occurred in transit. If you notice any damage, please contact your shipping agent. If items are missing, contact technical support.

## Before you begin

Your system must meet the recommended requirements to function properly. Please review the System Requirements before attempting to install or use the system.

## System Requirements

- 300MHz Pentium class processor or faster
- Windows 2000/XP, with all major service pack updates
- 256Mb RAM minimum
- 40GB hard drive minimum
- Mouse and keyboard
- Compact Disc (CD) Reader
- Secure Digital Card Reader
- Printer with resolution greater than 300 dpi
- Monitor with screen resolution set to 1024 x 768

## Hard Drive Space Required

Hard drive space required for program installation:

30Mb for Holter System Application

8Mb for electronic manuals (optional)

## Typical Hard Drive Usage



**Caution** Windows® requires a minimum 250Mb of free hard drive space available at all times for virtual memory, print spooling and caching. Failing to comply will degrade system performance or crash the system.

- 1Gb for sixteen 24-hour patient reports @ 200 samples per second with full disclosure

### Storage requirements examples

- 24-hour patient report @ 200 samples per second with full disclosure requires 64Mb of hard drive space
- 48-hour patient report @ 200 samples per second with full disclosure requires 128Mb of hard drive space

## Optional Requirements

### File Storage Database

SQL Server 2000 with all major service pack updates, in lieu of MSDE.

### Requirements for backup

- CD Writer to write Holter report files to CD

### Requirements for Bluetooth Communications



**Caution** Welch Allyn-certified components are required.

- Support for Universal Serial Bus (USB) 1.1 or 2.0
- Bluetooth Communications Device (Welch Allyn Part Number 704555)

# Holter System Application Directions for Use

## Activating the Welch Allyn Holter Software

You must activate your Holter software within 30 days, or the software will lock itself. The activation message displays each time you launch the software until you activate. The best way to activate your software is through the Internet.

### Activating through the Internet

1. Click the Holter icon. The activation message displays.
2. Select **Yes** or **No**.
  - If you select **No**, a message displays reminding you that you must activate within 30 days. (**Caution:** after 30 days, the software will not launch.)
  - If you select **Yes**, the system automatically activates itself and the activation screen will not display again. This completes the activation requirement.

### Activating Manually (No Internet Connection)

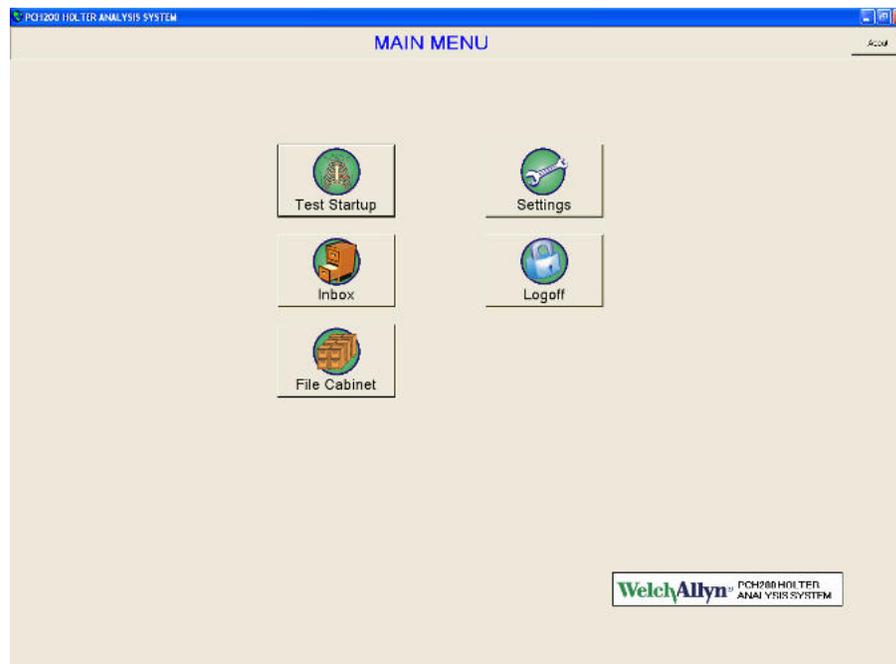
If the software cannot detect an Internet connection, you must activate the application manually.

1. Launch the Holter System software. The activation message displays.
2. Select **Yes** or **No**.
  - If you select **No**, a message displays reminding you that you must activate within 30 days. (Caution: after 30 days, the software will not launch.)
  - If you select **Yes**, the Manual Activation dialog displays. Click the Print button. Contact Welch Allyn Technical Support (see page ii). You will be asked to provide the information displayed on the printout:
    - Username
    - Password
    - PC Serial Number 1
    - PC Serial Number 2
3. Once you receive the Activation Code, type it into the Activation Code box and click Activate. The application launches and the activation screen will not display again. This completes the activation requirement.

## Starting the Welch Allyn Holter System Application

### Starting the Welch Allyn Holter System Application

1. Click the Holter System Application icon. The **Main Menu** displays.

**Table 1. Main Menu options**

Button	Purpose
Test Startup	Configures the Holter recorder.
Inbox	Displays unprocessed tests.
File Cabinet	Displays processed tests.
Settings	Set system options, such as print formats.
Log Off	Log Off.

## Starting a Test

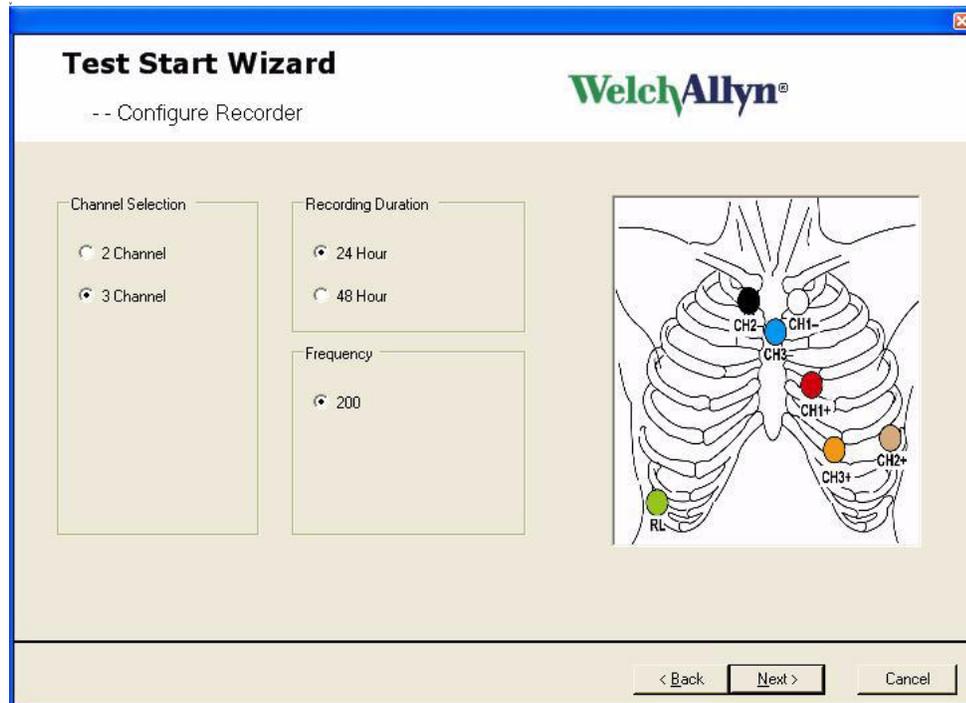
### Previewing the ECG (Wireless)

1. Prepare the patient according to the HR100/300/1200 Directions for Use.
2. Remove the battery door.
3. Insert an SD card into the recorder.
4. Insert a new battery (HR100) or batteries (HR300/1200).
5. Start the Holter software application and select **Test Startup**.
6. If the patient has a previous recording, click **Search**. A patient list displays.
  - Use the fields at the top of the patient list to filter your search.
  - Select a patient.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "MAIN MENU" with a sub-window titled "Test Start Wizard - Patient Demographics". The window features the WelchAllyn logo in the top right. Below the title bar, there are "Search" and "Clear" buttons. The form contains several input fields: "Patient ID:", "First Name:", "Last Name:", "Date Of Birth:", and "Gender" (with a dropdown menu set to "Unknown"). On the right side, there are dropdown menus for "Physician:", "Technician:", and "Ordering Physician:", each with a "<<" button. Below these are text areas for "Medications:" and "Indications:", each with a "<<" button. At the bottom left, there is a "\* Required Fields" label. At the bottom right, there is a "ER STEM" label. The bottom of the window has "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel" buttons.

7. Type or select all appropriate information.
8. Click **Next**. The **Recorder Selection** window will display.
9. Wait for approximately 20 seconds for the serial number of the recorder to appear in the **Recorders in Range** window.
10. Click **Next**. (If no number displays, click **Troubleshooting**.)

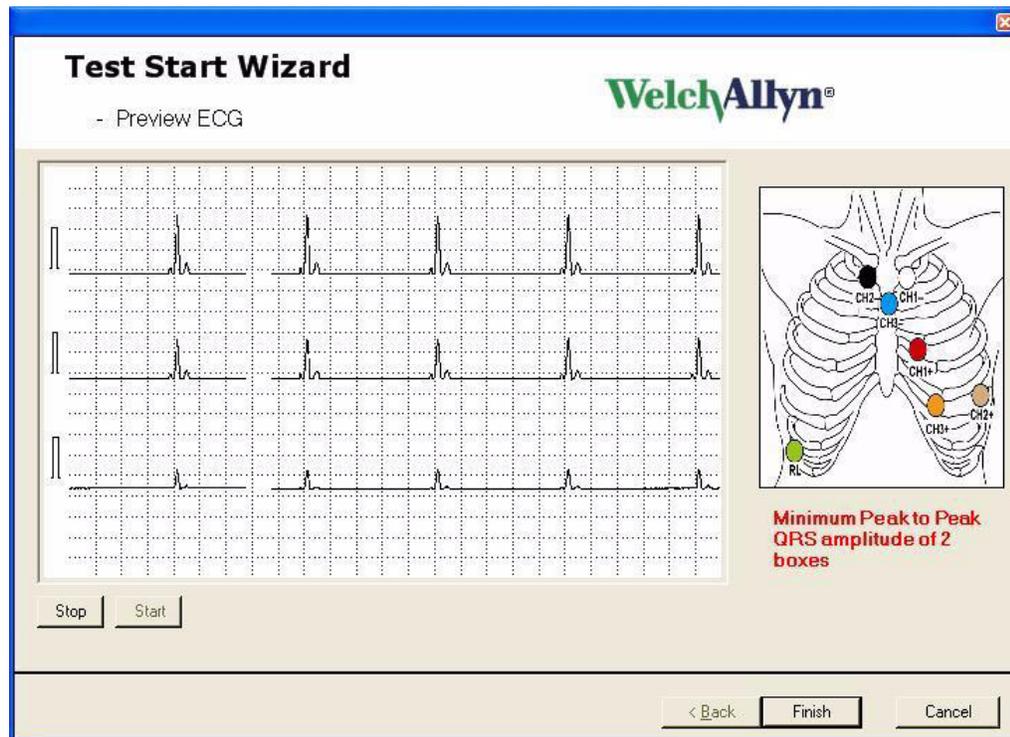
The screenshot shows a software window titled "Test Start Wizard" with a sub-window titled "-- Recorder Selection". The window features the WelchAllyn logo in the top right. On the left side, there is a box titled "Recorders In Range:" containing a large empty rectangular area. Below this box are "Beep" and "Refresh" buttons. On the right side, there is a large text area that says "Searching for Recorders, Please Wait!!". At the bottom of this text area, it says "Troubleshoot - Recorder not found!!". The bottom of the window has "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel" buttons.



11. Select: 2 or 3 channel and 24 or 48 hour recording duration. Connect patient and click **Next**.
12. The following message indicates that the previously recorded test on this SD card has not been downloaded.
  - If you want to retrieve the data, click **No** and go to [“Retrieving data when Patient Returns with Holter Recording Completed”](#) on page 12.
  - If you want to overwrite the data, click **Yes**.



- Verify signal quality (i.e. amplitude and artifact). QRS signal amplitude should be two boxes peak to peak. Select **Finish**. Test Startup is complete.



### SD Card Only - No ECG Preview

- Prepare the patient according to the HR100/300/1200 Directions for Use.
- Remove the battery door.
- Remove the SD card from the recorder.
- Start the Holter software application and select **Test Startup**.
- Enter patient information as desired. If this test has a previous recording, use search to find the patient information. Select **Next**.
- If the SD card has not been inserted into the reader, the window displays an animation until the card is inserted.
- Select channels and recorder.
- Select **Finish**.
- Insert SD card into the recorder. Insert a new battery (HR100) or batteries (HR300/1200).

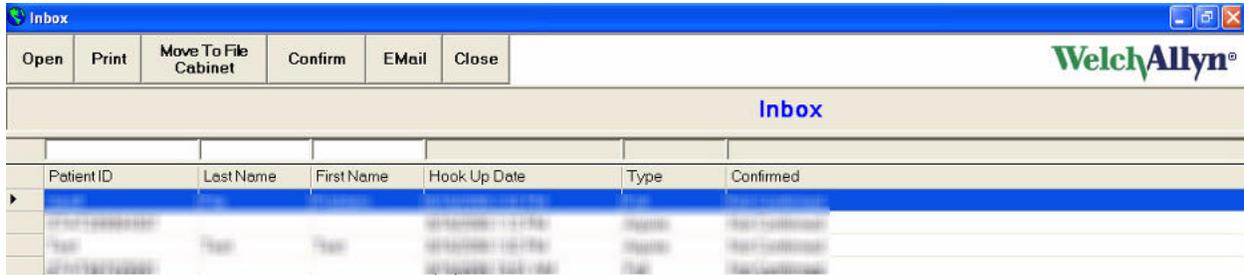
### Retrieving data when Patient Returns with Holter Recording Completed

- Open recorder door and remove battery.
- Remove SD card from recorder.
- Be sure the Holter software application is running and insert an SD card into the SD card reader connected to the computer.

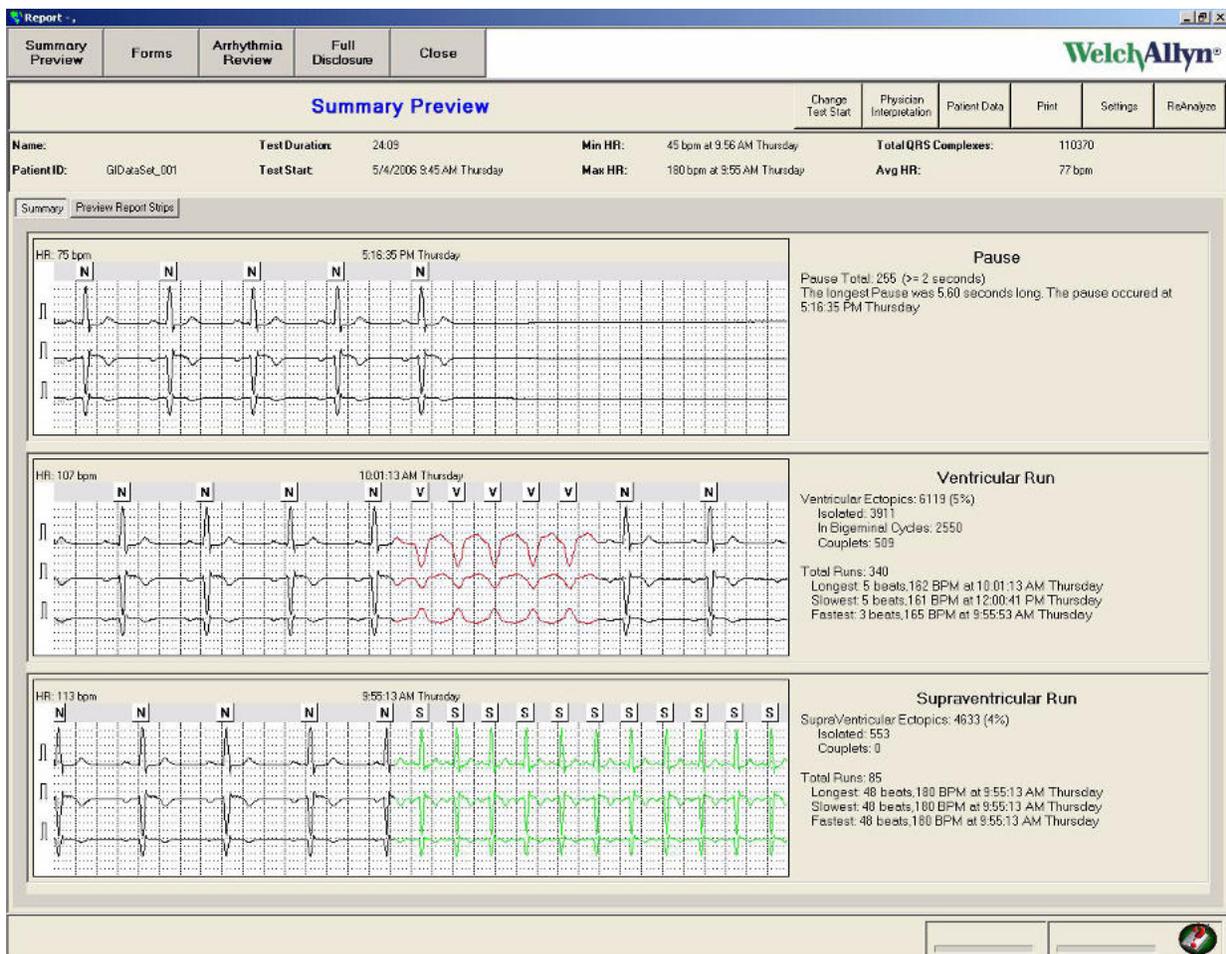
- The Holter software application will upload and analyze the recorded test information automatically. Monitor the progress in the lower right hand corner of your screen.

### Test Report Review, Editing and Printing

- Open the Inbox.
- Highlight the desired test. Click **Open**. (If necessary, use the area immediately above the header description to search by Patient ID, Last Name, or First name.)



- Select Summary Preview, Forms, Arrhythmia Review or Full Disclosure modes.



These additional functions are available throughout this review process.

**Table 2. Additional Functions**

<b>Function</b>	<b>Actions</b>
Change Test Start	Adjust test start time if necessary.
Physician Interpretation	Provides a window for entering a report interpretation which is part of the report cover page.
Patient Data	Make changes/additions to the patient demographics as desired.
Print	Print the report.
Settings	Change Clinical settings and report format from default values for this test only.
Re-analyze	Turn off channels that exhibit persistent quality problems and re-analyze Note: Any previous edits are lost.

## Summary Preview

The Summary tab provides a comprehensive overview of key episodes detected during the recording.

The Preview Report Strips tab includes all the automatically-selected and user-inserted ECG strips which will be printed as part of the report. This includes:

- Baseline ECG strips taken in the first 5 minutes of the recording
- Samples of pauses
- Samples of ventricular ectopy
- Samples of supraventricular ectopy
- Min and Max HR
- Tachy and Brady Min and Max RR
- Max ST elevation and depression

## Forms

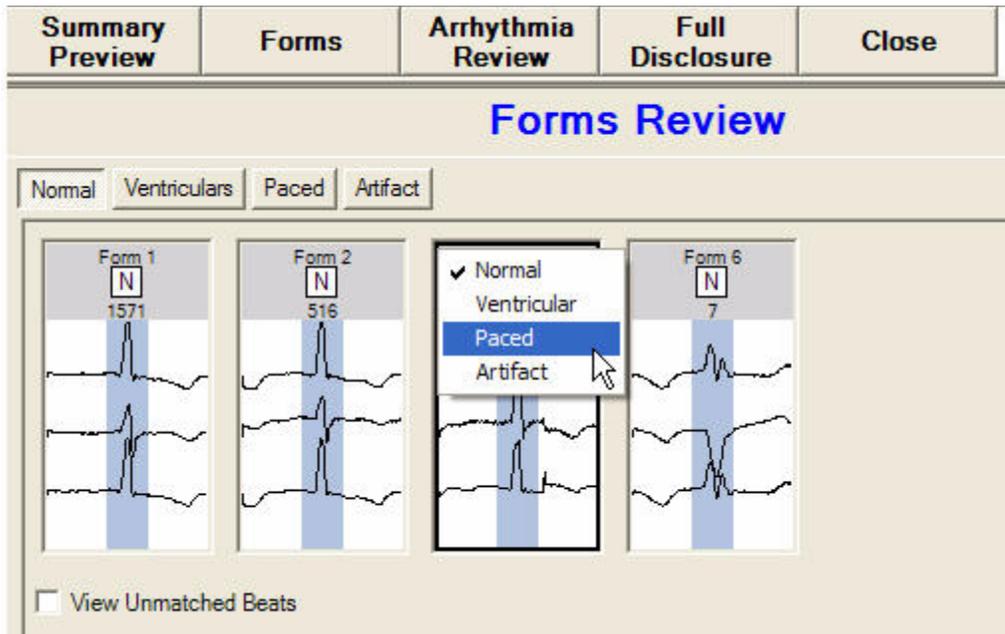


Forms categorize QRS morphologies into four groups, Normal (N), Ventricular (V), Paced Beats (P) and Artifact (X), (the latter facilitates user review of false negatives). A form must have a minimum of 5 similar beats. Other unique morphologies, forms with less than 5 beats, can be viewed by selecting **View Unmatched Beats**.

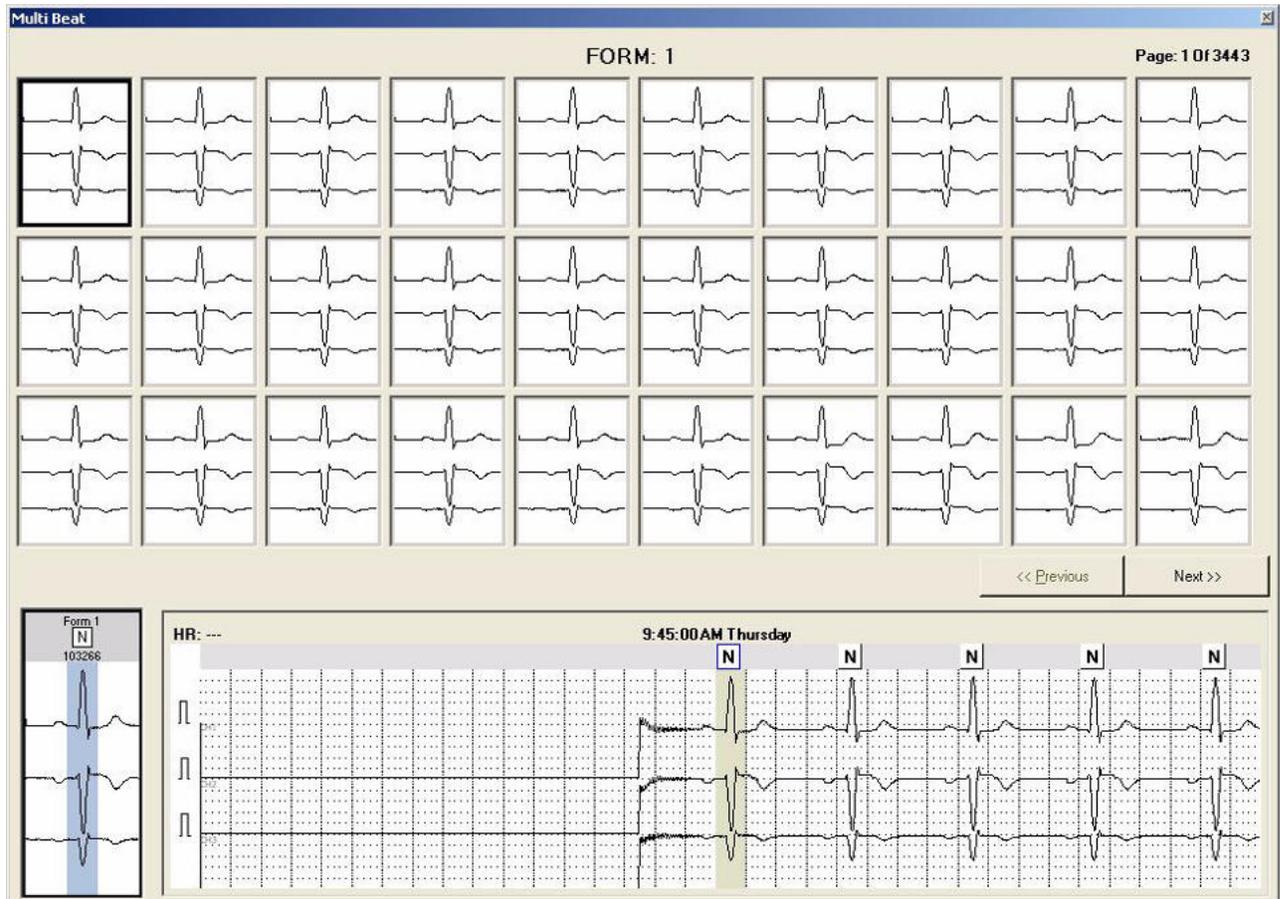
Each form includes the category label, form number (assigned by the total number of beats in a cluster across all categories) that match this morphology.

Selecting a form provides an accompanying 7-second ECG strip that includes the first QRS from the form. By clicking **Next**, each QRS in the form can be seen in the context of an ECG strip.

Right click the form header to re-categorize the form to the new desired category. All changes will be updated when moving to another category.



To view all beats in a particular form, double-click the form.



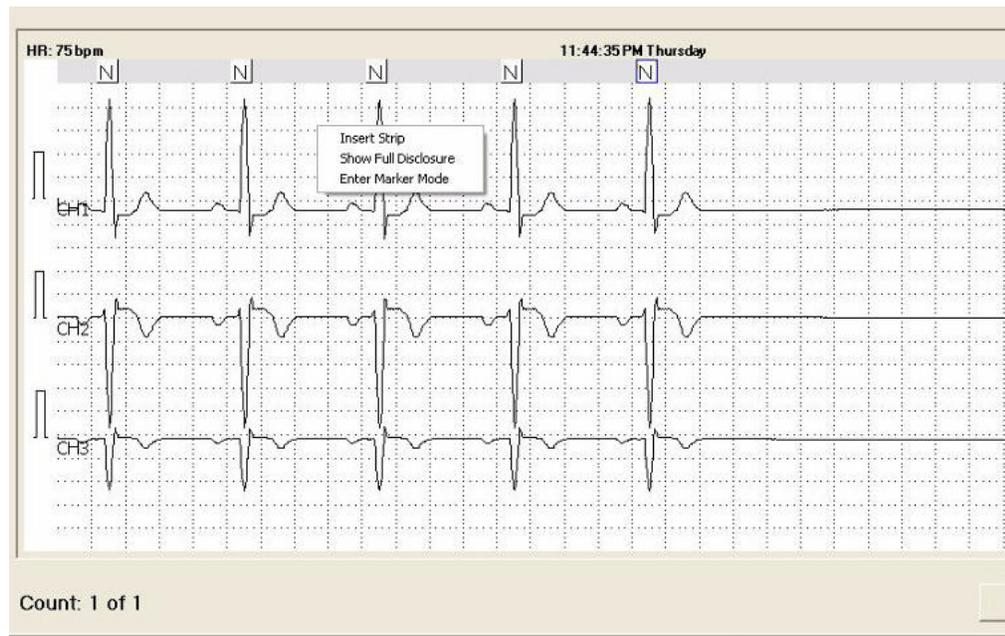
## Arrhythmia Review

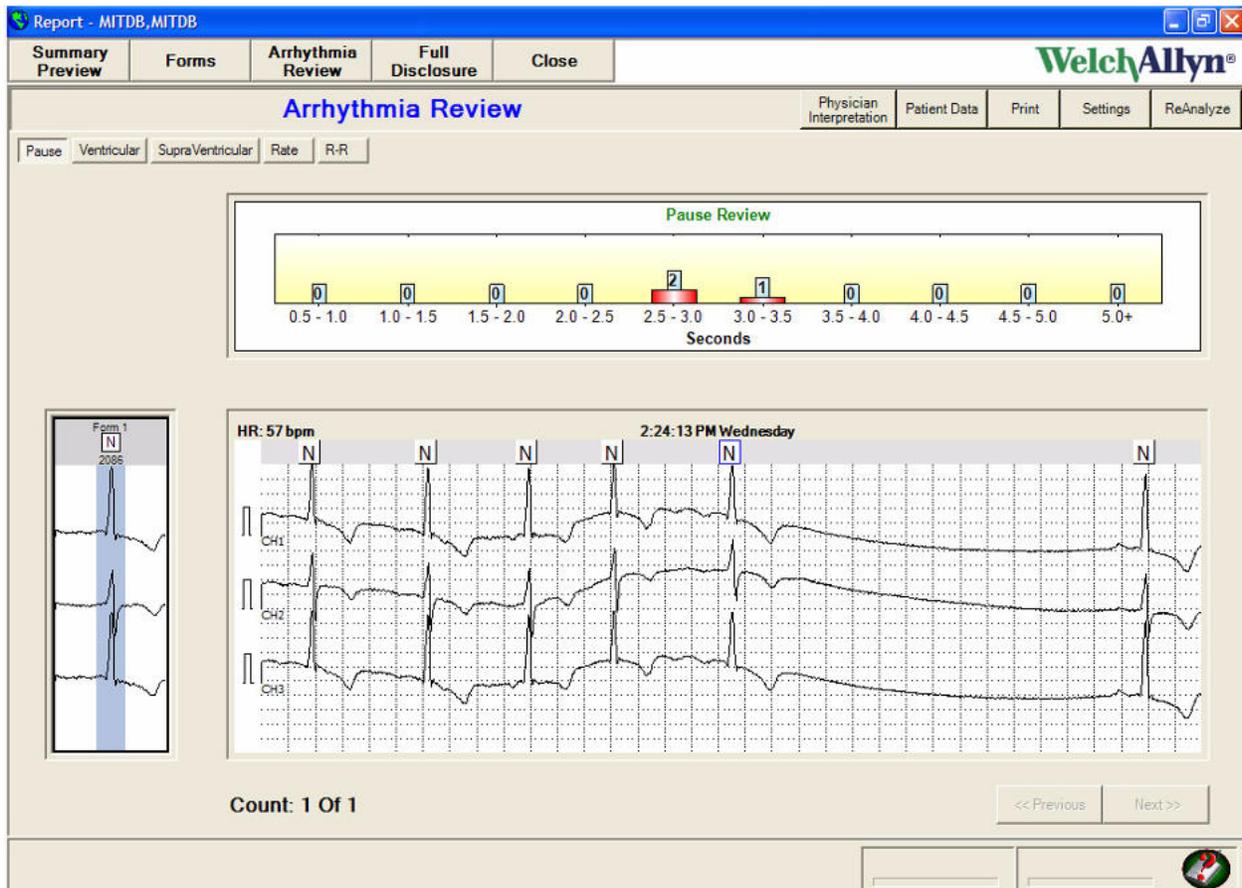
The display for Pause episodes, Ventricular ectopy, and Supraventricular ectopy includes a histogram of the episodes, a sample 7-second strip (of the worst case occurrence) and a form associated with the highlighted QRS.

View any of the events by selecting the respective bar on the histogram and using **Next** to view ECG strips for all occurrences.

The individual beats and/or the form may be edited at any time.

Right-click any ECG strip to delete or add to the final report (all beats within the strip are labeled as artifact or added).





Options to view the strip in Full Disclosure include:

- Right-click the strip and select from the pull-down.
- Double-click the strip.
- Select the **Full Disclosure** tab on the toolbar.

The Rate tab provides Heart Rate information, specifically tachy, brady, min/max HR, and min/max R to R intervals. The top graph includes a 24 hour HR plot with user selected periods presented in 1-hour intervals immediately below.

Select any of the radio buttons to display a representative ECG strip. Or manually select areas (for example, max HR) and manually insert into the report.

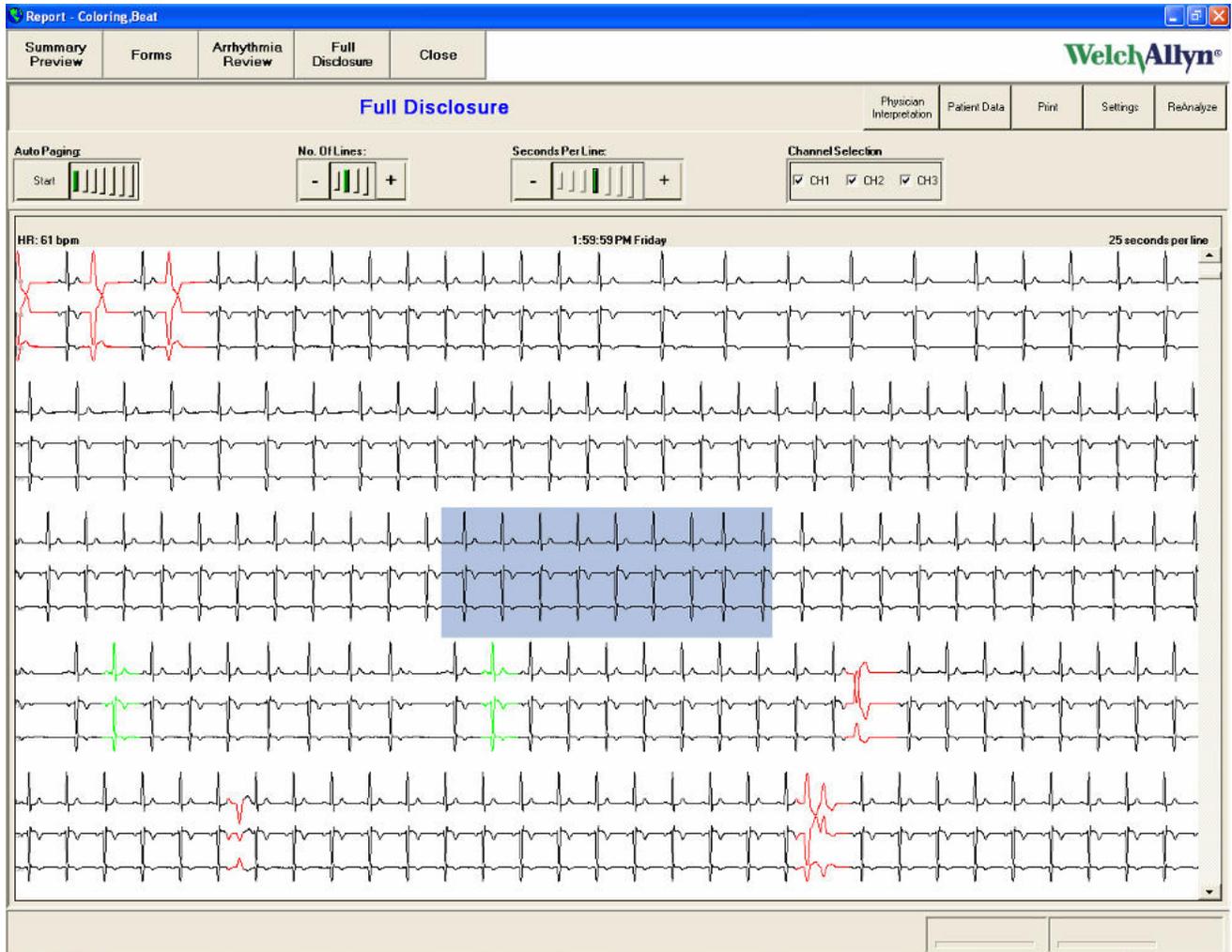
## Full Disclosure

This selection allows you to review the entire recording. Abnormal events are color-coded to make it easy to verify report accuracy.

Options for the review include:

- Auto Paging, i.e. automatically scrolling through the test and adjustable speed
- The number of lines displayed - 3, 5, 7, and 10
- The number of seconds per line - 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40
- Channels to be displayed

Use the 7-second window to move to any area to enlarge to diagnostic size for viewing and to insert and label for the final report. Delete areas of artifact using the Delete key. The ECG window moves to the next 7 seconds.



### Final Preview of Report Before Printing

Under Summary Preview, the Preview Report Strips provides a review of all the ECG strips selected to be included in the report. Add additional comments or delete strips as required.

Confirm the final report using the Confirm tab. Using the Confirm tab changes the status of the record and moves it to the File Cabinet.

# Settings

## Report Format screen options

### Print format

Select report pages for the standard report.

To print the report immediately after the test data has been transferred from the recorder, check **Auto Print Report on Download**.

### ECG Data format

Select Strips - Mini (8 strips per printed page) or Diagnostic (2 per printed page).

Select Beat label annotations, i.e., N, S, P, X for display and printouts.

Select Channels included on a full disclosure printout

Select 10, 30, or 60 seconds per line on a full disclosure printout.

### Patient demographics required

Set mandatory entries required by the Test Start Wizard.

### Strip setting

Set desired gain per channel.

### Facility

Set name and logo to be printed on the top left and right of the cover page.

## Clinical Settings

See the Physician's Guide for more information.

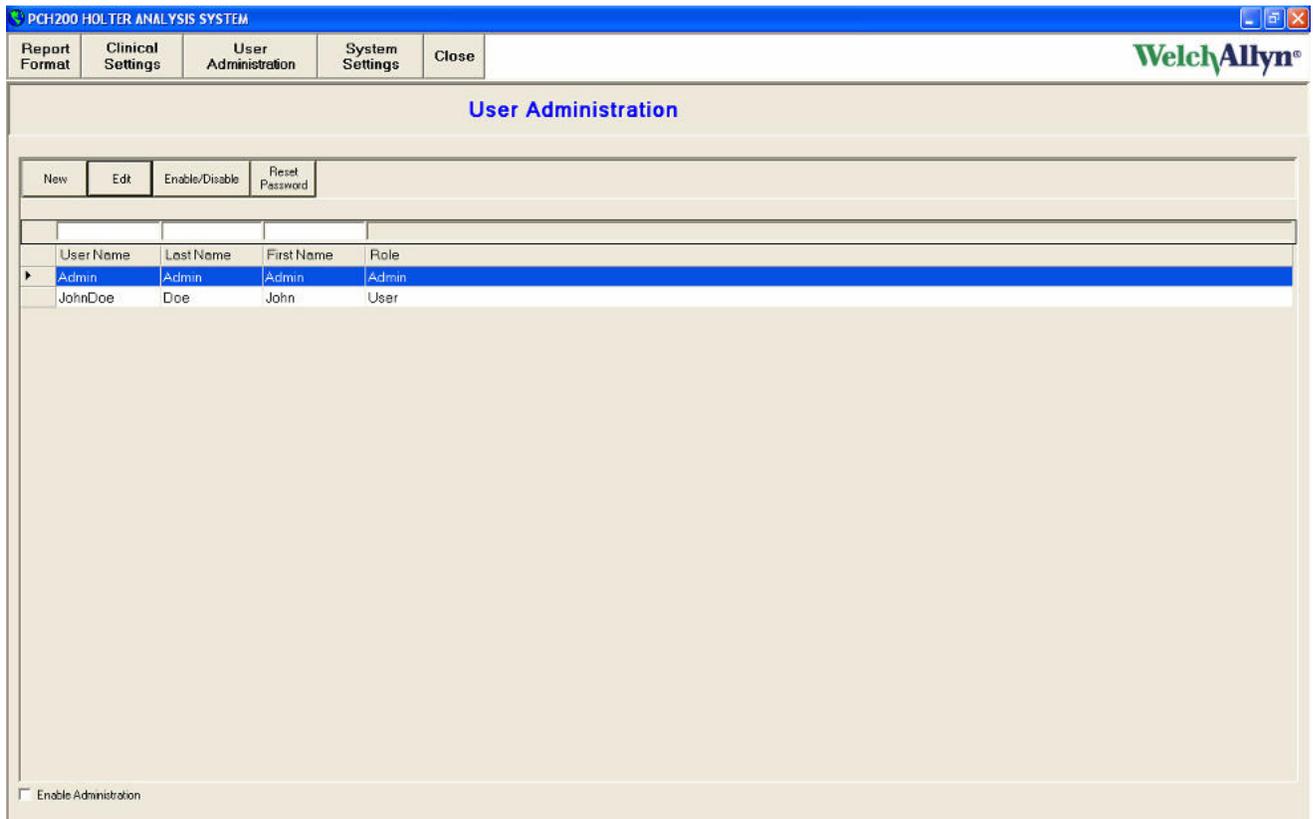
**Table 3. Clinical Settings specifications**

Clinical Settings	Range	Default
Pause	1.0 – 5.0 seconds	2.0 seconds
Tachycardia	80 – 250 BPM	100 BPM
Bradycardia	20 – 119 BPM	60 BPM
ST Depression	0.1 – 5.0 mm	1.0 mm
ST Elevation	0.1 – 5.0 mm	3.0 mm
ST Duration	1 - 180 seconds	60 seconds
ST Reset	1 – 180 seconds	60 seconds
SVE Prematurity	10-100 percent	25 percent
SVE Atrial Tachy	30-150 BPM	80 BPM

## User Administration options

Setup user logins and authority levels here.

- New** Add new user (user first and last name). Limit 40 characters. Maximum of 20 users are allowed. The system prompts when max number is reached.
- User ID** Limit 20 characters.
- Edit** Edit user selected in list.
- Disable/Enable User** Turn user access off or on for user selected in list.
- Reset Password** Reset user selected password for user selected in list. The new password generated will be the same as your user name and requires change upon login.
- Enable Administration** Check box "unchecked" allows access without user login.



## System Settings Tab

Select:

- Medications and indications
- Recorders to be used
- Filters

The screenshot shows the 'System Settings' window with the following sections:

- System Settings:**
  - MEDICATION LIST:** ACE Inhibitors, Alpha Blocker, Beta Blocker, Calcium Antagonist, Digitalis, Diuretic, Epinephrine, None, Unknown. **ADD >>**
  - INDICATION LIST:** Post-cardiac Surgery, Pericarditis, Hypertension, Pacemaker, Myocardial Ischemia, Unknown, Myocardial Infarction, Cardiomyopathy, Congenital Heart Failure. **ADD >>**
  - Miscellaneous Settings:** Summarize Settings, EMR Settings, Email Settings.
- Recorder Settings:**
  - Recorder:**  SD Card,  Wireless
  - Lead Selection:**  AHA,  IEC
- Filters:**
  - AC Mains:**  60 Hz,  50 Hz,  OFF
  - Muscle Filter:**  60 Hz,  35 Hz,  OFF
  - Baseline Filter:**  0.5 Hz,  OFF
- Service Personnel Only:**
  - Wireless Stack Selection:**  Microsoft Stack,  Wincomm Stack
  - Upload Ecg Signal File Source** (button)

### Summarize settings



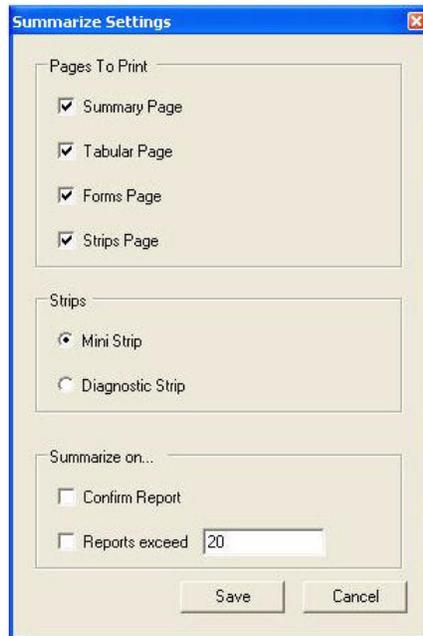
**Caution** Using report summarization deletes the full report and raw data.

To reduce file size, summarization converts a report (not including full disclosure) to a pdf (4 to 6 MB typical). A list of summarized reports displays in the Inbox (PCH100) or the File Cabinet (PCH200) with a summarized status.

Available triggers used to automatically summarize a report include:

- Customer Initiated – Summarize button available from the Inbox for the PCH100, and from the filing cabinet in the PCH200.
- Automatically by a programmable age threshold
- Automatically when confirmed

- Check boxes allow user to configure which report pages to send and select strip format



### Export for EMRs

This feature exports a pdf of the final report to an Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system.

- Export for EMRs Settings Dialog
  - Define output directory
  - Remove Image Output directory
  - Add Page selection checkboxes
- "Test Date" is set on the creation of a new Test
- Interp Date is set on "New Interpretation," and "Update to a test"
- The exported file name is a concatenation of substrings, where each substring is separated by a delimiter. The substrings used to build the exported file's name is configured by selecting which items from the list below will be used. The delimiter used to separate each substring can also be configured:
  - Test Type
  - Patient ID
  - Last Name
  - Test Date and Time
  - Test ID
  - Interpretation Date and Time
  - The file delimiter character

- Triggers
  - Initial report upload
  - Automatically when confirmed
  - Automatically if the report has been changed or interpretation modified
- Check boxes allow user to configure which report pages to send and select strip format.

EMR Settings

File output directory:

File format

Report type

Patient ID

Report Date/Time (yyyyMMddHHmmss)

Report ID

New Interpretation Date/Time (yyyyMMddHHmmss)

Example (minus extension)  
ECG\_XXXX01\_20040125055634

Delimiter

\_

#

None

Other

Pages To Print

Summary Page

Tabular Page

Forms Page

Strips Page

Strips

Mini Strip

Diagnostic Strip

Save pdf report on...

New Report

New Interpretation

Update to a report

### Email configuration functionality

This feature provides a mechanism to email a PDF of a final report.

- EMAIL Setting Dialog
  - Outgoing Email Server: (SMTP address for example; "smtp-server.twcny.rr.com")
  - Outgoing User Name: (Only required if SMTP servers requires user authentication—leave blank if not required.)
  - Outgoing User Password: (same as User name)
  - Check boxes allow user to configure which report pages to send and select strip format
  - **Send Test Email Message** sends an email to a specified user. This can be used to make sure email settings are working properly.

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "frmEmailSettings". It contains three main sections:

- Server Information:** Includes four text input fields labeled "Server Name:", "Email Address:", "SMTP Username:", and "Password:". Below these fields is a button labeled "Send Test Email".
- Pages To Print:** Includes four checked checkboxes: "Summary Page", "Tabular Page", "Forms Page", and "Strips Page".
- Strips:** Includes two radio buttons: "Mini Strip" (which is selected) and "Diagnostic Strip".

At the bottom of the dialog are "Ok" and "Cancel" buttons.

- Email activation in Inbox or File Cabinet

The Email dialog box includes standard **TO**, **CC**, **Subject**, and **Attachment** fields. The attachment: name for the attached PDF file automatically includes the patient ID.

# Physician's Guide

## Overview

The Welch Allyn Holter System performs analysis for a minimum of up to 24 hours of ECG digital data as a continuous segment of data. The analysis processing consists of the following sub-processing components:

- Signal Conditioning.
- QRS Detection and Feature Extraction.
- Clustering.
- Beat Classification.
- Heart Rate Calculation.
- ST Measurement.
- Pattern Determination.
- Strip Determination.

The analysis program consists of two major stages. The first stage, main analysis, is responsible for QRS detection, classification, feature extraction, and clustering. The second stage is responsible for pattern, tabulation, and strip determination. This stage is commonly referred to as a re-compile process. During a full analysis, both the main analysis and re-compile stages are executed. The full analysis will typically take two minutes to analyze a 3-channel, 24-hour recording. The Re-compile typically takes only seconds. The Re-Compile occurs multiple times, usually after the clinician has performed edits. For instance, if the clinician changes the hookup time to a different hour or minute, the recompile process would re-tabulate the results based on the new time. Other edits that could trigger a re-compile include:

- ST Episode threshold changes.
- SVE prematurity threshold changes.
- Pause threshold changes.
- Brady and Tachy threshold changes.
- Form Edits.
- Beat Edits.

## Signal Conditioning

The signal processing performed during the analysis is used to remove some of the noise and artifacts normally found during an ambulatory recording. The following types of noise and artifacts may occur:

- Drift - gradual baseline wander usually caused by respiration.
- Shift - sudden baseline changes in electrode skin impedance or external contact to electrode site.
- Rail - amplitude saturation of the signal.
- Continuous noise of a single frequency- usually associated with high electrode impedance and mains 50 or 60 Hz interference.
- Burst of noise- usually several frequencies mixed together due to electrical signals from active muscles.
- Spikes- large amplitude shifts of a short duration.

The analysis program applies a collection of several filters to correct for these types of issues. These filters are optimized for the specific sub-process requirements.

## QRS Detection and Feature Extraction

The analysis program detects each QRS for each channel. Each detected QRS has several locations identified including Isoelectric, Q, R, S and ST points. From these locations, additional measurements are made for the width, height, morphology, ST Level, and noise assessment.

## Clustering

The analysis program groups beats based on morphology related information. The clusters created are based on which channels are active. For instance, a single channel event in Ch 1 would only be grouped with other single channel events.

## Beat Classification

The beat classification is performed by evaluating QRS detections, features, R-R intervals, clustering information and noise assessment. The outcome of the classification results in the following beat types:

- Normal
- Ventricular
- Supraventricular
- Artifact

## Heart Rate Calculation

The analysis program assigns an R-R interval to each detected QRS based on the time interval to the last labeled QRS. A QRS can be assigned with an unknown R-R interval if the region between the last detected QRS and current QRS contains artifact classifications. Artifact regions can be automatically classified by the analysis program or labeled through clinician editing.

The heart rate calculation is reported on each beat. The heart rate for a specific beat is based on the average of 9 R-R intervals centered on the specific beat. This would require the 4 previous R-R intervals, the current beat R-R interval and the next 4 R-R intervals. A valid heart rate will require at least 5 out of 9 valid R-R intervals. If the heart rate cannot be calculated, it will be assigned as an unknown heart rate.

The heart rate errors associated with one false positive detection (interpolated noise) would be a +12.5% increase in reported heart rate. A false negative detection (missed beat) would result in a -10% error in reported heart rate. The duration of time required to correct the heart rate calculation would be 9 beats.

The HR is displayed for each strip and it represents the HR for the beat closest to the center of the strip. If the clinician selects another beat in the strip, its HR values will be displayed. If the HR cannot be calculated, it will be displayed as a — value.

The HR displayed in Full Disclosure refers to the HR value found for the highlighted strip. This HR value is based on the HR of the beat closest to the center of the strip. Refer to Strip HR above.

## ST Measurement

The ST Level is measured on normal beats with a width less than 110 msec. The ST level is measured on each channel based on the delta between the isoelectric point and ST Level point. The Isoelectric point is defined as an average of points between P and Q. The ST Level point is a rate sensitive offset relative to the R-wave.

ST Episodes are determined by summing the average ST level over a period of time. Once the average ST Level exceeds the clinician selectable threshold, a ST Episode will be started. The end point of the ST Episode is determined when the average level falls below the clinician selectable threshold. A valid ST episode is reported when the length of the ST episode exceeds the clinician selectable threshold. If a second ST episode starts within the ST Reset threshold, the second ST episode is considered as part of the previous episode.

The clinician has separate ST Elevation and ST Depression thresholds. During each ST episode, the location of the maximum average values is maintained. The analysis program does not identify ST slope levels. The clinician can review the ST strip examples to determine if the ST segment slope is up, down or flat.

ST episodes are determined for each channel and for Elevation and Depression. These ST episodes are sorted based on maximum level of depression or elevation and automatically presented as strips within the report. The strip time reflects the time of maximum depression or elevation. The duration of the ST episodes, ranges of displacement, or heart rates are not reported.

## Pattern Determination

The analysis program detects the following ventricular pattern types. N represents any normal beat including S beats.

**Table 4. Ventricular events patterns**

Ventricular Event Type	Pattern
Isolated	N-V-N
Couplets	N-V-V-N
Runs (three or more Ventriculars)	N-V-V-V-N
Bigeminy	N-V-N-V-N-V-N

Supraventricular detection is based on normal beats only. The normal beat must be premature to the previous normal beat or to the running NN average rate. The prematurity threshold is configurable. The analysis program detects the following supraventricular pattern types:

**Table 5. Supraventricular events patterns**

Supraventricular Event Type	Pattern
Isolated	N-S-N
Couplets	N-S-S-N
Runs (three or more Supraventriculars)	N-S-S-S-N

The analysis program detects the following Rate related patterns:

**Table 6. Rate related patterns**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Definition</b>
Tachy Episodes	15 seconds or more of heart rate that exceeds the Tachy Threshold (user configurable)
Brady Episodes	15 seconds or more of heart rate that exceeds the Brady Threshold (user configurable)
Pauses	any valid R-R interval that exceeds the Pause Threshold (user configurable)
Min HR	time of minimum heart rate reported for entire procedure
Max. HR	time of maximum heart rate reported for entire procedure
Min R-R	beat with the shortest R-R coupling interval reported for entire procedure
Max R-R	beat with the longest R-R coupling interval reported for the entire procedure

The analysis program does not automatically:

- **Detect Atrial Fibrillation and Flutter.** View Pause Review, Supraventricular Review, Rate Graphs Review, and Full Disclosure as an aid to identify these types of Arrhythmia patterns.
- **Detect Ventricular Fibrillation and Flutter.** View Arrhythmia Review and Full Disclosure as an aid to identify these types of Arrhythmia patterns.
- **Detect and classify any Intraventricular conduction defects.** View Forms Review, Arrhythmia Review, and Full Disclosure as an aid to identify these types of Ventricular conduction defects.
- **Measure P-R interval or produce any automatic classifications of any Atrio-Ventricular (AV) blocks.** View Pause Review, Supraventricular Review, Rate Graphs Review and Full Disclosure as an aid to identify these types of AV conduction defects.
- **Identify Paced beat.** A green pacer mark is provided by the program to identify the presence of a pacer firing detected within the recorder. The clinician may reclassify beat or forms as Paced.

## Strip Determination

The analysis program selects automatic strip examples based on the following categories:

- Ventricular Isolated (2)
- Ventricular Couplets (2)
- Ventricular Runs - selected based on longest run (4)
- Supraventricular Isolated (2)
- Supraventricular Couplets (2)
- Supraventricular Runs - selected based on longest run (4)
- Pauses - selected based on longest pause (4)
- Tachy - selected based on highest Tachycardia Rate (2)
- Brady - selected based on slowest Bradycardia Rate (2)
- Max. Heart Rate - selected on maximum Heart Rate (1)
- Min Heart Rate - selected on minimum Heart Rate (1)
- ST Elevation per channel - selected on maximum average ST Elevation found (2 per channel)

- ST Depression per channel - selected on maximum average ST Depression found (2 per channel)

## Report Content

The Analysis program provides results in several different formats. The application provides a sample report (MIT 219) you may print to help you understand the report content described below. Each report contains a header and footer that describes patient, date and time of procedure, current clinical settings, and other data. Each report page is sequentially numbered.

### Summary Page

The Summary page contains a section with Patient detail information. This page contains examples of the most severe arrhythmia categories. Pauses, Ventricular and Supraventricular examples are presented as a mini strip format. Adjacent to each strip is some numerical information relative to that pattern category. Both Ventricular and Supraventricular Runs present numerical information for the Longest, Slowest and Fastest Run. The Longest refers to the ventricular run with the largest number of ventricular beats. Slowest and Fastest refer to Runs that contain the highest and lowest Ventricular or Supraventricular Heart Rate. The Ventricular Heart Rate is based on the average Heart Rate of all ventricular beats within the run. Supraventricular heart Rate is based on the Heart Rate of all Supraventricular beats within the run.

### Tabular

The tabular page(s) contains hourly information as well as procedure total related information. It contains 25 hours to allow for a partial hour at the beginning and end of the recording. The tabular contains hourly counts for:

- Minimum Heart Rate
- Average Heart Rate
- Maximum Heart Rate
- Total QRS count
- Ventricular Run Count
- Ventricular Couplet Count
- Ventricular Isolate Count
- Total Ventricular Count
- Ventricular /1000
- Supraventricular Run Count
- Supraventricular Couplet Count
- Supraventricular Isolated Count
- Total Supraventricular Count
- Total Pause Count

### Strips

The hard copy strips are presented in two different formats including diagnostic and mini format. The diagnostic page contains two strips that are full scale. The Mini strips are organized as 4 rows of two columns. Calibration marks are provided at the left side of the strip. This calibration mark represents a 1-millivolt amplitude signal in the strip. The clinician can select different scaling factors of x0.25, x0.5, x1.0, x2.0 and x4.0.

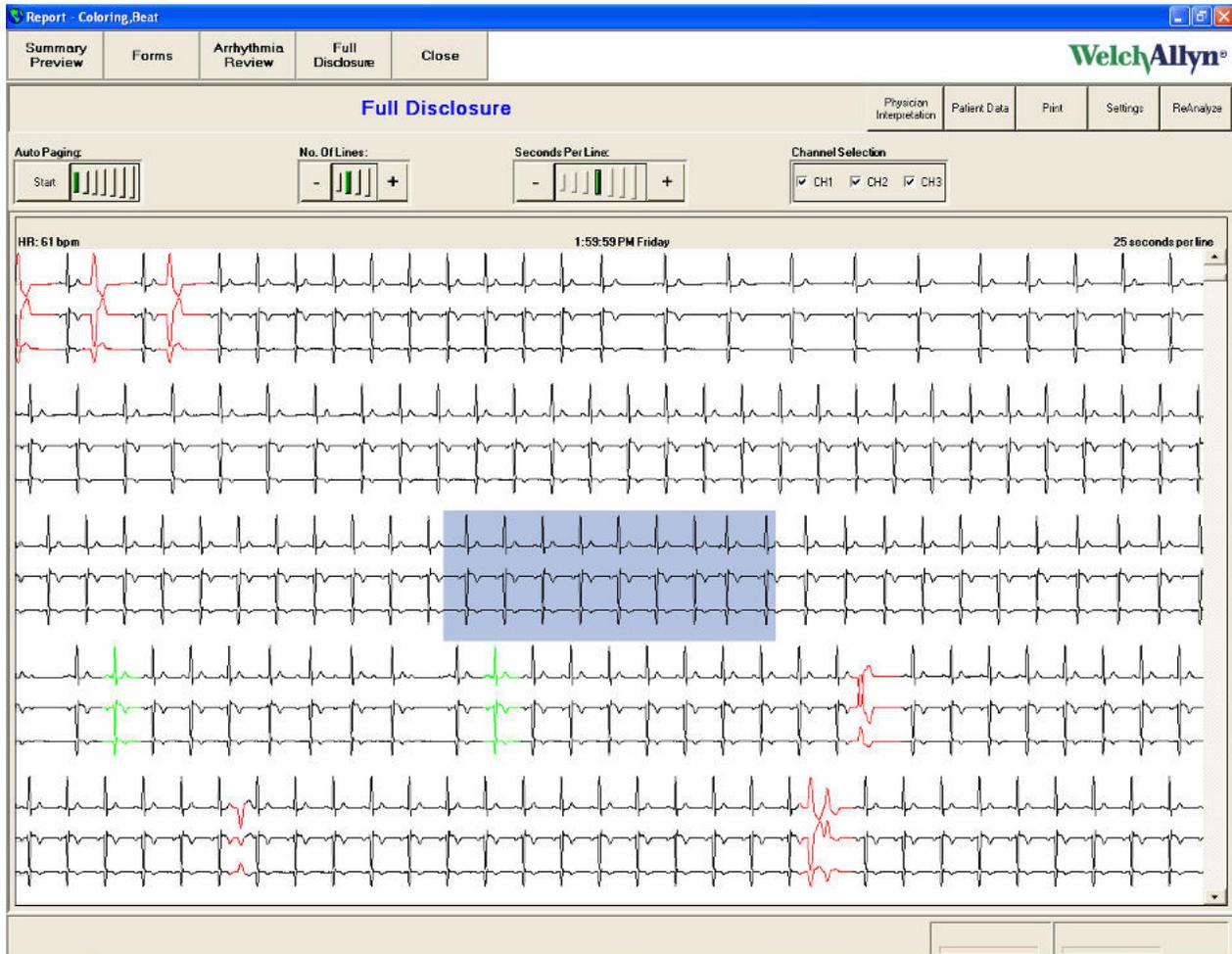
The calibration width represents a 100 msec marker. Diagnostic strips contain additional tick marks that are 3 seconds apart. These markers are located at the top of each diagnostic strip presentation. Each strip contains the time of day, day of the week, strip type and heart rate at a minimum. For some types of strips, additional information is presented such as Pause duration, ST Level and Run length with Run heart rate.

## Forms

The Forms Page represents the form or clusters that were created. Each form indicates a form count, form classification, and the number of beats in the form. A representative example is shown for each form. Forms can be based on any combination of channels processed.

## Full Disclosure

The Full Disclosure can be printed out in several different formats of 10, 30 and 60 seconds per line. Channel indicators are displayed in the lower right footer to indicate which channels are used.



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All repairs on products under warranty must be performed or approved by Welch Allyn. Unauthorized repairs void the warranty. In addition, whether or not covered under warranty, any product repair shall exclusively be performed by Welch Allyn certified service personnel.

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Before contacting Welch Allyn, try to duplicate the problem, and check all accessories to ensure that they are not causing the problem. When calling, please be prepared to provide:

- Product name and model number and complete description of the problem.
- Serial number of your product (if applicable).
- Complete name, address and phone number of your facility.
- For out-of-warranty repairs or spare parts orders, a purchase order (or credit card) number.
- For parts orders, the required spare or replacement part numbers.

If your product requires warranty, extended warranty, or non-warranty repair service, please call first the nearest Welch Allyn Technical Support Center. A representative will assist you troubleshooting the problem and will make every effort to solve it over the phone, avoiding potential unnecessary returns.

In case a return cannot be avoided, the representative will record all necessary information and will provide a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number, as well as the appropriate return address. An RMA number must be obtained prior to any return.

If you have to return goods for service, follow these recommended packing instructions:

- Remove all cables, sensors, and ancillary products (as appropriate) before packing, unless you suspect they are associated with the problem.
- Wherever possible use the original shipping carton and packing materials.
- Include a packing list and the Welch Allyn Return Material Authorization (RMA) number.

It is recommended that all returned goods be insured. Claims for loss or damage to the product must be initiated by the sender.

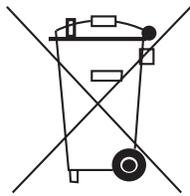
## Maintenance

For maintenance and cleaning procedures, refer to the documentation that came with your computer.

## Discarding the Equipment

Discard the recorder and accessories according to local laws.

Please follow the state's recycling laws or your facility's recycling policy to ensure proper disposal of the recorder and accessories. For more information on recycling, call the Environment Protection Agency or local authorities.



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## Technical Specifications

**Table 7. Technical Specifications**

Specification	Value
Rate	30 to 250 BPM
QRS Detection amplitude	$\geq 0.5$ mV
Analysis Channels	any combination of up to three channels
Report Durations	up to 48 hours
Pacemaker Detection	ANSI/AAMI EC38-1998
A/D bit Resolution	0.5 $\mu$ V
Sampling Rate	200 sps, 500 sps, 1000 sps
Mains Filter	50, 60 Hz, off (default=60Hz)
Muscle Filter	35, 60 Hz, off (default=off)
Baseline Filter	0.5 Hz, off (default=off)

**Table 8. Bluetooth Protocol**

FREQUENCY RANGE	2402-2480 MHZ
PEAK OUTPUT POWER	-11dBm (EIRP)
EMISSION DESIGNATOR	864K F1D
RATED POWER	0 dBm
MODULATION	GMSK

## Conformance to Regulatory Standards

### International Electrotechnical Commission

- CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 601.1-M90
- IEC 60601-2-47, 2001
- USA: UL60601-1
- IEC 60601-1-2, conforms to EN 55011

### American Advancement of Medical Instrumentation

- ANSI/AAMI EC38-1998 (Device is not defibrillator protected. This device does not support Defibrillator Protection requirements defined in section 4.2.5.2 of the standard.)

### Australian Electromagnetic Compatibility

- AZ/NZS 3200-1-0

# Troubleshooting

If the Holter System Application malfunctions, you may be able to resolve the issue with little loss of time and expense. We suggest following the troubleshooting guidelines below before returning the unit for servicing.

Contact Welch Allyn Customer Support (see [page ii](#)).

**Table 9. Lead Quality Problems**

Condition	Cause	Actions
General Poor Waveform quality	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	See <a href="#">Table 10</a> .
AC interference (even-peaked, regular voltage superimposed on the waveforms). May resemble or coincide with muscle-tremor interference.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	See <a href="#">Table 10</a> . If AC interference persists, turn AC Filter on. See " <a href="#">System Settings Tab</a> " on page 22.
Muscle tremor interference (random irregular voltage superimposed on the waveforms). May resemble or coincide with AC interference	1, 2, 3, 4,	See <a href="#">Table 10</a> . If muscle tremor interference persists, turn Muscle Filter on. See " <a href="#">System Settings Tab</a> " on page 22.
Wandering baseline (an upward and downward fluctuation of the waveform)	1, 2, 3, 4,	See <a href="#">Table 10</a> . If wandering baseline persists, turn baseline filter on. See " <a href="#">System Settings Tab</a> " on page 22.

**Table 10. Lead Quality Problems Causes and Actions**

Cause	Action
<b>1</b> Electrodes positioned on a bony area.	Reposition electrodes.
<b>2</b> Insufficient or dried electrode gel	Apply new electrode.
<b>3</b> Oily Skin or body lotions	Clean Skin with alcohol or acetone
<b>4</b> Excessive hair on chest	Shave hair from chest prior to hookup
<b>5</b> Faulty patient cable	Replace patient cable.

**Table 11. Analysis Errors**

Condition	Cause	Action
Pause errors	Low Amplitude signal causing misdetection creating long coupling interval Pause threshold set too low Artifact prevents QRS detections creating long coupling interval.	Reposition electrode to increase signal amplitude. Check that Pause threshold set to desired threshold. See " <a href="#">Clinical Settings</a> " on page 20.
Ventricular errors	Form Incorrectly classified Excessive noisy trace causes false interpolated beats Excessive noisy trace causes distortion of original QRS signal	Confirm that Form Classifications are correct and edit any that are not. Improve patient hookup prep. Perform beat edit to correct beat classification
Supraventricular errors	Excessive noisy trace causes false interpolated beat Prematurity threshold in clinical settings set too low.	Confirm that Form Classifications are correct and edit any that are not. Improve patient hookup prep. Perform beat edit to correct beat classification
Incorrect Heart Rate	Excessive noisy trace causes false interpolated beat artificially elevating Heart Rate Low amplitude signal cause no detection - thus creating an artificially low Heart Rate	Improve patient hookup prep. Perform beat edit to correct beat classification.

Condition	Cause	Action
Brady errors	Low amplitude signal causes no detection Brady threshold set too high	Improve patient hookup prep. Perform beat edit to correct beat classification. Check that Brady threshold set to desired threshold. See "Clinical Settings" on page 20.
Tachy errors	Excessive noisy trace causes false interpolated beat Tachy threshold set too low	Improve patient hookup prep. Perform beat edit to correct beat classification. Check that Tachy threshold set to desired threshold. See "Clinical Settings" on page 20.
ST Episodes errors	Isoelectric Point positioned on P-wave ST Level point positioned on T-wave	Delete Incorrect ST Episode strips from report.
Excessive Form Count	Excessive noisy traces causes distortion to QRS creating different clusters	Improve patient hookup prep. Evaluate whether a specific channel has a high degree of artifact and if so re-analyze turning off that channel. Note: re-analysis will lose any previous performed editing.

**Table 12. Miscellaneous Problems**

Condition	Cause	Action
Failure to upload report from recorder	SD Card Reader not plugged in SD Card Reader location has changed SD Card is corrupt SD Card upload was terminated before completion	Insert SD Card reader into USB port. Double-click over SD Card icon with question mark. This launches a dialog to search for SD card drive. Using Windows Explorer, format the SD using FAT and make sure no volume label is included. Restart the application to allow the report to be re-uploaded.
Test Startup (Wireless) - Cannot find recorder	USB Dongle not plugged in Recorder out of range > 5 feet Recorder does not have fresh batteries Radio Interferences from other signal sources Wireless Stack incorrectly configured.	Insert USB Bluetooth dongle. Recorder needs to be within 5 feet of the USB dongle. Replace battery in the recorder. For Windows 2000 Operating system confirm that the Wireless Stack is set to Widcomm. See <b>Service Personnel Only</b> section under "System Settings Tab" on page 22. For Windows XP with no other Bluetooth drivers installed, confirm that Wireless stack is to set to Microsoft. For Windows XP systems that have Bluetooth drivers installed confirm that wireless stack is set to Widcomm.
Test Startup (Wireless) - Fails to enter preview mode	Communication failed with recorder. Recorder out of range > 5 feet	Click Start button to try to connect again. Move recorder to within 5 feet of the USB dongle.
Project activation fails (Internet)	Internet access is blocked	Request temporary internet access from your IT staff. (Only required during activation.)
Project activation fails (Manual)	Invalid Manual release codes	Carefully re-type release code. Contact Welch Allyn customer support.
Failed to print	Printer Off-line Printer out of paper Printer not connected	Confirm that printer is online. Confirm printer has paper. Confirm printer connected. Using another application, test the printer. Make sure proper printer is selected with application.

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