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PROwatt SW Inverter

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Purpose
The purpose of this Owner’s Guide is to provide explanations and procedures for operating, installing, maintaining, and troubleshooting the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter.

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

Xantrex recommends that installation should be handled by qualified installers including licensed technicians and electricians. Qualified installers have knowledge and experience in installing electrical equipment, knowledge of the applicable installation codes, and awareness of the hazards involved in performing electrical work and how to reduce those hazards.

Audience
The Guide is intended for users and operators of the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter.

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, however, they are not as serious as a caution or warning.

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Important Safety Instructions

IMPORTANT: READ AND SAVE THIS OWNER’S GUIDE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

This chapter contains important safety instructions for the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter.
Before using the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter, READ ALL instructions and cautionary markings on or provided with the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter, the batteries, and all appropriate sections of this guide.


1. Do not expose the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter to rain, snow, spray, or bilge water. To reduce risk of fire hazard, do not cover or obstruct the ventilation openings. Overheating may result.
2. To avoid a risk of fire and electric shock, make sure that wiring is in good condition, adequately rated, and not undersized. Do not operate the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter with damaged or substandard wiring.
3. Do not operate the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter if it has received a sharp blow, been dropped, or otherwise damaged in any way. If the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter is damaged, see the Warranty section.
4. Do not disassemble the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter. It contains no user-serviceable parts. See Warranty for instructions on obtaining service. Attempting to service the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter yourself may result in a risk of electrical shock or fire. Internal capacitors remain charged after all power is disconnected.
5. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, disconnect DC power from the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter before attempting any maintenance or cleaning or working on any circuits connected to the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter. Turning off controls will not reduce this risk.

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 to reduce the risk of battery explosion.
2. 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 PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter.

3. This equipment contains components which tend to produce arcs or sparks. To prevent fire or explosion, do not operate the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter 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.

4. Make sure the area around the battery is well ventilated.

5. Never smoke or allow a spark or flame near the engine or batteries.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.

9. Have someone within range of your voice or close enough to come to your aid when you work near a lead-acid battery.

10. Have plenty of fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing, or eyes.

11. Wear complete eye protection and clothing protection. Avoid touching your eyes while working near batteries.

12. 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.

**WARNING: Risk of personal injury due to burns or battery acid.**

8. 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.
FCC Statement

WARNING
This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
(1) This device may not cause harmful interference and
(2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that might cause undesired operation.

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.
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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter. The PROwatt SW Inverter is a high quality, true sine wave output inverter. It is designed to operate AC loads as if these loads were operating from grid/utility supplied power in household AC outlets. To get the most out of your PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter, carefully read and follow the instructions in this guide.

PROwatt SW Inverter Series

There are three PROwatt SW Inverter models in the series namely:
• PROwatt SW 600,
• PROwatt SW 1000, and
• PROwatt SW 2000.

This Guide contains information about all three models. Unless specified by the model name, all features, functions, and instructions will pertain to all models. All the models of the inverter will be referred to collectively as PROwatt SW Inverter.

Quality Power

The PROwatt SW Inverter is a professional-quality, mid-range inverter designed to handle a variety of applications including compact microwaves, TVs, VCRs, coffee makers, and small power tools.

• The PROwatt SW Inverter provides optimal continuous power, making it ideal for large single loads, intermittent loads, or multiple smaller loads.
• The inverter’s high surge capability lets you handle many hard-to-start loads, including large TVs, refrigerators, and freezers.

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<th>Model</th>
<th>Continuous</th>
<th>Surge Power</th>
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<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 600</td>
<td>540 watts</td>
<td>1200 watts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 1000</td>
<td>900 watts</td>
<td>2000 watts</td>
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<td>PROwatt SW 2000</td>
<td>1800 watts</td>
<td>3000 watts</td>
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• The unit’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 800 mA from the battery.
Introduction

Ease of Use

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

- The unit is compact, light weight, and easy to install.
- You can power loads directly from the dual GFCI-protected AC receptacles on the front panel.
- Easy-to-read digital display on the front panel lets you monitor system performance at a glance.
- The optional PROwatt Remote Panel lets you control the inverter from a convenient location—up to 25 feet (7.6 m) away—while the inverter itself is mounted out of sight and close to the batteries.
- A convenient USB port powers most modern electronic products.

Comprehensive Protection

The PROwatt SW Inverter is equipped with the following protection features:

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<th>Protection Feature</th>
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<tr>
<td>GFCI protection</td>
<td>De-energizes the AC circuits and thereby protects the user from electric shock if a ground fault occurs.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low battery voltage alarm</td>
<td>Alerts you if the battery has become discharged to 11 V or lower.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low battery voltage shutdown</td>
<td>Automatically shuts the inverter down if the battery voltage drops below 10.5 V. This feature protects the battery from being completely discharged. Within five minutes after shutdown, the unit recovers automatically once the battery voltage reaches above 11.5 Vdc. After five minutes, the unit turns itself off.</td>
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<tr>
<td>High battery voltage shutdown</td>
<td>Shuts the inverter down automatically if the input voltage rises to more than 15.5 V. Within five minutes after shutdown, the unit recovers automatically once the battery voltage falls below 15.5 Vdc. After five minutes, the unit turns itself off.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AC output overload shutdown</td>
<td>Shuts the unit down automatically if a short circuit occurs or if the loads attached to the inverter exceed the operating limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over temperature shutdown</td>
<td>Turns the inverter off if its temperature rises above an acceptable level. Within five minutes after shutdown, the unit recovers automatically once the temperature of the unit cools down. After five minutes of operating in high temperature, the unit turns itself off.</td>
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Features

The following information describes the main features of the PROwatt SW Inverter. We recommend that you familiarize yourself with these features before installing and operating the unit.

Materials List

Your PROwatt SW Inverter package includes these items:
- PROwatt SW Inverter unit,
- Owner’s Guide.

If any of these materials are missing or are unsatisfactory in any way, please contact Customer Service (see “Contact Information” on page i of this guide).

Optional Accessory

The PROwatt SW Inverter can also be installed with the PROwatt Remote Panel that comes with a 25-foot (7.6 m) communications cable (part number 808-9001).

For ordering information, please contact Customer Service (see “Contact Information” on page i of this guide). Please reference the part number above when ordering.

Figure 1 PROwatt SW Inverter (PROwatt SW 600 shown)
Features

Front Panel Details

**Figure 2** PROwatt SW Inverter Front Panel (PROwatt SW 600 shown)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td><strong>Indicator LEDs</strong>&lt;br&gt;Green LED indicates that the unit is on and receiving power. When a shutdown occurs due to an error condition the Green LED remains on. Red LED indicates an error or alarm condition.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td><strong>Digital Display</strong>&lt;br&gt;Shows input voltage (in volts), output power (in kilowatts), and error code information.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td><strong>Power Switch Button</strong>&lt;br&gt;Turns the inverter ON or OFF.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td><strong>Remote Switch Port</strong>&lt;br&gt;Use to connect the optional PROwatt Remote Panel via a communications cable.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td><strong>USB Port</strong>&lt;br&gt;Powers and charges USB-enabled devices.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td><strong>GFCI-protected AC Outlets</strong>&lt;br&gt;Equipped with two AC outlets that are protected by a standard Ground Fault Circuit Interruptor (GFCI) device with reset and test buttons.</td>
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<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td><strong>Ventilation Holes</strong>&lt;br&gt;Allows internal heat to escape.</td>
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Back Panel Details

Figure 3  PROwatt SW Inverter Back Panel (PROwatt SW 600 shown)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Description</th>
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| 1       | **Positive (+) DC Terminal**  
Accepts lug or ring connectors appropriate to the cable size being used. See Table 1: Voltage Drop Per Foot of DC Cable on page 10 for recommendations. |
| 2       | **Cooling Fan**  
Automatically turns on when internal temperature reaches more than 122 °F (50 °C). It turns off when the internal temperature falls below 122 °F (50 °C). |
| 3       | Chassis Ground (GND) Terminal |
| 4       | **Negative (–) DC Terminal**  
Accepts lug or ring connectors appropriate to the cable size being used. See Table 1: Voltage Drop Per Foot of DC Cable on page 10 for recommendations. |
Installation

Guidelines

Follow all instructions from this guide and instructions including safety guidelines from the battery manufacturer. Installing battery cables require some electrical knowledge and local electrical codes.

**WARNING**

If you do not have some electrical knowledge and knowledge of local electrical codes or are not comfortable installing cables yourself, use a qualified installer including a licensed technician and electrician. Qualified installers have knowledge and experience in installing electrical equipment, knowledge of the applicable installation codes, and awareness of the hazards involved in performing electrical work and how to reduce those hazards.

Tools and Materials

- Adjustable wrench for fastening DC terminal bolts,
- Two battery cables (copper, appropriately sized according to application) with connectors already crimped by the company or store where you purchased the cables,
- Ground cable (copper, appropriately sized) for attaching to the ground chassis,
- DC-rated fuses (and fuse holders),
- Screwdriver (flathead and Philips), power screwdriver, or power drill for use in mounting the inverter,
- Mounting screws (4) size #10.

Basic Installation Steps

1. Determine battery capacity.
2. Determine a charging system.
3. Choose a location.
4. Mount the inverter.
5. Connect the chassis ground.
6. Connect the battery cables.
Determine Battery Capacity

Battery type and battery size strongly affect the performance of the PROwatt SW 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. Xantrex recommends that you purchase as much battery capacity as possible.

CAUTION: Risk of inverter damage.
The PROwatt SW Inverter must only be connected to a battery that has a nominal output of 12 volts. The PROwatt SW Inverter will:
- Not operate if connected to a 6 volt battery and
- Be damaged if connected to a 24 volt battery.

Determine A 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. For a list of Xantrex Battery Chargers, go to www.xantrex.com or contact Customer Service (see “Contact Information” on page i of this guide).

Choose A Location

CAUTION: Risk of inverter damage.
The PROwatt SW 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: Risk of electrical shock.
Do not install the PROwatt SW Inverter in a wet environment or in any other environment where moisture can occur and enter the inverter enclosure through the ventilation openings. This unit is not intended for marine applications.

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

Mount The Inverter

1. Select an appropriate mounting location and orientation. The unit can be oriented in any way, such as:
   - Horizontally on a vertical surface or
   - On or under a horizontal surface.

2. Hold the inverter against the mounting surface and mark the positions using the mounting flanges as guide.
3. Pilot-drill the four mounting holes.
4. Fasten the inverter to the mounting surface using corrosion-resistant hardware sized #10.

**Dry**
- Do not allow water or other liquids to drop or splash on the inverter.

**Cool**
- Ambient air temperature should be between 32 °F and 104 °F (0 °C and 40 °C)—the cooler the better within this range.

**Ventilated**
- Allow at least 2 inches (5 cm) of clearance around the inverter for air flow. Ensure that ventilation openings on the DC end and the bottom of the unit 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.

**Protected from battery gases**
- Do not mount the inverter where it will be exposed to gases produced by the batteries. These gases are very corrosive and prolonged exposure will damage the inverter.
Connect the Chassis Ground

**WARNING: Risk of electrical shock.**
Never operate the PROwatt SW Inverter without connecting it to the ground. Electrical shock hazard could result.

The PROwatt SW Inverter has a screw terminal labeled CHASSIS GND on the outside of the rear panel as shown in Figure 3, “PROwatt SW Inverter Back Panel (PROwatt SW 600 shown)” on page 5.

Follow the guidelines below to connect the inverter’s chassis to the ground.

**Grounding Locations**

The chassis ground terminal must be connected to a grounding point. The grounding point varies depending on where you install the PROwatt SW Inverter. Follow the guidelines that correspond to your type of installation.

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Connection Details</th>
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<tr>
<td>Recreational Vehicle</td>
<td>Connect the CHASSIS GND screw to the vehicle’s chassis using a minimum 8 AWG copper wire (preferably with green/yellow insulation).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fixed Location</td>
<td>Connect the CHASSIS GND screw to your system’s DC grounding point using a minimum 6 AWG wire. The system’s grounding point is usually the AC service entrance grounding point or a separate ground rod. For a solar PV (photovoltaic) installation, this is usually the same rod used to ground the PV array.</td>
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**WARNING:** Xantrex recommends that the grounding conductor (grounding wire) should be the same wire size as the DC cables.

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**Important:** Use of a qualified installer strongly recommended.

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To operate safely and effectively, the PROwatt SW Inverter needs proper DC cables and DC-rated fuse(s). Because the PROwatt SW Inverter has low-voltage and high-current input, low-resistance wiring between the battery and the inverter is essential to deliver the maximum amount of usable energy to your load.
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Cabling Guidelines

Follow these guidelines and refer to Table 1: Voltage Drop Per Foot of DC Cable on page 10 to determine battery cable lengths.

- Use 4 AWG copper (90 °C insulation rating) as the smallest battery cable size. This will minimize the voltage drop between the battery and the inverter. If the cables cause an excessive voltage drop, the inverter may shut down when drawing higher currents because the voltage at the inverter input drops below 10.5 volts.

- Keep all cables as short as possible, and ensure that each cable between the inverter and the battery is no longer than 6 feet (1.8 m).

- Have all wires and cables terminated with correct and appropriately-sized connectors and have the connectors crimped at the place of purchase.

- Do not use aluminum. 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.

Table 1: Voltage Drop Per Foot of DC Cable

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Wire Size (AWG)</th>
<th>Inverter Output (W)</th>
<th>600</th>
<th>1000</th>
<th>1500</th>
<th>3000</th>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>0.0253</td>
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<td>0.0759</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>0.000201</td>
<td>0.0121</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>0.0060</td>
<td>0.0100</td>
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<td>2/0</td>
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<td>0.0079</td>
<td>0.0119</td>
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<tr>
<td>4/0</td>
<td>0.000050</td>
<td>0.0030</td>
<td>0.0050</td>
<td>0.0075</td>
<td>0.0150</td>
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Note: Xantrex recommends a size 0 cable with a maximum cable length of 6 feet (1.8 m).

For example:

Note: Voltage Drop per foot = Current value × Resistance value

So for a 600 W inverter output with a DC cable of size 0, multiply the maximum current of 60 A with 0.000100. The result is 0.00600 voltage drop per feet. If the cable is 6 feet long, the total voltage drop is 0.00600 × 6 (× 2) = 0.072. (Cable length multiplied by 2.)

So for a battery operating at 12.6 V at battery terminal the voltage at the inverter terminal drops to 12.53 V.
Fuse/Circuit Breaker Sizing Guidelines

Because batteries can produce thousands of amps, you are required to install DC-rated fuses (or circuit breakers) that can safely withstand the short-circuit current batteries can produce.

To select the correct fuse type and size:
1. Determine the total cold cranking amp rating for your battery(s).

   Note: The cold cranking amp rating of each battery is displayed on the battery case. If it is not, contact the battery manufacturer to find out.

   For example:
   - If you are using one battery to power your inverter and its rating is 500, the total cold cranking amp rating is 500.
   - If you are powering your inverter with two batteries in parallel, and each has a rating of 500, the total cold cranking amp rating is 1000.

2. Once you have determined the total cold cranking amp rating of your batteries, identify the corresponding Ampere Interrupting Capacity (AIC) of the fuse or breaker required for your system by referring to Table 2.

   Note: The AIC is the amount of battery short-circuit amperage that the fuse can safely withstand.
   - If the Total Cold Cranking Amps indicate that the AIC is 2,700 amps or less, see Table 3 for the correct ANL fuse.
   - If the Total Cold Cranking Amps indicate that the AIC is up to 200,000 amps or if you require a “code fuse”, see Table 3 for the correct Class T fuse.

### Table 2 Cold Cranking Amps / AIC

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<th>Total Cold Cranking Amps</th>
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<td>650 or less</td>
<td>1500</td>
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<td>651–1100</td>
<td>3000</td>
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<td>over 1100</td>
<td>5000</td>
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### Table 3 Fuse Ratings

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<th>ANL Fuse</th>
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<td>80 A</td>
<td>80 A</td>
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<td>PROwatt SW 1000</td>
<td>150 A</td>
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<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 2000</td>
<td>250 A</td>
<td>250 A</td>
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Installation

Cabling Procedure

Consult the following configurations and determine a match specific to your installation and follow the installation procedure “To connect the battery cables.” that comes next.

**Figure 4** Configuration for Normal Loads

**Figure 5** Configuration for Heavy Loads

To connect the battery cables:

1. Make sure the inverter is off and assemble the terminated cables (cables with connectors) that you bought.
2. Line up the connectors that will join the cables to the battery, battery selector switch, and fuse (or circuit breaker).
3. Install a DC-rated fuse on the positive battery terminal. Alternatively, install a DC-rated circuit breaker that connects to the positive battery terminal. The fuse (or circuit breaker must have an Ampere Interrupting Capacity (AIC) that exceeds the short-circuit current available from the battery. For guidance, see “Cold Cranking Amps / AIC” on page 11.

4. When configuring for heavy loads (see Figure 5), install a battery selector switch and connect it to the DC-rated fuse (or circuit breaker).

5. On the inverter side, attach the connectors of the positive and negative cables into the cabling terminals of the inverter. Note: Make a secure connection. Loose connectors cause excessive voltage drop and may cause overheated wires and melted insulation. Note: The red terminal is positive (+) and the black terminal is negative (–). Power connections to the PROwatt SW Inverter must be positive to positive and negative to negative.

6. Attach the connector on the positive cable to the DC-rated fuse (or circuit breaker) which is connected to the positive terminal of the battery. When configuring for heavy loads (see Figure 5), attach the connector on the positive cable to the battery selector switch that is already connected to the DC-rated fuse (or circuit breaker). Note: Make a secure connection. Loose connectors cause excessive voltage drop and may cause overheated wires and melted insulation.

WARNING: Risk of electrical shock or fire. The PROwatt SW Inverter does not come with a DC-rated fuse (or circuit breaker) to safely withstand the short-circuit current batteries can produce. To avoid the risk of electrical shock or fire, install a DC-rated fuse (and fuse holder) on the positive battery terminal.

CAUTION: Risk of inverter damage due to reverse polarity. A reverse polarity connection (positive to negative) will blow a fuse in the inverter and may permanently damage the unit. Damage caused by a reverse polarity connection is not covered by your warranty.

WARNING: Risk of explosion or fire. Do not complete the next step if flammable fumes are present. Explosion or fire may result. Thoroughly ventilate the battery compartment before making this connection.
Installation

7. Attach the connector on the negative cable to the negative battery terminal.
   **Note:** This is the last cable connection. You may observe a spark when making this last connection.
   **Note:** Make a secure connection. Loose connectors cause excessive voltage drop and may cause overheated wires and melted insulation.

8. If you have installed a battery selector switch, use it to select one of the batteries or battery banks.

9. Turn on the inverter.

10. Check the front panel of the inverter. The digital display should show 12–13 volts, depending on the voltage of the battery. If it does not, check your battery and the connection to the inverter. The other indicators should be off.
Operation

Turning the Inverter On and Off

The power switch on the inverter’s front panel turns the control circuit in the PROwatt SW Inverter on and off.

To toggle the inverter on and off from its front panel:
1. Press the inverter’s power switch button (for half a second) to turn On the inverter (from Off).
2. Press the inverter’s power switch button (for one second) to turn Off the inverter (from On).

Note: When the inverter’s power switch button is Off, the inverter draws no current from the battery.

Turning the Inverter Off Between Charges

When the power switch is on but no power is being supplied to a load, the inverter draws less than 800 mA from the battery. This is a low current draw. It would take a week to discharge a 150 Ah battery at this current, so you don’t have to worry about excessive drain on your battery if you leave the inverter switched on for a few days.

If you are not planning to recharge your battery within a week or so, switch the inverter off.

GFCI-Protected AC Outlets

The AC outlets are Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlets. This protects you against hazardous electrical shocks that could be caused by dampness, faulty mechanism in the appliance, worn insulation, etc. GFCI-protected outlets cut off hazardous electrical shocks quickly enough so an adult in normal health is not seriously injured (infants and small children may still be affected).

Important: Test the GFCI periodically to make sure it is operating correctly.

WARNING: Risk of electrical shock.
The unit’s power switch when turned off does not disconnect power from the PROwatt SW Inverter.

Operating Several Loads at Once

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

This will ensure that the inverter does not have to deliver the starting current for all the loads at once.
Operation

To test (or reset) the GFCI protection:
1. Press the unit’s power switch to turn the inverter On.
2. Plug a test lamp into the AC outlet.
3. Push the TEST button.
   
   **Note:** The RESET button should pop out and the power should turn Off (the lamp should go out). If the lamp remains lit, or if the RESET button does not pop out, the GFCI may not be functioning.

   If the GFCI trips by itself at any time, reset it and perform the preceding test.

Reading the Front Panel Indicators

**Indicator LEDs**
- If the Green LED is On, it indicates that the unit is On. Under normal operating conditions, the AC outlets and USB port have power. However, even under an error condition such as a shutdown, the Green LED may still remain On.
- If the Red LED is on, it indicates an error or alarm condition and an error code is displayed on the digital display underneath the LED.

**Digital Display**
- Under normal operating conditions, the digital display shows the input voltage (in volts) and the output power (in kilowatts).
- Under error or alarm conditions, the digital display shows an error code and the Red LED turns on.

**Description of LED and Digital Display Codes**

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<tr>
<th>LED</th>
<th>Digital Display</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>13.5</td>
<td>Example: 13.5 volts</td>
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<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>0.25</td>
<td>Example: 0.25 Kw (250 watts)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red</td>
<td>E 0 1</td>
<td>Under voltage alarm and/or Under voltage shutdown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red</td>
<td>E 0 2</td>
<td>Over voltage shutdown</td>
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<tr>
<td>Red</td>
<td>E 0 3</td>
<td>Over load shutdown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red</td>
<td>E 0 4</td>
<td>Over temperature shutdown</td>
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<tr>
<td>Red</td>
<td>E 1 0</td>
<td>Short circuit or output circuit overheat</td>
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**Note:** The audio alarm will sound for five minutes. After five minutes, the unit will turn off.

**Restarting After an AC Output Shutdown**

1. Press and hold the unit’s power switch to turn it Off.
2. Remove all AC loads or let the unit cool down for 15 minutes.
3. Press and hold the unit’s power switch to turn it On.
**Operating Limits**

**Power Output**

The PROwatt SW Inverter will deliver the following power continuously, depending on input voltage and ambient temperature. The inverter will deliver more than 10% of its continuous power rating for approximately five minutes. The inverter must cool down for 15 minutes before it can resume operation above its continuous power rating.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Power a</th>
<th>Output Current b</th>
<th>Input Voltage</th>
<th>Temperature</th>
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<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 600</td>
<td>540 W</td>
<td>4.5 A</td>
<td>13 Vdc</td>
<td>25 °C (77 °F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 1000</td>
<td>900 W</td>
<td>7.5 A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>PROwatt SW 2000</td>
<td>1800 W</td>
<td>15 A</td>
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*a. Applies to resistive loads such as incandescent lights.*

*b. Applies to reactive loads such as motors.*

**Input Voltage**

The input voltage limits are shown in the following table.

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<tr>
<th>Operating Condition</th>
<th>Voltage Range</th>
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<tr>
<td>Normal</td>
<td>10.5–15.5 V</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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**Operating Condition**

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<tr>
<td>Peak Performance</td>
<td>13–14.5 V</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low Voltage Alarm</td>
<td>Voltage is 11.0 V or less</td>
<td>The audible low battery alarm sounds.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating Condition</td>
<td>Voltage Range</td>
<td>Comment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Low Voltage Shutdown</td>
<td>Voltage is 10.5 V or less</td>
<td>The unit shuts down to protect the battery from being over-discharged.</td>
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<tr>
<td>High Voltage Shutdown</td>
<td>Voltage is 15.5 V or more</td>
<td>The unit shuts down to protect itself from excessive input voltage. <strong>Note:</strong> Although the PROwatt SW Inverter incorporates over-voltage protection, it can still be damaged if input voltage exceeds 16 V.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unit restarts after low voltage shutdown</td>
<td>11.5 V</td>
<td>The unit will not restart unless the battery voltage is acceptable for running the load.</td>
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Operation

Inverter Loads
The PROwatt SW Inverter will operate many AC loads within its power rating. However, some appliances and equipment may be difficult to operate. Please see “Exceptional Loads” below carefully.

USB Loads
A lot of USB-powered devices such as portable music (MP3) players, mobile phones, and video game players can be charged and powered safely via the standard USB port. However, some devices such as portable GPS receivers and certain cameras may not work and even cause damage even if you use the USB cable that came with the product. Be sure that the device only accepts 5 volts and can be charged or powered using other sources of power. See the device’s owner’s guide under specifications for information.

Exceptional Loads
Some induction motors used in freezers, pumps, and other motor-operated equipment need high surge currents to start. The PROwatt SW Inverter may not be able to start some of these motors even though their rated current draw is within the inverter’s limits. If a motor refuses to start, observe the VOLTS indicator while you are trying to start the motor. If the indicator drops below 11 volts while the PROwatt SW Inverter is trying to start the motor, this may explain why the motor won’t start. Make sure the length and diameter of the battery cables are appropriate. Check that the battery connections are good and that the battery is fully charged. If the cables are sized correctly, the connections are good, and the battery is charged, but the voltage still drops below 11 volts, you may need to use a larger battery.

Battery Charging Frequency
When possible, recharge your batteries when they are about 50% discharged or earlier. This gives them a much longer life cycle than recharging when they are almost completely discharged. For information about battery chargers, see our web site at www.xantrex.com.

Maintenance
Routine maintenance is required to keep your PROwatt SW Inverter operating properly. Periodically you should:
• Clean the exterior of the unit with a damp cloth to prevent the accumulation of dust and dirt.
• Tighten the screws on the DC input terminals.
WARNING: Electrical shock and burn hazard.
Do not dismantle the PROwatt SW Inverter. It does not contain any user-serviceable parts. Attempting to service the unit yourself could result in an electrical shock or burn.

## Troubleshooting Reference

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<th>Possible Cause</th>
<th>Solution</th>
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<tr>
<td>E01</td>
<td>Under Voltage (low input) shutdown</td>
<td>Recharge the battery. Check cables and connection if secure.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Poor DC wiring and/or poor battery condition</td>
<td>Use proper cable and make secure connections. Charge the battery or install a new battery.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E02</td>
<td>Over Voltage (high input) shutdown</td>
<td>Make sure the inverter is connected to a 12 V battery.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E03</td>
<td>Overload shutdown</td>
<td>Reduce the load within the inverter’s continuous power rating.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E04</td>
<td>Over temperature shutdown</td>
<td>Improve ventilation and make sure the inverter’s ventilation openings are not obstructed. Reduce the ambient temperature, if possible.</td>
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**WARNING:**
Heavy load is connected then AC output becomes unavailable.
Normal load is connected then AC output becomes unavailable.
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<tr>
<td>E ⊗ ⊗ E</td>
<td>Short circuit</td>
<td>Check the AC wiring for a short circuit.</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Very heavy load</td>
<td>Remove the load.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Output circuit overheat</td>
<td>Turn the unit off. Let the unit cool down, check the fan for any obstructions and clear it, or reduce the load. Turn the unit back on.</td>
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<tr>
<td>No output voltage; no voltage indication.</td>
<td>The unit is off. No power to the inverter. Inverter fuse open. Reverse DC polarity.</td>
<td>Turn the inverter on. Check wiring to the inverter. Have a qualified service technician check and replace the fuse if necessary. Have a qualified service technician check and replace the fuse, making sure to observe correct polarity.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The unit is on and running but there is no AC output.</td>
<td>The GFCI device tripped.</td>
<td>Reset the GFCI. See page 16 for instructions.</td>
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# Specifications

**Note:** Specifications are subject to change without prior notice.

## Physical and Environmental Specifications

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<th>PROwatt SW 1000</th>
<th>PROwatt SW 2000</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Length × Width × Height</strong></td>
<td>12.2×8.7×3.5 inch. (31×22×8.9 cm)</td>
<td>14×9×3.5 inch. (35×22×8.5 cm)</td>
<td>13.8×11.8×3.9 inch. (35×30×10 cm)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Weight</strong></td>
<td>6.5 lbs. (3.0 kg)</td>
<td>7.2 lbs. (3.3 kg)</td>
<td>10.6 lbs. (4.8 kg)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Operating temperature</strong></td>
<td>32–104 °F (0–40 °C)</td>
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## DC Input

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<tr>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Input power (max at full load)</th>
<th>Input current (max at full load)</th>
<th>Input voltage range</th>
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<tr>
<td>600</td>
<td>720 VA</td>
<td>60 A</td>
<td>10.5–15.5 Vdc</td>
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<tr>
<td>1000</td>
<td>1200 VA</td>
<td>93 A</td>
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<tr>
<td>2000</td>
<td>2400 VA</td>
<td>200 A</td>
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### AC / USB Output

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<tr>
<td><strong>Surge power</strong></td>
<td>1200 W</td>
<td>2000 W</td>
<td>3000 W</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output current (continuous)</strong></td>
<td>4.6 A</td>
<td>7.5 A</td>
<td>15 A</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output current (max)</strong></td>
<td>5.8 A</td>
<td>9.6 A</td>
<td>19.2 A</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>No load current draw</strong></td>
<td>&lt; 600 mA</td>
<td>&lt; 600 mA</td>
<td>&lt; 800 mA</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output voltage (nominal)</strong></td>
<td>120 Vac RMS ±5%</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output voltage range</strong></td>
<td>104–127 Vac</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output waveform</strong></td>
<td>True sine wave</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output frequency</strong></td>
<td>60 Hz ±0.5Hz</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Efficiency</strong></td>
<td>Approximately 85–90%</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>USB Output</strong></td>
<td>5 Vdc, 500 mA</td>
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## Regulatory Approvals

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<td>CSA 107.1-01</td>
<td>General Use Power Supplies</td>
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<td>FCC Part 15, Class A</td>
<td>Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)</td>
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Warranty and Return Information

Warranty

What does this warranty cover and how long does it last? This Limited Warranty is provided by Xantrex Technology Inc. ("Xantrex") and covers defects in workmanship and materials in your PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter. This warranty period lasts for 24 Months from the date of purchase at the point of sale to you, the original end user customer, unless otherwise agreed in writing (the “Warranty Period”). You will be required to demonstrate proof of purchase to make warranty claims. This Limited Warranty is transferable to subsequent owners but only for the unexpired portion of the Warranty Period. Subsequent owners also require original proof of purchase as described in "What proof of purchase is required?"

What will Xantrex do? During the Warranty Period Xantrex will, at its option, repair the product (if economically feasible) 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, Hawaii and outside of the United States and Canada are excluded. Contact Xantrex Customer Service for details on freight policy for return shipments from excluded areas.

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)
1 408 987 6030 (direct)
Fax: 1 800 994 7828 (toll free North America)
Email: customerservice@xantrex.com
Website: www.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? Claims are limited to repair and replacement, or if in Xantrex's discretion that is not possible, reimbursement up to the purchase price paid for the product.

Xantrex will be liable to you only for direct damages suffered by you and only up to a maximum amount equal to the purchase price of the product.

This Limited Warranty does not warrant uninterrupted or error-free operation of the product or 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 but not limited to 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) component parts or monitoring systems supplied by you or purchased by Xantrex at your direction for incorporation into the product;
f) the product if its original identification (trade-mark, serial number) markings have been defaced, altered, or removed;
g) the product if it is located outside of the country where it was purchased; and
h) any consequential losses that are attributable to the product losing power whether by product malfunction, installation error or misuse.
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Product

This limited warranty is the sole and exclusive warranty provided by Xantrex in connection with your Xantrex product and is, where permitted by law, in lieu of all other warranties, conditions, guarantees, representations, obligations and liabilities, express or implied, statutory or otherwise in connection with the product, however arising (whether by contract, tort, negligence, principles of manufacturer's liability, operation of law, conduct, statement or otherwise), including without restriction any implied warranty or condition of quality, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Any implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose to the extent required under applicable law to apply to the product shall be limited in duration to the period stipulated under this limited warranty.

In no event will Xantrex be liable for: (a) any special, indirect, incidental or consequential damages, including lost profits, lost revenues, failure to realize expected savings, or other commercial or economic losses of any kind, even if Xantrex has been advised, or had reason to know, of the possibility of such damage; (b) any liability arising in tort, whether or not arising out of Xantrex's negligence, and all losses or damages to any property or for any personal injury or economic loss or damage caused by the connection of a product to any other device or system; and (c) any damage or injury arising from or as a result of misuse or abuse, or the incorrect installation, integration or operation of the product by persons not authorized by Xantrex.

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, provinces and jurisdictions 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, province to province or jurisdiction to jurisdiction.
Return Material Authorization Policy

For those products that are not being repaired in the field and are being returned to Xantrex, 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 on page 26.

Return Procedure

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.

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.

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 and that the ASC repairs this particular Xantrex product.
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#### Information About Your System
As soon as you open your PROwatt™ SW Sine Wave Inverter package, record the following information and be sure to keep your proof of purchase.

- Serial Number ______________________
- Product Number/s 806-1206
  806-1210
  806-1220
- Purchased From ______________________
- Purchase Date ______________________
- 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 ______________________

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

- Description of indicators on front panel ______________________
- Appliances operating when problem occurred ______________________
- Description of problem ______________________