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## DIMENSIONS<sup>™</sup> DC to AC Power Inverters

**Owners Manual for Models:** 

12X16 12X20 12X25 12X30 12X36

## **Including Options:**

A: Emergency Vehicles

B3: 3-Step Battery Charger

R: Remote Status Panel

**R2:** Remote "On/Off" Switch - Ground Start

T: Transfer Switch Relay

U: Utility Vehicles

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## **Safety Instructions**

**Important:** Read this manual before installation, it contains important safety, installation, and operating instructions. Save this manual and keep it in a safe place.

## **1.1 Warning and Danger Symbols:**

To reduce the risk of electrical shock and to ensure the safe operation of your Dimensions power inverter, the following symbols are used throughout the manual.

#### **ATTENTION:**



Important operating instructions. Follow them closely.

#### DANGER:

Risk of personal harm and/or electrocution exists in this area. Use extreme caution.

## **1.2 Standby Power System Precautions:**

- Standby Power Systems produce hazardous voltages. To avoid risk of harm or fire, the unit must be properly installed.
- There are no user serviceable parts inside, do not remove the cover.
- The Standby Power Systems should not be mounted in a location that may be exposed to rain or spray.
- The Standby Power Systems should not be installed in a zero clearance enclosure.
- Damage to the Standby Power Systems will occur if correct polarity is not observed when installing the DC input cables.
- Damage to the Standby Power Systems will occur if an external AC power source is applied to the inverter's AC hardwire output.
- The Standby Power Systems contains a circuit breaker and capacitor that may produce a spark. Do not mount in a confined battery or gas compartment.
- Be sure the Standby Power Systems is turned OFF during installation.

## **1.3 Battery Precautions:**

- Working in the vicinity of lead-acid batteries is dangerous. There is a risk of acid exposure.
- Batteries generate explosive gases during operation.
- There is risk of high current discharge from shorting a battery that can cause fire and explosion. Use insulated tools during installation.
- Remove all rings, watches, jewelry or other conductive items before working near the batteries.
- Inspect the batteries once a year for cracks, leaks or swelling.
- Dispose of the batteries according to local regulations. Do not incinerate batteries; risk of explosion exists.

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## **Specifications** DSI Series Power Inverters

Output Voltage (VAC) Output Frequency: Output Waveform:

Input Voltage: (VDC) Operating Temperature: Efficiency: 120 RMS  $\pm 5\%$ 60 Hz  $\pm$  0.05% Quasi-sine wave, with waveform stabilizer 11 to 14 -20° to 40° C (0° to 104° F) Up to 93%

#### **Other Design Features:**

- Thermally-controlled cooling fan
- GFCI outlet protection
- Enclosed AC and DC cable connections with strain relief
- Remote ON/OFF switch hookup
- LED for Inverter Power, Low Input Voltage, High Temperature, & Overload
- Battery voltage indicator with push-to-test
- Optional Battery Charger "B3" and Transfer Relay "T"
- Optional one wire ground start "R2"

# 12X16, 12X20, 12X25, 12X30, 12X36

**Environmentally Friendly, Quiet, Reliable, AC Power** 

#### **Unit Protection:**

- Automatic electronic short circuit/overload protection
- Automatic high temperature shutdown
- Output circuit breakers

#### **Battery Protection:**

Automatic low battery shutdown at 10.5 VDC (with in-rush delay)

MODEL NUMBER	12X16	12X20	12X25	12X30	12X36	
Output Power (Watts Cont.)	1,600	2,000	2,500	3,000	3,600	
Output Current (Amps AC)	Up to 13	Up to 17	Up to 21	Up to 25	Up to 30	
Peak Output (Amps AC)	55	70	80	90	90	
Output Rating: (hp)	1/3	1/2	3⁄4	1	11/2	
Input Current (Amps DC)	Up to 160	Up to 200	Up to 250	Up to 300	Up to 360	
Weight (lbs.)	40	44	49	53	58	
Dimensions LxWxH (Inches)	15¾ x 11½ x 7¾					
BATTERY CHARGER "B3" (Optional)	3 step charger with automatic conditioning; Temperature compensate output voltage; selectable between wet and sealed lead acid batteries selectable between small and large battery banks					
Output Current (Amps DC)	75	100	130	140	140	
Input Current (Amps AC)	Up to 16	Up to 21	Up to 26	Up to 28	Up to 28	
TRANSFER RELAY "T" (Optional)	Fail-safe shore power Transfer Relay					
Current Rating (Amps AC)		30				
Transfer Time (milliseconds)	Less than 16 typical					

• **Usage:** Any 120 VAC, 60 Hz single-phase products within the standby power system's rating that does not require a pure sine waveform.

• Warranty: Full year parts and factory labor (with Advance Replacement Program)

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## **Technical Description**

### 3.1 Standby Power System:

A Standby Power System is a DC to AC power inverter with an optional battery charger ("B3" option) and an automatic fast transfer switch ("T" option).

**Note:** In this manual, we will use the acronym SPS when referring to a Standby Power System.

The main "On/Off" switch controls the SPS and the LED lights built on the front of the SPS provide system status. The SPS can also be controlled by a customer supplied remote "On/Off" switch connected to the violet wire labeled "remote switch hook-up" located in the field-wiring compartment.

The system has two operational modes when a transfer switch "T" option is included: Inverter mode and external power mode.

**3.1.1 Inverter Power Mode:** The SPS converts DC power from batteries to usable 120 VAC, 60 Hz power. The direct current (DC) that enters the SPS is filtered by a large input capacitor and switched "On" and "Off" by the Metal Oxide Silicon Field Effect Transistors (MOSFET) at a rate of 60 cycles per second, and directed into the transformer which steps the voltage up to 120 volts. The unit has a Digital System Processor (DSP) to control the output voltage and frequency as the DC input voltage and/or output load varies. The signal output waveform shape is not sinusoidal; it has a total harmonic distortion of 31% and a maximum single harmonic distortion of 25%.

**3.1.2 External Power Mode – "T" option only:** 120 VAC, 60 Hz external power can be applied directly to the SPS by hardwire connections to the AC input wire leads provided in the field-wiring compartment (available with the "T" option only). When external power is present, the internal transfer switch cannot be defeated; it automatically turns the DC to AC inverter OFF and activates the three-step battery charger if the "B3" option is included. At this time the loads attached to the SPS output will operate directly from the external power line even if the SPS has been turned OFF manually. The internal transfer relay automatically switches the SPS back to "inverter power" mode in the absence of external power whenever the SPS was previously set to ON.

### 3.2 Available Options

**3.2.1 Emergency Vehicles – "A" Option:** Available only on 12X16, 12X20 and 12X25 models. The "A" option provides SPS internal GFCI protection to the AC hardwire output.

**3.2.2 Battery Charger – "B3" Option:** External power 120 VAC, 60 Hz is applied as explained in section 3.1.2 The internal transfer switch automatically turns the DC to AC inverter OFF and turns the three-step built-in battery charger ON. The battery charger cannot be defeated at this time and will engage even if the inverter has been set OFF manually. SPSs with the three-step battery charger feature require the transfer switch "T" option to operate.

The 3-steps of the charging process are as follows:

**Bulk mode:** Charging current is passed through the batteries until a factory set acceptance voltage limit is reached. The charger's maximum output and/or the state of charge of the batteries determine the amount of current.

**Acceptance mode:** Charging continues with the voltage held at the accept voltage until current flow decreases to the factory set end value or the factory set acceptance mode time limit is reached.

**Float mode:** Battery voltage is held at a factory set value, which will neither charge nor discharge the batteries.

Condition mode occurs every 10<sup>th</sup> charge cycle between Acceptance mode and Float mode to ensure full restoration of active materials in all the plates of the battery cells.

The SPS has an automatic power sharing feature that automatically decreases the battery charger output so that the total AC input current draw by the SPS for both the AC loads and the battery charger does not exceed 30 amps AC. If the loads exceed 30 amps the charger will be at zero amp draw and the AC input circuit breaker will trip. The battery charger draw will automatically increase when the external loads are reduced if the batteries will accept more current.

**3.2.3 Remote Display Status Panel - "R" Option:** If the "R" option is included, a Remote Status Display Panel is supplied as shown in Figure 1.

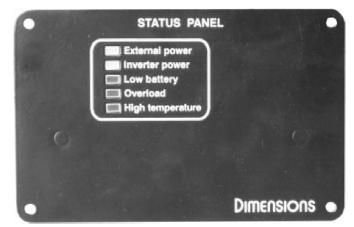


Figure 1 – Remote Display Status Panel, "R" Option

**3.2.4 Remote "On/Off Switch, Ground Start – "R2" Option:** If the "R2" option is included, the SPS can be controlled by a customer supplied remote "On/Off" switch connected to the 18-gauge black wire labeled "remote switch hook-up" which is located in the field-wiring compartment, the line side of the switch must be connected to ground.

**3.2.5 Transfer Switch – "T" Option:** The transfer switch automatically switches between "Inverter mode" and "External power mode" depending on the external power line availability. 120 VAC, 60 Hz external power is applied directly to the SPS AC input. Refer to section 3.1.2.

**3.2.6 Utility Vehicles – "U" Option:** SPS having the "U" option are designed for use on utility vehicle applications. The "U" option provides two AC output circuits; one circuit is GFCI protected and has one 20A branch breaker. The second circuit (hardwire output) is not GFCI protected and has a 30A output breaker. All SPS having the "U" option come with a set of two heat sinks located at the back of the chassis for heat dissipation purposes. A push to test LED battery voltage meter is also included with the "U" option.

## **SPS Physical Description**

### 4.1 SPS Module

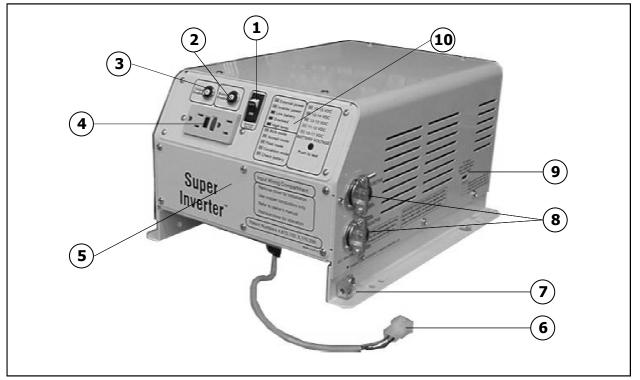


FIGURE 2: Chassis physical description

Item #	Description	Function
1	"On/Off" Switch.	Turns the inverter ON/OFF
2	Branch Breaker – 20A	Trips to protect the inverter from GFCI outlet short circuit or overload. Not available with "A" option.
3	Output Breaker – 15A, 20A or 30A	Trips to protect the inverter from hardwire AC output short circuit or overload.
4	GFCI Outlets	Two receptacles, 120 VAC 60 HZ output power.
5	Field Wiring Compartment Cover	Removable to access the AC Input/Output hardwire leads and the DC input lugs.
6	Temperature Compensation Probe Connector	Connects to the remote temperature sense probe. Available with the "B3" option only.
7	Bonding Lug	Connects to the ground system.
8	DC input entry strain reliefs	Allows the DC cables to reach the DC input lugs.
9	Battery Capacity Selector Switch	Sets the correct battery type and the capacity of the battery bank for proper charging. Available with "B3" option only.
10	LED Status Panel	Provides inverter status – See next page

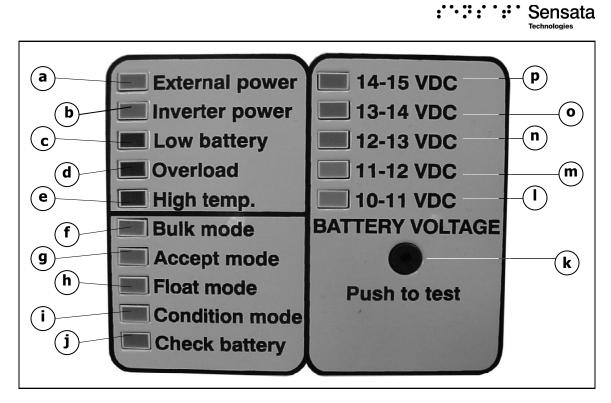


FIGURE 3: LED Status Panel – "U" Option

- (a) **External power "T" option:** Green LED that indicates there is external 120 VAC, 60 Hz connected to the unit.
- (b) **Inverter power:** Green LED that indicates the SPS is operating from batteries in "inverter mode".
- (c) Low battery: Red LED that indicates the SPS is in a low battery voltage condition.
- (d) **Overload:** Red LED that indicates the SPS is in an overload condition.
- (e) **High temp:** Red LED that indicates the SPS has a high internal temperature.
- (f) Bulk mode "B3" option: Green LED that indicates the battery charger is in the bulk mode.
- (g) Accept mode "B3" option: Green LED that indicates the battery charger is in the acceptance mode.
- (h) Float mode "B3" option: Green LED that indicates the battery charger is in the float mode.
- (i) **Condition mode "B3" option:** Green LED that indicates the battery charger is in the condition mode.
- (j) Check battery "B3" option: Yellow LED that indicates a possible fault in the battery bank or DC cables.
- (k) **Push to test "U" option:** Pressing and holding this button enables the display of the DC input voltage as shown below.
- (I) 10 11 VDC (Battery voltage): Yellow LED.
- (m) 11 12 VDC (Battery voltage): Yellow LED.
- (n) 12 13 VDC (Battery voltage): Green LED.
- (o) **13 14 VDC (Battery voltage):** Green LED.
- (p) 14 15 VDC (Battery voltage): Green LED.

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## Installation

### **5.1** Tools for Installation:

Tools required for installation: 3/8" Allen Wrench and socket wrench, connectors (butt type and insulated), drill, Crimpers (for insulated and non-insulated connectors), volt meter with probes, electrical tape, #2 Phillips screwdriver, wire cutters, wire strippers, cable ties, tape measure.

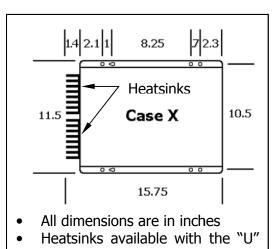
## **5.2 System Components:**

Picture	Model and Description		
	12X16, 12X20, 12X25, 12X30, 12X36 with options A, B3, T & U	1	
,O	Temp. Comp. Cable 611440-XX ("B3" option only) XX: Length of the cable in feet	1	

### 5.3 Mounting the SPS:

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The SPS mounting location should provide adequate ventilation and clearance to maintain room temperature during operation. At least 1/2 inch of clearance is required on all sides.



option only.



• Locate a suitable, secure vertical or horizontal mounting surface as close to the batteries as possible without being in the same airtight compartment.

• If mounting the SPS on a vertical surface, it is recommended that the front control panel be pointing down whenever possible.

• Locate the mounting holes on the chassis flanges and fasten them using 1/4 inch diameter screws to secure the inverter. See figure 3.

**5.3.1 Chassis Bonding Lug:** Connect the bonding lug located at the right side of the SPS chassis to the earth grounding system using an 8-gauge copper wire.

**5.3.2 Temperature Compensation Sense Probe:** If the SPS has the battery charger "B3" option, connect the two-conductor wire lug to a negative post of the

battery bank. Failure to connect the remote temperature sense probe correctly will result in improperly charged batteries.

## **SPS Wiring:**

### 6.1 DC Wiring:

- 1 It is recommended in all cases to use stranded copper wires.
- 2 Use SGX cross-linked polyurethane insulation type that complies with the high temperature insulation requirements (125°C.) of SAE J-1127 and vehicle manufacturer requirements.
- 3 Wire gauge recommendations are minimum. For higher temperature applications (in engine compartments) or for large motor loads and other applications with high surge currents use wire gauge 1 to 2 sizes larger than shown on table I.
- 4 Keep the wire runs between battery and SPS as short as possible.
- 5 Use Bussmann fuse type ANN-XXX and fuseblock # 3576 where XXX is the size of the fuse.

**6.1.1 Inverter Cable:** This is the cable that runs from the SPS module to the batteries. Estimate the "inverter cable" length and locate your SPS model on table I, cross-reference the wire gauge and fuse size.

SPS	Full Load	SPS to battery estimated cable length in feet				
Model	(Amps DC)	1' - 10'	11' - 15'	16′ – 20′		
12X16U	160	2-gauge, 250A fuse	1-gauge, 300A fuse	1/0-gauge, 350A fuse		
12X20U	200	1-gauge, 300A fuse	1/0-gauge, 350A fuse	2/0-gauge, 400A fuse		
12X25U	250	1/0-gauge, 350A fuse	2/0-gauge, 400A fuse	3/0-gauge, 500A fuse		
12X30U	300	2/0-gauge, 400A fuse	3/0-gauge, 500A fuse	4/0-gauge, 600A fuse		
12X36U	360	4/0-gauge, 600A fuse	4/0-gauge, 600A fuse	Not Recommended		

Table I: Wire and Fusing Guide for 12VDC systems at 5% Voltage Drop at Full Output

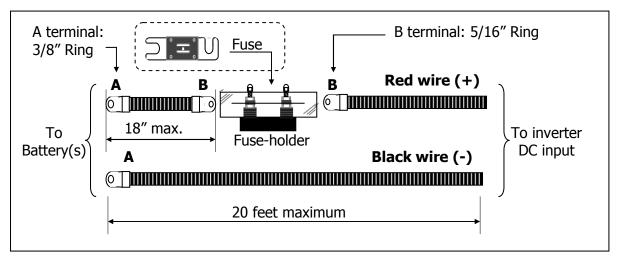


Figure 4: Inverter cable assembly

**6.1.2 Charge Cable:** This is the cable that runs from the batteries to vehicle alternator or OEM engine battery. Use 2-gauge cables and 250A fuse for small OEM alternators and 1/0-gauge and 350A fuse for heavy-duty alternators.

#### 6.1.3 Connecting the DC cables:

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Damage to the SPS not covered under warranty will occur if correct polarity is not observed when installing the DC input cables.

- Refer to Figure 5A: DC wiring diagram.
- Open the SPS field-wiring compartment to access the DC input lugs.
- Unscrew the DC input lug POS (+) and NEG (-) 3/8" Allen screws.
- Remove the fuse from the fuseholder for cable installation.
- Remove 1 inch of insulation from the un-terminated ends of the red and black cables.
- Insert the stripped end of the red wire into the DC input lug labeled POS (+) and the stripped end of the black wire into the DC input lug labeled NEG (-). Tighten the 3/8" Allen screws to 23 Ft. Lbs.
- Tighten the cover DC cable strain relief screws to 1 Ft. Lb.
- Connect the end of the short red cable to a POS (+) battery post.
- Connect the terminated end of the black cable (neg. return cable) directly to a battery NEG (-) post (DO NOT connect to the chassis).
- Install the in-line fuse in the fuseholder that is within 18" of the positive post of the battery bank (a one-time spark will occur when this final DC connection is made). To determine the fuse size, refer to section 6.1.1.

**6.1.4 Remote "On/Off" Switch:** An optional customer supplied "On/Off" switch may be connected to the SPS. The remote switch will operate only if the main "On/Off" switch on the face of the SPS is turned ON.

- Open the SPS field-wiring compartment to access the DC input connector area.
- Locate the violet wire labeled "Remote Switch Hook-up" and remove it from the positive battery connector.
- Using 18-gauge wire, connect the violet wire to the load side of the "On/Off" remote switch.
- Using 18-gauge wire, connect fused (5 amp recommended) +12VDC battery voltage to the line side of the switch.
- The fuse should be mounted within 18 inches of the battery's positive post.
- All material used for the remote switch should be UL listed and installed per code.

**6.1.5 Remote "On/Off" Switch, Ground Start – "R2" Option:** An optional customer supplied "On/Off" switch may be connected to the SPS. The remote switch will operate only if the main "On/Off" switch on the face of the SPS is turned ON.

- Open the SPS field-wiring compartment to access the DC input connector area.
- Locate the black wire labeled "Remote Switch Hook-up" and remove it from the negative battery connector.
- Using 18-gauge wire, connect the black wire to the load side of the "On/Off" remote switch.

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- Using 18-gauge wire, connect the line side of the switch to ground.
- All material used for the remote switch should be UL listed and installed per code.

#### 6.1.6 Deep Cycle Batteries:



Do not use vehicle-starting batteries; deep discharge cycles typical with SPS applications can shorten the life of this type of batteries.

- Install at least one auxiliary deep cycle battery to feed the SPS directly. Depending on the application running time, more batteries could be added if necessary. The vehicle alternator will recharge the batteries.
- It is recommended to mount the battery bank close to the SPS. The maximum recommended distance between the SPS and the battery bank is 20 feet.
- The battery compartment must be vapor-tight to the interior of the vehicle and vented directly to the exterior.
- Install several vent-plugs within one inch of the top of the battery compartment to allow for ventilation. Install a ventilation assembly as needed.
- Allow space around the battery and especially above the battery for inspection, and maintenance purposes.
- The battery should not be able to move more than 1 inch in any direction.

## 6.2 AC Wiring:

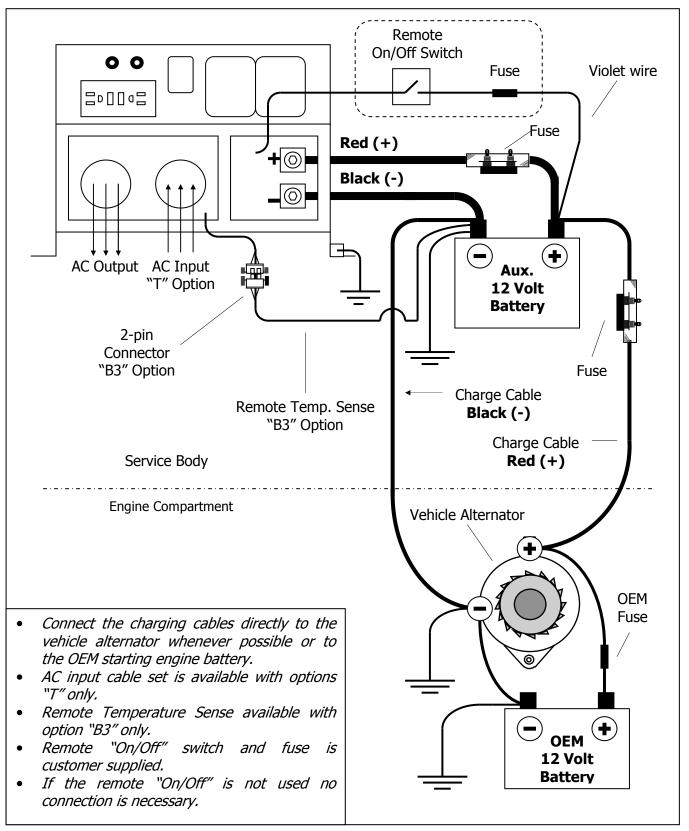
**6.2.1 AC Output:** The 120 VAC, 60 Hz current produced by the SPS is provided at the GFCI receptacle outlets located on front of the SPS ("A" or "U" options only). The output is also presented behind the wiring compartment panel for direct hardwire leads. Remove the SPS field-wiring compartment cover plate to access the 120VAC, 60Hz input and output hardwire leads and follow the color code connections: Hot - Black wire, Neutral - White wire, Ground - Green wire. The cable clamp strain reliefs should be used to secure the field wires (screws tightened to 1 Ft. Lb.).

- Refer to Figure 6: AC wiring diagram.
- If the option "A" is included, the output hardwire leads are GFCI protected; therefore there is no need to install remote GFCI outlets.
- If the option "A" is not included, the output hardwire leads are not GFCI protected and the installation of remote GFCI outlets is required. The GFCI outlet model recommended is Hubbell # GFR 5352XX (20A) or GFR 5252XX (15A).



Do not connect another source of AC power directly to the output of the SPS. This will result in damage to the SPS that is not covered under warranty.

**6.2.2 AC Input:** If the transfer switch "T" option is included, the AC input hardwire leads can be connected to an 120VAC, 60Hz external power source. The cable clamp strain reliefs should be used to secure the field wires (screws tightened to 1 Ft. Lb.). The external power circuit should have 30-amp circuit protection in the distribution panel.



6.3 DC Wiring Diagram

Figure 5A: DC wiring diagram

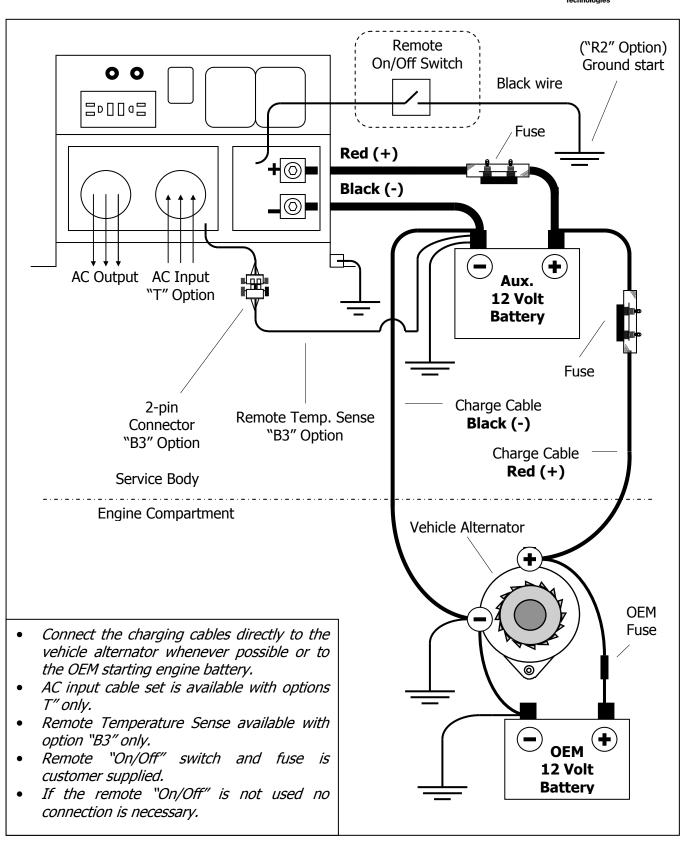
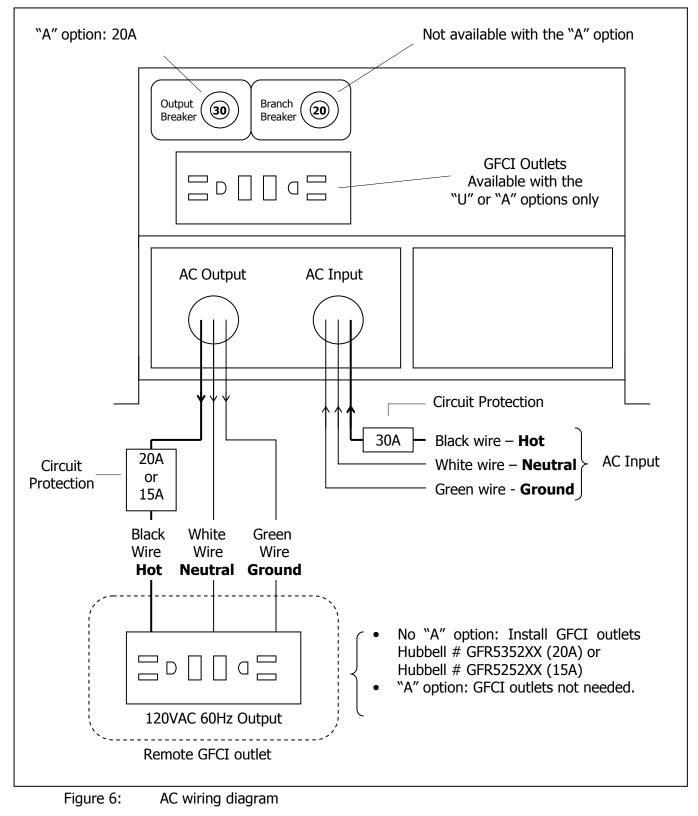


Figure 5B: DC wiring diagram – "R2" Option

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### 6.4 AC Wiring Diagram





## **Operation and Troubleshooting**

## 7.1 Operation

The battery voltage must be higher than 9 volts for the SPS to operate.

**7.1.1 Setting the Battery Size and Type ("B3 Option):** The battery selector switch located at the right side of the chassis must be set according to the type and size of the battery bank the SPS is connected to as shown in table II below.

TABLE II. DATTERT SELECTOR SWITCH POSITION						
BATTERY BANK SIZE	DEEP CYCLE BATTERY TYPE					
(Amp-Hour)	SEALED LEAD ACID	WET LEAD ACID				
More than 400	А	С				
Less than 400	В	D				

#### TABLE II: BATTERY SELECTOR SWITCH POSITION

#### TABLE III: BATTERY CHARGER VOLTAGES

			.,.					
ĺ	BAT	TERY	WE	ET CELL E	BATTERIES	SEALED BATERIES		
	TEMPE	RATURE	ACCEPT	FLOAT	CONDITIONING	ACCEPT	FLOAT	CONDITIONING
ĺ	٩F	°C	(Volts)	(Volts)	(Volts)	(Volts)	(Volts)	(Volts)
	78	25	14.6	13.2	14.9 to 15 max.	14.2	13.2	14.4 to 15 max.

#### TABLE IV: BATTERY CHARGER TIME PERIODS

BATTERY BANK SIZE	WET	WET CELL TYPE BATTERIES			SEALED TYPE BATTERIES		
	BULK	ACCEPT	CONDITIONING	BULK	ACCEPT	CONDITIONING	
(Amp-Hour)	(max.)	(max.)	(max.)	(max.)	(max.)	(max.)	
Less than 400	6 hrs.	2 hrs.	3 hrs.	6 hrs.	2 hrs.	3 hrs.	
Greater than 40	) 8 hrs.	3 hrs.	6 hrs.	8 hrs.	3 hrs.	4 hrs.	



If the bulk mode times-out the charging process will go to the float mode immediately bypassing the acceptance mode.

**7.1.2 Turning the SPS "ON":** To turn the SPS ON, set the On/Off switch to the "On" position. The green "Inverter Power" LED will light. If the "T" option is included, the green "Inverter Power" LED will not light if external power 120VAC 60 Hz is applied to SPS AC input (the green "External Power" LED will light). If the remote switch is installed, the inverter is turned on or off by the remote switch (SPS On/Off switch must be on).



*Turn the SPS OFF when not in use. There is an approximated 1 to 2 amp DC draw from the batteries at idle or no load.* 

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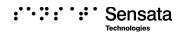
## 7.2 Troubleshooting

Call or e-mail Customer Service Department for free consultation during business hours (central time zone) at: 1-800-553-6418 or 1-651-653-7000; fax: 1-651-653-7600; e-mail: <u>inverterinfo@Airpax.net</u>

- A TRUE RMS voltmeter is required for accurate AC output voltage measurements on a quasi-sine SPS. A voltmeter that uses averaging circuitry will give incorrect measurements.
- Unplug all loads and connect a 100-watt light bulb to the inverter output. Observe the LED Status Panel then check troubleshooting Table V.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES OR SOLUTIONS			
<b>No LEDs:</b> No power output. The SPS is not connected to the Battery Disconnect Switch; the battery voltage is below 9 volts DC, the SPS is not connected to the Module Disconnect Switch or a fault in the remote On/Off circuit.	Check the in-line fuses for continuity. Make sure the DC wires are clean and tight. Check the DC voltage at the SPS DC input. Check or bypass the remote On/Off circuit.			
<b>Low battery:</b> Red LED indicator light on steady. Indicates that the SPS has shut off due to a low battery voltage condition.	Fault in the battery wiring, battery capacity and voltage or an in- line fuse. This message will automatically clear or the SPS will shut off.			
<b>Overload:</b> Red LED indicator light on steady. Indicates that the SPS has shut off due to an overload condition.	The SPS output wiring is shorting or loads exceed the inverter rating. This message will automatically clear or the SPS will shut off. Remove the short circuit or excessive load from the output, and then switch the SPS off then on.			
<b>High Temp:</b> Red LED indicator light on steady. Indicates that the SPS has shut off due to high internal temperature. The unit will automatically turn back on when it has cooled down to 40°C (104°F).	Verify that the SPS is in a vented compartment and that the fan is not blocked. High ambient temperatures combined with poor ventilation may also contribute to the shut down.			
Red LED indicator light blinking. Indicates that the SPS has shut off due to high battery temperature $47^{\circ}C - 50^{\circ}C (117^{\circ}F-122^{\circ}F)$ .	Battery compartment is too hot and needs to cool down. The charger will automatically turn back on when it has cooled down to 40°C (104°F)			
<b>Overload &amp; High Temp:</b> Both of these red LED indicator lights are on steady. Indicates that the charger has shut off due to short or open temperature compensating sensor cable.	Temperature compensation sensor cable needs to be replaced.			
<b>Check battery - "B3" Option:</b> Green LED indicator light. Indicates that the charger is operating in a low DC output voltage condition. The battery voltage must be higher than 9 volts for the charger to operate.	Shorted or defective battery. Make sure that the DC cable connections are tight and clean and not shorted, and that the proper wire gauge is used.			
Indicates that the charger is operating in a high DC output voltage condition.	There is another source of battery charging or there is a defective battery charger. Disconnect and reconnect the external AC power to restart the battery charger.			
Indicates that the SPS has shut off due to high battery voltage.	Check battery wiring or remove other source of battery charging, such as the vehicle alternator. Disconnect and reconnect the external AC power to restart the battery charger.			

#### **Troubleshooting Table V**



## Warranty

SHIPPING TERMS: F.O.B. St. Paul Minnesota. Freight prepaid and billed, subject to prior credit approval.

MINIMUM ORDER: \$50.00 Net Price

**LOSS OR DAMAGE:** Loss or damage in transit are the responsibility of the carrier. Any claim should be filed with the delivering transport company. Invoice, Bill of Lading and Delivery receipt with damage noted therein must accompany any claims for freight damage. Claims for shortage and lost shipments must be made in writing to Sensata Technologies, Power Controls White Bear, St. Paul, MN within 10 days of date of shipment. Claims not reported within this time frame will not be honored.

**PRICES:** Prices are subject to change without notice. All orders are subject to acceptance at the factory. We reserve the right to invoice prices in effect at time of shipment.

TERMS: Net 30 days with approved credit, credit card or C.O.D.

#### **RETURN GOODS POLICY:**

• No returned materials will be accepted without an accompanying Returned Materials Authorization Number (RMA) from the factory.

• Credit will be issued for returned goods to the original purchaser within 60 days of purchase, provided the inverter is returned to Sensata unused and not mounted. The amount of credit will be issued at Sensata's discretion based on the condition of the product.

• Customer must be in good standing with Sensata Technologies.

• Inverters that are discontinued, high-voltage (over 24vdc), special-order or used are excluded and will not be eligible for credit. Non-inverter items such as cable assemblies, fuses and fuse holders, will not be eligible for credit

• Support components supplied by Sensata vendors will be covered under that manufacturer's credit return policy.

• Customer pays return freight.

#### PLEASE SHIP AUTHORIZED RETURNS TO:

Sensata Technologies | Power Controls White Bear | 4467 White Bear Parkway | St. Paul, MN 55110 Return Freight Prepaid

#### LIMITED WARRANTY:

Sensata Technologies extends the following warranty to the original purchaser of those goods subject to the qualifications indicated. Sensata warrants to the original purchaser for use that the goods or any component thereof manufactured by Sensata will be free from defects in workmanship from the date of purchase for the period listed on the product label, provided such goods are installed, maintained and used in accordance with Sensata and the original manufacturer's written instructions. Damages caused by the misuse, undue care or obvious wear through use will not be covered by this warranty.

Components not manufactured by Sensata, but used within the assembly provided by Sensata, are subject to the warranty period as specified by the individual manufacturer of said component, provided such goods are installed, maintained and used in accordance with Sensata and the manufacturer's written instructions.

Sensata's sole liability and the Purchaser's sole remedy for a failure of goods under this limited warranty and for any and all claims arising out of the purchase and use of the goods, shall be limited to the repair or replacement of the goods that do not conform to this warranty.

To obtain repair or replacement service under the limited warranty, the purchaser must contact the factory for a Return Material Authorization (RMA). Once obtained, send the Return Material Authorization Number along with the defective part or goods to:

Sensata Technologies, Power Controls White Bear, 4467 White Bear Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55110. Return Freight Prepaid.

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