

**ABSTRACT**

Printing to and MICR code reading from a cut-sheet form imprinted with an MICR code, such as personal checks, are continuously accomplished by means of a single apparatus, thereby simplifying processing and reducing the required installation space.

Magnetic head 31 and magnet 32 for reading the MICR code are disposed to slope 22 of paper path 20 provided in printer housing 11. Any personal check 16 in paper path 20 is held by cut-sheet form loading rollers 23 and/or transportation rollers 29, which operate at a synchronized speed, and is passed over magnetic head 31 for MICR code reading. Thereafter, personal check 16 is held by loading rollers 23 and/or transportation rollers 29 for endorsement printing by print head 13.

[Selected figure] Fig. 3