If the decimal points light while the reader/writer motor is running and then go out, the battery is almost discharged.

Operating the calculator for more than 2 to 5 minutes after this low power indication first occurs may result in wrong answers. The battery pack must be replaced or recharged by connecting the calculator to the battery charger. Be sure to start with at least partially charged batteries before using the card reader/writer.

Negative Numbers

To key in a negative number, press CHS (change sign) after keying in the positive value. For example, to key in —12:

Press: 12 CHS

To change the sign of a negative or positive number, press CHS. For example, to change the previous number back to a positive 12:

Press: CHS

Keying in Large and Small Numbers

You can key in numbers having power of ten multipliers (scientific notation) by pressing EEX (enter exponent). For example, key in 15.6 trillion (15.6×10^{12}), and multiply it by 25.

Press	See Displayed	
15.6 EEX	15.6 00	
12	15.6 12	15.6×10^{12} *
ENTER↑	1.560000000 13	1.56×10^{13}
25 ×	3.900000000 14	Answer

*To key in a negative number (e.g., -15.6×10^{12}) you would press CHS before pressing EEX .

Exact Powers of Ten

You can save time when keying in exact powers of ten by pressing EEX and then pressing the desired power of ten. For example, key in 1 million (10^6) and divide by 52.

Press	See Displayed
EEX 6	1. 06
ENTER↑	1000000.00
52 ÷	19230.77

Small Numbers (Negative Exponents)

To key in negative exponents, key in the number, press EEX , press CHS to make the exponent negative, then key in the power of ten. For example, key in Planck's constant (h) — roughly, 6.625×10^{-27} erg-s — and multiply it by 50.

Press	See Displayed
6.625 EEX	6.625 00
27	6.625 27
CHS	6.625 — 27
ENTER↑	0.00
DSP 6	6.625000 — 27
50	50
×	3.312500 — 25
DSP • 2	0.00

Regardless of the display format, the number (6.625×10^{-27} in this case) is maintained internally to an accuracy of 10 digits.