

GUARDIAN 6000™



Operation & Service Manual



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SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

Introduction

This manual contains information on installing, operating and maintaining a Coinco Guardian 6000™ model coin changer. This manual is intended for owners, route operators and shop-level technicians as a primary source of information. Taking time to read this manual and become familiar with the information will help you obtain the best performance from your Coinco Guardian coin changer.

Product Overview and Features

The Guardian 6000™ changer incorporates a wide range of benefits, including:

- Six self-replenishing coin tubes with cash accountability.
- Swing-out, illuminated payout cassette.
- Built-in self diagnostics.
- MDB (Multi-Drop Bus) interface (optional MDB to USB converter available).
- Field tuning for tokens & slug elimination.
- Interchangeable coin tubes enable simple payout re-configuration.
- Full support of Guardian features and upgrades using the Coinco FP-5 Field Programmer

For Your Records

A label indicating the changer's model number and serial number can be found on the side of the Guardian coin changer. Refer to the model number and serial number whenever you call your Coinco Service Center for information or service. The first four digits of the changer serial number indicate when the unit was built, which is also the beginning of the warranty period:

- First two digits: indicate the week of manufacture.
- Third and fourth digit: indicate the year.

For example, serial number 1507000123 indicates the unit was manufactured in the 15th week of 2007.

Icons

The following icons will guide you throughout the manual. Each icon highlights an area you may want to pay closer attention to.



Indicates a checklist type of process that you can readily “check” as you proceed to the next step.



Indicates a warning that you should adhere to. It is often accompanied by the words “DO NOT...”



Indicates that this is a good time to pause, step back, and verify that everything is correct before proceeding further.



Indicates a helpful hint or shortcut to simplify the task.



Indicates frequently asked questions with their corresponding answers.



Indicates a possible issue dependent on the application and provides direction on how to correct the problem should it occur.

Guardian 6000™ Naming Convention

G6 X XX-XX

Protocol

X = MDB

A = Protocol A

Country Code

US = United States

CA = Canada

Additional countries available.

Payout Configuration

Guardian 6000™ Standard Cassettes							
Cassette ID	Country	Coin Denomination By Tube Position					
		A	B	C	D	E	F
BB	US	25¢	10¢	5¢	5¢	25¢	25¢
DD	US	25¢	10¢	5¢	5¢	5¢	5¢
BD	US / Canada	\$1	\$1	25¢	5¢	10¢	25¢
BE	Canada	\$2	\$1	25¢	5¢	25¢	25¢
BF	Canada	\$2	\$2	\$1	5¢	25¢	25¢
DE	Canada	\$1	5¢	25¢	25¢	25¢	25¢

Please contact your Coinco Sales Rep about customization of standard cassettes or see www.coinco.com

Models

G6XUS-BB: Guardian 6000 six tube changer, MDB protocol, “BB” payout configuration (2 nickels, 1 dime, 3 quarter tubes), for US market.

G6XCA-BF: Guardian 6000 six tube changer, MDB protocol, “BF” payout configuration (1 nickel, 2 quarters, two \$2 coin tubes, one \$1 coin tube), for Canadian market.

Dimensions and Specifications

Power Requirements:

20 to 42V DC
 0.15 Amp average standby
 0.6 Amp average operating
 1.8 Amp max operating

Operating Temperature

0°F to 150°F
 -18°C to 65°C

Storage Temperature

-22°F to 160°F
 -30°C to 72°C

Relative Humidity

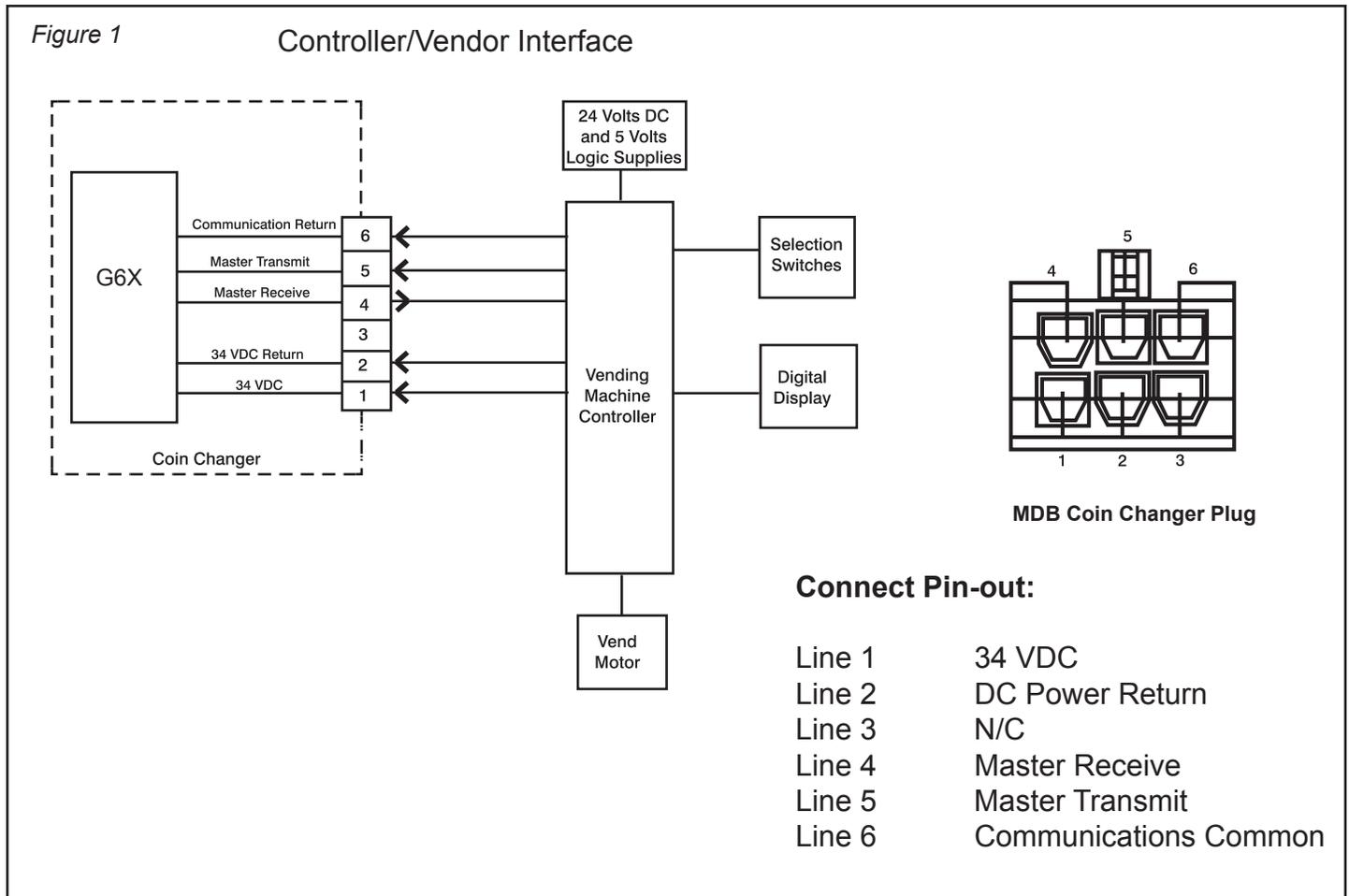
20% to 95% non-condensing

Operating Attitude

Vertical ±3°

Shipping Weight in Carton

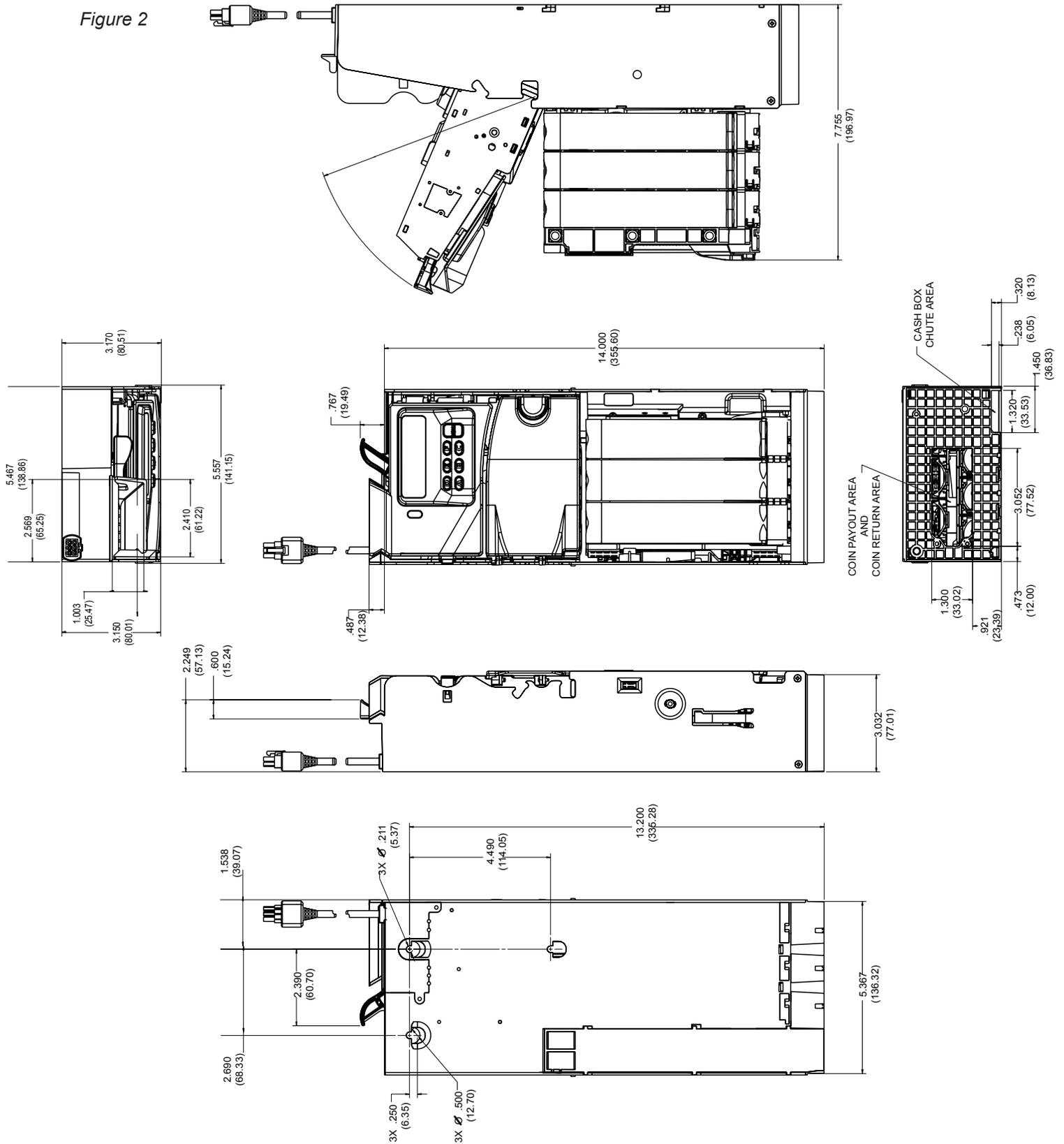
Approximately 5 lbs. or 2.267 kilograms



SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

Dimensional Drawing inches (mm)

Figure 2



Unpacking / Installing the Changer

After removing the coin changer from the shipping carton, inspect it for possible damage. If the unit is damaged, notify the shipping company immediately. The consignee (person or company receiving the unit) can file a claim against the carrier for shipping damage. We recommend you keep the original carton and packaging materials to reuse if you need to transport or ship the coin changer in the future.

If the coin changer is being stored or used as a spare, always keep it in its shipping carton when not in use. This will keep it clean and offer the best protection for the unit.

Installing the Changer

1. Remove power from the vending machine.
 **DO NOT connect the changer harness to the vending machine with power connected.**
2. Remove the acceptor from the changer housing by pressing the acceptor latch (see Figure 4) on the front of the acceptor and pull the escrow lever towards you, away from changer housing.
3. Disconnect the acceptor's ribbon cable from the changer housing (see Figure 5). Lift the acceptor slightly to free the lower acceptor studs from the changer housing. Place the acceptor in a clean, dry area.
4. Set the three mounting holes in the back of the changer housing over the mounting screws in the vending machine (see Figure 6). Tighten securely by hand.
5. Re-install the acceptor by inserting the lower acceptor studs into the changer housing. Plug the acceptor ribbon cable into the changer housing. Press the top of the acceptor into the changer housing until the acceptor latch engages the changer housing.
6. Verify the vendor's coin return mechanism is adjusted so that the Acceptor gate is fully closed. There should be a small gap between the coin return mechanism and the changer escrow lever.

Changer Components

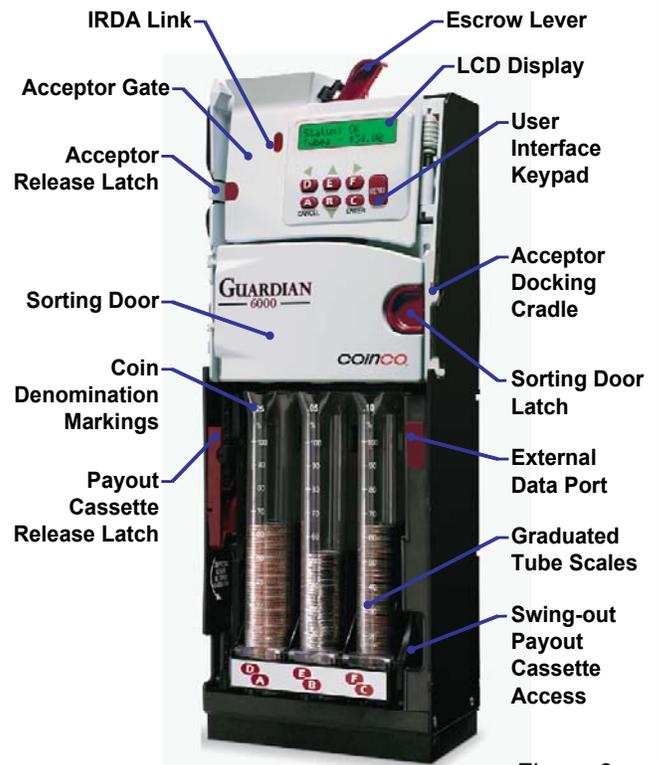


Figure 3

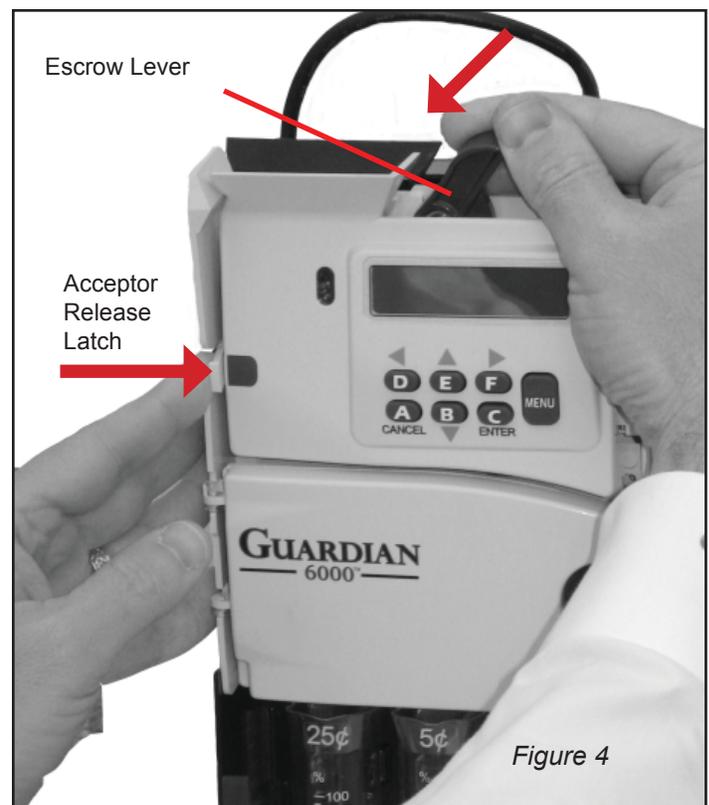


Figure 4

7. Plug the changer harness into the vending machine.
-  **Verify steps 1 to 7 are completed correctly.**
8. Apply power to the vending machine.
9. The changer will power up, perform an auto-test of all systems, then the display will begin cycling in steady state mode. See Figure 7 .

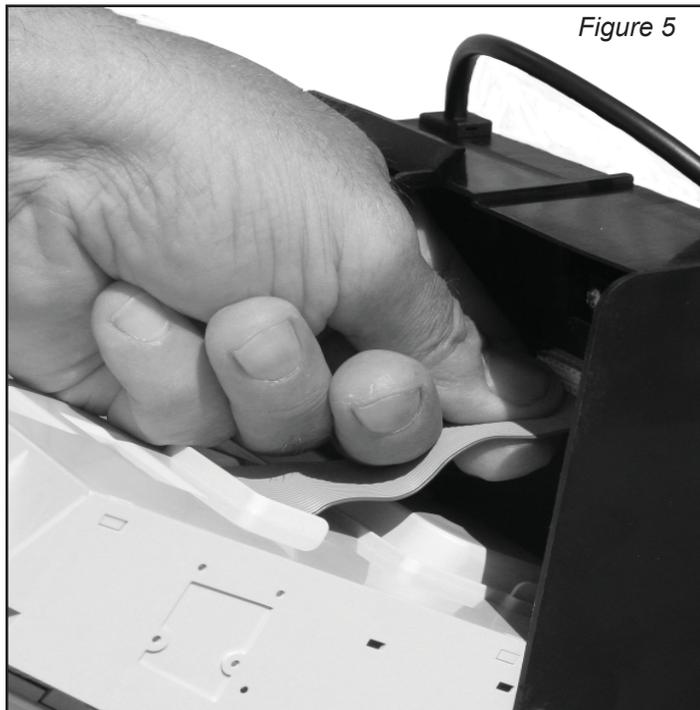
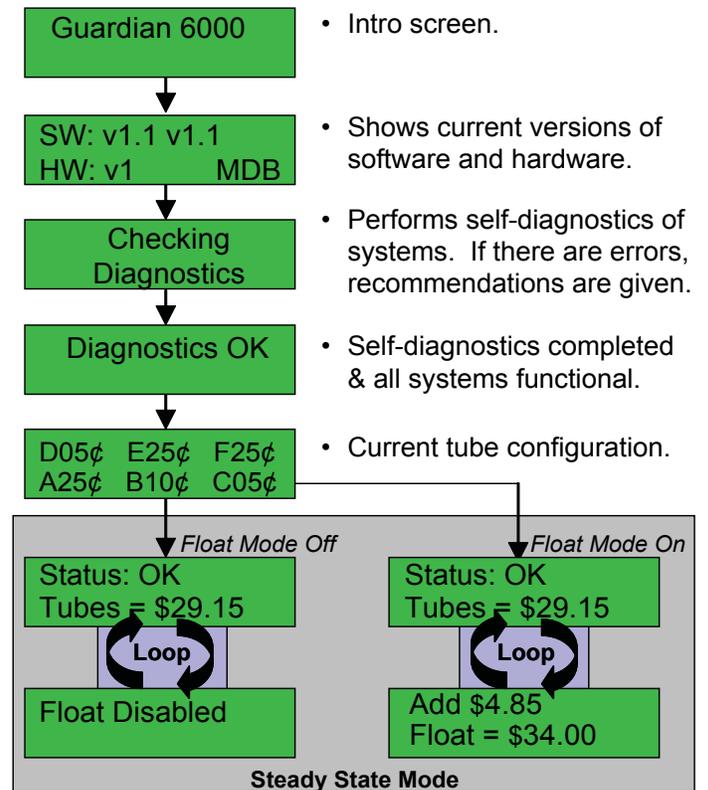


Figure 5

Power Up Sequence

Figure 7 Typical User Display Messaging



See Figure 16 for details on Steady State Mode messages.

Note: Some Guardian models may show different messaging.

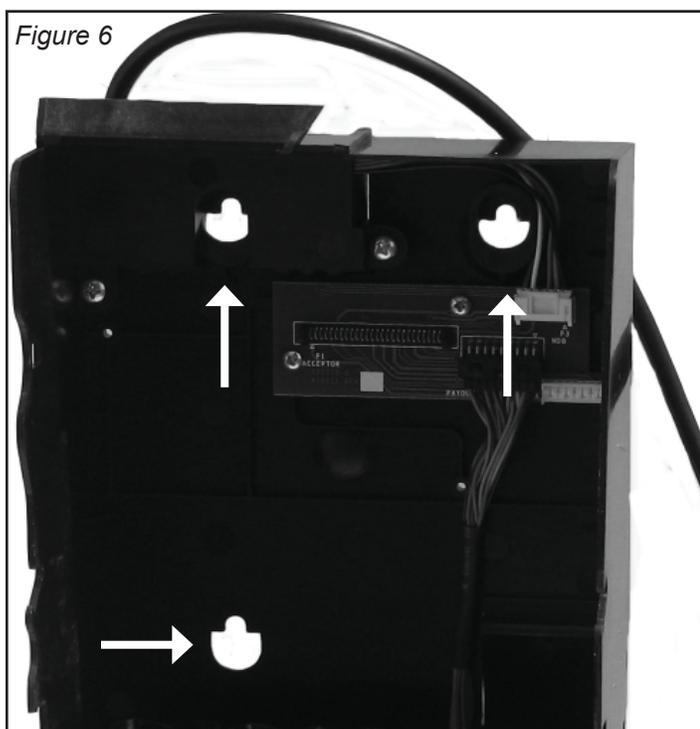


Figure 6

Loading Coins

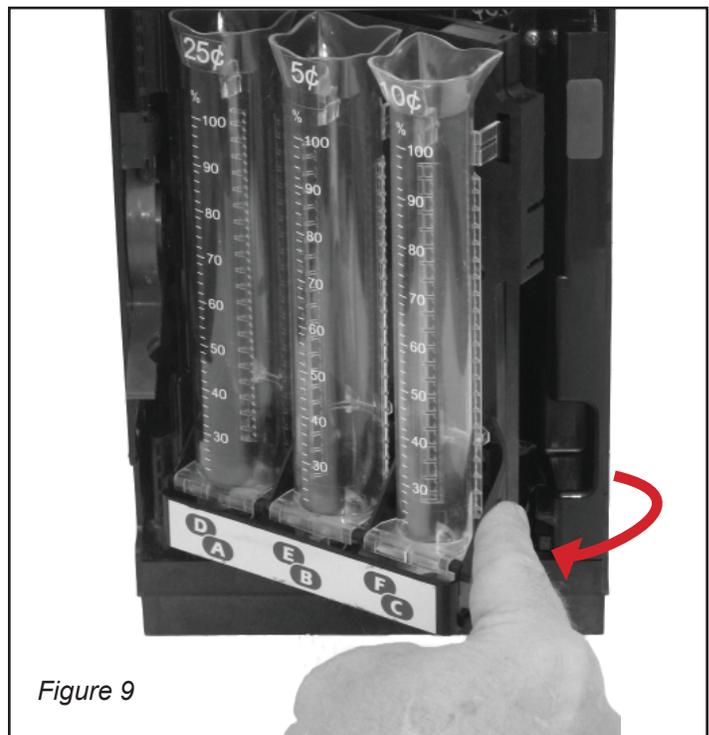
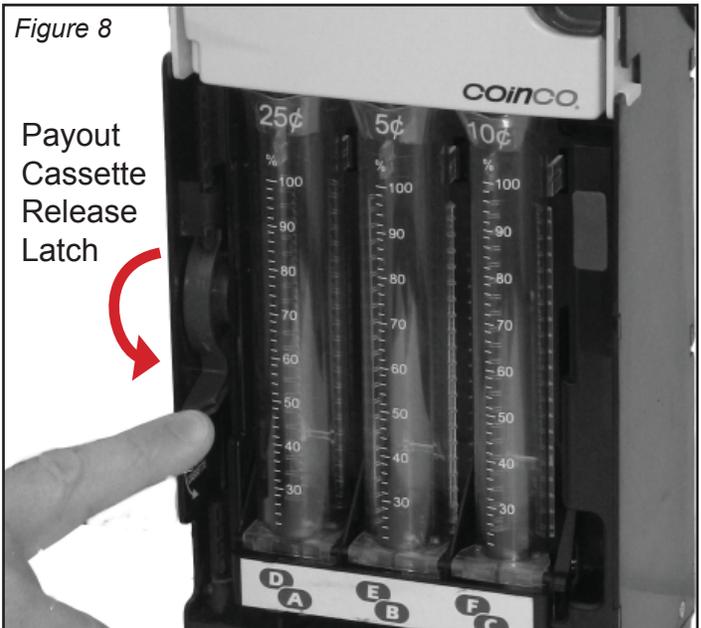
See Figure 10 for coin capacities.

10. Load coins into the changer the tubes using one of the following 3 options:
 - **Using Swing Out Payout Cassette:**
Rotate the Payout Cassette Release Latch downward to open the coin Payout Cassette (See Figure 8). Pivot the Payout Cassette out of the changer housing to access the coin tubes (See Figure 9). Once the latch has been depressed, the Payout Cassette must be at least partially opened before it can be closed and reset properly. Fill the six coin tubes to the desired levels with the appropriate coins. Refer to the individual labels at the top of the tube to determine which coin denominations go in each tube.
 - **By Removing Cassette:** The cassette can also be lifted out of the changer for loading coins. Open the Payout Cassette and swing it out, then lift the Payout Cassette straight up to remove it (See Figure 11). Load coins as described above. Reinstall the Payout Cassette by first positioning it on the lower pin, then align the upper pin and lower the the cassette
 - **To Load Front Tubes Only:** Tubes A,B, and C can be hand loaded without opening the cassette. By pushing the Sorting Door Latch to the left and swinging open the Sorting Door (See Figure 12), you can load coins directly in tubes A, B, and C.



NOTES:

- **Make sure all coins lay flat and fill each coin tube to be used with at least 5 coins.**
- **For the most reliable operation, do not load coin tubes above the 100% level marking.**
- **If not using all 6 tubes, leave all tubes installed and make sure to disable coin routing and coin level sensing for unused tubes.** Use MENU/SETUP/CASSETTE/CUSTOM and set unused tubes to “---”.



Coin Tube Capacities

Figure 10

Country	Coin Type	Max Coin Count	
		Qty.	\$
US	5¢	80	\$4.00
	10¢	111	\$11.10
	25¢	81	\$20.25
	\$1	67	\$67.00
Canada	5¢	80	\$4.00
	10¢	121	\$12.10
	25¢	88	\$22.00
	\$1	68	\$68.00
	\$2	79	\$158.00

- Drop a variety of coins into the changer to ensure proper operation.

Basic keypad navigation is shown in Figure 14 and a coin payout mode summary in Figure 13.

Coin Payout Modes

Manual Payout Figure 13

Normal Mode	Keystrokes
Payout one or more coins from a tube	Hold down alpha key until desired coins are paid out.
Auto Paydown Mode	Keystrokes
Payout ALL coins in a tube	Hold down alpha key until at least 4 coins are dispensed.
Pause / Resume Coin Payout	Press Escrow Lever.
Stop Coin Payout	Press any key.

Note: The last several coins in a tube can be paid out with individual button pushes.

- ❓ **Does the changer pay out all coins from tubes or leave hidden coins? How are hidden coins reported?**

As is typical with most changers, the Guardian leaves some hidden coins per tube (typically 5 per tube) to ensure in coming coins will always stack properly. These coins can be paid out in a manual payout mode. Hidden coins are not reported on MDB and are not available for change making. They are included in audit information and are used in all tube scanning and float/par calculations.

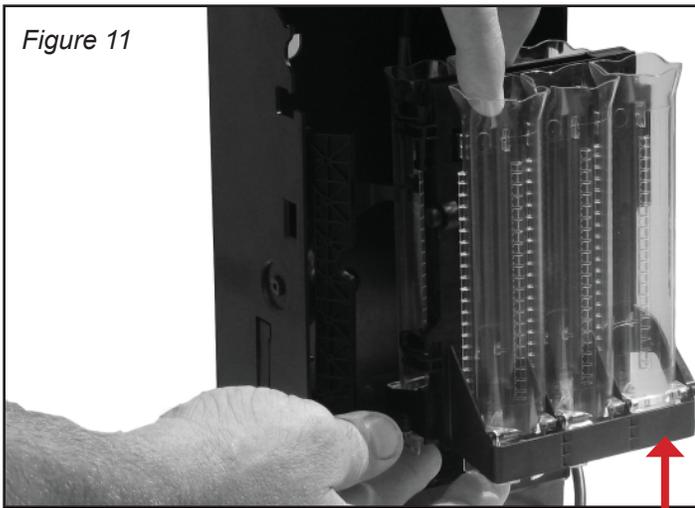


Figure 11



Figure 12

Sorting Door Latch

✓ Dispensing Coins

Verify proper payout operation

- Pay out at least two coins from each tube to ensure proper operation. Press each coin tube Inventory Button (See Figure 13) to dispense coins.

Figure 14

Up/Down Arrows: Shows options are available above & below "Audit".

Right Arrow: Move across screen or selects current item.

Upper Level Menu: MAIN MENU

Current Menu: Lower case for this menu. Audit

Up Arrow: Scroll up in current menu.

Left Arrow: Go back one menu level.

Inventory Buttons (Letters): For coin tube or password actions.

CANCEL: Exit out of operation, or go up one menu level.

Down Arrow: Scroll down in current menu.

ENTER: Select current item or accept/close operation.

Setting Float (optional)

Float Mode records and maintains a predefined level of coins in the tubes, and typically will maintain a lower level of change in the changer than if Float mode is not used. When using Float mode, an accepted coin will only be routed to the tube if one has been paid out.

13. You can quickly **Enable Float** at the current coin levels by simultaneously pressing the keypad hotkeys **E+F**. Then press **ENTER** to accept the displayed Float Value.
14. To disable or reset Float level, simultaneously press keypad hotkeys **D+F** to **Disable Float**. To reset float, adjust the coin levels and repeat step 13 above.

? When I add coins prior to resetting my float level, the changer automatically kicks coins out. Why?

Overfill Paydown automatically returns any coins that exceed the Float Mode level. Any coins added to the coin tubes after parring, or adding coins prior to setting a higher Float level will result in these extra coins being sent to the coin return. See Step 15 above for how to Disable Float.

? Why is it that sometimes when setting a Float Level, the Float setting does not match the exact value of coins loaded in the changer?

This could be for a couple of different reasons. The coin level sensing is accurate to within ± 2 coins, so there could be a discrepancy based on coin stack thickness tolerances.

Secondly, when setting the float level, the coin level sensing assumes a minimum of the hidden coin level (5 coins per tube) for all enabled tubes, even if there are no coins loaded. To eliminate this condition, diable all unused tubes by entering MENU/SETUP /CASSETTE /CUSTOM and set unused tubes to "--".

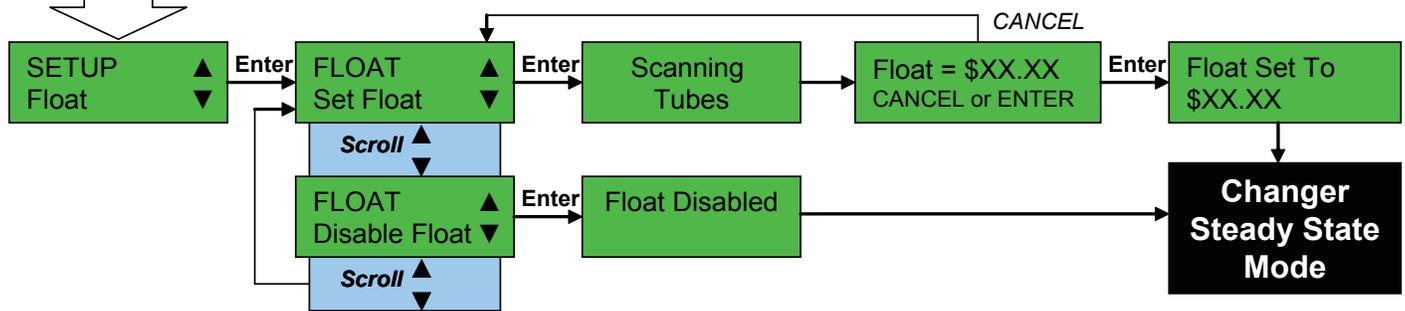
Figure 15

Setting / Disabling Float

1. Push **D+F** to Disable Float.
2. Open cassette and load desired level of coins.
3. Close cassette and wait for steady state operation (cycling display).
4. Press **E+F** to **Enable Float**, and accept by pressing **ENTER**

Or

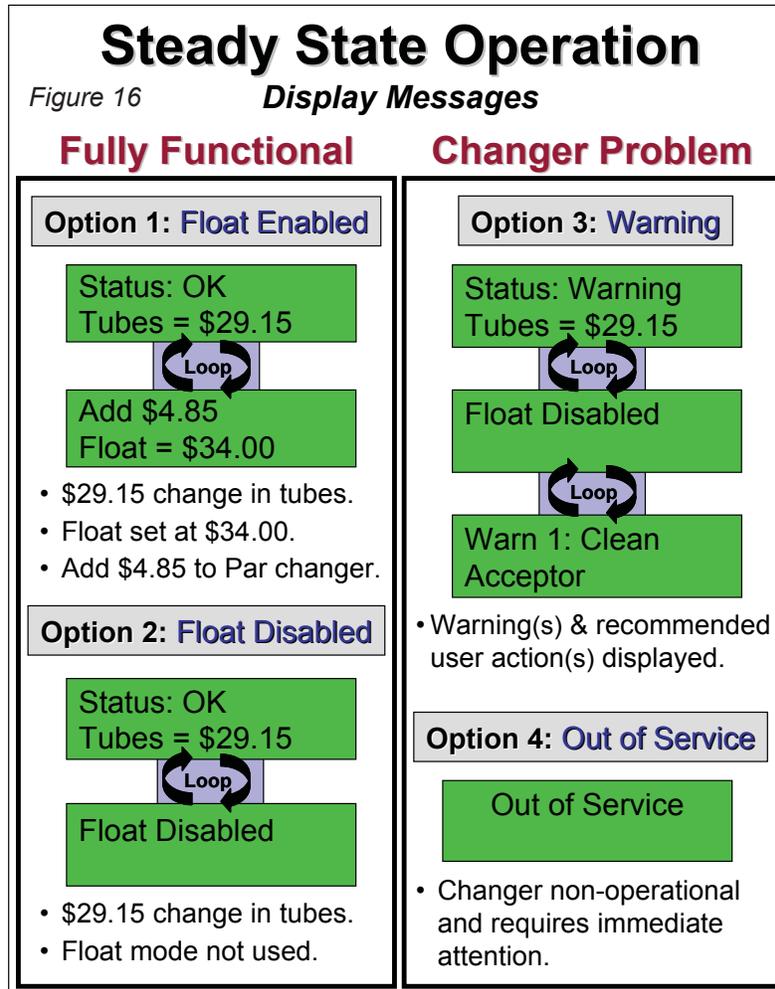
1. Press **MENU** and scroll using arrow keys to the screen below.



SECTION 3: GENERAL CHANGER OPERATION

Steady State User Display

During steady state operation, the user display will show one of four typical screens as shown in Figure 16.



General Changer Operation

Acceptor Module

The Acceptor Module contains the majority of the Guardian's control logic. The Acceptor can electronically validate up to 32 different coin types and actively route accepted coins to six coin tubes or to the vending machine cashbox. A LCD display provides visual feedback on the functioning condition of the changer. Six inventory buttons allow the user to manually dispense coins from the coin tubes. The *MENU* button allows access to enter special programming and features.

The Acceptor Module transmits credit and status information and receives payout and control information from the vending machine. The Acceptor monitors each coin tube to know when it is full so any additional coins can be routed to the cashbox.

Coin Acceptance

Deposited coins enter the coin inlet funnel, where they are directed down a coin rail formed by the mainplate and acceptor gate. Optical and magnetic sensors positioned along the rail validate the coins. When the coin reaches the end of the coin rail, motor and solenoid-operated coin doors direct the coins to either the coin tubes, cashbox or to the coin return chute.

Pressing the escrow lever physically opens the acceptor gate, allowing bent coins and foreign materials to fall into the coin reject chute. Movement of the front gate is also detected by the coin changer electronics and is communicated to the vending machine controller causing any customer credit to be paid back.

If coins are deposited too closely together (fast feed), one or more coins may be rejected if the

acceptor cannot safely route them to the appropriate coin tube. When any object (coin, counterfeit coin, etc.) is rejected, the changer will temporarily delay coin validation to allow the rejected object to exit the changer.

Housing Module

The Housing Module consists of the changer housing, MDB harness and changer board. The backside of the housing has three mounting holes for attaching the Guardian changer to the vending machine. The cashbox coin chute is also part of the housing.

Coin Tube Cassette

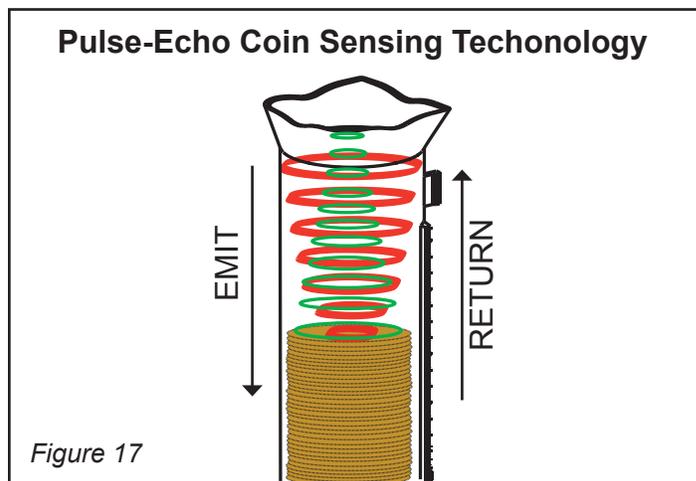
The coin cassette contains the six coin tubes that store coins for change payout. The front and back halves of the cassette hinge together to form the coin return chute. Rejected coins from the acceptor pass through the center of the cassette assembly and fall out the bottom of the coin changer. Accepted coins are guided into the coin tubes.

Payout Module

The bottom of the Guardian changer is the Payout Module. Coins stored in the coin tubes of the cassette are dispensed by the payout modules motor driven belt. The belt has two pins attached to it, which engage a sweeper at the bottom of each coin tube. When the sweeper is engaged, one coin is released from the coin tube. The acceptor module sends information to the payout module for dispensing coins from the cassette.

Coin Level Sensing

The Pulse-Echo coin level sensing method emits and detects sound waves. The number of coins is calculated by the amount of time it takes the emitted sound wave to deflect off the coin stack and return to be detected. (See Figure 17)



❓ How often does the changer scan the tubes?

The Guardian will automatically scan after any coin deposit or payout. It will also scan after any “change in state”, e.g. when the payout cassette or sorting door is opened then closed.

❓ I added one coin to a tube and the coin level sensing did not detect it. Why?

The Pulse-Echo coin level sensing method is accurate to within ± 2 coins. It may not necessarily detect a difference when a single coin is added. This is normal and is within the technology’s margin of error.

❓ Does the Guardian require tube sensing calibration as with some other models?

No, it does not require any calibration to attain its level of accuracy.

Menu Navigation

The following views summarize menu navigation for the Guardian 6000 changer:

- General menu navigation and keypad functionality is shown in Figure 14.
- The special “hotkeys” to streamline key operations are shown in Figure 18.

Figure 18

Guardian “Hotkeys”

A - **F** (any individual alpha key) : Displays coin denomination and quantity for the selected tube (A-F). Also used for manual payout.

MENU (1 push): Accesses *Main Menu*.

MENU **MENU** (2 pushes): Begins *Audit* Current Data reporting.

E + **F**: Establishes float at current change level.

D + **F**: Disables Float mode.

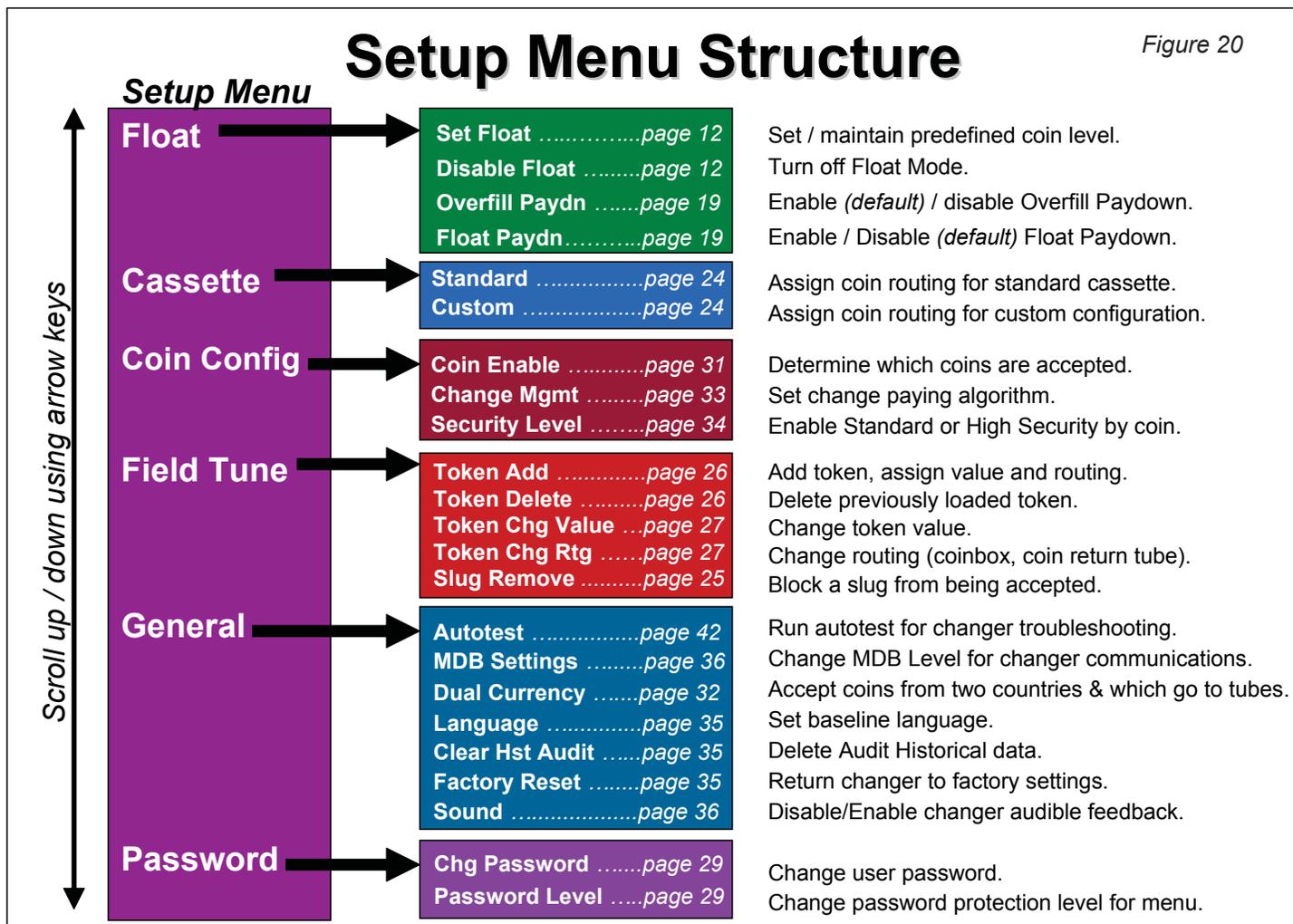
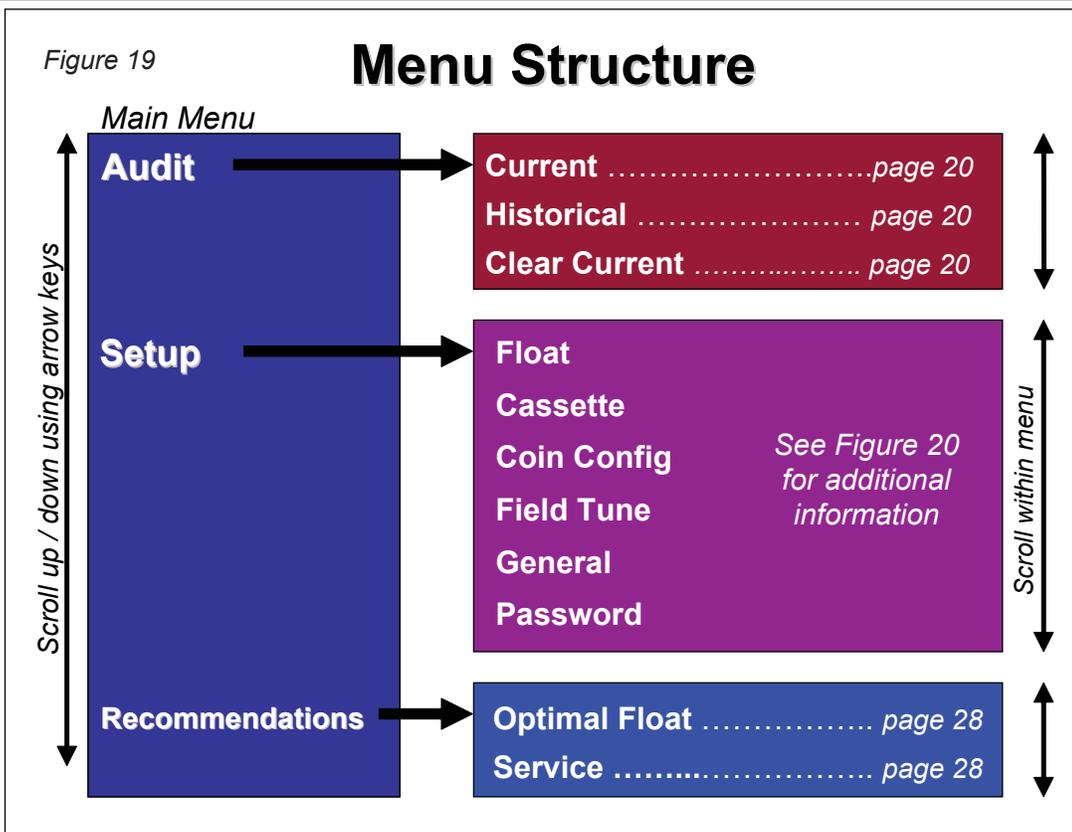
D + **A**: Shows Payout Cassette coin configuration.

F + **C**: Initiates *Float Paydown* (if enabled).

Menu Structure

The main menu consists of three primary functions: 1) Audit capabilities 2) Changer Setup, and 3) Recommendations. The overall menu layout is shown in Figure 19. This figure is also your guide showing where each menu topic is reviewed in this user manual. Figure 20 shows more information specifically on the Setup menu.

- ❓ **What happens if I do not complete a programming change and walk away mid-stream?**
 For safety purposes, the Guardian times out if a programming step is not completed. After about 45 seconds it will default to the prior settings.



SECTION 4: TYPICAL USAGE

Now that you've installed and completed the basic setup of your Guardian 6000™ changer, this section will review typical route operations. More detailed setup capabilities are detailed in Section 5.

Parring the Guardian

Parring is the action of bringing the changer back to its original float level. This can be accomplished either via the Guardian's automated parring system (when Float has been set by the user), or visually when Float has not been set.

1. **Automated Parring System:** The simplest way to par is by using the Guardian's automated parring recommendations. See Figure 21 for details.

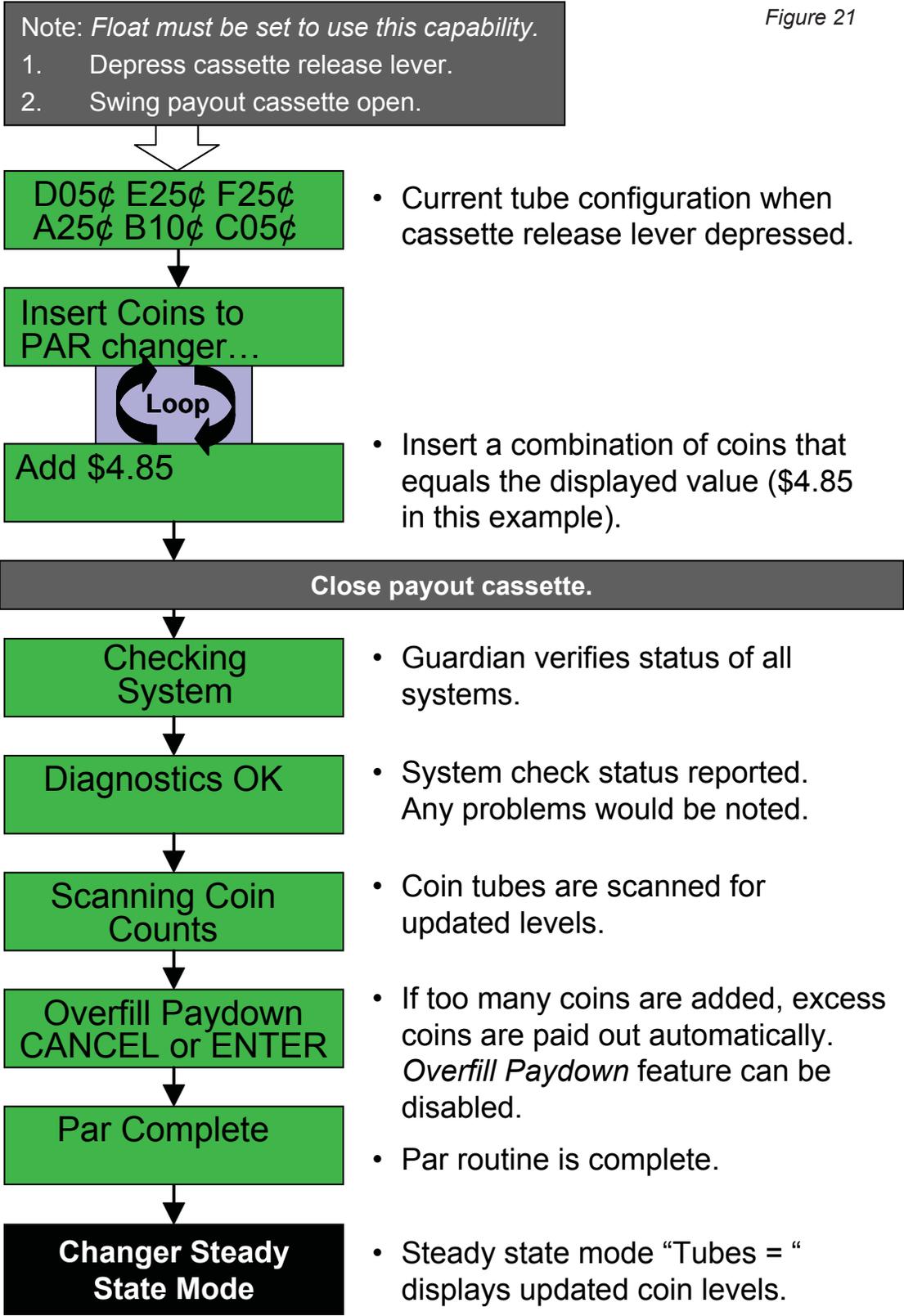


If coins only need to be added to the front tubes, the Sorting Door can be opened instead of the payout cassette. Otherwise, everything else is the same in Figure 21.

2. **Manual or Visual Parring:** The Guardian can also be parred visually by refilling the tubes to the approximate levels. This can be accomplished either by using the tube markings, or by using the optional Guardian adjustable par rings. The Manual or Visual Parring methods are only to be used when Float Mode is disabled.
 - Open the payout cassette (all tubes) or sort door (front tubes only) and load coins to the desired tube level marking to the parring level.
 - Par rings can be adjusted to the desired level by sliding them up or down on the tubes.

Automated Parring Routine

Figure 21



Setting Float (optional)

See Section 2: Installation & Setup.

Enabling / Disabling Overfill Paydown

When the changer is in Float Mode, the Overfill Paydown feature causes the changer to pay out any coins in excess of the Float level that are inserted during parring. Overfill Paydown is defaulted to "on" in the standard changer setup.

See Figure 22 for how to turn this feature on or off.

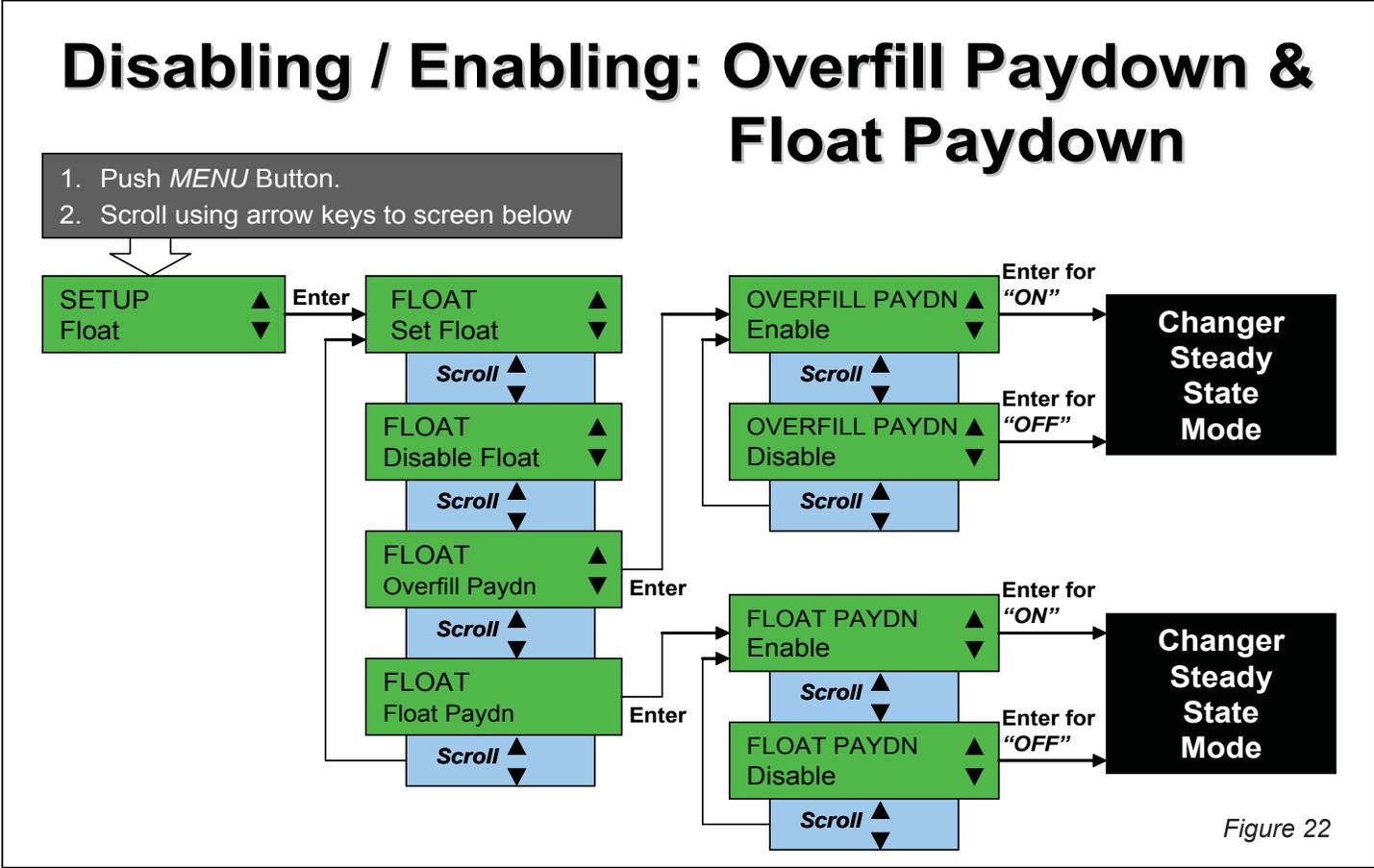


Figure 22

Float Paydown

When the changer is in Float Mode, the Float Paydown feature causes the changer to route all accepted coins to the tubes until they are full; the balance then go to the cashbox. Float Paydown is commonly used to ensure the maximum change making capability is always available without having to manually fill the changer during the route visit. Float Paydown is defaulted to "off" in the standard changer setup.

See Figure 22 for how to turn this feature on or off.

Audit Reporting

The Guardian features a means of tracking and reporting all sales. Audit data consists of two types of data: 1) Current Data, and 2) Historical Data.

- Current (Resettable) Data:** consists of changer data stored since the last user reset. See Figure 23 for details.



The user can quickly begin Audit Current Data reporting by pushing *MENU* twice. Refer to Figure 18 for additional information on changer hotkeys.

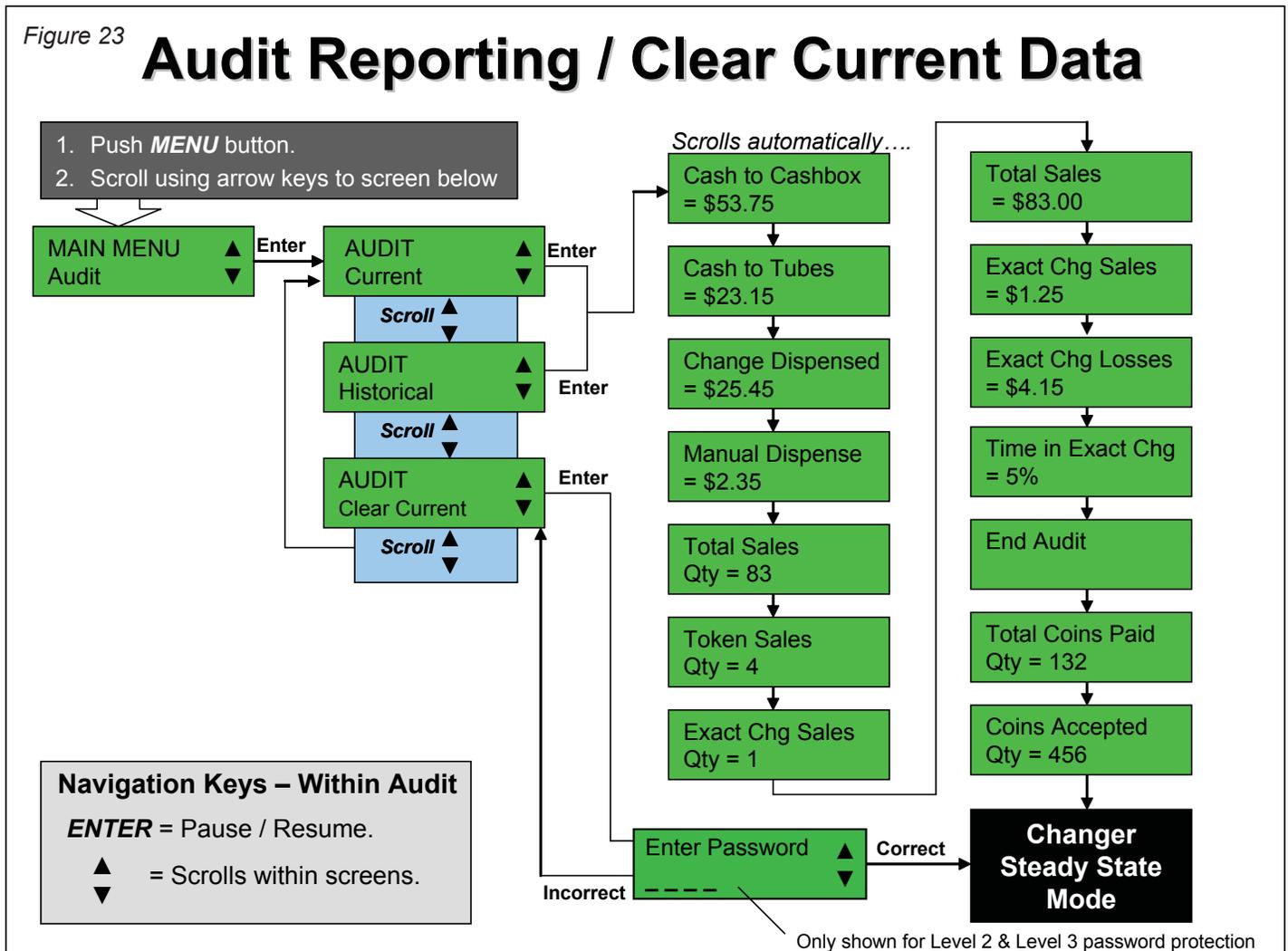
- Clear Current (Resettable) Data:** Clears all changer data since the last user reset. Current data can be cleared at any time. See Figure 23.

How are 'Exact Change Losses' calculated?

Historical sales activity is used to calculate lost sales when in the exact change mode.

How are 'Total Sales' quantities and dollar values calculated?

Every transaction where coins are accepted at or above the predefined vend price equates to a quantity of one sale. The sum of these sales is the total sales in dollars.



3. **Historical Data:** consists of data stored since the changer was first put in service. Audit Historical Data displays the same categories of data as Current Data, the totals will just be from the beginning of the changers service life. See Figure 23 for details.

 Historical Data can also be reset for extreme cases where the user does not want their sales data to be revealed; e.g. changer is being sold, etc. See Figure 44 for more information.

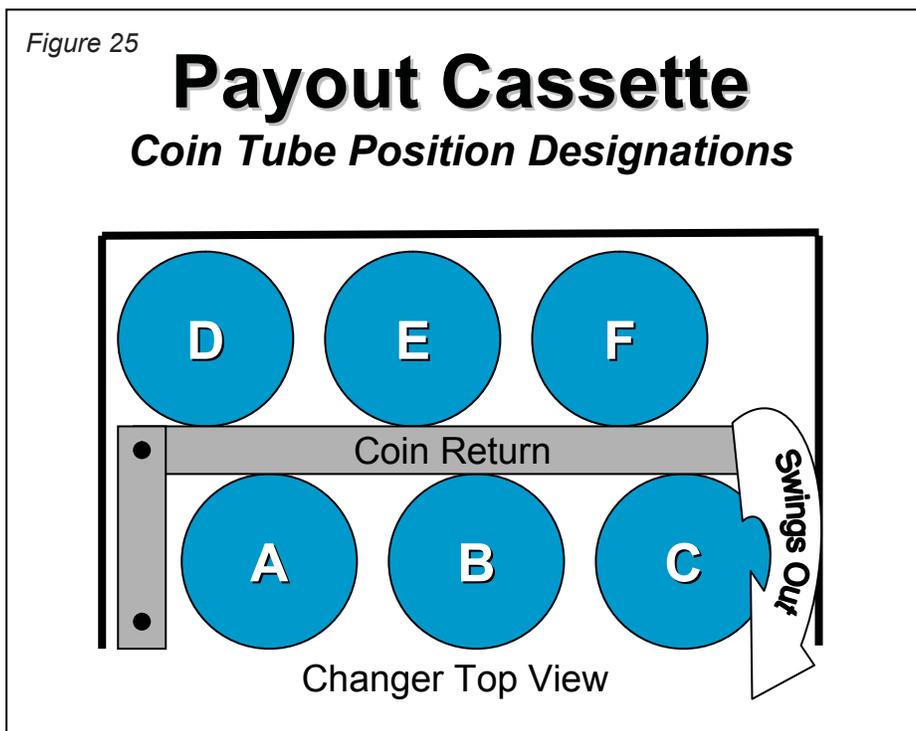
 **Changing the Payout Coin Tube Configuration**

Your Guardian will typically incorporate a Standard Cassette configuration (See Figure 24). The Guardian features the capability of changing individual tubes within the payout cassette.

The Guardian coin tube locations are designated as shown in Figure 25.

Guardian 6000™ Standard Cassettes							
Cassette ID	Country	Coin Denomination By Tube Position					
		A	B	C	D	E	F
BB	US	25¢	10¢	5¢	5¢	25¢	25¢
DD	US	25¢	10¢	5¢	5¢	5¢	5¢
BD	US / Canada	\$1	\$1	25¢	5¢	10¢	25¢
BE	Canada	\$2	\$1	25¢	5¢	25¢	25¢
BF	Canada	\$2	\$2	\$1	5¢	25¢	25¢
DE	Canada	\$1	5¢	25¢	25¢	25¢	25¢

Please contact your Coinco Sales Rep about customization of standard cassettes or see www.coinco.com Figure 24



Payout Cassette - Coin Tubes & Positions

Figure 26

						
		Tube #1	Tube #2	Tube #3	Tube #4	Tube #6
Possible Tube Positions		A B	A B C	ABCDEF	ABCDEF	ABCDEF
US	Coin	NA	US \$1	US 25¢	US 5¢	US 10¢
	Tube Assy #	NA	408832-1	408833-1	408834-1	408836-1
	Shim Color		Lt. Gray	Blue	Blue	Red
Canada	Coin	CAD \$2	CAD \$1	CAD 25¢	CAD 5¢	CAD 10¢
	Tube Assy #	408831-1	408832-1	408833-2	408834-1	408836-2
	Shim Color	Black	Lt. Gray	Black	Blue	Gold

Note: Coin tube assemblies include the coin tube and shim color noted above.

Changing the Coin Tubes

There are 5 different tube sizes for the North American market. Quarter and nickel tubes can be placed in any of the six payout positions (See Figure 25). Tubes for dimes, \$1 and \$2 coins have restrictions on their placement. Please refer to Figure 26 for details.

Each coin tube will require a specific coin shim in order to accurately pay out that coin thickness. Please refer to Figure 26 to ensure the correct coin shims are installed.

1. Rotate the Payout Cassette Release Latch downward to open the coin payout cassette. Refer to Figure 27.
2. Pivot the payout cassette out of the changer housing by pulling on its lower right corner (See Figure 28). Once the latch has been depressed, the payout cassette must be at least partially opened before it can be closed and resealed properly.
3. Lift the cassette straight up to remove it from the coin changer (See Figure 29).
4. To remove an individual coin tube, hold the cassette assembly then gently pull the top of the coin tube forward to unsnap the top of the tube. See Figure 30.
5. Tilt the top of the tube away from the cassette and lift the tube out.

See Figure 31.

6. Install the replacement coin tubes and shim assembly by first inserting the bottom of the tube in the cassette, then pivot the top of the tube and snap it into the upper part of the cassette. Check that all coin tubes are secured to the cassette.
7. Reinstall the payout cassette into the housing.

Programming the Coin Routing

Whenever the coin tubes are changed, the Guardian must be reprogrammed to route coins to the new tube locations. See *Cassette Configuration - Using a Custom Configuration*.

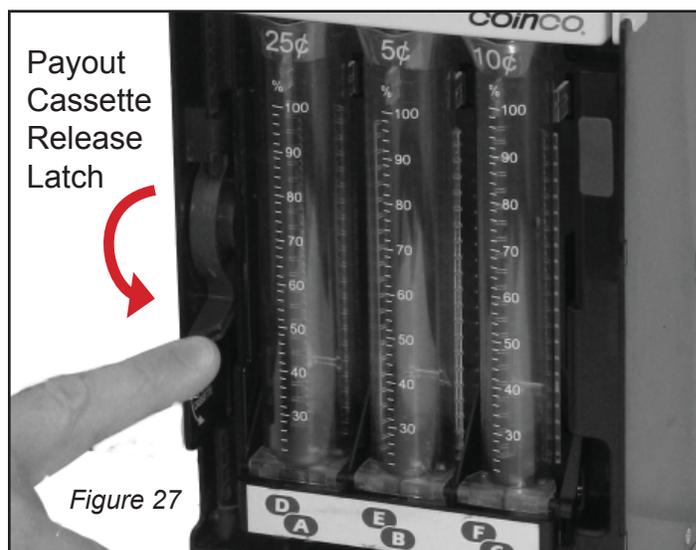
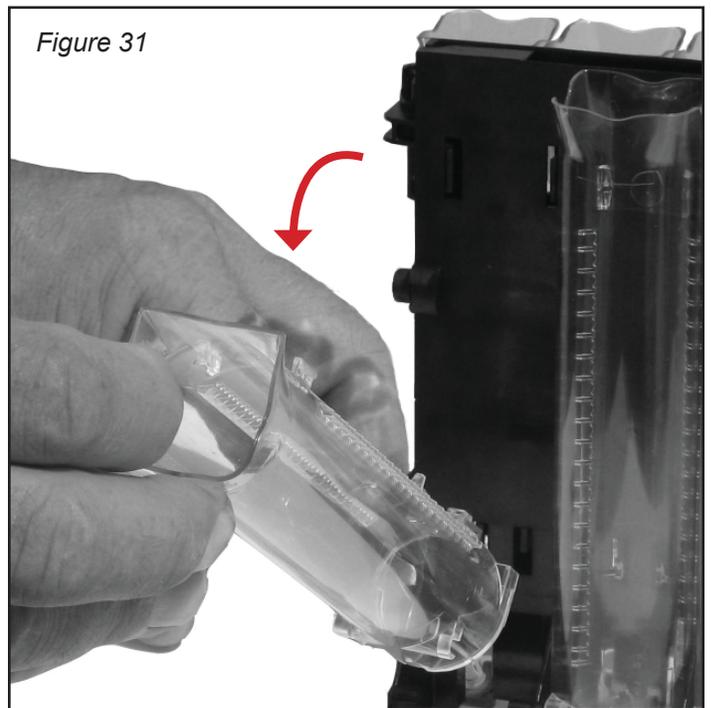
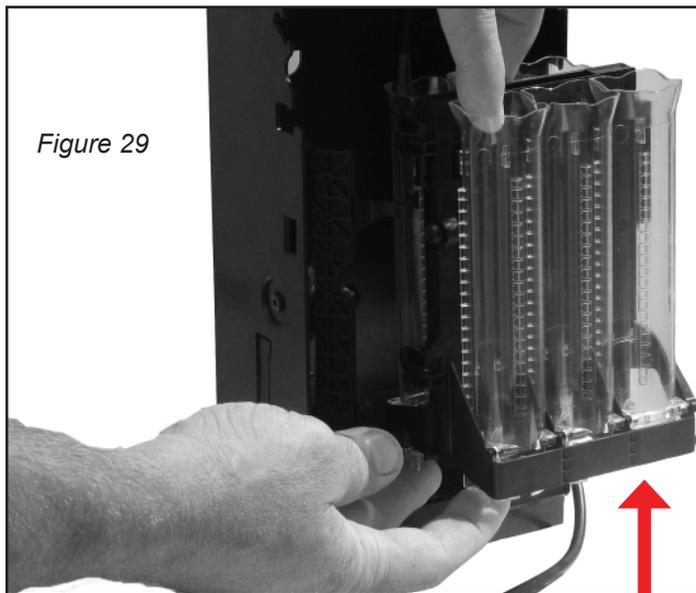
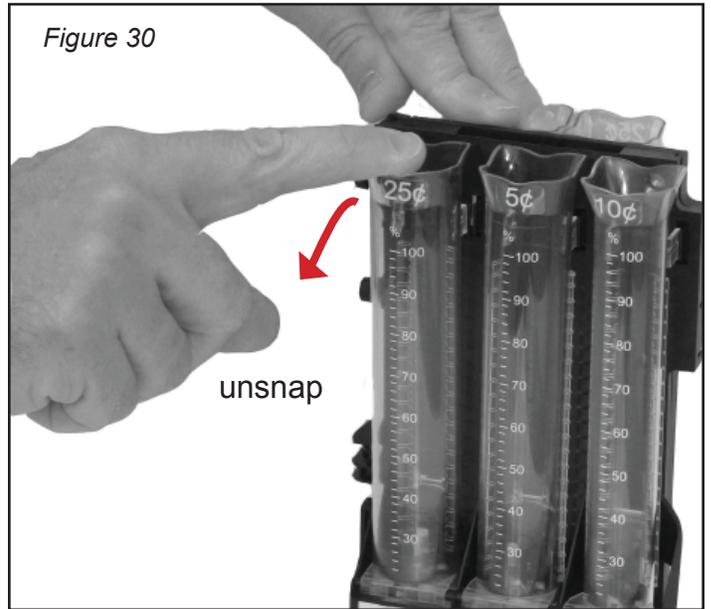
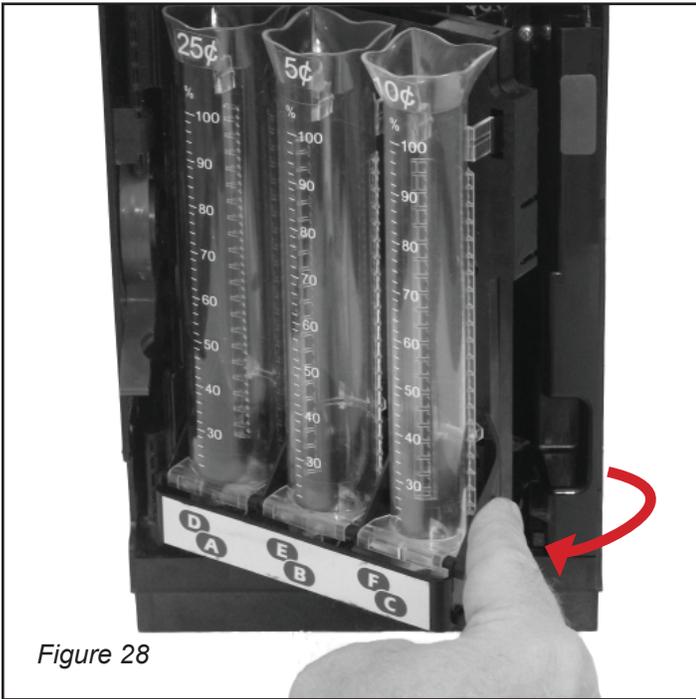


Figure 27





Cassette Configuration

Cassette configuration assigns which coins route to which payout tubes.

Your new Guardian changer will already be configured for the factory cassette and coin routing. This step of changing the cassette configuration is only necessary if:

- a payout cassette has been replaced with a cassette containing different coin tubes, or coin tubes in different positions.
- individual coin tubes have been replaced (or moved).

There are two ways to assign coins: 1) *Using a Standard Cassette*, or 2) *Using a Custom Configuration*.

1. **Using a Standard Cassette:** Figure 24 shows the Standard Guardian payout configurations. If you are using a Standard cassette, find the cassette configuration designation (such as BB, BD, etc. in Figure 24) and proceed to Figure 32 to enter this cassette configuration. The
2. **Using a Custom Configuration:** a custom configuration is any combination of tubes and/or coin routing other than what is shown in Figure 24. If you want to reconfigure the payout tube configuration and have not already done so, please refer to *Changing the Payout Coin Tube Configuration* before proceeding. After this has been done, you will need to reconfigure the coin routing. See Figure 32 below.

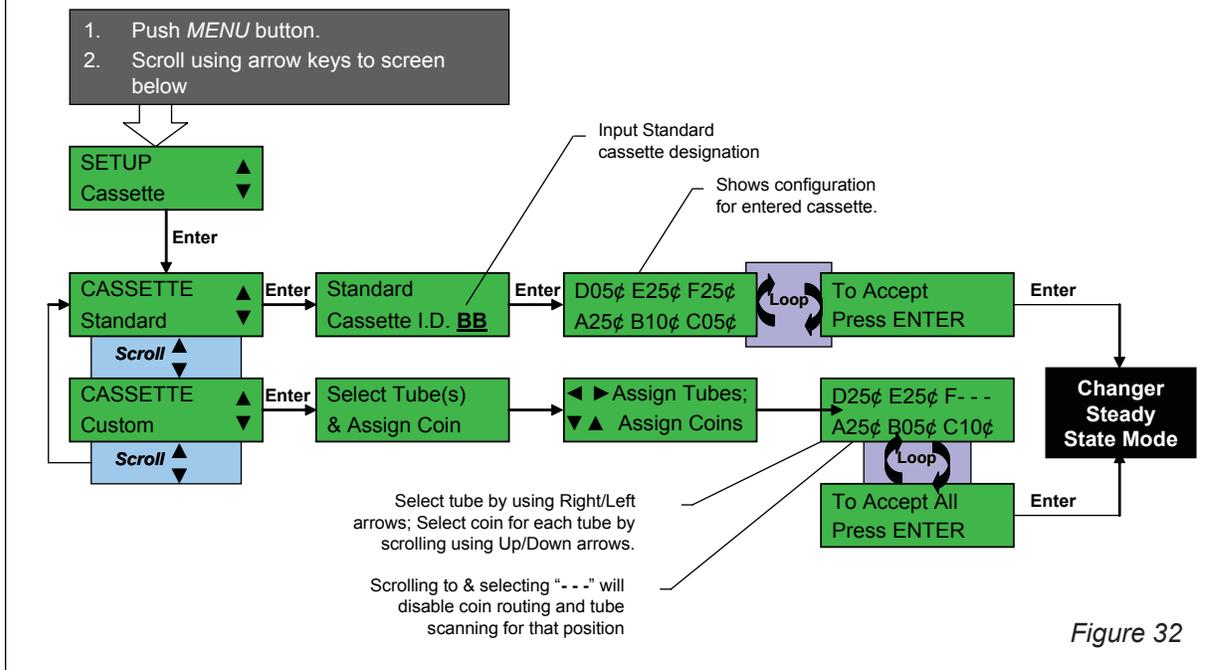
 If you do not plan to use all 6 coin tubes, leave tubes installed and **make sure to disable coin routing and coin level sensing for the appropriate tubes**. This is done by entering “---“ when assigning coins; see Figure 32 below for an example.

 *On some Vendo and Dixie-Narco machines, certain changer setup modifications (tube reconfiguration, changing coin routing, token additions/deletions) may not be recognized. If this occurs, cycle power to the main controller board to correct the problem.*



Tokens cannot be routed to tubes using the *Custom Cassette* menu. The *Token Routing* menu should be used.

Changing Cassette / Tube Configuration



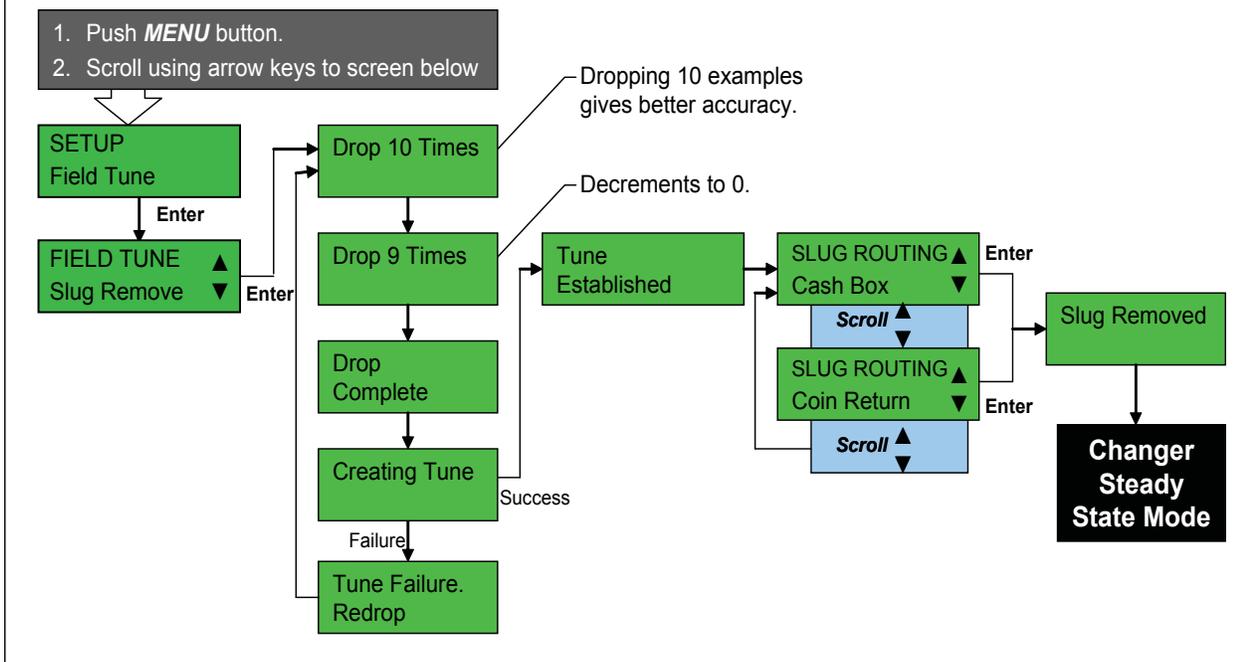
Eliminating a Slug

Slugs are counterfeits or foreign coins that are used by thieves to gain credit for a higher value domestic coin. The Guardian enables simple blocking of slugs while the changer is still on site.

Slugs can easily be blocked by completing the simple field tune in Figure 33. You will need at least one sample of the slug to be blocked to tune the changer. Eliminated slugs can be routed to the cashbox to prevent thieves from re-using them.

Figure 33

Eliminating A Slug



Working with Tokens

The Guardian 6000™ features a wide range of token capabilities all of which can be accomplished while the changer is still on location. These capabilities are covered here.



All token capabilities listed in this section can also be accomplished using the Coinco FP-5 Field Programmer.

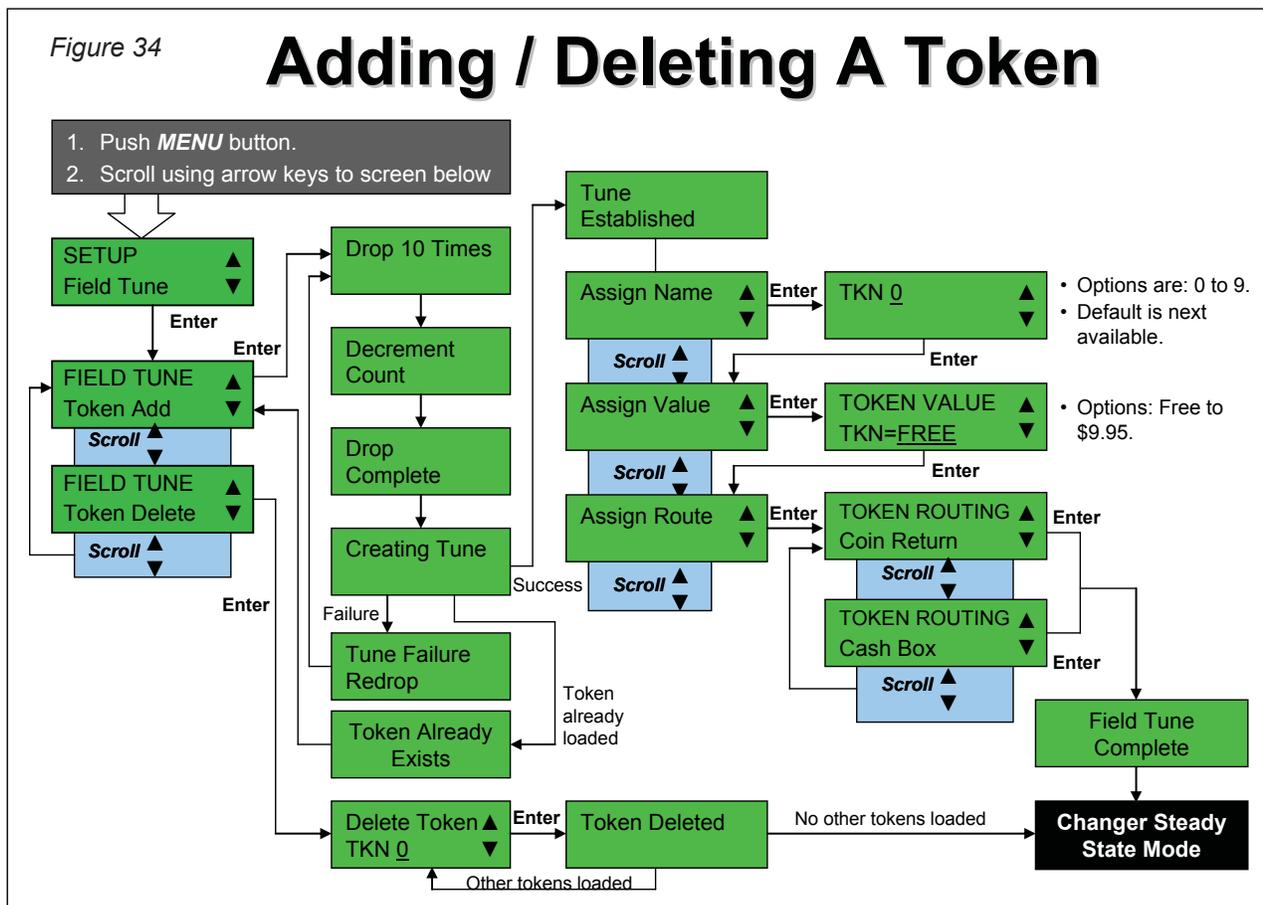


Adding A Token

Enables acceptance of a token.

Tokens can easily be added while the changer is still on site by completing the simple field tune in Figure 34.

i On some Vendo and Dixie-Narco machines, certain changer setup modifications (tube reconfiguration, changing coin routing, token additions/deletions) may not be recognized. If this occurs, cycle power to the main controller board to correct the problem.



Deleting a Token

Allows the user to block acceptance of a previously tuned token.

See Figure 34 for how to delete a token.

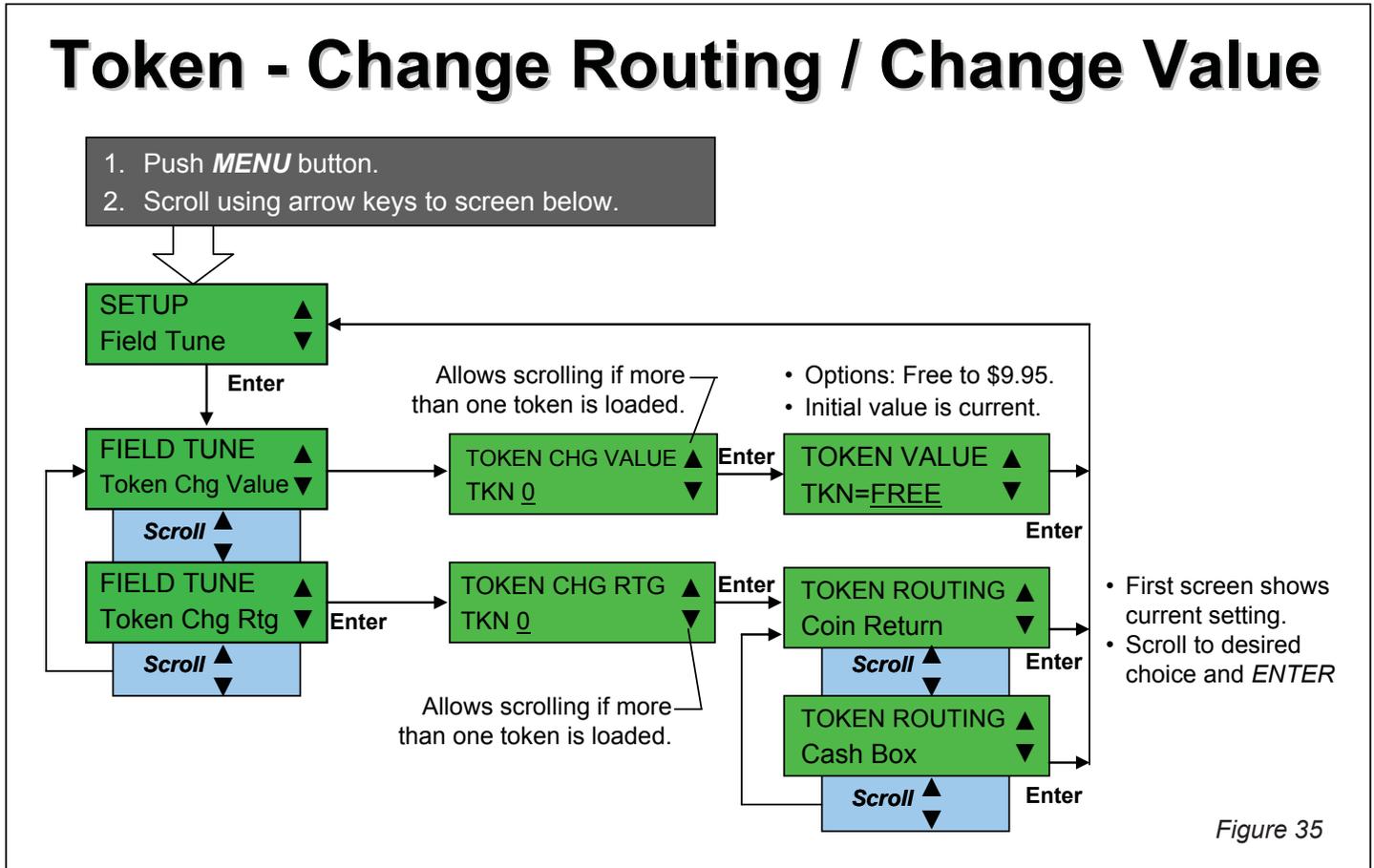
i On some Vendo and Dixie-Narco machines, certain changer setup modifications (tube reconfiguration, changing coin routing, token additions/deletions) may not be recognized. If this occurs, cycle power to the main controller board to correct the problem.



Token Change Value

Change the value of a previously tuned token.

See Figure 35 for how to change token value.



Token Change Routing

Change the routing of a previously tuned token.

See Figure 35 for how to change the routing for a token.

Recommendations

This section offers helpful advice on getting the most out of your Guardian 6000™ changer.

The Guardian 6000™ tracks a wide variety of usage data to support the audit reporting feature. This same data is used to develop the recommendations discussed in this section. There is no better data than that from your specific installation to help optimize changer operation. The Recommendations section includes 1) Optimal Float, and 2) Service.

Optimal Float

Displays the recommended Float level for the changer based on the last 60 days of changer usage.

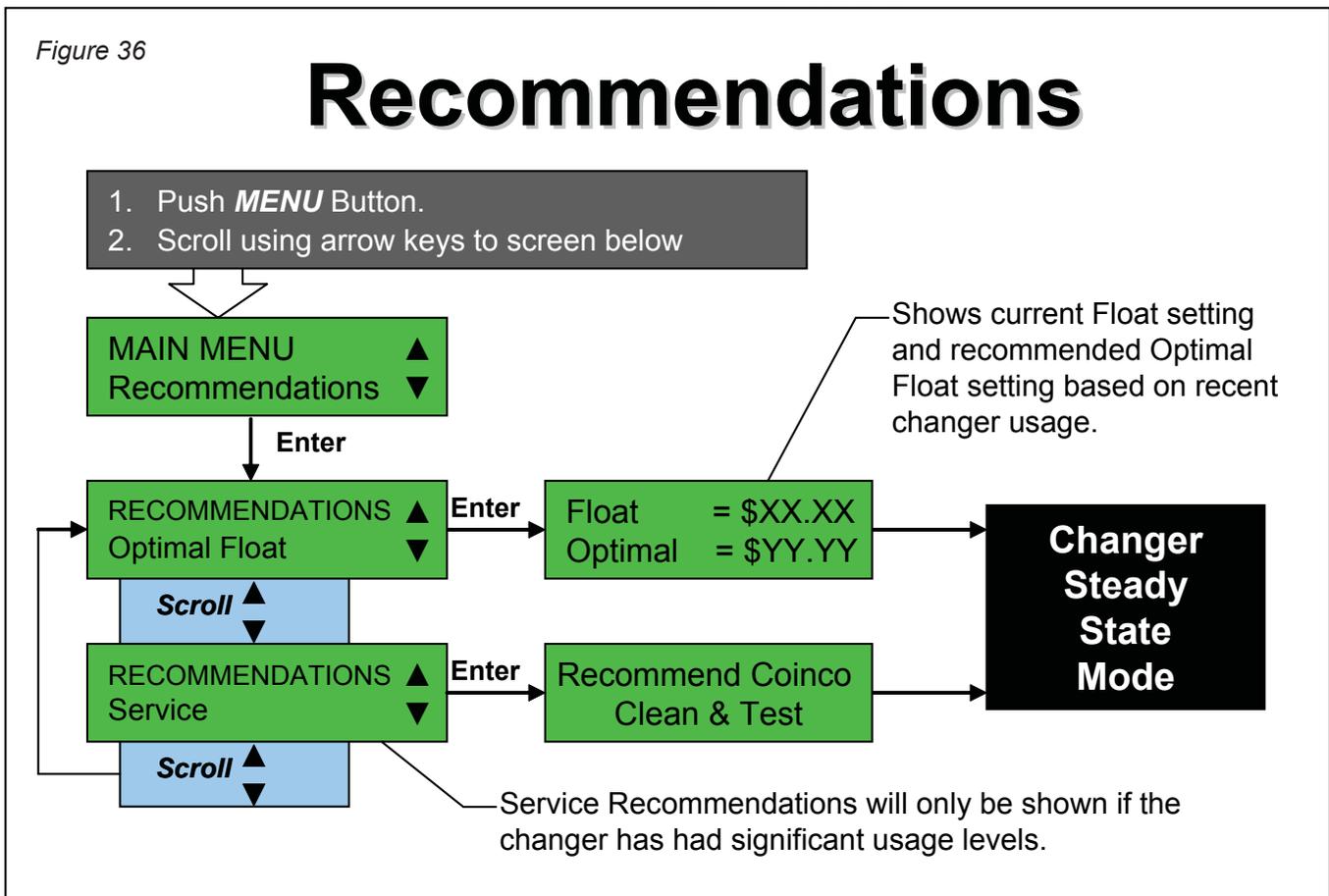
The **Optimal Float** recommendation is based on the most recent changer activity and thus will vary slightly over time based on day-to-day transactions. To minimize the Exact Change condition and maximize machine sales, it is recommended that **Optimal Float** be checked every month or so. The user can then update the Float setting to obtain the optimal changer performance.

See Figure 36 for how to obtain the Optimal Float Recommendation.

Service

Will automatically make a Service recommendation based on changer usage.

See Figure 36 for how to check for Service Recommendations.



SECTION 5: ADVANCED CONFIGURATION

Advanced Configuration

This section explains the lesser-used features of the Guardian 6000™ changer.

Password

The password section protects the more sensitive changer information.

Entering the Password

A password must be entered any time the user attempts to enter a password-protected area of the menu. These include the Password area of the Setup menu, as well as the areas defined by the Password Protection Level (see below).

The basics of Password operation are as follows:

1. The default Password for most changer configurations is D-E-F-B.
2. The CANCEL button allows you to back up while typing the password, or to back out of the Password screen entirely.
3. Once the correct password is entered, it allows access to the user's original destination.
4. There is no penalty for multiple incorrect password attempts; i.e. the screen does not lock out access to non-password protected items.

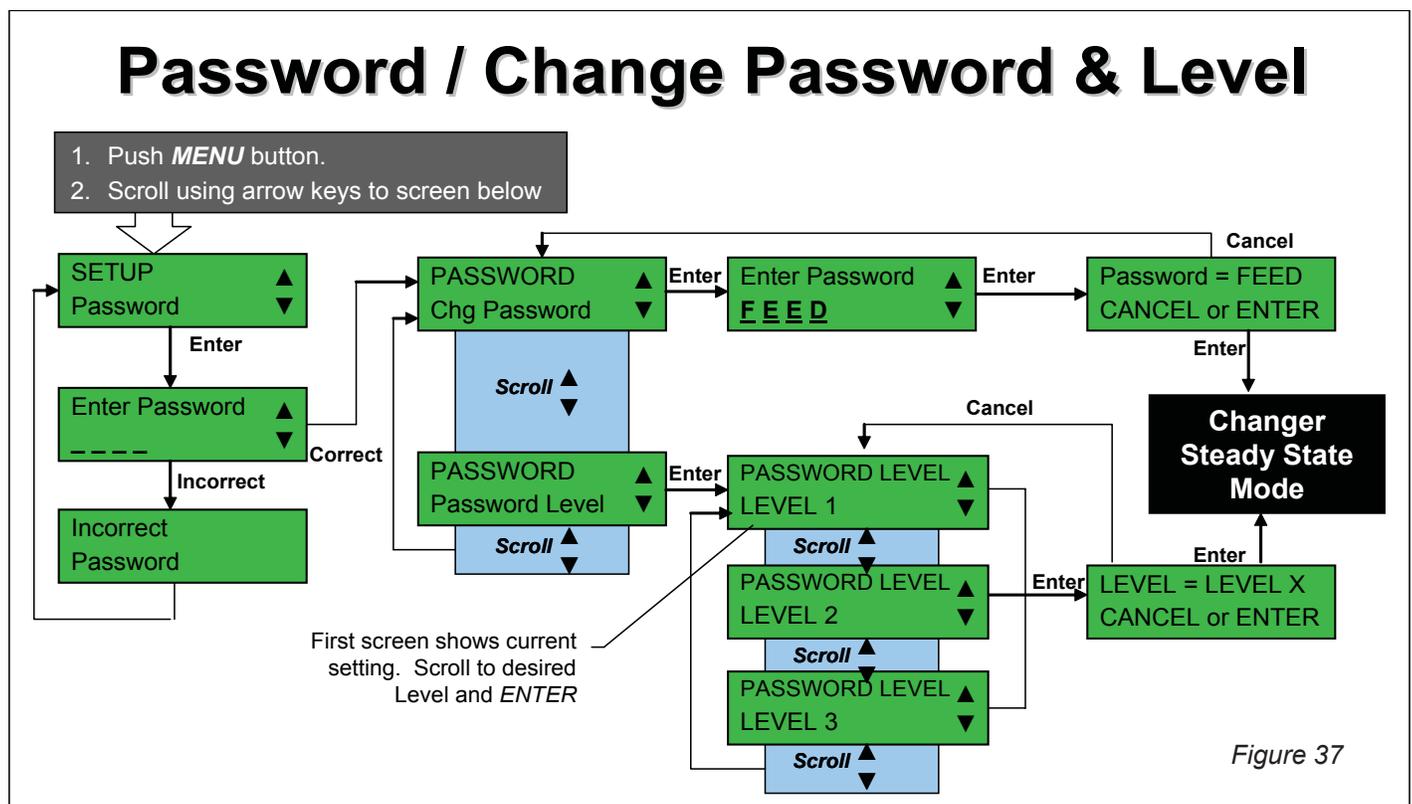
Changing the Password

Passwords can easily be changed from the default.

Valid passwords are four characters and are any combination of the letters D, E, F, and B (the four arrow keys). See Figure 37 for how to change the password.



If the password has been changed from the standard D-E-F-B, and the user cannot remember what it is, the Password can be reset by using the Coinco FP-5 Field Programmer.





Password Protection Levels

Password Protection Levels allow the user to decide which information is protected by a password.

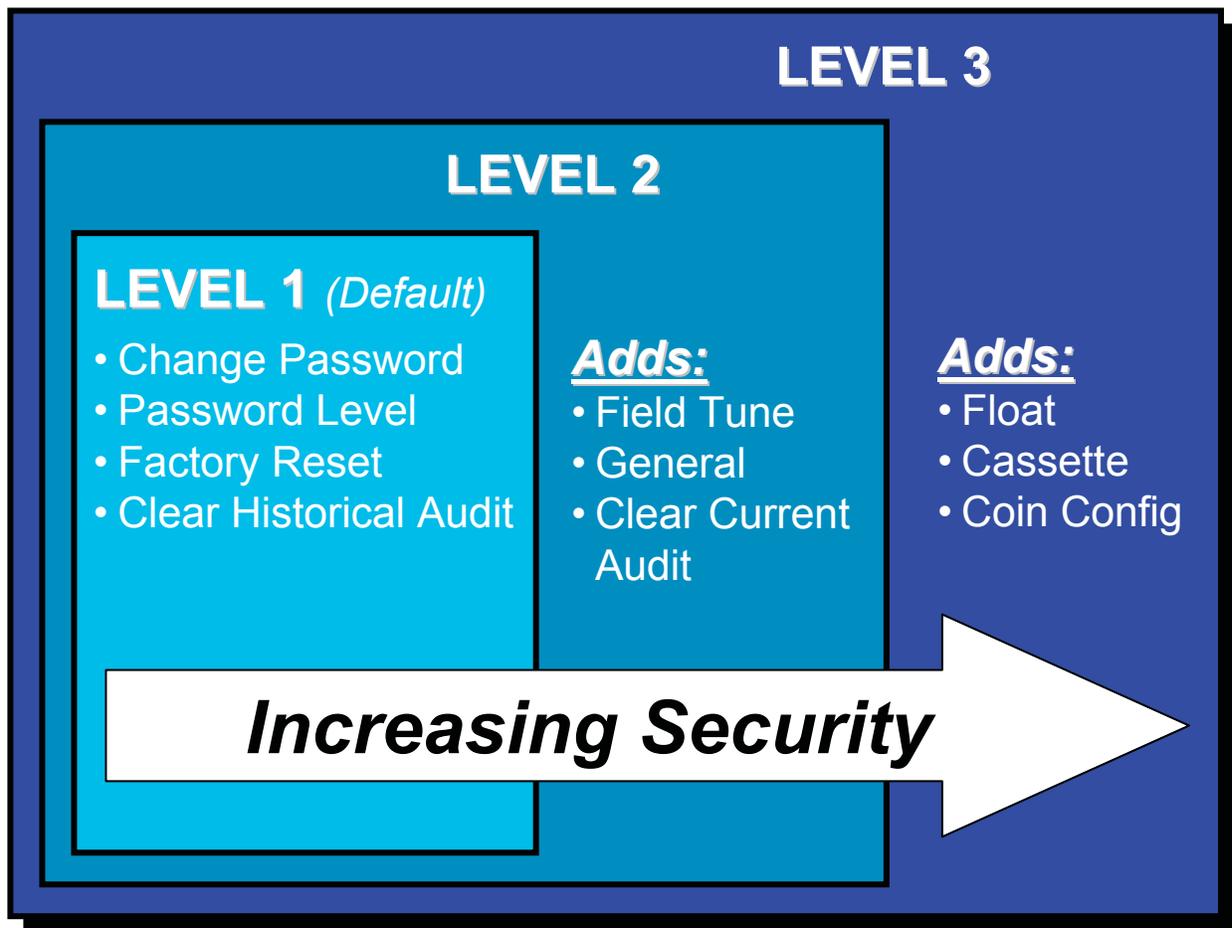
The Guardian features three levels of password protection:

- **Level 1:** The default, or lowest level of security.
- **Level 2:** Adds *Field Tuning* and the entire *Setup-General* sections of the menu.
- **Level 3:** Adds *Float*, *Cassette Configuration*, and *Coin Configuration*.

See Figure 38 for a visual representation of the Password Protection Levels. Figure 37 shows how to change the level.

Figure 38

Password Protection Levels

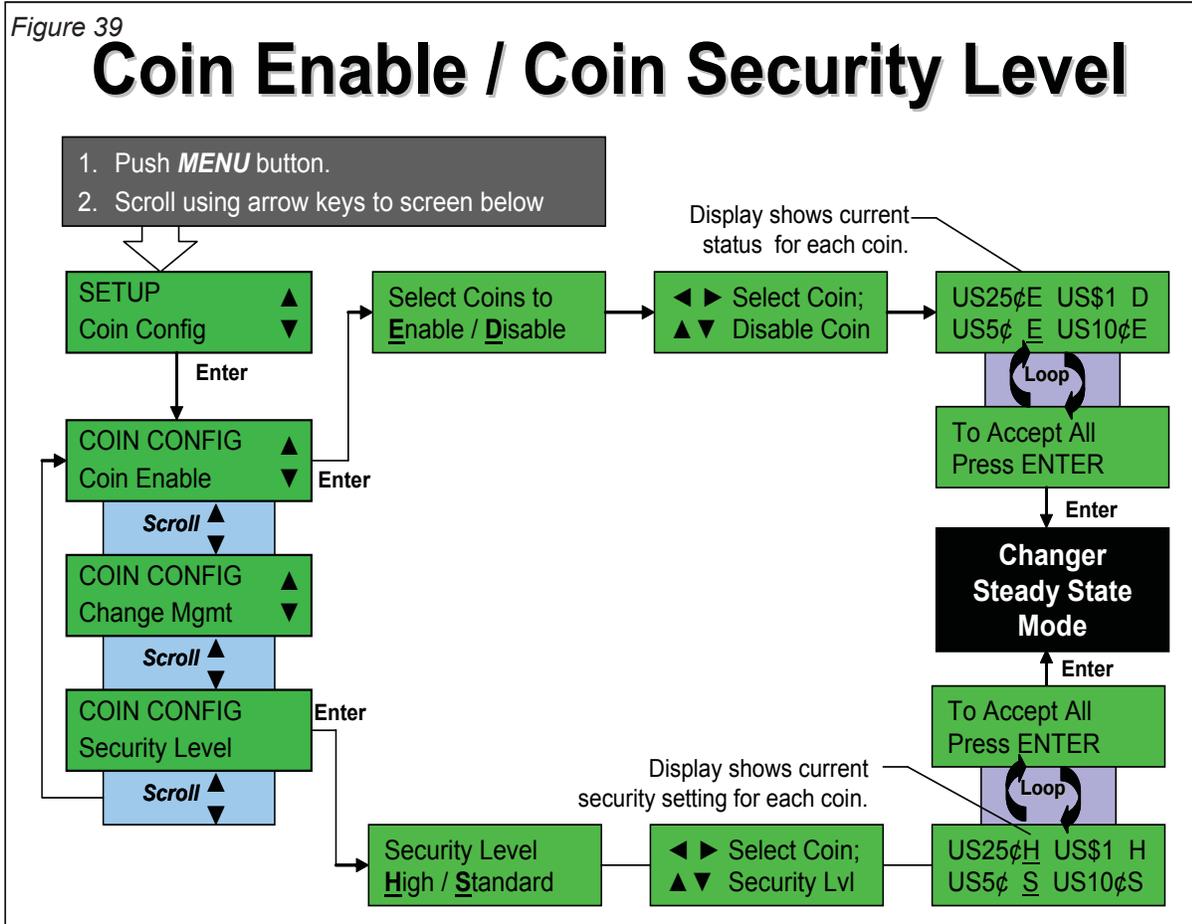


Coin Enable

Coin Enable allows the user to select which coins are and are not accepted within the standard coin set for the country.

See Figure 39 for enabling and disabling acceptance of coins within the standard coin set.

 The standard coin set for the country is determined by the changer “Country Code”. See the Guardian Naming Convention (page 5) to determine the Country Code of the changer.



Coin Security Level

Allows the user to determine how tight the acceptance rate should be for each type of accepted coin.

The Guardian 6000™ features two levels of security:

- Standard Security** (default setting): accepts a coin at a minimum of **95%** at normal temperatures and changer installation tilts; extreme conditions are **90%**.
- High Security**: is **90%** and **80%** respectively.

See Figure 39 for how to change the security level for each accepted coin.

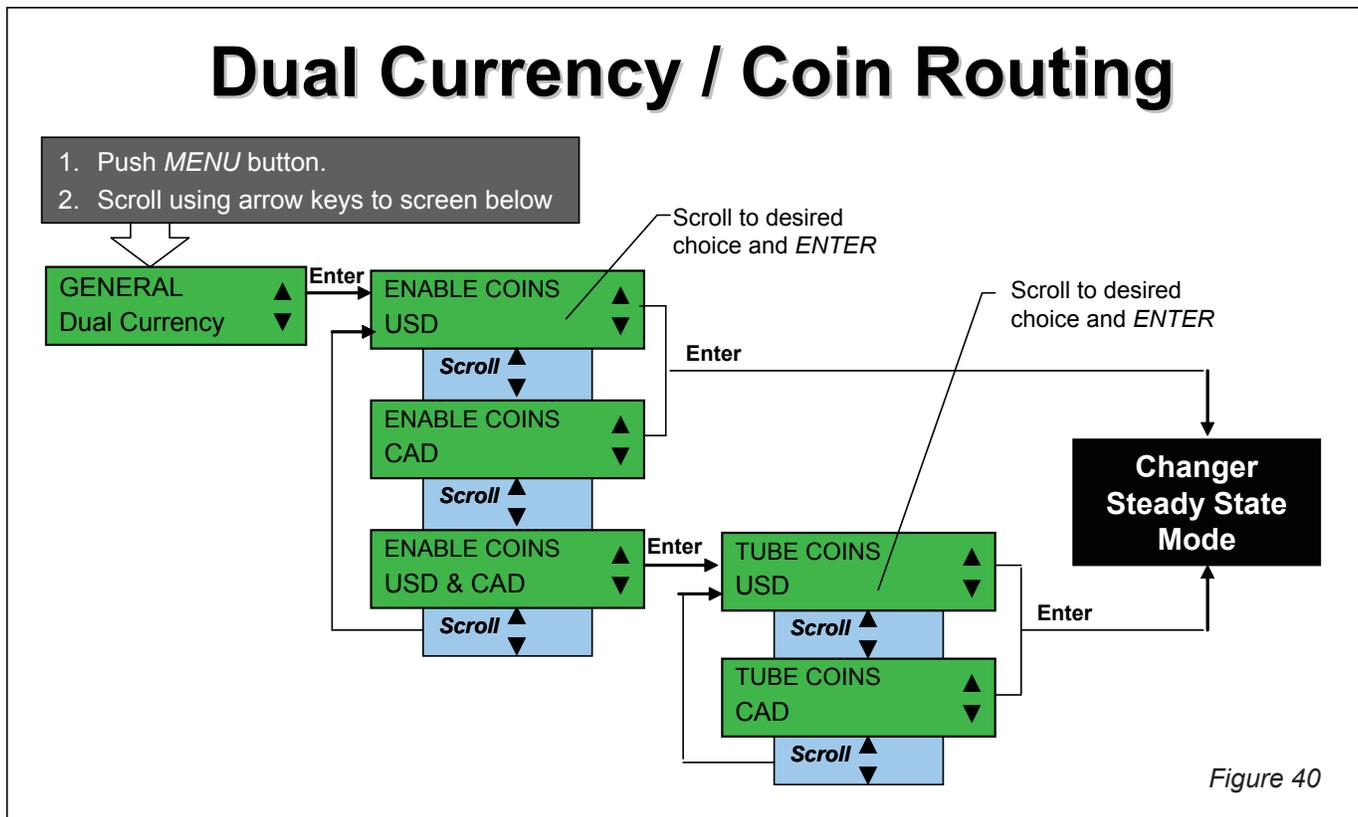
 Increasing the Coin Security Level for a coin from Standard to High Security will make it less likely that a similar slug will be accepted, yet it will also reject a higher percentage of authentic coins. It is recommended that the High Security setting only be used in specific instances to deal with higher slug rates.

Dual Currency

Allows coins from two countries to be accepted by the changer, and allows the user to set the routing (cashbox or coin tube) for the coins.

See Figure 40 for how to enable acceptance of more than one country set of coins.

If Dual Currency is enabled, then you must select which coins are routed to the coin tubes and which are routed to the cashbox. Figure 40 shows how to set which country set is routed to the coin tubes; the other country's coins are automatically routed to the cashbox.



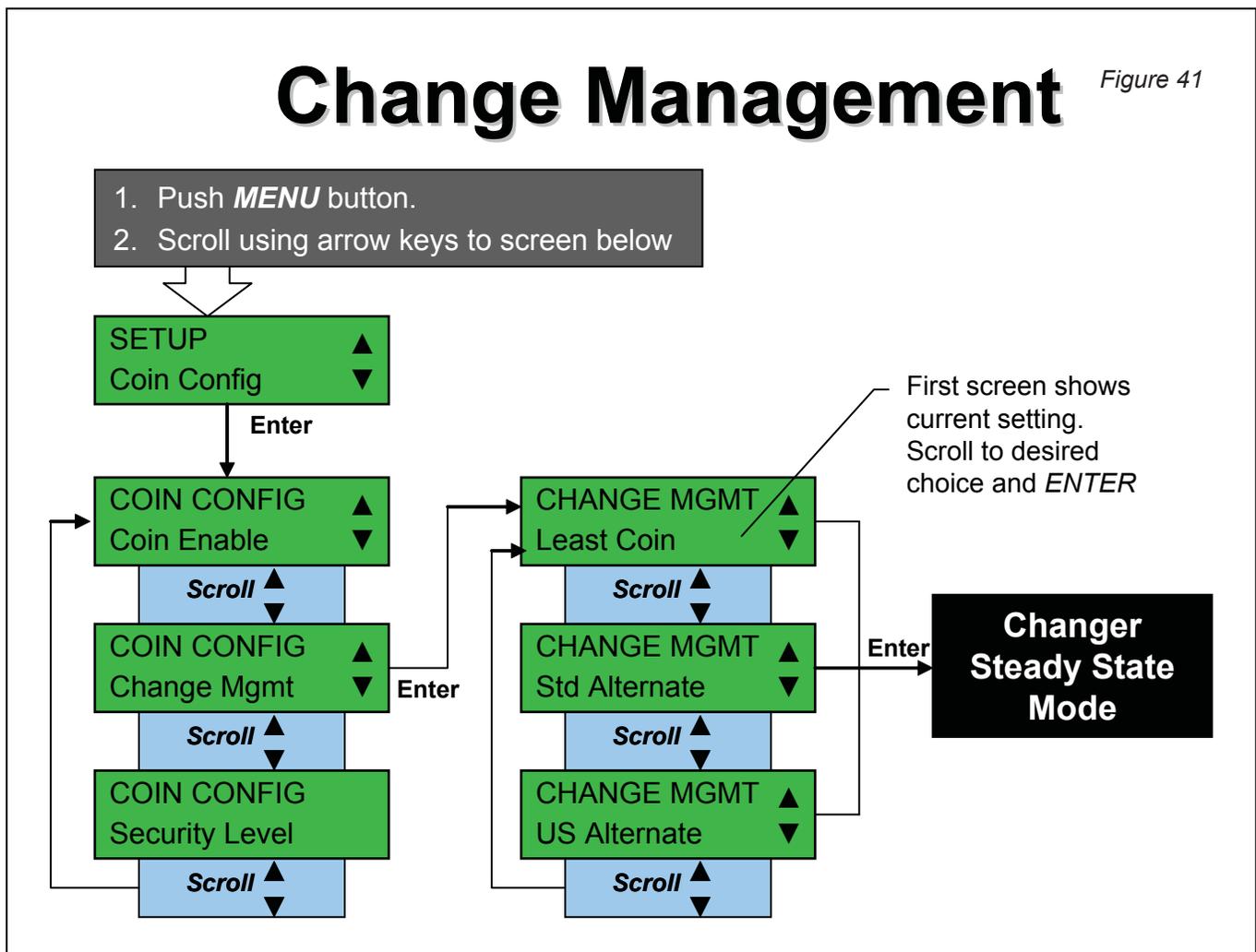
Change Management

Allows the user to select the preferred method of paying change from the tubes.

The Guardian 6000™ offers three alternatives for satisfying change requirements:

1. **USD Alternate Payout** (default setting): Pays out the least amount of coins while always giving correct change (best for consumer). Using this method, correct change is always made even if the least denomination tube coin (nickels) are not available. If change requirements cannot be satisfied using this criteria, the payout defaults to Exact Change Only mode.
2. **Least Coin Payout**: Always pay out least amount of coins regardless of whether correct change can be made. Depending on the coins available for payout, there can be specific conditions where the full change due to the consumer will not be returned.
3. **Standard Alternate Payout**: Designed to optimize the payout of change based on the existing coin tube levels in the changer. This method will pay one of the lowest denomination tube coins from a tube determined to be full and then resorts to *Least Coin Payout*.

See Figure 41 for how to change the payout algorithm.





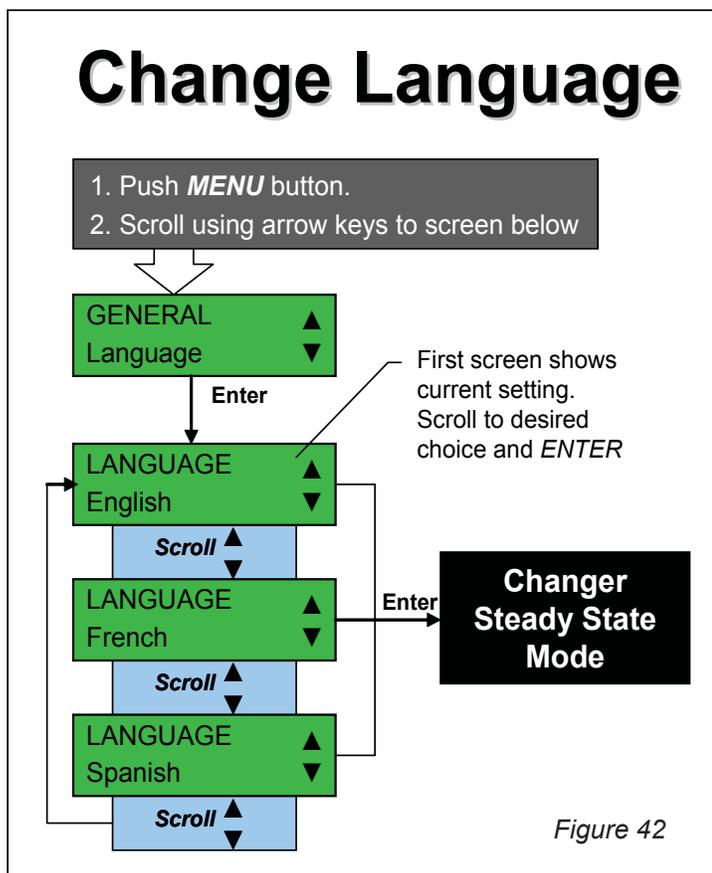
Language

Language enables the user to change the user interface LCD display language.

See Figure 42 for how to change the default language.



The standard language is defined by the changer “Country Code”. See the Guardian Naming Convention (page 5) to determine the Country Code of the changer.



Clear Historical Audit

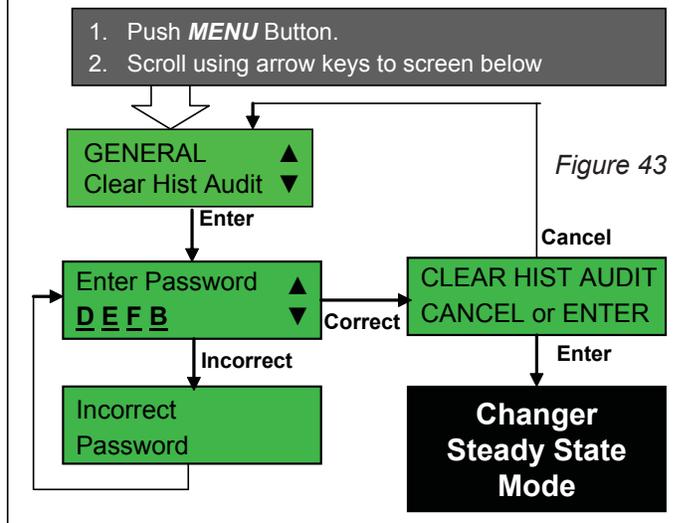
Clears ALL historical changer information that resides in the changer.

STOP Historical Data should only reset for extreme cases where the user does not want their data to be revealed; e.g. the changer is being sold to a competitor, etc. See Figure 43 for more information.

Clear Historical Audit



This will delete ALL changer historical audit information. Data cannot be restored after this step is completed.



Factory Reset

Deletes all user settings and returns the changer to the original as-new configuration.

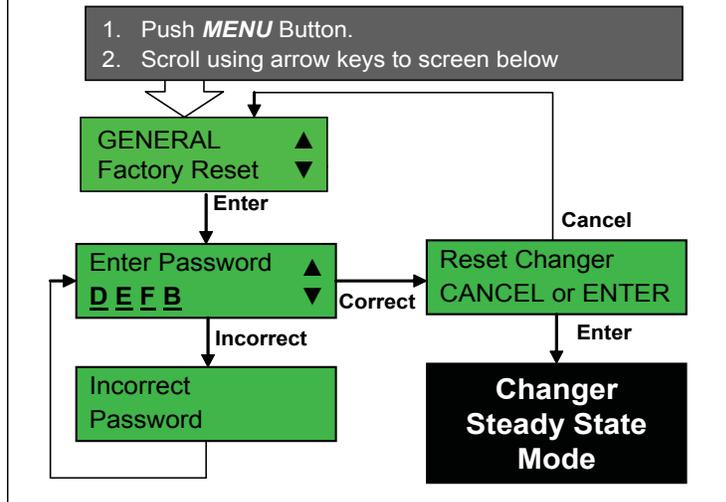
STOP Factory Reset should only be used in extreme cases since all user settings will be deleted. Factory Reset does not reset Audit Settings - those are cleared elsewhere. See Figure 44 for more information.

Factory Reset

Figure 44



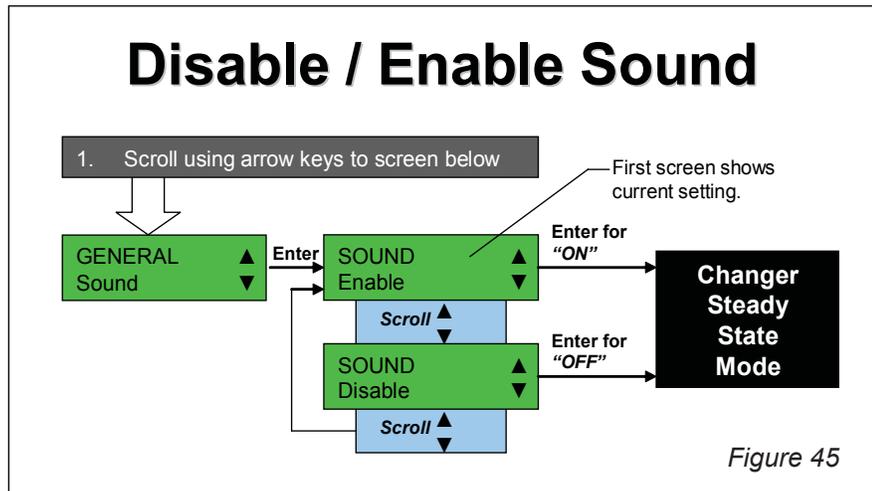
This will delete ALL user settings and return the changer to the original as-new configuration. Data cannot be restored after this step is completed.





Disable / Enable Audible Feedback

Turns feedback sounds from the warning beeper “on” or “off.” The default setting is “on.”



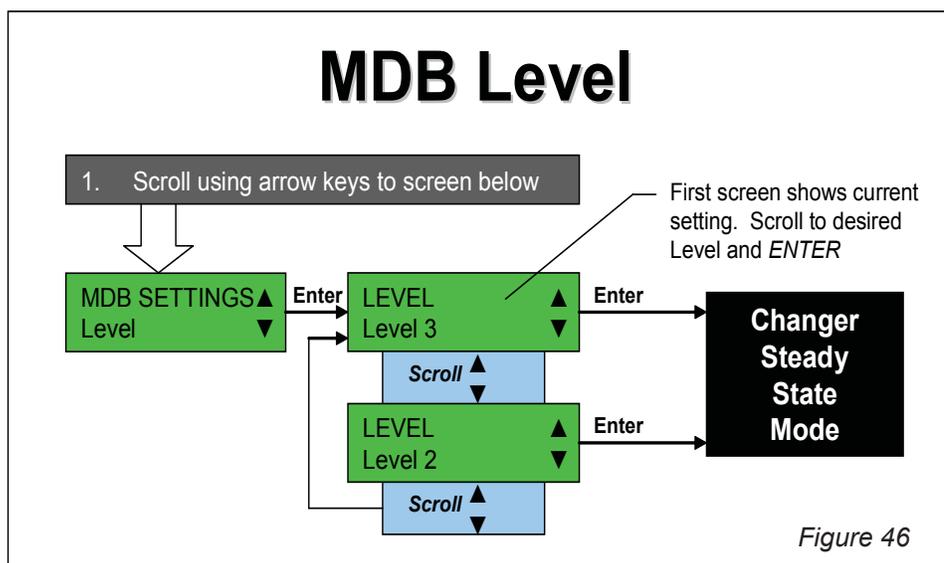
MDB Level

Allows user to set the MDB communications level.

The Guardian 6000™ offers two MDB Level setting options:

1. **MDB Level 3 (default setting):** this is the latest communications protocol and provides added functionality. It is recommended for all equipment.
2. **MDB Level 2:** this is an earlier protocol to support machines prior to the early 1990s that do not communicate properly using the MDB Level 3 above.

See Figure 46 for how to change the MDB Level.



SECTION 6: MAINTENANCE

Routine Maintenance

Routine maintenance will improve the performance and extend the life of your Guardian changer while reducing the need for more involved repairs. Frequency of maintenance will depend on environment and number of transactions.

Cleaning

The majority of your Guardian 6000 changer is manufactured from high-quality industrial grade plastic and should be cleaned with a warm water and detergent solution.

CAUTION:

- Never submerge the changer in water
- Do not use petroleum solvents, steel wool, scouring pads, or metal brushes for cleaning.
- Do not spray any part of the changer with any type of lubricant.

Since all coins share a common inlet and coin ramp, heavy usage or a dirty environment can result in dirt build-up in the acceptor. Clean the coin ramp by opening the acceptor gate to the right. Hold the gate to prevent it from snapping back. Wipe the exposed coin ramp and inner surfaces with a damp cloth. For excessively dirty units, use a damp cloth and mild detergent.

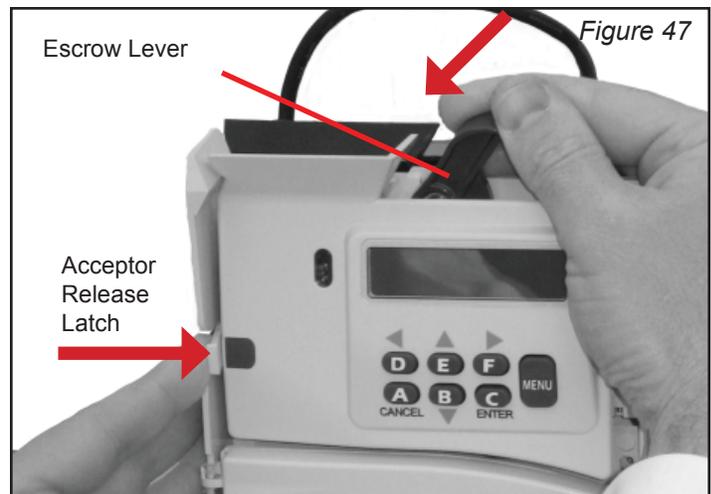
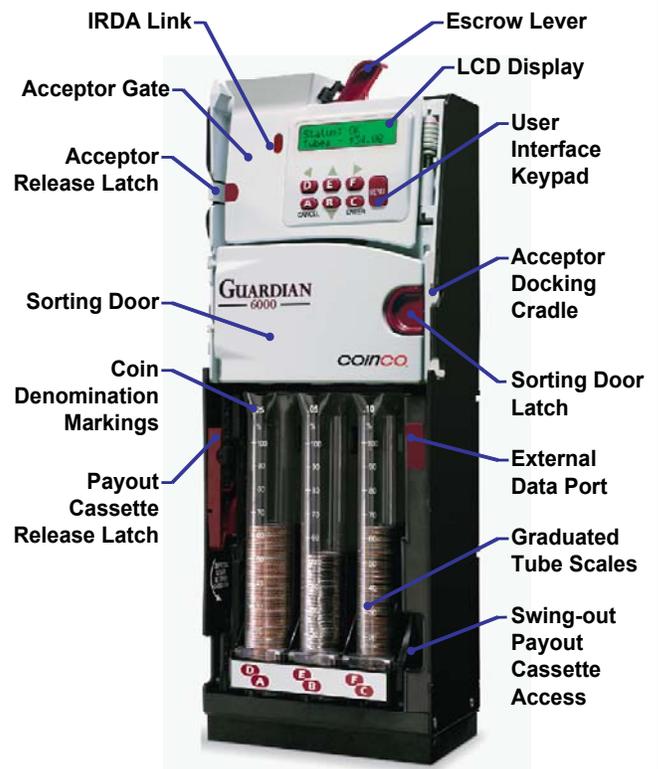
DO NOT SUBMERGE UNIT IN WATER!

Maintenance / Disassembly

Removing the Acceptor

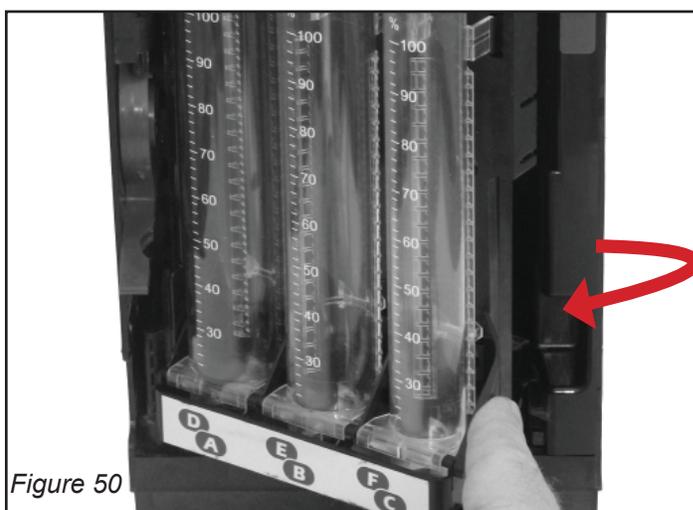
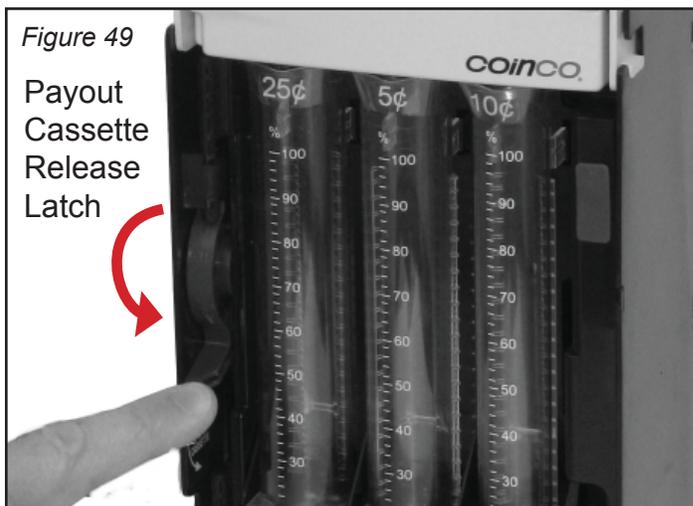
1. Remove the acceptor from the changer housing by pressing the acceptor latch to the right on the front of the acceptor and then pull the escrow lever towards you, away from changer housing. See Figure 47.
2. Disconnect the acceptor's ribbon cable from the changer housing. Lift the acceptor slightly to free the lower acceptor studs from the changer housing. Place the acceptor in a clean, dry area. See Figure 48

Changer Components

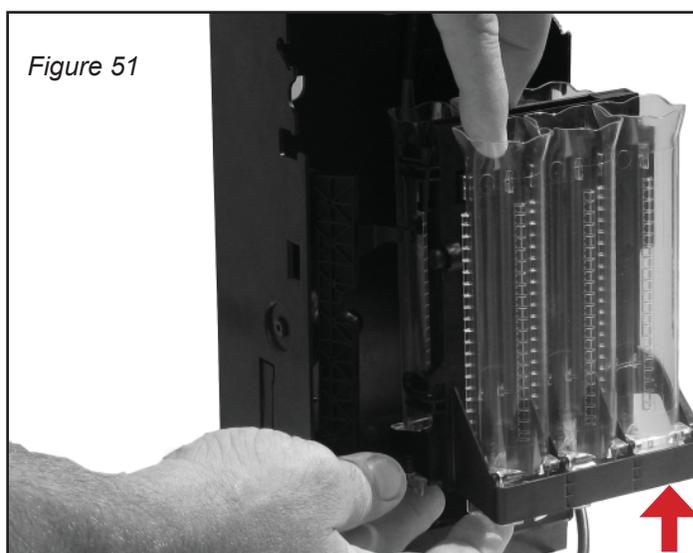


Removing the Coin Tube Cassette

3. Rotate the Payout Cassette Release Latch downward to open the coin payout cassette. Pivot the payout cassette out of the changer housing to access the coin tubes. See Figures 49 & 50.

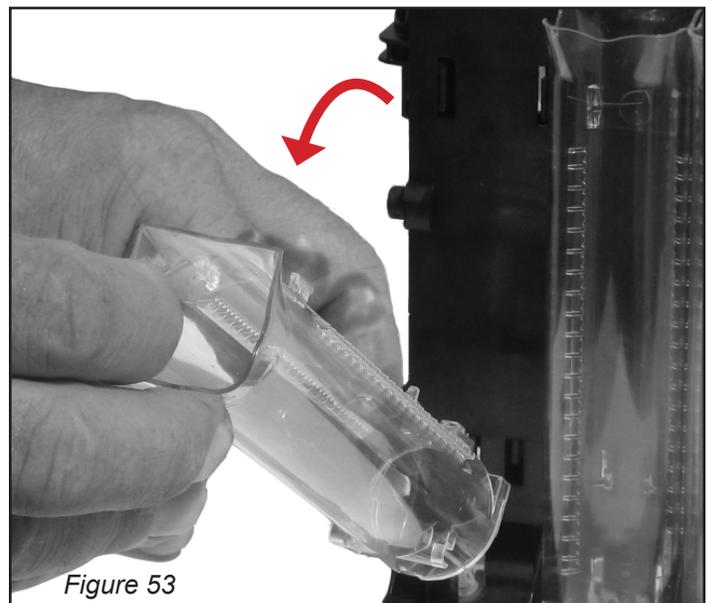
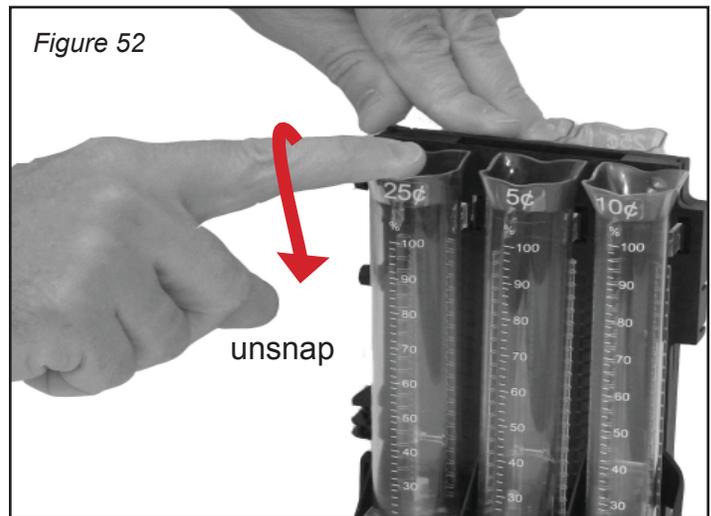


4. Lift the cassette straight up off of the double hinge to remove. See Figure 51.



Removing the Coin Tubes from the Cassette

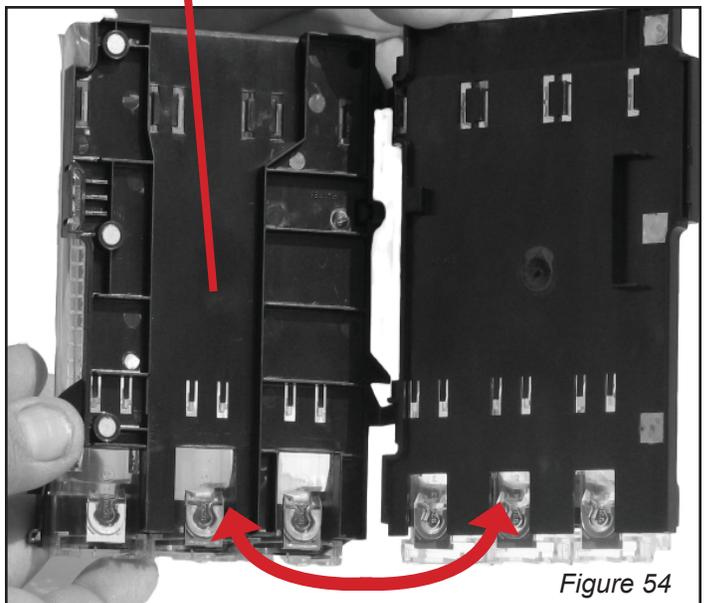
5. To remove an individual coin tube, hold the cassette assembly then gently pull the top of the coin tube forward to unsnap the top of the tube. Tilt the top of the tube away from the cassette and lift the tube out. See Figures 52 & 53



Coin Reject
Path

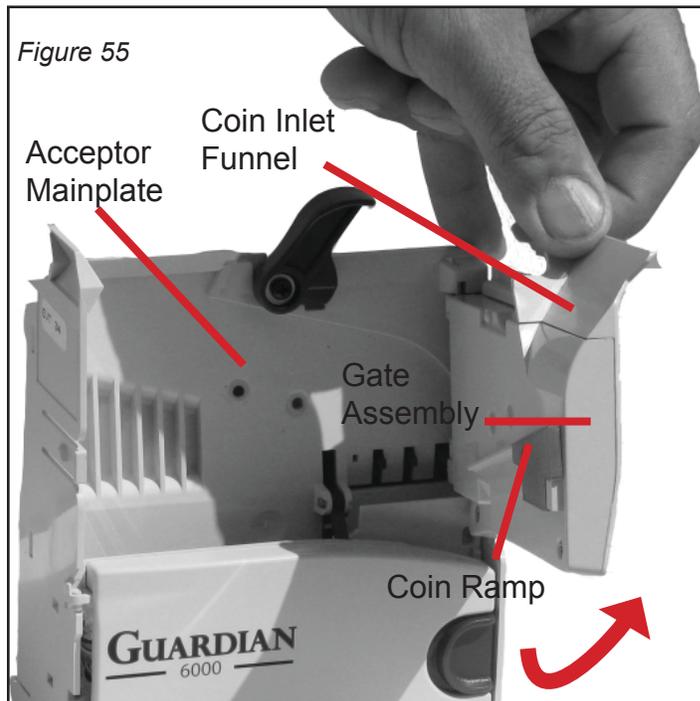
Cleaning the Coin Reject Path

6. To access the Coin Reject Path for cleaning, separate the front and back halves of the cassette apart. There is a hinge at the "A/D" tube side of the cassette. Spread the cassette apart at the "C/F" tube side. See Figure 54.

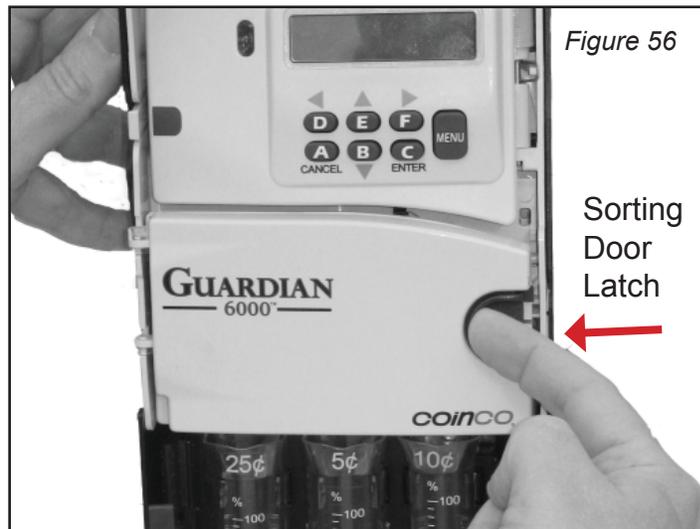


Cleaning the Acceptor

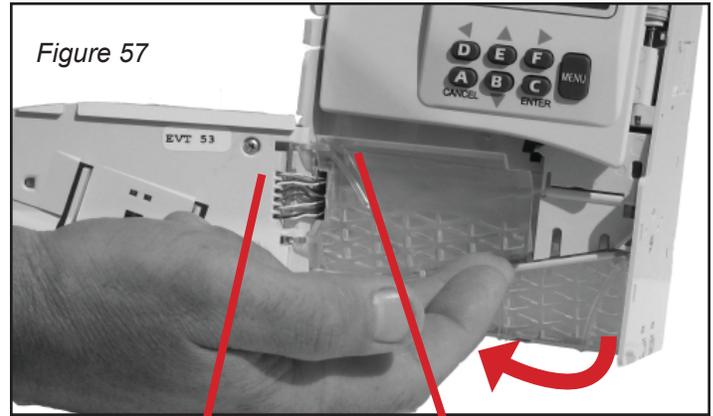
- To open the Acceptor Gate assembly grab the coin inlet funnel and pivot the gate assembly to the right. Clean the acceptor main plate, inner gate surface and coin ramp. See Figure 55.



- Open the acceptor Sorting Door assembly. Slide the Sorting Door Latch to the left and swing the Sorting Door to the left. Clean the inner surface of the front cover assembly. See Figures 56 & 57.



9. Access to the various coin paths for cleaning requires the removal of the clear plastic covers. The Upper Front Cover pivots to the left. Clean both sides of Upper Front Cover. See Figure 57.
10. Remove the Upper Back Cover by pushing its release tab to the right. Lift the upper back cover out of the acceptor. Clean both sides of the Upper Back Cover. See Figure 58.



Inner Surface of Sorting Door Assembly
Upper Front Cover

Cleaning the Cashbox Chute

11. Pull the bottom of the cashbox chute out slightly, away from the backside of the changer housing and slide the chute down to release. Twist the chute clockwise to disengage the upper pin. Clean the chute and housing coin path. See Figure 59.
12. If not already done, remove acceptor or pivot it open. Make sure the harness is inserted back into the notch in the front of the cashbox chute. See Figure 60.

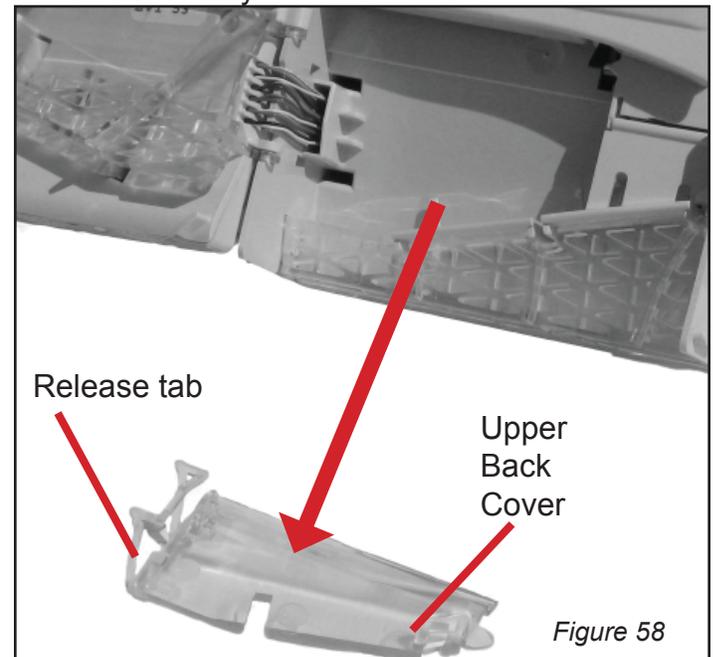


Figure 58

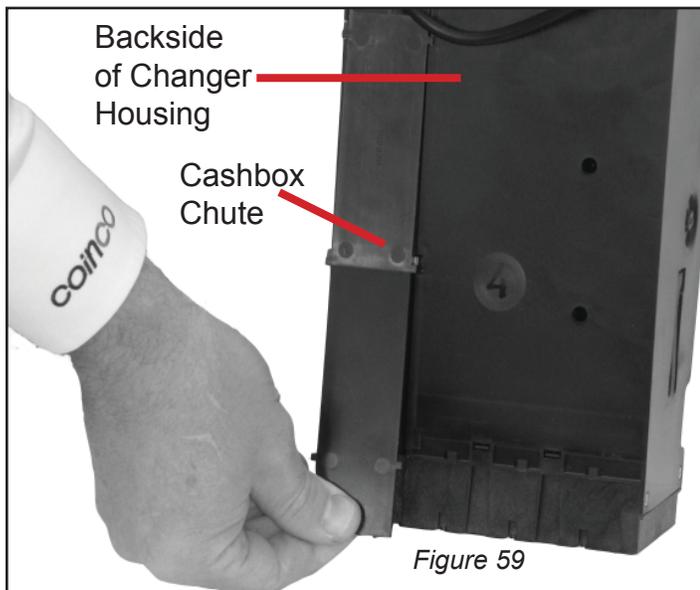


Figure 59

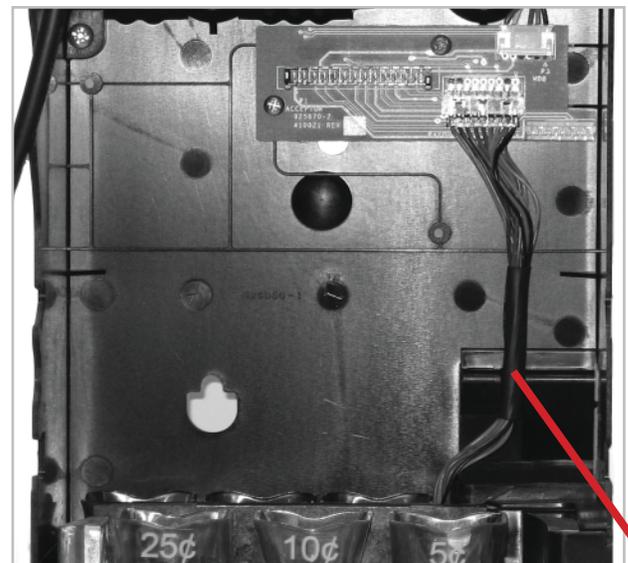


Figure 60

Harness Notch

SECTION 7: TROUBLESHOOTING

Troubleshooting

The Guardian 6000™ incorporates a range of features to assist the user. These include:

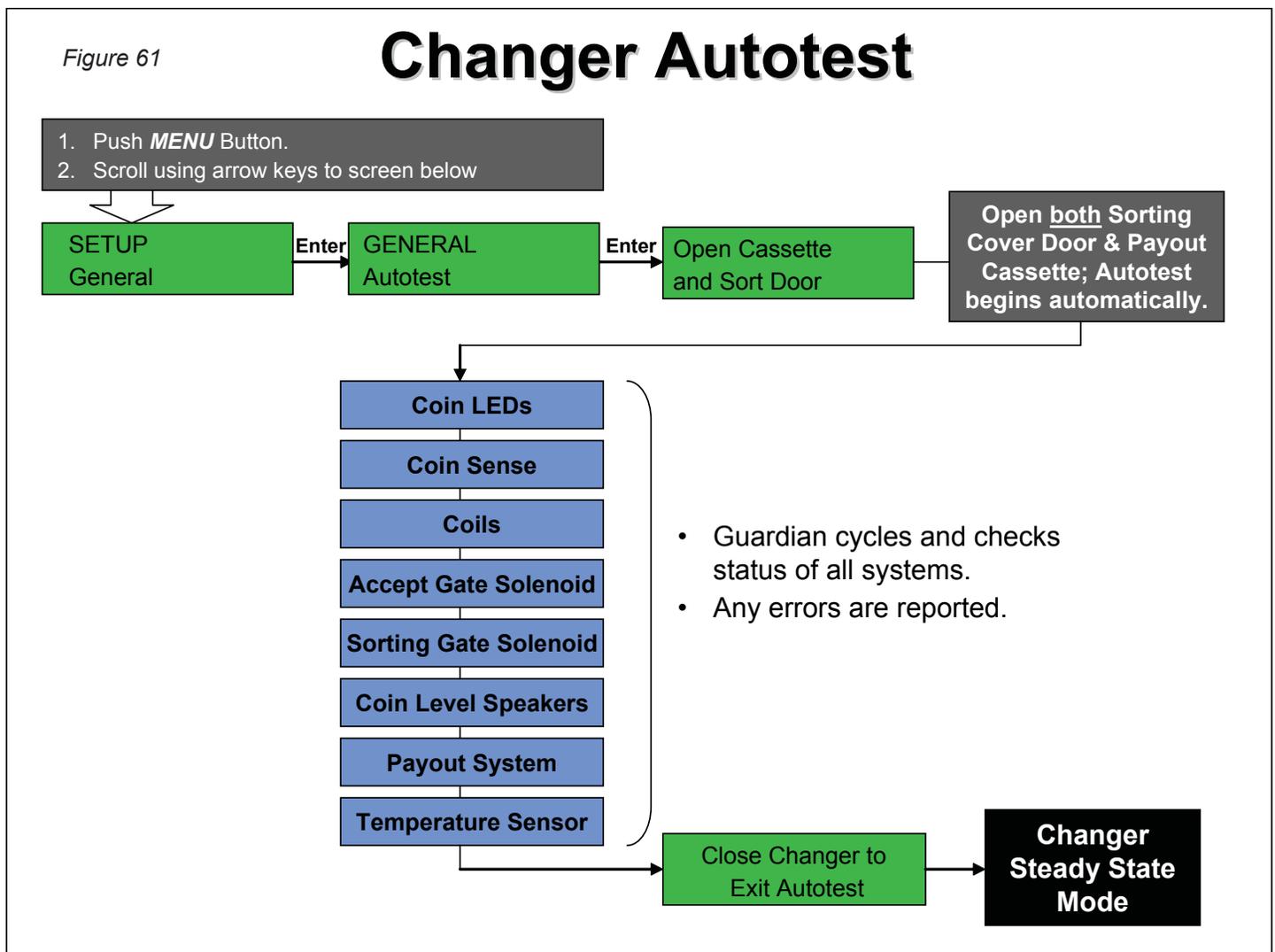
1. Active **audible and visual feedback** to make sure the changer is not inadvertently left in a non-ready state.
2. A changer **Autotest** capability to cycle and verify proper feedback of all changer systems.
3. **Warning** and **Out of Service** messages to notify the user of corrections that should be made.

Guardian 6000™ Autotest

Cycles and verifies proper feedback of all changer systems.

The Autotest feature can be used to verify the correct operation of all systems. After being initiated by the user, the changer will cycle each system, and report the status of each on the LCD display as the systems are being cycled.

See Figure 61 for how to initiate the Autotest feature.



Guardian 6000™ Warning Messages

The LCD user interface display notifies the user of any corrections that should be made, or service work to be performed.

The Guardian displays two types of messages:

1. **Warnings:** “soft” errors that are displayed for the user’s information. The changer is and will remain in operation with one or more warnings.
2. **Out Of Service:** a problem that must be corrected. The changer is not operational when this kind of message is displayed.

Figure 63 shows the different types of messages and what each means. All warnings are accompanied by an audible beep if the sound is turned on. See Figure 46 for how to disable / enable audible feedback.

How do I access changer usage data?

The most useful data is displayed for the user in Audit Reporting. More detailed data is available to authorized Coinco Service Centers for evaluation and troubleshooting.

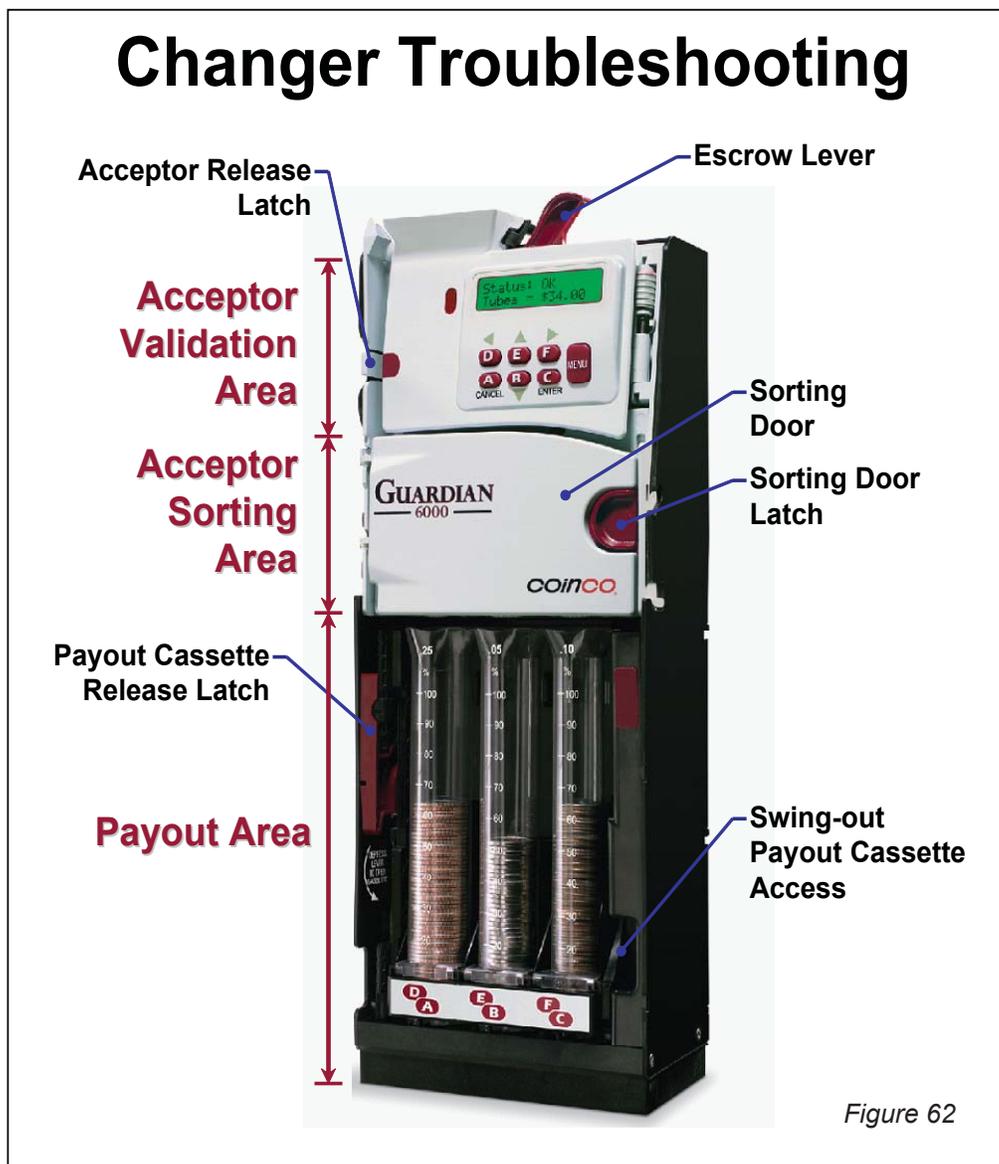


Figure 63

Warning Messages

Display

Tube Cassette
Not Defined

Check Coin Path

Sorting Error

Escrow Detected

Sort Door Open

Cassette Door Open

Payout Jam
Tube X

Tube Sense
Tube X

Low Power
Condition

Definition

The changer has an unknown Payout Cassette or tube configuration and cannot route coins. Please see *Cassette Configuration*.

There is a problem in the Acceptor Validation or Sorting area and these should be checked. Cleaning is most likely required.

There is a problem in the Sorting section. Please open the Sorting Door and check the area. After correction, drop coins to clear the warning message.

The Escrow Lever is depressed enough to open the acceptor gate or there is a jam in the Acceptor Validation area. Please check these areas.

The Sorting Door has not been closed properly.

The Payout Cassette has not been closed properly.

The noted coin tube has had a payout problem. Remove the Payout Cassette, check that tube and the payout drive belt assembly.

The noted coin tube level reading is inaccurate due to some interference. Please check for any obstructions.

Power to the changer has dropped below the recommended MDB power level.

Out Of Service Messages

Out-of-Service
Communication

Out-of-Service
Tube Sense

Out-of-Service
Payout Motor

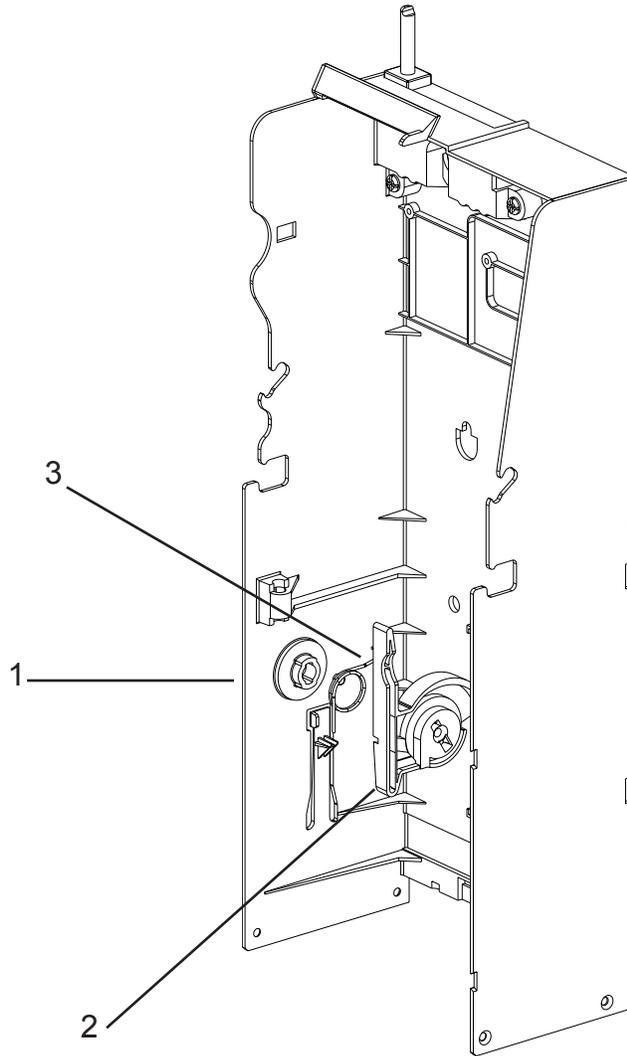
The changer has a serious internal error and is not operational. ***Please take it to a Coinco authorized Service Center for service.***

There are multiple tube sense errors and the changer is not operational. ***Please take it to a Coinco authorized Service Center for service.***

The changer has a Payout Motor problem and is not operational. ***Please take it to a Coinco authorized Service Center for service.***

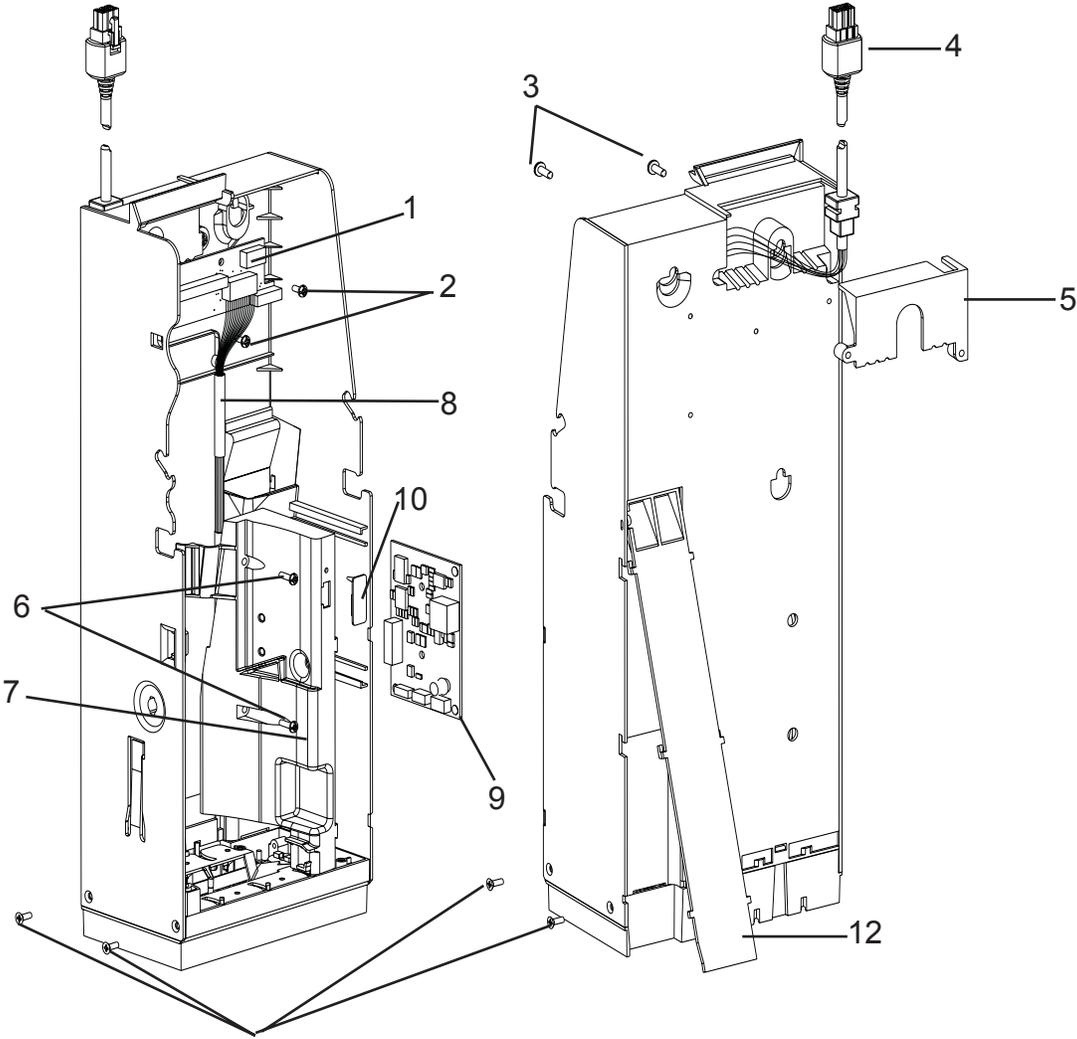
SECTION 8: PARTS LIST

Guardian 6000™ Housing and Payout Cassette Release Latch Assembly



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-	408818-1	Housing & Payout Cassette Release Latch Assembly	-
1	926050-1	Bare Housing	1
2	926054	Payout Cassette Release Latch	1
3	926055	Payout Cassette Release Latch Return Spring	1

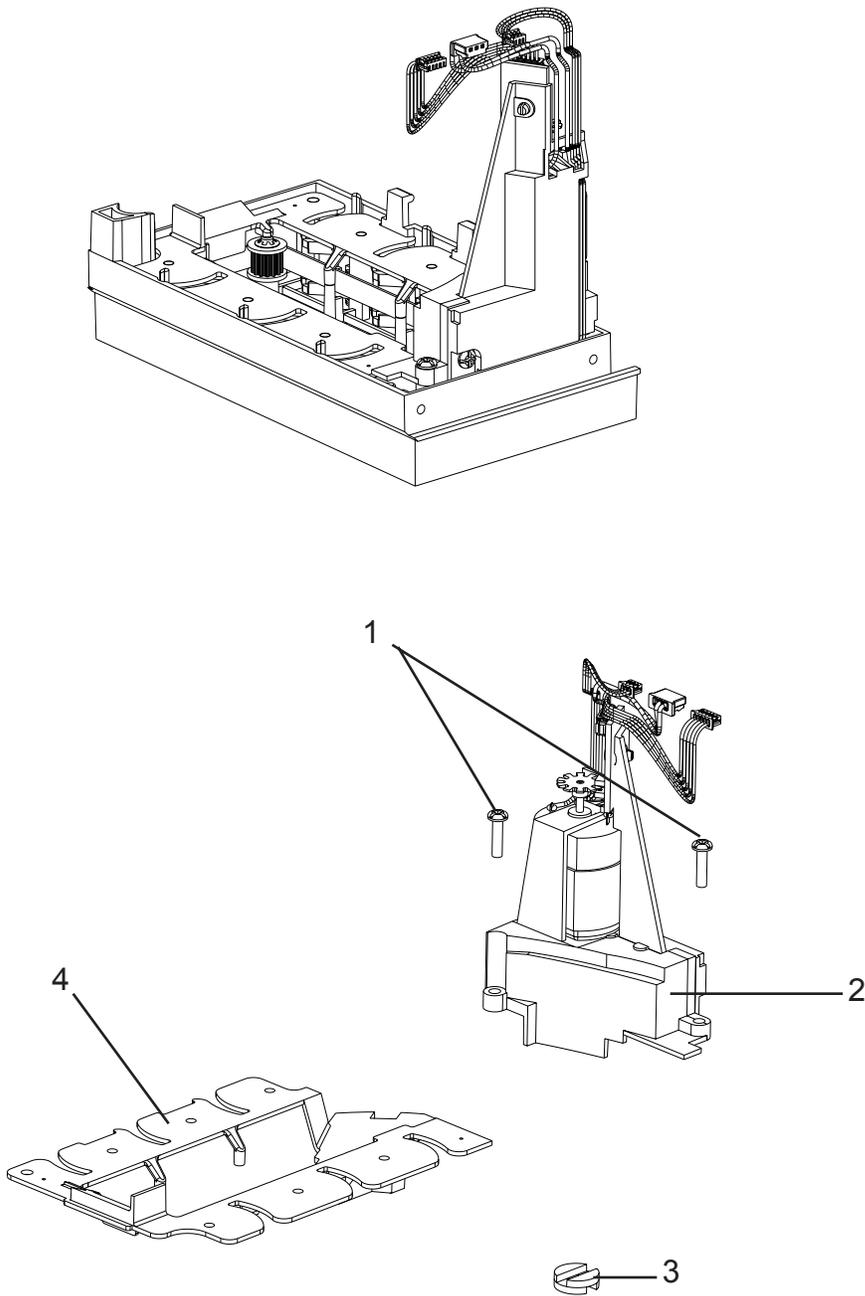
Guardian 6000™ Chassis



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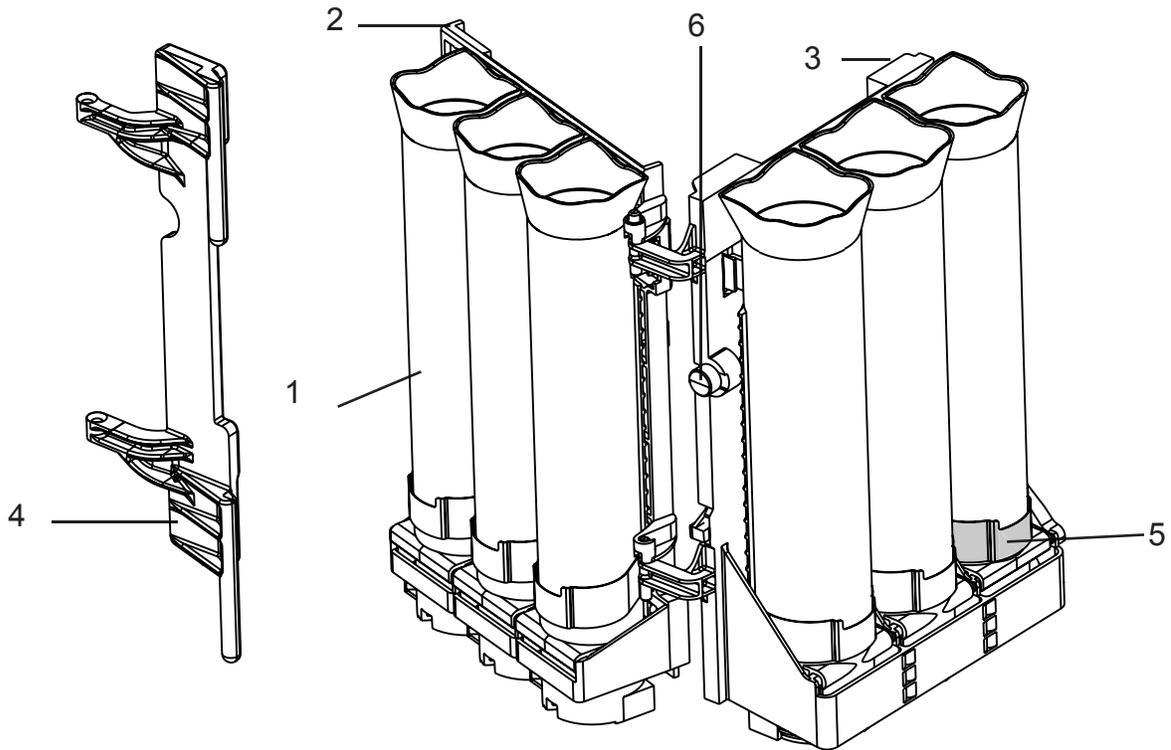
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1	410021	Chassis Printed Circuit Board Assembly	1
2	345-4R4	4 x 1/4 PH Phil Plas Screw	2
3	345-6R6	6 x 3/8 PH Phil Plas Screw	2
4	410016	Guardian MDB Harness	1
5	926096	Harness Strain Relief Bracket	1
6	345-4R6	4 x 3/8 PH Phil Plas Screw	2
7	408817-1	Drive Cover & Light Pipe Assembly	1
8	410007	Chassis Harness	1
9	410023	Guardian Lower Printed Circuit Board Assembly	1
10	926099	Data Port Plug	1
11	341S4R5	4 x 5/16 FH Phil SS Plas Screw	4
12	926051-1	Cashbox Chute	1

Guardian 6000™ Payout Assembly



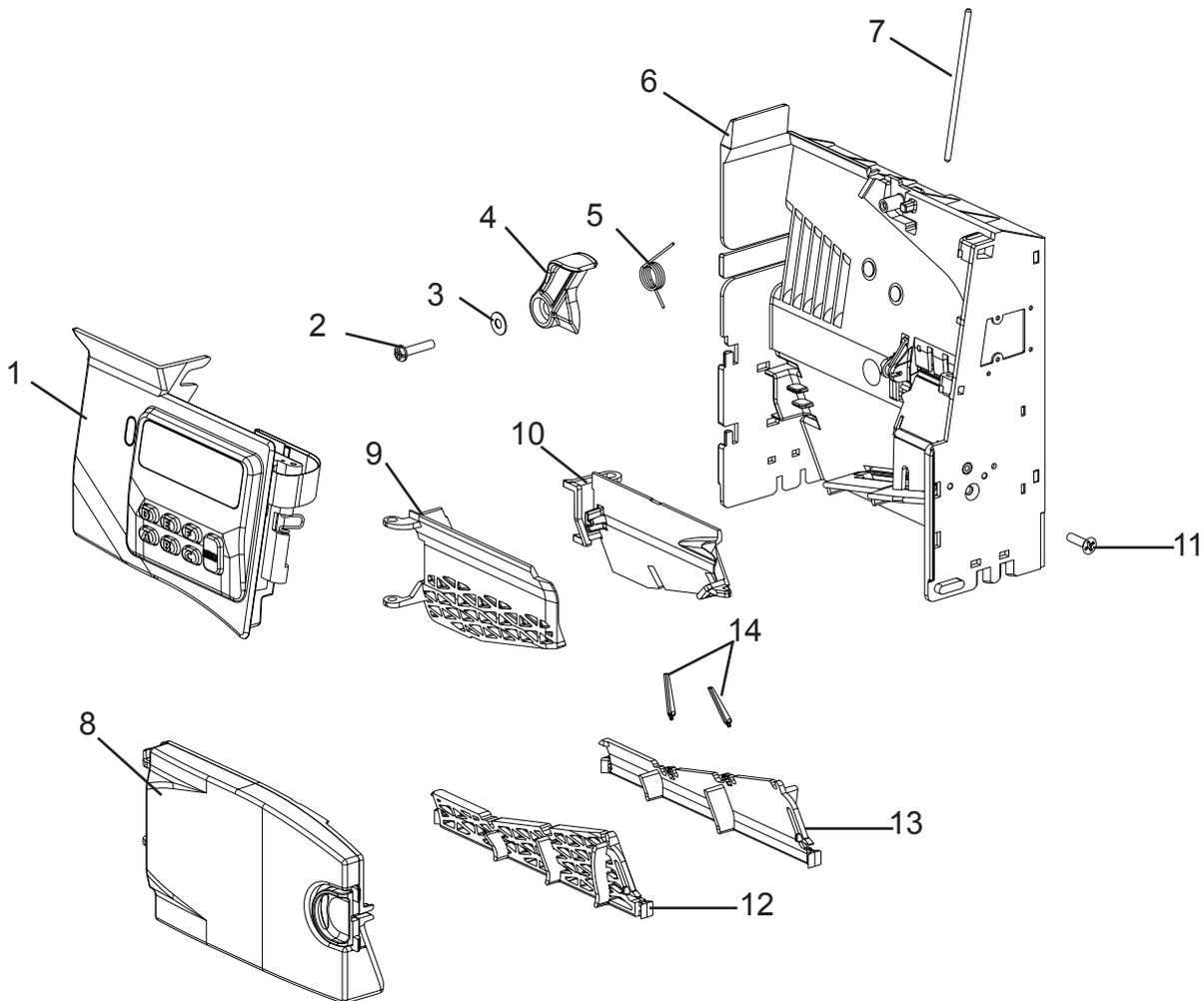
Item #	Part #	Description	Quantity
-	408806	Payout Assembly Complete	-
1	345S4R7	4 x 7/16 PH Phil S6 Plas	2
2	408805	Gearbox Assembly	1
3	926088	Coupling	1
4	926068	Payout Cover	1

Guardian 6000™ Payout Cassette Assembly



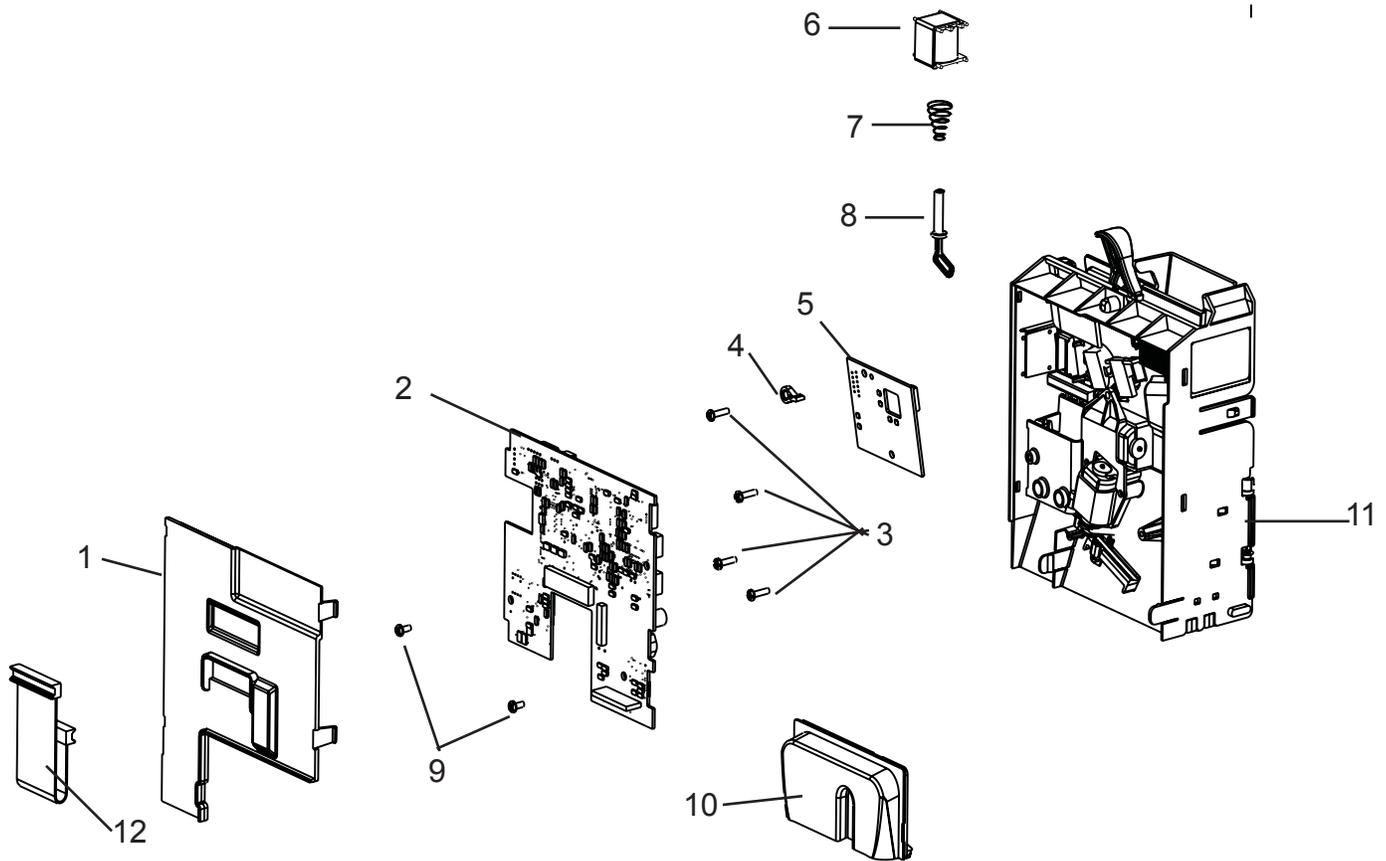
Item #	Part #	Description	Quantity
1	408834-1	5¢ Tube & Shim Assembly US/CAN	-
	408836-1	10¢ Tube & Shim Assembly US	-
	408836-2	10¢ Tube & Shim Assembly CAN only	-
	408833-1	25¢ Tube & Shim Assembly US	-
	408833-2	25¢ Tube & Shim Assembly CAN only	-
	408832-1	\$1.00 Tube & Shim Assembly US/CAN	-
	408831-1	\$2.00 Tube & Shim Assembly CAN	-
2	408807	Rear Payout Cassette Assembly	1
3	408808	Front Payout Cassette Assembly	1
4	926100	Payout Cassette Double Hinge	1
5		Adjustable Par Rings-Optional	-
	408827-3	BB Payout Cassette	1
	408827-4	BD Payout Cassette	1
	408827-1	BE Payout Cassette	1
	408827-2	BF Payout Cassette	1
6	926095	Payout Cassette Bushing	1

Guardian 6000™ Acceptor Assembly Front View



Item #	Part #	Description	Quantity
-	410100	Acceptor Assembly Complete	-
1	408816	Gate Assembly	1
2	296P6R10	6 x 5/8 PH Phil Type 25 Black Screw	1
3	926213	Washer	1
4	926006	Escrow Lever	1
5	926007	Escrow Spring	1
6	926001	Mainplate	1
7	926004	Gate Pin	1
8	408813	Front Cover Assembly	1
9	926030	Internal Front Upper Cover	1
10	926028	Internal Back Upper Cover	1
11	282-6R8	6 x 1/2 FH Phil Type BT Screw	1
12	926029	Internal Front Lower Cover	1
13	926027	Internal Back Lower Cover	1
14	926038	Rear Coin Stop	2

Guardian 6000™ Acceptor Assembly
Back View



Item #	Part #	Description	Quantity
-	410100	Acceptor Assembly Complete	-
1	926031	Acceptor Rear Cover	1
2	409010	Acceptor Main Printed Circuit Board Assembly	1
3	345S4R7	4 x 7/16 PH Phil SS Plas Screw	4
4	926045	Optics Board Spacer	1
5	408812	Optics Board Assembly w/Coils	1
6	407981	Solenoid & Frame Assembly	1
7	925288	Solenoid Spring	1
8	926019	Cashbox Plunger & Yoke	1
9	345-4R4	4 x 1/4 PH Phil Plas Screw	2
10	408814	Rear Speaker Assembly	1
11	926001	Mainplate	1
12	410015-1	Chassis-to-Acceptor Harness	1

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