Insertion

The act of placing the tape cartridge in the TK50. It is during insertion that the cartridge leader and take-up leader mate. Before insertion it is important (especially the first time the cartridge or drive is used) to inspect the positions of both the cartridge leader and take-up leader. Refer to Chapter 2 for instructions.

Load

When the tape cartridge has been correctly inserted, the tape is brought to BOT by pushing the Load/Unload switch and releasing it to its In, or load, position.

Unload

After you finish using the tape cartridge, push and release the Load/Unload switch to its Out position. The tape rewinds to BOT, then to its unload point. Now you can lift the handle and remove the cartridge from the tape drive.

BOT

Beginning of Tape. It is the first spot on the magnetic tape where data can be written. BOT is set automatically. You need perform no functions in regard to BOT.

Write protect switch

A switch on the TK50 tape cartridge used to prevent data from being written on the tape. In its protected position, a small orange indicator is visible on the front of the tape cartridge. In its enabled position, there is no orange dot visible and data may be written to the cartridge.