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DC to AC Power Inverters

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24/12000H-3PH

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1. GENERAL

1.01 Dimensions inverters have been designed and manufactured for many user applications and long life. They utilize patented construction methods and high technology electronic parts and circuitry.

1.02 The inverter is powered by a 24 volt auxiliary battery set. The remote control requires +12 volts from another battery system.

1.03 CAUTION: Inverters 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.

CAUTION: The inverter should not be mounted in a location that may be exposed to rain or spray.

CAUTION: The inverter should not be installed in a zero clearance enclosure.

CAUTION: Damage to the inverter will occur if correct polarity is not observed when installing the DC input cables.

CAUTION: Damage to the inverter will occur if an external AC power source is applied to the inverter's AC output or it's hardwire output.

CAUTION: The inverter contains a circuit breaker and capacitor that may produce a spark. Do not mount in a confined battery or gas compartment.

CAUTION: Working in the vicinity of lead-acid batteries is dangerous. Batteries generate explosive gases during operation. There is a risk of acid exposure. There is also a risk of high current discharge from shorting the battery that can cause fire and explosion.

CAUTION: Be sure the inverter is turned "OFF" during installation.

2. DESCRIPTION

2.01 The inverters converts 24 VDC to 220 VAC, 3 phase; or 220 VAC single phase; or 120 VAC, single phase; all at 60 HZ, having a quasi-sine wave form.

2.02 The inverter has internal protection against output short circuit, output overload and high temperature conditions. Also, there are thermally controlled cooling fans.

2.03 The inverter is designed to operate almost any 60 HZ appliance, equipment or tool within it's voltage, phase and power ratings, unless the equipment is specially designed for a pure sine waveform.

3. INSTALLATION

3.01 The following instructions should be thoroughly read and understood before installation.

3.02 CAUTION: Inverters produce hazardous voltage, and to avoid risk of harm or fire the unit must be properly installed.

CAUTION: The inverter should not be mounted in a location that may be exposed to rain or spray.

CAUTION: The inverter should not be installed in a zero clearance enclosure.

CAUTION: When working near batteries, safety goggles should be worn.

CAUTION: Be sure the inverter is turned "OFF" during installation.

NOTE: All wiring must follow the National Electric Code, provincial or other codes in effect at the time of installation, regardless of suggestions in this manual. All wires should be copper conductors.

3.03 Mounting

3.03.1 Locate a suitable, secure flat mounting surface as close to the auxiliary batteries as possible without being in the same air tight compartment. The maximum recommended distance between the mounting location and the battery is 10 feet.

3.03.2 The location should provide adequate ventilation and clearance to maintain room temperature while the unit is operating. At least 1/2 inch of clearance is required on all sides.

3.03.3 Secure the unit with 1/4" screws or bolts in the mounting holes on the legs of the unit.

3.04 Chassis or Earth Bonding Lug - FIG. 1

3.04.1 Connect a #8 gauge or greater wire between the bonding lug on the inverter and the system ground or vehicle chassis.

3.05 DC Wiring - FIG. 1

3.05.1 *CAUTION:* Assure that hydrogen gas does not accumulate near the battery by keeping the area well ventilated. A spark may result when connecting the final battery wiring due to initial charging of the internal input capacitor.

3.05.2 Use stranded, copper 350 MCM ga. wire between the battery and the inverter as indicated. Keep the distance to less than 10 feet if possible. A 800 amp line fuse must be installed between the battery and the inverter. UL requires that the fuse be within 18 inches of the battery.

3.05.3 Use only an approved fuse holder with a U.L. listed fuse as indicated above.

3.05.4 Using smaller input cable or longer length will greatly degrade the inverter surge performance. **IMPORTANT NOTE FOR VEHICLE INSTALLATION:** Do not use the vehicle chassis as the negative return in place of a return cable. Use the same size cable as the positive connection and run directly to the battery.

3.05.5 Install the wires at the battery, inverter and then fuse holder. Make sure that good, clean connections are made. Use care not to touch the positive and negative wires together. This will result in a violent spark and could result

in exploding batteries and fire.

3.05.6 The battery input terminals are located in the wiring compartment. A mounting spark may result when connecting the battery wire, due to an initial charging of the internal input capacitor.

3.05.7 *CAUTION:* Connecting the inverter to the wrong polarity of the battery will cause damage that is not covered under warranty.

3.06 Remote ON/OFF Switch - FIG. 1

3.06.1 All material used for the remote switch should be U.L. listed and installed per low voltage, Class 2, wiring code.

3.06.2 The remote switch should be single pole and have at least a 1 amp rating, such as Leviton No. 1330-2. The wire used should be at least 18 gauge.

3.06.3 The switch should be mounted at a convenient location. in a listed outlet box with approved strain relief.

3.06.4 A remote switch must be connected to the orange wire marked "Remote Switch Hookup" in the wiring compartment. Fused (1 amp), positive +12 battery voltage should be connected to the other side of the switch. Battery negative should be connected to the black wire. Cable clamp strain relief should be used to secure the field wires.

3.07 220Y/120 VAC Output

3.07.1 *CAUTION:* Do not connect another source of AC power directly to the output of the inverter. This will result in damage to the inverter that is not covered under warranty!

3.07.2 The A.C. output is presented at the A.C. wiring compartment. The 3 phase outputs are labeled "L1", "L2", "L3". There is also an A.C. neutral labeled "N" and a chassis ground labeled "G".

3.07.3 To obtain 220 VAC, 3 phase output, a connection must be made to L1, L2, and L3.

3.07.4 To obtain 220 VAC, single phase output, a connection should be made to any two

of the hot leads, as L1 and L2, or L1 and L3, or L2 and L3.

3.07.5 To obtain 120 VAC, single phase output a connection should be made to any one hot lead and to AC neutral "N"; as L1 and N, or L2 and N, or L3 and N.

3.07.6 Remote AC outlets should be mounted at a convenient location in a listed outlet box with approved strain relief, if used.

4. OPERATION

4.01 To operate the inverter, turn the output circuit breaker switch to "ON", turn "ON" the inverter on/off switch and turn "ON" the remote switch.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

5.01 Airpax Dimensions, Inc. offers free phone consultation concerning installation or troubleshooting. Call the Customer Service Department at 800-553-6418 or 651 653-7000
fax: 651-653-7600
e-mail: inverterinfo@Airpax.net

NOTE: Since the inverter has a quasi-sine waveform, a TRUE RMS volt meter is required for an accurate reading. Other volt meters that use averaging circuitry will give incorrect readings.

5.02 If the inverter fails to operate, use the following trouble-shooting procedure.

5.02.1 Connect a 100 watt light bulb to each 120 VAC phase and disconnect all other output wiring.

5.02.2 Make sure the inverter is turned "ON" and the output circuit breaker is also "ON".

5.03.3 Observe the fault indicating lights on the front of the inverter.

a) If the Low battery light is lit, turn inverter "Off" for 5 seconds, then turn "On" again. If the light again turns on, check wiring, DC source voltage, and line fuse. The battery voltage test lights can be used for troubleshooting low battery conditions, press and hold the "press to test" button on the front of the inverter.

b) If the overload light is lit, check output wiring for short circuit. Otherwise, the load is too large for the power rating of the inverter.

c) If the High temperature light is lit, the inverter must be left cool to 40 C. Check to see that the inverter is not in a closed compartment and that the fans are not blocked.

5.03.4 If the above steps are completed and the inverter still will not operate satisfactorily call Dimensions for a return authorization number.

3 PHASE INVERTER

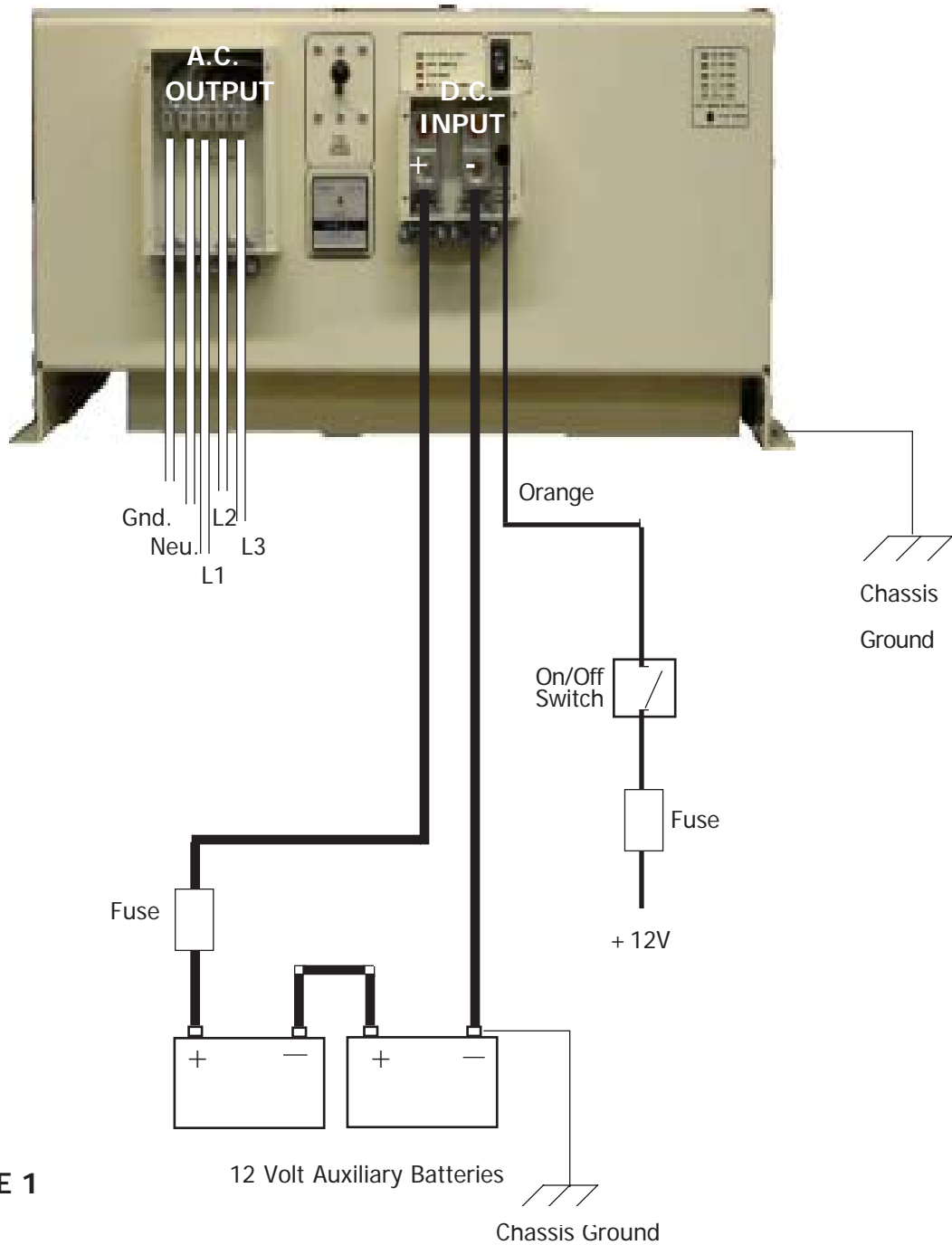


FIGURE 1

Limited Warranty Terms & Conditions

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 Airpax Dimensions, 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 Dimensions unused and not mounted. The amount of credit will be issued at Dimensions discretion based on the condition of the product.
- Customer must be in good standing with Dimensions.
- 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 Dimensions vendors will be covered under that manufacturer's credit return policy.
- Customer pays return freight.

PLEASE SHIP AUTHORIZED RETURNS TO: Airpax Dimensions, Inc. / 4467 White Bear Parkway / St. Paul, MN 55110
Return Freight Prepaid

LIMITED WARRANTY

Airpax Dimensions, Inc. extends the following warranty to the original purchaser of those goods subject to the qualifications indicated.

Dimensions warrants to the original purchaser for use that the goods or any component thereof manufactured by Dimensions will be free from defects in workmanship for the period listed on the product label from the date of purchase, provided such goods are installed, maintained and used in accordance with Dimensions and the original manufacturer's written instructions.

Components not manufactured by Dimensions, but used within the assembly provided by Dimensions, 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 Dimensions and the manufacturer's written instructions.

Dimensions 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: Airpax Dimensions, Inc., 4467 White Bear Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55110, freight prepaid.

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