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Owner's Guide

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About This Guide

Purpose

The purpose of this Owner's Guide is to provide explanations and procedures for installing, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus.

Scope

The Guide provides safety guidelines, detailed planning and setup information, procedures for installing the inverter, as well as information about operating and troubleshooting the inverter. It does not provide details about particular brands of batteries. You need to consult individual battery manufacturers for this information.

Audience

The Guide is intended for anyone who needs to install and operate the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus.

Conventions Used

The following conventions are used in this guide.



WARNING

Warnings identify conditions that could result in personal injury or loss of life



CAUTION

Cautions identify conditions or practices that could result in damage to the unit or other equipment.

Important: These notes describe things which are important for you to know, but not as serious as a caution or warning.

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Important Safety Instructions



WARNING

This chapter contains important safety and operating instructions. Read and keep this Owner's Guide for future reference.

1. Before installing and using the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus, read all instructions and cautionary markings on the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus, the batteries, and all appropriate sections of this guide.
2. Do not expose the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus to rain, snow, spray, or bilge water. To reduce risk of fire hazard, do not cover or obstruct the ventilation openings. Do not install the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus in a zero-clearance compartment. Overheating may result.
3. Use only attachments recommended or sold by the manufacturer. Doing otherwise may result in a risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
4. To avoid a risk of fire and electric shock, make sure that existing wiring is in good condition and that wire is not undersized. Do not operate the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus with damaged or substandard wiring.
5. Do not operate the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus if it has received a sharp blow, been dropped, or otherwise damaged in any way. If the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus is damaged, see the Warranty section.
6. Do not disassemble the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus. It contains no user-serviceable parts. See Warranty for instructions on obtaining service. Attempting to service the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus yourself may result in a risk of electrical shock or fire. Internal capacitors remain charged after all power is disconnected.
7. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, disconnect both AC and DC power from the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus before attempting any maintenance or cleaning or working on any circuits connected to the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus. Turning off controls will not reduce this risk.
8. The XPower Inverter 3000 Plus must be provided with an equipment-grounding conductor connected to the AC input ground.

Explosive gas precautions



WARNING: Explosion hazard

1. Working in the vicinity of lead-acid batteries is dangerous. Batteries generate explosive gases during normal operation. Therefore, you must read this guide and follow the instructions exactly before installing or using your XPower Inverter 3000 Plus.
2. This equipment contains components which tend to produce arcs or sparks. To prevent fire or explosion, do not install the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus in compartments containing batteries or flammable materials, or in locations that require ignition-protected equipment. This includes any space containing gasoline-powered machinery, fuel tanks, as well as joints, fittings, or other connections between components of the fuel system.
3. To reduce the risk of battery explosion, follow these instructions and those published by the battery manufacturer and the manufacturer of the equipment in which the battery is installed.

Precautions When Working With Batteries



WARNING: Explosion or fire hazard

1. Follow all instructions published by the battery manufacturer and the manufacturer of the equipment in which the battery is installed.
2. Make sure the area around the battery is well ventilated.
3. Never smoke or allow a spark or flame near the engine or batteries.
4. Use caution to reduce the risk of dropping a metal tool on the battery. It could spark or short circuit the battery or other electrical parts and could cause an explosion.

5. Remove all metal items, like rings, bracelets, and watches when working with lead-acid batteries. Lead-acid batteries produce a short circuit current high enough to weld metal to skin, causing a severe burn.
6. Have someone within range of your voice or close enough to come to your aid when you work near a lead-acid battery.
7. Have plenty of fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing, or eyes.
8. Wear complete eye protection and clothing protection. Avoid touching your eyes while working near batteries.
9. If battery acid contacts skin or clothing, wash immediately with soap and water. If acid enters your eye, immediately flood it with running cold water for at least twenty minutes and get medical attention immediately.
10. If you need to remove a battery, always remove the ground terminal from the battery first. Make sure all accessories are off so you don't cause a spark.

Precautions for Using Rechargeable Appliances



CAUTION: Equipment damage

Most rechargeable battery-operated equipment uses a separate charger or transformer that is plugged into an AC receptacle and produces a low voltage charging output.

Some chargers for small rechargeable batteries can be damaged if connected to the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus. Do not use the following with the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus:

- Small battery-operated appliances like flashlights, razors, and night lights that can be plugged directly into an AC receptacle to recharge.
- Some chargers for battery packs used in power hand tools. These affected chargers display a warning label stating that dangerous voltages are present at the battery terminals.

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Introduction

The XPower Inverter 3000 Plus has been designed to give you quality power, ease of use, and reliability.

Please take a few moments to read this chapter to familiarize yourself with the main performance features and protection features.

Quality Power

The XPower Inverter 3000 Plus is designed for use in recreational vehicles (RVs), light and heavy duty truck applications, and other in-vehicle applications.

- The inverter provides up to 2500 W of continuous power. It is designed to handle loads such as microwaves, refrigerators, freezers, circular saws, and small air compressors.
- The inverter's high surge capability lets you handle many hard-to-start loads, including large TVs, refrigerators, and freezers.
- The inverter's low standby battery demand means you don't have to worry about excessive drain on your battery if you leave the inverter on for a few days. When the inverter is on but no power is being supplied to a load, the inverter draws less than 600 mA from the battery.
- The cooling fan in the inverter is thermally activated and comes on when the inverter becomes warm. The fan turns off automatically after the inverter has cooled.

Ease of Use

Superior features and rugged durability have been combined with ease of use:

- The inverter is compact, lightweight, and easy to install.
- Loads can be powered directly from the AC outlets.
- Easy-to-read indicators on the front panel let you monitor system performance at a glance.
- Remote On/Off switch lets you control the inverter from a convenient location—up to 20 feet (6 m) away—while the inverter itself is mounted out of sight.

Comprehensive Protection

The inverter is equipped with numerous protection features to guarantee safe and trouble-free operation:

Low battery alarm Alerts you if the battery has become discharged to 11.0 V or lower.

Low battery voltage shutdown Shuts the inverter down automatically if the battery voltage drops below 10.5 V. This feature protects the battery from being completely discharged.

High battery voltage shutdown Shuts the inverter down automatically if the input voltage rises to 15 V or more.

Overload shutdown Shuts the inverter down automatically if a short-circuit is detected in the circuitry connected to the inverter's output, or if the loads connected to the inverter exceed the inverter's operating limits.

Over-temperature shutdown Shuts the inverter down automatically if its internal temperature rises above an acceptable level.

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Features

Chapter 2, “Features” describes the main features of the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus. Familiarize yourself with them before installing and operating the inverter.

Remote On/Off Switch

The Remote On/Off switch can be plugged into the remote switch connector port on the front of the inverter. The remote switch lets you turn the inverter on and off from a convenient location up to 20 feet (6 m) away from the inverter.

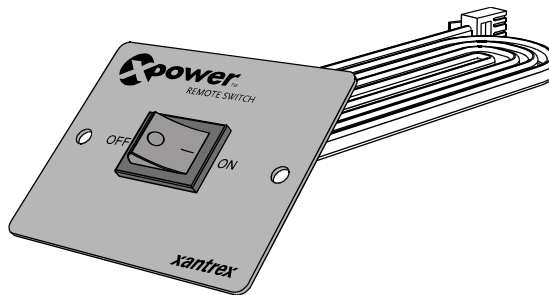


Figure 2-1 XPower Remote On/Off Switch

Dimensions of Remote On/Off Switch

Length	2" (5.05 cm)
Width	2½" (6.40 cm)
Depth	1" (2.54 cm)
Cable Length	20' (6 m)

AC Panel

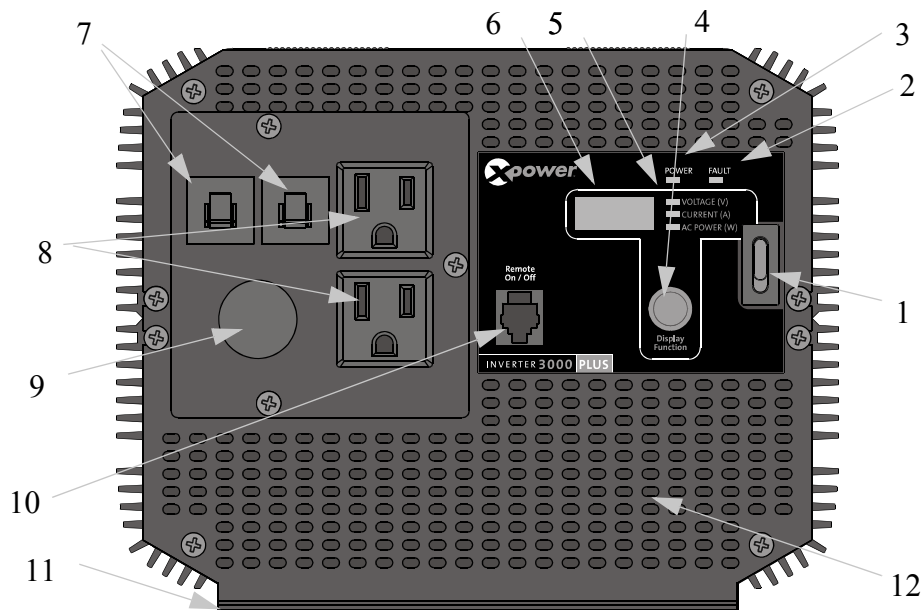


Figure 2-2 AC Panel

Feature	Description
1	On/Off Switch turns the inverter’s control circuit on and off. This switch is not a power disconnect switch. Disconnect AC and DC power before working on any circuits connected to the inverter.
2	Fault light (red): indicates the inverter has shut down due to inverter overload or over-temperature.
3	Power light (green): indicates the inverter is operating.
4	Display Function Button Press this to display battery voltage, battery current and AC output power.
5	Status indicator lights: VOLTAGE, CURRENT, AC POWER When lit, each light indicates which status is being displayed.

Feature	Description
6	Status Display: Shows Voltage, Current or AC Power. VOLTAGE: Indicates battery power at the input terminal of the inverter in volts (V). CURRENT: Indicates current drawn from the battery by the inverter in amps (A). AC POWER: Indicates the output power from the inverter as a percentage of total available watts being utilized.
7	Two 15 A Breakers
8	3-Prong AC Outlets: Each outlet is protected by a 15-amp breaker.
9	AC Knockout: For hardwiring the inverter.
10	Remote On/Off Connector Port: For connecting the Remote On/Off Switch.
11	Mounting Flanges (front and rear) allow you to mount the inverter permanently.
12	Ventilation Openings must not be obstructed for the proper operation of the inverter. When the inverter is mounted, the ventilation opening on the DC panel must not point up or down.

DC Panel

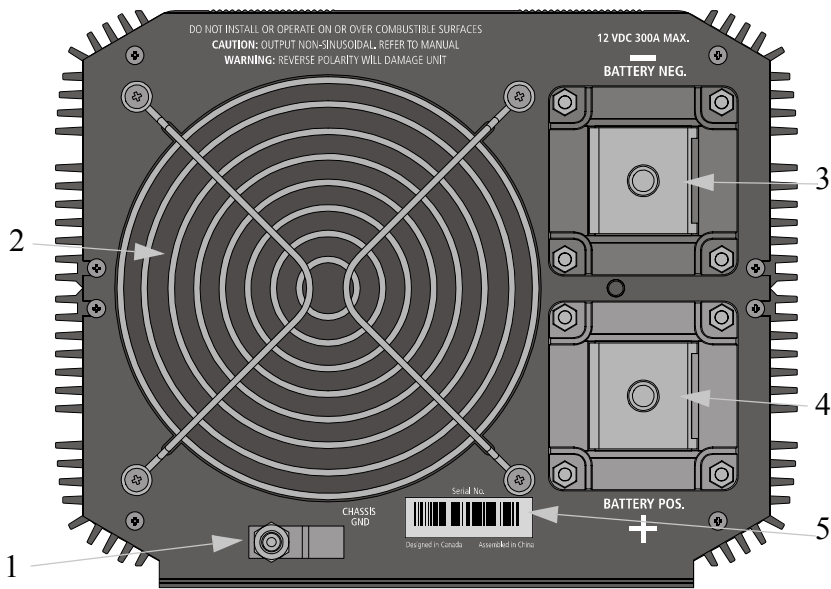


Figure 2-3 DC Panel

Feature	Description
1	Chassis Ground Lug connects to vehicle chassis, DC grounding bus or to engine's negative bus.
2	Ventilation Opening must not be obstructed for the proper operation of the inverter. When the inverter is mounted, the ventilation opening on the DC panel must not point up or down.
3	Negative DC Cabling Terminal always connects to the cable connected to the negative terminal of the battery.
4	Positive DC Cabling Terminal always connects to the cable connected to the positive terminal of the battery.
5	Serial number of your inverter.

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Installation

Chapter 3, “Installation,” provides information on cables and fuses to help you plan for your installation and provide procedures for installing the inverter.

Read the entire chapter before beginning the installation procedures so that you can plan an installation that is suited to your power needs.

Designing Your Installation

Before doing anything else, you need to determine how you are going to use your inverter, and then design a power system that will give you maximum performance. The more thorough your planning, the better your power needs will be met. In particular, you will need to:

- Be aware of installation codes
- Calculate your battery requirements
- Choose an effective charging system
- Choose an appropriate location
- Calculate the cable size for your inverter
- Select the correct fuses or circuit breakers

Study Figures “Configuration for Normal Loads” on page 3–2 and “Configuration for Heavy Loads” on page 3–2 for an example of a setup for normal or heavy loads in a vehicle. When you have decided upon your configuration, then you can calculate battery requirements.

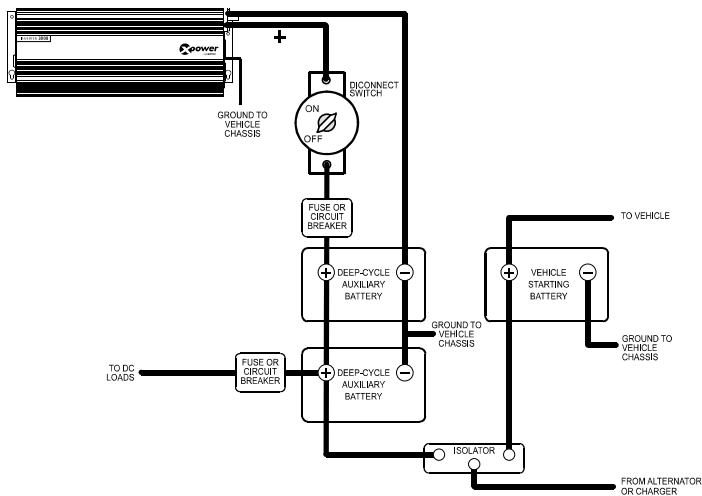


Figure 3-1 Configuration for Normal Loads

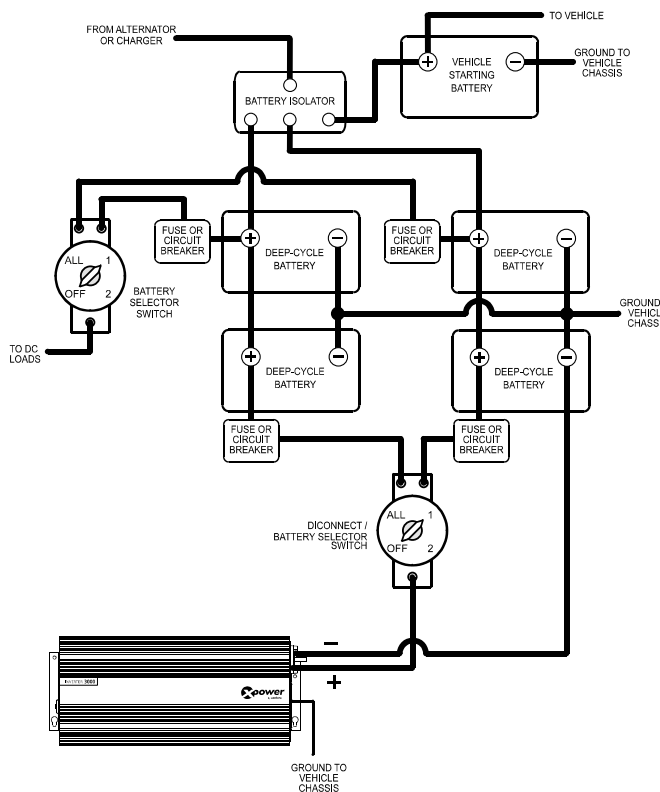


Figure 3-2 Configuration for Heavy Loads

Installation Codes

Governing installation codes vary depending on the location and type of installation. Electrical installations must meet local and national wiring codes and should be performed by a qualified electrician.

In residential applications, electrical codes do not allow permanent connection of AC distribution wiring to the inverter's AC output receptacles. The receptacles are intended for temporary (as-needed) connection of cord connected loads only.

Calculating Battery Requirements

Battery type and battery size strongly affect the performance of the inverter. Therefore, you need to identify the type of loads your inverter will be powering, and how much you will be using them between charges. Once you know how much power you will be using, you can determine how much battery capacity you need. We recommend that you purchase as much battery capacity as possible.

Consult Appendix B for a detailed explanation of how to determine the appropriate number and size of batteries for your needs.



CAUTION

The inverter must only be connected to a 12 V battery system. It will not operate if connected to a 6 V battery and will be damaged if connected to a 24 V battery.

Choosing an Effective Charging System

The charging system must be appropriate for your particular installation. A well-designed charging system will ensure that power is available when you need it and that your batteries remain in top condition. Inadequate charging will degrade system performance, and the wrong type of charger will reduce battery life.

Consult Appendix C, “Alternators and Charging Systems” for information about choosing an effective charging system.

Choosing an Appropriate Location



WARNING

The inverter contains components that tend to produce arcs or sparks. To prevent fire or explosion, do not install the inverter in compartments containing batteries or flammable materials, or in locations that require ignition-protected equipment.



WARNING

To reduce the risk of fire, do not cover or obstruct the ventilation openings. Do not install the inverter in a zero-clearance compartment. Overheating may result.

The inverter must only be installed in a location that is:

Dry	Do not allow water or other liquids to drop or splash on it.
Cool	Ambient air temperature should be between 0 and 40°C (32 and 105°F)—the cooler the better within this range.
Ventilated	Allow at least 3" (76 mm) of clearance around the inverter for air flow. Ensure that the ventilation openings on the DC end and on the bottom of the inverter are not obstructed.
Safe	Do not install the inverter in the same compartment as batteries or in any compartment capable of storing flammable liquids like gasoline.
Close to battery	Do not use excessive DC cable lengths: they increase wire resistance and reduce input power. Longer AC wires are preferable to longer DC wires: wire resistance (and therefore voltage drop) is less and the cost is lower.
Protected from battery gases	Do not mount the inverter where it will be exposed to gases produced by batteries. Battery gases are corrosive, and prolonged exposure to battery gases will damage the inverter.

Calculating Cable Sizes

To operate safely and effectively, the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus needs proper cables and fuses. Because the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus has low-voltage and high-current input, it is essential that you use low-resistance wiring between the battery and the inverter to deliver the maximum amount of usable energy to your load.

For safe and efficient operation, you will need to calculate cable sizes for your:

- DC input cables from the battery to inverter (one way)
- Chassis ground cable from the grounding point to the chassis ground lug on the inverter's DC panel.

See Figure 3-4, “DC Panel Connections” on page 3–11.



WARNING

Use only copper wire rated 90 °C minimum. Never use a DC input cable longer than specified in Table 3-1. A longer cable can potentially generate enough heat to start a fire or result in poor inverter performance.

Calculating Size of DC Input Cables

Refer to Table 3-1 to plan the DC cabling:

- Keep all cables as short as possible, and ensure that each cable between the inverter and the battery is no longer than 10 feet (3 m).
- Do not use aluminum cable. It has about 1/3 more resistance than copper cable of the same size, and it is difficult to make good, low-resistance connections to aluminum wire.
- We recommend that you use oil-resistant cable.

Table 3-1 Recommended DC Input Wire Sizes & Lengths

Cable length: Battery to Inverter (one way)	RV (Recreational Vehicle)	
	Minimum Cable Size	Maximum Battery Fuse Size
5 feet (1.5 m) or less	No. 4/0 AWG	450 Adc
10 feet (3 m)	350 MCM	450 Adc

Note: Never use a cable longer than 10 feet (3 m). Appropriate size cable can be bought at a welding supply house.

Calculating Size of Chassis Ground Cable

Refer to Table 3-2 to plan the size of the chassis ground cable that runs from the DC grounding point to the chassis ground screw on the inverter’s DC panel.

Table 3-2 Recommended Chassis Ground Cable sizes

Application	Chassis ground cable size (Stranded cable is recommended)
Recreational Vehicle	No. 8 AWG

Note: There are no restrictions on length for the chassis ground cable.

Calculating Fuse/Circuit Breaker Size

Because your batteries can provide thousands of amps of short-circuit current, you need fuses or circuit breakers that can safely withstand the short-circuit current that the batteries can produce.

To select the correct fuse type and size:

1. Determine the total short-circuit current rating for your batteries. For example:
 - If you are using one battery to power your inverter and its short-circuit current rating is 500 A, the total short-circuit current rating is 500 A.
 - If you are powering your inverter with two 12 V batteries connected in parallel, and each battery has a short-circuit current rating of 500 A, the total short-circuit current rating is 1000 A.
 - If you are powering your inverter with two 6 V batteries connected in series, and each battery has a short-circuit current rating of 500 A, the total short-circuit current rating is 500 A.

Important: For batteries connected in parallel, the total short-circuit current rating is the sum of the short-circuit current ratings of all of the batteries connected in parallel. For batteries connected in series, the total short-circuit current rating is equal to the short-circuit rating of a single battery.

2. Once you have determined the total short-circuit current rating of your batteries, pick the fuse/circuit breaker's interrupt capacity based on the short-circuit current calculated in step 1.
3. Choose a fuse/circuit breaker with a correct current rating.

Fuses can be bought at any marine supply store, RV supply store, or electrical products store.

Installing the inverter

Do not proceed with the installation of your inverter until you have read the section, “Designing Your Installation” on page 3–1. The more thorough your planning, the better your power needs will be met to achieve maximum performance from your inverter.

Safety Instructions

Before you start to install the inverter:

- Review the “Important Safety Instructions” on page v.
- Do not attempt your own AC wiring unless you have the knowledge, tools, and experience to do a safe job. A licensed electrician can install the inverter if you do not wish to do your own wiring.
- Read and follow all Warnings and Cautions in this chapter.

Installation Tools and Materials

Tools

- Wire stripper
- Wrench for DC terminals
- Screwdriver
- Crimping tool for fastening lugs and terminals on DC cables. (You may find it more convenient to have the crimp connectors installed onto the DC cable by the store that sells you the cable and/or connectors.)

Materials

The following checklist is a general list of required materials. Optional components are indicated by an *.

- Four corrosion-resistant fasteners sized #10 or larger for mounting the inverter
- Copper DC input cable as calculated in Table 3-1, “Recommended DC Input Wire Sizes & Lengths” on page 3–6
- Two 5/16" ring terminals sized for the cable diameter (or box-lug terminals) to connect the DC cables to the DC cabling terminal
- Lugs and terminals to connect the DC cables that connect to the battery fuse holder(s) and disconnect switch

- DC fuse(s) as calculated in “Calculating Fuse/Circuit Breaker Size” on page 3–7 and fuse holder(s)
 - Copper chassis ground cable as calculated in Table 3-2, “Recommended Chassis Ground Cable sizes” on page 3–6
 - Battery isolator (if connecting to a multiple-battery system)
 - Battery disconnect switch
 - Battery selector switch*
 - Alternator controller*
 - High-output alternator*
- * Consult Appendix B, “Battery Types and Sizes” and Appendix C, “Alternators and Charging Systems” to determine whether you need these components.

Overview of Installation Steps

These are the five steps for installing your inverter. Do not proceed with installation until you have read “Designing Your Installation” starting on page 3–1.

1. Install the Remote On/Off Switch.
2. Mount the inverter.
3. Connect the AC cables.
4. Connect the chassis ground.
5. Connect the DC cables.

Installing the Remote On/Off Switch

The Remote On/Off switch can be plugged into the remote switch jack on the front of the inverter. The remote switch lets you turn the inverter on and off from a convenient location—up to 20 feet (6 m) away from the inverter.

Mounting the Inverter

Do not mount the inverter under the hood of your vehicle. See “Choosing an Appropriate Location” on page 3–4.

To mount the inverter:

1. Make sure the On/Off switch is in the Off position.
2. Select an appropriate mounting location and orientation. The inverter must be oriented in one of the following ways:
 - Horizontally on a vertical surface. (Do not mount with the fan pointing up or down.)
 - On a horizontal surface.
 - Under a horizontal surface.

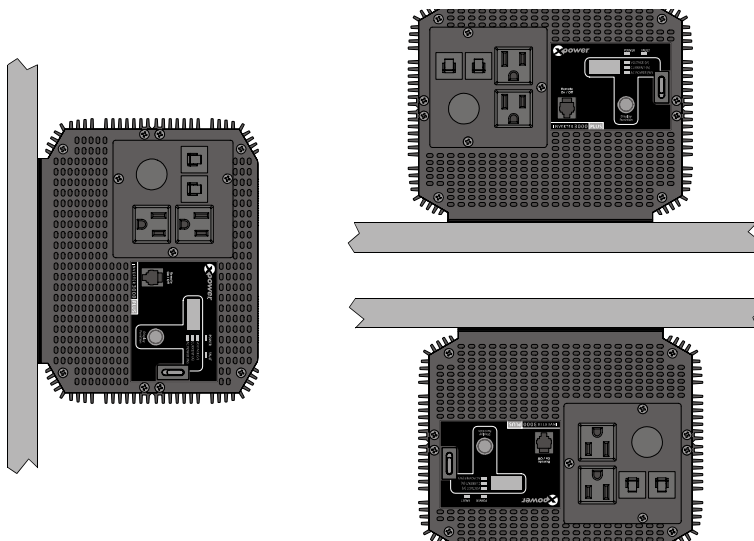


Figure 3-3 Approved Mounting Orientations

3. Hold the inverter against the mounting surface, mark the positions of the mounting screws, and then remove the inverter.
4. Pilot drill the four mounting holes.
5. Fasten the inverter to the mounting surface using corrosion-resistant fasteners sized #10 or larger.

AC Connections

You can plug your AC loads directly into the receptacles on the inverter front panel. Output power to each receptacle is limited by a circuit breaker to 1500 Watts (15 A).

You may also make a permanent AC connection via the AC knockout. This connection must be made in accordance with applicable electrical codes. If you are not familiar with the applicable electrical codes and wiring practices, we recommend you have the inverter installed by a qualified electrician.

Connecting the Chassis Ground

The inverter has a lug connector labelled **CHASSIS GND** on the rear panel as shown in Figure 3-4. This lug is used to connect the chassis of the inverter to your system's DC grounding point as required by regulations for some installations. Follow the guidelines in "Grounding Locations" to connect the inverter's chassis to the ground.

Use copper wire that is provided with green insulation. Do not use the DC Ground Lug for your AC grounding.

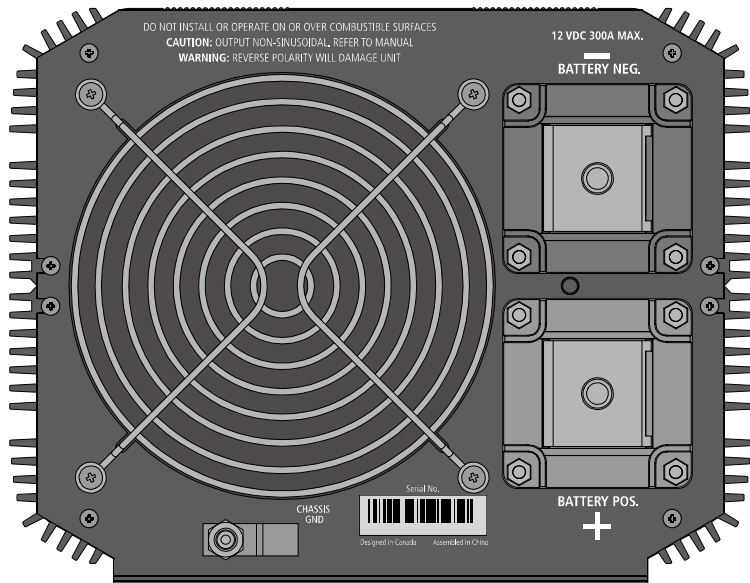


Figure 3-4 DC Panel Connections



WARNING: Electrical Shock Hazard

Never operate the inverter without properly connecting the chassis ground. An electrical shock hazard could result from improper grounding.

Grounding Locations

You must connect the chassis ground terminal to a grounding point.

Follow the installation guidelines below. These guidelines assume you are using the code-compliant DC supply cable and fuse sizes indicated in this manual. If you are using different sizes, refer to the applicable code for DC grounding details.

Recreational Vehicle Use 8 AWG copper wire and connect it between the Chassis Ground lug and the vehicle's DC grounding point (usually the vehicle chassis or a dedicated DC ground bus).

Chassis Ground Lug

To connect the cable to the chassis ground lug:

1. Make sure the inverter's On/Off switch is in the Off position.
2. Loosen chassis ground lug screw using a screwdriver.
3. Strip 3/8" (9.5 mm) of insulation from one end of the cable.
4. Place one end of the cable into the ground lug.
5. Tighten the chassis ground lug.

DC Disconnects and Over-Current Devices

The DC circuit from the battery to the inverter must be equipped with a disconnect and over-current device. This usually consists of a circuit breaker, a "fused-disconnect," or a separate fuse and DC disconnect. Do not confuse AC circuit breakers with DC circuit breakers. They are not interchangeable. The rating of the fuse or breaker must be matched to the size of cables used in accordance with the applicable installation codes. The breaker or disconnect switch and fuse should be located as close as possible to the battery, in the positive cable. Applicable codes may limit how far the protection can be from the battery.

Connecting the DC Cables

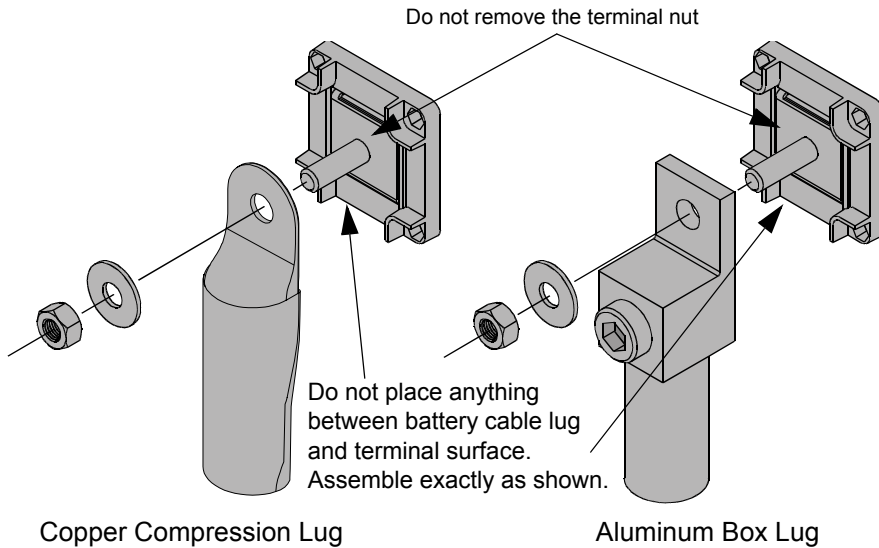


Figure 3-5 DC cable lug examples

Consult Figure 3-1, “Configuration for Normal Loads” on page 3–2, or Figure 3-2, “Configuration for Heavy Loads” on page 3–2 for additional details that are specific to your installation.

To make the DC connections:

1. Cut the cables to the correct length with enough insulation stripped off so you can properly install the type of terminals you will be using.

The terminals on the DC end are designed to fit up to 500 MCM crimp-on ring terminals (either AMP or ILSCO) or box connectors.

2. Attach the connectors to both cables.

If using compression lugs, attach the terminals to both cables using the crimp tool recommended by the manufacturer of the ring terminals. **There must be no stray wire strands protruding from the terminal.** If using box lugs, attach the lug to the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus first, then insert the wire and tighten the set screw to the torque recommended by the lug manufacturer.

3. Route the DC supply cables from the battery bank to the inverter.

4. Install a fuse and disconnect switch or breaker between the inverter and the battery. Ensure that the disconnect switch or breaker is turned off before installing. They must be installed in the positive side of the DC circuit, as close as possible to the battery. This protects your battery and wiring in case of accidental shorting. See “Calculating Fuse/Circuit Breaker Size” on page 3–7.
5. Attach one connector on the positive cable to the positive DC terminal on the DC end, and then attach the other connector to the POSITIVE (+) terminal on the fuse or breaker.



CAUTION: Reverse polarity

DC power connections to the inverter must be positive to positive and negative to negative. A reverse polarity connection (positive to negative) will blow a fuse in the inverter and may permanently damage the inverter. The fuse is not user replaceable and the inverter may need to be returned for servicing. Damage caused by a reverse polarity connection is not covered by your warranty.

Observe the polarities carefully while completing the installation. Use a wrench to tighten to a torque of 216–240 inch-pounds (24–27 Nm). Test that the cable is secure.



CAUTION

Do not over-tighten the nut on the DC input terminals. Damage to the DC input terminals may result.



CAUTION

Do not remove the terminal nut.



CAUTION

Loose connections cause excessive voltage drop and may cause overheated wires and melted insulation.

6. Connect one connector on the negative cable to the negative terminal on the DC end. Before proceeding, check that cable polarity is correct, and then connect the other end of the cable to the NEGATIVE (–) terminal on the battery.

This is the last cable connection you make. If the disconnect switch or breaker is not turned off, a spark is normal when the connection is made. Use a wrench to tighten to a torque of 216–240 inch-pounds (24–27 Nm). Test that the cable is secure.

7. Attach the DC terminal covers.
8. Before proceeding, double check that you have connected the cables properly—positive to positive, negative to negative.
9. Turn on the battery disconnect switch or breaker.
10. If you have installed a battery selector switch, use it to select one of the batteries or battery banks (house bank preferred over start bank).
11. Move the inverter's On/Off switch to the On position.
12. Check the input voltage display. It should read between 12 and 13 V, depending on the condition of the battery. If it does not, check your battery and the connection to the inverter, and the state of charge of the battery.

4

Operation

Chapter 4 explains how to operate the inverter efficiently and effectively. Specifically, this chapter:

- Gives procedures for operating the inverter from the front panel
- Discusses operating limits and inverter loads
- Discusses battery charging frequency
- Provides information about routine maintenance

Turning the Inverter On and Off

The On/Off switch on the inverter's front panel turns the control circuit in the inverter on and off.

To turn the inverter on and off from its front panel:

- Move the On/Off switch to the On position to turn the inverter on.
- Move the On/Off switch to the Off position to turn the inverter off.
When the switch is Off, the inverter draws a very low current from the battery.



CAUTION

The inverter's On/Off switch does not disconnect DC battery power from the inverter. You must disconnect AC and DC power before working on any circuits connected to the inverter.

Operating Several Loads at Once

If you are going to operate several loads from the inverter, turn them on separately after you have turned the inverter on.

Turning loads on separately helps to ensure that the inverter does not have to deliver the starting current for all the loads at once, and will help prevent an overload shutdown.

Turning the Inverter Off Between Charges

The inverter draws less than 600 mA from the battery with the On/Off switch turned on and no load connected, but left in this state the inverter will eventually discharge the battery.

To prevent unnecessary battery discharge, turn the inverter off when you are not using it.

Display Screen

You can monitor important status information on the LED (light emitting diode) display screen.

To select which information the screen displays, press the Display Function button. The VOLTAGE, CURRENT and AC POWER lights indicate what information the screen is showing.

Battery Voltage Indicator	The BATTERY VOLTAGE INDICATOR indicates the DC voltage at the input terminals of the inverter. At low input currents, this voltage is very close to the battery voltage. At high input currents, this voltage is lower than the battery voltage because of the voltage drop across the cable and DC connections.
Battery Current Indicator	The BATTERY CURRENT INDICATOR displays the current draw from the battery in amps. It will not indicate current draw from other loads connected to the battery.
Output Power Indicator	The OUTPUT POWER INDICATOR indicates the AC output power in kW.

Operating Limits

Power Output

The XPower Inverter 3000 Plus can deliver up to 2500 W continuous and up to 3000 W for five minutes.

The wattage rating applies to resistive loads such as incandescent lights.

Input Voltage

The allowable inverter input (battery) voltage ranges are shown in the following table:

Operating Condition	Voltage Range	Comment
Normal	10.5–15 V	
Optimum Performance	12.0–13.0 V	
Low Voltage Alarm	11.0 V or less	The audible low battery alarm sounds.
Low Voltage Shutdown	less than 10.5 V	The inverter shuts down to protect the battery from being over-discharged.
High Voltage Shutdown	15.0 V or more	The inverter shuts down to protect itself from excessive input voltage. Note: Although the inverter incorporates over-voltage protection, it can still be damaged if input voltage exceeds 16 V.

Inverter Loads

The inverter will operate most AC loads within its power rating of 2500 W. However, some appliances and equipment may be difficult to operate, and other appliances may actually be damaged if you try to operate them with the inverter. Please read “High Surge Loads” and “Trouble Loads” carefully.

High Surge Loads

Some induction motors used in freezers, pumps, and other motor-operated equipment require high surge currents to start. The inverter may not be able to start some of these motors even though their rated current draw is within the inverter’s limits. The inverter will normally start single-phase induction motors rated at 3/4 horsepower or less.

If a motor refuses to start, observe the BATTERY VOLTAGE INDICATOR while trying to start the motor. If the indicator drops below 11 V while the inverter is trying to start the motor, this low voltage condition may be why the motor won’t start. Make sure that the battery connections are good and that the battery is fully charged. If the connections are good and the battery is charged, but the voltage still drops below 11 V, you may need to use a larger battery.

Trouble Loads



CAUTION

Some equipment may be damaged by the inverter’s modified sine wave output.

Some appliances, including the types listed below, may be damaged if they are connected to the inverter:

- Electronics that modulate RF (radio frequency) signals on the AC line will not work and may be damaged.
- Speed controllers found in some fans, power tools, kitchen appliances, and other loads may be damaged.
- Some chargers for small rechargeable batteries can be damaged. See “Precautions for Using Rechargeable Appliances” on page vii for details.
- Metal halide arc (HMI) lights can be damaged.

If you are unsure about powering any device with the inverter, contact the manufacturer of the device.

Routine Maintenance

Minimal maintenance is required to keep your inverter operating properly. Periodically you should:

- Clean the exterior of the inverter with a damp cloth to prevent the accumulation of dust and dirt.
- Ensure that the DC cables are secure and fasteners are tight.
- Make sure ventilation openings on the AC and DC panels of the inverter are not clogged.

Recharging Your Batteries

When possible, recharge your batteries when they are about 50% discharged or earlier. This gives the batteries a much longer life cycle than recharging when they are almost completely discharged.

5

Troubleshooting

Chapter 5 will help you identify the source of most problems that can occur with the inverter.

If you have a problem with the inverter, please review this chapter before contacting place of purchase.

If you are unable to solve a problem and need to contact place of purchase, record the information in the form “Information About Your System” on page WA-6.

Common Problems

Buzz in Audio Equipment

Some inexpensive stereo systems may emit a buzzing noise from their loudspeakers when operated from the inverter. This occurs because the power supply in the audio system does not adequately filter the modified sine wave produced by the inverter. The only solution is to use a sound system that has a higher quality power supply.

Television Reception

When the inverter is operating, it can interfere with television reception on some channels. If interference occurs, try the following:

1. Make sure that the chassis ground screw on the rear of the inverter is solidly connected to the ground system of your vehicle.
2. Make sure that the television antenna provides an adequate (“snow-free”) signal, and that you are using good quality cable between the antenna and the television.
3. Keep the cables between the battery and the inverter as short as possible, and twist them together with two to three twists per foot. (This minimizes radiated interference from the cables.)
4. Move the television as far away from the inverter as possible.
5. Do not operate high power loads with the inverter while the television is on.

Troubleshooting Reference



WARNING: Electrical shock and burn hazard

Do not disassemble the inverter. It does not contain any user-serviceable parts. Attempting to service the inverter yourself could result in an electrical shock or burn.

Table 5-1 Troubleshooting Reference

#	Error/Warning Code on Display	Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
1	AL1: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Low DC input terminal voltage.	Poor DC wiring Poor battery condition	Use proper cable size and lengths and make solid connections. Charge the battery. Install a new battery.
2	AL2: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Inverter is close to over-temperature shutdown	Inverter ventilation openings are obstructed. Ambient temperature is too high. Load applied is above the continuous operation limit.	Improve ventilation. Make sure the inverter's ventilation openings are not obstructed. Reduce the ambient temperature. Reduce the load if continuous operation is required.
3	E01: Flashing Fault LED: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Inverter is in undervoltage shutdown.	AL1 warning code is ignored. (See possible causes under error # "1" in this table).	See solution under error # "1" in this table.
4	E02: Flashing Fault LED: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Inverter is in overvoltage shutdown.	High input voltage	Make sure the inverter is connected to a 12 V battery. Check the voltage regulation of the charging system.

Table 5-1 Troubleshooting Reference

#	Error/Warning Code on Display	Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
5	E03: Flashing Fault LED: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Inverter is in overload shutdown.	Load applied is above the continuous operation limit.	Reduce the load if continuous operation is required.
6	E04: Flashing Fault LED: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Inverter is in thermal shutdown.	AL2 warning code is ignored. (See possible causes under error # “2” in this table).	See solution under error # “2” in this table.
7	E05: Flashing Fault LED: Flashing Alarm: Beeping	Output on inverter is shortcircuit	N/A	Remove the short circuit.
8	N/A	Low output voltage (96 VAC–104 VAC)	You are using a voltmeter that cannot accurately read the RMS voltage of a modified sine wave.	Use a true RMS reading voltmeter such as the Fluke 87.
9	N/A	Low output voltage on a true RMS reading voltmeter.	Low input voltage and the load is close to maximum allowable power.	Check the connections and cable to see if the battery is fully charged. Recharge the battery if it is low. Reduce the load.
10	N/A	No output voltage; no input voltage indication.	The inverter is off. No power to the inverter. Inverter fuse open. The inverter could have been connected with reverse DC input polarity. Battery disconnect switch or breaker is off.	Turn the inverter on. Check the wiring to the inverter. Return the inverter. The inverter has probably been damaged. Have it repaired. Damage caused by reverse polarity is not covered by the warranty. Close battery disconnect switch or breaker.

Consumer Hotline: 1-800-670-0707

A

Specifications

Appendix A contains electrical performance and physical specifications for the inverter.

Electrical Performance

Output power at 25°C (77°F) ambient temperature and 12 V dc input: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maximum continuous output power• 5 minute rating	2500 W 3000 W
Output voltage	115 V AC RMS \pm 5 %
Output waveform	Modified sine wave
Output frequency	60 Hz \pm 4 Hz
Input voltage	10.5–15.0 VDC
Low battery alarm	11.0 V
Low battery cutout	10.5 V
Optimum efficiency	90%
No load current draw	<0.6 A dc

Physical Specifications

Length	18 1/2" (47 cm)
Width	8" (20 cm)
Height	6 1/4" (16 cm)
Weight	20 lb. (9 kg)

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

B

Battery Types

The information in Appendix B will help you to select, connect, and maintain batteries that are most appropriate for your application.

The batteries that you use strongly affect the performance of the XPower 3000. It is important to connect the inverter to the correct size and type of battery.

Battery Types

Automotive Starting Batteries

The lead-acid battery you are most familiar with is probably the starting battery in your vehicle. An automotive starting battery is designed to deliver a large amount of current for a short period of time (so it can start your engine). Only a small portion of the battery's capacity is used when starting the engine, and the spent capacity is quickly recharged by the running engine.

The starting battery in your vehicle is not designed for repeated deep-discharge cycles where the battery is almost completely discharged and then recharged. If a starting battery is used in this kind of deep discharge service, it will wear out very rapidly.

Deep-Cycle Batteries

Deep-cycle batteries are designed for deep discharge service where they will be repeatedly discharged and recharged. They are marketed for use in recreational vehicles, boats, and electric golf carts—so you may see them referred to as RV batteries, marine batteries, or golf cart batteries.

For most applications of the XPower 3000, Xantrex recommends that you use one or more deep-cycle batteries that are separated from the vehicle's starting battery by a battery isolator.

A battery isolator is a solid-state electronic circuit that allows equipment to be operated from an auxiliary battery without danger of discharging the vehicle’s starting battery. During vehicle operation, the battery isolator automatically directs the charge from the alternator to the battery requiring the charge. Figure 3-1, “Configuration for Normal Loads” on page 3–2 and Figure 3-2, “Configuration for Heavy Loads” on page 3–2 show a battery isolator in configurations for normal and heavy-duty loads.

Battery isolators are available at marine and RV dealers and most auto parts stores.

Battery Size



CAUTION

The XPower 3000 must only be connected to batteries with a nominal output voltage of 12 volts. The XPower 3000 will not operate from a 6 volt battery and will be damaged if connected to a 24 volt battery.

Battery size or capacity is as important as the battery type for efficient operation of your loads. Xantrex recommends that you purchase as much battery capacity as possible.

A number of different standards are used to rate battery energy storage capacity. Automotive and marine starting batteries are normally rated in cranking amps. This is not a relevant rating for continuous loads like an inverter. Deep-cycle batteries use a more suitable rating system, either “amp-hours” (“Ah”) or “reserve capacity” in minutes.

Battery Reserve Capacity

Battery reserve capacity is a measure of how long a battery can deliver a certain amount of current—usually 25 amps. For example, a battery with a reserve capacity of 180 minutes can deliver 25 amps for 180 minutes before it is completely discharged.

Amp-hour (Ah) Capacity

Amp-hour capacity is a measure of how many amps a battery can deliver for a specified length of time—usually 20 hours. For example, a typical marine or RV battery rated for 100 Ah can deliver 5 amps for 20 hours (5 A x 20 hours = 100 Ah).

This same battery can deliver a higher or lower current for less or more time, limited approximately by the 100 Ah figure (for example, 50 A for 2 hours, or 200 A for 1/2 hour), but usually the capacity figure given is only accurate at the specified rate (20 hours).

To calculate the battery capacity you require, read “Estimating Battery Requirements” on page B–3 and “Battery Sizing Example” on page B–4, and then complete the “Battery Sizing Worksheet” on page B–5.

Estimating Battery Requirements

To determine how much battery capacity you need:

1. Determine how many watts are consumed by each appliance that you will operate from the XPower 3000. You can normally find the watt rating labelled on the product. If only the current draw is given, multiply it by 115 to get the power consumption in watts.
2. Estimate how many hours each appliance will be operating each day.
3. Calculate the daily watt-hours needed for each appliance.
4. Add the total number of watt-hours needed for all the appliances and multiply it by the number of days between charges.
5. Divide the total watt-hours of AC load between charges by 10. This gives the battery Ah used between charges.
6. Double the total Ah used between charges to get the recommended battery size in Ah.

See the battery sizing example that follows.

Battery Sizing Example

This battery sizing example illustrates a typical calculation, assuming an opportunity to charge the batteries every three days.

Appliance	(A) Power Consumption (Watts)	(B) Operating Time per Day (Hours)	Daily watt-hours needed for this appliance (= A x B)
TV & VCR	200 W	2 hours	400 Wh
Microwave oven	1400 W	15 min = 1/4 hour	350 Wh
3 lamps, 60 W each	180 W	4 hours	720 Wh
Coffee maker	600 W	15 min = 1/4 hour	150 Wh
Steam iron	700 W	6 min = 1/10 hour	70 Wh
Total daily watt-hours of AC load			1690 Wh
x Number of days between charges			3
= Total watt-hours of AC load between charges			5070 Wh
Battery Ah used between charges (divide by 10)			507 Ah
Recommended Battery Bank Size in Ah (multiply by 2)			1014 Ah

This example illustrates how quickly your battery needs can escalate. To reduce the required battery size, you can conserve energy by eliminating or reducing the use of some loads or by re-charging more frequently.

When sizing your battery, resist the temptation to skip the last step of this calculation (multiplying by 2). More capacity is better since you will have more reserve capacity, be better able to handle large loads and surge loads, and your battery won't be discharged as deeply. Battery life is directly dependent on how deeply the battery is discharged. The deeper the discharge, the shorter the battery life.

Battery Sizing Worksheet

Use the following worksheet to calculate your battery needs. To ensure sufficient battery capacity, be generous when estimating the operating time per day for each of the loads you will run.

Appliance	(A) Power Consumption (Watts)	(B) Operating Time per Day (Hours)	Daily watt-hours needed for this appliance (= A x B)
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
	W	hours	Wh
Total daily watt-hours of AC load			Wh
x Number of days between charges			
= Total watt-hours of AC load between charges			Wh
Battery Ah used between charges (divide by 10)			Ah
Recommended Battery Bank Size in Ah (multiply by 2)			Ah

Using Multiple Batteries

As your power requirements increase, you may need to use more than one battery to obtain sufficient capacity. Read “Two Batteries Connected In Parallel” and “Two Separate Battery Banks” to determine whether two batteries or two battery banks are more appropriate for your applications.

Two Batteries Connected In Parallel

Two identical batteries can be connected positive (+) to positive (+) and negative (–) to negative (–) in a parallel system. A parallel system doubles capacity and maintains the voltage of a single battery.

Figure 3-1, “Configuration for Normal Loads” on page 3–2 shows a battery configuration suitable for normal loads.

Figure 3-2, “Configuration for Heavy Loads” on page 3–2 show a battery configuration that is recommended for heavy loads.



CAUTION

Do not connect the following in parallel:

- batteries made by different manufacturers
- different types of batteries
- batteries that have different Ah ratings

Decreased battery life and improper charging will result.

Two Separate Battery Banks

If you need more than two batteries (or are using different makes or models of batteries), Xantrex recommends that you install two separate battery banks and a battery selector switch.

Figure 3-2, “Configuration for Heavy Loads” on page 3–2 shows two separate battery banks and a battery selector switch. This configuration is recommended for heavy-duty applications.

By installing a battery selector switch, you can select between the two battery banks, use both banks in parallel, or disconnect both banks from the load. Battery selector switches are available at marine and RV dealers.

Battery Tips



WARNING

Review “Precautions When Working With Batteries” on page vi before you work with the batteries in your system.

Explosive/
Corrosive
Gases

Lead-acid batteries may emit hydrogen gases, oxygen, and sulfuric acid fumes when recharging. To reduce the risk of explosion:

- Vent the battery compartment to prevent the accumulation of gases.
- Do not install electronic or electrical equipment in the battery compartment.
- Do not smoke or use an open flame when working around batteries.

Temperature
Sensitivity

The capacity of lead-acid batteries is temperature sensitive. Battery capacity is rated at 77 °F (25 °C). At 0 °F (–20 °C), the Ah capacity is about half the rated capacity. You should consider temperature when designing your system.

- **Low Temperatures** If extremely low temperatures are expected where the inverter is going to be located, you should consider a heated equipment room. If the system is located in an unheated space, an insulated battery enclosure is recommended.
- **High Temperatures** The batteries should also be protected from high temperatures. These can be caused by high ambient temperatures, solar heating of the battery enclosure, or heat released by a nearby engine or generator. High battery temperatures shorten battery life and therefore you should ventilate the enclosure and use shade and insulation as appropriate.

Discharged
Batteries

Do not leave batteries in a discharged state for more than a day or two. They will undergo a chemical process (sulfation) that can permanently damage the battery. As well, batteries self-discharge over a period of three to six months, and they should be recharged periodically even if they are not being used.

Electrolyte
Level

If your batteries are not the “maintenance-free” type, check the electrolyte level at least once a month. Excessive fluid loss is a sign of overcharging. Replenish the electrolyte using only distilled water.

Battery Types

- Battery Connections

Connections to battery posts must be made with permanent connectors that provide a reliable, low-resistance connection. Do not use alligator clips. Clean the connections regularly and prevent corrosion by using a protective spray coating or Vaseline.
- Battery State of Charge

You can measure battery state of charge with a hydrometer or approximate state of charge with a voltmeter. Use a digital voltmeter that can display tenths or hundredths of a volt when measuring 10 to 30 volts. Make your measurements when the battery has not been charged or discharged for several hours. For a deep-cycle battery at 77° F (25° C), use the following table:

Battery Voltage	State of Charge
12.7–13.0 V	100%
12.5–12.6 V	80%
12.3–12.4 V	60%
12.1–12.2 V	40%
11.9–12.0 V	20%

C

Alternators and Charging Systems

A good charging system is important for the health of your batteries. Poor recharging methods can quickly damage batteries.

Appendix C provides guidelines for recharging batteries from an alternator, from AC power, and from alternate energy sources.

Charging System Requirements

Your charging system should be capable of delivering a charging current equal to 25% of the amp-hour capacity of your battery. For example, if you have a 200 Ah battery, the charging system should be able to deliver 50 A. The charging system must also be able to charge each 12 V battery up to approximately 14.4 V and then drop back to a “float” voltage of 13.5–14 V (or shut off).



CAUTION

Never operate the inverter directly from an alternator. To work properly, the inverter must be connected to a battery or a well-regulated, high-current DC power supply.

Charging With an Engine Alternator

Read the following information to determine whether your vehicle's standard alternator will be adequate by itself, whether you should install an alternator controller, or whether you need a high-output alternator.

Using a Standard Vehicle Alternator

A typical engine alternator (12 V) may not be able to meet the requirements outlined above if your system uses large capacity batteries. Alternators are typically rated for the current they can deliver when they are cold. When in use, alternators heat up, and their output current capability drops by as much as 25%. Therefore, standard alternators with ratings of 40–105 A only deliver a maximum of 30–80 A in actual use and deliver even less as battery voltage rises. Many alternators cannot produce more than 13.6 V when they are hot. As a result, a standard alternator may not be able to charge a large battery quickly and completely.

Two solutions are to install an alternator controller or to install a high-output alternator.

Using an Alternator Controller

If your regular alternator is inadequate, you can install an alternator controller that bypasses the voltage regulator and boosts the alternator's output voltage during charging. This will increase the alternator's charging rate at higher battery voltages and ensure more rapid and complete charging.

Using a High-Output Alternator

Heavy-duty alternators rated from 100–140 A can replace standard alternators and produce the higher current and voltage required to charge multiple battery systems. They are available from RV and auto parts suppliers.

Charging From AC Power

When recharging from AC power, use a good quality charger or RV converter that meets the requirements outlined in “Charging System Requirements” on page C-1.

Do not use chargers intended for occasional recharging of automotive starting batteries. These chargers are not intended for continuous use.

Charging From Alternative Energy Sources

You can also charge your batteries from alternative energy sources such as solar panels, wind, or hydro systems. Make sure you use the appropriate battery charge controller for your particular energy source.



CAUTION

Never operate the inverter directly from an energy source such as a solar panel. The inverter must be connected to a battery or a well-regulated, high-current DC power supply to work properly.

Warranty and Product Information

Warranty

What does this warranty cover? This Limited Warranty is provided by Xantrex Technology, Inc. ("Xantrex") and covers defects in workmanship and materials in your XPower Inverter 3000 Plus. This warranty period lasts for 12 months from the date of purchase at the point of sale to you, the original end user customer. You require proof of purchase to make warranty claims.

What will Xantrex do? Xantrex will, at its option, repair or replace the defective product free of charge, provided that you notify Xantrex of the product defect within the Warranty Period, and provided that Xantrex through inspection establishes the existence of such a defect and that it is covered by this Limited Warranty.

Xantrex will, at its option, use new and/or reconditioned parts in performing warranty repair and building replacement products. Xantrex reserves the right to use parts or products of original or improved design in the repair or replacement. If Xantrex repairs or replaces a product, its warranty continues for the remaining portion of the original Warranty Period or 90 days from the date of the return shipment to the customer, whichever is greater. All replaced products and all parts removed from repaired products become the property of Xantrex.

Xantrex covers both parts and labor necessary to repair the product, and return shipment to the customer via a Xantrex-selected non-expedited surface freight within the contiguous United States and Canada. Alaska and Hawaii are excluded. Contact Xantrex Customer Service for details on freight policy for return shipments outside of the contiguous United States and Canada.

How do you get service? If your product requires troubleshooting or warranty service, contact your merchant. If you are unable to contact your merchant, or the merchant is unable to provide service, contact Xantrex directly at:

Telephone: 1 800 670 0707 (toll free North America)
1 360 925 5097 (direct)

Fax: 1 800 994 7828 (toll free North America)
1 360 925 5143 (direct)

Email: customerservice@xantrex.com

Direct returns may be performed according to the Xantrex Return Material Authorization Policy described in your product manual. For some products, Xantrex maintains a network of regional Authorized Service Centers. Call Xantrex or check our website to see if your product can be repaired at one of these facilities.

What proof of purchase is required? In any warranty claim, dated proof of purchase must accompany the product and the product must not have been disassembled or modified without prior written authorization by Xantrex.

Proof of purchase may be in any one of the following forms:

- The dated purchase receipt from the original purchase of the product at point of sale to the end user, or
- The dated dealer invoice or purchase receipt showing original equipment manufacturer (OEM) status, or
- The dated invoice or purchase receipt showing the product exchanged under warranty

What does this warranty not cover? This Limited Warranty does not cover normal wear and tear of the product or costs related to the removal, installation, or troubleshooting of the customer's electrical systems. This warranty does not apply to and Xantrex will not be responsible for any defect in or damage to:

- a) the product if it has been misused, neglected, improperly installed, physically damaged or altered, either internally or externally, or damaged from improper use or use in an unsuitable environment;
- b) the product if it has been subjected to fire, water, generalized corrosion, biological infestations, or input voltage that creates operating conditions beyond the maximum or minimum limits listed in the Xantrex product specifications including high input voltage from generators and lightning strikes;
- c) the product if repairs have been done to it other than by Xantrex or its authorized service centers (hereafter "ASCs");
- d) the product if it is used as a component part of a product expressly warranted by another manufacturer;
- e) the product if its original identification (trade-mark, serial number) markings have been defaced, altered, or removed.

Disclaimer

Product

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Exclusions

If this product is a consumer product, federal law does not allow an exclusion of implied warranties. To the extent you are entitled to implied warranties under federal law, to the extent permitted by applicable law they are limited to the duration of this Limited Warranty. Some states and provinces do not allow limitations or exclusions on implied warranties or on the duration of an implied warranty or on the limitation or exclusion of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation(s) or exclusion(s) may not apply to you. This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may have other rights which may vary from state to state or province to province.

Warning: Limitations On Use

Please refer to your product manual for limitations on uses of the product.

SPECIFICALLY, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE XPOWER INVERTER 3000 PLUS SHOULD NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS OR OTHER MEDICAL EQUIPMENT OR DEVICES. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, XANTREX MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES REGARDING THE USE OF THE XANTREX XPOWER INVERTER 3000 PLUS IN CONNECTION WITH LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS OR OTHER MEDICAL EQUIPMENT OR DEVICES.

Please note that the XPower Inverter 3000 Plus is not intended for use as an uninterruptible power supply and Xantrex makes no warranty or representation in connection with any use of the product for such purposes.

Return Material Authorization Policy

Before returning a product directly to Xantrex you must obtain a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number and the correct factory "Ship To" address. Products must also be shipped prepaid. Product shipments will be refused and returned at your expense if they are unauthorized, returned without an RMA number clearly marked on the outside of the shipping box, if they are shipped collect, or if they are shipped to the wrong location.

When you contact Xantrex to obtain service, please have your instruction manual ready for reference and be prepared to supply:

- The serial number of your product
- Information about the installation and use of the unit
- Information about the failure and/or reason for the return
- A copy of your dated proof of purchase

Record these details in "Information About Your System" on page WA-6.

Return Procedure

1. Package the unit safely, preferably using the original box and packing materials. Please ensure that your product is shipped fully insured in the original packaging or equivalent. This warranty will not apply where the product is damaged due to improper packaging.
2. Include the following:
 - The RMA number supplied by Xantrex Technology, Inc. clearly marked on the outside of the box.
 - A return address where the unit can be shipped. Post office boxes are not acceptable.
 - A contact telephone number where you can be reached during work hours.
 - A brief description of the problem.
3. Ship the unit prepaid to the address provided by your Xantrex customer service representative.

If you are returning a product from outside of the USA or Canada In addition to the above, you **MUST** include return freight funds and are fully responsible for all documents, duties, tariffs, and deposits.

If you are returning a product to a Xantrex Authorized Service Center (ASC) A Xantrex return material authorization (RMA) number is not required. However, you must contact the ASC prior to returning the product or presenting the unit to verify any return procedures that may apply to that particular facility.

Out of Warranty Service

If the warranty period for your XPower Inverter 3000 Plus has expired, if the unit was damaged by misuse or incorrect installation, if other conditions of the warranty have not been met, or if no dated proof of purchase is available, your inverter may be serviced or replaced for a flat fee.

To return your XPower Inverter 3000 Plus for out of warranty service, contact Xantrex Customer Service for a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number and follow the other steps outlined in “Return Procedure” on page WA-4.

Payment options such as credit card or money order will be explained by the Customer Service Representative. In cases where the minimum flat fee does not apply, as with incomplete units or units with excessive damage, an additional fee will be charged. If applicable, you will be contacted by Customer Service once your unit has been received.

Information About Your System

As soon as you open your XPower Inverter 3000 Plus package, record the following information and be sure to keep your proof of purchase.

- ☐ Serial Number (on DC end) _____
- ☐ Purchased From _____
- ☐ Purchase Date _____

If you need to contact Customer Service, please record the following details before calling. This information will help our representatives give you better service.

- ☐ Type of installation (e.g. RV, truck) _____
- ☐ Length of time inverter has been installed _____
- ☐ Battery/battery bank size _____
- ☐ Battery type (e.g. flooded, sealed gel cell, AGM) _____
- ☐ DC wiring size and length _____
- ☐ Alarm sounding? _____
- ☐ Description of indicators on front panel _____
- ☐ Appliances operating when problem occurred _____
- ☐ Description of problem _____
