

# Drum Instruction Programming

**(DL450 CPU only)**

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## Introduction

### Purpose

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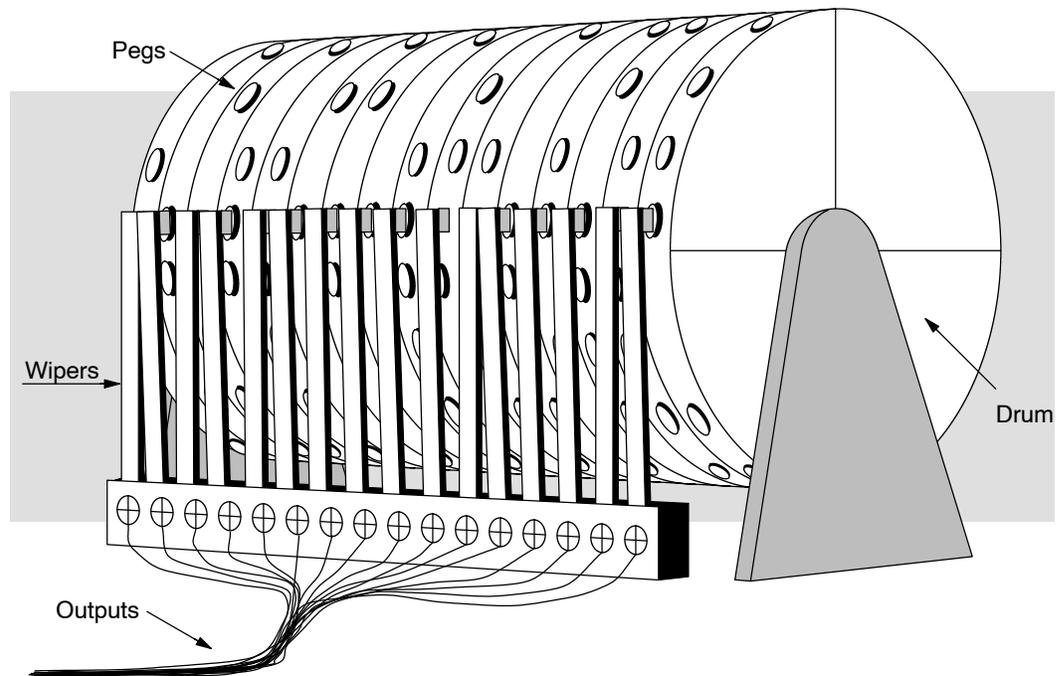
### Drum Terminology

The four drum instructions available in the DL450 CPU electronically simulate an electro-mechanical drum sequencer. The instructions offer slight variations on the basic principle, which we describe first.

Drum instructions are best suited for repetitive processes that consist of a finite number of steps. They can do the work of many rungs of ladder logic with elegant simplicity. Therefore, drums can save a lot of programming and debugging time.

We introduce some terminology associated with drum instructions by describing the original electro-mechanical drum pictured below. The mechanical **drum** generally has pegs on its curved surface. The pegs are populated in a particular **pattern**, representing a set of desired actions for machine control. A motor or solenoid rotates the drum a precise amount at specific times. During rotation, stationary wipers sense the presence of pegs (present = on, absent = off). This interaction makes or breaks electrical contact with the wipers, creating electrical **outputs** from the drum. The outputs are wired to devices on a machine for On/Off control.

Drums usually have a finite number of positions within one rotation, called **steps**. Each step represents some process step. At powerup, the drum **resets** to a particular step. The drum rotates from one step to the next based on a **timer**, or on some external **event**. During special conditions, a machine operator can manually increment the drum step using a **jog** control on the drum's drive mechanism. The contact closure of each wiper generates a unique on/off pattern called a **sequence**, designed for controlling a specific machine. Because the drum is circular, it automatically repeats the sequence once per rotation. Applications vary greatly, and a particular drum may rotate once per second, or as slowly as once per week.



Electronic drums provide the benefits of mechanical drums and more. For example, they have a **preset** feature that is impossible for mechanical drums: The preset function lets you move from the present step *directly* to any other step on command!

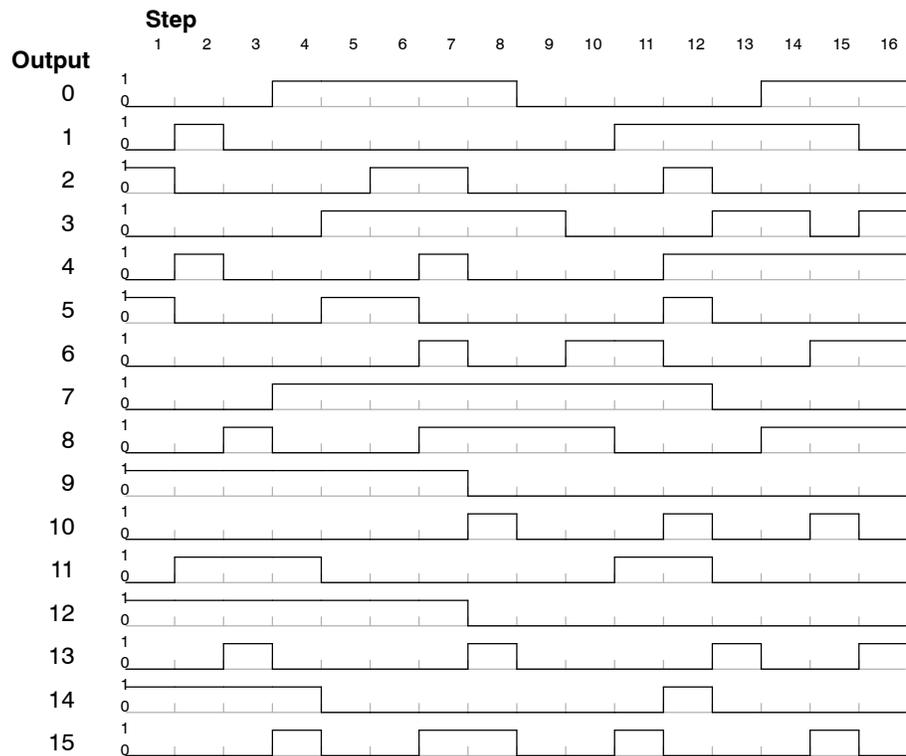
**Drum Chart Representation**

For editing purposes, the electronic drum is presented in chart form in *DirectSOFT* and in this manual. Imagine slicing the surface of a hollow drum cylinder between two rows of pegs, then pressing it flat. Now you can view the drum as a chart as shown below. Each row represents a step, numbered 1 through 16. Each column represents an output, numbered 0 through 15 (to match word bit numbering). The solid circles in the chart represent pegs (On state) in the mechanical drum, and the open circles are empty peg sites (Off state).

STEP	OUTPUTS															
	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	○	●	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
3	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
7	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
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11	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
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16	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

**Output Sequences**

The mechanical drum sequencer derives its name from sequences of control changes on its electrical outputs. The following figure shows the sequence of On/Off controls generated by the drum pattern above. Compare the two, and you will find that they are equivalent! If you can see their equivalence, you are well on your way to understanding drum instruction operation.



## Step Transitions

### Drum Instruction Types

Drum instructions in the DL450 CPU consist of four types:

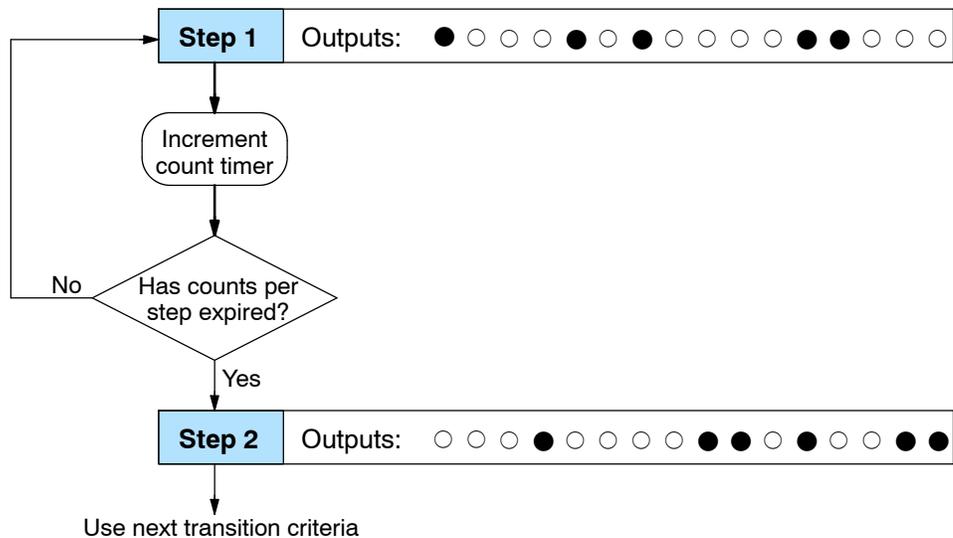
- Timed Drum with Discrete Outputs (DRUM)
- Time and Event Drum with Discrete Outputs (EDRUM)
- Masked Event Drum with Discrete Outputs (MDRMD)
- Masked Event Drum with Word Output (MDRMW)

The four drum instructions include time-based step transitions, and three include event-based transitions as well. Other options include outputs defined as a single word or as individual bits, and an output mask (individual output disable/enable).

Each drum has 16 steps, and each step has 16 outputs. Referring to the figure below, each output can be either an X, Y, or C coil, offering programming flexibility. Step 1 has been assigned an arbitrary, unique, output pattern (○= Off, ●= On) as shown.

### Timer-Only Transitions

Drums move from one step to another based on time and/or an external event (input). Each step has its own transition condition which you assign during the drum instruction entry. The figure below shows how timer-only transitions work.



The drum remains in Step 1 for a specific duration (user-programmable). The timebase of the timer is programmable, from 0.01 seconds to 99.99 seconds. This establishes the resolution, or the duration of each “tick of the clock”. Each step uses the same timebase, but has its own unique counts per step, which you program. The drum spends a specific amount of time in each step, given by the formula:

$$\text{Time in step} = 0.01 \text{ seconds} \times \text{Timebase} \times \text{Counts per step}$$

For example, if you program a 5 second time base and 12 counts for Step 1, then the drum will spend 60 seconds in Step 1. The maximum time for any step is given by the formula:

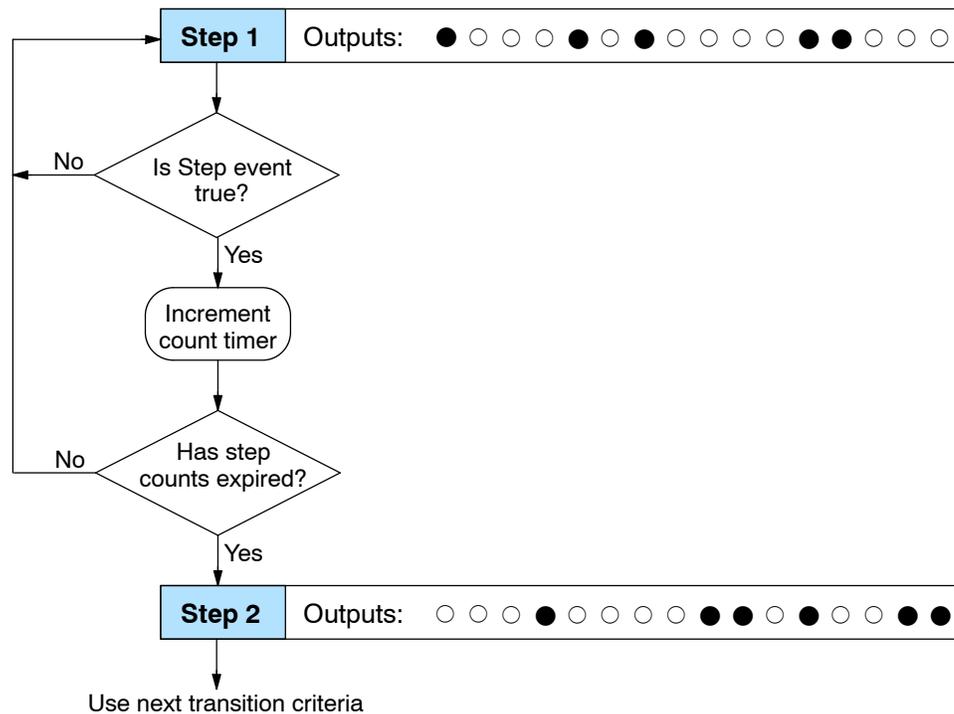
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Max Time per step} &= 0.01 \text{ seconds} \times 9999 \times 9999 \\ &= 999,800 \text{ seconds} = 277.7 \text{ hours} = 11.6 \text{ days} \end{aligned}$$



**NOTE:** When first choosing the timebase resolution, a good rule of thumb is to make it about 1/10 the duration of the shortest step in your drum. Then you will be able to optimize the duration of that step in 10% increments. Other steps with longer durations allow optimizing by even smaller increments (percentage-wise). Also, note that the drum instruction executes once per CPU scan. Therefore, it is pointless to specify a drum timebase that is much faster than the CPU scan time.

**Timer and Event Transitions**

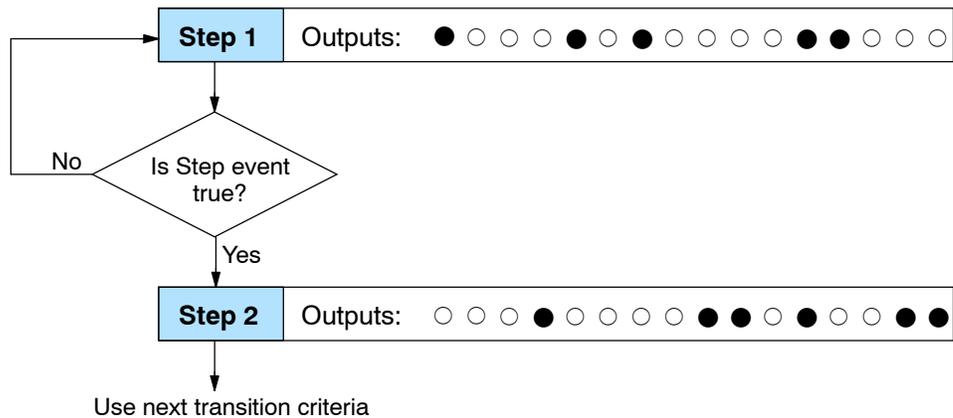
Time and Event Drums move from step to step based on time and/or external events. The figure below shows how step transitions work for these drums.



When the drum enters Step 1, it sets the output pattern as shown. Then it begins polling the external input programmed for that step. You can define event inputs as X, Y, or C discrete point types. Suppose we select X0 for the Step 1 event input. If X0 is off, then the drum remains in Step 1. When X0 is On, the event criteria is met and the timer increments. The timer increments as long as the event remains true. When the counts for Step 1 have expired, then the drum moves to Step 2. The outputs change immediately to match the new pattern for Step 2.

### Event-Only Transitions

Step transitions do not require both the event and the timer criteria to be programmed for each step. You have the option of programming just one of the two, and even mixing transition types among all the steps of the drum. For example, you might want Step 1 to transition on an event, Step 2 to transition on time only, and Step 3 to transition on both time and an event. Furthermore, you may elect to use only part of the 16 steps, and only part of the 16 outputs.



### Counter Assignments

**Each drum instruction uses the resources of four counters in the CPU.** When programming the drum instruction, you select the first counter number. The drum also uses the next three counters automatically. The counter bit associated with the first counter turns on when the drum has completed its cycle, going off when the drum is reset. These counter values and counter bit precisely indicate the progress of the drum instruction, and can be monitored by your ladder program.

Suppose we program a timer drum to have 8 steps, and we select CT10 for the counter number (remember, counter numbering is in octal). Counter usage is shown to the right. The right column holds typical values, interpreted below.

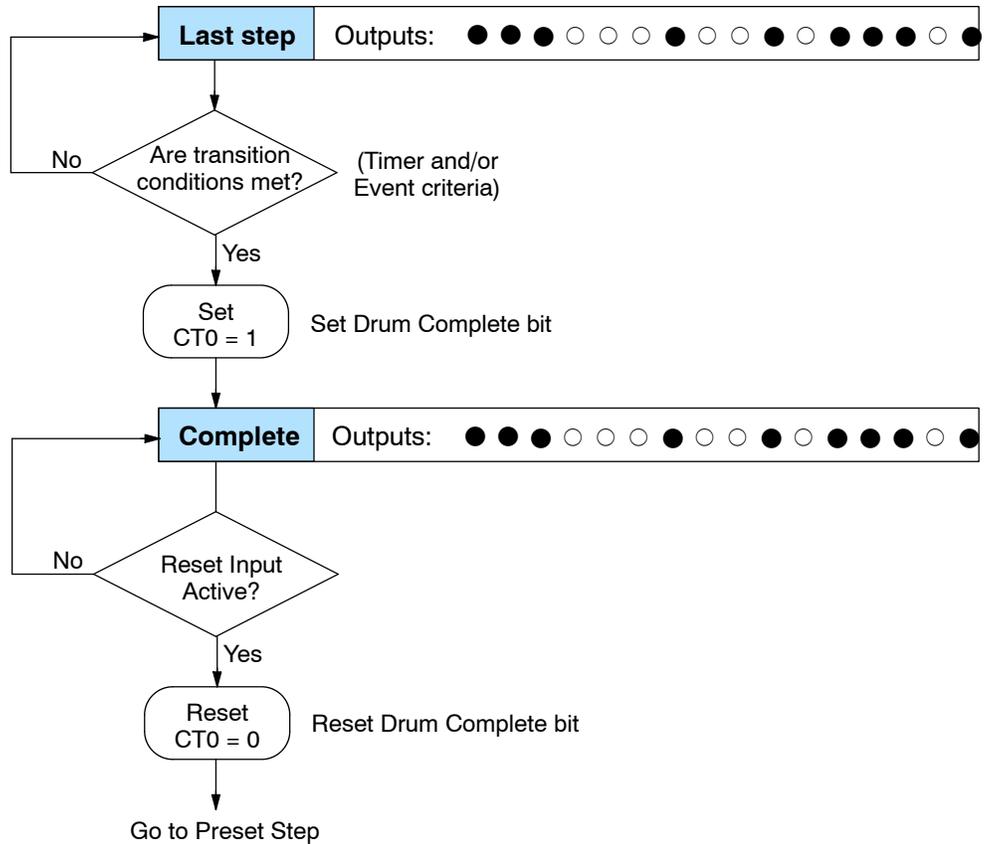
**Counter Assignments**

<b>CT10</b>	Counts in step	V1010	1528
<b>CT11</b>	Timer Value	V1011	0200
<b>CT12</b>	Preset Step	V1012	0001
<b>CT13</b>	Current Step	V1013	0004

CT10 shows that we are at the 1528th count in the current step, which is step 4 (shown in CT13). If we have programmed step 4 to have 3000 counts, then the step is just over half completed. CT11 is the count timer, shown in units of 0.01 seconds. So, each least-significant-digit change represents 0.01 seconds. The value of 200 means that we have been in the current count (1528) for 2 seconds (0.01 x 100). Finally, CT12 holds the preset step value which was programmed into the drum instruction. When the drum's Reset input is active, it presets to step 1 in this case. The value of CT12 does not change without a program edit. Counter bit CT10 turns on when the drum cycle is complete, and turns off when the drum is reset.

**Last Step Completion**

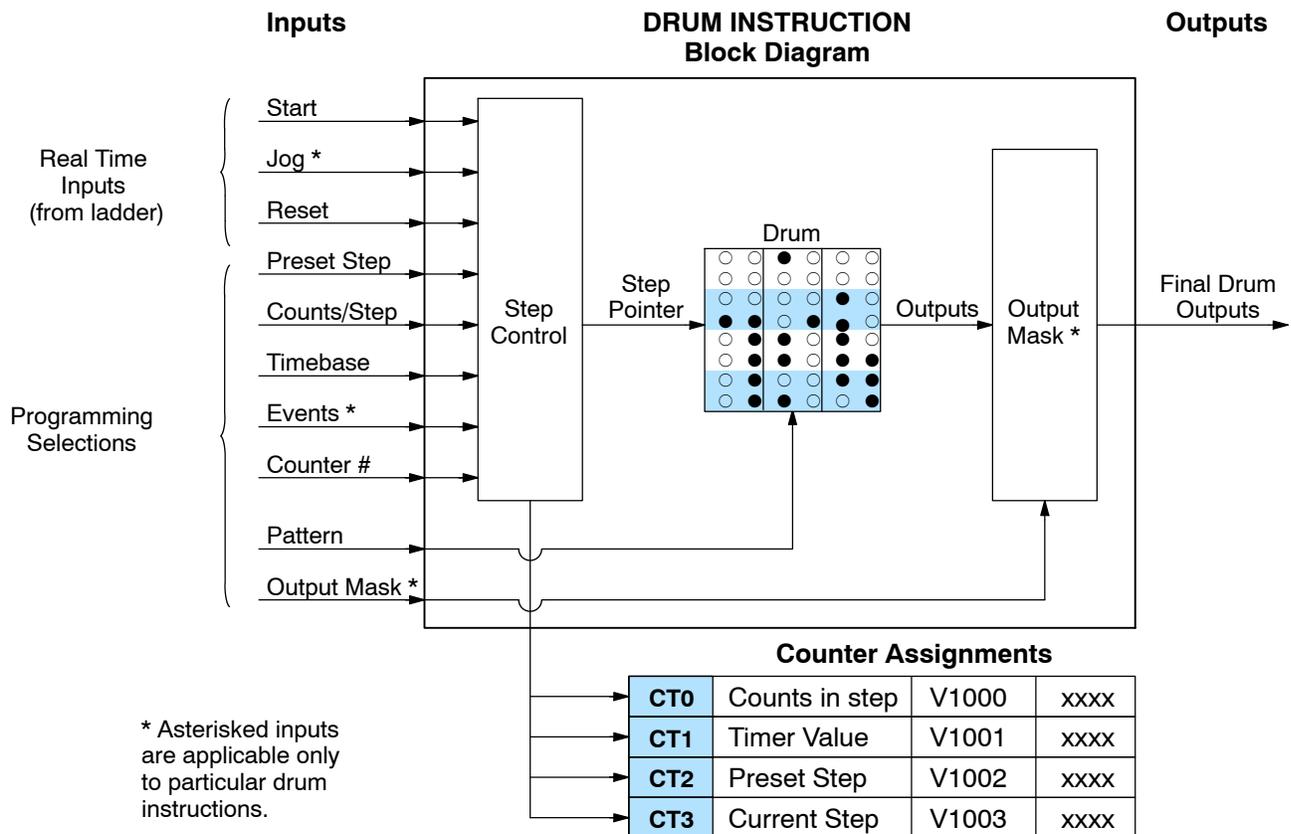
The last step in a drum sequence may be any step number, since partial drums are valid. Refer to the following figure. When the transition conditions of the last step are satisfied, the drum sets the counter bit corresponding to the counter named in the drum instruction box (such as CT0). Then it moves to a final “drum complete” state. The drum outputs remain in the pattern defined for the last step (including any output mask logic). Having finished a drum cycle, the Start and Jog inputs have no effect at this point. The drum leaves the “drum complete” state when the Reset input becomes active (or on a program-to-run mode transition). It resets the drum complete bit (such as CT0), and then goes directly to the appropriate step number defined as the preset step.



## Overview of Drum Operation

### Drum Instruction Block Diagram

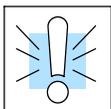
The drum instruction utilizes various inputs and outputs in addition to the drum pattern itself. Refer to the figure below.



The drum instruction accepts several inputs for step control, the main control of the drum. The inputs and their functions are:

- **Start** - The Start input is effective only when Reset is off. When Start is on, the drum timer runs if it is in a timed transition, and the drum looks for the input event during event transitions. When Start is off, the drum freezes in its current state (Reset must remain off), and the drum outputs maintain their current on/off pattern.
- **Jog** - The jog input is only effective when Reset is off (Start may be either on or off). The jog input increments the drum to the next step on each off-to-on transition. Note that only the basic timer drum does not have a jog input.
- **Reset** - The Reset input has priority over the Start input. When Reset is on, the drum moves to its preset step. When Reset is off, then the Start input operates normally.
- **Preset Step** - A step number from 1 to 16 that you define (typically is step 1). The drum moves to this step whenever Reset is on, and whenever the CPU first enters run mode.

- **Counts/Step** - The number of timer counts the drum spends in each step. Each step has its own counts parameter. However, programming the counts/step is optional on Timer/Event drums.
- **Timer Value** - the current value of the counts/step timer.
- **Counter #** - The counter number specifies the first of four consecutive counters which the drum uses for step control. You can monitor these to determine the drum's progress through its control cycle.
- **Events** - Either an X, Y, C, GX, GY, S, C, CT, or SP type discrete point serves as step transition inputs. Each step has its own event. However, programming the event is optional on Timer/Event drums.



**WARNING:** The outputs of a drum are enabled any time the CPU is in Run Mode. The Start Input *does not* have to be on, and the Reset input does not disable the outputs. Upon entering Run Mode, drum outputs automatically turn on or off according to the pattern of the preset step. This includes any effect of the output mask when applicable.

### Powerup State of Drum Registers

The choice of the starting step on powerup and program-to-run mode transitions are important to consider for your application. Please refer to the following chart. If the counter memory is configured as non-retentive, the drum is initialized the same way on every powerup or program-to-run mode transition. However, if the counter memory is configured to be retentive, the drum will stay in its previous state.

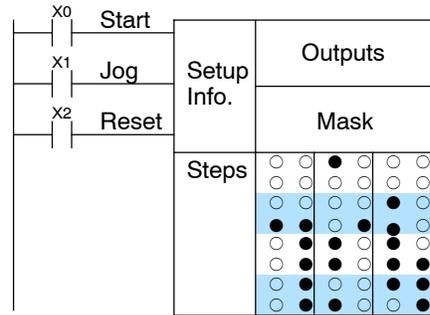
Counter Number	Function	Initialization on Powerup	
		Non-Retentive Case	Retentive Case
CTA(n)	Current Step Count	Initialize = 0	Use Previous (no change)
CTA(n + 1)	Counter Timer Value	Initialize = 0	Use Previous (no change)
CTA(n + 2)	Preset Step	Initialize = Preset Step #	Use Previous (no change)
CTA(n + 3)	Current Step #	Initialize = Preset Step #	Use Previous (no change)

Applications with relatively fast drum cycle times typically will need to be reset on powerup, using the non-retentive option. Applications with relatively long drum cycle times may need to resume at the previous point where operations stopped, using the retentive case. The default option is the retentive case. This means that if you initialize scratchpad V-memory, the memory will be retentive.

### Drum Control Techniques

#### Drum Control Inputs

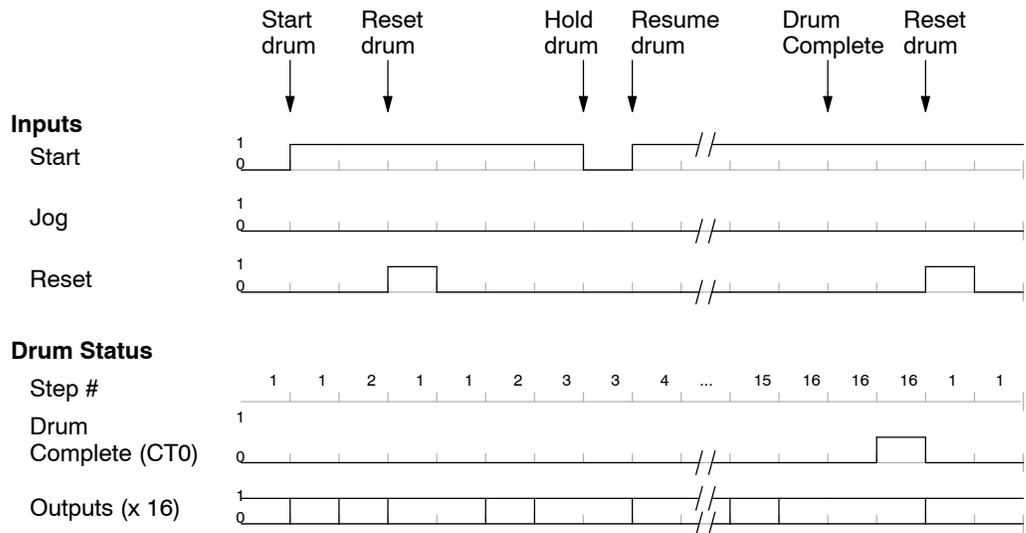
Now we are ready to put together the concepts on the previous pages and demonstrate general control of the drum instruction box. The drawing to the right shows a simplified generic drum instruction. Inputs from ladder logic control the Start, Jog, and Reset Inputs. The first counter bit of the drum (CT0, for example) indicates the drum cycle is done.



The timing diagram below shows an arbitrary timer drum input sequence and how the drum responds. As the CPU enters run mode it initializes the step number to the preset step number (typically is Step 1). When the Start input goes high the drum begins running, looking for an event and/or running the count timer (depending on the drum type and setup).

After the drum enters Step 2, Reset turns On while Start is still On. Since Reset has priority over Start, the drum goes to the preset step (Step 1). Note that the drum is *held* in the preset step during Reset, and that step *does not run* (respond to events or run the timer) until Reset turns off.

After the drum has entered step 3, the Start input goes off momentarily, halting the drum's timer until Start turns on again.



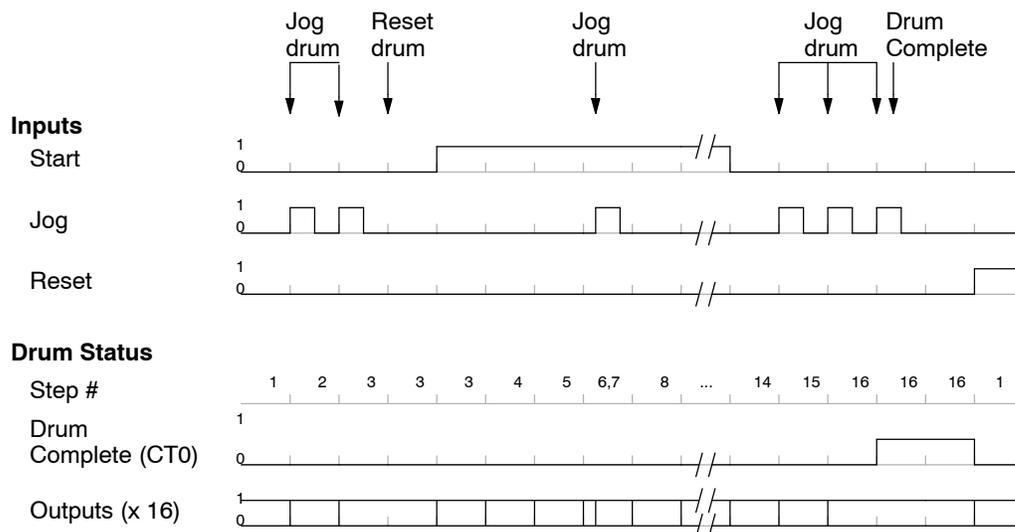
When the drum completes the last step (Step 16 in this example), the Drum Complete bit (CT0) turns on, and the step number remains at 16. When the Reset input turns on, it turns off the Drum Complete bit (CT0), and forces the drum to enter the preset step.

**NOTE:** The timing diagram shows all steps using equal time durations. Step times can vary greatly, depending on the counts/step programmed.



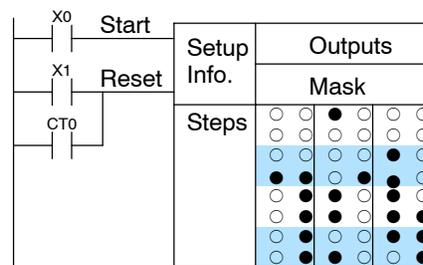
In the figure below, we focus on how the Jog input works on event drums. To the left of the diagram, note that the off-to-on transitions of the Jog input increments the step. Start may be either on or off (however, Reset must be off). Two jogs takes the drum to step three. Next, the Start input turns on, and the drum begins running normally. During step 6 another Jog input signal occurs. This increments the drum to step 7, setting the timer to 0. The drum begins running immediately in step 7, because Start is already on. The drum advances to step 8 normally.

As the drum enters step 14, the Start input turns off. Two more Jog signals moves the drum to step 16. However, note that a third Jog signal is required to move the drum through step 16 to “drum complete”. Finally, a Reset input signal arrives which forces the drum into the preset step and turns off the drum complete bit.



**Self-Resetting Drum**

Applications often require drums that automatically start over once they complete a cycle. This is easily accomplished, using the drum complete bit. In the figure to the right, the drum instruction setup is for CT0, so we logically OR the drum complete bit (CT0) with the Reset input. When the last step is done, the drum turns on CT0 which resets itself to the preset step, also resetting CT0. Contact X1 still works as a manual reset.



**Initializing Drum Outputs**

The outputs of a drum are enabled any time the CPU is in run mode. On program-to-run mode transitions, the drum goes to the preset step, and the outputs energize according to the pattern of that step. If your application requires all outputs to be off at powerup make the preset step in the drum a “reset step”, with all outputs off.

**Using Complex Event Step Transitions**

Each event-based transition accepts only one contact reference for the event. However, this does not limit events to just one contact. Just use a control relay contact such as C0 for the step transition event. Elsewhere in the ladder logic you may use C0 as an output coil, making it dependent on many other “events” (contacts).

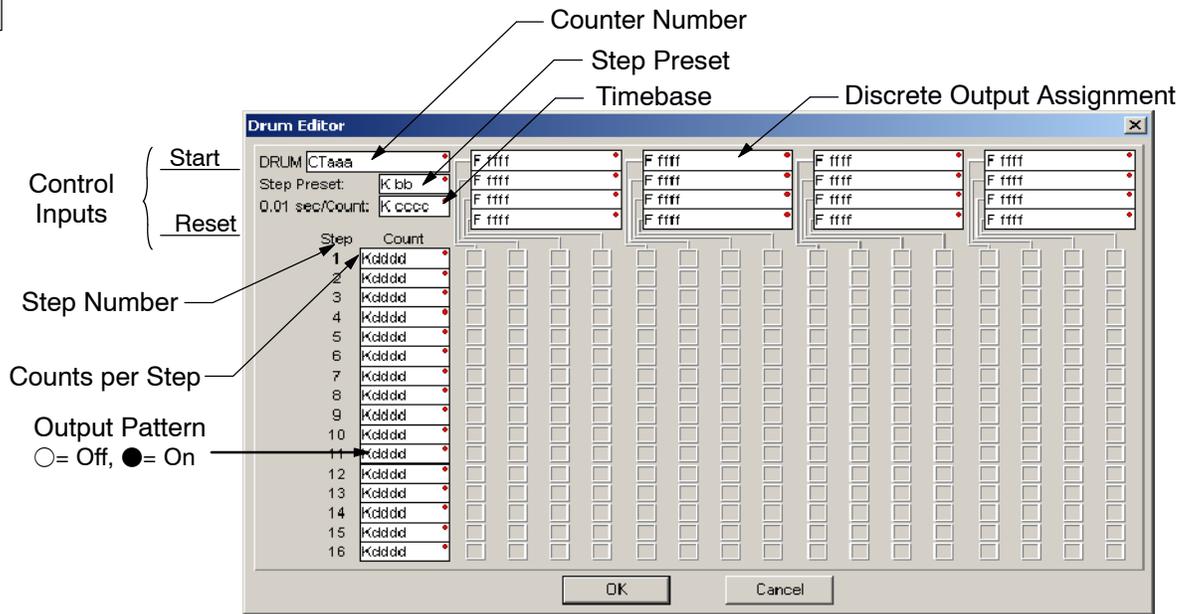
## Drum Instructions

The DL450 drum instructions may be programmed **DirectSOFT**. The EDRUM is the only drum instruction that can be programmed with a handheld programmer (firmware version 5.5 or later). This section covers entry using **DirectSOFT** for all instructions plus the handheld mnemonics for the EDRUM instructions.

### Timed Drum with Discrete Outputs (DRUM)

The Timed Drum with Discrete Outputs is the most basic of the DL450's drum instructions. It operates according to the principles covered on the previous pages. Below is the instruction in chart form as displayed by **DirectSOFT**.

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The Timed Drum features 16 steps and 16 outputs. Step transitions occur only on a timed basis, specified in counts per step. Unused steps must be programmed with “counts per step” = 0 (this is the default entry). The discrete output points may be individually assigned as X, Y, or C types, or may be left unused. The output pattern may be edited graphically with **DirectSOFT**.

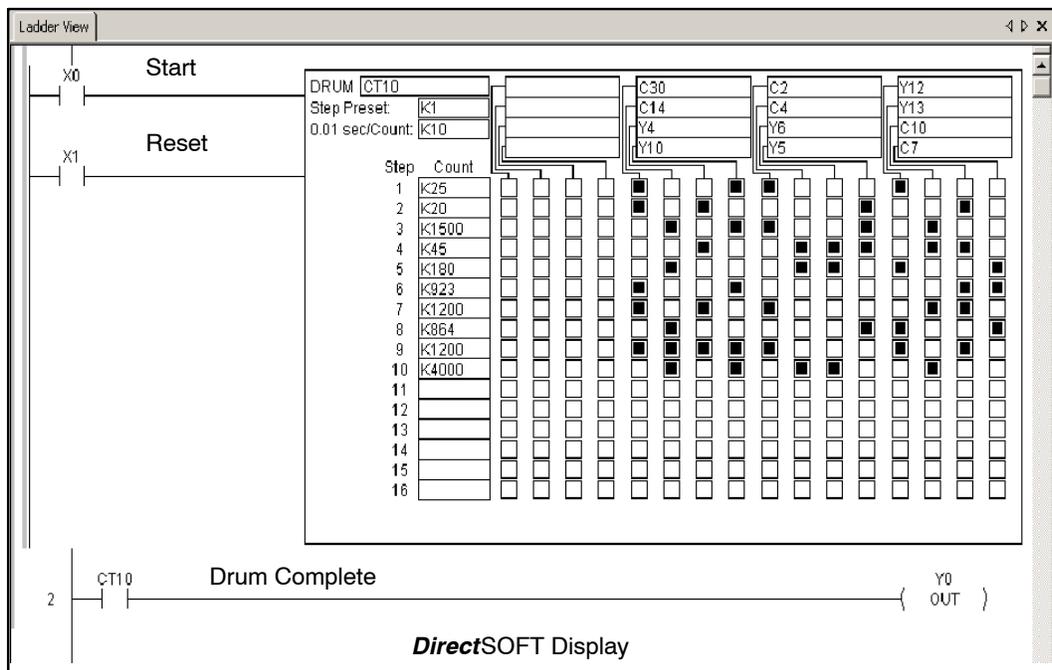
Whenever the Start input is energized, the drum's timer is enabled. It stops when the last step is complete, or when the Reset input is energized. The drum enters the preset step chosen upon a CPU program-to-run mode transition, and whenever the Reset input is energized.

Drum Parameters	Field	Data Types	Ranges
Counter Number	aaa	-	0 - 377
Preset Step	bb	K	1 - 16
Timer base	cc	K	0 - 99.99 seconds
Counts per step	dddd	K	0 - 9999
Discrete Outputs	Ffff	X, Y, C, GX, GY *	see page 3-42

Drum instructions use four counters in the CPU. The ladder program can read the counter values for the drum's status. The ladder program may write a new preset step number to CTA(n+2) at any time. However, the other counters are for monitoring purposes only.

Counter Number	Ranges of (n)	Function	Counter Bit Function
CTA(n)	0 - 374	Counts in step	CTn = Drum Complete
CTA( n+1)	1 - 375	Timer value	CT(n+1) = (not used)
CTA( n+2)	2 -376	Preset Step	CT(n+2) = (not used)
CTA( n+3)	3 -377	Current Step	CT(n+1) = (not used)

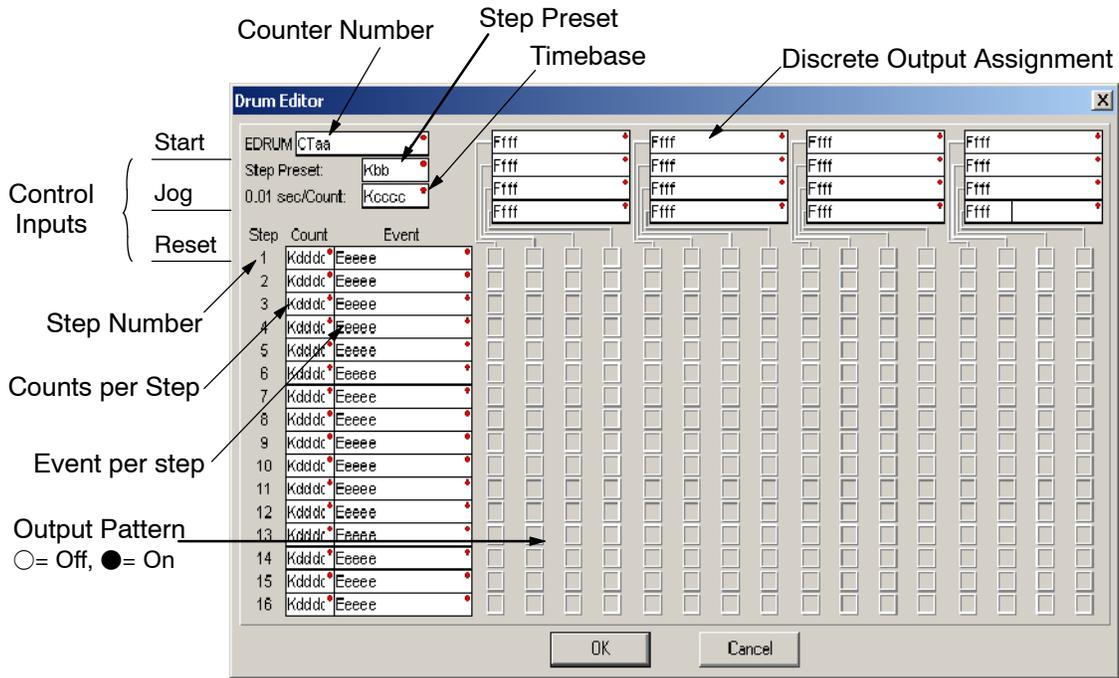
The following ladder program shows the DRUM instruction in a typical ladder program, as shown by *DirectSOFT*. Steps 1 through 10 are used, and twelve of the sixteen output points are used. The preset step is step 1. The timebase runs at  $(K10 \times 0.01) = 0.1$  per count. Therefore, the duration of step 1 is  $(25 \times 0.1) = 2.5$  seconds. In the last rung, the Drum Complete bit (CT10) turns on output Y0 upon completion of the last step (step 10). A drum reset also resets CT10.



### Event Drum (EDRUM)

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The Event Drum features time-based and event-based step transitions. It operates according to the general principles of drum operation covered in the beginning of this section. Below is the instruction as displayed by *DirectSOFT*.



The Event Drum features 16 steps and 16 outputs. Step transitions occur on timed and/or event basis. The jog input also advances the step on each off-to-on transition. Time is specified in counts per step, and events are specified as discrete contacts. Unused steps and events must be left blank. The discrete output points may be individually assigned.

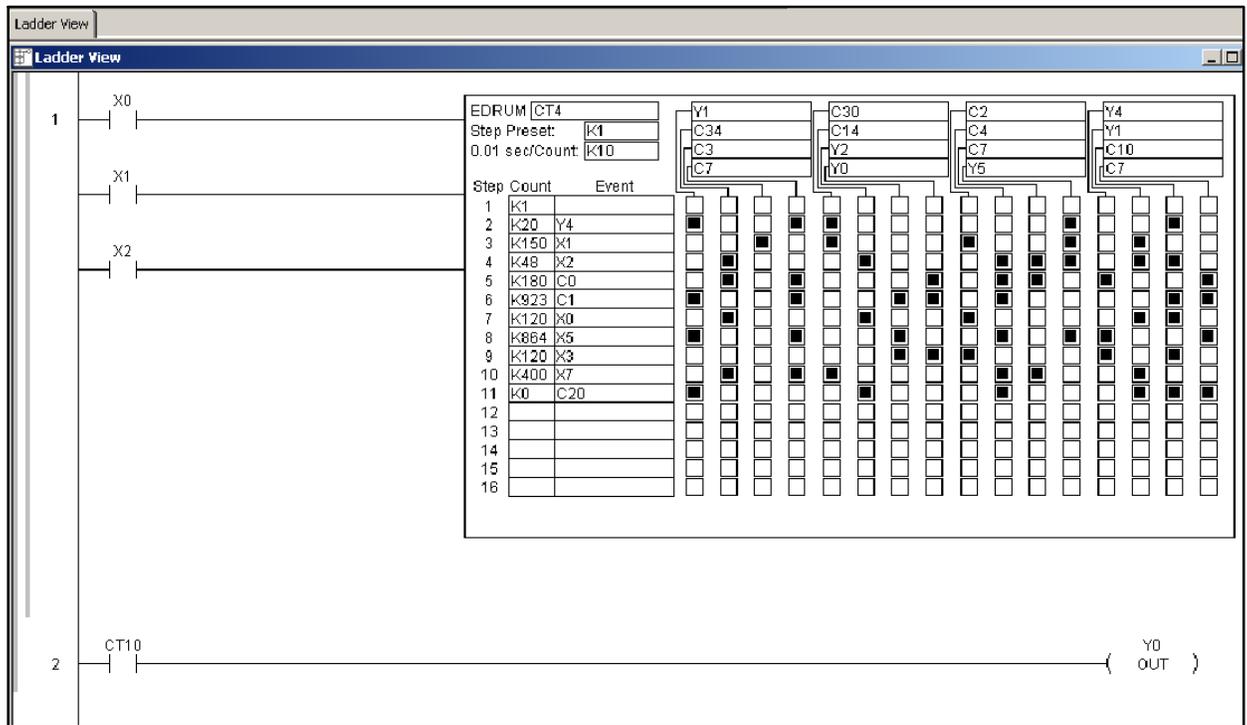
Drum Parameters	Field	Data Types	Ranges
Counter Number	aaa	-	0 - 377
Preset Step	bb	K	1 - 16
Timer base	cc	K	0 - 99.99 seconds
Counts per step	dddd	K	0 - 9999
Event	eeee	X, Y, C, GX, GY, S, T, ST	see page 3-42
Discrete Outputs	Ffff	X, Y, C, GX, GY*	see page 3-42

Whenever the Start input is energized, the drum's timer is enabled. As long as the event is true for the current step, the timer runs during that step. When the step count equals the counts per step, the drum transitions to the next step. This process stops when the last step is complete, or when the Reset input is energized. The drum enters the preset step chosen upon a CPU program-to-run mode transition, and whenever the Reset input is energized.

Drum instructions use four counters in the CPU. The ladder program can read the counter values for the drum's status. The ladder program may write a new preset step number to CTA(n+2) at any time. However, the other counters are for monitoring purposes only.

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CTA( n+1)	1 - 375	Timer value	CT(n+1) = (not used)
CTA( n+2)	2 -376	Preset Step	CT(n+2) = (not used)
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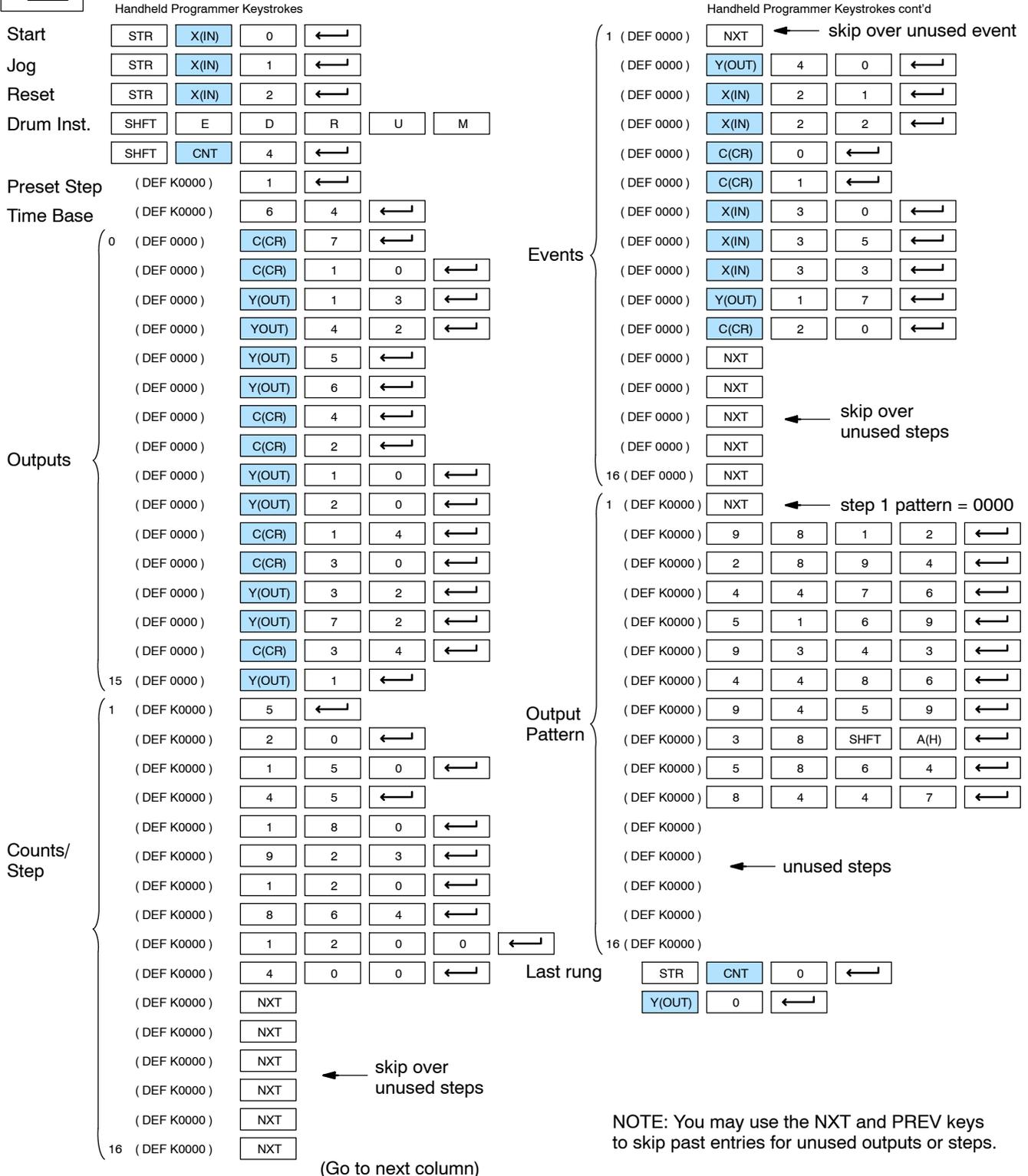
The following ladder program shows the EDRUM instruction in a typical ladder program, as shown by *DirectSOFT*. Steps 1 through 11 are used, and all sixteen output points are used. The preset step is step 1. The timebase runs at (K10 x 0.01) = 0.1 second per count. Therefore, the duration of step 1 is (1 x 0.1) = 0.1 seconds. Note that step 1 is time-based only (event is left blank). And, the output pattern for step 1 programs all outputs off, which is a typically desirable powerup condition. In the last rung, the Drum Complete bit (CT4) turns on output Y0 upon completion of the last step (step 11). A drum reset also resets CT4.



**NOTE:** If all events are true in an event only drum (a drum with 0 counts per step in all steps), the PLC completes one step of the drum per scan; thus, the drum will be complete in 16 scans. However, as the outputs of the drum are enabled any time the CPU is in RUN Mode, the drum discrete outputs will be energized as pulsed outputs for each scan.

The handheld programmer can also enter or edit drum instructions. The diagram below lists the keystrokes for entering the drum example on the previous page.

**NOTE:** Drum editing requires Handheld Programmer firmware version 5.5 or later.

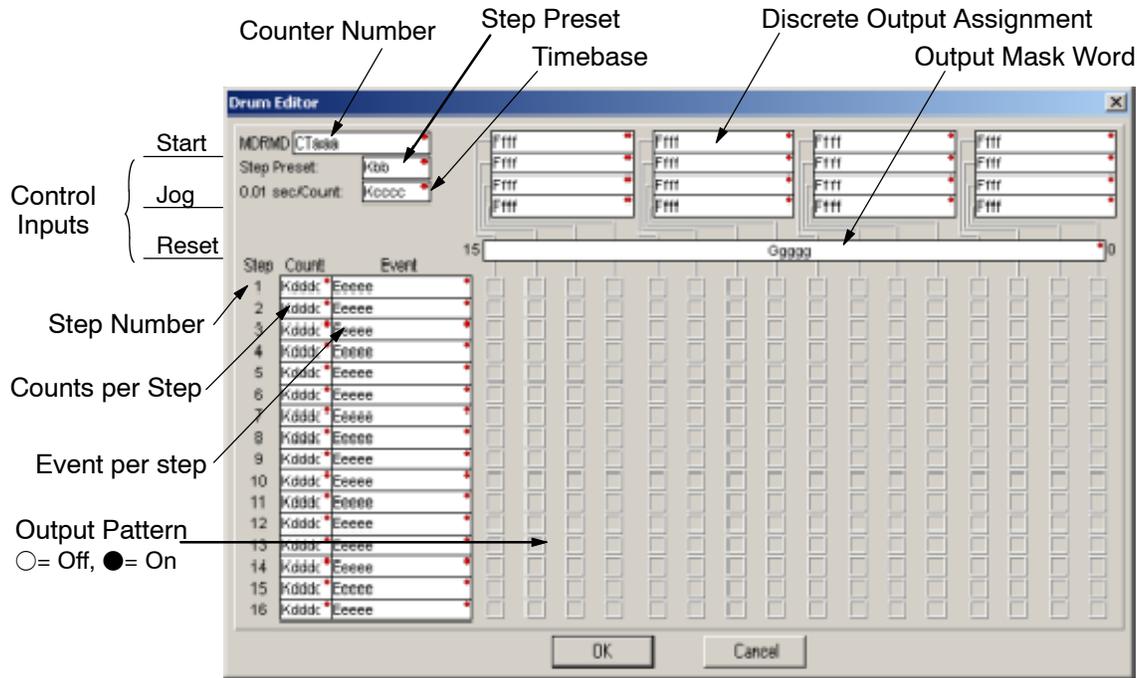


NOTE: You may use the NXT and PREV keys to skip past entries for unused outputs or steps.

**Masked Event Drum with Discrete Outputs (MDRMD)**

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The Masked Event Drum with Discrete Outputs has all the features of the basic Event Drum plus final output control for each step. It operates according to the general principles of drum operation covered in the beginning of this section. Below is the instruction in chart form as displayed by **DirectSOFT**.



The Masked Event Drum with Discrete Outputs features sixteen steps and sixteen outputs. Drum outputs are logically ANDed bit-by-bit with an output mask word for each step. The Gggg field specifies the beginning location of the 16 mask words. Step transitions occur on timed and/or event basis. The jog input also advances the step on each off-to-on transition. Time is specified in counts per step, and events are specified as discrete contacts. Unused steps and events can be left blank (this is the default entry).

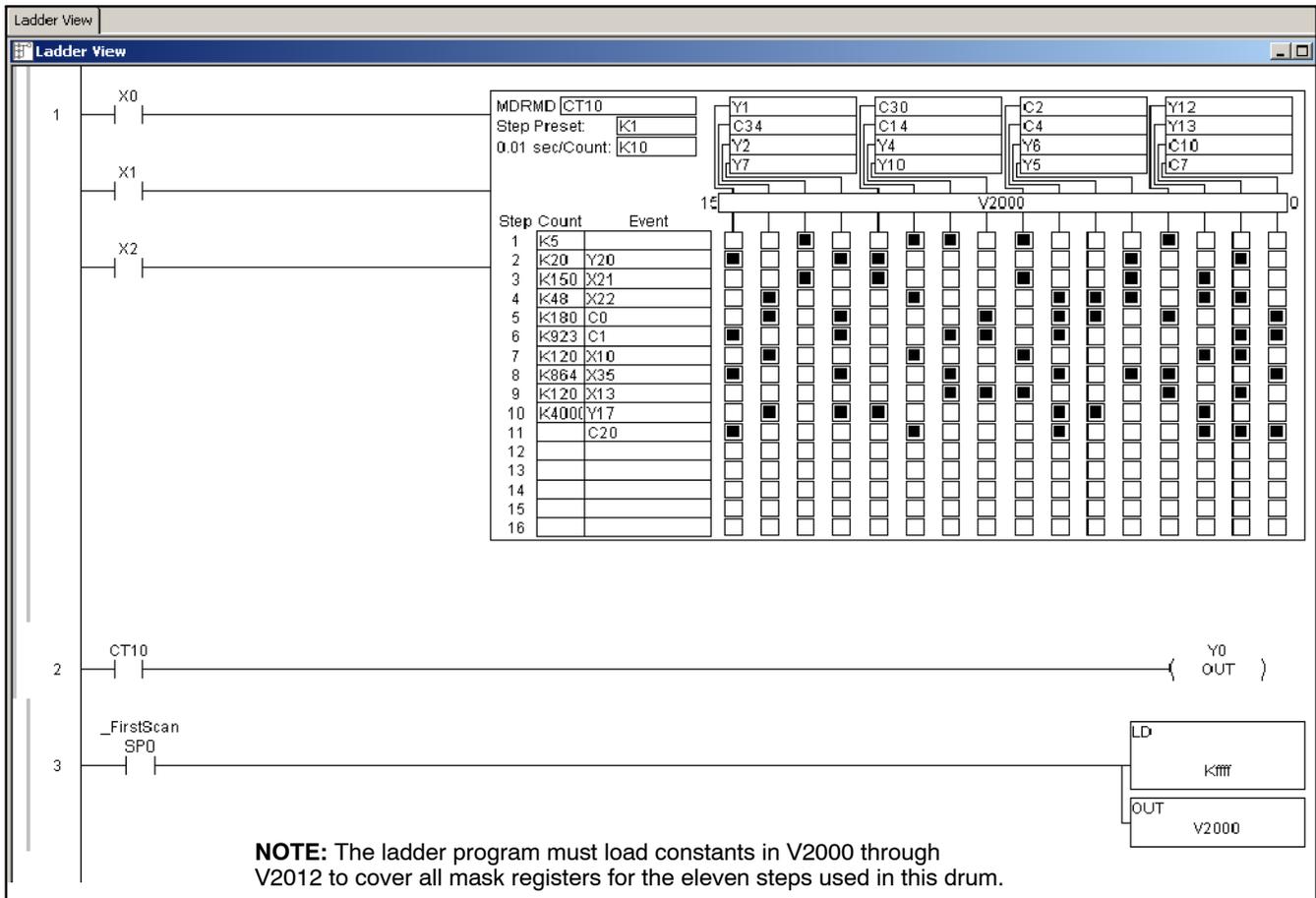
Drum Parameters	Field	Data Types	Ranges
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Preset Step	bb	K	1 - 16
Timer base	cc	K	0 - 99.99 seconds
Counts per step	dddd	K	0 - 9999
Event	eeee	X, Y, C, GX, GY, S, T, ST	see page 3-42
Discrete Outputs	Ffff	X, Y, C, GX, GY *	see page 3-42
Output Mask	Gggg	V	see page 3-42

Whenever the Start input is energized, the drum's timer is enabled. As long as the event is true for the current step, the timer runs during that step. When the step count equals the counts per step, the drum transitions to the next step. This process stops when the last step is complete, or when the Reset input is energized. The drum enters the preset step chosen upon a CPU program-to-run mode transition, and whenever the Reset input is energized.

Drum instructions use four counters in the CPU. The ladder program can read the counter values for the drum's status. The ladder program may write a new preset step number to CTA(n+2) at any time. However, the other counters are for monitoring purposes only.

Counter Number	Ranges of (n)	Function	Counter Bit Function
CTA(n)	0 - 374	Counts in step	CTn = Drum Complete
CTA( n+1)	1 - 375	Timer value	CT(n+1) = (not used)
CTA( n+2)	2 -376	Preset Step	CT(n+2) = (not used)
CTA( n+3)	3 -377	Current Step	CT(n+1) = (not used)

The following ladder program shows the MDRMD instruction in a typical ladder program, as shown by *DirectSOFT*. Steps 1 through 11 are used, and all 16 output points are used. The output mask word is at V2000. The final drum outputs are shown above the mask word as individual bits. The data bits in V2000 are logically ANDed with the output pattern of the current step in the drum. If you want all drum outputs to be off after powerup, just write zeros to V2000 on the first scan. Ladder logic may update the output mask at any time to enable or disable the drum outputs. The preset step is step 1. The timebase runs at (K10 x 0.01) = 0.1 second per count. Therefore, the duration of step 1 is (5 x 0.1) = 0.5 seconds. Note that step 1 is time-based only (event is left blank). In the last rung, the Drum Complete bit (CT10) turns on output Y0 upon completion of the last step (step 10). A drum reset also resets CT10.





### Masked Event Drum with Word Output (MDRMW)

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430 440 450

The Masked Event Drum with Word Output features outputs organized as bits of a single word, rather than discrete points. It operates according to the general principles of drum operation covered in the beginning of this section. Below is the instruction in chart form as displayed by *DirectSOFT*.

The screenshot shows the 'Drum Editor' window with the following fields and values:

- Start: MDRMW C Taaa
- Step Preset: Kbb
- 0.01 sec/Count: Kcccc
- Word Output Assignment: Ffff
- Output Mask Word: Gggg

The main table has 16 rows (Step 1 to 16) with columns for Step Number, Counts per Step, Event per step, and Output Pattern. All counts per step are 'Kddd' and all event per step fields are 'Eeeee'. The output pattern legend indicates that a circle with a dot (●) means 'On' and an empty circle (○) means 'Off'.

The Masked Event Drum with Word Output features sixteen steps and sixteen outputs. Drum outputs are logically ANDed bit-by-bit with an output mask word for each step. The Gggg field specifies the beginning location of the 16 mask words, creating the final output (Ffff field). Step transitions occur on timed and/or event basis. The jog input also advances the step on each off-to-on transition. Time is specified in counts per step, and events are specified as discrete contacts. Unused steps and events can be left blank (this is the default entry).

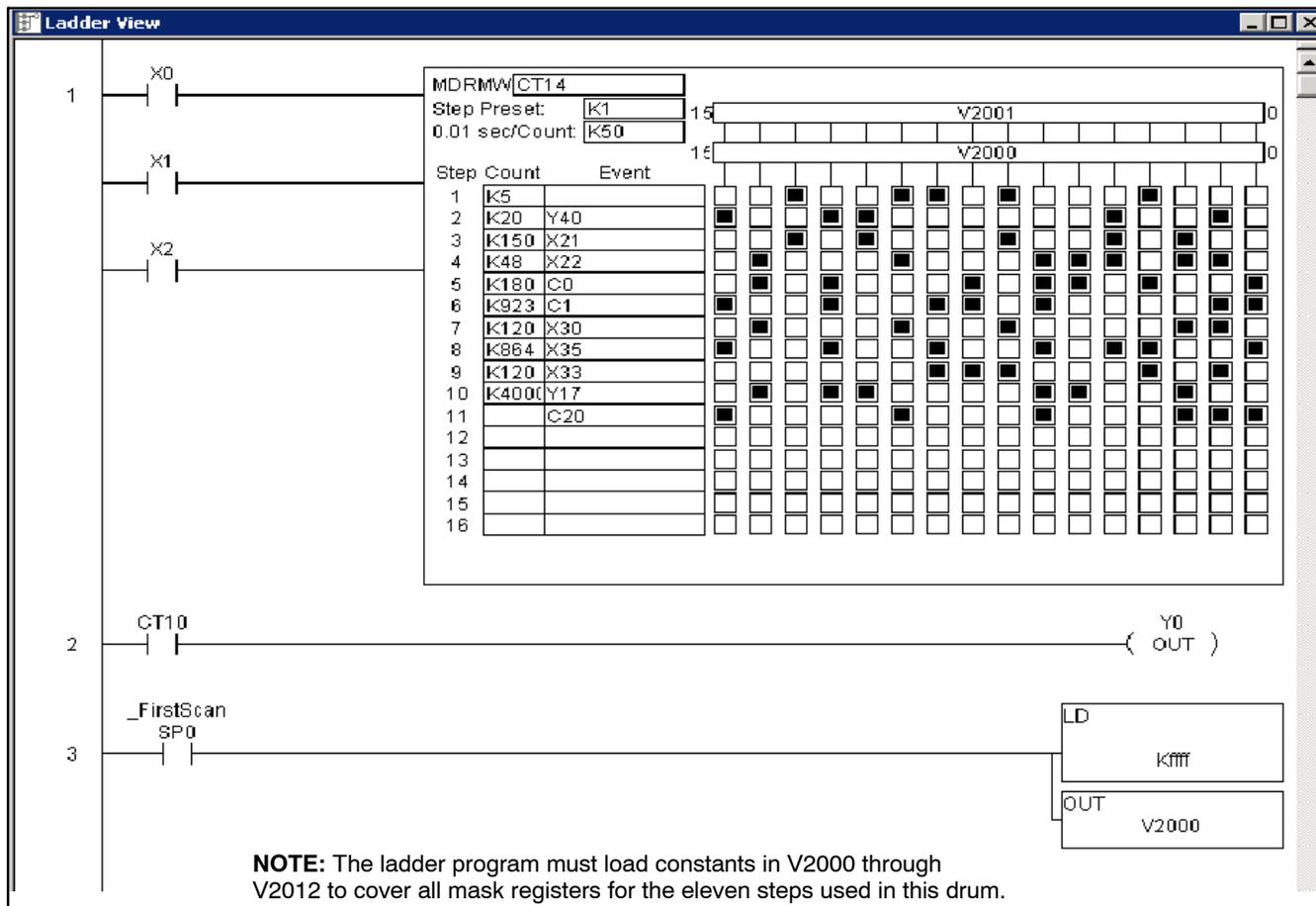
Drum Parameters	Field	Data Types	Ranges
Counter Number	aaa	-	0 - 177
Preset Step	bb	K	1 - 16
Timer base	cc	K	0 - 99.99 seconds
Counts per step	dddd	K	0 - 9999
Event	eeee	X, Y, C, GX, GY, S, T, ST	see page 3-42
Word Output	Ffff	V	see page 3-42
Output Mask	Gggg	V	see page 3-42

Whenever the Start input is energized, the drum's timer is enabled. As long as the event is true for the current step, the timer runs during that step. When the step count equals the counts per step, the drum transitions to the next step. This process stops when the last step is complete, or when the Reset input is energized. The drum enters the preset step chosen upon a CPU program-to-run mode transition, and whenever the Reset input is energized.

Drum instructions use four counters in the CPU. The ladder program can read the counter values for the drum's status. The ladder program may write a new preset step number to CTA(n+2) at any time. However, the other counters are for monitoring purposes only.

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The following ladder program shows the MDRMD instruction in a typical ladder program, as shown by *DirectSOFT*. Steps 1 through 11 are used, and all sixteen output points are used. The output mask word is at V2000. The final drum outputs are shown above the mask word as a word at V2001. The data bits in V2000 are logically ANDed with the output pattern of the current step in the drum, generating the contents of V2001. If you want all drum outputs to be off after powerup, write zeros to V2000 on the first scan. Ladder logic may update the output mask at any time to enable or disable the drum outputs. The preset step is step 1. The timebase runs at (K50 X 0.01) = 0.5 seconds per count. Therefore, the duration of step 1 is (5 x 0.5) = 2.5 seconds. Note that step 1 is time-based only (event is left blank). In the last rung, the Drum Complete bit (CT14) turns on output Y0 upon completion of the last step (step 10). A drum reset also resets CT14.



The handheld programmer can also enter or edit drum instructions. The diagram below lists the keystrokes for entering the drum example on the previous page.

**NOTE:** Drum editing requires Handheld Programmer firmware version 5.5 or later.



		Handheld Programmer Keystrokes						Handheld Programmer Keystrokes cont'd						
Start		STR	X(IN)	0	←		1 (DEF 0000)	NXT	← skip over unused event					
Jog		STR	X(IN)	1	←		(DEF 0000)	Y(OUT)	4	0	←			
Reset		STR	X(IN)	2	←		(DEF 0000)	X(IN)	2	1	←			
Drum Inst.		SHFT	M	D	R	M	D	(DEF 0000)	X(IN)	2	2	←		
		SHFT	CNT	1	4	←		(DEF 0000)	C(CR)	0	←			
Output Mask	(DEF V0000)	2	0	0	0	←		(DEF 0000)	C(CR)	1	←			
Preset Step	(DEF K0000)	1	←		Events									
Time Base	(DEF K0000)	6	4	←										
Output Word	(DEF V0000)	2	0	0	1	←		(DEF 0000)	X(IN)	3	0	←		
Counts/ Step	1 (DEF K0000)	5	←		(DEF 0000)	X(IN)	3	5	←					
	(DEF K0000)	2	0	←		(DEF 0000)	X(IN)	3	3	←				
	(DEF K0000)	1	5	0	←		(DEF 0000)	Y(OUT)	1	7	←			
	(DEF K0000)	4	5	←		(DEF 0000)	C(CR)	2	0	←				
	(DEF K0000)	1	8	0	←		(DEF 0000)	NXT						
	(DEF K0000)	9	2	3	←		(DEF 0000)	NXT						
	(DEF K0000)	1	2	0	←		(DEF 0000)	NXT	← skip over unused steps					
	(DEF K0000)	1	2	0	←		(DEF 0000)	NXT						
	(DEF K0000)	8	6	4	←		16 (DEF 0000)	NXT						
	(DEF K0000)	1	2	0	←		1 (DEF K0000)	2	6	8	8	←		
	(DEF K0000)	4	0	0	0	←		(DEF K0000)	9	8	1	2	←	
	(DEF K0000)	NXT					(DEF K0000)	2	8	9	4	←		
	(DEF K0000)	NXT	← skip over unused steps				(DEF K0000)	4	4	7	6	←		
	(DEF K0000)	NXT					(DEF K0000)	5	1	6	9	←		
	(DEF K0000)	NXT					(DEF K0000)	9	3	4	3	←		
	16 (DEF K0000)	NXT	(Go to next column)				(DEF K0000)	4	4	8	6	←		
						(DEF K0000)	9	4	5	9	←			
						(DEF K0000)	3	8	SHFT	A(H)	←			
						(DEF K0000)	5	8	6	4	←			
						(DEF K0000)	8	4	4	7	←			
						(DEF K0000)					← unused steps			
						(DEF K0000)								
						(DEF K0000)								
						16 (DEF K0000)								
		Last rungs												
		STR	CNT	0	←									
		Y(OUT)	0	←										
		STR	SPCL	0	←									
		LD	K(CON)	SHFT										
		F(H)	F(H)	F(H)	F(H)	←								
		OUT	V	2	0	0	0	←						

**NOTE:** You may use the NXT and PREV keys to skip past entries for unused outputs or steps.