# MARK PV Series Specifications

PHOTOVOLTAIC CHARGE CONTROLLER



The MARK PV Controllers provide ideal battery charging for solar systems while protecting these batteries from charging. These units provide a cost effective, flush mounted, controller with complete digital monitoring. The MARK PV Controllers are designed for 12 volt systems and are rated from 15 to 22 amps of charging. These controllers are designed for use in mobile or stationary photovoltaic energy systems.

The standard MARK/15<sup>tm</sup> is UL recognized.





#### **MARK/15**

SPECIALTY CONCEPTS,

### **FEATURES**

#### **CHARGE REGULATION**

- For 12 volt systems
- Rated from 15 to 22 amps (refer to serial number tag on unit for rating).
- Switching shunt, pulse charging
- Low switching frequency (no noise)
- No minimum operating voltage (can charge a dead battery)
- Field adjustable set-points

#### **DESIGN FEATURES**

- 100% solid-state
- Designed for rugged mobile use
- Simple design (low component
- Over-current protection battery fuse, array fuse
- Reverse leakage protection blocking diode
- Reverse polarity protection
- Lightning protection
- Input noise suppression
- Low power consumption
- 10 awg terminal block: (22 amp units)
- 12 awg terminal block: (15 amp units)
- Conformal coated circuit board
- Designed to operate at very low or high temperatures

#### **MONITORING**

- Very accurate digital monitoring of:
  - a) System battery voltage
  - b) Solar charge current
  - c) Charge set-point calibration
- "SOLAR CHARGING" light
- "BATTERY CHARGED" light
- Colored BATTERY CONDITION bar-graph
- BAR or DOT display
- Power saver display mode

#### MOUNTING

- Flush mount
- Knock-out box available for wall mounting (4x7 BOX accessory)

#### ACCESSORIES

BOX 4X7 - Knock-out box used for wall mounting.

## **OPERATION**

#### SWITCHING SHUNT REGULATION -

The MARK PV<sup>tm</sup>Controller will allow maximum array current to flow into the battery through a blocking lighting "SOLAR the diode, CHARGING" light (LED), until the battery voltage reaches the charge termination set-point. At this point, a shunt transistor will turn on, shunting the solar array, turning off the "SOLAR CHARGING" LED, lighting the "BATTERY CHARGED" light and halting any further battery charging.

When the battery voltage drops to the charge resumption set-point, the shunt transistor will turn off and charging will resume. The result is that when battery capacity is low, charging will be continuous. As the battery charges up, current will pass into the battery for shorter and shorter periods, until at full charge, it will pulse current into the battery to achieve and maintain full charge.

## SPECIALTY CONCEPTS MARK PV CONTROLLER

PARAMETERS PARAMETERS	UNITS	VALUE
Array Current, Continuous (Isc)	(Amps)	15, 22 (Refer to Serial Number Tag on Unit)
Array Current, Max (60 seconds)	(Amps)	130% of rated charge current
Nominal Voltage	(Volts)	12
Array Voltage, Max (Voc)	(Volts)	26
Operating Voltage at Battery, Min	( 1 - 1 )	
Charge Control	(Volts)	0
LCD Metering	(Volts)	7.8
LED Bar-graph	(Volts)	10.5
Current Consumption	` ′	
Quiescent (Tare)	(Milliamps)	8.8
Charging (with LED Bar-graph off)	(Milliamps)	12.8
LED Bar-graph	(Milliamps per LED)	5
Charge Termination, Factory Set	(Volts)	14.4 <u>+</u> .2
Charge Termination, Adjustable Range (1)	(Volts)	13.6 – 15.3
Charge Resumption, Factory Set (1)	(Volts)	13.0 <u>+</u> .2
Voltage Drop, Array to Battery @ 15 amp		
Controller, Max	(Volts)	0.5
Controller and 2 fuses, Max	(Volts)	0.8
LCD Meter Accuracy		
DC Voltage	(Percent)	1 %
DC Current	(Percent)	2 %
Operating Temperature Range	(°C)	-30 to 50
Storage Temperature Range	(°C)	-40 to 70
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Notes:

(1) The Charge Termination / Resumption span is fixed. The Resumption set-point changes as the Termination set-

## DIMENSIONS PART NUMBERING KEY In Inches (cm) Model / Nominal Current **EXAMPLE:** Nominal Voltage **MARK/15-12** 4.25 (10.80) 3.19 (8.10) MARK/22-12 Φ **ACCESSORIES** 7.50 (19.05) 4x7 BOX 4x7 BOX (ACCESSORY) 5.0 (12.7) 0 Specifications and product availability subject to change without notice. 7.0 (17.8) MARK/15 - 1 lbs. (.5 Kg.) MARK/15 unit depth: 2.25 (5.7) 4x7 BOX depth: 2.25 (5.7) Shipping weight: 4X7 BOX - 1.25 lbs. (.6 Kgs.) MARK/15 with 4x7 BOX depth: 2.55 (6.35)

