

# BASIC OPERATION OF L&L KILNS WITH A ONE-TOUCH™

Basic instructions are printed directly on the faceplate for easy reference.

Press the Enter button to start the program you have selected to fire.

Press and hold down Delay to enter a countdown time to delay the start of your program.

Press and hold down Review to see what program you are running.



The display area provides lots of information such as temperatures, program prompts, etc.

Choose one of either the Bisque or Glaze programs. They are preprogrammed for immediate no hassle use. Press for 5 seconds to bring up easy options like cone, heating & cooling rate and hold time

The Custom option allows more experienced users to create and save four of your own ramp/hold programs.

## HOW YOUR KILN WORKS

The One-Touch™ Intuitive Kiln Control was designed for busy school teachers, contemporary studios, and hobbyists. No programming is necessary - simple adjustments are easy, yet sophisticated programming is also easy. The One-Touch automatic program control uses one thermocouple to measure temperature in the top, middle and bottom of the kiln (top and bottom in a two section kiln). (All kilns that use the One-Touch™ have one zone). The control automatically adjusts power to evenly heat up the kiln according to the program you are firing. The preprogrammed Bisque and Glaze programs are set to fire to the most universally accept versions of these programs which makes firing basic ceramics hassle-free.

## FIRST TEST FIRING OF THE KILN

See the *one-touch-first-firing.pdf*.

## USING YOUR KILN

### TURNING ON THE KILN

- 1) Make sure your circuit breaker or fused disconnect switch is turned on.
- 2) Turn on kiln with the toggle On/Off switch on the left side of the control box.

## THREE DIFFERENT USAGE LEVELS

### 1) Easiest:

- a) Press one of two buttons marked **BISQUE** and **GLAZE**.
- b) You will then see either **bISC** or **GLA** depending on which button you pressed.
- c) Press **ENTER** and the display reads **FiRE**.
- d) You can add a delay time to the program by pressing the **DOWN** arrow when you see **FiRE** and before you press **ENTER**. After you press the **DELAY** button, you will see **dELA** flashing with a time value, typically **00.00** which represents 00 hours and 00 minutes. After you see this flashing display, you can press the **UP** or **DOWN** button to adjust the time. Once you have the value you want, press **ENTER** and you will see **FiRE** again (this will delay the start of the actual firing by the number of minutes and hours that you have chosen).
- e) Press **ENTER** and the control will begin the firing cycle. The kiln will fire a slow Cone 04 Bisque or a slow 06 Glaze. If you have entered a delay, then you will see **dLY** flashing with a countdown of the time (for example **01:30** for 1 hour and 30 minutes)
- f) Press the **REVIEW** button to review the program. You can do this when you see the **FiRE** display or while firing. The display will scroll though the name of the program (i.e. **bISC**), **CndL** (for candle followed by a time), **CONE** followed by a number like **04**, **°F** or **°C** to let you know what scale the temperature is in,

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then a temperature like 1945 which is the anticipated maximum temperature, then **HLd** followed by a time value like 00:00, which is any hold time you may have programmed into the control.

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g) Press **ENTER** anytime to stop the program.

h) When the program is complete, you will see **CPLt**. If the Beep option has been turned to “On,” then the control will beep about 15 times. If it was set for “OFF,” then there will be no beeping. If it was set for “FULL,” then it will beep until a button is pressed.

## 2) Simple:

It is easy to change simple parameters like candle time, cone to fire to, hold time at peak temperature, cool-down rate and heat-up rate (plus, you can restore the default values in case you lose track of where you are).

When you press **BISQUE** or **GLAZE** and hold it for 5 seconds, then a series of options will appear:

<b>CndL</b>	Candle Time (this is a low temperature firing used to dry moisture from the clay)
<b>COnE</b>	Cone to fire to
<b>HLd</b>	Hold or Soak time at peak temperature
<b>COOL</b>	Cool down rate. <b>OFF</b> (natural cooling), <b>SLD</b> (Slow), <b>MEd</b> (Medium), <b>FAST</b> (Fast)
<b>rStr</b>	Restore default original values
<b>HtUP</b>	Heat up rates. <b>SLD</b> (Slow), <b>MEd</b> (Medium), <b>FAST</b> (Fast)

When you see any of these displays, you can either scroll to other displays by pressing the **UP** or **DOWN** button, or you can hit **ENTER** to change the value of the parameter shown in the display.

Once you have entered a parameter to change, the **UP** and **DOWN** button will allow adjustment of these values. Press **ENTER** to select the value you want.

## 3) Advanced:

Press **CUSTOM** and you have four regular Ramp/Soak

programs open for custom programming. Each program has eight segments with a ramp, set point and hold for each segment.

## STANDARD BISQUE PROGRAMS

Slow, Medium and Fast Settings for the Bisque programs:

Note: Final temperatures are based on Orton cone charts. For instance, Cone 04 is 1945° F and Cone 06 is 1828° F. The second-to-last temperature is the cone temperature minus 256° F.

**Note: Seg 1 is the candling segment (skipped if candling set to “0”).**

### Slow Bisque (Default Bisque Program):

Δ04 Standard Slow Bisque – SEGS-6 (6 segments)

Seg 1-	10 Hrs	RA1 - 25°F/Hr	◦ F1-150°F	HOLD- 7.0
Seg 2-	4.15 Hrs	RA2 - 100°F	◦ F2-185°F	HOLD- 3.0
Seg 3-	4.10 Hrs	RA3 - 200°F	◦ F3-1000°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 4-	1.00 Hrs	RA4 - 100°F	◦ F4-1100°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 5-	2.50 Hrs	RA5 - 200°F	◦ F5-1689°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 6-	3.00 Hrs	RA6 - 108°F	◦ F6-1945°F	HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 24.75 HRS**

### Medium Speed Bisque:

Δ04 Standard Medium Bisque – SEGS-6 (6 segments)

Seg 1-	0.88 Hrs	RA1 - 80°F	◦ F1-150°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 2-	0.44 Hrs	RA2 - 80°F	◦ F2-185°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 3-	2.5 Hrs	RA3 - 80°F	◦ F3-250°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 4-	3 Hrs	RA4 - 250°F	◦ F4-1000°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 5-	3.78 Hrs	RA5 - 180°F	◦ F5-1689°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 6-	1.00 Hrs	RA6 - 108°F	◦ F6-1945°F	HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 11.60 HRS**

### Fast Speed Bisque:

Δ04 Standard Fast Bisque – SEGS-6 (6 segments)

Seg 1-	0.47 Hrs	RA1 - 150°F	◦ F1-150°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 2-	0.23 Hrs	RA2 - 150°F	◦ F2-185°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 3-	1.26 Hrs	RA3 - 150°F	◦ F3-250°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 4-	2.83 Hrs	RA4 - 300°F	◦ F4-1100°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 5-	1.34 Hrs	RA5 - 400°F	◦ F5-1689°F	HOLD- 00.00
Seg 6-	1.41 Hrs	RA6 - 108°F	◦ F6-1945°F	HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 7.54 HRS**

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## STANDARD GLAZE PROGRAMS

Slow, Medium and Fast Settings for the Glaze programs:

Note: Seg 1 is the candling segment (skipped if candling set to "0").

### Slow Glaze:

Δ06 Slow Glaze – SEGS-3 (3 segments)

Seg 1- 1.26 Hrs RA1 - 400°F ◦ F1-250°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 4.17 Hrs RA2 - 400°F ◦ F2-1572°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 1.57 Hrs RA3 - 128°F ◦ F3-1828°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 7 HRS**

### Medium Glaze (Default Glaze Program):

Δ06 Medium Glaze – SEGS-3 (3 segments)

Seg 1- 0 Hrs RA1 - 400°F ◦ F1-185°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 3.75 Hrs RA2 - 400°F ◦ F1-1572°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 1.66 Hrs RA3 - 150°F ◦ F2-1828°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 5.41 HRS**

### Fast Glaze:

Δ06 Fast Glaze – SEGS-3 (3 segments)

Seg 1- 0 Hrs RA1 - 570°F ◦ F1-185°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 2.63 Hrs RA2 - 570°F ◦ F2-1572°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 1.25 Hrs RA3 - 200°F ◦ F3-1828°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 3.88 HRS**

## SIMPLE COOL DOWN SPEEDS

Note: These are entered as one of the simple parameters.

### Cool Down options are as follows:

Slow = 125°F/hour

Med = 250°F/hour

Fast = 500°F/hour

## PREPROGRAMMED CUSTOM PROGRAMS

There are four programs that can be fully customized. Three of these have been programmed by the factory to simplify the first firing process. Once this process has been completed they may be reprogrammed at will.

### CUSTOM PROGRAM 1:

Standard First Firing Program:

Δ5 Standard Slow Bisque – SEGS-5 (5 segments)

Seg 1- 2.15 Hrs RA1 - 80°F ◦ F1-250°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 3.75 Hrs RA2 - 200°F ◦ F2-1000°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 1.00 Hrs RA3 - 100-°F ◦ F3-1100°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 4- 4.58 Hrs RA4 - 180-°F ◦ F4-1915°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 5- 3.12 Hrs RA5 - 80-°F ◦ F5-2165°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 15.6 HRS**

### CUSTOM PROGRAM 2:

Split First Firing (First Segment):

Seg 1- 2.15 Hrs RA1 - 80°F ◦ F1-250°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 3.75 Hrs RA2 - 200°F ◦ F2-1000°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 1.00 Hrs RA3 - 100-°F ◦ F3-1100°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 4- 2.22 Hrs RA4 - 180-°F ◦ F4-1500°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 9.12 HRS**

### CUSTOM PROGRAM 3:

Split First Firing (Second Segment):

Seg 1- 0.85 Hrs RA1 - 200°F ◦ F1-250°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 2- 2.50 Hrs RA2 - 500°F ◦ F2-1500°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 3- 2.30 Hrs RA3 - 180-°F ◦ F3-1915°F HOLD- 00.00  
Seg 4- 3.12 Hrs RA4 - 80-°F ◦ F4-2165°F HOLD- 00.00

**TOTAL FIRING TIME = 8.77 HRS**

### CUSTOM PROGRAM 4

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## CUSTOM RAMP/HOLD PROGRAMMING

Each fully customizable program has eight segments. Each segment has a ramp, a hold and a temperature set point.

### STEP BY STEP DESCRIPTION

**1. START.** Start with the display reading **IdLE** and flashing a temperature or **StOP** and temperature.

**2. CHOOSE CUSTOM PROGRAMMING.** Select **CUSTOM**. See **CUS<sub>t</sub>**. Press **ENTER**.

**3. PICK A PROGRAM.** You will see **CUS<sub>1</sub>**, **CUS<sub>2</sub>**, **CUS<sub>3</sub>** or **CUS<sub>4</sub>**. These are the four custom programs. You can scroll to other ones with the **UP** and **DOWN** button. Select one with the **ENTER** button.

**4. IF YOU WANT TO REUSE A PREVIOUS PROGRAM.** To reuse a previously entered program, simply press **ENTER** for each value. To change a program, just adjust the displayed value.

**5. SPECIFY NUMBER OF SEGMENTS.** Once you have chosen a program, you need to specify the total number of segments that you will use. All programs consist of 1 or more segments, as shown in the sample profiles in this manual. Each segment has 3 parts: a ramp rate (speed of temperature rise in degrees per hour), hold temperature, and hold time at hold temperature. It is helpful to draw your profile to see how many segments you will need. Then, use the arrow keys to display the desired number of segments, and press enter to store the value.

**6. ENTER RAMP RATE.** You will see **rA<sub>1</sub>**, followed by a value like **150**. The **rA<sub>1</sub>** stands for Ramp One. The value represents a rate of temperature rise expressed in degrees per hour (either Degrees F or Degrees C depending on how you have set up your control). Use the arrow keys to adjust the rate and press **ENTER** to store the value.

To help you visualize what is typical of various ramps: slow rates range from 1-50 degrees per hour, and are used for thick glass projects. Medium rates range from 60 to 200 degrees per hour, and are used for thick, hand-built ceramics. Fast rates range from 250–1000 degrees per hour, and are used for glazes, thin ceramics

and small glass projects. A rate of 9999 sets the kiln to ramp as fast as possible. Also, see the various ramps in the standard programs for an idea of what works.

**7. ENTER HOLD TEMPERATURE.** You will see **°F<sub>1</sub>** followed by a value like **0300**. The **°F<sub>1</sub>** stands for Temperature One. For a single segment program, this is the top temperature of the firing. For multi-segment programs, this can be a temperature where you want to hold to dry the ware or for carbon burn-out, or equalize the temperature across the item or it can be where you just want to switch ramp rates without a hold. Adjust the temperature with the arrow keys and press enter to store the displayed value.

**8. ENTER HOLD TIME.** You will see **HLd<sub>1</sub>** followed by a value like **00:00**. The **HLd<sub>1</sub>** stands for Hold One. Use the arrow keys to adjust the hold time at the soak temperature. Hours are displayed to the left of the decimal point and minutes to the right (HH.mm). Use a zero (**00.00**) hold time to change rates and move to the next segment. Drying ware can take several hours, while holds at peak temperature usually range 10–15 minutes to even out the kiln.

**9. REPEAT STEPS 6-8** for each segment. For segment two, the display will read **rA<sub>2</sub>**, **°F<sub>2</sub>** and **HLd<sub>2</sub>** etc.

**10. DISPLAY WILL SHOW FIRE** (ready to fire) when all segments have been entered. Press **ENTER** to start the firing.

**11. SET A DELAY IF YOU WANT TO.** If you want to set a delay, you can do it when the display says **FIRE**. You can add a delay time to the program by pressing the **DOWN** arrow when you see **FIRE** and before you press **ENTER**. After you press the **DELAY** button you will see **dELA** flashing with a time value, typically **00.00** which represents 00 hours and 00 minutes. After you see this flashing display, you can press the **UP** or **DOWN** button to adjust the time. Once you have the value you want, press **ENTER** and you will see **FIRE** again. (This will delay the start of the actual firing by the number of minutes and hours that you have chosen.)

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**12. REVIEW PROGRAM.** Press the **REVIEW** button to review the program. You can do this when you see the **FIRE** display, **CUS1**, **CUS2**, **CUS3**, **CUS4** or while firing. The display will scroll through the name of the program (i.e. **CUS4**), then the number of segments, then all the ramps, temperatures and holds in sequence.

**13. COMPLETE.** When the program is complete, you will see **CPLt**. If the Beep option has been turned to “**On**” then the control will beep about 15 times. If it was set for “**OFF**,” then there will be no beeping. If it was set for “**FULL**,” it will beep until a button is pressed.

## KILN OPERATION DURING A CUSTOM FIRING PROGRAM

At the start of a firing, the controller sets its traveling set point to the current temperature in the kiln. The traveling set point is where the controller wants the kiln temperature to be. The controller will then move the traveling set point up at the programmed rate, and cycle power to the elements to make the temperature follow the traveling set point. You will hear the relays clicking to regulate the kiln temperature. The elements will receive power when the temperature is below the traveling set point. The relays will click off when the temperature is above the traveling set point. The current segment and traveling set point can be viewed by pressing the **UP** arrow during a firing.

### Options During Firing

**Displaying the current set-point and accessing the following options.** During a firing, you may advance from the current segment to the next ramp rate by using Skip Step; or, if you are in a hold period, you may add time and temperature to the hold period. When the **UP** key is pressed during a firing, the current ramp or hold is displayed, followed by the current or traveling set-point, then **SStP** is displayed. If you do not press a key within several seconds, the display will return to showing the current temperature in the kiln.

**Skip Step.** This option allows you to skip from the present segment to the next ramp rate. Press the **UP** key, the display will show the current segment, then the set-point, then **SStP**. When **SStP** is displayed, press **ENTER** to skip to the next ramp rate.

**Add Time to Hold Period** (available only during a hold period). This option allows you to add time in 5 minute increments to a hold (soak) period. During a hold or soak, the temperature in the kiln will be alternating in the display with the remaining hold time. When in a hold period, press the **UP** key. When **SStP** is displayed, press the **UP** key again and **tME** will be displayed. Press **ENTER** and 5 minutes will be added to the hold time. You may use this procedure as many times as necessary to get the hold time that you want.

**Add Temperature to Hold Period** (available only during a hold period). This option allows you to add temperature in 5 degree increments to a hold (soak) period. During a hold or soak, the temperature in the kiln will be alternating in the display with the remaining hold time. When in a hold period, press the **UP** key. When **SStP** is displayed, press the **UP** key twice more and **tMP** will be displayed. Press **ENTER** and 5 minutes will be added to the hold time. You may use the add temperature procedure as many times as necessary to get the hold temperature desired.

## OPTIONS

Options are accessed by holding the **ENTER** key while turning the power onto the control. This activates the Options Menu.

The first thing you will see is **LL - F**.

Then you will see **EdIt**.

**Sound:** Beeping on or off at end of program. The first thing to change is the action of the beeper. **OFF** turns off the beeper. **FULL** makes the beeper stay on until any button is pushed. **On** makes the beeper sound 15 times and then turn off.

**Maximum Temperature:** **1700**, **2000**, and **2280** are options, in Deg F. Certain controls (One-Touch-10 models) have a maximum temperature limit of **2350**.

**Temperature Indication:** **°F** (Deg F) or **°C** (Deg C). When you are in Deg C, you will always see a little dot in the display at the bottom right to remind you.

**TC offset:** **OFFS** (+/- 99 deg). Display shows **OFFS**. Press the **UP** arrow to enter a positive offset. Press the **DOWN** arrow to add a negative sign to the offset, and

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then the **UP** arrow to add negative offset to the control. The control comes with a pre-programmed +18 Deg F offset to compensate for the thermocouple protection tube.

## MESSAGES

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### Messages and their Meaning

**CPLt** Firing Cycle Complete (firing time is alternately displayed).

**dELA** Delay. Displays when entering the delay time (hour:minutes) until the start of the firing.

**DLy** Delay. Alternates with the remaining delay time until the start of the kiln.

**°F#** Segment temperature in °F–Set temperature for a user program. (# stands for numbers 1 through 8)

**°C#** Segment temperature in °C–Set temperature for a user program. A decimal point will display in lower right corner. (# stands for numbers 1 through 8)

**EdIt** Edit the default options (beeping at complete, temperature scale, cone fire, delay, maximum programmable temperature)

**ErrP** There has been a power interruption that has stopped the firing. Press any key to clear.

**FiRE** Ready to fire current program. Press **START** to begin firing.

**FULL** Beeps continuously at end of firing until a key is pressed.

**HLd#** Soak time in hours:minutes at a hold temperature. (# stands for numbers 1 through 8)

**LL-F** This comes on when you first turn on the control.

**OFF** No beeping when firing is complete.

**On** Beeps for 15 seconds at end of firing.

**rA#** Ramp Number (rate per hour of temperature increase or decrease). (# stands for numbers 1 through 8)

**SEG** Short for Segments. You can enter up to 8 segments in a program.

**SStP** Skip Step (used to advance to the next ramp)

**StOP** The kiln is at idle and ready to be programmed. Message alternates with the current kiln temperature.

**CUS1, CUS2, CUS3, CUS4** Custom program number displayed.

## ERROR CODES

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**tC FAIL** **tC** alternating with **FAIL** indicates the thermocouple has failed. Replace the defective thermocouple. To clear the error, press any key.

**Errd** Displayed whenever the kiln temperature is 100°F above the traveling set-point, which is the current desired temperature in the kiln. The traveling set-point will increase or decrease according to the programmed rate.

**Errl** Displayed whenever the kiln temperature is rising during an up ramp slower than 15°F/hr. If this rate continues for 8 minutes the firing will be stopped. **Errl** may be an indication that the elements are worn or that a relay has stopped working.

**ErrP** Displayed whenever there is a power interruption that is long enough to stop the firing. If the power interruption is brief, the kiln will continue to fire when power is restored; in this case, there will be no indication of a power failure. To clear the error, press any key.

**ErrF** Displayed whenever the kiln temperature is decreasing during a down ramp slower than 15°F/hr. If this rate continues for 8 minutes the firing will be stopped. **ErrF** may be an indication that a relay has stuck in the on position.

**tC--** The red and yellow thermocouple wires are reversed.

## SOFTWARE VERSION

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These instructions apply to software version **LL-G**. You will see this code flash when you first turn on the control.