

# Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory

## Change in Instrument Status Form

Issued: 12/15/2017  
Effective: 12/15/2017

Version: CIISF 2017 R0  
Status: Active

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Name and Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the Status Change or Issue with the Instrument:

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If instrument was placed in service or removed from service, fill out the appropriate sections below.

In Service Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Out of Service Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For Use by SCDL**

**Additional Notes**

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See attached documentation DJW 06/03/2021

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**Email completed form to [dps.scdl.toxicology@alaska.gov](mailto:dps.scdl.toxicology@alaska.gov)**

For questions contact the Breath Alcohol Program at 907-269-5740

## Walton, Derek J (DPS)

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**From:** O'Bryant, Colleen S (DPS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 12:08 PM  
**To:** Barnett, Brandi M (DPS); Walton, Derek J (DPS)  
**Subject:** Fwd: MSW datamaster

Thoughts on sending MSW a new instrument?

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Steen, Pete C (DPS)" <pete.steen@alaska.gov>  
**Date:** June 2, 2021 at 12:03:01 PM AKDT  
**To:** "O'Bryant, Colleen S (DPS)" <colleen.obryant@alaska.gov>, "Barnett, Brandi M (DPS)" <brandi.barnett@alaska.gov>  
**Cc:** "Phillips, Lee E (DPS)" <lee.phillips@alaska.gov>  
**Subject:** MSW datamaster

Ladies,

The Datamaster at MSW is down. Threw a pump error yesterday while doing the VOC and after restart just gave me a fatal software error and restarted again. This is past my knowledge base to fix and will need to be replaced.

Steen

## Walton, Derek J (DPS)

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**From:** Barnett, Brandi M (DPS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 1:35 PM  
**To:** Walton, Derek J (DPS); O'Bryant, Colleen S (DPS)  
**Subject:** RE: Datamaster restarting

Sounds good.

Brandi M. Barnett  
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**From:** Walton, Derek J (DPS) <derek.walton@alaska.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 1:34 PM  
**To:** Barnett, Brandi M (DPS) <brandi.barnett@alaska.gov>; O'Bryant, Colleen S (DPS) <colleen.obryant@alaska.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Datamaster restarting

Since the screen also froze with the first pump error (prompting the first restart), I do think this rises to the level of replacement.

*Derek Walton*

Forensic Scientist  
State of Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory

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**From:** Steen, Pete C (DPS) <[pete.steen@alaska.gov](mailto:pete.steen@alaska.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 1:32 PM  
**To:** Walton, Derek J (DPS) <[derek.walton@alaska.gov](mailto:derek.walton@alaska.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Datamaster restarting

I did restart it following a pump error and frozen screen. After that it seemed to do ok and went into the timed event before a test could be run and I had to leave it yesterday. Today when I got back I attempted to see what was going on with it and when I tried to push the NPAS menu button at the top it immediately gives me some kind of fatal error and restarts the instrument. I have shut it down now.

Steen

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

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**From:** [Walton, Derek J \(DPS\)](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 1:29 PM  
**To:** [Steen, Pete C \(DPS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Datamaster restarting

Hi Trp. Steen,

If I understood your email correctly, the Datamaster had pump error on the VOC so you restarted it. Then after restarting it, it produced a fatal error and restarted itself?

Did you attempt to run a second VOC after the second restart? One off pump errors are fairly common and not necessarily something we'd remove an instrument for. A one off fatal error is not that common, but if it recovered OK we may consider leaving the instrument in the field if it passes a VOC and seems normal otherwise.

I know you talked to Colleen already, just trying to get a bit more information to make an informed decision. Thanks for your time,

*Derek Walton*

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