PowerSeries Troubleshooting Guide

The following is a troubleshooting guide designed to provide additional information and troubleshooting tips for all the possible trouble conditions that can occur on any PowerSeries control panel (Power432, Power632, Power832 and Power864).

LED Keypad, LCD Fixed-Message Keypad

To view a trouble condition, press [*][2]. The trouble light will flash. Refer to the chart below to determine the trouble condition(s) present.

Note: Some trouble conditions provide additional information (indicated with an '*' in the chart below). Press the number corresponding to the trouble condition to view the additional information.

LCD5500 LCD Programmable-Message Keypad

To view a trouble condition, press [*][2]. The trouble light will flash and the LCD will display the first trouble condition present. Use the arrow keys to scroll through all trouble conditions present.

Note: When additional information is available for a specific trouble condition a [*] will appear on the display. Press the [*] key to view the additional information.

Light [1] *	Service Required – press [1] for more information	
Light [2]	AC Trouble	
Light [3]	Telephone Line Trouble	
Light [4]	Failure to Communicate	
Light [5] *	Zone Fault – press [5] for more information	
Light [6] *	Zone Tamper – press [6] for more information	
Light [7] *	Wireless Device Low Battery – press [7] for more information	
Light [8]	Loss of Time or Date	





Trouble [1] - Service Required

Press [1] for to determine the specific trouble(s) present

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
Trouble [1] Low Battery	The main panel battery is below 11.5 VDC. The trouble condition will not clear until the battery is at least 12.5VDC under load.	 If the battery is new, allow 1 hour for the battery to charge. Ensure the panel is getting proper AC power. Measure across the two AC terminals of the panel and ensure the AC input is between 16 and 18VAC. If not, replace the transformer. To verify the battery charging circuit disconnect the battery and measure the voltage across the two battery leads. The voltage should be 13.75VDC. With the battery connected remove AC from the panel and measure across the battery terminals. If the voltage is below 12.5VDC replace the battery.
Trouble [2] Bell Circuit	There is an open circuit between Bell+ and Bell-	 Remove the wires from Bell+ and Bell- and measure the resistance of the wires. If an open circuit is measured there is a break in the wiring or the siren is defective. Put a 1K resistor (brown, black, red) across Bell+ and Bell- to verify the trouble condition clears.
Trouble [3] General System Trouble	An open circuit is present on output #1 of the PC5204 module	 If the output is not being used make sure a 1K resistor (brown, black, red) is connected between O1 and AUX+. If the output is being used remove the wires from O1 and AUX+ and measure the resistance of the wires. If an open circuit is measured there is a break in the wiring or the device connected is defective.
	The PC5204 has an AUX failure	 Ensure the module is getting proper AC power. Measure across the two AC terminals of the module and ensure the AC input is between 16 and 18VAC. If not, replace the transformer. Remove all devices connected to the AUX+ terminal of the PC5204 and measure the voltage between AUX+ and BLK of the KEYBUS. If the voltage is below 13.75VDC the module is defective.
	The printer connected to the PC5400 is off-line	Check the connected printer for trouble (no power, out of paper, jam etc).
	The wireless receiver has detected excessive noise in the 433MHz range (Power432, 632, 832 only)	 Check the installation for other sources of 433MHz wireless signals (could also be nearby transmission tower, airport, military base). To disable RF Jam enable Option [7] in Program Section [804], subsection [90]
Trouble [4] General System Tamper	An open circuit is present on the tamper input of one or more modules	 If the tamper input on the modules connected to the KEYBUS are not being used, connect a short between the Tamper terminal and COM on every module (PC5100, PC5108, PC5200, PC5204, PC5208, PC5320, PC5400, PC5401, PC5700)
Trouble [5] Module Supervision	The panel has lost communication with one or more modules on the KEYBUS or a keypad has been assigned to a different slot	 Modules are immediately enrolled and supervised when detected on the KEYBUS. If a module has been removed, or if the slot assignment of a keypad has been changed, module supervision must be reset. View the event buffer (via DLS or LCD5500 keypad) to view the specific module(s) in trouble To reset module supervision enter Program Section [902]. Press [#] and wait 1 minute for the panel to rescan the KEYBUS. To view what modules are connected to the KEYBUS enter Program Section [903].
Trouble [6] RF Jam Detected	The wireless receiver has detected excessive noise in the 433MHz range (Power864 only)	 Check the installation for other sources of 433MHz wireless signals (could also be nearby transmission tower, airport, military base). To disable RF Jam enable Option [7] in Program Section [804], subsection [90]
Trouble [7] PC5204 Low Battery	The PC5204 battery is below 11.5 VDC. The trouble condition will not clear until the battery is at least 12.5VDC under load.	 If the battery is new, allow 1 hour for the battery to charge. Ensure the module is getting proper AC power. Measure across the two AC terminals of the module and ensure the AC input is between 16 and 18VAC. If not, replace the transformer. To verify the battery charging circuit disconnect the battery and measure the voltage across the two battery leads. The voltage should be 13.75VDC. With the battery connected remove AC from the module and measure across the battery terminals. If the voltage is below 12.5VDC replace the battery.
Trouble [8] PC5204 AC Failure	No AC present across the PC5204 AC terminals	Measure across the two AC terminals of the module and ensure the AC input is between 16 and 18VAC. If not, replace the transformer.



Trouble [2] – AC Failure

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
None	No AC present across the	 Measure across the two AC terminals of the panel and ensure the AC input is between 16
	panel AC terminals	and 18VAC. If not, replace the transformer.

Trouble [3] – Telephone Line Trouble

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
None	The phone line voltage across the main panel TIP and RING terminals is less	Measure the voltage across TIP and RING of the panel:
	than 3 VDC	Try wiring the incoming line directly to TIP and RING. If the trouble clears, there is a problem with the wiring or the RJ jack.

Trouble [4] – Failure to Communicate

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
None	The panel has failed to communicate one or more events to the central station	 Connect a headset to TIP and RING of the control panel and listen to the communication o If the panel does not break dial tone, reverse TIP and RING o If a recorded operator message comes on, check that the phone number is programmed properly; also dial the same number programmed using a regular telephone to determine if a [9] must be dialed or if 800 service is blocked o If the panel does not respond to the handshakes, verify the format programmed is supported by the central station o If the panel transmits data multiple times without receiving a handshake, verify the account number and reporting codes are programmed properly
		Note:
		 Contact ID and Pulse formats – program a HEX [A] to transmit a digit [0]
		 SIA format – program a digit [0] to transmit a digit [0]

Trouble [5] – Zone Fault Press [5] to determine the specific zone(s) with a fault trouble

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
Press [5] to view specific zone(s) in fault	An open circuit is present on one or more fire zones on the main panel or zone expander	 Make sure all fire zones have a 5.6K resistor (green, blue, red) connected. Remove the wires from Z and COM terminals and measure the resistance of the loop. If an open circuit is measured there is a break in the wiring or there is no resistor connected. Connect a 5.6K resistor (green, blue, red) across the Z and COM terminals to verify the trouble condition clears.
	An open circuit is present on PGM2 being used as a two-wire smoke detector input	 Ensure the jumper on the main panel has been removed. Ensure the correct 2,2K end-of-line resistor is connected (red, red, red). Remove the wires from PGM2 and AUX+ terminals and measure the resistance of the loop. If an open circuit is measured there is a break in the wiring or there is no resistor connected. Connect a 2.2K resistor (red, red, red) across the PGM2 and AUX+ terminals to verify the trouble condition clears.







One or more wireless	If the trouble occurs immediately a conflict with a hardwire zone exists:
devices have not checked	 The zone being used is already assigned to a PC5108 zone expander
in within the programmed	o The zone being used is assigned as a keypad zone
time	 Perform a Module Placement Test – Program Section [904] and verify the transmitter is
	in a good location.
	 If bad test results occur, try testing the transmitter in another location
	 If the transmitter now tests good, the original mounting location is bad
	 If the transmitter continues to give bad test results try replacing the transmitter
A short circuit is present	 Remove the wires from Z and COM terminals and measure the resistance of the loop. If
on one or more zones with	a short circuit is measured there is a short in the wiring.
double end-of-line	 Connect a 5.6K resistor (green, blue, red) across the Z and COM terminals to verify the
resistors enabled	trouble condition clears.

Trouble [6] – Zone Tamper Press [6] to determine the specific zone(s) with a tamper trouble

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
Press [6] to view	A tamper condition is	 Perform a Module Placement Test – Program Section [904] - and violate and restore the
specific zone(s) in	present on one or more	tamper:
tamper	wireless devices	o If no test result occurs, replace the transmitter
	A open circuit is present	 Remove the wires from Z and COM terminals and measure the resistance of the loop. If
	on one or more zones with	an open circuit is measured there is a break in the wiring.
	double end-of-line	 Connect a 5.6K resistor (green, blue, red) across the Z and COM terminals to verify the
	resistors enabled	trouble condition clears.

Trouble [7] – Wireless Low Battery Press [7] to determine the specific device with a low battery

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
Press [7] to view the specific wireless device(s) with a low battery trouble:	One or more wireless devices has a low battery	 Replace the battery (the trouble will not clear until the detector is violated)
1 st time – Wireless Zones 2 nd time – Handheld Keypads 3 rd time – Wireless Keys	Note – The event will not be logged to the event buffer until the wireless device low battery delay time expires – Program Section [370]	

Trouble [8] - Loss of Clock or Date

Secondary Trouble	Reason	Troubleshooting
None	The main panel internal clock is not set	To program the time and date:
		 Enter [*][6][Master Code] Press [1] Enter the time and date (in military) using the following format: HH:MM MM/DD/YY
		For example: 6:00 pm, June 29, 2005 enter [18] [00] [06] [29] [05]