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## SureTorque Models ST-120S and ST-S3 Troubleshooting Guide

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### Troubleshooting Probable Cause and Corrective Action

This Troubleshooting guide is presented to assist in the recognition of any possible malfunctions, identification of their probable causes, and corrective actions taken in order to solve the problem. Refer to the Machine Tuning Sheet in the product manuals when making any adjustments to the machine. This is a general troubleshooting guide; therefore, some malfunction conditions and/or corrective applications may not apply to your particular model Electric Torque Tester.

## WARNING

1. **Only** qualified personnel should troubleshoot this machine
2. **All** personnel should stay clear of moving parts
3. **All** guards and safety features must be replaced before this machine is returned to service

Failure to comply with these warnings *may* cause personal injury!

### Mechanical Troubleshooting Guide

<b>Malfunction</b>	<b>Probable Cause</b>
1. Unusually High Torque Reading:	Check clearance between the top, inside surface of the Collet's relief cut counter bore, and the top of the container/closure. Assure that this clearance is from .06" to .012"
2. Unusually Low Torque Reading:	Check the rigidity of the container clamps <b>Container Must Not Rotate!!</b>

**Electrical Troubleshooting Guide**

<b>Malfunction</b>	<b>Probable Cause</b>	<b>Corrective Action</b>
1. SureTorque will not Power-Up:	a. No AC Power to main panel b. Main AC fuse missing/blown c. Main disconnect not in “on” position d. “Power On” switch faulty	a. Check Power connections b. Replace fuses c. Turn disconnect to “on” position d. Replace rocker-switch
2. SureTorque will not Start:	a. No AC Power  b. Control or main fuse missing/blown c. Line voltage not within $\pm 10\%$	a. Check connections and disconnect and reconnect power supply b. Replace fuses c. Install isolation X-former

**Pneumatic Troubleshooting Guide**

<b>Malfunction</b>	<b>Probable Cause</b>	<b>Corrective Action</b>
1. Cannot Get Proper Air Pressure:	a. Air regulator defective b. Air gauge defective c. Leak in air system d. Insufficient air supply	a. Replace air regulator b. Replace air gauge c. Locate leak and correct d. Check for restrictive kinks or leaks in air hoses and connections
2. Discrete Air Components Not Reading/Functioning:	a. Excessive moisture in system b. Component defective c. Defective rear panel fuse d. Low air pressure	a. Check system filter b. Replace component c. Replace Fuse d. Check air supply and insure air pressure at main regulator is 80psi
3. Water in Air Supply:	a. Filter defective b. Filter Dirty	a. Replace filter b. Clean or replace filter
4. Discrete Air Components Malfunctioning:	a. Excessive moisture in system b. Air supply dirty c. Leak in component or hose connections	a. Check filtering system b. Check filtering system c. Locate leak and correct

**Specifications**

<b>Testing</b>	
<b>Torque Tests</b>	Cap release test, Final application, Fatigue, Tamper evident break
<b>Torque Range</b>	0-88 lbf•in (0-10N•m)
<b>Torque Transducer</b>	Strain gauge
<b>Accuracy</b>	+/- 0.5% for static loads over full scale
<b>Resolution</b>	Min 0.1 lbf•in
<b>Maximum</b>	Overload 150%
<b>Rotation</b>	0-60 RPM, CW and CCW, Infinite
<b>Modes</b>	Position, Speed or Torque control
<b>Torque Units</b>	d•Nm, N•m, kg•cm, kg•m, oz•in, lbf•in
<b>Calibration</b>	Certifiable (NIST)
<b>Standards</b>	Meets or exceeds NIST, ASTM, FDA, GMP
<b>Electrical</b>	
<b>Control</b>	PLC-based system
<b>Analog Signal</b>	16bit/12.5ms conversion
<b>Response Time (avg)</b>	<12.5ms
<b>HMI Display</b>	3.5" 256-Color Touch panel
<b>Communication</b>	RS-232/RS-485 (USB, Ethernet optional)
<b>Real-Time Clock</b>	7-year typical battery backup
<b>Utilities</b>	
<b>Air Source</b>	80-125 PSI, 5 SCFM
<b>Power Source</b>	100-240VAC, ~2.5A, 50-60 Hz

<b>Environment</b>	
<b>Temperature Range</b>	32-122°F (0-50°C)
<b>Relative Humidity</b>	10% to 95% (non-condensing)
<b>Mounting</b>	Flat surface or desktop
<b>Container Sizes</b>	
<b>Height Range</b>	1.0" (with base adapter) to 16.75" : ST-120S 2.75" (with base adapter) to 13.75" : Model ST-S3
<b>Diameter Range</b>	0.25" to 7.50" (with 10" platform) : ST-120S, 0.25" to 5.00" : Model ST-S3
<b>Dimensions</b>	
<b>Dimensions</b>	31" x 12" x 16" (HxWxD) : ST-120S 29" x 12" x 20" (HxWxD) : Model ST-S3
<b>Weight</b>	65-86 lbs
<b>Materials of Construction</b>	
<b>Exterior</b>	Framework Anodized Aluminum and Stainless Steel
<b>Hardware</b>	Stainless Steel
<b>Tooling</b>	Anodized Aluminum, Nickle Plated Steel, Polyurethane, Acrylic, HDPE, UHMW