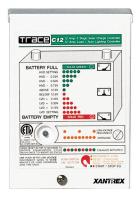
## **C12 Controller**



## **Small System Charge or Lighting or Load Controller**



### **Reliable Controller Technology**

The C12 is the most advanced small-system solar charge, lighting, or DC load controller available on the market today. Intelligent microprocessor control and feature packed design brings unsurpassed reliability to even the smallest PV systems.

#### **Product Features**

- The circuitry comes standard with field-adjustable low voltage disconnect and reconnect points, and a low battery disconnect warning.
- Silent, pulse width modulated (PWM), high efficiency operation.
- Easy to read, front panel status LED.
- Automatic overload protection (in both active and passive modes).
- ▶ PV array short circuit and reverse polarity protection.
- Backed by a two-year warranty.
- Optional plug-in remote temperature sensor for increased battery performance.

#### **Solar Charge Controller Features**

- ▶ Three-stage battery charging, user-definable voltage parameters, and automatic equalization.
- Selectable settings for flooded lead acid, gel, or absorbed glass mat batteries.
- ▶ 12 VDC array operation.

#### As a DC Load Controller

- Low voltage disconnect warning system.
- Field adjustable set points (automatic low and high voltage disconnect).

#### As an Automatic Lighting Controller

- Automatic day and night detection circuitry.
- ▶ Adjustable run duration from 2 to 8 hours or "dusk to dawn" operation.

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Electrical Specifications	
Maximum PV Amps	12 amps at 12 VDC only
Maximum DC Load	12 amps with auto reset
Minimum Operating Voltage	6 volts
Maximum Voltage Drop - PV to Battery	0.3 volts
Maximum Voltage Drop - Battery to DC Load	0.15 volts
Regulation Setting	13 to 15 VDC
Equalize Setting	Bulk plus 1 volt for two hours
Typical Consumption while Charging	0.007 amps
Typical Consumption at Night	0.003 amps
Typical Consumption with Load Disconnected	0.003 amps
Maximum Stranded Wire Size	#10 AWG stranded (5.2 mm2)

General Specifications	
Allowed Temperature Range	32 °F to 104 °F (0 °C to 40 °C)
Enclosure Type	Powder coated steel with strain relief for wiring and knockouts for up to three ½" conduits
Unit Weight	2 lb (0.9 kg)
Shipping Weight	2.5 lb (1.13 kg)
Dimensions	6.25" H x 4.3" W x 1.5" D (16.5 cm H x 11 cm W x 4 cm D)
Shipping Dimensions	8" H x 4.6" W x 1.6" D (20.3 cm H x 11.7 cm W x 4 cm D)
Mounting	Vertical wall mount - indoor
Warranty	2 years
Part Numbers	C12 - charge controller
	BTS - optional battery temperature sensor

Features & Options	
Regulation Method	Standard - three-stage (bulk, absorption, and float), solid state, pulse width modulation
Field Adjustable Control Setpoints	Standard - removable knobs and calibrated scales
Setting Protection	Standard - knobs can be removed to prevent tampering
Testpoints	Standard - provided for each setting
Automatic Equalization	Standard - every 30 days or after voltage reaches low voltage disconnect - can be disabled
External Battery Temperature Compensation	Optional - battery temperature sensor (BTS)
Short Circuit Protection	Standard - fully electronically protected with auto reset and manual reset switch, protects both the loads and PV
	array from damage from short circuits - a fuse for the battery is still advised to protect the battery wires if
	located separately
Reverse Polarity Protection	Standard - fully protected
Low Voltage Disconnect	Standard - adjustable automatic or manual operation, manual reconnection includes warning flash of loads five
	minutes before and a ten minute grace period

# Regulatory Approvals

ETL Listed to UL 1741 No. 2 and CSA C22.2 No 14