



Off-grid Inverter  
**SUNNY ISLAND 4548-US/6048-US**  
Technical description





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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

This manual contains important instructions for the following products:

- Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US

This manual must be followed during installation and maintenance.

The Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US is designed and tested according to international safety requirements, but as with all electrical and electronic equipment, certain precautions must be observed when installing and/or operating the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US. To reduce the risk of personal injury and to ensure the safe installation and operation of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US, you must carefully read and follow all instructions, cautions and warnings in this manual.

### Warnings in this document

A warning describes a hazard to equipment or personnel. It calls attention to a procedure or practice, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of part or all of the SMA equipment and/or other equipment connected to the SMA equipment or personal injury.



#### DANGER

DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



#### WARNING

WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



#### CAUTION

CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

#### NOTICE

NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.

## Other symbols in this document

In addition to the safety and hazard symbols described on the previous pages, the following symbol is also used in this manual:



### Information

This symbol accompanies notes that call attention to supplementary information that you must know and use to ensure optimal operation of the system.

## Markings on this product

The following symbols are used as product markings with the following meanings.



Warning regarding dangerous voltage

The product works with high voltages. All work on the product must only be performed as described in the documentation of the product.



Electric arc hazards

The product has large electrical potential differences between its conductors. Arc flashes can occur through air when high-voltage current flows. Do not work on the product during operation.



Beware of hot surface

The product can become hot during operation. Do not touch the product during operation.



Observe the operating instructions

Read the documentation of the product before working on it. Follow all safety precautions and instructions as described in the documentation.



UL1741 is the standard applied by Underwriters Laboratories to the product to certify that it meets the requirements of the *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> and IEEE-929-2000. IEEE 929-2000 provides recommendations regarding the proper equipment and functionality necessary to ensure compatible operation when power generation is connected to the utility grid.

## General warnings



### General warnings

All electrical installations must be done in accordance with the local and *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> ANSI/NFPA 70 or the *Canadian Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> CSA C22.1. This document does not and is not intended to replace any local, state, provincial, federal or national laws, regulation or codes applicable to the installation and use of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US, including without limitation applicable electrical safety codes. All installations must conform with the laws, regulations, codes and standards applicable in the jurisdiction of installation. SMA assumes no responsibility for the compliance or noncompliance with such laws or codes in connection with the installation of the product.

The Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US contains no user-serviceable parts. For all repair and maintenance, always return the unit to an authorized SMA Service Center.

Before installing or using the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US, read all of the instructions, cautions, and warnings in this manual.

Before connecting the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US to the electrical utility grid, contact the local utility company. This connection must be made only by qualified personnel.

Wiring of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US must be made by qualified personnel only.

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# 1 Information on this Manual

## 1.1 Validity

This manual applies to the following off-grid inverters with a firmware version of or above 6.0:

- Sunny Island 4548-US (SI 4548-US-10)
- Sunny Island 6048-US (SI 6048-US-10)

Keep this manual in a convenient place for future reference.

## 1.2 Target group

This manual is for electrically qualified persons. A trained electrically qualified person has received sufficient training and has knowledge of the design and function of the device and has demonstrable practical experience of mounting, connecting and commissioning of the device. An electrically qualified person is trained to deal with the dangers and hazards involved in installing electrical systems.

## 1.3 Additional Information

You will find further information on special topics such as selecting and using PV inverters in off-grid systems in the download area at [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com).

## 1.4 Terminology

In this document SMA Solar Technology America, LLC is referred to in the following as SMA.

The syntax specified here for menus and parameters applies throughout the entire manual:

**Menu:** Menu number, hash and menu name (150# Compact Meters)

**Parameter:** Menu number, dot, parameter number and parameter name (150.01 GdRmgTm)

## 2 The Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US

### 2.1 Properties

The Sunny Island is a bidirectional inverter (battery inverter and charger) for off-grid systems. The Sunny Island supplies consumers on the stand-alone grid side and charges battery banks with the energy from grid-feeding units connected on the AC side.

The comfortable support of AC and DC coupling, as well as the expandability of the systems formed with the Sunny Island guarantee highest flexibility. In addition, innovative technology allows the Sunny Island to achieve a maximum efficiency of more than 95%. Optimized for partial load operation, it impresses with low open-circuit and standby consumption. Due to the high overload capabilities and the integrated output management, there is no need to oversize the Sunny Island.

The operation of up to 3 devices in a 1-phase parallel system, of 3 devices in a 3-phase system or of up to 4 devices in a double split-phase system enables the Sunny Island to establish off-grid power supply systems with a power of between 2 kW ... 24 kW. In Multicluster systems, powers of up to as much as 100 kW are possible. Thanks to its sophisticated generator management, the Sunny Island can control connected diesel generators in a particularly low-stress and fuel-saving manner. The power distribution grid can also be integrated. The Sunny Island can also deactivate loads automatically if the battery does not provide sufficient electrical energy.

The stand-alone grid's critical component, the battery, is monitored diligently and optimally utilized. The intelligent battery management precisely records the battery's state of charge. This makes possible an improved utilization of the battery capacity, which also means that smaller and thus more cost-effective batteries can be used without affecting performance.

In order to prevent premature aging caused by incorrect charging and frequent deep discharge, the Sunny Island has an intelligent charge control and reliable deep discharge protection. Thanks to these functions, the battery life can be greatly extended in comparison with simpler devices.

Despite its complex functioning, the Sunny Island is easy to configure. All the settings required for operation can be quickly and easily programmed in a few steps using the "Quick Configuration Guide". By employing the concept of central operation referred to as "Single Point of Operation", the system/cluster parameters are only set on the master device, and all other devices automatically adopt the configuration. The easy-to-understand menu navigation allows quick access to all important data, even while the system is running. An SD card provides uncomplicated system control, and thus facilitates any service work.



#### **Saving Data and Events**

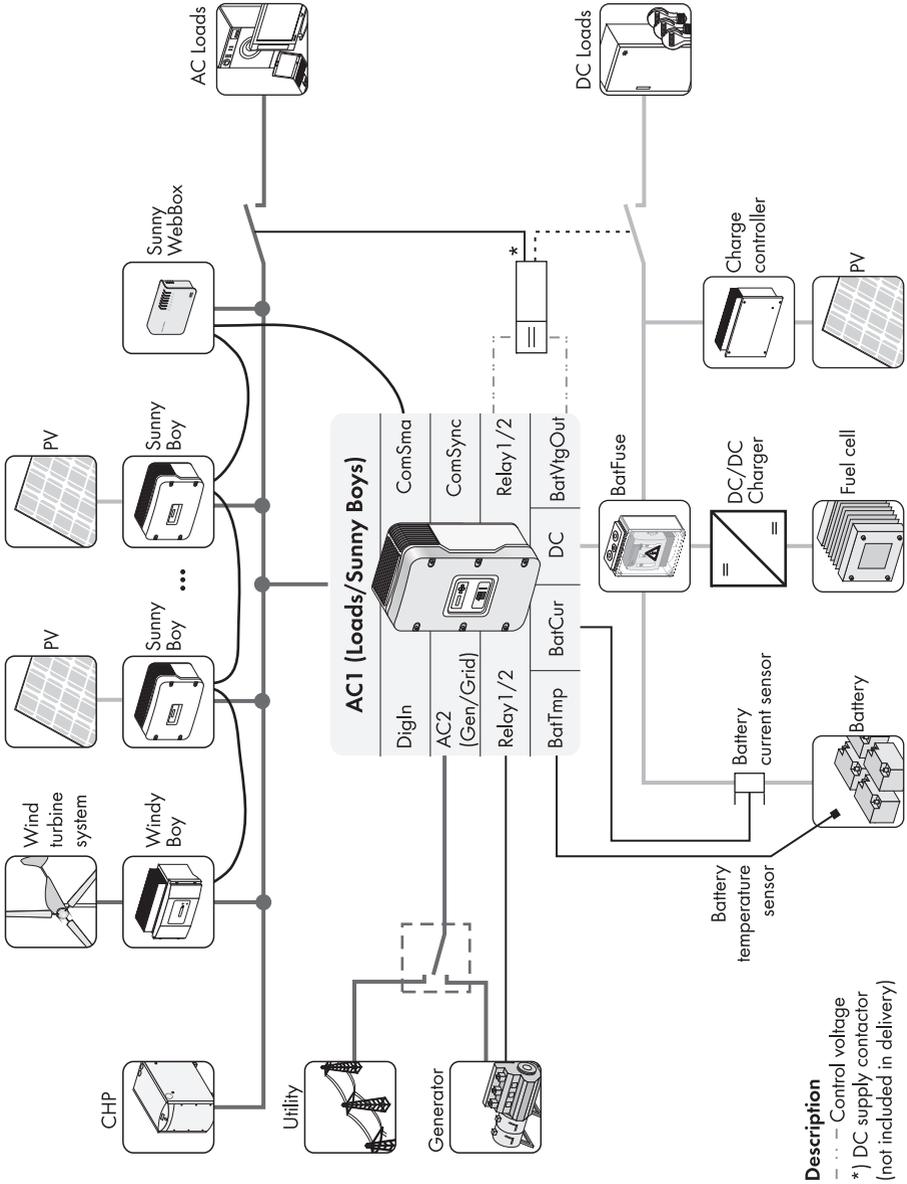
Always use the SD card to save data and events. In case of a failure SMA can thus help you quickly.

The Sunny Island monitors the set voltage and frequency limits on the grid and generator. If these limits are not observed, it disconnects from the external source without interruption and changes to stand-alone grid operation.

The Sunny Island also has an integrated Anti-islanding feature which stops the production of electricity when the grid goes down. If this process is triggered, the system also completely changes to stand-alone mode without interruption.

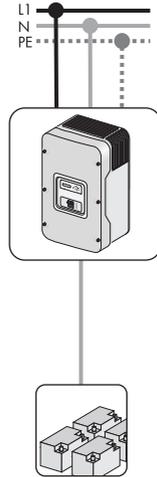
The Sunny Island can be integrated into different system constellations. The following graphics show the Sunny Island's system components and the different wiring options (1-phase / 1-phase parallel, split-phase and 3-phase).

### Components of a Sunny Island System



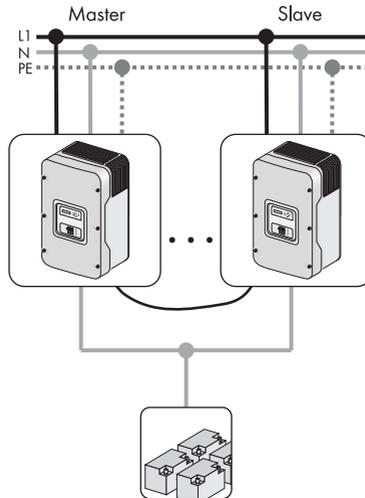
### 1-Phase System, 120 Vac, up to 6 kW:

- 4.5 kW with SI 4548-US-10
- 6 kW with SI 6048-US-10



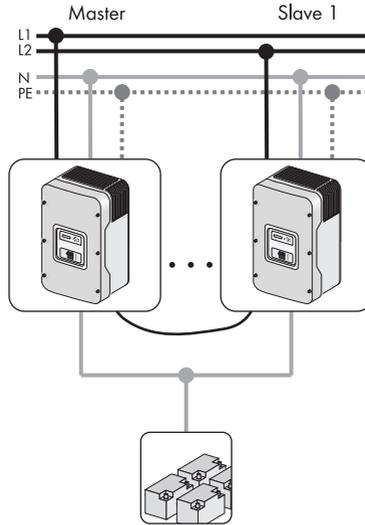
### 1-Phase Parallel System, 120 Vac, up to 18 kW:

Maximum 3 Sunny Islands of the types SI 4548-US-10/5048U/6048-US-10.  
The various types can be combined in any permutation.



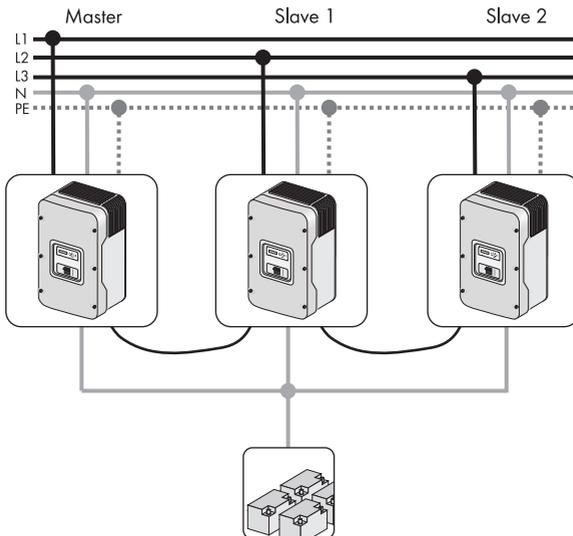
### Split-Phase System, 240 Vac, up to 12 kW

2 Sunny Islands of the types SI 4548-US-10/5048U/6048-US-10. The various types can be combined in any permutation.



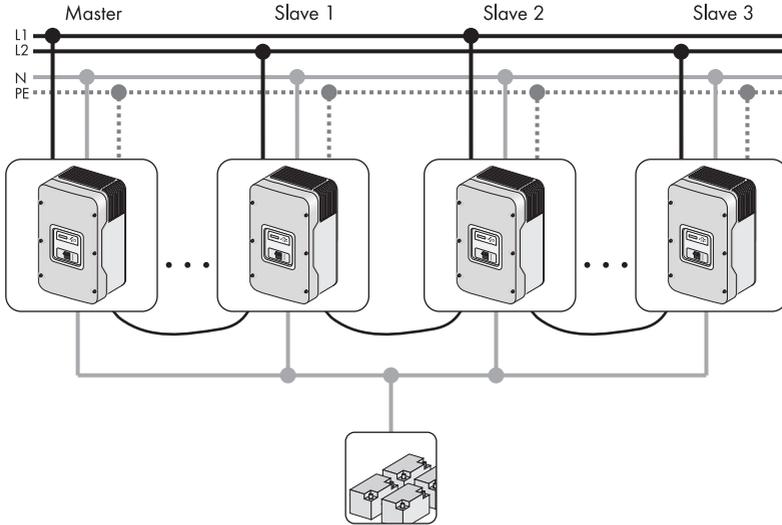
### 3-Phase System, 120 / 208 Vac, up to 18 kW

3 Sunny Islands of the types SI 4548-US-10/5048U/6048-US-10. The various types can be combined in any permutation.



### Double Split-Phase System, 240 Vac, up to 24 kW

4 Sunny Islands of the types SI 4548-US-10/5048U/6048-US-10. Sunny Islands of the same type must be installed within a phase. L1 and L2 may be installed with different types (e.g.: L1 with 2 x SI 4548-US-10 und L2 with 2 x SI 6048-US-10).

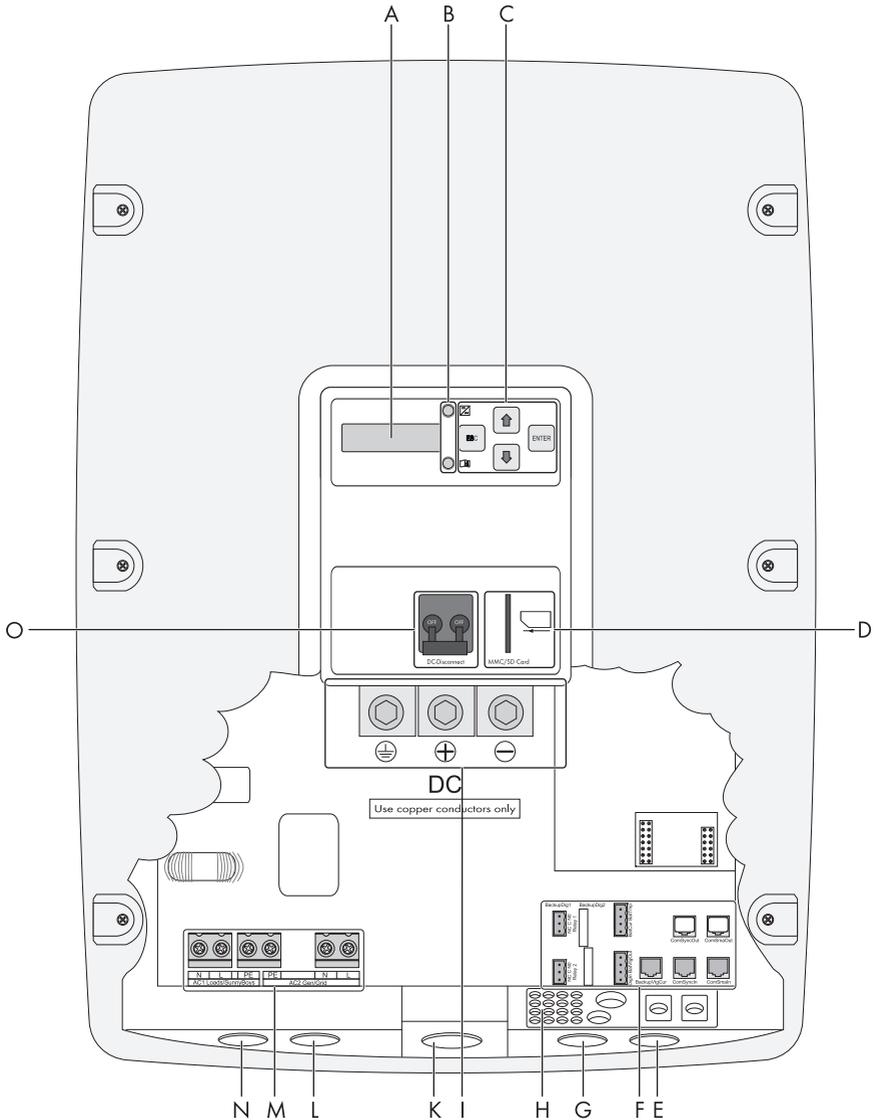


#### SMA Multicuster Technology

You will find all other information on SMA Multicuster Technology for up to 12 Sunny Island 4548-US/5048 U/6048-US and up to 100 kW power in the Multicuster Box manual.

## 2.2 At a glance

The following figure provides an overview of all control elements and connections of the Sunny Island:



<b>Position</b>	<b>Description</b>
A	Display
B	LEDs showing device operation
C	Control buttons
D	Slot for the SD card
E	Opening for the additional connections area (insertion of the cables via conduits)
F	Connection area for additional connections
G	Opening for the additional connections area (insertion of the cables via conduits)
H	Rubber connection block for the additional connections area (insertion of the cable without conduits)
I	DC connection area
K	Opening for the DC connection area (insertion of DC+, DC- and the grounding conductor).
L	Opening for AC2 connection (insertion of the line L, N and PE)
M	AC connection area
N	Opening for AC1 connection (insertion of the line L, N and PE)
O	DC miniature circuit-breaker

## 2.3 Scope of Delivery

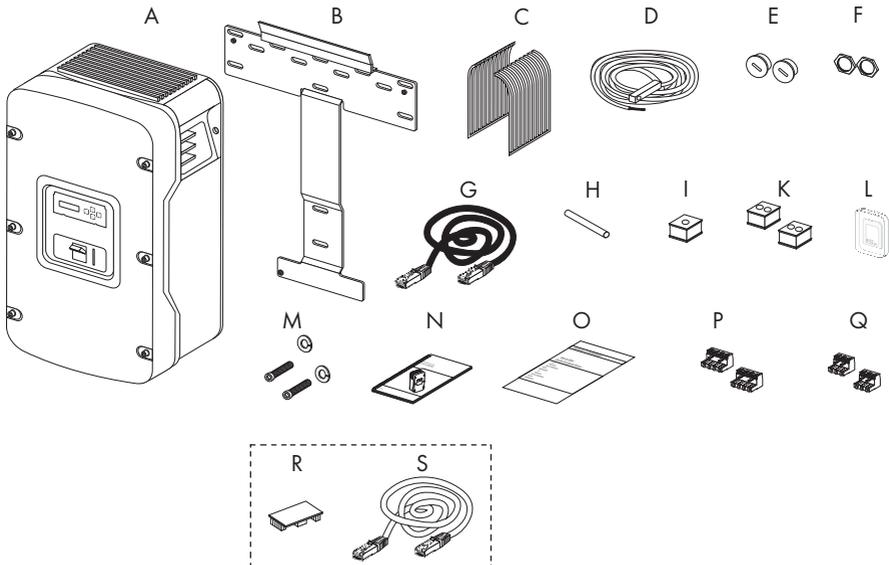
Check that the delivery is complete. Check the packaging and the Sunny Island for externally visible damage.

Contact your supplier in case of damage to the packaging. Please contact your dealer if you find any damage to the Sunny Island or if the delivery is incomplete.



### Keeping the packaging

Keep the packaging in case you need to return the inverter or its accessories.



Position	Quantity	Designation
A	1	Sunny Island
B	1	Wall mounting bracket
C	2	Ventilation grid
D	1	Battery temperature sensor
E	2	Filler-plug
F	2	Counter nut for filler-plug
G	1	RJ45 cable, black
H	1	Silicone tube
I	1	Rubber plugs for feed-through of one cable
K	2	Rubber plugs for feed-through of 2 cables
L	1	SD card

Position	Quantity	Designation
M	2	M6x10 hexagonal screws and split lock washers for connecting the Sunny Island to the wall mounting bracket.
N	1	Technical description
O	1	Test Report
P	2	4-pole print terminal for connecting the battery temperature and current sensors
Q	2	3-pole print terminal for connecting relays 1 and 2
R	1	RS485 PiggyBack (optional)
S	1	RJ45 cable, white (optional)

## 2.4 Required Tools and Resources

The following tools and materials are required in order to mount and install the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US:

### Tools (not included in scope of delivery)

Cable knife

Combination pliers

Crimping tool for bootlace ferrules (suitable for cable cross-sections up to 3/0 AWG)

Diagonal cutting pliers

Drill

Drill bit (e.g. for masonry or wood), fastener  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. or  $\varnothing$  10 mm

Flathead screwdriver  $\frac{3}{32}$  in. (2.5 mm)

Flathead screwdriver SZS 1.0 x 6.5

Hexagon-socket wrench  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. bis  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (3 mm to 8 mm)

Multimeter

Open-end/box wrenches or socket wrenches in the sizes 10/19/24/30

Phillips screwdriver, PH1 and PH2

Spirit level

Torque wrench 4 ft-lbs. – 21 ft-lbs. (6 Nm – 28 Nm) with Hex socket screwdriver bits of the sizes  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. (5 mm) and  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. (10 mm)

Torque wrench 5 in-lbs. – 22 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm – 2.5 Nm) with flat-head screwdriver bit of the size  $\frac{3}{32}$  in. (2.5 mm) and SZS 1.0 x 6.5

Insulation stripping tool

**Material (not included in scope of delivery)**

Cable tie

Heat-shrink tubing

Hexagon screws,  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. x  $2\frac{3}{8}$  in. (8 mm x 60 mm)

Washers

Screw anchor for the wall mounting bracket (e.g. SX 10)

Bootlace ferrules appropriate for the selected cable  
(see section 6 "Electrical Connection" (page 38))

**2.5 Identifying the Sunny Island**

Identify the Sunny Island by the serial number (Serial No.) and the device type (Type) on the type label. The type label is on the right-hand side of the enclosure.

## 3 Safety Instructions

### 3.1 Important Notes Regarding Operation

Follow all operating and safety precautions in this manual. If these instructions are ignored, a significant danger of injury or death arises and damage to the device, system or plant may also result. Carefully read the safety instructions before installing and commissioning the device. Store the manual at an easily accessible location.

 <b>DANGER</b>
<p>Danger to life due to high voltages in the Sunny Island. Risk of death or serious injury due to electric shock.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All work on the Sunny Island must only be carried out by electrically skilled persons.</li> <li>• Work on the Sunny Island should only be carried out as described in this manual.</li> <li>• All listed safety instructions must be observed.</li> </ul>

<p><b>NOTICE</b></p> <p>Destruction of the Sunny Island due to parallel connection of Sunny Island inverters which are set to different grid voltages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not connect a Sunny Island in parallel if its grid voltage is set to different values.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>NOTICE</b></p> <p>Batteries may be destroyed due to deep discharge.</p> <p>The self-consumption of the Sunny Island discharges the battery. In standby mode, this load is about 4 W and about 25 W in idle mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you install the Sunny Island and do not wish to use it immediately, switch the Sunny Island off (see section 9.3 "Switching Off" (page 75)).</li> <li>• If you want to decommission the Sunny Island for a long period, switch the Sunny Island off (see section 9.3 "Switching Off" (page 75)).</li> </ul>
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#### Connection Requirements

Be sure to observe all valid regional standards and guidelines.

## 3.2 Potential Hazards

 **DANGER**

Electric shock through contact with live component parts. Death or serious injuries.

In order to ensure sufficient protection against contact, comply with the following under consideration of the manual:

- Ensure that the Sunny Island is correctly mounted.
- Ensure that the Sunny Island is properly grounded.
- Ensure that all connections are correctly made.
- Ensure that the enclosure lid is firmly closed.

 **DANGER**

Danger to life due to high voltages in the stand-alone grid. Risk of death or serious injury due to electric shock.

The Sunny Island can start on its own.

- Before working on the stand-alone grid, disconnect all sources of AC and DC power.

 **DANGER**

Death hazard if the Sunny Island is used to supply energy to life-sustaining medical devices. The Sunny Island was not developed to power life-sustaining medical devices.

- Do not use the Sunny Island in systems in which a power outage might result in personal injury.

**NOTICE**

Destruction of the Sunny Island if installed in improper locations.

The Sunny Island is only suited for indoor installation and corresponds to degree of protection NEMA 1 (IP30, or IP40 with inserted SD card).

- Do not expose the Sunny Island to humidity, rain or direct sunlight.

## 4 Mounting

### 4.1 Selecting the Mounting Location

 <b>DANGER</b>
<p>Danger of death if installed in improper locations. Death or serious burns.</p> <p>Despite careful construction, electrical devices can cause fires.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not mount the Sunny Island on flammable construction materials.</li> <li>• Do not mount the Sunny Island near highly flammable materials.</li> <li>• Do not mount the Sunny Island in potentially explosive areas.</li> </ul>

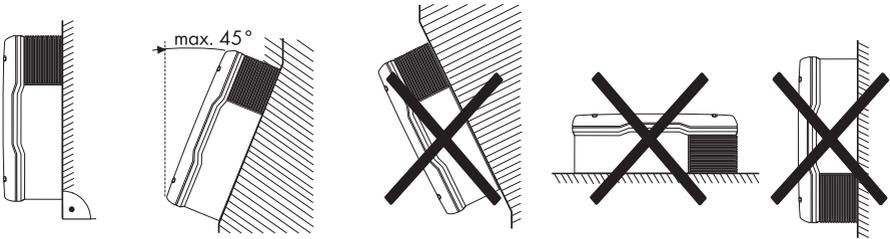
 <b>CAUTION</b>
<p>Risk of injury through contact with hot enclosure parts during operation. Burns to the body.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mount the inverter in such a way that the enclosure cannot be touched inadvertently.</li> </ul>

 <b>CAUTION</b>
<p>Risk of injury due to the Sunny Island falling during transport or mounting. Physical injury (fractures or crushing) and damage to the Sunny Island.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider the Sunny Island's weight of 139 lb. (63 kg).</li> <li>• Use the recessed grips or steel bars for transporting and mounting.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Overheating of the Sunny Island due to close proximity to other Sunny Island inverters in areas with high ambient temperatures.</b></p> <p>If several inverters have been installed in areas with high ambient temperatures, the independent cooling of individual inverters needs to be guaranteed.</p> <p>If needed, increase the distance between the individual inverters and provide enough fresh air to ensure the optimal operation of the inverters.</p> <p>The Sunny Island switches itself off automatically in the event of overtemperature.</p>
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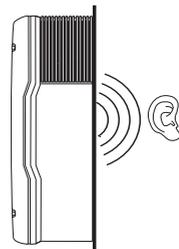
**Observe the following conditions during mounting:**

- The mounting location and method must be suitable for the Sunny Island's weight and dimensions.
- Mount on a solid surface.
- The mounting location must be accessible at all times.
- The ambient temperature must be between  $-13^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and  $140^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $+60^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).
- Do not expose the Sunny Island to direct sunlight, so as to avoid power reduction due to excessive heating.
- Mount the Sunny Island in such way that the display is at eye level in order to allow the operating state to be read at all times.
- Mount vertically or tilted backwards by max.  $45^{\circ}$ .
- Never mount the device with a forward tilt.
- Do not mount in a horizontal position.
- The connection area may not point upwards.
- The room air can have a humidity of up to 100%, but this must not be condensing.

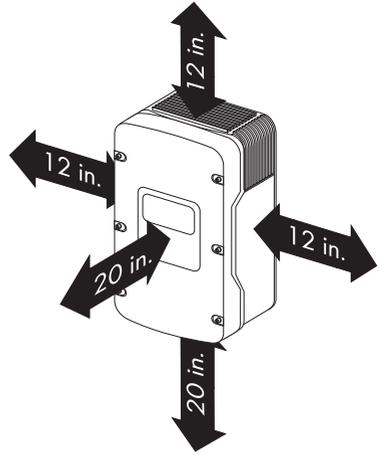


- In a living area, do not mount the unit on plasterboard walls, etc. in order to avoid audible vibrations.

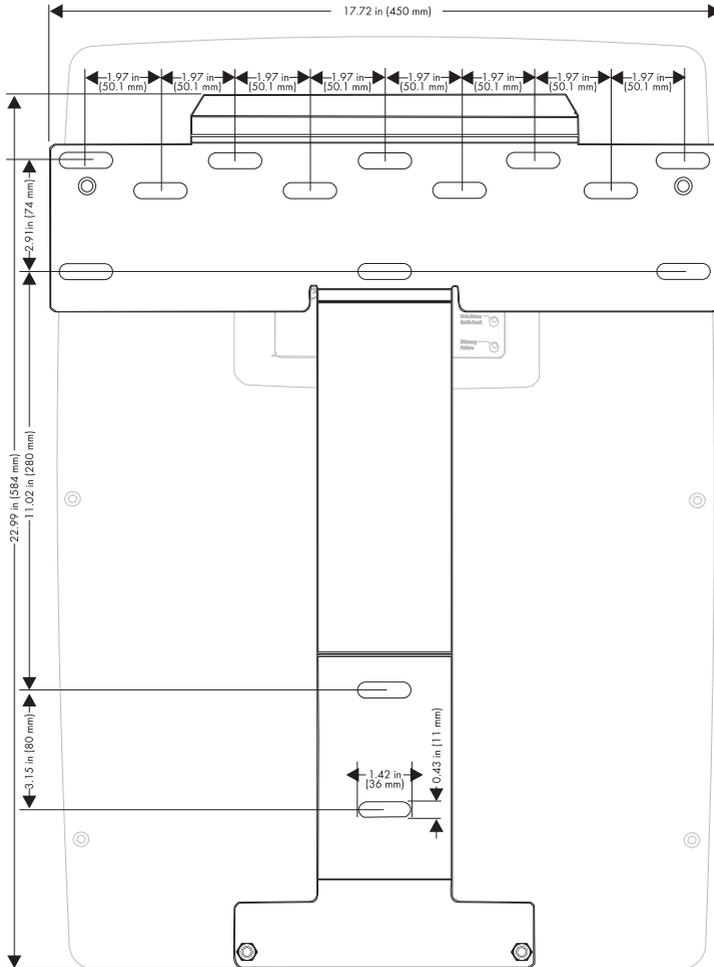
The Sunny Island can make noises when in use which can be considered a nuisance when installed in a living area.



- Maintain the minimum distances to walls, other devices and objects as represented in the illustration. In order to maintain sufficient ventilation, when installing the Sunny Island a minimum clearance of 12 in. (30 cm) at the sides and top must be maintained. Operation and reading are made easier by installing the Sunny Island with its display at eye level, and by keeping a distance of 20 in. (50 cm) from the front.
- All external cables are connected through the underside of the enclosure. Therefore a minimum clearance of 20 in (50 cm) must be observed here.



## 4.2 Mounting the Sunny Island with the Wall Mounting Bracket



## 4.2.1 Mounting the Sunny Boy on a Stone Wall

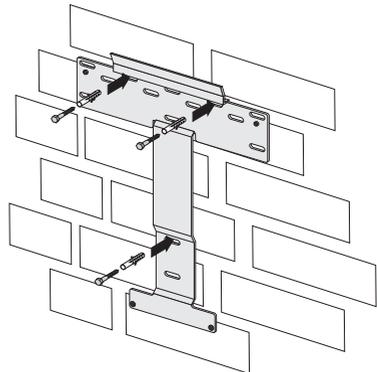


### CAUTION

Risk of injury due to the Sunny Island falling. Physical injury (fractures or crushing) and damage to the Sunny Island.

- If mounting onto a stone wall, ensure that the wall can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.
- If mounting onto a wooden wall with studs, ensure that the wall mounting bracket is firmly connected with all studs and that the studs can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.

1. Place the wall mounting bracket against a suitable wall for mounting and align using a level. Mark the position of the drill holes using the wall mounting bracket. When doing this, use at least 1 hole on the left side and 1 hole on the right side of the wall mounting bracket.
2. Check the mounting location for current carrying lines. If there are current-carrying cables at the mounting location, select a different mounting location.
3. Drill holes on the markings for them.
4. Secure the wall mounting bracket to the wall using appropriate screws and washers. Tighten the screws in a clockwise direction.

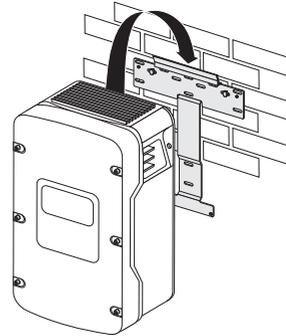


### CAUTION

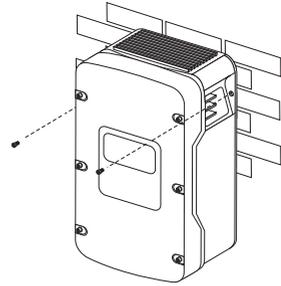
Risk of injury due to the Sunny Island falling during transport or mounting. Physical injury (fractures or crushing) and damage to the Sunny Island.

- Consider the Sunny Island's weight of 139 lb. (63 kg).
- Use the recessed grips or steel bars for transporting and mounting.

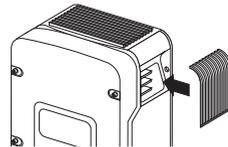
5. Attach the Sunny Island to the wall mounting bracket.



6. Screw the Sunny Island to the wall mounting bracket on both sides using the screws (M6x10) provided. Tighten the screws clockwise.
7. Make sure that the device is securely in place.



8. Close the recessed grips with the fan grills provided. To help you identify the sides, the ventilation grids are marked with "links/left" and "rechts/right" on the inside.



- The Sunny Island is mounted using the wall mounting bracket.

## 4.2.2 Mounting the Sunny Boy Using Wall Studs

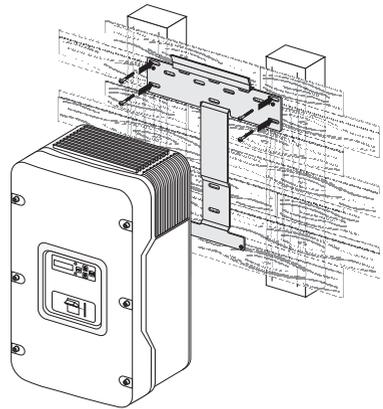


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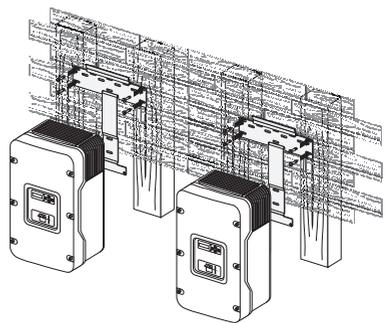
Risk of injury due to the Sunny Island falling. Physical injury (fractures or crushing) and damage to the Sunny Island.

- If mounting onto a stone wall, ensure that the wall can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.
- If mounting onto a wooden wall with studs, ensure that the wall mounting bracket is firmly connected with all studs and that the studs can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.

If the Sunny Island is to be mounted on wall studs, then use the holes in the wall mounting bracket as shown in the figures. Ensure that the wall mounting bracket is positioned at least over one wall stud. Note that the wall mounting bracket is designed to mount on a single wall stud or on 2 wall studs. When mounting to wall studs use a minimum of four  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. lag screws with a minimum length of 2 in. (50 mm).



If two or more Sunny Island inverters have to be installed, mount the inverters on two studs each in order to get better cooling. Make sure that the wall where you intend to install the Sunny Island is vertical and can carry the weight of the Sunny Island (139 lbs, 63 kg) on a long-term basis.



Otherwise proceed as per the mounting on a stone wall (see section 4.2.1 "Mounting the Sunny Boy on a Stone Wall" (page 33)).

## 5 Opening and Closing

The enclosure of the Sunny Island has a removable lid. Remove the enclosure lid only when installing the device or for required maintenance or repair work.

### 5.1 Opening the Sunny Island

1. Stop the Sunny Island (see section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74)).
2. Disconnect the Sunny Island from voltage sources (see section 9.4 "Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources" (page 75)).
3. Ensure that the system cannot be accidentally switched on again.

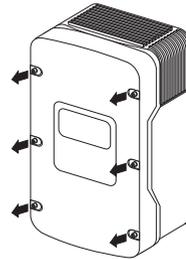


#### WARNING

Danger to life due to high voltages in the Sunny Island. Risk of death or serious injury due to electric shock.

- Wait 15 minutes before opening the Sunny Island, until its capacitors are discharged.

4. Loosen all 6 screws on the enclosure lid and set them aside.



5. Remove the lid and set it aside.
- The Sunny Island is open.

## 5.2 Closing the Sunny Island



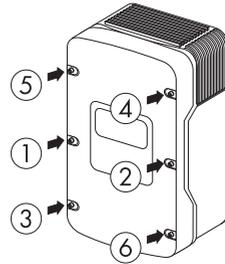
**DANGER**

Electric shock due to live enclosure lid. Death or serious injuries.

The grounding of the lid is ensured by the toothed washers.

- Fasten the washers for all 6 screws with the tothing facing toward the enclosure lid.

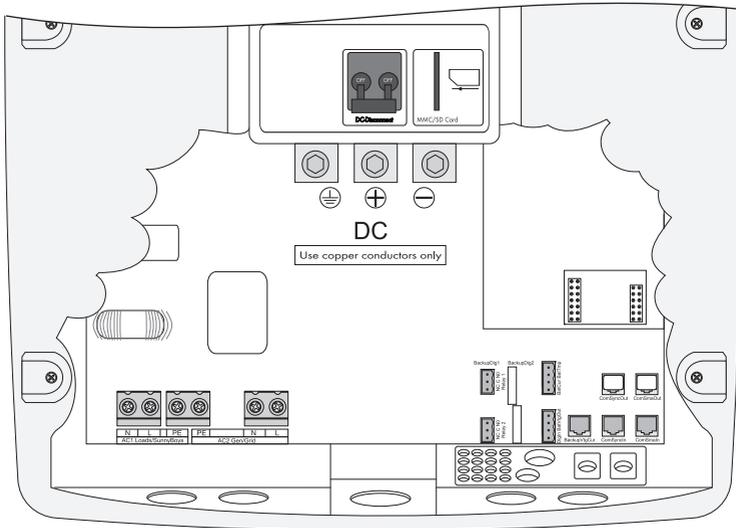
1. Place the enclosure lid onto the enclosure and fasten with the 6 screws and the corresponding washers in the sequence depicted on the right. Tighten the screws to a torque of 53 in-lbs. (6 Nm).



2. Commission the Sunny Island as described in section 9.1 "Switching On" (page 73)
- The Sunny Island is closed and in operation.

## 6 Electrical Connection

All cables are fed through the openings on the bottom side of the device (see next illustration) and connected to the appropriate connection terminals on the Sunny Island.



Use conduits to install the cables on the DC side and on the AC on the Sunny Island. Conduits ensure the dust- and water-tight mounting of the lines on the enclosure and also serve as a strain-relief of the lines at the connection. Close all unused openings in the enclosure using the appropriate filler-plugs. Use the provided terminal blocks to connect the cables inside the Sunny Island enclosure in a manner conforming to the appropriate standards.

Obtain an overview of the different components and connection areas of the Sunny Island, see section 2.2 "At a glance" (page 22)).

Refer to the table below for the appropriate torque values and wire sizes.

Terminal	Torque	Cable Size	Cable type
DC connections	21 ft-lbs. (28 Nm)	AWG 6 – AWG 3/0 (16 mm <sup>2</sup> – 95 mm <sup>2</sup> )	Only use copper conductors. The cable is approved for at least 167°F (75°C).
AC connections	22 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm)	AWG 4 (25 mm <sup>2</sup> )	Only use copper conductors. The cable is approved for at least 167°F (75°C).

Terminal	Torque	Cable Size	Cable type
Additional Connections	5 in-lbs. – 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm – 0.79 Nm)	AWG 30 – AWG 12 (0.05 mm <sup>2</sup> – 4 mm <sup>2</sup> )	Only use copper conductors. The cable is approved for at least 167°F (75°C).

An overview of the different components and their connection areas of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US can be found in section 2.2 "At a glance" (page 22).

Detailed installation descriptions of the connections are provided in the following sections:

- Grounding (section 6.5 "Interface for External Communication" (page 61))
- DC connection (section 6.2 "DC terminal" (page 42))
- AC connection (section 6.3 "AC Connection" (page 46))
- Battery temperature sensor (section 6.4.1 "Battery temperature sensor" (page 51))
- Battery current sensor (section 6.4.2 "Battery current sensor" (page 52))
- Communication for multi-device connection (section 6.4.3 "Communication for Multi-device Connection" (page 55))
- Multi-function relay 1 and 2 (section 6.4.4 "Multi-function Relay 1 and 2" (page 56))
- External communication (section 6.5 "Interface for External Communication" (page 61))

## 6.1 Grounding



### WARNING

Risk of lethal electric shock.

- Fuse the sub-distribution of the generator or the power distribution grid at input AC2 of the Sunny Island with an overcurrent protective device (Branch Circuit Protection).
- Ensure that the overcurrent protective device complies with the specifications of the *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup>, ANSI/NFPA 70
- Use an overcurrent protective device for a maximum 70 A.



### WARNING

Risk of lethal electric shock due to faulty grounding.

To allow different types of grounding, the N connection of the Sunny Island is **NOT** connected to PE at the factory. However, since a connection between N and PE is required for correct operation, this must be done outside of the device.

- Before commissioning, connect the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US and all other components of the stand-alone grid to a grounded grid.
- Take the *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup>, ANSI/NFPA 70, and all locally applicable standards and regulations into consideration.

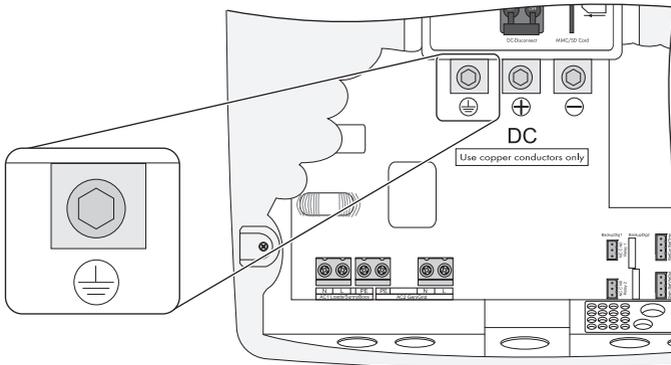


### External grounding of the negative pole of the battery

External grounding of the negative pole of the batteries is possible, because the batteries and the grid side are galvanically insulated within the Sunny Island.

- Dimension the cross-section of the protective conductor sufficiently. Thus you are ensuring that in the event of a fault the high currents occurring can be discharged with an external grounding.
- If grounding of the negative pole of the battery is necessary, assemble this outside of the Sunny Island.

## Connecting the grounding conductor



1. Install a conduit with a diameter of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. (38.1 mm) at the opening in the center of the Sunny Island. Attach the conduit in the inside of the Sunny Island using the appropriate nut.
  2. Pull the cabling through the supply line from the inside of the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
  3. Strip the insulation of the grounding conductor.
  4. Plug the grounding conductor into the DC connection block for grounding and tighten the fastening screw to a torque of 21 ft-lbs. (28 Nm). Use a hexagon-socket wrench of  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (8 mm) for this.
- The grounding conductor is connected.

## Calculating the cross-section of a grounding conductor

SMA cannot state generally valid values for the cross-section of the grounding conductor required for the external grounding of the battery. The cable dimensions depend on the type and size of the battery connected, the external fuse (DC side) and the material used in the grounding cable.



### Calculating the Required Grounding Conductor Cross-section According to Applicable Standards

An exact calculation of the grounding conductor cross-section must take account of the regionally applicable standards and guidelines (e.g. *National Electric Code*® Article 250.122).

## 6.2 DC terminal

### NOTICE

Function impairments of devices on the DC busbar.

The Sunny Island is **not** suitable for use with DC supply grids. Function impairment can occur on devices installed on the DC side of a Sunny Island with cables exceeding 98 ft. (30 m) and with a flexible connection.

- Only use fixed installations.
- Do not use cables of lengths greater than 98 ft. (30 m) between the Sunny Island and the battery and/or DC device.

### 6.2.1 Safety Precautions/Conditions

Connect a suitable battery to the DC side (see section 22 "Technical Data" (page 221)). The DC connection must be made in accordance with all local valid guidelines and regulations.



### WARNING

Danger to life through chemical burns in the event of leaking acid.

Acid can escape in the event of improper handling of the battery.

- Observe all safety indications and warnings provided by the battery manufacturer.
- Use special (insulated) tools to mount and install the battery.
- Provide sufficient ventilation in the room in which the batteries are. When gasses are produced by the batteries, these cannot be allowed to collect.

### 6.2.2 Cable Dimensioning



#### Keep the lines to the battery as short as possible.

The battery cables should be as short as possible. Long cables and insufficient cable diameters reduce the system efficiency as well as the overload capabilities. Do not lay the battery lead under plaster or in armored plastic pipes.



#### Selection of the cable cross-section

SMA recommends choosing cable cross-sections greater than those given by *National Electrical Code*® 310.15 in the case of cable lengths exceeding 32.8 ft (10 m).

## Example for Cable Sizing

With a 48 V battery voltage and an outgoing AC power of 4 500 W, a current of up to 100 A flows through the SI 4548-US-10 battery cable. At the same battery voltage and an outgoing AC power of 6 000 W, a current of up to 130 A flows through the battery cable of the SI 6048-US-10.

The current flowing through the battery line causes a power loss and a voltage drop with every meter of plain battery cable. You can use the following table to find the power loss and voltage drop associated with different cable cross-sections.

Cable cross-section	Power loss	Voltage drop
AWG 2/0 (70 mm <sup>2</sup> )	1.8 W/ft. (6 W/m)	1.4 mV/ft. (4.5 mV/m)
AWG 3/0 (95 mm <sup>2</sup> )	1.4 W/ft. (4.7 W/m)	1.1 mV/ft. (3.5 mV/m)

### Example:

For a 33 ft. (10 m) distance between the Sunny Island and the battery, at least 66 ft. (20 m) of line is needed (distance there and back). Using a cross-section of AWG 2/0 (70 mm<sup>2</sup>), 100 A (nominal current of the battery) causes a power loss of 120 W in total and an effective voltage drop of 0.9 V.

### Calculation of the averaged nominal current of the battery

You can calculate the averaged nominal current of the connected battery using the following formula:

$$I_{\text{Bat}} = \frac{P_{\text{AC}}}{U_{\text{Bat}} \cdot \eta_{\text{INV}}}$$

$I_{\text{Bat}}$  = Nominal current of the battery

$P_{\text{AC}}$  = AC power of the inverter

$U_{\text{Bat}}$  = Nominal voltage of the battery

$\eta_{\text{INV}}$  = inverter efficiency at a given AC power

### 6.2.3 Line Fuse

The DC miniature circuit-breaker in the Sunny Island can interrupt DC currents of up to 10 kA. In addition to the internal DC miniature circuit-breakers, install a separate, external fuse as close as possible to the battery. Install a fuse link for the fuse suitable for the maximum occurring DC currents.

 <b>DANGER</b>
<p>Electric shock resulting from insufficient protection of the DC lines. Death or serious burns.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check whether external line protection is present.</li> <li>• If no external line protection is present, observe the following:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lay the DC cables so that ground faults and short-circuits cannot occur.</li> <li>- Install an additional current-limiting fuse outside of the Sunny Island.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When doing so, observe all applicable local standards and guidelines.</p>

### 6.2.4 Connecting the Sunny Island on the DC Side

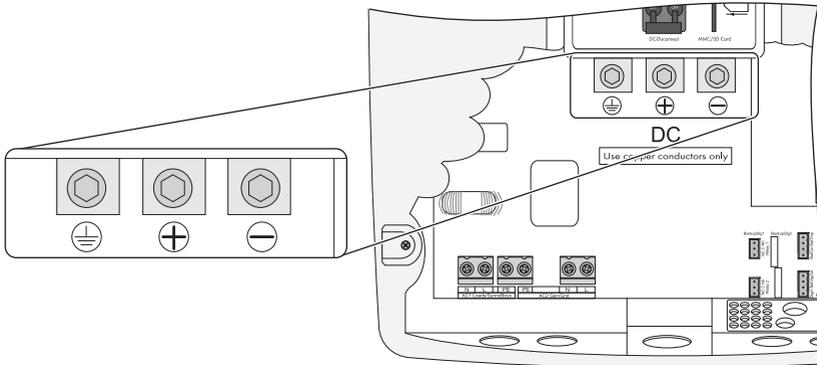
 <b>WARNING</b>
<p>Risk of lethal electric shock.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect the external fuse and the battery cable to the battery only after all installation work has been completed.</li> </ul>

#### Requirements

- 1 conduit with a diameter of 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> in. (38.1 mm) is installed at the opening in the middle of the Sunny Island (see section 6.1 "Grounding" (page 40)).
- The conduit is attached inside the Sunny Island with a suitable nut.

#### Installing the DC connection

1. Pull the positive DC cable through the conduit from the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
2. Pull the negative DC cable through the conduit from the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
3. Remove the coating.
4. Strip the insulation from the DC cables.



### DC connection area

The areas between the stripped line and the connection area must be clean. This ensures that the transition resistance and the heating of the terminal points is reduced.

The Sunny Island has a DC connection for a maximum 3/0 AWG for DC+, DC- and PE.

5. Plug the negative DC lines into the "DC-" connection block and tighten the fastening screw to a torque of 21 ft-lbs. (28 Nm). Use a hexagon-socket wrench of  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (8 mm) for this.
6. Plug the positive DC lines in to the "DC+" connection block and tighten the fastening screw to a torque of 21 ft-lbs. (28 Nm). Use a hexagon-socket wrench of  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (8 mm) for this.



### DC cables

Do not connect any other components to the DC cables. Other components must be connected directly to the battery via separate cables.

## 6.3 AC Connection

### 6.3.1 Line Fuse

You must connect the Sunny Island via a sub-distribution to the stand-alone grid and any external source present.

Fit the sub-distribution with appropriate miniature circuit-breakers and observe all locally applicable standards and guidelines.



#### **Fitting the sub-distribution with miniature circuit-breakers**

The sub-distribution must be equipped with appropriate circuit breakers. Observe all locally applicable standards and guidelines.



#### **Maximum permissible input current**

The maximum input current allowed on the Sunny Island is 56 A. Higher input currents must not be connected to the Sunny Island.



#### **No all-pole isolator on the Sunny Island**

The Sunny Island is not equipped with an all-pole isolator. The neutral conductor (N conductor) is looped through the device and the N terminals of AC1 and AC2 are connected inside the Sunny Island.

## 6.3.2 AC1 (Loads/Sunny Boys)

The sub-distribution of the stand-alone grid (e.g. consumer, PV inverter, wind power inverter) is to be connected to output AC1 of the Sunny Island.

If you want to secure individual load circuits in a 120 V grid separately, install miniature circuit-breakers and fuses with a rated current of no more than 20 A.

If larger miniature circuit-breakers are used, or miniature circuit-breakers that blow more slowly, the Sunny Island cannot trip them.



### **Cable lengths in 1-phase, parallel, split-phase-, double split-phase- and 3-phase systems**

The AC lines between the Sunny Island and the sub-distribution of a system must have the same cable cross-section and the same length for all parallel connected devices.



### **Distributing loads and AC feed-ins in multiple-phase systems**

Distribute the feed-in capacity and the consumed power of the loads and AC feed-in generators as equally as possible across all plant phases.



### **Connection in a Split-Phase System**

In a split-phase system, connect the master to phase L1 and the slave 1 to phase L2 (see section 2.2 "At a glance" (page 22)).



### **Double Split-Phase System**

In a double split-phase system, connect the master and slave 2 to phase L1.

In a double split-phase system, connect the slave 1 and the slave 3 to phase L2.



### **Connection in a 3-phase Parallel System**

Always install the master on phase L1, slave 1 on L2 and slave 2 on L3. This installation has a right-hand rotary field.



### **Failure of a Phase within a 3-phase System**

If in a 3-phase system a phase fails on the master, the cluster stops. If a phase fails on a slave, the cluster can either continue to operate or switch off. Whether the cluster continues to work or disconnects depends on the setting of the parameter "250.30 RnMod" (see section 19.2.5 "System Settings (250#)" (page 188)).

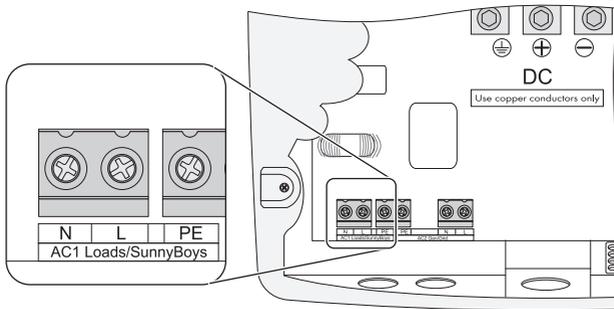
## Connecting the AC1 lines:



### Cable cross-section

The maximum cable cross-section for connecting the loads / PV inverters is 4 AWG (25 mm<sup>2</sup>).

1. Install a conduit with a diameter of  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (19 mm) at the left opening on the left side of the Sunny Island enclosure. Fasten the conduit on the inside of the Sunny Island with a counter nut.
2. Install the conduit on the distribution board.
3. Pull the cable from the distribution board through the conduit into the Sunny Island.
4. Remove the protective insulation of the 3 conductors (length to be stripped:  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (18 mm)).



5. Insert PE into the terminal labeled "AC1 Loads/Sunny Boys" and tighten the fastening screw with a torque of 22 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
  6. Insert N and L into the terminals labeled "AC1 Loads/Sunny Boys" and tighten the fastening screws with a torque of 22 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
- The AC1 cables are connected.

## 6.3.3 AC2 (Generator/Grid)

The sub-distribution of the generator or power distribution grid is to be connected at input AC2 of the Sunny Island.



### Cable lengths in 1-phase, parallel, split-phase-, double split-phase- and 3-phase systems

The AC cables between all Sunny Island and the generator/grid in a system must have the same size and length.

**1-phase parallel system**

In the case of 1-phase parallel systems, also connect the generator or the grid to all slaves on AC2. The cable cross-sections and cable lengths used must be identical.

**Distribution of Loads and AC Feed-In Generators in Multi-Phase Systems**

Distribute the feed-in capacity and consumption power of the loads as well as the AC feed-in generators as equally as possible across all system phases.

**Split-Phase System**

In a split-phase system, connect the master to phase L1 and the slave 1 to phase L2 (see also section 2.2 "At a glance" (page 22)).

**Double Split-Phase System**

In a double split-phase system, connect the master and slave 2 to phase L1.

In a double split-phase system, connect the slave 1 and the slave 3 to phase L2.

**3-phase system**

Always install the master on phase L1, slave 1 on L2 and slave 2 on L3. This installation has a right-hand rotary field.

**Additional Fuses in the System**

If there are no additional fuses installed between the generator or power distribution grid and the Sunny Island, the Sunny Island knows whether it has a connection to the power distribution grid/to the generator. The Sunny Island can then draw current from the power distribution grid/from the generator.

If there are additional fuses or switches installed between the Sunny Island and the power distribution grid/the generator, the Sunny Island can not determine whether fuses or switches are separated or whether there is no voltage available from the power distribution grid/the generator. In either case the Sunny Island cannot charge its battery and the consumers that are in operation will discharge the Sunny Island battery.

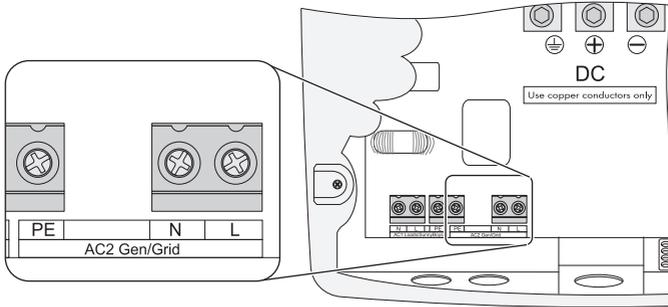
Check the additional fuses and switches regularly in order that the Sunny Island battery only discharges when there is no voltage available from the power distribution grid/the generator.

**Connecting the AC2 Lines (Generator/Grid):****Cable cross-section**

The maximum cable cross-section for connecting the generator is 4 AWG (25 mm<sup>2</sup>).

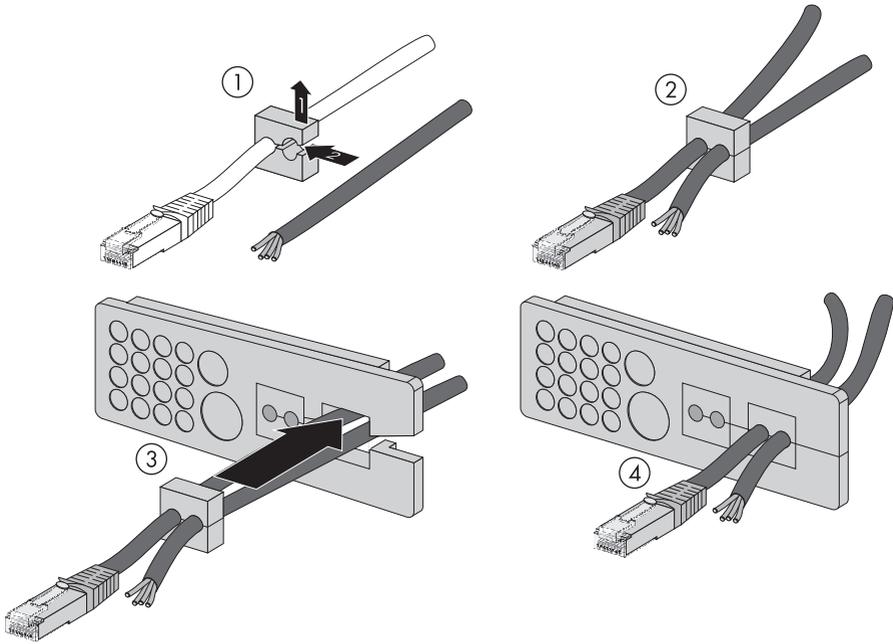
1. Install a conduit with a diameter of  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (19 mm) at the right opening on the left side of the Sunny Island enclosure. Fasten the conduit on the inside of the Sunny Island with a counter nut.
2. Install the conduit on the distribution board.
3. Pull the cable from the distribution board through the conduit into the Sunny Island.
4. Remove the protective insulation of the 3 conductors (length to be stripped:  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (18 mm)).

5. Insert PE into the terminal labeled "AC2 Gen/Grid" and tighten the fastening screw with a torque of 22 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
6. Insert N and L into the terminals labeled "AC2 Gen/Grid" and tighten the fastening screws with a torque of 22 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.



## 6.4 Additional Connections

For installing the connections described below, feed the lines through the specified holes in the cable support sleeve. Plugs for sealing the RJ45 communication cable for internal and external communication are provided in the cable insert upon delivery. Through a combination of the plugs there are up to 4 feed-throughs (2 plugs without a feed-through, 1 plug with 1 feed-through and 2 plugs with 2 feed-throughs). Insert the necessary plugs with feed-through to attach the communication cables.



### 6.4.1 Battery temperature sensor

The battery temperature sensor measures the temperature of the connected battery. This is necessary since the optimum charging voltage for a battery strongly depends on the temperature. Further information is provided in section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109).

The battery temperature sensor must be connected for the operation of the Sunny Island (included in the scope of delivery). In the event of a fault, (short-circuit, cable break), the Sunny Island operates in a safe setting, which, however, over time leads deep discharge of the battery. A warning indicating that the defective battery temperature sensor should be replaced immediately is displayed.

#### NOTICE

Destruction of the battery through deep discharge as a result of the installation of an unsuitable battery temperature sensor.

- Only use the battery temperature sensor included in the scope of delivery.
- Do not drill holes into the battery to install the battery temperature sensor.



### Battery Temperature Sensor in a Cluster

A battery temperature sensor is provided with each Sunny Island. Only one battery temperature sensor is required for a cluster. Connect the temperature sensor to the cluster master.

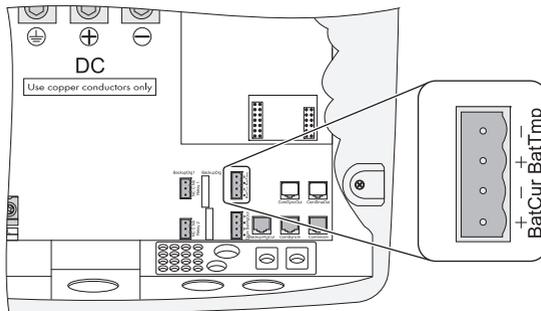
## Connecting the Battery Temperature Sensor



### Polarity of the conductors

The polarity of the two cables is irrelevant for the functioning of the battery temperature sensor.

1. Pierce a hole at a suitable location in the cable support sleeve using a sharp object.
2. Starting from the outside, lead the insulated conductors with bootlace ferrules through the hole in the Sunny Island.



3. Connect the insulated conductors correspondingly to the "BatTmp" terminal of the 4-pole print terminal included in the delivery.
4. Tighten the terminals (torque: 5 in-lbs. - 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm - 0.79 Nm)).
5. Insert the 4-pole print terminal into the "BatTmp" socket on the Sunny Island.
6. Fasten the battery temperature sensor to the outside of one of the battery cells. Choose a spot between 2 cells and in the central area of the battery bank. The heat generation during operation is the greatest there.

## 6.4.2 Battery current sensor

In addition to the internal measurement, the Sunny Island provides the possibility to measure the battery current via a shunt. You need this function if you intend to operate additional DC generators and DC loads in your off-grid system. Only one battery current sensor is necessary in a cluster, this is to be connected to the cluster master.

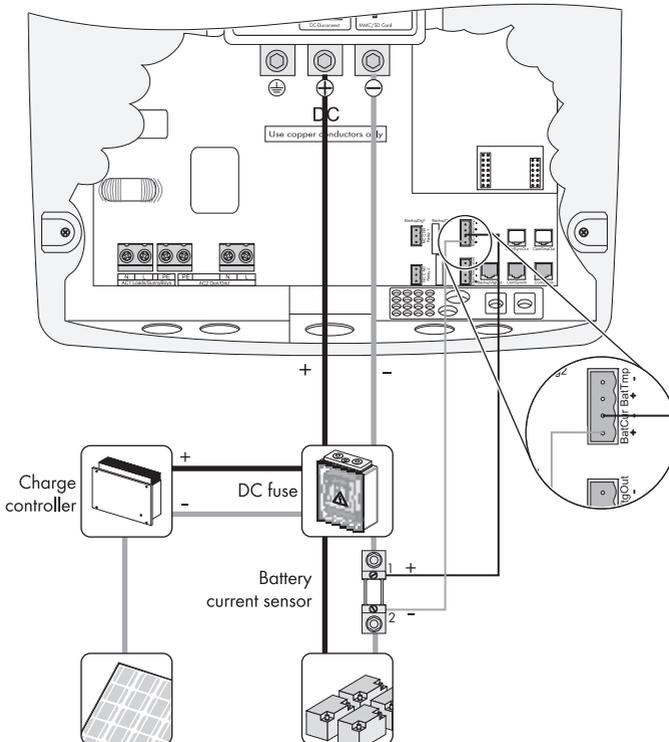
**NOTICE**

Destruction of the battery due to the connection of additional DC devices.

If additional DC devices are installed in an off-grid system, the internal Sunny Island current measurement becomes inaccurate. The charge current can no longer be set exactly and as a result will destroy the battery.

- Install an external battery current sensor (shunt).

**Example:**



## Connecting the Battery Current Sensor



### Use cables of intrinsically safe circuits

Always use lines for intrinsically safe electric circuits for connecting the battery current sensor. Intrinsically safe means that the line is double-insulated and that in the event of a short-circuit the wire melts but the insulation remains intact. In addition, the cable is not combustible. In order to avoid measuring errors, make sure to use twisted cables.



### Installation notice

The battery current sensor must be looped around the negative pole of the battery. In addition, the contact of that battery current sensor, which is connected to the Sunny Island (1), must be connected to the terminal "BatCur+" (see following figure).

- Positive battery current means that the battery is discharging (current from the battery)
  - Negative battery current means that the battery is charging (current into the battery).
1. Pierce a hole at a suitable location in the cable support sleeve using a sharp object.
  2. Starting from the outside, lead the insulated conductors with bootlace ferrules through the hole in the Sunny Island.
  3. Connect the cables correspondingly to the "BatCur" connection of the 4-pole print terminal included in the delivery.
  4. Tighten the terminals (torque: 5 in-lbs. - 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm - 0.79 Nm)).
  5. Insert the 4-pole print terminal into the "BatCur" socket on the Sunny Island.
- The battery current sensor is installed.



### Commissioning the Current Temperature Sensor

When connecting a battery current sensor to the Sunny Island, the device's internal offset must be adjusted during the first commissioning of the off-grid system. To do this, proceed as described in section 8.3 "Commissioning the Current Temperature Sensor" (page 71).

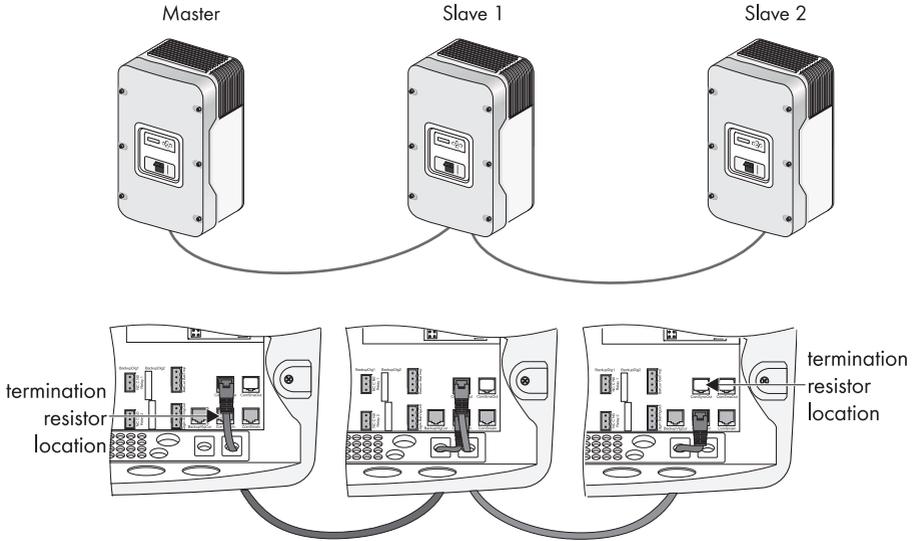
### 6.4.3 Communication for Multi-device Connection

The Sunny Island can be connected in parallel, as a split-phase system or in a 3-phase system with other Sunny Island devices in order to increase the overall power. The Sunny Island inverters communicate with each other via an RJ45 communication cable. A black RJ45 cable is provided with each Sunny Island. You need it in order to establish an (internal) communication between several Sunny Islands inverters. The maximum overall length of the communication bus of 98 ft. (30 m) must **not** be exceeded. If you operate only one Sunny Island in your system, the cable is not required.

**Proceed as follows to implement the connection:**

1. Remove one of the two plugs from the cable support sleeve.
2. Lead the RJ45 cable from the outside through the plugs inside the Sunny Island master.
3. Remove the termination resistor plugged into the master's "ComSyncOut" socket and insert it in the master's "ComSyncln" socket.
4. Plug the RJ45 cable into the "ComSyncOut" socket.
5. Connect the Sunny Island master to the slave:

Number of slaves	Connection Procedure
1 Slave	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take the RJ45 cable coming from the master, insert it into the Sunny Island slave and plug it into the "ComSyncln" socket.</li> <li>• Leave the termination resistor plugged into the "ComSyncOut" socket.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Sunny Island master and Sunny Island slave are connected.</li> </ul>
2 Slaves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take the RJ45 cable coming from the master, insert it into the Sunny Island slave 1 and plug it into the "ComSyncln" socket there.</li> <li>• Remove the terminating resistor in the Sunny Island slave 1 from the "ComSyncOut" socket.</li> <li>• Plug the RJ45 cable, which is included in the delivery, into the "ComSyncOut" socket of slave 1.</li> <li>• Lead the RJ45 cable coming from the slave 1 into the Sunny Island slave 2 and plug it into the "ComSyncln" jack there.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Sunny Island master and slaves are connected.</li> </ul>



### 6.4.4 Multi-function Relay 1 and 2

The Sunny Island offers you several options for the control of internal and external processes. For this purpose, two multi-function relays are integrated into the Sunny Island to which you can assign functions using the "241.01 Rly1Op" and "241.02 Rly2Op" parameters (see section 15 "Relays" (page 139)).

We recommend connecting the load shedding and generator request functions to the master, since, if a failure occurs, the slave may be waiting for a confirmation, but the master continues to operate and the device can at least operate in a limited capacity.



#### Operating principles of the relays

The relays are changeover contacts; they can be used as break contact (NCC) or as make contact (NOC).

You can only assign one function to each relay!

### Connection to the Relay Contact

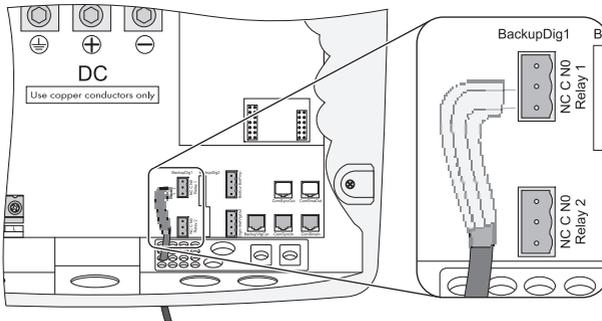


**WARNING**

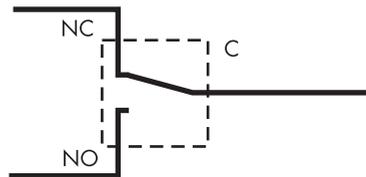
Danger to life from electric shock due to incorrect insulation.

- Securely disconnect the relay cable from the communication area and the AC area.
- Strip the insulated conductors of the relay cable.
- Sheathe all relay cables installed using the silicone tube provided.
- Do not operate the device without the silicone tube.

1. Pierce a hole at a suitable location in the cable support sleeve using a sharp object.
2. Starting from the outside, lead the insulated conductors with bootlace ferrules through the hole in the Sunny Island.
3. Cut an appropriate piece from the silicone tube (included in scope of delivery) and pull it over the insulated conductors.



4. Connect the conductors to the supplied 3- pole print terminals. The pins have the following meaning:
  - NC: normally closed (when the Sunny Island is off, the relay is closed)
  - C: Contact (operating contact)
  - NO: normally opened (when the Sunny Island is off, the relay is open)



5. Tighten the terminals (torque: 5 in-lbs. - 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm - 0.79 Nm)).
6. Insert the 3-pole print terminal into the corresponding socket on the Sunny Island.

## Power Contactor for Load Shedding

The Sunny Island can automatically disconnect loads to protect the battery from deep discharge. To do this, an external (AC or DC) power contactor must be installed between the Sunny Island and the loads (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 102)).

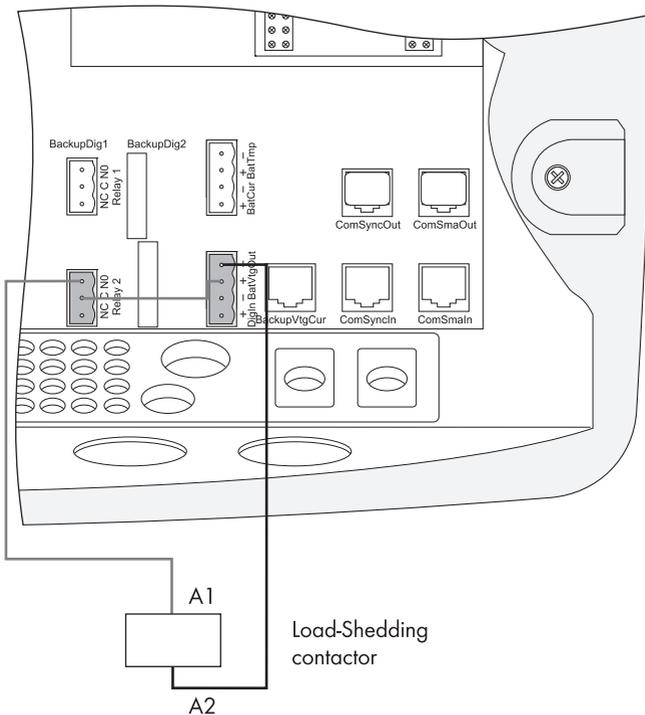
### Installing the Power Supply of a DC Power Contactor for Load Shedding (e.g. relay2):



#### Power supply of the DC power contactor

A 48 V voltage is present in the battery-supplied control circuit.

- Load the BatVtgOut terminals with a maximum 0.75 A.
1. Wire the A1 coil connector of the power contactor to the connection terminal NO (relay2).
  2. Wire terminal C (Relay2) to the terminal "BatVtgOut +".
  3. Wire the A2 coil connector of the power contactor to the terminal "BatVtgOut -".
- The control circuit of the power contactor is installed.



## Generator start

The Sunny Island can control generators. The Sunny Island directly supports generators that can be started/stopped using a single contact.



### Default setting of the relays

Relay 1 is preset to the "AutoGn" generator start function and relay 2 to the "AutoLodSoc" load shedding function.

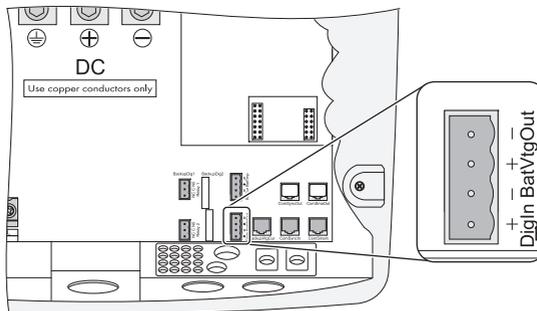
## 6.4.5 BatVtgOut Power Supply

The battery voltage is conducted to the outside at these terminals. The battery voltage is fused at both poles by PTC resistors (max. 0.75 A). Depending on the internal temperature of the Sunny Island, the tripping threshold is at over 0.75 A.

This connection can be used, for example, to supply a DC contactor for load shedding.

### Connecting the BatVtgOut Power Supply

1. Pierce a hole at a suitable location in the cable support sleeve using a sharp object.
  2. Starting from the outside, lead the insulated conductors with bootlace ferrules through the hole in the Sunny Island.
  3. Connect the cables to the "BatVtgOut" connection of the 4-pole print terminal.
  4. Tighten the print terminal screws (torque: 5 in-lbs. - 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm - 0.79 Nm)).
- The BatVtgOut power supply is connected.



### 6.4.6 DigIn Digital Input

The DigIn connection is used as a digital input for external electrical sources.



**Area of the input voltage at the DigIn input**

There can be 5 V – 63 V at the DigIn digital input.

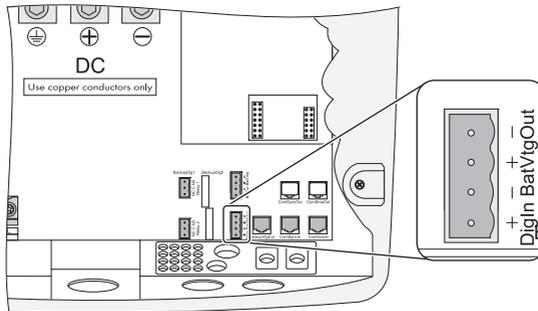


**Corresponding Functions**

If you operate the system with the generator and utility (GenGrid) in parallel, use the relays on the master device in order to activate the related functions.

#### Connecting the DigIn input

1. Pierce a hole at a suitable location in the cable support sleeve using a sharp object.
  2. Starting from the outside, lead the insulated conductors with bootlace ferrules through the hole in the Sunny Island.
  3. Connect the cables correspondingly to the "DigIn" connection of the 4-pole print terminal.
  4. Tighten the print terminal screws (torque: 5 in-lbs. – 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm – 0.79 Nm)).
- The DigIn digital input is connected.



## 6.5 Interface for External Communication

You can connect SMA Solar Technology communication devices (e.g., Sunny Boy Control, Sunny WebBox) or a PC with the appropriate software to a communication interface. You will find a detailed cabling diagram in the communication device manual, the software or on the Internet at [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com).

You can incorporate an RS485 communication interface into the Sunny Island.



### **Powerline / Powerline modem (PLM)**

Communication via Powerline/Powerline modem (NLM) is not possible in stand-alone grids.



### **Communication in a cluster**

Fitting a communication interface in a cluster is only necessary on the master.

### 6.5.1 Connection of the Interface for External Communication

#### **NOTICE**

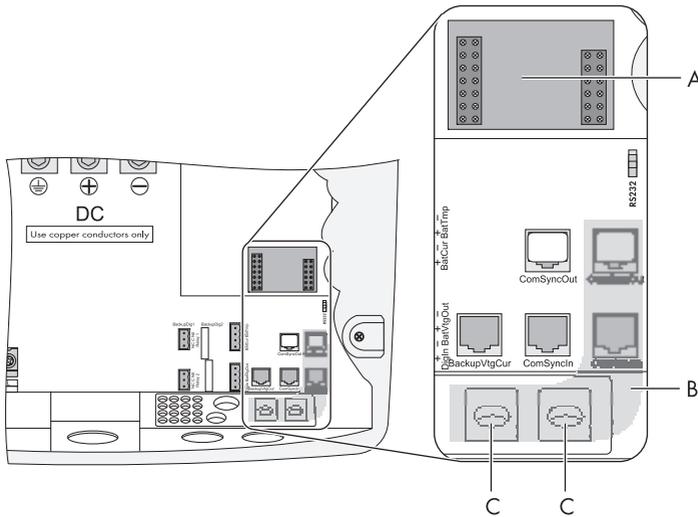
Destruction of the communication interface through electrostatic discharge.

Internal components of the Sunny Island can be irreparably damaged by static discharge.

- Ground yourself before touching components.

## Connecting the Interface for External Communication

1. Remove the right-hand plug from the cable support sleeve.



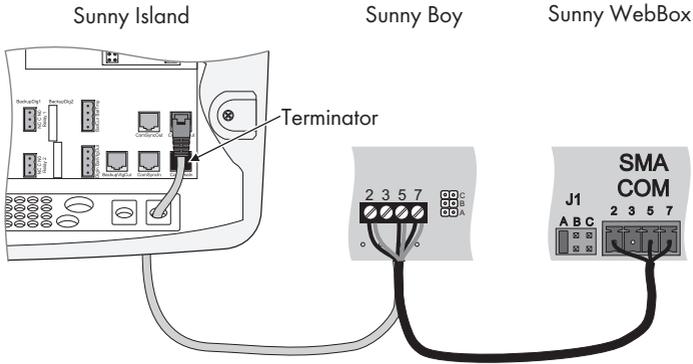
Position	Description
A	Slot for communication interface
B	Cable route
C	Enclosure opening in the base of the Sunny Island

2. Lead the line from the outside through the line feed-through (C) into the inside of the Sunny Island.
3. Plug the cable into the "ComSmalln" socket.
4. Place the plug around the cable.
5. Plug the plug back into the designated opening in the cable support sleeve.
6. Lay the cable in area (B).
7. Connect the cable. Assignment pins in the RJ45 socket:

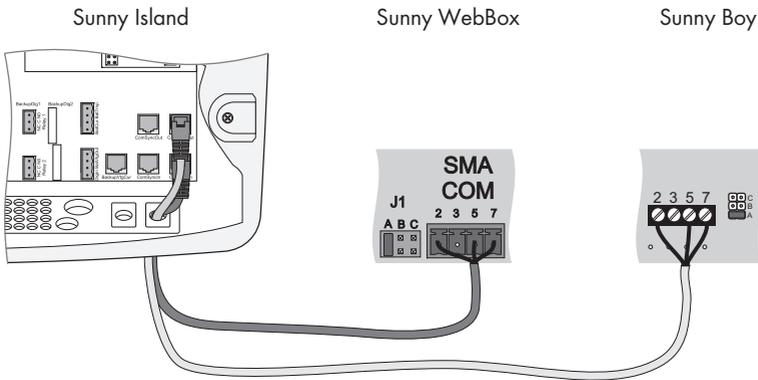
Sunny Boy / Sunny WebBox	RS485– Signal allocation	RJ45 jack - Sunny Island	RJ45 plug color code
2	A (Data+)	3	white with green stripes
5	GND	2	orange with white stripes
7	B (Data-)	6	green with white stripes

- 8. The RS485 data bus of the Sunny Island is terminated using a terminator. This terminating resistor is already plugged into the "ComSmaOut" socket. Only remove the plug if you want to connect another communication device.
- 9. Plug the communication interface onto the board (A).

**Connecting Sunny Island to Sunny Boy and Sunny WebBox with one RS485 Cable**



**Connecting Sunny Island to Sunny Boy and Sunny WebBox with separate RS485 Cables**



**Data Transmission Speed**

The Sunny Island can be operated at different data transmission rates to communicate with external devices. For this, set the "250.06 ComBaud" parameter.

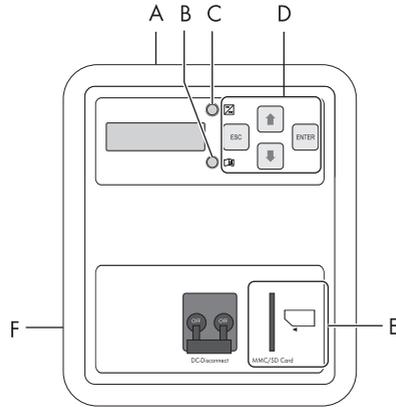


**Setting the baud rate**

If PV inverters are connected to the communication bus, then the baud rate must be set to 1200 bps (default setting).

## 7 Control Elements

In order to commission the Sunny Island, you should familiarize yourself with its operation beforehand. The individual control elements can be seen in the following figure.



Position	Description
A	Display
B	Red LED
C	Green LED
D	Control buttons
E	Slot for the SD card
F	DC miniature circuit-breaker

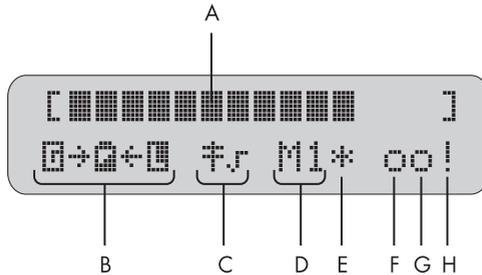
## 7.1 Display Messages

The display of the Sunny Island has two lines, each with 16 characters.



### Meaning of the symbols

You will find information on the meaning of the individual symbols in section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)" (page 88).



Position	Description
A	Output power / charging power (load status)
B	Direction of energy flow and system status
C	Display, if Sunny Island is operating within the grid limits or generator limits.
D	Device assignment
E	Status of the external source (asterisk, question mark or exclamation mark)
F	Relay 1 status
G	Relay 2 status
H	Warning message (exclamation mark)

## 7.2 DC miniature circuit-breaker

The DC miniature circuit-breaker is used to switch on/off as well as to disconnect the Sunny Island on the DC side. For details, see section 9 "Switching On and Off" (page 73).

## 7.3 Keys

The table explains the functions of the buttons on the Sunny Island 5048:

Button	Function
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>cancels the selected function</li> <li>answers NO</li> <li>navigates one menu level higher</li> <li>stops device (when held pressed down)</li> </ul>
	navigates up one list element, increases data value
	navigates down one list element, decreases data value
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>selects function</li> <li>selects value</li> <li>Confirms changes</li> <li>answers YES</li> <li>navigates one menu level down</li> <li>starts device (when held pressed down)</li> <li>stops device (when held pressed down)</li> </ul>

## 7.4 Meaning of the Light Emitting Diodes (LED's)

On the Sunny Island control panel, there are both a green (above) and a red (below) light emitting diode (LED), the functions of which are described in the table below:

Green LED	Red LED	Operating state
-	-	Standby or fault
On	-	Operation
-	On	Disturbance or Fault

## 7.5 SD card

The Sunny Island features an SD card which can be used for updating firmware and as a service interface. For details, see section 11 "Archiving Data on an SD Card" (page 93).

## 8 Initial Start-up

### 8.1 Requirements



#### Check the connections

- Before commissioning check all electrical connections for correct polarity.
- Ensure that all electrical connections are connected in accordance with the specifications of this technical description.



#### Always save data

Always use the SD card to save data and events. In case of a failure SMA can thus help you quickly.

- Always leave the SD card plugged in the Sunny Island.
- Plug the SD card into the card reader in the PC in order to read off the data and events.

The Quick Configuration Guide (QCG) allows you to quickly and easily commission your stand-alone grid power system. To do so, use the menu to select the 'right' system for you. The display then shows special queries via which the system's parameters can be set specifically.

### 8.2 Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)



#### Error occurrence

If the Sunny Island displays an error message, this must be remedied before the Sunny Island is commissioned. For this purpose, refer to section 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 201).



#### Default setting of parameters

Upon starting the Quick Configuration Guide, viable parameter values are set by default.

The QCG is automatically activated during the initial start-up of the Sunny Island. In this case begin with point 3. If the QCG is not activated automatically, begin with point 1.

1. Switch the Sunny Island's DC miniature circuit-breaker to the "ON" position.

- ☑ The Sunny Island initiates the start-up phase. The notifications shown here are displayed. The last notification is displayed as soon as the start-up phase is completed.

```
SIBFSBOOT V1.004
```

```
SMA SMA SMA SMA
SMA SMA SMA
```

```
SI5048
@SMA 2009
```

```
To init system
hold <Enter>
```

2. Press and hold down <ENTER> until the Sunny Island beeps three times.

- ☑ The QCG is started.

```
01#StartMenu
Start System
```



### Systems with several Sunny Islands

If you have a system with more than 1 Sunny Island, you must take the following measures:

- Configure the Sunny Island with the latest firmware version as master or install the latest firmware version in the master (see [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com)). The master updates the firmware of the slaves once the off-grid system is started.
  - **You must first run the QCG on the slave(s)** before starting the master device (display message "INIT MASTER OK START?"). Only the device type is set there.  
**Only start the master device thereafter!**
- **"Start System"** (if you have accidentally accessed the QCG and would only like to restart the system)
  - **"New System"** (if you would like to start a new system or perform changes to the plant configuration)
  - **"New Battery"** (if you wish to reset battery-specific parameters only. You cannot change general parameters using "New Battery".
  - **"Emerg. Charge"** (if you would like to charge a deeply discharged battery using an external source)
3. At **"New System"** set the following parameters:
    - Device type (master, slave 1, slave 2, slave 3)



### Systems with one Sunny Island

If only one Sunny Island is used in the system, the device type is permanently set to "master" and is not displayed.

- System configuration (see table for setting options)

Displayed text	Description
Three-Phase	3-phase system, 3 Sunny Island
1Phase1	1-phase system, 1 Sunny Island
1Phase2	1-phase system, 2 Sunny Island
1Phase3	1-phase system, 3 Sunny Island
2Phase2	2-phase system, 2 Sunny Island inverters
2Phase4	2-phase system, 4 Sunny Island inverters
MC-Box	Setting for Multicluseter operation

- Date / Time
- Battery type (VRLA, FLA, NiCd), default setting: "VRLA"



### Battery types

#### VRLA: Valve Regulated Lead Acid

Closed lead acid batteries with immobilized electrolyte in gel or AGM (**A**bsorbent **G**lass **M**at Separator) in all standard designs available on the market (grid plate, tubular plate, small, large, AGM, Gel, etc.)

#### FLA: Flooded Lead Acid

Closed lead acid batteries with liquid electrolyte in all standard designs available on the market (grid plate, tubular plate, small, large, etc.)

#### NiCd: Nickel Cadmium

Sealed pocket-type plate or fiber plate nickel-cadmium batteries.

- Adjustable for FLA and VRLA: Nominal voltage of the battery 42 V – 52 V adjustable in 2-V steps; default setting 48 V. For NiCd: Nominal voltage of the battery 43.2 V to 48 V adjustable in 1.2-V steps; default setting 45.6 V.
- Nominal capacity of the battery (100 Ah – 10000 Ah), default setting: "100 Ah"
- External power supply unit (PvOnly, Gen, Grid, GenGrid)

Value in variable	Explanation
PvOnly	Off Grid, no grid, no generator
Gen	Stand-alone grid with generator
Grid	Grid Backup
GenGrid	Grid Backup with Generator

## GenGrid:

- Maximum generator current (0 A – 224 A), default setting: "30 A"
- Generator interface (Manual, GenMan, Autostart), default setting: "Autostart"
- Maximum grid current (0 A – 224 A), default setting: "30 A"

## Grid:

- Maximum grid current (0 A – 224 A), default setting: "30 A"

## Gen:

- Maximum generator current (0 A – 224 A), default setting: "30 A"
- Generator interface (Manual, GenMan, Autostart), default setting: "Autostart"

4. The following parameters must be set when **"New Battery"** is selected:

- Battery type (VRLA, FLA, NiCd), default setting: "VRLA"
- Nominal voltage of the battery (42 V – 52 V in 2 V steps for FLA and VRLA, 43.2 V to 48 V in 1.2 V steps for NiCd), default setting: "48.0 V"
- Nominal capacity of the battery (100 Ah – 10 000 Ah), default setting: "100 Ah"

- After entering all parameters, the following notification appears.

```
INIT MASTER OK
START?
```

## 5. Press &lt;ENTER&gt; to confirm.

- The notification shown here is displayed.

```
STNDBY: To Start
INV hold <ENTER>
```

## 6. Press &lt;ENTER&gt; and hold until you hear a beep.

- The Sunny Island has started and is in operation.

**Adjustable Parameters**

For more information on adjustable parameters, see section 19 "Parameter lists" (page 154).

Note that some parameters can only be changed after entering the installer password (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86)), or in standby mode (see section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74)).

### 8.3 Commissioning the Current Temperature Sensor

In the event you have installed a battery current sensor in your system, you are required to synchronize the device's internal offset. To do this, proceed as follows:

1. Switch the Sunny Island to standby as described in section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74).

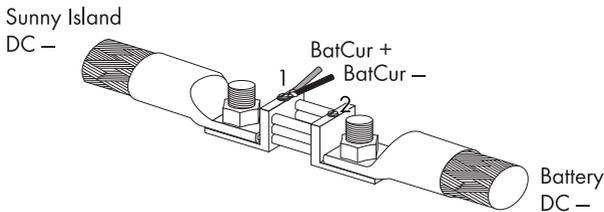
#### NOTICE

Entering incorrect parameters endangers operational safety. Damage to the off-grid system and its components.

All parameter settings which could affect the operating safety of the off-grid system are protected by the installer password.

- Only electrically skilled persons are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.
- Enter the password as described in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86).

2. Short-circuit the battery current sensor cables.
  - BatCur+ to terminal 1
  - BatCur- to terminal 1



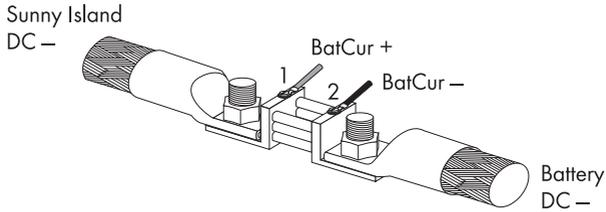
3. Set the following parameters:
 

Choose the type of battery current sensor:

  - "225.01 BatCurSnsTyp" (None / 50 mV / 60 mV). Only after activation of the parameter with 50 mV or 60 mV other parameters (02, 03 and 04 in the menu "225# Battery Current Sensor") will be shown and activated.
4. Set the nominal current of the battery current sensor (e.g., 400 A / 60 mV):
  - "225.02 BatCurGain60": (for a 60 mV output)
  - "225.03 BatCurGain50": (for a 50 mV output)
5. Start automatic calibration:
  - Set "225.04 BatCurAutoCal" to "Start".

The Sunny Island conducts an automatic calibration.

6. Check the offset error:  
Display value "120.06 TotBatCur" should be (close to) zero.
7. Reconnect the battery current sensor's lines correctly as displayed in the graphic.  
Make sure the lines have the correct polarity when doing this.
  - BatCur+ to terminal 1
  - BatCur- to terminal 2



8. Start the Sunny Island (see section 9.1 "Switching On" (page 73)).
9. Check the current direction: "120.06 TotBatCur"



#### **Current direction: Discharging the battery**

- No generator/grid connected
- Consumers are being supplied

The value of the battery current is positive.



#### **Current direction: Charging the battery**

- Generator / grid connected
- Consumers are not/are marginally supplied
- Battery is being charged

The value of the battery current is negative.

## 9 Switching On and Off

### 9.1 Switching On



#### Systems with several Sunny Islands

Switch on the slaves **before** you switch on the master. To do this, proceed as follows.

1. Check the following requirements:
  - correct electrical connections
  - voltages and polarities
2. Switch the Sunny Island's DC miniature circuit-breaker to the "ON" position.
  - The display light of the Sunny Island switches on.



#### "250.01 AutoStr" Parameter

Even with the "250.01 AutoStr" parameter set, the Sunny Island must be manually started after each time the device is switched on using the DC miniature circuit-breaker.

- The Sunny Island initiates the start-up phase. The notifications shown here are displayed. The last notification is displayed as soon as the start-up phase is completed.

```
SIBFSBOOT V1.004
```

```
SMA SMA SMA SMA
SMA SMA SMA
```

```
SI5048
@SMA 2009
```

```
To init system
hold <Enter>
```

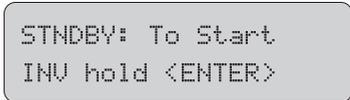
3. Wait 5 seconds (QCG starts automatically) **or** manually start QCG (press and hold down <ENTER> until the Sunny Island beeps 3 times).
  - The QCG is started and the notification displayed here is shown. Continue as described in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67).

```
@1#StartMenu
Start System
```

**or**

Wait 5 seconds.

- The Sunny Island skips the QCG and the notification shown here is displayed.

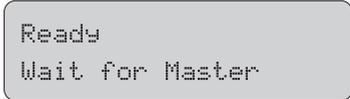


4. Press and hold <ENTER>.

- Process bars is shown in the display.



- On a slave, the notification displayed here is shown until the master is started.



5. Press <ENTER> on the master.

- A beep is heard. The Sunny Island is in operation and the green LED is on.

## 9.2 Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)



### Standby

Even in standby mode the Sunny Island still requires approx. 4 W of power from the battery.

Proceed as follows to stop the Sunny Island:

1. Press <ENTER> or <ESC> to stop the Sunny Island.

- The notification shown here is displayed.

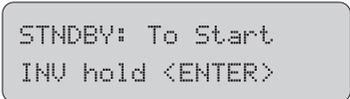


2. Press and hold <ENTER>.

- The remaining time is displayed as a bar.



- The Sunny Island is stopped. The notification shown here is displayed.



## 9.3 Switching Off

To switch off the Sunny Island, proceed as follows:



### "Switching sequence"

Only with the sequence shown here can you ensure that all internal meter positions/values are saved.

1. Stop the Sunny Island as described in section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74).
2. Switch the Sunny Island's DC miniature circuit-breaker to the "OFF" position.
- The Sunny Island is switched off.

## 9.4 Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources

1. Switch off the Sunny Island as described in section 9.3 "Switching Off" (page 75).
2. Disconnect the Sunny Island from the battery.
3. Disconnect the Sunny Island from the voltage sources (AC1 and AC2). Separate AC1 and AC2 and disconnect from voltage sources.
  - If PV inverters are connected to AC1, they automatically switch off once they are no longer connected to the stand-alone grid.
4. Check that the Sunny Island has been disconnected from voltage sources.
5. Wait at least 15 minutes to let the capacitors discharge and to allow the voltage inside the device to drop to a safe level.
  - The Sunny Island is free of voltage.

## 9.5 Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown

A complete shutdown indicates that stand-alone grid components have failed or are not working correctly due to incorrect parameter settings. Check the off-grid system for possible faults, both before and after reactivating the system, to avoid a complete shutdown in the future.

### NOTICE

Damage to the Sunny Island and connected devices.

- Disconnect the loads only.
- Do not disconnect generators.
- Install an external load shedding contactor if the Sunny Island is coupled to PV arrays or wind generators on the AC-generating side.

To reactivate the Sunny Island after it has switched off due to a battery being too deeply discharged, proceed as follows:

1. Switch the Sunny Island's DC miniature circuit-breaker to the "OFF" position.



**DANGER**

Danger to life due to high voltages in the Sunny Island. Risk of death or serious injury due to electric shock.

After an automatic disconnection, high residual voltages can remain in the Sunny Island capacitors.

- Wait at least 15 minutes before restarting the Sunny Island. The Sunny Island capacitors discharge in this time.

2. Wait at least 15 minutes.
3. Switch the Sunny Island's DC miniature circuit-breaker to the "ON" position.
  - The display light of the Sunny Island switches on.



#### **Switching on the DC miniature circuit-breaker**

If, in rare cases, the device cannot be switched back on after 15 minutes, wait a 30 minutes and try again.

4. Switch on the Sunny Island as described in section 9.1 "Switching On" (page 73).



#### **Charging the batteries**

After reactivation, it is important that the batteries are charged. If an autostart generator is present in the stand-alone grid, the Sunny Island will request the generator after a few minutes.

5. Monitor the generator startup and check that the Sunny Island switches to charge mode.
6. Check for error-free functioning of all other energy generators in the system.



#### **Battery Preservation Mode after Reactivation**

If, after reactivation, the Sunny Island immediately switches into battery preservation mode (see section 13.5 "Battery Preservation Mode" (page 113)), disconnect all loads from the AC output.

The consumers can be reconnected once the Sunny Island enters the charge state. A precondition for this is that a generator capable of providing the required power is connected

For more information, see section 20.10 "What to Do during Emergency Charge Mode" (page 217).

## 10 Operation

The main menu consists of a "Home Screen" and the other main menu entries, which split up into the different menu levels. Operating states, for example, the current operating mode, power, etc. are displayed on the "Home Screen" (see section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)" (page 88)).

The menu consists of a main menu and a maximum of two sub-menu levels (see section 10.1 "Menu Structure" (page 78)).

Use the up and down arrow buttons to navigate through the menu levels. The cyclical arrangement (wrap around) allows you to scroll both forward and backwards to access the desired menu as quickly as possible.



### Faster access to menus

If you would like to access submenu "7", navigate backwards from "1" over "9", instead of six steps forwards.

When the desired menu is reached press the <ENTER> key in order to access it. The <ESC> key exits the menu and puts you one menu level up.



### Switching to the Home Screen in case of inactivity

If you do not press any buttons for more than five minutes (inactivity), the Home Screen is automatically displayed.



### Backlight

The display's backlight is automatically deactivated after a short time of inactivity. You can switch the backlight back on by pressing one of the four buttons. No settings are changed when you press the button, this only activates the display illumination.



### Key clicks

The button sound is switched on by default. In order to deactivate it, set the "250.04 BeepEna" parameter to Off. If "250.04 BeepEna" is set to "Off", the Sunny Island does not give an acoustic warning signal in the event of interferences and errors.



### Slaves wait for commands from the master

Slave devices must wait for commands from the master device. The following message appears during this time.

```
Ready
Wait for Master
```

The Sunny Island utilizes an operation concept referred to as "**Single Point of Operation**". For a system with more than one Sunny Island, all entries are made on the master. There you configure the entire system, confirm events, warnings and errors in the QCG (see section 8 "Initial Start-up" (page 67)), and update your firmware when required (see section 11.6 "Updating the firmware" (page 99)).

**Exception:** When starting the device for the first time, you must set the slave devices as slave in the QCG and everything else is performed from the master.



### Single Point of Operation

Single Point of Operation also means that all master log data, including the slave log data, is saved at the master device on the SD card.



### Messages

Messages can be displayed at any time while the device is in operation and they have priority over the "Home Screen" display.

## 10.1 Menu Structure

The navigation area includes the Home Screen and the main menu items:

- 100# Meters (display values)
- 200# Settings
- 300# Diagnosis
- 400# Failure/Event (lists)
- 500# Operation (operating functions)
- 600# Direct Access

The main menus are divided into several sub-menus.

In a sub-menu, you can select a second sub-menu or a parameter.

### NOTICE

Entering incorrect parameters endangers operational safety. Damage to the off-grid system and its components.

All parameter settings which could affect the operating safety of the off-grid system are protected by the installer password.

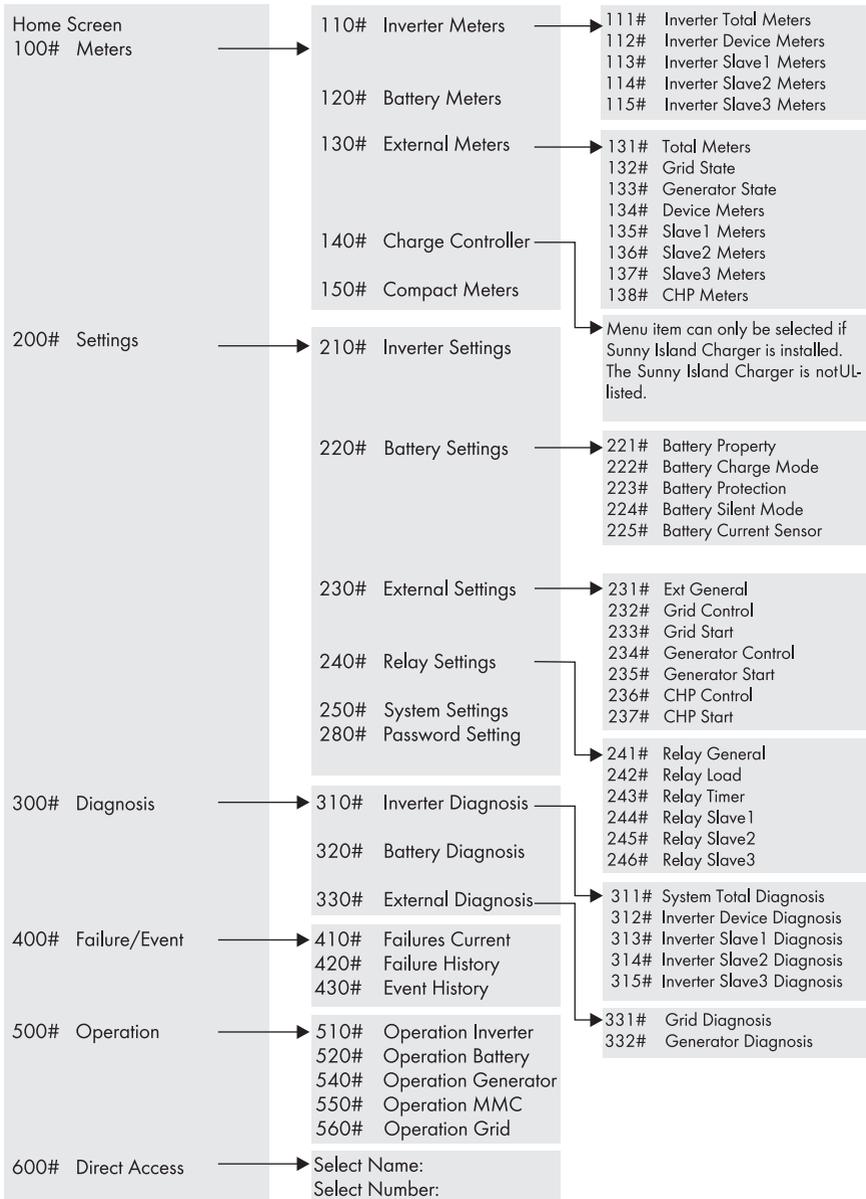
- Only electrically skilled persons are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.
- Enter the password as described in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86).

You can access the navigation area from one of two levels:

- User level
- Installer level (password required)

The menu items and parameters, which allow the changing of system parameters, are accessible after entering the installer password (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86)).

### Overview of the Menu Structure:



## 100# Meters - Display values

In this main menu, you will find the display values for the following components of the stand-alone grid system:

- 110# Meter Inverter – Sunny Island
- 120# Battery Meters – Battery
- 130# External Meters – Grid/Generator
- 140# Charge Controller – Sunny Island Charger (is only shown when there is at least one Sunny Island Charger connected to the Sunny Island)
- 150# Compact Meters – compact view of values for commissioning

By opening the relevant sub-menu – if necessary, the second sub-menu - you can view the parameters (e.g., Parameter "112.03 InvVtg").

## 200# Settings

The following sub-menus allow you to view and adjust the system parameters:

- 210# Inverter Settings – Sunny Island
- 220# Battery Settings – Battery
- 230# External Settings – Grid/Generator
- 240# Relay Settings – Relays
- 250# System Settings – System
- 280# Password Setting – Password entry

## 300# Diagnosis

The following sub-menus allow you to view system data:

- 310# Inverter Diagnosis – Sunny Island
- 320# Battery Diagnosis – Battery
- 330# External Diagnosis – Grid/Generator

## 400# Failure/Event - Failures and Events

You can view various error and event lists in the following sub-menus:

- 410# Failures Current – Current failures
- 420# Failure History – Previous warnings and failures
- 430# Event History – Events

## 500# Operation - Functions during operation

The following sub-menus allow you to view and adjust operating parameters:

- 510# Operation Inverter – Sunny Island
- 520# Operation Battery – Battery
- 540# Operation Generator – Generator
- 550# Operation MMC – SD Card
- 560# Operation Grid – Grid

**600# Direct Access -Direct access to the parameters**

This is a main menu that gives you direct access to the settings and display values (see section 10.3 "Direct Access - Direct Access to the Parameters" (page 82)).

**10.2 Changing Parameters**

Using the up and down arrow buttons, you navigate through a selected menu to view or change a parameter, for example. When the relevant parameter is displayed, you can read its present value.

An arrow next to the value indicates that the parameter can be changed.

If you press <ENTER>, the arrow begins to blink and you can use the up and down arrow buttons to change the value of the "221.02 BatCpyNom" parameter.



**Increments (speed)**

The increment size (speed) of the change increases if you hold the button pressed down.

As soon as the desired value appears on the display, press <ENTER> to save the new value.

Then select Y(es) or N(o) by pressing the up/down arrow buttons to accept or reject the changes.

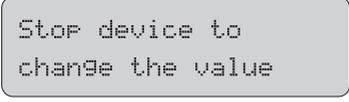
Finally, press <ENTER> again in order to finish the process and continue with other modifications.



**Changing parameters**

Note that some parameters can only be changed when the device is in standby mode (see section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74)). The parameters for which this applies can be found in the tables in sections 19.2 "Adjustable Parameters" (page 163) and 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 201).

The Sunny Island displays a corresponding message for parameters that can only be changed in standby mode or require a different password level.

Display	Description
	<p>Incorrect password level, you cannot make any changes in the menus. This is explained in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86).</p> <p>All menu items and parameters that can only be changed by the electrically qualified person are shown with a gray background in the parameter list (see section 19 "Parameter lists" (page 154)).</p>
	<p>This parameter can only be changed in standby mode. Stop the Sunny Island to change the parameter (see section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74)).</p>

## 10.3 Direct Access - Direct Access to the Parameters

The "600# Direct Access" menu gives you direct access to the selected parameter using the parameter name or number.

Via the Select Name sub-menu, you have direct access to the following functions:

- GnManStr: manual starting of the generator (see section 14.1.4 "Manual Generator Operation" (page 120)).
- ManChrgSel: manual starting of equalization charge (see section 13.4.3 "Equalization Charge" (page 112)).

Via the Select Number menu, you have direct access to every parameter by entering the parameter number.



### Example

Using the menu 600#, you can select the "222.01 BatChrgCurMax" parameter, for example, to set the maximum battery charging current.

The direct access must be entered as a five-digit number, for example, 22201. Here, the first three digits describe the menu number and the last two describe the parameter number.

Exit the menu level after the parameter has been set.

## 10.4 Compact Meters

The "150# Compact Meters" menu is intended primarily to help the installer commission the device. The display gives you information at a glance on the following areas:

- Battery 1
- Battery 2
- Inverter (AC values)
- InvTot
- Grid/generator (external)
- ExtTot
- Inverter status

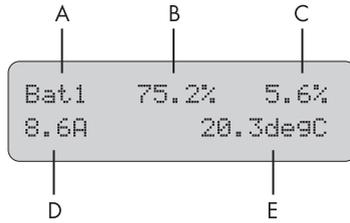


### Selecting the area

You can select the different displays of the compact meters using the up/down arrow buttons. Here, you can also use the "Wrap around" function.

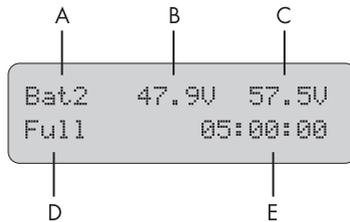
The displays are always shown from the upper left to the lower right.

### Bat 1 (Battery Value 1)



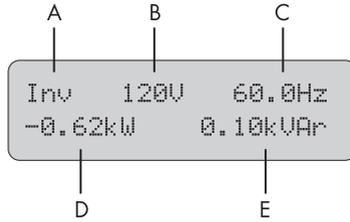
Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Present battery state of charge (BatSoc)
C	Estimated error of the state of charge (BatSocErr)
D	Total battery current of the cluster (TotBatCur)
E	Battery temperature (BatTmp)

### Bat 2 (Battery Value 2)



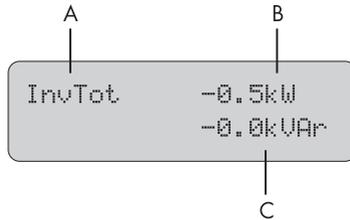
Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Battery voltage (BatVtg)
C	Setpoint of charging voltage (BatChrgVtg)
D	Active charging process (BatChrgOp)
E	Remaining absorption time (AptmRmg)

### Inv (AC Values of Inverter)



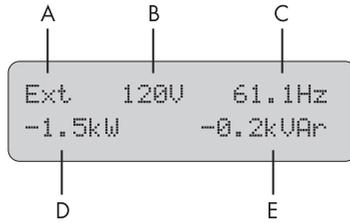
Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Present voltage at the inverter (InvVtg)
C	Present frequency at the inverter (InvFrq)
D	Present active power of the inverter (InvPwrAt)
E	Present reactive power at the inverter (InvPwrPt)

### InvTot (Total AC Values of Inverter)



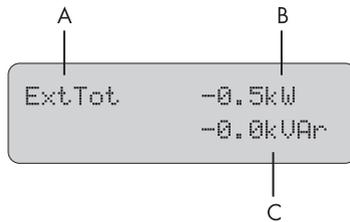
Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Total active power of the inverter (cluster)
C	Total reactive power of the inverter (cluster)

**Ext (AC Values of External Source)**



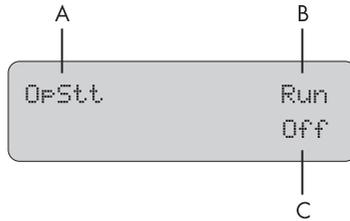
Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Voltage of the external source (ExtVtg)
C	Frequency of the external source (ExtFrq)
D	Active power of the external source (ExtPwrAt)
E	Reactive power of the external source (ExtPwrPt)

**ExtTot (Total AC Values of External Source)**



Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Total active power of the external source (cluster)
C	Total reactive power of the external source (cluster)

## OpStt (Inverter and Generator Status)



Position	Description
A	Name of the compact meter
B	Operating state of the inverter (InvOpStt)
C	State of the generator (GnStt)

## 10.5 Entering the Installer Password

### NOTICE

Entering incorrect parameters endangers operational safety. Damage to the off-grid system and its components.

All parameter settings which could affect the operating safety of the off-grid system are protected by the installer password.

- Only electrically skilled persons are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.



### Do not disclose the password to unauthorized persons

Do not provide the following information for entering the installer password to unauthorized persons. Illegal provision of this information to other persons will lead to the invalidation of all SMA guarantee provisions.



### Entering the password

The Sunny Island allows you to enter the password not only in standby, but also during operation.

The password is dependent on the operating hours counter. In the installer level, there are extended access privileges to all necessary parameters.

**Password = Checksum of the operating hours**

Proceed as follows to enter the installer password from the Home Screen:

1. Keep pressing the "arrow down" key until the "200# Settings" menu is displayed.
2. Press <ENTER>.
3. Keep pressing the "arrow down" key until the "280# Password Setting" menu is displayed.
4. Press <ENTER>.
  - The "280# Password Setting" sub-menu opens.

```
200# Settings
```

```
280# Password
Setting
```

5. Press <ENTER>.
6. Determine the password. Calculate the checksum (sum of all digits) of the operating hours. In the message shown here:

```
PW:** Level[0]
OnTmh 123456 h
```

```
PW:** Level[0]
OnTmh 123456 h
```

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 21$$

7. Enter the password by pressing the up/down arrow buttons.
8. Confirm the password by pressing <ENTER>.
- The installer password has been entered. Operating level [1] = the installer level is set.
9. Exit the menu by pressing the <ESC> key.

```
PW:21 Level[1]
OnTmh 123456 h
```



### Switching operating levels

If the password is invalid, the Sunny Island does not switch to the installer level. In this case, recalculate and re-enter the installer password as described in this section.

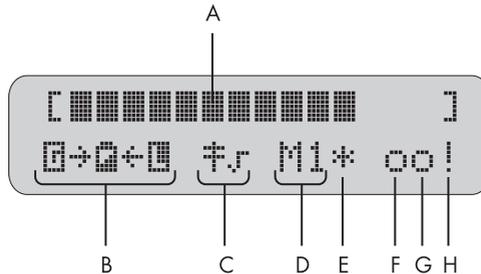
The installer level is switched back to the user level if:

- the Sunny Island is switched off and on again.
- specific parameters are entered (e.g., the "510.01 InvRs" parameter) that cause a restart.
- an incorrect password is entered.
- no activity takes place within five minutes.

## 10.6 Display Messages (Overview)

The display has two lines, each with 16 characters. The first line shows the menu number and the menu name, or the name of the parameter where applicable. The menu name is supplemented or the added text is displayed (e.g., parameter value) in the lower line, if required.

### "Home Screen"



Position	Description
A	Output power / charging power (load status)
B	Direction of energy flow and system status
C	Displays if the Sunny Island loaded parameters for grid operation or parameters for generator operation.
D	Device assignment
E	Status of the external source (asterisk, question mark or exclamation mark)
F	Relay 1 status
G	Relay 2 status
H	Warning message (exclamation mark)

The Sunny Island also shows the following values one after the other in the upper line of the Home Screen (parameter name and parameter value in 3-second intervals):

- Bar display for output power or charging power (the direction of energy flow is displayed by the arrows in the lower line)
- Total active power of the inverter (cluster)
- Active power of external source (total of all phases)
- Present state of charge of the battery (SOC)

- Meters (always one of five possibilities, depending on priority)
  - Remaining absorption time
  - Remaining generator warm up time
  - Remaining Run 1h time for the generator
  - Remaining time of Timer 1
  - Remaining time of Timer 2
- Active charging process



**Situational displaying of text and values**

The display shows only values that are relevant in the actual system status. If there is no generator connected, no generator values are displayed.



**Messages on the slave devices**

On the slave devices, the upper line of the display shows the bar graph for output power or charging power. The lower line of the display shows the device assignment (e.g., S1 for slave 1) and, where applicable, the status of external sources (\*, for a description, see further above) and the status of relays.

**Meaning of the Symbols that appear in the Home Screen:**

Icon	Significance
	Nominal power
	Nominal load exceeded.
	Direction of energy flow between grid/generator side, battery and load side.
	Generation side (Generator/grid) is on.
	Battery
	Load side (loads/Sunny Boys)
	Power pole
	The Sunny Island is working with grid limits.
	The Sunny Island is working with generator limits.
	The Sunny Island is configured as master.
	The Sunny Island is configured as slave 1.

Icon	Significance
	The Sunny Island is configured as slave 2.
	Status of the external source: Voltage and frequency of the generator/grid are within set limits.
	Status of the external source: Voltage and frequency of the external source are not within set limits. In this case, the Sunny Island does not connect the generator to the stand-alone grid.
	Status of the external source (at position (E) on the display): The maximal admissible generator reverse power was exceeded and the Sunny Island has disconnected the generator from the stand-alone grid.
	" <b>B</b> attery" request reason: The generator has been requested as a result of the battery state of charge.
	" <b>C</b> ycle" request reason: The generator was requested via the generator operation's time-dependent repetition cycle (Parameter: 235.17 GnTmOpCyc).
	This symbol can only be shown in Multicluster operation. " <b>E</b> xternal" request reason: The generator was requested via the extension cluster. This request can only take place in multicluster operation.
	" <b>L</b> oad" request reason: The generator has been requested as a result of the load-dependent generator request.
	" <b>S</b> tart" request reason: The generator has been requested by the operator manually setting the generator request in the Sunny Island from "Auto" to "Start". The generator is then <b>no longer</b> automatically controlled or switched off by the Sunny Island.
	" <b>T</b> ime" request reason: The generator was started for one hour using the "Run 1h" setting in the Sunny Island. Once this time has passed, the Sunny Island automatically switches off the generator.
	Display for relays (solid circle = the relay is activated/empty circle = the relay is deactivated).
	Warning message is displayed (at position (H)): This symbol blinks until you have confirmed the warning or the error in the menu "#410 Failures Current" or "#420 Failure History".

**Display "Generator Status" and "Request Reason"**

The two displays above are cyclically shown on the display as the status of the external source.

**Example:**

If the display changes every 3 seconds from "\*" to "B", this means that the generator voltage and frequency lie within the set limits and that the generator was requested as a result of the battery state of charge.

**Stopping the generator manually**

If the generator has been manually stopped, no generator status information is displayed. The field remains empty in this case.

**Indications of a warning**

If faults occur, the device switches into standby mode and shows the fault on the display. The fault must be eliminated and confirmed, then the Sunny Island carries out an autostart.

## 10.7 Parameter Display

Parameters on the Sunny Island are displayed as follows:

In the upper line, the parameter number comes first, then a separator (hash) followed by the parameter name. In the lower line, there is the value with the unit and the modification mark (enter arrow) is on the far right.

```
02#AptTmBoost
120 min ↵
```

**Parameter/value list**

If you would like to switch from a menu (regardless of whether it is a main or sub-menu) into a parameter/value list, the menu numbers are not included on the display.

**Syntax for menus and parameters**

The syntax specified here for menus and parameters applies throughout the entire document.

A menu is identified by the number of the menu, the hash and the name of the menu (e.g., 120# Battery Meters).

A parameter is labeled with the menu number, dot, the parameter number and parameter name (120.02 BatVtg).

## 10.8 Display of Events

The Sunny Island can display a list of events:

The serial number (quantity) of the events, the time and date display; the display of the date and time changes in 2-second intervals. In the lower line are the number of the event and the corresponding short text.

```
001 11:55:01
E108 -----
```

```
001 10.08.2009
Silent
```

## 10.9 Display of Warnings and Failures

The Sunny Island can display a list of errors and warnings:

The serial number (quantity) of the error is on the upper line; the time and date display changes in 2-second intervals. On the lower line are the number of the error and the corresponding error short text.

An "!" on the right on the upper line indicates when the warning and/or error occurred.

A "C" on the right on the upper line indicates when the warning or the error was confirmed or cleared.

```
001 11:55:01 C
F208 Warning
```

```
001 10.08.2009 C
BatWtgHi
```



### Direct access to the error list

As a shortcut, press ESC and the arrow up button simultaneously to go directly to the error list (420# Failure History).

## 11 Archiving Data on an SD Card

The Sunny Island can store firmware, parameters and measured data on a SD card, which must be FAT-16-formatted and may have a max. size of 2 GB (possible storage sizes are 32/64/128/256/512 MB and 1GB and 2 GB). Use the SD card included in delivery solely for the Sunny Island. Do not save any multimedia data on the SD card.

File names are saved in 8.3 format and files with other designations are ignored.



### Example of a format

A valid 8.3 format is, for example, "M1111LOG.DAT".

8.3 is the "old" MS-DOS format with a file name that has a maximum of 8 figures before and 3 figures after the dot.



### Type of Memory Card

SMA recommends the use of a Transcend SD card.

If you use a memory card from another manufacturer, check whether the card is FAT-16 formatted. If necessary, format the card. Be aware that data stored on the card will be lost.

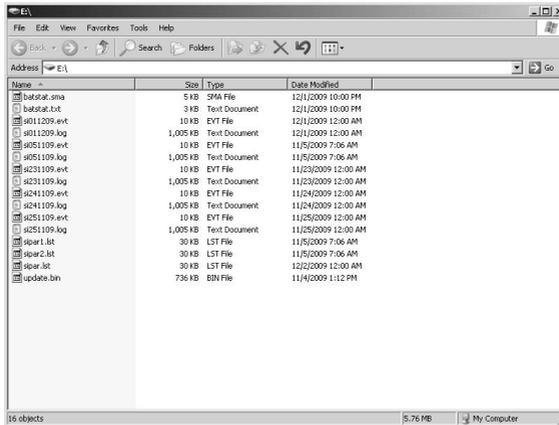


### Using memory cards in the off-grid system

If you combine the Sunny Islands SI 4548-US-10 / 5048U / 6048-US-10 in one off-grid system, use 1 SD card always only for 1 type of Sunny Island. This ensures the optimum functioning of the off-grid system.

- Make a note of the type of the Sunny Island used on the SD card after the first data recording.
- Only insert this SD card into this type of Sunny Island.

After you have inserted the SD card into the card reader slot on your PC, you can search for the respective drive in the Explorer (in Microsoft Windows). The following data are on this drive (here E:):



The files on the SD card have the following meanings:

File name	Significance
evthism.log (evthisN.log for slaveN)	Event history of the device, saved by means of parameter "550.03 CardFunc", option StoEvtHis
failhism.log (failhisN.log for SlaveN)	Failure history of the device, saved by means of parameter "550.03 CardFunc", option StofailHis
si030607.evt	Event/failure history for the day (Format MMDDYY)
si030607.log	Data recording for the day (Format MMDDYY)
sipar1.lst	Parameter list of the device, created by means of parameter "550.01 ParaSto", option Set1
sipar2.lst	Parameter list of the device, created by means of parameter "550.01 ParaSto", option Set2
sipar.lst	This file is saved after changing a parameter.
update.bin	Software for the device
batstat.txt	Statistical values of the battery. These values are saved every day at 10:00 p.m.
batstat.sma	Internal data from SMA Solar Technology
si.ccf	System information from Sunny Island.



### "BOOTEX.LOG" File

The file "BOOTEX.LOG" is not necessarily saved on the card, it is generated according to the operating system used (e. g. WindowsXP or Windows2000).

The Sunny Island's firmware expects device-specific data in the main directory of the SD card. This data includes a new firmware, parameters and measuring data.

The Sunny Island uses the SD card for saving and loading device parameters.

In addition, the Sunny Island supports the acquisition of measurement data on the SD card. It saves this data in a special file. This contains, among other things, a header, time stamp, date and data type. There are two different types of log data:

- Measurement data (are saved cyclically)
- Events and errors (are only saved when they occur)

The Sunny Island supports the acquisition of measurement data with data from the fields:

- Battery
- Inverter
- System
- External source
- Loads



### Always save data

Always use the SD card to save data and events. In case of a failure SMA can thus help you quickly.

1. In the event of a fault contact the SMA Service Line.
2. Upon agreement with the SMA Service Line, save all data from the SD card into 1 folder and compress this (e.g. as ZIP file).
3. Send the compressed data via e-mail to the SMA Service Line.

The data saved on the SD card can be processed using common table calculation programs.

- The first 13 lines of the file are used for information (file header).
- The following data is separated by semicolons.
- Decimal places are separated by periods.
- The date format is MM/DD/YYYY
- The time format is hh:mm.



### Log data

For additional information on processing the log data, please refer to the manual of the data processing software you use.

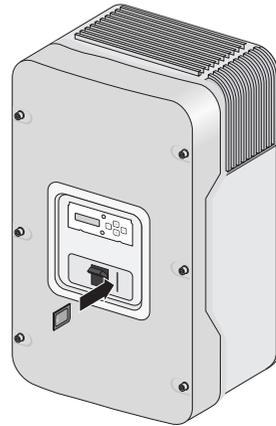
## 11.1 Inserting the SD Card

### NOTICE

Electrostatic discharge when inserting the SD card. Electrostatic discharges can damage the Sunny Island components.

- Ground yourself before you insert or remove the SD card from the Sunny Island enclosure.

Insert the SD card with the cut corner pointing down into the slot on the Sunny Island (see illustration).



After inserting the SD card into the Sunny Island, the adjacent message appears on the display prohibiting the removal of the card.

```
Do not remove  
MMC/SD card ...
```

The initialization of the SD card can take several minutes. During this time, the buttons are disabled and cannot be used for making entries, and three points appear in the lower line of the display.

If the procedure was successful, the graphic shown here is displayed.

```
MMC operation  
finished
```

- The Sunny Island initializes the SD card and writes a file "Sipar1.lst" to the SD card.

In case of a fault, the following message appears:

```
MMC operation  
!!!failed!!!
```

## 11.2 Removing the SD Card

To ensure that all log data is saved upon deactivation, write all data not yet saved from the buffer to the SD card by using the parameter "550.03 CardFunc" with the option "ForcedWrite".



### Data loss

If you remove the SD card without first activating the parameter "550.03 CardFunc", you lose up to a maximum of 15 minutes of data.

## 11.3 Saving and Loading Parameters

You can configure and use various settings with various parameters, this means winter and summer. This parameter sets are known as Set 1 and Set 2. Using the "550.01 ParaSto" parameter, you can save the current parameter settings and using the "550.02 ParaLoD" parameter, you can load the saved parameters.



### Save settings

If the system is working optimally, it is a good idea to save these settings. This is especially useful if you try out new settings and then wish to reset the inverter back to the previous settings.

When saving the parameters, you have the following options:

- Set1 (save parameter set 1)
- Set2 (save parameter set 2)

When loading the parameters, you have the following options:

- Set1 (load parameter set 1)
- Set2 (load parameter set 2)
- Factory (load the factory settings (reset))



### SD card write protection

The write protection function of SD cards (plastic sliding clip on the left side) is not supported by the Sunny Island. You should take note of this when writing data to your card.

## 11.4 Writing Log Data

Using the "550.04 DatLogEna" parameter, you can activate the function for writing log data to your SD card (activated by default).

If the Sunny Island is writing data to the SD card, removing the card is prohibited and the following message appears on the display.

Do not remove  
MMC/SD card ...

## 11.5 Status Messages

Using the "312.07 CardStt" parameter, you can request the status of your SD card:

Display	Description
07# CardStt Off	The SD card is deactivated.
07# CardStt Operational	The SD card is activated.
07# CardStt Out of Space	The memory capacity of your SD card has been exceeded.
07# CardStt Bad File Sys	The SD card has an invalid file format.
07# CardStt InCOMP	The SD card is not compatible.
07# CardStt Parameter	Your Sunny Island is loading parameters from the SD card.
07# CardStt Param Failed	Loading parameters from SD card has failed.
07# CardStt Mount	The SD card is being accessed.
07# CardStt Write Log Data	The Sunny Island is writing log data onto the SD card.

## 11.6 Updating the firmware

The firmware of the Sunny Island can be updated using the SD card. When the Sunny Island starts up or when the SD card is inserted, the Sunny Island searches for special update files on the SD card. If it finds files containing new firmware versions, it performs an update when the Sunny Island is in standby mode.



### Duration of the firmware update

The update for 1-phase systems takes approximately 5 minutes.

For system configurations with more than one Sunny Island, the software update can take up to 20 minutes.

A status bar shows the progress of the update. Leave the SD card in the Sunny Island until the update is finished. During the update process, leave the DC disconnecter to the "On" position.

Proceed as follows for a firmware update:



### Take note of:

- You may only download firmware versions from [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com). Using unauthorized firmware versions cancels the warranty.
- None of the already-existing parameter settings are changed or erased during a firmware update.
- New parameters are assumed with default values.
- If there is an update to the firmware version greater or equal to 6 000, the battery management is automatically reset. All set parameters are lost.
- Do not activate the DC miniature circuit-breaker during the firmware update.
- Do not switch off the Sunny Island during the firmware update.

1. Create a backup copy of the existing parameter lists (see section 11.3 "Saving and Loading Parameters" (page 97)).
2. Download the latest firmware version from the Internet at [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com).
3. Copy the "UPDATE.BIN" file onto the SD card.
4. Set the master device to standby.
5. Insert the SD card in the master's slot.
  - The update is carried out.



### Reset after a successful update

After the update has been successfully completed a reset is enforced in order for the changes to become effective. After the reset, the master device remains in standby mode.

6. Press and hold <ENTER>.
  - The Sunny Island starts. The update is carried out.



### Starting QCG

If you have carried out a firmware update in which the number before the dot in the firmware version has changed, it is advisable to start QCG and to perform all settings anew.

### Firmware Update in a System with One Sunny Island

During the update, the Sunny Island displays the following messages.

```
Start update
Please wait
```

```
Update 1/2
```

```
Update 2/2
```

```
Load parameter
```

```
STNDBY: To Start
INV hold <ENTER>
```

### Firmware Update in a System with Several Sunny Island

In a system with several Sunny Island inverters, the firmware is only updated on the master. If the master detects that a slave has a different firmware version, it transmits its firmware to the slave and makes sure that all Sunny Island inverters within a system operate with the identical firmware version.

While the master updates the slaves, the devices show the following messages, among other things. The display messages listed below may be shown at various lengths. Wait until the master displays the message "Update finished. Press Enter" and the slaves display the message "Ready. Wait for Master." Do not make any entries during the update.

Display message	Display from	Explanation
Start update Please wait	Master	The master update starts.
Update 1/2 erase	Master	Master update part 1/2.
Update 1/2 erase	Master	Master update part 2/2.
:		
Start update Please wait	Master	The slave update starts.
:		
Updating Slaves	Master	The slave update is running.
:		
Update finished Press Enter	Master	The master update is completed.
:		
Ready Wait for Master	Slave	The slave update is completed.



**Parameters and settings**

Individual parameters and settings are retained during a firmware update.



**Switching on a slave with a different firmware version**

If a slave with a different firmware version is connected, first stop the master. Stop all slaves. Then restart the master. The slaves start automatically and the master performs a firmware update.

## 12 Additional Functions

### 12.1 Load Shedding

If, over an extended period, the loads connected to the Sunny Island use more energy than that which the generators connected produce, the battery can deeply discharge. The Sunny Island shuts down automatically if the state of charge of the battery is too low. This way, the Sunny Island avoids the deep discharge of the battery. Due to the Sunny Island's automatic shutdown, the loads are not supplied with current and the generators connected to the Sunny Island cannot charge the battery.

In stand-alone grid systems in which generators are connected directly via DC/DC converters, these generators charge the battery, even if the Sunny Island automatically shuts down. When the battery reaches a particular state of charge, the Sunny Island can carry out an automatic restart after the automatic shutdown. After the automatic restart, the generators connected to the Sunny Island can also charge the battery.

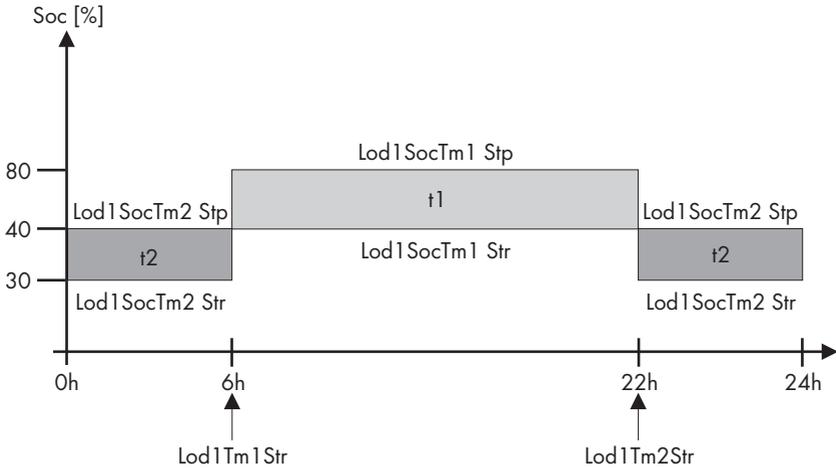
You can prevent the Sunny Island from automatically shutting down by installing a power contactor for load shedding. The power contactor automatically switches off the loads in the stand-alone system when the battery charge level is low. The Sunny Island continues operating and can charge the battery.

Install an external (AC or DC) power contactor between the Sunny Island and the loads (see also section 21 "Accessories" (page 220)).

#### NOTICE

Rapid battery electric discharge in the event of missing load shedding. Premature failing of the off-grid system.

- Install an external load shedding contactor as soon as the off-grid system on the AC generating side is coupled to PV arrays or wind generators.
- If there is overloading due to low energy production or very high energy consumption, you must be able to switch off consumers.
- Always switch off the consumers, never the energy generators (e.g., Sunny Boy).



The figure shows an example of the settings if the load shedding function at night is to be avoided as much as possible. From 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. the load shedding is activated for a state of charge (SOC) of 40%, at nighttime (from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.), however, the state of charge of the battery is allowed to go down to 30% before the load shedding contactor is activated.

The load shedding function can be assigned a total of two times. Thus in the above listed parameters the part "Lod1" (see Parameter 242.01 "Lod1SocTm1Str" - "242.06 Lod1Tm2Str") for the first assigned function, the part "Lod2" (see Parameter 242.07 "Lod2SocTm1Str" - 242.12 "Lod2Tm2Str") for a second, identical function. These two battery state-dependant load-shedding functions allow a step by step load shedding where different load groups with different SOC values can be defined with different priorities.

Define the time intervals t1 and t2:

- Starting time t1: with the "242.05 Lod1Tm1Str" parameter, set the start time for t1 (and with it the end of t2).
- Starting time t2: with the "242.06 Lod1Tm2Str" parameter, set the start time for t2 (and with it the end of t1).
- If the time intervals t1 (Lod1Tm1Str) and t2 (Lod1Tm2Str) are consistent with one another, only t1 will be activated.

Set the battery state of charge at which the time interval t1 or t2 will start/stop:

- The battery state of charge during the t1 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the load-shedding function being started: Parameter "242.01 Lod1SocTm1Str"
- The battery state of charge during the t1 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the load-shedding function being stopped: Parameter "242.02 Lod1SocTm1Stp"
- The battery state of charge during the t2 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the load-shedding function being started: Parameter "242.03 Lod1SocTm2Str"
- The battery state of charge during the t2 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the load-shedding function being stopped: Parameter "242.04 Lod1SocTm2Stp"

## 12.2 Sleep mode

Using the "250.10 SleepEna" parameter set to "Enable" allows the sleep mode to be activated in 1-phase grids, which the master uses to switch off the slaves when the power value allows this.



### Sleep mode

The "Sleep Mode" works exclusively in stand-alone grid operation! The values for connection and disconnection of the Sunny Island are already set at the factory (optimized in terms of efficiency).

## 12.3 Time-Controlled Operation

The Sunny Island can be operated in a time-controlled manner using a timer function (like a clock timer), supplying power at a planned point in time.

To do this, this function must be activated by using the "510.02 InvTmOpEna" parameter. Using the "510.03 InvTmOpStrDt" parameter, you can specify the starting date, and using the "510.04 InvTmOpStrTm", you specify the starting time. With the parameter "510.05 InvTmOpRnDur", you set the running time and with the parameter "510.06 InvTmOpCyc", you determine whether this function will be carried out once, every day or weekly, at or from the specified start time (date and time).

## 12.4 Overload and Short-Circuit Behavior

The Sunny Island can be temporarily operated under overload conditions. It can also supply short-circuit currents.

In the event of overload the Sunny Island 4548-US supplies a power of 5 300 W for 30 minutes at 77°F (25°C) and the Sunny Island 6048-US a power of 7 000 W. Both Sunny Islands can deliver a power of 7 200 W for 5 minutes at 77°F (25°C). The available power can even reach 8 400 W for 1 minute at 77°F (25°C).

In the event of a short-circuit the Sunny Island provides a maximum current of 180 A (for 60 ms). This is sufficient to trigger commercial 20 A miniature circuit-breakers.

## 12.5 Mixed operation with Sunny Islands of different powers

The Sunny Islands 4548-US, 6048-US and 5048U can be operated in an off-grid system together. Each Sunny Island makes its contribution to cover the current power requirements of the consumer. This contribution is made up of the ratio of the nominal power of each Sunny Island to the overall power of all Sunny Islands.

If an SI 5048U is installed in an off-grid system configure the SI 5048U as slave or equip with the latest firmware (see [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com)).

## Double Split-Phase System

In a double split-phase system, each phase must be fitted with Sunny Islands of the same type (e.g. 2 Sunny Island 6048-US).

## 12.6 Device Faults and Autostart

If a critical fault occurs, the Sunny Island automatically shuts down and displays the reason on the display. If the autostart function is activated ("250.01 AutoStr" parameter) the Sunny Island can confirm the failure automatically and restart on its own. If the failure persists, the Sunny Island cannot be started.



### Automatic start meter

If the autostart meter has counted down to 0, the Sunny Island waits for 10 minutes before attempting to restart automatically.



### Displaying messages

Messages can be displayed at any time while the device is in operation and they have priority over the "Home Screen" display.

## 12.7 Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)

Clocks that depend on the stability of the grid frequency for their accuracy become increasingly inaccurate when there are constant frequency deviations. Frequency fluctuations, i.e., deviations from the nominal frequency occur, for example, in stand-alone grid systems that operate with a diesel generator.

The "Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)" (German: AFRA) function of the Sunny Island allows the use of clocks in these types of off-grid power systems. This function is activated using the "250.11 AfraEna" parameter.

The time deviation is compensated on average.



### Quartz-controlled clock in the Sunny Island

The internal clock in the Sunny Island is quartz-controlled and thus operates correctly (within the tolerance limits). The adjustment refers to externally connected clocks that depend on the grid frequency.

## 12.8 Time-Controlled Standby

You can set the Sunny Island to standby mode in a time-controlled way. Activate the time-controlled standby using the parameter "250.13 SlpAtNgf". Set the parameter to "Enable".

After activation, set the start time and the stop time for standby. Carry out the setting using the "250.14 SlpStrTm" and "250.15 SlpStpTm" parameters.

## 12.9 Behavior in the event of a fault in a 3-phase system

You can influence how the Sunny Island reacts to failures occurring in a 3-phase system using the "250.30 RnMod" parameter. The parameter is set to "RunAlways" at the factory. This means that the Sunny Island master ignores all faults at the slave devices.

If you set the parameter to "StopAlways", the system will be put in standby mode upon detection of a fault at the slave devices. Faults which can be removed via an autostart are not included.

## 13 Battery Management

The battery management of the Sunny Island supports the following battery types ("221.01 BatTyp" parameter):

<b>FLA</b>	<b>Flooded Lead Acid:</b> Closed lead acid batteries with liquid electrolyte in all standard designs available on the market (grid plate, tubular plate, small, large, etc.).
<b>VRLA</b>	<b>Valve Regulated Lead Acid:</b> Closed lead acid batteries with immobilized electrolyte in gel or AGM (Absorbent Glass Mat Separator) in all standard designs available on the market (grid plate, tubular plate, small, large, AGM, Gel, etc.)
<b>NiCd</b>	<b>Nickel Cadmium:</b> Sealed pocket-type plate or fiber plate nickel-cadmium batteries.

The battery capacity ("221.02 BatCpyNom" parameter) is to be entered as the nominal capacity for a 20 hour discharge (C20). If this information is not available from the battery manufacturer's data sheet, it can be calculated from the data for different discharge times (120 h, 100 h, 20 h, 5 h, 1 h) in the following manner:

C20	C120/1.18	C20	C10/0.92
C20	C100/1.15	C20	C5/0.81
C20	C20	C20	C1/0.57

The Sunny Island is designed and preset for a nominal battery voltage ("221.03 BatVtgNom" parameter) of 48 V (24 cells for every 2 V) with lead acid batteries (FLA and VRLA) and 45.6 V (38 cells for every 1.2 V) with nickel cadmium batteries.



If individual battery cells fail over several years of continuous operation, the nominal voltage can be set in the range from 42 V to 48 V. Up to three individual cells can be removed and the plant can still continue to operate.

### 13.1 Battery Temperature

The Sunny Island continuously monitors the battery temperature using the battery temperature sensor provided. At 9°F (5°C) below the maximal temperature allowed (set using the parameter "221.04 BatTmpMax"), a warning is displayed. If the maximum value for the battery temperature is exceeded, the Sunny Island switches off.

A warning is given if the value for lead-acid batteries falls below 14°F (-10°C) and below -4°F (-20°C) for NiCd batteries.

The battery temperature is taken into consideration when the charging voltage is calculated (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109)).

**NOTICE**

Destruction of the battery through deep discharge.

If the battery temperature sensor is defective or missing, the Sunny Island continues to run, assuming a battery temperature of 104°F (40°C). This can lead to a deep discharge of the battery in the long run.

- Observe the corresponding warnings of the Sunny Island.
- Connect the battery temperature sensor.
- Replace the defective battery temperature sensor.

## 13.2 Start Options

If the battery is replaced in a plant, the battery management system must be restarted and reconfigured. This can be done using the "Quick Configuration Guide QCG" (see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67)).

## 13.3 State of Charge (SOC) and State of Health (SOH)

The Sunny Island has a very precise internal state of charge calculation (display value "120.01 BatSoc"). The procedure for calculating the state of charge is based on balancing the ampere hours. This means that all currents flowing in and out of the battery are accumulated and referred to the nominal capacity. In order to take into consideration faults caused by self-discharge and charging losses caused by gassing, these losses are already internally extracted. Unlike other operations, no fixed charging factor must be set.

When the full charge states are reached, the battery state of charge is reset to values of 90%, 95% or 100%, depending on how full battery was actually charged. If default settings are not changed, a state of charge of 90% after boost charge, 95% after full charge and 100% after equalization charge is reached.

Since full charge states are generally only rarely achieved during a grid failure, the operation used here can also utilize the battery voltage during constant discharge phases with low discharge currents to recalibrate the state of charge. Compared to the ampere-hour balancing method, the operation used here exhibits a high level of stability over the long term when recalibrated at regular intervals.

Both the ampere-hour balancing method and the recalibration procedure, which is performed via the voltage, automatically adjust to the connected battery over time (depends on the number of grid failures).

The estimated state of charge error (display value "120.11 BatSocErr") will provide you with continuous information on the accuracy of the battery state of charge currently calculated. The average error will continuously diminish as the adjustment to the actual battery state of charge increasingly improves.

Only when the battery is new does its usable capacity correspond to the capacity specified by the battery manufacturer. As the battery ages and as a result of frequent insufficient charging, the battery's usable capacity may decrease considerably on a permanent or only temporary basis.

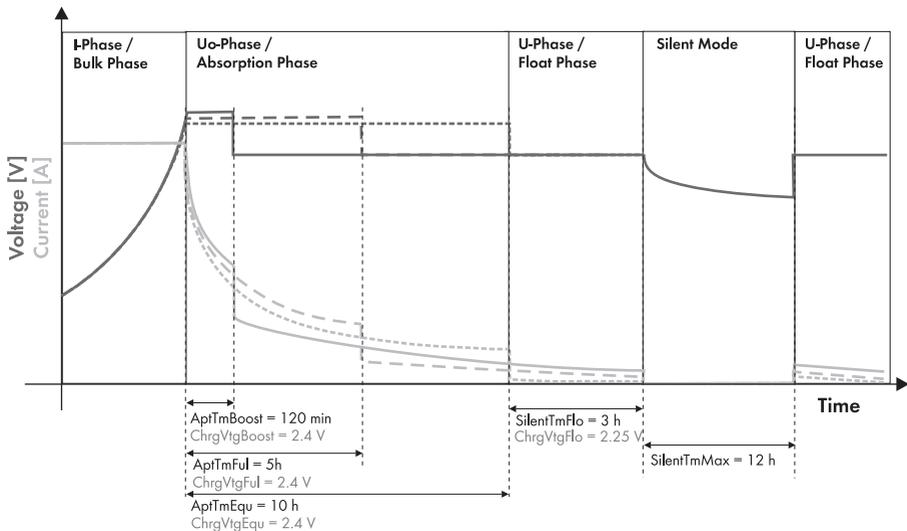
The battery's state of health (display value "320.01 Soh") is a measurement of the present useable capacity expressed as a percentage relative to the nominal capacity. 100% means that the entire nominal capacity can be used. 50% means that only half of the original nominal battery capacity can be used. The battery's state of health is also calculated by means of a self-adapting method which, however, can only produce good and exact values after a number of charging cycles.

The present capacity for the Sunny Island is automatically adjusted downwards for temperatures  $< 68^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), since the usable capacity of batteries is significantly reduced at temperatures below the nominal temperature.

In case of lead acid batteries, the nominal capacity is adjusted by a fixed factor of  $-0.6\% / ^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-1\% / ^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). For NiCd batteries a factor of  $-0.4\% / ^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-0.75\% / ^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is used.

## 13.4 Charge Control

The Sunny Island uses a 3-phase charge control, using the IUoU procedure. When operating with the power distribution grid, a fourth level, Silent Mode, is optionally available.

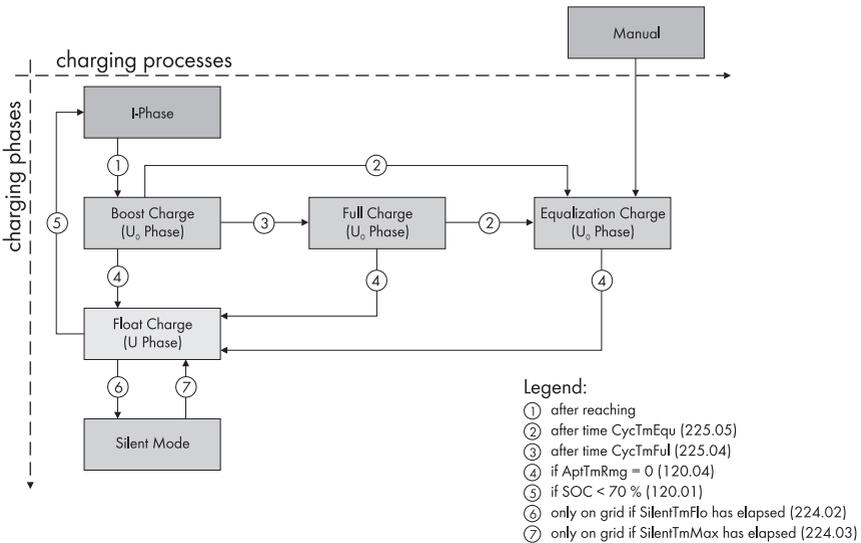


The I stands for the constant current phase (I phase). In this phase, the charging is limited by the maximum defined battery current (parameter "222.01 BatChrgCurMax"), the nominal generator current (parameter "234.03 GnCurNom"), the nominal grid current (parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") or the maximum AC charging current of the Sunny Island (parameter "210.02 InvChrgCurMax"). The respective value reached first is the limiting value. During this phase, the battery voltage increases as the battery is charged.

Once the battery voltage reaches the predefined value for the second phase  $U_0$  ("222.07 – 222.09", ChrgVtgBoost or ChrgVtgFul or ChrgVtgEqu parameters), the constant voltage charging (absorption phase) begins.

In this phase, the battery voltage is maintained at a constant level, resulting in a continually decreasing battery current. The Sunny Island remains in this phase for a defined period of time ("222.02 – 222.04", APTmBoost or APTmFul or APTmEqu" parameters). For this charging phase, the Sunny Island automatically selects one of three possible charging methods (boost, full, equalizing) which are described in detail in sections 13.4.1 "Boost Charge" (page 111) to 13.4.3 "Equalization Charge" (page 112). The remaining charging time (display value "120.04 APTmRmg") of this phase and the actual process (display value "120.05 BatChrgOp") can be read on the display.

The following figure shows the relationship and the process diagram of the charging phases and charging processes.



Once this constant voltage phase is finished, the Sunny Island switches to maintenance charge which again carries out constant voltage charging but at a greatly reduced charging voltage ("222.10 ChrgVtgFlo" parameter). The purpose of the maintenance charge is to keep the battery in a fully charged state without causing premature aging through overcharging. The Sunny Island remains in this phase until either more than 30% of the nominal capacity has been used (all discharges are added up) or the state of charge is below 70%. When the Sunny Island is operating on the power distribution grid, it can also switch from maintenance charge into silent mode.

**i Changing the charging voltage**

The charging voltage does not change erratically. Instead, it slowly changes to the new setpoint at a rate of approximately 0.5mV/cell\*s when switching from constant voltage charging to maintenance charge. This also happens if the setpoint is set manually.

The charging capability of batteries is highly dependent on the battery temperature. For temperatures  $<77^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), the charging voltage must be slightly increased, and for temperatures  $>77^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) it must be slightly decreased. This is necessary to prevent overcharging and deep discharge reliably at any battery temperature. For this reason, the Sunny Island is equipped with automatic temperature compensation of the charging voltage. The battery charging voltage is adjusted by:

- $2\text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $4\text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and cell, in the case of VLA and FRLA battery types
- $0\text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $0\text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), in the case of NiCd batteries

The temperature compensation value can be set using the parameter "222.11 BatTmpCps".

### 13.4.1 Boost Charge

The boost charge is the most common charging process of the Sunny Island. The boost charge ensures a high generator workload through a high charging voltage over a short period of time. With liquid FLA lead acid batteries, this charge process should be used for gassing and thus compensating the electrolytes. The boost charge process can charge the battery up to approx. 85% to 90%.

### 13.4.2 Full Charge

Every 14 days or 8 nominal charge throughputs, the Sunny Island automatically initiates a full charge (parameter "222.05 CycTmFul").



#### Nominal charge throughput

A nominal charge throughput is reached when the sum of the discharge currents corresponds to the nominal capacity of the battery.

Example: The battery has a nominal capacity of 100 Ah. A nominal charge throughput is reached when the battery has been discharged 10 times for 1 hour by 10 A.

The objective is to recharge the battery to a state of charge of at least 95% and rectify possible effects caused by an insufficient charge. Regular full charging approximately every 2 to 4 weeks can double the service life of the battery.



#### Change to a full charge

If the Sunny Island changes to full charge after a specific time of boost charge has elapsed, the entire time of boost charge elapsed is considered for the full charge.



#### More than 1% of the nominal battery capacity is discharged

If more than 1% of the battery's nominal capacity is discharged during a full charge, 50% of the time elapsed is considered for the next constant voltage phase.



#### External charging device

If an external charging device or charge controller is connected to the battery and the criteria for a full charge are fulfilled due to external charging, the Sunny Island treats this as if it had performed the full charge itself.



### Parallel procedures for full charge

Any parallel procedures causing the generator to stop during the full charging process are not taken into account until the charging process is completed.

## 13.4.3 Equalization Charge

A battery bank consists of many individual battery cells connected in series which all behave slightly different. Over time, this results in different charge levels in the individual cells. This can lead to premature failure, initially of individual cells, and finally to failure of the entire bank.

The Sunny Island can perform an equalization charge automatically every 180 days ("222.06 CycTmEqu" parameter) or every 30 nominal charge throughputs. During this process, it performs controlled overcharging of the battery bank to ensure that even the weaker cells are fully recharged. Equalization charging extends the battery service life by up to 50%. The automatic equalization charging function can also be deactivated ("222.12 AutoEquChrgEna" parameter, activated by default) or manually started ("520.01 ChrgSelMan" parameter).



### Change to an equalization charge

If the Sunny Island changes to equalization charge after a specific time of boost charging or full charging has elapsed, these times are completely considered for the equalization charge.



### More than 1% of the nominal battery capacity is discharged

If more than 1% of the battery's nominal capacity is discharged during an equalization charge, 50% of the time elapsed is considered for the next constant voltage phase.



### External charging device

If an external charger or charge controller is connected to the battery and the criteria for an equalization charge are fulfilled due to external charging, the Sunny Island treats this as if it had performed the equalization charge itself.

## 13.4.4 Manual equalization charge

The parameter "520.01 ChrgSelMan" activates the manual equalization charge on the Sunny Island. If a generator is connected to the system, it is automatically started and stopped once the equalization charge is completed.



### Carrying out the equalization charge

An equalization charge should be performed at least once a year. After a long period of time without charging, e. g., in the case of plants which are only operated seasonally, manual equalization charges are required at the end or at the beginning of the season.

### 13.4.5 Silent Mode

In addition to the maintenance charge, the silent mode can only be used ("224.01 SilentEna" parameter) when operating with the power distribution grid.

The main purpose of the silent mode is to save energy by switching from charge mode to standby mode in utility backup systems where the Sunny Island is predominantly in float charge.

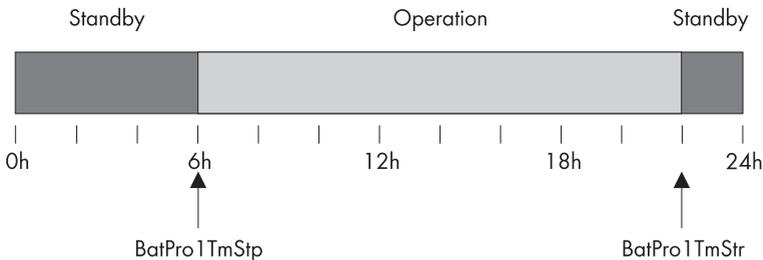
The silent mode is activated after the time set for maintenance charge ("224.02 SilentTmFlo" parameter) has expired. The Sunny Island remains in silent mode for a fixed time ("224.03 SilentTmMax" parameter) or until the battery voltage per cell is 0.14 V lower than the set voltage ("222.10 ChrgVtgFlo" parameter). This ensures that the battery is always fully charged, even in silent mode. If a grid failure is detected during silent mode, the Sunny Island makes a stand-alone grid available within 10 ms ... 30 ms.

### 13.5 Battery Preservation Mode

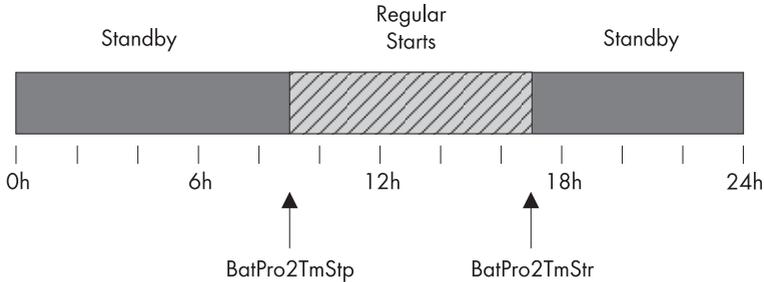
The Sunny Island has a sophisticated battery preservation mode. The battery preservation mode prevents deep discharge of the battery as far as possible when the energy supply is low, thus preventing a total system failure as well as damage to the battery.

The battery preservation mode has three levels that are activated as a result of the state of charge (when the charge falls below the respective limit, "223.05 BatPro1Soc", "223.06 BatPro2Soc" and "223.07 BatPro3Soc" parameter):

**Level 1:** The first level is used to switch the Sunny Island into standby mode at times when the energy is not necessarily required (e.g., at night). You define the start time using the "223.01 BatPro1TmStr" parameter and the stop time using the "223.02 BatPro1TmStp" parameter.



**Level 2:** The second level of the battery preservation mode ensures that the Sunny Island is started regularly every two hours only in the time period during which energy supply is expected, and that it attempts to charge the battery from the AC side. For PV plants, this is during the day. In this case, you define the start time using the parameter "223.03 BatPro2TmStr" and the stop time using the parameter "223.04 BatPro2TmStp" parameter.



**Level 3:** The third level ensures that the battery is protected from deep discharge and thus protected against damage. In this case, the Sunny Island is switched off completely. To start it, see section 9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 75).

At all three levels, the Sunny Island is stopped only if no battery charging current flows within 10 minutes (limit: 3 A charging current).

The limits for all three levels can be set independently from each other. This allows individual levels to be skipped.



**Parameter BatPro1 Soc < BatPro2Soc**

If the BatPro1 Soc parameter < BatPro2Soc, level 1 is skipped and only level 2 is carried out.

For level 1 and 2, a hysteresis of 5% of the SOC state of charge is designated for exiting this state.

**Battery preservation mode is not automatically exited if an external voltage source (grid reconnection/generator start) is present.**

The battery preservation mode can be exited by manually starting the Sunny Island. If, within 10 minutes (see above), charging current is detected, the Sunny Island continues to operate; otherwise, it switches off again.



In inverter operation the Sunny Island loads the battery by 25 W. If the device is in standby mode, only the on-board power supply, which requires approx. 4 W, is powered. This results in a saving of 21 W.

Using the conditions described in level 1 of the battery preservation mode for conversion purposes and assuming an operation time from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., this results in 336 Wh/day. This in turn corresponds to 7 Ah at 48 V and thus 210 Ah per month (30 days).

### 13.6 Battery Diagnostics

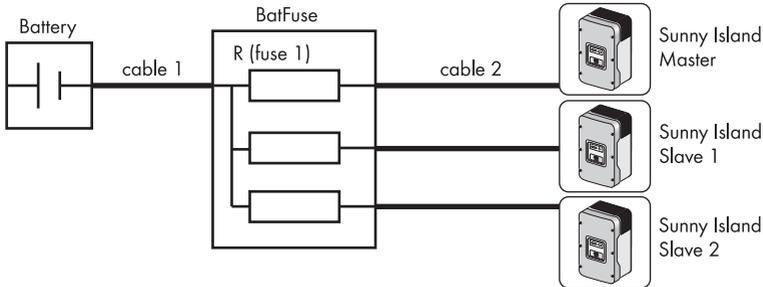
The "320# Battery Diagnosis" menu displays several values that provide information on the past operational behavior of the battery. These values are helpful in checking the efficiency of the set parameters and in viewing the typical operating conditions of the battery (see section 19.3 "Diagnosis (300#)" (page 190)).

## 13.7 Battery Lead Resistance

In menu "221 # Battery Property", you can specify the battery lead resistance (BatWirRes). The resistance is the ohmic resistance from the battery to the input of the Sunny Island master device. The default value of the parameter "221.06 BatWirRes" is 0 m  $\Omega$ .

The resistance is made up of the resistance of line 1 + fuse + resistance of line 2:

$$R = R(\text{line 1}) + R(\text{fuse 1}) + R(\text{line 2}).$$



The following applies:

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$\rho$  = specific resistance for copper  $\rho = 0.018 \frac{\Omega \text{ mm}^2}{\text{m}}$   
 $L$  = length of the line in m (1 m = 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>32</sub> ft.)  
 $A$  = cross-section area of the conductor in mm<sup>2</sup> (for conversion of cable sizes see page 42)



### Batfuse

R (resistance 1) at the Batfuse is approx. 1 m  $\Omega$ .

## 14 Connecting External Sources

The Sunny Island supports the integration of external energy sources. Here, a distinction is made between the integration of a generator and the integration of the power distribution grid.

Both the generator as well as the power distribution grid are integrated through the AC2 connection of the Sunny Island. A 1-phase, a split-phase and a 3-phase connection can be established. In the case of 1-phase parallel operation, the transfer relays are operated in parallel, making it possible to use a correspondingly larger current, which in turn allows for a generator or grid connections with a higher capacity



### Connecting in a 1-phase parallel system:

When installing parallel 1-phase systems, the connection cables for AC1 and AC2 of all Sunny Islands must have the same cable cross-sections and cable lengths.

The Sunny Island has separate parameters for the grid and generator. This generally allows both operating modes to be used without making additional adjustments. The parameter settings and display values distinguish between settings or values which are generator-specific or grid-specific and settings or values (EXT) common to both grid and generator.

### 14.1 Generator

The Sunny Island can start or stop a generator depending on consumer power or battery state of charge. In this case, diverse limits and times are taken into consideration (see section 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 122)).

#### Extended Generator Management

If necessary, the Sunny Island and generator supply consumers together. The total of the (nominal) power of both energy sources is available in the stand-alone grid.

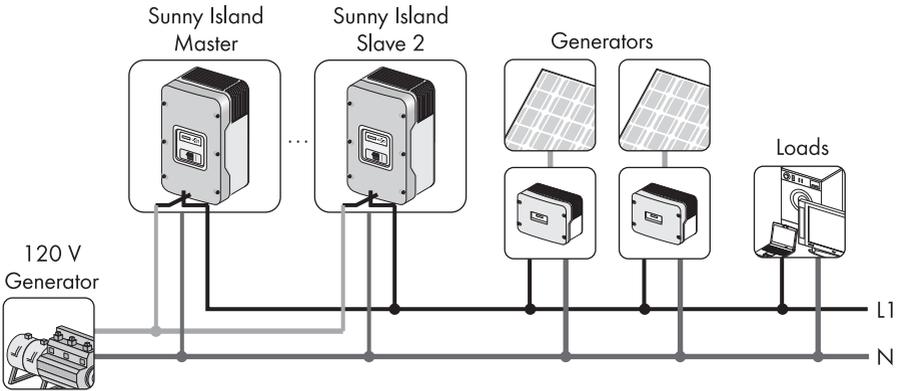
#### 14.1.1 Connecting in Parallel

In the case of Sunny Islands connected in parallel which operate on the same phase and in the same cluster, the internal transfer relay is activated simultaneously. It is thus possible to multiply the generator current and therefore to connect a larger generator or a higher grid current.

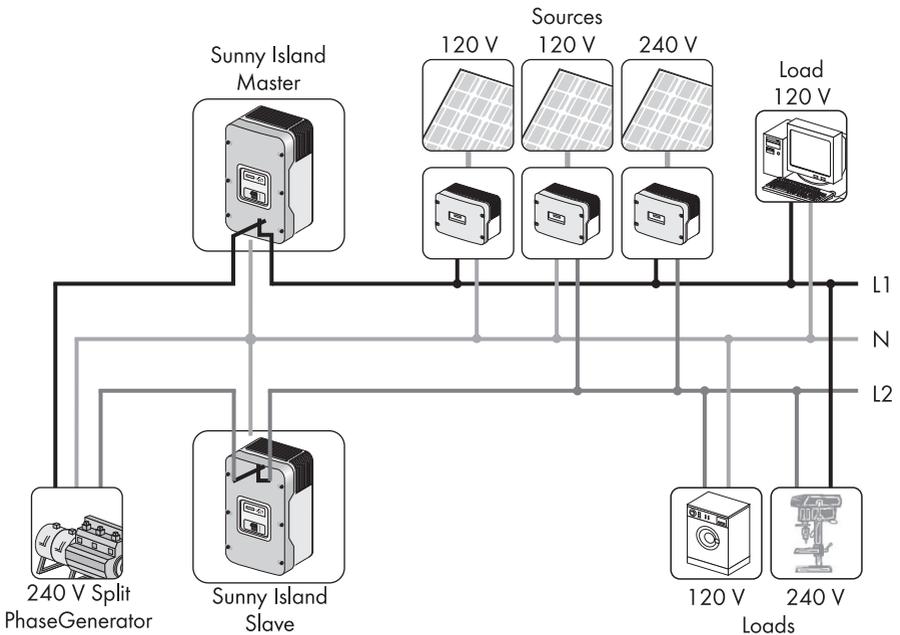
The maximum current in the system is limited to 150 A:

Maximum number of Sunny Island	Maximum current
1 Sunny Island	56 A
2 Sunny Island	112 A
3 Sunny Island	150 A

### Sunny Island parallel connected to a 120 V generator



### Sunny Island in the split-phase system to a 240 V generator



Generally the internal transfer relays of the slaves close only if the internal relay of the master is closed.

Plants with master and slave unit on one battery (cluster operation) will keep on working if one slave fails. If the master fails, the whole cluster stops its operation.



### Cable lengths and cross-sections

Use the same cable lengths and cable cross-sections when installing the Sunny Island with the generator.

## 14.1.2 Generator Start Options

The Sunny Island supports the following options for starting the generator which can be set in standby mode with the "234.07 GnStrMod" parameter:

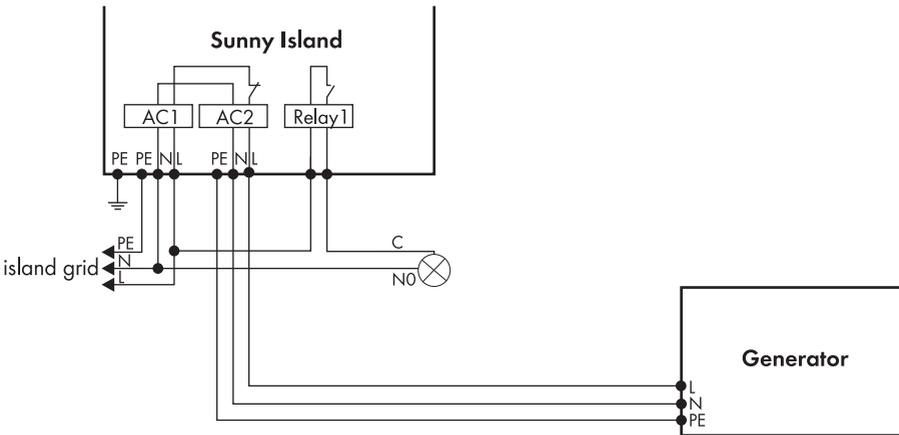
- Manual
- Autostart

### Manual (Manual Generator Start)

This setting is for generators that do not have an electrical remote starting option and, for example, are started using cable winches or cranks, or similarly.

In this case, the Sunny Island does not have the option of starting the generator. It only monitors the generator input (AC2). If, while monitoring the input, the device detects that the generator voltage and frequency are within the set limits (see 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 125)), the device is synchronized and connected following the warm-up time.

The following figure shows the wiring for a generator that cannot be started remotely:



The generator is also always switched off manually. The Sunny Island then automatically switches to operation without generator.



### GenReq signal

The GnReq signal (see 15 "Relays" (page 139)) is set for signaling the generator request and can thus be used as an alarm contact (in this case: a bulb). If no request is pending, the signal is reset.

If an internal request is sent while the generator is already running, the signal is disabled until the generator is externally stopped and the stop time has expired (30 seconds).



### Disconnect generator

A disconnect should be positioned between the Sunny Island and the generator. If the generator is to be stopped, it is first manually disconnected using the disconnect and then it is stopped. This prevents actuation of the generator by the Sunny Island.

## Autostart

This allows autostart generators to be directly integrated. They have a separate internal controller that controls the start procedure.

The Sunny Island requests the generator via the GnReq signal. If the generator voltage and frequency are within the set limits (see section 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 125)), the device is synchronized and connected following the warm up time.

The Sunny Island keeps the request signal active until a disconnection is made and the set follow-up time has expired.



### After-run

Autostart generators can have an internal after-run cycle that is only activated when the request has been disabled. This can extend the follow-up time accordingly.

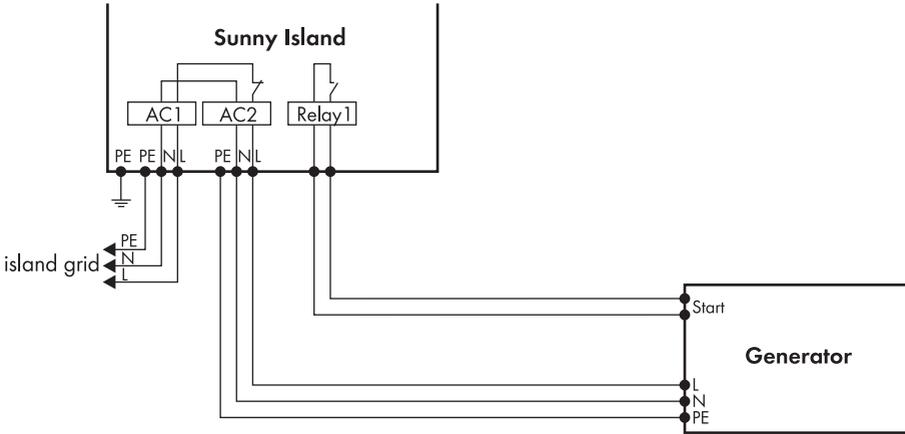


### Internal warm-up phase

With some generator types, the voltage is only switched to the output after the internal warm-up phase is finished. Therefore the time of the generator activation sequence is monitored internally:

- **$2 \times "234.12 \text{ GnWarmTm}" + 2 \text{ minutes for manual and automatic start}$**

The following figure shows the wiring for a generator capable of autostart:



If the generator is started manually in this operating mode, the Sunny Island detects the running generator and connects it once the warm-up time has expired. If the generator is externally stopped, this is detected, the generator is disconnected and the stand-alone grid system is continued to be supplied.



**PV array request**

If the generator is running after being externally started and a generator request occurs, the GnReq signal is disabled until the generator is externally stopped again and the stop time has expired.

### 14.1.3 Generator Operation

The Sunny Island allows automatic operation (depending on state of charge or load) (see 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 122)). In addition, manual operation is also possible.

### 14.1.4 Manual Generator Operation

The manual operating modes for the generator management are tripped using the "540.01 GnManStr" parameter. Here, a distinction is made between the following operating modes:

- Auto:** In this operating mode, the generator is automatically started due to the settings. This includes the start via the state of charge or the consumer power or by the request for a manual equalization charge. ("520.01 ChrgSelMan" = Start).
- Stop:** The generator is manually stopped. The current generator request is canceled – immediate disconnection from generator and change to lock state. Once the lockout time has ended, the generator switches into automatic operation.

**Start:** Manual generator start – the generator runs "continuously" until stopped. The generator can only be manually stopped.

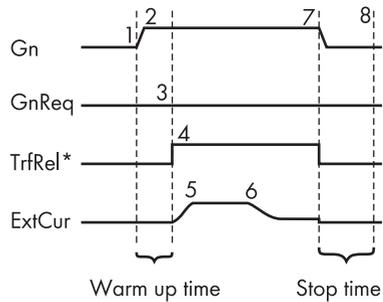
**Run1h:** Operation for one hour. Once the lockout time has expired, the transition back into automatic mode follows.

An equalization charge can be manually started using the "520.01 ChrgSelMan" parameter. This sets the battery management (see 13 "Battery Management" (page 107)) in the equalization charge state and the generator is requested. This request persists until equalization charge has been completed.

The following process diagrams provide an overview of the start/stop behavior of the Sunny Island during manual generator operation:

**Generator Interface "234.07 GnStrMod" = Manual; Start at the Generator**

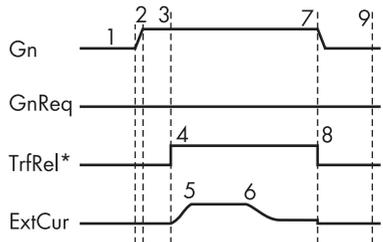
- 1 Manual generator start
- 2 "Generator is running" detected, beginning of warm up phase
- 3 Internal generator request is ignored
- 4 Warm-up phase is completed, generator is connected
- 5 Generator current limit
- 6 Current is reduced, battery absorption phase
- 7 Manual generator stop, disconnection of the generator
- 8 Minimum stop time has expired



\* Transfer relay

**Generator Interface "234.07 GnStrMod" = Autostart; Start at the Generator**

- 1 Manual generator start
- 2 "Generator is running" detected, beginning of warm up phase
- 3 Warm-up phase completed
- 4 Generator is connected
- 5 Generator current limit
- 6 Current is reduced, battery absorption phase
- 7 Manual generator stop, disconnection of the generator
- 8 Generator is disconnected, beginning of stop time
- 9 End of stop time



\* Transfer relay

## 14.1.5 Automatic Generator Operation

In automatic operating mode ("235.01 GnAutoEna" parameter), the Sunny Island automatically defines the settings (depending on battery state of charge or load) as to when the generator starts and how long it runs. The automatic operating mode is activated using GnAutoEna = On (default). If GnAutoEna = Off, the automatic operating mode is deactivated.

In addition, the user can also manually start and stop the generator, if required.

### Charge State Dependent Start



The Sunny Island changes to the operating mode "Stop/Lock" when stopped manually during automatic operation.

- Manual inputs on the Sunny Island have a higher priority than automatic operation.
- If the Sunny Island is manually stopped while the automatic operating mode is activated, it switches to stop/lock operating mode.
- If Generator Automatic Start is activated and the conditions for automatic operation are met, the Sunny Island changes back into the Start operating mode after lock time (or manual acknowledgment with the "540.02 GnAck" parameter).

The time periods t1 and t2 are defined using the "235.07 GnTm1Str" and "235.08 GnTm2Str" parameters. The start time for t1 (and thus the end of t2) is defined using GnTm1Str, and the start time for t2 (end of t1) is defined using GnTm2Str.

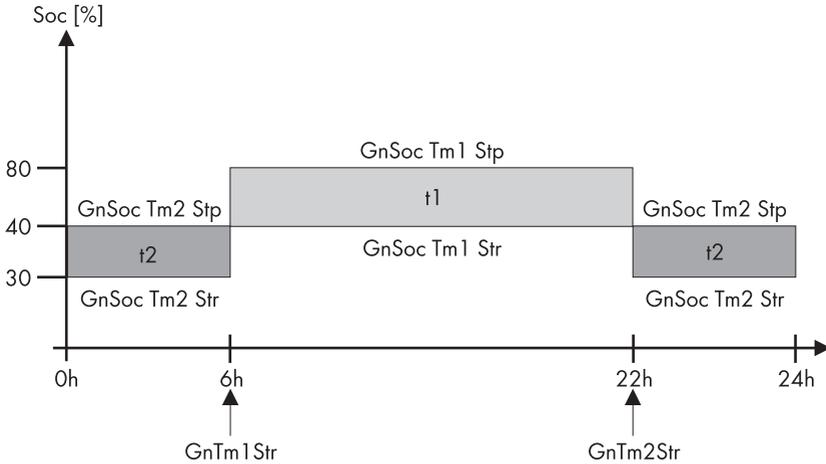


#### **GnTm1Str = GnTm2Str**

If GnTm1Str = GnTm2Str, only t1 is activated!

The time intervals t1 and t2 are assigned charge states for start-up and stop with the "235.03 GnSocTm1Str", "235.04 GnSocTm1Stp", "235.05 GnSocTm2Str" and "235.06 GnSocTm2Stp" parameters. GnSocTm1Str designates the battery state of charge at which the generator is started during the t1 time and GnSocTm1Stp designates the state of charge at which the generator is switched off during t1. The GnSocTm2Str and GnSocTm2Stp parameters are similarly defined during the time t2.

The following figure shows an example of the settings if operation of the generator at night is to be avoided as much as possible. From 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. the generator is activated at a state of charge (SOC) of 40%, at night (from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.), however, the state of charge of the battery is allowed to drop to 30% before the diesel generator is activated.



**Reaching the float charging process**

If the float charging process (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109)) is activated before the cutoff limit (GnSocTm1Stp or GnSocTm2Stp) is reached, the generator request is disabled again. If a full or equalization charge is active, the generator is only stopped after this charge is completed and not when "235.04 GnSocTm1Stp" or "235.06 GnSocTm2Stp" is reached.

**Load-Dependent Start**

In case increased energy demands arise, the generator can be requested for support. This function can be switched on or off (default) using the "235.09 GnPwrEna" parameter. The function is only effective if the "235.01 GnAutoEna" parameter is simultaneously set to On.

The load limit for the request and the generator stop is configured using the "235.10 GnPwrStr" and "235.11 GnPwrStp" parameters. The average time by which an average value for the consumer power is calculated can be set using "235.12 GnPwrAvgTm". This prevents temporary power consumption peaks of a few seconds from causing a power-dependent generator start.

If the generator has been started due to the load, it runs according to the minimum generator run time. If, once this time has expired, the average power is below the cutoff limit, the generator is stopped again.



**Multi-phase System**

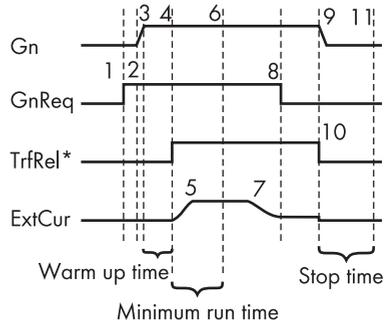
Only the total consumer power of all phases is monitored. Individual phases in a multi-phase system are not monitored.

The consumer power is calculated using the inverter power ("111.01 TotInvPwrAt" parameter) and generator power ("131.01 TotExtPwrAt" parameter).

The following process diagrams provide an overview of the start/stop behavior of the Sunny Island during automatic generator operation:

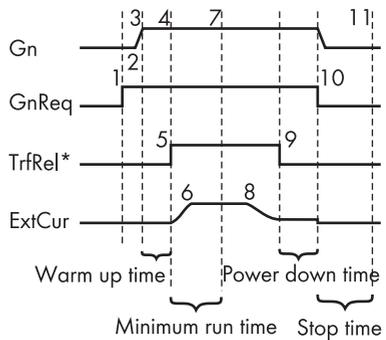
**Generator Interface "234.07 GnSrtMod" = Manual; Request Via Sunny Island**

- 1 Generator is requested via Sunny Island
- 2 Manual generator start
- 3 "Generator is running" detected, beginning of warm up phase
- 4 Warm-up phase is completed, connection
- 5 Generator current limit
- 6 Minimum run time has expired
- 7 Current is reduced, battery absorption phase
- 8 Charging process is completed, request signal is disabled
- 9 Manual PV array stop
- 10 Generator is disconnected
- 11 Stop time has expired



**Generator Interface "234.07 GnSrtMod" = Autostart; Request Via Sunny Island**

- 1 Generator started by Sunny Island
- 2 Generator start
- 3 Beginning of warm up time
- 4 Warm-up time has expired
- 5 Generator is connected
- 6 Current limit
- 7 Minimum running time is expired
- 8 Current is reduced, battery absorption phase
- 9 Charging process is completed, generator disconnection
- 10 Generator follow-up time expired, generator disconnection
- 11 Stop time has expired



**Power-Dependent Generator Start**

Warm up times, minimum run times and follow-up times are also maintained for power dependent generator starts.

## 14.1.6 Limits and Power Adjustment

The voltage limits can be set using the "234.01 GnVtgMin" and "234.02 GnVtgMax" parameters and the frequency limits for generator operation can be set using the "234.05 GnFrqMin" and "234.06 GnFrqMax" parameters. If the values are outside these permitted limits, the generator is disconnected. Slightly narrower limits apply to generator connection.



### System voltage (AC)

The system voltage (AC) depends on the generator voltage when the generator is running.

The voltage and frequency limits are monitored in phases. At least the phase on the master device must comply with the limits defined for connecting the generator. If the limits are not maintained, slave devices, where applicable, connect or disconnect individually.



### Generator disconnection by the master

If the master device disconnects the generator, all slave devices are disconnected as well.



### Generator disconnection by a slave

If a slave device is disconnected from a generator (and the master continues to be connected to the generator), the slave device can reconnect once the voltage and frequency are within the valid range again.

In this case, a monitoring period is running. Only after the time for the "234.12 GnWarmTm" parameter has expired and after voltage and frequency are determined to be valid does reconnection take place.

The Sunny Island burdens the generator at each phase with the current defined in the parameter "234.03 GnCurNom" as a maximum. The power that is not directly used by the consumers flows into the battery for charging. At the same time, the limits for the AC charging current limit ("210.02 InvChrgCurMax" parameter) on the Sunny Island and the DC charging current limit ("222.01 BatChrgCurMax" parameter) are active.

Low values for this limit may be the reason why the defined generator current cannot be adjusted. If the battery voltage reaches the charging voltage target value, it is also reduced (absorption phase, see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109)).



### Value for "234.03 GnCurNom" parameter

A sensible value for the "234.03 GnCurNom" parameter is approximately 80% of the maximum generator current for each phase.

If the "234.15 GnCtlMod" parameter is set to CurFrq, the generator is also limited at frequencies lower than the nominal frequency ("234.04 GnFrqNom" parameter). This function can be used if the full generator output is not always available and you want to prevent the generator from being overloaded. The default setting is only intended to control the nominal generator current.

If the current set using the "234.03 GnCurNom" parameter is not sufficient for powering the loads, the battery provides support ("real generator support").

The Sunny Island provides all the required reactive power.

## 14.1.7 Run Times

If the generator is started (or the Sunny Island detects an external generator start), the warm up phase starts. If, during this time, the voltage or frequency detected is not within the permissible range, the warm-up time begins again.

If the generator cannot be connected at the GenMan within twice the time set at "234.12 GnWarmTm" + 2 minutes, the connection process is canceled and a new attempt is made. After three attempts, the system changes to error state (Fail "GnNoSync").

If the generator has been connected, the minimum run time begins ("233.08 GnOpTmMin" parameter). The generator remains connected during this time, even if in the meantime the generator request is no longer pending.

If the minimum run time has ended and a generator request is no longer present, the generator disconnects and enters the after-run phase (Cool). If this power-down phase is completed after the "234.10 GnCoolTm" time, the generator is stopped.

If a generator fault (e.g., generator failure) is detected, the generator is also disconnected and then stopped immediately. In doing so, the follow-up time is skipped.

Once the stop time ("234.09 GnStpTmMin" parameter) has elapsed, the generator is ready for the next request.



### Disabling the internal generator request

An internal generator request is disabled during the after-run time and stop time or in error state.

If a generator fault is detected several times and the number of autostarts ("235.02 GnAutoStr" parameter) has been exceeded, the system transitions into the locked error state.

This state lasts for the time period set at "234.11 GnErrStpTm". Once this time has expired, the generator is ready for another attempt.



### Autostart meter

The recording of autostarts is only reset after the generator has been successfully connected and the minimum run time has expired or when the locked error state (Fail Lock) is disabled.



### Error state

The error state and the locked error state can be canceled by confirming the generator fault ("540.02 GnAck" parameter).

The "133.03 GnRmgTm" display value is used to display the remaining time of the generator meter.

Depending on the current request or the phase in which the generator state machine is, the following times are displayed:

- Remaining time of Run 1 h
- Remaining run time during the warm-up phase (Warm)
- Remaining minimum run time in operation (Run)
- Remaining run time during the follow-up time (Cool)
- Remaining stop time after the follow-up time has expired (Lock)
- Remaining time in the error state (Fail)
- Remaining time in the locked error state (FailLock)

### 14.1.8 Operation Together with PV Inverters

#### NOTICE

Incorrectly plant designs will result in excessive AC power of the PV inverter. Damage to the Sunny Island.

- The maximum AC power of the PV inverters connected should not exceed 9 kW per SI 4548-US-10 or 12 kW per SI 6048-US-10.
- Observe the following:

$$P_{AC\ max} \text{ of the PV inverter} = 2 \times P_{AC\ nom} \text{ of the Sunny Island}$$

If the battery is fully charged, the frequency limits the power output of the AC feed-in generators (Sunny Boy). If the generator is now manually started, for example, the frequency would be lowered, if required, as the Sunny Island synchronizes with the generator. The AC feeding-in generators (Sunny Boys) would then feed additional energy into the system and possibly overload the batteries. In order to prevent this, in this case the stand-alone grid frequency is temporarily increased, in line with the synchronization, until the AC feed-in generators (Sunny Boy) are disconnected from the stand-alone grid system as a result of the grid limits being exceeded.

## 14.1.9 Stopping the Generator

If the generator was started via the Sunny Island (automatically or manually), it can be manually stopped at any time using the "540.01 GnManStr" parameter. This disconnects the generator (the minimum run time is not taken into account here) and the after-run time (Cool) is skipped. Afterwards, the system enters the stop time (Lock).



**DANGER**

Electric shock through residual voltage in the off-grid system due to generator shut-off delays. Death or serious injuries.

The shut-off delay times depend on the generator type. During the follow-up time, there is still grid voltage at the loads.

- Wait until there is no voltage measurement.
- Measure voltage to ensure that none is present in the system.



### Generators with manual start option

Generators with the "manual" start option can generally only be started and stopped at the generator.



### Generator start prevented

If the generator start is to be disabled after a manual stop, this must be performed by setting the "235.01 GnAutoEna" parameter to "Off".

## 14.1.10 Stopping the Sunny Island

If the Sunny Island is stopped by the user, the generator is immediately disconnected. The generator is then stopped (generator request, GnReq, is disabled). The power down phase (Cool) is skipped and the system enters the stop time.



If the generator is started directly at the generator management box or the generator, it can only be stopped there again. Stopping the Sunny Island here only disconnects the generator and the system transitions into the stop time (Lock).

## 14.1.11 Interferences

### Reverse Power

If the reverse power ("234.13 GnRvPwr" parameter) set for the "234.14 GnRvTm" time is exceeded, the generator is disconnected and stopped. The follow-up time (Cool, parameter "234.10 GnCoolTm") is skipped and the system transitions into the minimum stop time (Lock). After reverse power, connection is blocked for at least "231.03 ExtLkTm" or "234.09 GnStpTmMin".



### Reverse Power

Observe the reverse power which the Sunny Island can generate. The generator must provide this protection, observe the indications of the generator manufacturers regarding this!

## Generator Failure

If a generator failure is detected (failure on the master phase), the generator is disconnected immediately and a stop signal occurs on generator. The system enters the minimum stop time (Lock).

## Generator Phase Failure

The failure of a phase (e.g. broken fuse) on a slave device is treated as a phase failure. The slave device then disconnects this phase. If the phase is detected as being available again, it is reconnected after the warm up time "234.12 GnWarmTm" has elapsed.

The phase failure on the master device is treated as a generator failure (see above).

## Slave Device Failure

You can influence the behavior of the cluster upon failure of a slave device. For more information, see section 12.9 "Behavior in the event of a fault in a 3-phase system" (page 106).

## 14.2 Grid

The Sunny Island supports the operation of grid backup systems. Here, a distinction is made between two main states: either a power distribution grid and stand-alone grid system are connected or a power distribution grid and stand-alone grid system are disconnected. The operating mode of the inverter is derived from this. If the stand-alone grid power system is disconnected, the Sunny Island alone is responsible for powering this stand-alone grid system. If the power distribution grid is connected to the stand-alone grid system, the stand-alone grid system is powered from the power distribution grid. In this case, the voltage and frequency in the stand-alone grid are identical with the power distribution grid.



### Operating mode "Grid Charge"

Under specific conditions, the system can also temporarily feed energy from the off-grid power system into the power distribution grid in the GridCharge operating mode ("232.08 GdMod" parameter).

### 14.2.1 Limits of the voltage range and frequency range

In order to operate on the grid, very strict limits (for voltage and frequency) must generally be maintained. These strict limits are not sensible for generator operation. The limits are therefore set separately for grid operation and the generator limits are not used.



#### Default settings

The default settings for limits during grid operation comply with the following standards:

- For 120V\_60Hz: UL1741

## 14.2.2 Starting the Sunny Island

The Sunny Island always starts in stand-alone grid operation. Once the device is operating, it checks for the presence and validity (voltage and frequency) of the external grid.

## 14.2.3 Operation in the event of grid failure in a grid-tie backup configuration

If power distribution grid fails, the Sunny Island supplies the requirements of the protected load switch. At the same time the Sunny Island serves as the voltage source for Sunny Boy inverters or any other grid-compatible current sources.

If the supply of energy from the current sources such as Sunny Boy inverters exceeds the demands of the protected load switch, the energy surplus will be used by the Sunny Island to charge the batteries.

## 14.2.4 Backup Operation and Anti-islanding

In general, Sunny Boys in backup systems are working for feeding energy into the power distribution grid. According to UL1741 an Anti-Islanding has to be active. During normal operation, the Sunny Island performs this verification. The battery inverter is connected to the Sunny Boy via a CAT5 cable using a RS485 communication. This communication line tells the Sunny Boy that the Sunny Island is active and monitors the power distribution grid.

Whenever this information is missing (in the event of maintenance or interference) the Sunny Boys switch from the "OffGrid" setting to the "grid tied" setting and takes on the anti-islanding function. This ensures that an Anti-Islanding is active at all times according to UL1741 when feeding into the power distribution grid.

If the Sunny Island continues working it orders the Sunny Boys to switch back to the "OffGrid" setting and performs the anti-islanding.

This function can be realized with the Sunny Islands in combination with the PV inverters Sunny Boy 3000US, 3800US, 4000US, 5000US, 6000US, 7000US and 8000US.

RS485 Piggy-Backs must be installed in both the Sunny Island and in the Sunny Boys. In addition, a CAT5 cable is needed.

## 14.2.5 Grid Reconnection

In stand-alone grid operation, the Sunny Island constantly checks whether the grid has been reconnected (see above). The following conditions have to be fulfilled to guarantee that the Sunny Island synchronizes with the supply grid and connects to the supply grid:

- The frequency of the power distribution grid has to be between the values of the "232.05 GdFrqMin" and 5V below the "232.06 GdFrqMax" parameter for the time defined in the "232.07 GdVldTm" parameter.
- The voltage of the power distribution grid has to be between the values of the "232.01 GdVtgMin" and 5V below the "232.02 GdVtgMax" parameter for the time defined in the "232.07 GdVldTm" parameter.

## 14.2.6 Grid operation

During grid operation, the power distribution grid and stand-alone grid are connected. The Sunny Island is connected along with the stand-alone grid system to the power distribution grid. In this case, the voltage and frequency in both grids are identical.



### Grid failures

All grid failures affect the stand-alone grid during grid operation.

In grid operation, the grid monitoring checks whether the permissible limits for voltage and frequency (see Grid Reconnection) are maintained or whether the grid fails to assume powering the stand-alone grid system. For this, the power distribution grid is disconnected (grid replacement operation).

The battery is generally charged or its charge is maintained on the grid.

### Charge Mode

Charge mode on the grid is indicated by energy flowing to the battery. The battery is charged until the respective charge process (Boost, Full, Equalize) has been completed and the system changes to float charge (Float) (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109)).

### Grid as generator: Charging the Sunny Island via the grid to avoid deep discharge



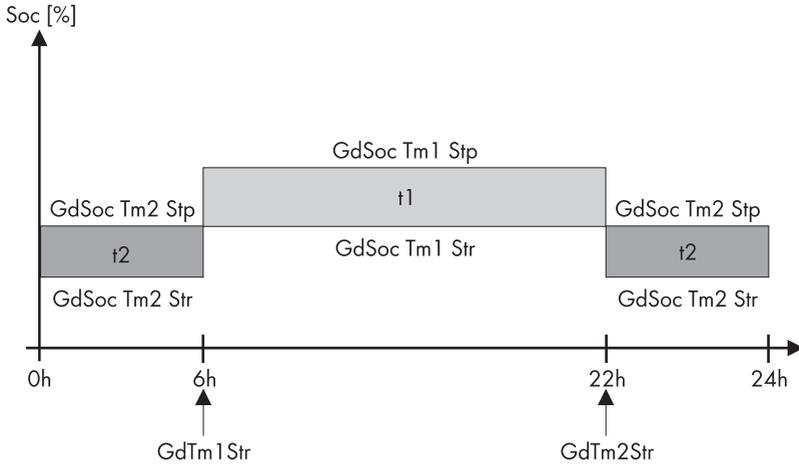
#### Manual grid start deactivates settings for automatic grid start

Via the "560.01 GdManStr" parameter you can define whether the grid is to be connected or not.

- "Stop": the power distribution grid will never be connected
- "Start": the power distribution grid is always connected
- "Auto": power distribution grid connects automatically and protects the battery from deep discharge

The following chapter describes how to perform the settings for an automatic grid start.

You can configure the Sunny Island in such way, that it charges its battery automatically via the grid as soon as the state of charge is low. To activate this function, set the "232.41 GdSocEna" parameter to "Enable" and the "560.01 GdManStr" parameter to "Auto."



The Sunny Island connects to the grid, when the state of charge of its batteries lies within the limits determined by the following parameters:

- "233.01 GdSocTm1 Str" – "233.02 GdSocTm1 Stp"
- "233.03 GdSocTm2Str" – "233.04 GdSocTm2Stp"

The Sunny Islands differentiates between two time periods, for which you can set different limiting values to connect and disconnect the grid using the parameters mentioned above: These two time periods are subdivided via the following parameters:

- "233.05 GdTm1 Str"
- "233.06 GdTm2Str"

The Sunny Island charges its batteries using the battery charging process which is set via the parameter "233.09 GdStrChrgMod".

### Grid as generator: connecting the grid as soon as the loads request high power from the Sunny Island

You can configure the Sunny Island in such way that it automatically connects to the grid, as soon as the connected loads request high power from the Sunny Island. To activate this function, set the "232.42 GdPwrEna" parameter to "Enable". The Sunny Island connects to the grid, when the power requested by the loads, lies within the limits that are defined by the following parameters:

- "233.07 GdPwrStr" – "233.08 GdPwrStp"



#### Feeding into the grid

If the parameter "232.08 GdMod" is set to „GridFeed“, the Sunny Island can feed into the grid, despite "232.42 GdPwrEna" is enabled or disabled.

## Silent Mode

In order to save energy, the silent mode can be activated using the "224.01 SilentEna" parameter set to "Enable" (default Disable). In this case, the Sunny Island is set to standby mode if the charge has been completed and the battery has been in float charge for some time (see section 13.4.5 "Silent Mode" (page 113)).

The silent mode is exited regularly to recharge the battery.

In a 1-phase parallel Sunny Island system, only the master detects a grid failure in silent mode. The slaves do not detect a grid failure in silent mode.

## Feed-in operation

Whether energy is fed from the off-grid power system into the power distribution grid is controlled using the "232.08 GdMod" parameter.

The cross-section of the lines to the power distribution grid must be appropriate for the maximum current. This ensures that the Sunny Island can feed into the power distribution grid with a full battery and at full solar irradiation.

In all cases, make sure to consult your network operator if grid feed-in is possible.

If GdCharge is set, no energy is fed into the grid. If GridFeed (Default) is set, energy is fed into the grid.

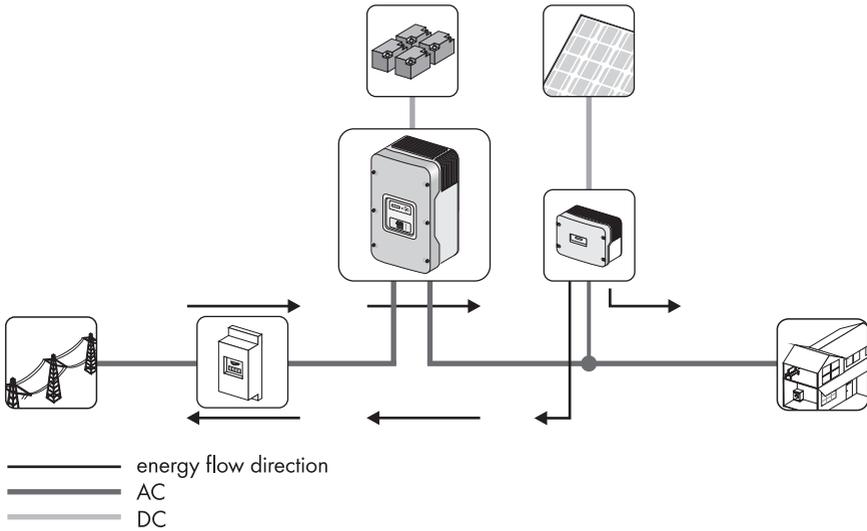


### Feeding into the grid on the DC side

In order to allow electricity to be fed from the DC side into the grid, the battery voltage in a charged battery (on the grid) must be increased by external DC chargers or the Sunny Island Charger above the nominal charging voltage.

AC feed-in generators on the stand-alone grid side (Sunny Boy) can feed their energy into the grid through the internal transfer relay of the Sunny Island; for limitations, see section 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 125).

The following illustration shows the direction of energy flow for the "Net Metering" and the energy consumption from the power distribution grid.



### 14.2.7 Grid Failure

A grid failure is characterized by the voltage or frequency being outside of the permissible limits (see section 14.2.5 "Grid Reconnection" (page 130)) or the power distribution grid being disconnected. In this case, the time limits are relevant: Smaller deviations are permitted for longer than large deviations (see section 14.2.1 "Limits of the voltage range and frequency range" (page 129)).

In case of a grid fault/failure, the power distribution grid is disconnected and the inverter starts, from silent mode.



#### Waking up from the silent mode

If the Sunny Island is in silent mode when there is a power distribution grid failure, there is a short grid failure in the stand-alone grid (see section 13.4.5 "Silent Mode" (page 113)).

## 14.2.8 Interferences

### Reverse Power

If the defined reverse power ("232.09 GdRvPwr" parameter) is exceeded for the time "232.10 GdRvTm", the grid is disconnected. After reverse power, connection is blocked for at least "231.03 ExtLkTm".

### Grid failure

If a grid failure is detected (failure on the master phase), the grid is disconnected immediately.

### Grid Phase Failure

The failure of a phase (e.g. broken fuse) on a slave device is treated as a phase failure. The slave device then disconnects this phase. If the phase is detected as being available again, it is reconnected. The phase failure on the master device is treated as a grid failure (see above).

### Slave Device Failure

If a slave fails, the system continues to operate using the remaining devices of the cluster.

## 14.2.9 Limits and Power Adjustment

The Sunny Island burdens the grid at each phase with the current defined in the parameter "232.03 GdCurNom". The power that is not directly used by the consumers flows into the battery for charging. At the same time, the limits for the AC charging current limit ("210.02 InvChrgCurMax" parameter) on the Sunny Island and the DC charging current limit ("222.01 BatChrgCurMax" parameter) are active. If the battery voltage reaches the charging voltage target value, it is also reduced (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 109)).

If the current set using the parameter "232.03 GdCurNom" is not sufficient for powering the consumers, the battery provides support.



### Silent mode active

When silent mode is activated, the grid cannot be supported!

The grid may temporarily fail. This way, the voltage fed to the loads will be interrupted for a short time.

## 14.2.10 Operation Together with PV Inverters

Since electricity is fed into the grid through the relay of the Sunny Island, it must be prevented from overloading. For this reason, reverse power monitoring is used that, if required, disconnects the connection to the power distribution grid if the reverse power limit is exceeded.

### NOTICE

Overload of the Sunny Island through high currents. Destruction of the Sunny Island.

If the current via the relay exceeds the maximum permissible current, the Sunny Island disconnects from the grid (relay protection).

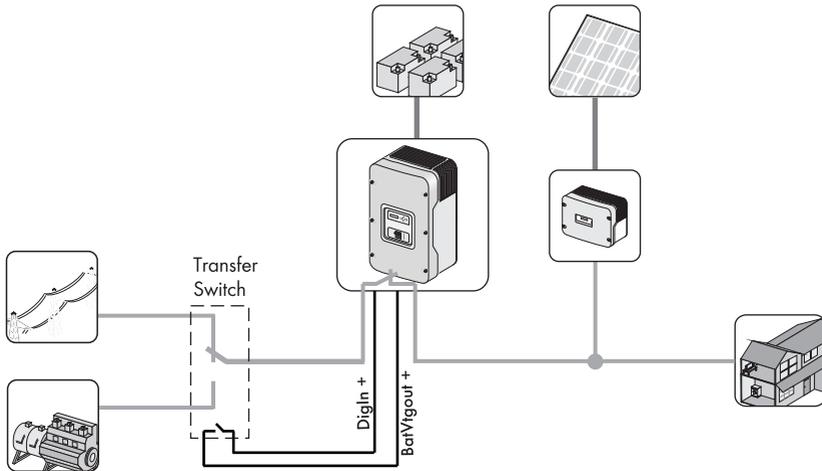
- The quantity of PV output installed in the stand-alone grid must never exceed the maximum quantity allowed by the AC input (see section 22 "Technical Data" (page 221)).

If the battery is fully charged, the frequency limits the power output of the AC feeding-in generators (PV inverter) in the stand-alone grid. If the grid is now reconnected, the frequency would be lowered, if required, as the Sunny Island is synchronized with the grid. The AC feed-in generators would then feed additional energy into the system and possibly overload the batteries. In order to prevent this, in this case the stand-alone grid frequency is temporarily increased, in line with the synchronization, until the AC feed-in generators are disconnected from the stand-alone grid system as a result of the grid limits being exceeded.

## 14.3 Generator and Grid

In addition to the power distribution grid, a generator can also be integrated into a stand-alone grid system as a secondary protective measure. This is particularly useful in case of long-term grid failures, even if the battery size is no longer sufficient to bridge the failure after a period of time.

The common solution in such cases is using a transfer switch, which can be purchased as a manual or automatic switch. By using such a switch, a diesel generator is connected to the AC2 connection, to which the power distribution grid is normally connected, as displayed in the figure below:



To use such a switch, carry out the installation as follows.

### NOTICE

Abrupt switching from the power distribution grid to the generator and vice versa.  
Destruction of the Sunny Island.

- If an automatic switch is installed, make sure that it completely disconnects the Sunny Island from the grid and from the generator for at least 5 seconds.
- If a manual switch is installed, leave the switch in the OFF position for at least 5 seconds before switching to the new position.
- Refer to the download area at [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com) for further information on how to install a switch for connecting the Sunny Island to the power distribution grid and to a generator.

1. Connect the negative pole of the DigIn connection on the Sunny Island to the negative pole of the BatVtgOut connection, also located on the Sunny Island.
2. Connect the positive pole of the DigIn connection to a NO connection of an auxiliary contact of the transfer switch.

3. Connect the positive pole of the BatVtgOut connection to the second contact of the same auxiliary contact on the transfer switch.

An auxiliary contact is used because the Sunny Island must "know" whether it is connected to the power distribution grid or whether it must manage a diesel generator.

To enable such a kind of operation, you must set the "231.06 ExtSrc" parameter to "GenGrid" (see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67)).



#### **Settings performed on the generator and grid**

All the settings made for the generator and grid in the submenus also apply to the "GenGrid" selection.

## 15 Relays

The Sunny Island offers you several options for the control of internal and external processes. For this purpose, two relays are integrated into the device, to which you can assign functions using the parameters "241.01 Rly1Op" and "241.02 Rly2Op".

You can find more information on both relays in section 6.4.4 "Multi-function Relay 1 and 2" (page 56). The different settings have the following meanings:

Function/Setting	Significance	Function description
Off	off	Relay remains permanently switched off (deactivated).
On	On	Relay remains permanently switched on (e.g. relay function test during commissioning).
AutoGn	Automatic generator request	The generator is automatically activated due to set criteria (see section 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 122)).
AutoLodExt	Automatic load shedding dependent on an external source	Automatic connection / disconnection of loads. Connection only occurs if the device is connected to an external source (e.g. generator), or if the Lod1 Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 102)).
AutoLodSoc1	Auto LoadShedding Soc1	Automatic connection / disconnection of loads. Connection if Lod1 Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 102)).
AutoLodSoc2	Auto LoadShedding Soc2	Automatic load disconnection. Connection if Lod2Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 102)).
Tm1	Timer 1 (time-controlled switching of relay 1)	Programmable timer (once, daily, weekly) with duty cycle.
Tm2	Timer 2 (time-controlled switching of relay 2)	Programmable timer (once, daily, weekly) with duty cycle.
AptPhs	Absorption phase is active	Relay switching when battery charge is in absorption phase.
GnRn	Generator active	Relay switching when generator is in operation and connected.
ExtVfOk	External voltage and frequency is OK	External voltage and frequency are within the valid range for connection.

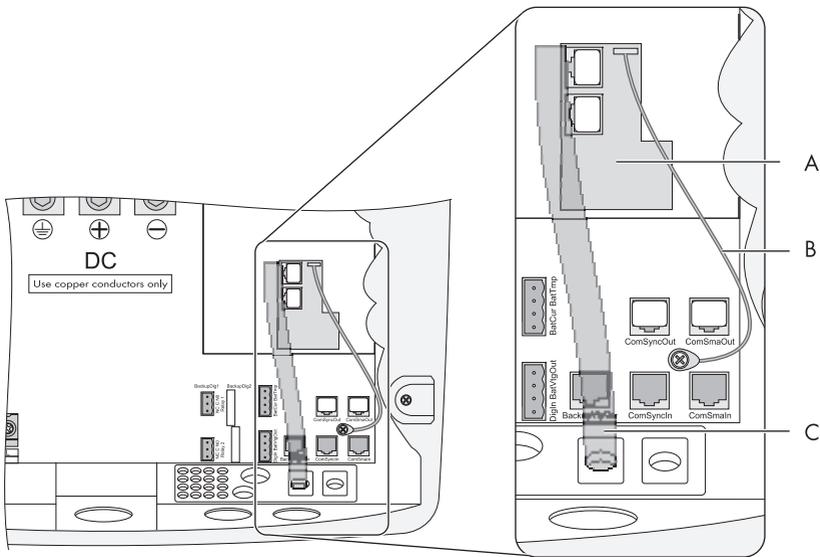
<b>Function/Setting</b>	<b>Significance</b>	<b>Function description</b>
GdOn	Power distribution grid	Relay switching when power distribution grid is available and connected.
Error	Error	Sunny Island has a fault; in case of fault, contact is open (relay is deactivated).
Warn	Warning	The Sunny Island has warning pending.
Run	Run	Sunny Island is in operation, contact is closed (relay is activated) if the device is running in inverter operation.
BatFan	Battery fan	Relay is used for automatic battery room ventilation (switching the fan).
AcidCir	Acid circulation	Relay is used for automatic acid circulation (switching the electrolyte pump)
MccBatFan	Multicluster battery fan	Relay is used for automatic battery room ventilation (switching the fan).
MccAutoLod	Multicluster auto Loadshedding	Automatic connection/disconnection of loads due to an extension cluster in the Multicluster system
CHPReq	CHP plant request	Request of the CHP plant through the CHP plant control
CHPAdd	Request additional CHP plant	Request of additional CHP plant through the CHP plant control
SiComRemote	Remote control via SI Com module.	The relay can be controlled remotely via the SI Com module.
Overload	Overload	When using the output limitation of the Sunny Island (temperature-dependent), the relay will be opened.

# 16 Multicluster operation

## 16.1 Communication between the Sunny Island

For increased output, up to four Sunny Island clusters can be interconnected to form a Multicluster system. A Multicluster Box 12-US is necessary for such systems. Within each cluster, a communication cable connects the master to the slaves. Each cluster is connected to the others via another communication cable, connected to the respective master.

The Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB) is plugged into the Sunny Island at the external communication slot. The scope of delivery of the Multicluster Piggy-Back includes a PE cable. Lay cable (B) as illustrated in the following figure:



Position	Description
A	Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB)
B	Connection of the PE cable
C	Cable route

**Electrostatic discharge**

Electrostatic discharges are an acute danger to the Sunny Island and to the communication interface. Ground yourself before removing the communication interface from the packaging, and before touching any components within the Sunny Island. To achieve this, touch PE.

**RJ45 cable**

The RJ45 communication cable is a standard Cat5e-FTP cable (simple shielding), with gold contacts.

Each Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB) is delivered with one yellow and one gray RJ45 communication cable and two plugs (terminators).

You require the yellow cable to establish communication between the master of the main cluster and the masters of the extension clusters.

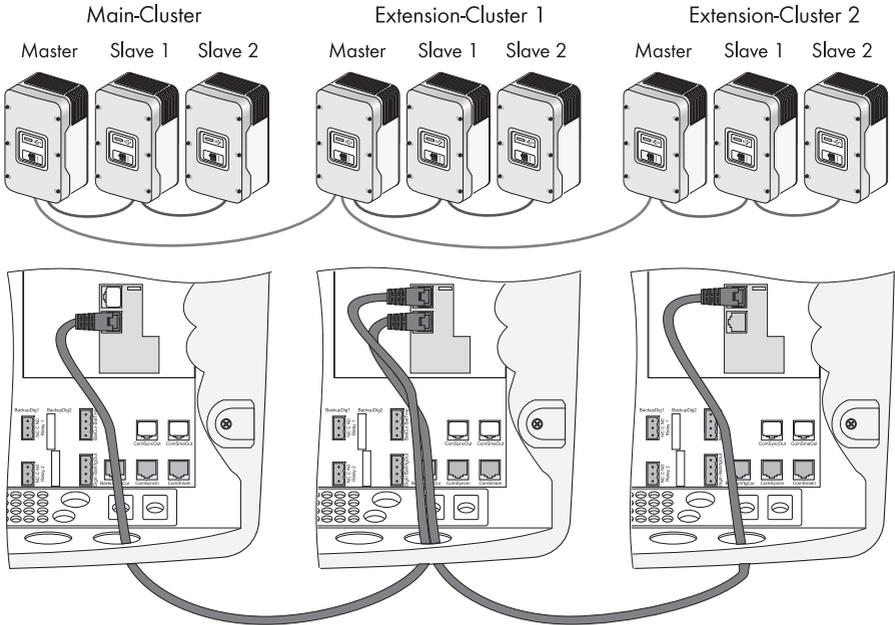
The gray cable is used for external communication (via RS485) needed for the system monitoring (Sunny WebBox).

**Multicluster Piggy-Back**

If just one cluster is used in connection with a Multicluster Box, a Multicluster Piggy-Back is not necessary.

Proceed as follows when connecting the communication cable:

1. Remove the left of the two plugs from the cable support sleeve.
2. Feed the RJ45 cable from the outside through the plugs inside the Sunny Island master.
3. Plug the RJ45 plug in the lower socket. The termination resistor remains plugged in the upper one.
4. Lead the RJ45 cable into the next Sunny Island and connect it to the upper socket there.
5. Insert the termination resistor into the lower socket if no other Sunny Island will be connected.
6. Wrap the rubber plug (depending on the number of cables with 1 or 2 feed-throughs) around the RJ45 cable.
7. Plug the plug back into the designated opening in the cable support sleeve.



## 16.2 Initial Start-up of the Multicluster System

1. Carry out steps 1 - 3 in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67).
2. At "**New System**" set the following parameters:
  - Device type (master, slave 1, slave 2, slave 3)
  - System configuration (3Phase, 1Phase 1, 1Phase 2, 1Phase 3, 2Phase 2, 2Phase 4, MC-Box), for multicluster operation choose "MC-Box". Default setting: "1Phase 1"
  - Multicluster configuration (MainCluster, ExtensionClst1, ExtensionClst2, ExtensionClst3), default setting is "MainCluster"
  - Device type of the Multicluster Box (MC-12), default setting: "MC-Box-12"
3. For the other settings proceed as described in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67) under point 3.

## 16.3 Switching a Multicluster System On and Off

### 16.3.1 Activation / Startup

Switching on a Multicluster system can only take place at the master of the main cluster. The extension clusters will be started automatically after starting the main cluster. To do this, the DC miniature circuit-breakers of all Sunny Islands in the extension cluster must be set to "ON".

Proceed as follows:

1. Carry out steps 1 – 4 in section 9.1 "Switching On" (page 73) on the master of the main cluster.

- The extension cluster masters show the following:

```
STNDBY: Waiting
for Main Master
```

2. Press and hold <ENTER> on the main cluster master.

- The remaining time is displayed as a bar.

```
Hold to start...
■■■■■■■■■■
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- A beep is heard. The main master is on and in operation. The green LED is on.



#### Starting the Multicluster system

The Multicluster system is started once the main master has started. All extension clusters follow the main master.



#### Error occurrence

If the Sunny Island displays an error message, this must be remedied before the Sunny Island is commissioned. For this purpose, refer to section 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 201).

### 16.3.2 Stopping and Switching Off

The Sunny Island Multicluster system can only be stopped at the master of the main cluster. Proceed at the main cluster master as described in sections 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74) and 9.3 "Switching Off" (page 75).

## 16.4 Generator Operation

The main master's generator request comprises its own request (based on SOC, time, etc.) and possible requests from one or more extension clusters. The generator remains in a requested state as long as a request is present.



### PV array request

The established generator request at the extension clusters is transferred to the main master via a communication connection.

## 16.5 Behavior with Different Charge States

In Multicluster systems, each cluster has its own battery bank. To prevent the charge states of the various battery banks from diverging over time, a function for equalization of the charge states is integrated into the Sunny Island devices. This distributes the power to all clusters, however, it is not always distributed identically. Instead, the cluster with the highest state of charge discharges the most power or charges the battery with the lowest power.

The differences in power depend on the difference in the state of charge and total 1% of the nominal power for each 1% of difference in the state of charge. Thus, when initial charge states differ, equalization of the charge states over the course of time is ensured. If all batteries in the various clusters have the same capacity, the charge states should always be within a few percent of each other. Only if a fault occurs, or upon deliberate deactivation of individual clusters, can a greater imbalance arise, but even so, such an imbalance should also be equalized after one day at the latest.



### Nominal capacity of the battery banks

Ideally, the various battery banks should all have the same nominal capacity.

If the nominal capacity varies by up to 30%, a similar average state of charge is ensured via the equalization function. However, the smallest battery is then cycled more intensively. The nominal power and overload capacity are no longer the value of an individual device multiplied by the number of devices. Instead, it is 10% – 20% lower for the cluster with the smaller battery.

## 16.6 Testing Multicluster communication

Enter the installer password in order to be able to select the parameters "510.08 TstClstCom" und "510.09 ClstComStt".

1. Using the parameter "510.08 TstClstCom" a communication test between the clusters can be started from each master device of a cluster. Only switch the master device of the extension cluster to "Transmit".
  2. Request the status of the test via the Parameter "510.09 ClstComStt" at each master, including the master at which the test was started.
- If the communication test is successful, the status "OK" appears on each master.

## 16.7 Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)

In Multicluster operation, the automatic frequency control (AFC) can only be activated at the main master. This function is activated using the "250.11 AfralEna" parameter.

## 16.8 Updating the firmware



### Stopping the Sunny Island

It is recommended to stop the entire cluster network, and to deactivate the loads insofar as this is possible.



### DC miniature circuit-breaker

Do not activate the DC miniature circuit-breaker during update process!

Carry out the update on all masters of the individual clusters via an SD card. All extension masters must have completed their updates! The message shown on the right is displayed.

```
STNDBY: Waiting
for Main Master
```

After the update of the masters has been carried out, carry out an automatic update of the slaves.



### Starting the Multicluster system

Start the system only after the firmware on all Sunny Island devices has been updated.

## 16.9 Error Handling in a Multicluster System

For Multicluster system operation, the entire main cluster is always required. If a device in the main cluster fails (master and/or slave), this causes the main cluster to stop.

If the main cluster is stopped – whether due to a fault, or otherwise – this causes the extension clusters to stop, and thus the entire Multicluster system.

For operation of an extension cluster, it is necessary that at least the master device (of the extension cluster) is in operation. If a slave device in the extension cluster fails, this does not cause the master device to stop.

The devices in an extension cluster are only started up if the respective device detects a voltage when starting.

## 16.10 Grid operation

The multicluster system is not certified for grid-tie use.

## 16.11 Generator Emergency Operation

If a Multicluster system fails, manual operation via the generator is possible. For this purpose, the generator must be started manually, directly at the generator. As soon as a voltage is present, the Multicluster Box connects the generator through to the loads, without a Sunny Island being in operation.

## 17 PV Inverters

The following section provides information on the connection and configuration of the Sunny Boy inverter in stand-alone grid systems.

The Sunny Island together with the Sunny Boy inverter are optimized for back-up operation (grid-tied) and for "Off-Grid" use.

This section describes the parameter setting of the Sunny Boy for both kinds of application. In backup operation, the "Default" parameter has to be set to "UL 1741". In grid parallel operation the Sunny Island automatically detects a power outage and automatically switches the Sunny Boy inverter to "Off-Grid" mode. To set up this arrangement, the Sunny Island and the Sunny Boy have to be connected with a communication cable and the parameters of the Sunny Boy inverters has to be set according to this documentation. In case the grid returns, the Sunny Island switches back to grid-tie mode according to "UL 1741".

### 17.1 Connection to the Stand-alone Grid (protected loads panel)



#### WARNING

Danger to life due to high voltages in the Sunny Island. Risk of death or serious injury due to electric shock.

Ensure that the entire connection area of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US is free of voltage before installing the Sunny Boy inverter. Refer to Section 3 "Safety Instructions" (page 27).

- Connect the Sunny Boy inverter to the grid in accordance with the Sunny Boy installation guide.
- Connect the AC sub-distribution to the AC1 terminals of the Sunny Island. This sub-distribution is where the PV inverter will be connected as well.
- You must set the corresponding parameters in the Sunny Boy to suit an off-grid power system so that it works properly together with the Sunny Island. The required values for these settings are described in the next section.

## 17.2 Setting of the Off Grid Parameter



### WARNING

Risk of death from back-feed into the power distribution grid in the event of grid failure.

Once you set the Sunny Boy to stand-alone grid parameters, the device no longer complies with IEEE 929 and the IEEE 1547.

- Observe the locally applicable regulations.
- Consult the electric utility company.

Controlled battery charging is needed in an off-grid configuration. Therefore Sunny Boy inverters can reduce their feed-in capacity. This task is performed by a "Power adjustment via frequency" system (see section 17.5 "Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)" (page 151)).

To activate this function, you must first pre-configure the Sunny Boy via programming.

## 17.3 Configuration

In order to adjust the parameters of the Sunny Boy, you need a connection to a communication device. Install one of these three variants:

- Sunny WebBox
- Sunny Boy Control
- PC/laptop with Sunny Data Control software and a service cable for data transmission (SMA order number: "USBPBS-11" - USB service interface)

## 17.4 Sunny Boy Parameter Settings

### Grid-tied

Inverter	Parameters	Setting
Sunny Boy 3000-US	Default	UL1741
Sunny Boy 3800-US	BackupMode	OnAll*
Sunny Boy 4000-US		
Sunny Boy 5000-US		
Sunny Boy 6000-US		
Sunny Boy 7000-US		
Sunny Boy 8000-US		

\*Even with the setting "BackupMode" to "OnAll", the system fulfills the regulations according to UL 1741.

### Stand-alone grid with or without generator

Inverter	Parameters	Setting
Sunny Boy 3000-US	Default	OffGrid
Sunny Boy 3800-US	BackupMode	Off
Sunny Boy 4000-US		
Sunny Boy 5000-US		
Sunny Boy 6000-US		
Sunny Boy 7000-US		
Sunny Boy 8000-US		

The "OffGrid" parameter setting automatically sets the following Sunny Boy parameters to the values below:

No.	Parameters	Short descr.	Value
1	Test current	mA	Off (MSD = 0)
2	Vac.Min	V	106 (-12% Vac nom)
3	Vac.Max	V	132 (+10% Vac nom)
4	Fac-delta- lower range in which the Sunny Boy is active relative to $f_0$	Hz	-3.0 (starting from the base frequency $f_0$ )
5	Fac-max+ Upper range, where the Sunny Boy is active, based on $f_0$	Hz	+3.0 (starting at the base frequency $f_0$ )

No.	Parameters	Short descr.	Value
6	dFac-Max max. rate of change	Hz/s	4
7	Fac-start delta frequency increase in relation to $f_0$ , at which point the power adjustment via frequency begins	Hz	1 (starting from the base frequency $f_0$ )
8	Fac-Limit delta Frequency increase based on $f_0$ , where the power control via frequency ends. The output power of the Sunny Boy at this point is 0 W.	Hz	2 (starting from the base frequency $f_0$ )

This completes the stand-alone grid parameter settings for the Sunny Boy.

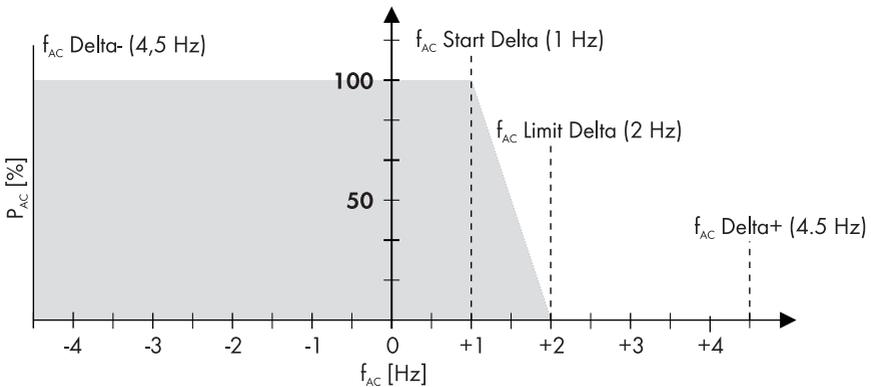
### 17.5 Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)

This section describes the operating principles of the "power adjustment via frequency" (Frequency Shift Power Control - FSPC).

If Sunny Boy inverters are connected to the AC side of the stand-alone grid, the Sunny Island must be able to limit their output power. This situation can occur when, e.g., the Sunny Island battery is fully charged and the (solar) power available from the PV array exceeds the power required by the connected loads.

To prevent the excess energy from overcharging the battery, the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US recognizes this situation and changes the frequency at the AC output. This frequency adjustment is analyzed by the Sunny Boy. As soon as the power frequency increases beyond the value specified by " $f_{AC}$  Start Delta" the Sunny Boy limits its power accordingly.

This function is shown in the following figure:



The different settings have the following meanings:

- $f_0$  refers to the base frequency of the micro grid created by the Sunny Island.
- $f_{AC}$  Delta- and  $f_{AC}$  Delta+ refer to the maximum range in which the Sunny Boy is active relative to  $f_0$ , 60 Hz.
- $f_{AC}$  Start Delta refers to the frequency increase relative to  $f_0$ , at which point the power adjustment via frequency begins
- $f_{AC}$  Limit Delta refers to the frequency increase relative to  $f_0$ , at which point the power adjustment via frequency ends. The output power of the Sunny Boy at this point is 0 W.

If the value is below the  $f_{AC}$  Delta- limit or exceeds the  $f_{AC}$  Delta+ limit, the Sunny Boys disconnect from the grid.

When FSPC is activated and the diesel generator in the off-grid power system is operating, the diesel generator determines the frequency, and the Sunny Boys react to certain changes in the diesel generator frequency. The diesel generators generally operate at 60 Hz under load. For this reason, in most cases the Sunny Boys will deliver their entire power to the off-grid power system, even when the generator is running.



If the current battery voltage ( $V_{Bat}$ ) is greater than the nominal battery voltage ( $V_{Bat, nom}$ ) and is also to be synchronized with an external source (generator), the Sunny Island temporarily increases the frequency and disconnects the Sunny Boys using the frequency shutdown method (overfrequency). Afterwards, it synchronizes with the generator.

## 18 Maintenance and Care

The Sunny Island has been constructed for low maintenance. Thus, the necessary work is limited to only a few points.

### 18.1 Enclosure

Check that the Sunny Island enclosure is mechanically sound. If damage (e.g. cracks, holes, missing covers) endangers the operating safety, the Sunny Island must be deactivated immediately.

Larger particles of dirt should be removed from the device with a soft brush or similar item. Dust can be removed with a damp cloth. Never use solvents, abrasives or corrosive materials for cleaning.

### 18.2 Cleaning the Fans

The cleaning intervals depend on the ambient conditions. If the fans are covered with loose dust, you can clean them with the aid of a vacuum cleaner (recommended) or a soft paint brush/hand brush. Clean the fans only when they are at a standstill. If it is necessary to replace the fans, contact your installer.

### 18.3 Display

It is best to clean the control elements with a soft, damp cloth. Never use solvents, abrasives or corrosive materials for cleaning.

Take care not to accidentally press the membrane buttons during cleaning. Only clean the membrane keypad when the Sunny Island is deactivated.

### 18.4 Function

Check regularly whether error messages are present. If an error message is displayed for which you cannot identify any apparent cause, the stand-alone grid must be inspected by an electrically qualified person. To ensure optimal operation, the operator should regularly check the Sunny Island's entries in the error list at short intervals (monthly, or even weekly), especially during the first months after commissioning. This can help to discover hidden faults in the installation or errors in the configuration.

### 18.5 Battery

Inspect and maintain the battery at regular intervals. In this regard, observe all of the battery manufacturer's specifications.

### 18.6 Disposal

Dispose of the Sunny Island at the end of its electrical endurance in accordance with the disposal regulations for electronic waste which apply at the installation site at that time. Alternatively, send the devices back to SMA with shipping paid by sender, and labeled with the information "FOR DISPOSAL" (section 24 "Contact" (page 234)).

## 19 Parameter lists

Only parameters in the menu branches "200 Settings" and "500 Operation" can be changed. All other values are only shown on the display of the SI 4548-US-10/6048-US-10. All menu items that can only be changed by the electrically qualified person using a password are shaded in gray in the following tables.



### Menu structure depends on system configuration

Depending on the set system configuration, individual menu items may be missing.



### Interference during operation due to incorrect parameter settings

Use caution when setting parameters. Incorrect settings can lead to faulty operation of the inverter. Take note of the original values of all parameters that you change.

## 19.1 Display Values

### 19.1.1 Inverter Meters (110#)

#### 111# Inverter Total Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	TotInvPwrAt	Total active power of the inverters (cluster) in kW
02	TotInvCur	Total current of the inverters (cluster) in A
03	TotInvPwrRt	Total reactive power of the inverters (cluster) in kVAR

**#112 Inverter Device Meters**

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation
01	InvOpStt	Operating state of the Sunny Island	Standby (2)	Standby
			Run (3)	Operation
			Run (4)/EmCharge	Emergency charge mode
			Error (5)	Error
			Startup (1)	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAt	Active power Sunny Island in kW		
03	InvVtg	Voltage of the Sunny Island in V		
04	InvCur	Current of the Sunny Island in A		
05	InvFrq	Frequency of the Sunny Island in Hz		
06	InvPwrRt	Reactive power of the Sunny Island in kVAr		
07	Rly1Stt	State of relay 1	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed
08	Rly2Stt	State of relay 2	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed

**113# Inverter Slave1 Meters**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv1	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 1	Standby	Standby
			Run	Operation
			EmCharge	Emergency charge mode
			Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv1	Active power of the Sunny Island slave 1 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv1	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 1 in V		
04	InvCurSlv1	Current of the Sunny Island slave 1 in A		

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
05	InvPwrRtSlv1	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 1 in kVAr		
06	Rly1SttSlv1	State of relay 1 on Sunny Island slave 1	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed
07	Rly2SttSlv1	State of relay 2 on Sunny Island slave 1	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed

### 114# Inverter Slave2 Meters

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv2	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 2	Standby	Standby
			Run	Operation
			EmCharge	Emergency charge mode
			Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv2	Active power of the Sunny Island slave 2 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv2	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 2 in V		
04	InvCurSlv2	Current of the Sunny Island slave 2 in A		
05	InvPwrRtSlv2	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 2 in kVAr		
06	Rly1SttSlv2	State of relay 1 on Sunny Island slave 2	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed
07	Rly2SttSlv2	State of relay 2 on Sunny Island slave 2	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed

**115# Inverter Slave3 Meters**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv3	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 3	Standby	Standby
			Run	Operation
			EmCharge	Emergency charge mode
			Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv3	Active power of the Sunny Island slave 3 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv3	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 3 in V		
04	InvCurSlv3	Current of the Sunny Island slave 3 in A		
05	InvPwrRtSlv3	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 3 in kVAr		
06	Rly1SttSlv3	State of relay 1 on Sunny Island slave 3	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed
07	Rly2SttSlv3	State of relay 2 on Sunny Island slave 3	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed

## 19.1.2 Battery Meters (120#)

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation
01	BatSoc	Momentary state of charge of battery (SOC) in %		
02	BatVtg	Battery voltage in V		
03	BatChrgVtg	Charging voltage target value in V		
04	AptTmRmg	Remaining absorption time in hours, minutes and seconds		
05	BatChrgOp	Active charging process	Boost (1)	Boost charge
			Full (2)	Full charge
			Float (3;7)	Float charge
			Equalize (4;5)	Equalization charge
			Silent (6;8)	Silent mode (resting phase)
06	TotBatCur	Total battery current of the cluster in A		Negative values indicate charging, positive values indicate discharging.
07	BatTmp	Battery temperature in °C		
08	RmgTmFul	Remaining time until next full charge in days		
09	RmgTmEqu	Remaining time until next equalization charge in days		
10	AptPhs	Status of the absorption phase	Off (1)	Absorption phase not active
			On (2)	Absorption phase is active
11	BatSocErr	Estimated error of the state of charge in %		Estimated error of the displayed state of charge in relation to the actual state of charge of the battery in percent (e.g. +/- 3%).

## 19.1.3 External Meters (130#)

### 131# Total Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	TotExtPwrAt	Total active power of the external source in kW
02	TotExtCur	Total current of the external source in A
03	TotExtPwrRt	Total reactive power in kVA <sub>r</sub>
04	TotLodPwr	Total average active power of the loads (cluster) in kW
05	TotMccLodPwr	Total average active power of the loads (Multiclust) in kW

### 132# Grid State

No.	Name	Description
01	GdRmgTm	Remaining time of "GdValTm" parameter in hours, minutes and seconds

### 133# Generator State

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation
01	GnDmdSrc	Source for generator request	None (1)	No request
			Bat (2)	State-dependent battery charging
			Lod (3)	Load-dependent
			Tim (4)	Time-controlled
			Run1h (5)	Requested for 1 hour
			Start (6)	Manually started
			ExtSrcReq (7)	Requested via an external source
02	GnStt	Generator state	Off (1)	off
			Init (2)	Init
			Ready (3)	Waiting for request (ready)
			Warm (4)	Warming up
			Connect (5)	Connecting
			Run (6)	Operation
			Retry (7)	Restarting
			Disconnect (8)	Disconnecting
			Cool (9)	Cooling down
			Lock (10)	Locked after error
			Fail (11)	Error
			FailLock (12)	Locked after error occurred.

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation
03	GnRmgTm	Remaining time of the generator (minimum run time) in hours, minutes and seconds		
04	GnRnStt	Status of the generator feedback at the Sunny Island master	Off (1)	Off
			On (2)	On

### 134# Device Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAt	Active power of the external source in kW
02	ExtVtg	Voltage of the external source in V
03	ExtCur	Current of the external source in A
04	ExtFrq	Frequency of the external source in Hz
05	ExtPwrRt	Reactive power of the external source in kVAR

### 135# Slave1 Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv1	Active power of the external source slave 1 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv1	Voltage of the external source slave 1 in V
03	ExtCurSlv1	Current of the external source slave 1 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv1	Reactive power of the external source slave 1 in kVAR

### 136# Slave2 Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv2	Active power of the external source slave 2 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv2	Voltage of the external source slave 2 in V
03	ExtCurSlv2	Current of the external source slave 2 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv2	Reactive power of the external source slave 2 in kVAR

**137# Slave3 Meters**

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv3	Active power of the external source slave 3 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv3	Voltage of the external source slave 3 in V
03	ExtCurSlv3	Current of the external source slave 3 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv3	Reactive power of the external source slave 3 in kVAR

**138# Chp Meters (Combined Heat and Power)**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	ChpStt	State of CHP plant	Idle	off
			Run	Operation
			Lock	Locked after operation
02	ChpPwrAt	Power of the CHP plant		
03	ChpRmgTm	Remaining time of the CHP (minimum run time) in hours, minutes and seconds		
04	ChpStrRmgTm	Remaining time of the power request of the CHP in hours, minutes and seconds		

## 19.1.4 Charge Controller (140#)(not UL-certified)



### Visibility of parameters in menu 140#

The parameters in menu 140# are only visible, if at least one Sunny Island Charger is connected to the system.

### 141# SIC50 Total

No.	Name	Description
01	TotSicEgyCntIn	Total energy of all Sunny Island Chargers in kWh
02	TotSicDyEgyCntIn	Total daily yield of all Sunny Island Chargers in kWh
03	TotSicPvPwr	Total PV power of all Sunny Island Chargers in W
04	TotSicBatCur	Total battery current of all Sunny Island Chargers in A

### 142# SIC50 1

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic1EgyCntIn	Energy of the first Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic1TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the first Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic1PvPwr	PV power of the first Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic1PvVtg	PV voltage of the first Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic1BatVtg	Battery voltage of the first Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic1BatCur	Battery current of the first Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic1HsTmp	Heat sink temperature of the first Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic1SWVers	Software version of the first Sunny Island Charger

### 143# SIC50 2

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic2EgyCntIn	Energy of the second Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic2TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the second Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic2PvPwr	PV power of the second Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic2PvVtg	PV voltage of the second Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic2BatVtg	Battery voltage of the second Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic2BatCur	Battery current of the second Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic2HsTmp	Heat sink temperature of the second Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic2SWVers	Software version of the second Sunny Island Charger

**144# SIC50 3**

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic3EgyCntln	Energy of the third Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic3TdyEgyCntln	Daily yield of the third Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic3PvPwr	PV power of the third Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic3PvVtg	PV voltage of the third Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic3BatVtg	Battery voltage of the third Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic3BatCur	Battery current of the third Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic3HsTmp	Heat sink temperature of the third Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic3SWVers	Software version of the third Sunny Island Charger

**145# SIC50 4**

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic4EgyCntln	Energy of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic4TdyEgyCntln	Daily yield of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic4PvPwr	PV power of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic4PvVtg	PV voltage of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic4BatVtg	Battery voltage of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic4BatCur	Battery current of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic4HsTmp	Heat sink temperature of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic4SWVers	Software version of the fourth Sunny Island Charger

**19.2 Adjustable Parameters****19.2.1 Inverter Settings (210#)**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	InvVtgNom	Nominal voltage of the Sunny Island		120 V / 60 Hz	120 V
02	InvChrgCurMax	Maximum AC charging current		SI 4548-US-10 SI 6048-US-10	37.5 A 48 A
03	InvFrqNom	Nominal frequency of the Sunny Island		120 V / 60 Hz	60 Hz

## 19.2.2 Battery Settings (220#)

### 221# Battery Property

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	BatTyp	Battery type	VRLA	Lead-acid battery with immobilized electrolyte in gel or AGM (Absorbent Glass Mat Separator)	VRLA
			FLA	Sealed flooded lead-acid battery	
			NiCd	Nickel-cadmium battery	
02	BatCpyNom	Nominal battery capacity (E:C10/U:C20)			100 Ah
03	BatVtgNom	Nominal battery voltage		VRLA	48 V
				FLA	48 V
				NiCd	45.6 V
04	BatTmpMax	Maximum battery temperature	104°F ... 122°F (40°C ... 50°C)		113°F (45°C)
05	BatTmpStr	Battery start temperature following stop due to overtemperature	32°F ... 104°F (0°C ... 40°C) „BatTmpMax“		104°F (40°C)
06	BatWirRes	Power resistor of the battery connection in mOhm	0 mOhm ... 50 mOhm		
07	BatFanTmpStr	Starting temperature for the "BatFan" function			104°F (40°C)

### #222 Battery Charge Mode

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	BatChrgCurMax	Charging current of the battery	10 A ... 1200 A		61 A

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value	
02	ApiTmBoost	Absorption time for normal charge	1 min ... 600 min	VRLA	120 min	
			1 min ... 600 min	FLA	90 min	
			1 min ... 600 min	NiCd	300 min	
03	ApiTmFul	Absorption time for full charge	1 h ... 20 h	VRLA	5 h	
			1 h ... 20 h	FLA	5 h	
			1 h ... 20 h	NiCd	7 h	
04	ApiTmEqu	Absorption time for equalization charge	1 h ... 48 h		10 h	
05	CycTmFul	Full charge cycle time	1 day ... 180 days		14 days	
06	CycTmEqu	Equalization charge cycle time	7 days ... 365 days		180 days	
07	ChrgVtgBoost	Cell voltage setpoint for normal charge	2.2 V ... 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V	
			1.5 V ... 1.8 V	FLA	2.55 V	
08	ChrgVtgFul	Cell voltage setpoint for full charge	2.3 V ... 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V	
				FLA	2.50 V	
			1.5 V ... 1.8 V	NiCd	1.65 V	
09	ChrgVtgEqu	Cell voltage setpoint for equalization charge	2.3 V ... 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V	
				FLA	2.50 V	
			1.5 V ... 1.8 V	NiCd	1.65 V	
10	ChrgVtgFlo	Cell voltage setpoint for maintenance charge	2.2 V ... 2.4 V	VRLA	2.25 V	
				FLA	2.25 V	
			1.4 V ... 1.6 V	NiCd	1.55 V	
11	BatTmpCps	Battery temperature compensation	0 mV / °C ...	VRLA	4.0 mV / °C	
			10 mV / °C		FLA	4.0 mV / °C
					NiCd	0 mV / °C
12	AutoEquChrgEna	Automatic equalization charge	Disable	Disable	Enable	
			Enable	Enable		

**#223 Battery Protection**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Default value
01	BatPro1TmStr	Starting time of the battery-preservation mode (level 1)		22:00:00
02	BatPro1TmStp	End time of battery-preservation mode (level 1)		06:00:00
03	BatPro2TmStr	Starting time of the battery-preservation mode (level 2)		17:00:00
04	BatPro2TmStp	End time of battery-preservation mode (level 2)		09:00:00
05	BatPro1Soc	Battery SOC for preservation mode level 1	0% ... 70%	20%
06	BatPro2Soc	Battery SOC for preservation mode level 2	0% ... 70%	15%
07	BatPro3Soc	Battery SOC for preservation mode level 3	0% ... 70%	10%

**#224 Battery Silent Mode**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	SilentEna	Silent mode on the grid	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
02	SilentTmFlo	Maximum time for maintenance charge until transfer into silent	1 h ... 48 h		3 h
03	SilentTmMax	Maximum time for silent until transfer into float	1 h ... 168 h		12 h

**225# Battery Current Sensor**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	BatCurSnsTyp	Battery current sensor type	None	No sensor is connected	None
			60 mV	Battery Current Sensor 60 mV	
			50 mV	Battery Current Sensor 50 mV	
02	BatCurGain60	External battery current sensor type (60 mV type)	0 A ... 1 000 A		100 A/ 60 mV
03	BatCurGain50	External battery current sensor type (50 mV type)	0 A ... 1 000 A		100 A/ 50 mV
04	BatCurAutoCal	Automatic calibration of external battery current sensor	Start	Start automatic calibration	

## 19.2.3 External Settings (230#)

### 231# Ext General

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	PvFeedTmStr	Start feed-in operation			04:00:00
02	PvFeedTmStp	Stop feed-in operation			22:00:00
03	ExtLkTm	Lock time after reverse power or relay protection	0 min ... 60 min		20 min
05	ExtSrc	Generator and grid operating mode	PvOnly	PV only	PvOnly
			Gen	Generator	
			Grid	Grid	
			GenGrid	Generator / Grid	
12	ChpEna	Combined heat and power plant	Disable	Deactivated	Disable
			Enable	Activated	

### 232# Grid Control

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GdVtgMin	Minimum grid voltage			105.6 V
02	GdVtgMax	Maximum grid voltage			132 V
03	GdCurNom	Nominal power line current			30 A
04	GdFrqNom	Nominal power line frequency			60 Hz
05	GdFrqMin	Minimum power line frequency			59.3 Hz
06	GdFrqMax	Maximum power line frequency			60.5 Hz
07	GdVldTm	Minimum time required for grid (voltage and frequency) to be within permissible range for connection			300 sec

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
08	GdMod	Grid interface	GridCharge	Charging on the grid	GdFeed
			GridFeed	Charging and feedback on the grid	
09	GdRvPwr	Permissible grid reverse power (active power)	0 W ... 5 000 W		100 W
10	GdRvTm	Permissible time for grid reverse power	0 sec ... 60 sec		5 sec
15	GdAlSns	AI sensitivity	Low	Low	Normal
			Medium	Medium	
			Normal	Normal	
			High	High	
37	GdVtgIncProEna	Voltage increase protection	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
38	GdVtgIncPro	Boundary for voltage increase protection			132 V
41	GdSocEna	Activate the grid request based on SOC	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
42	GdPwrEna	Activate the grid request based on power	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	

### 233# Grid Start

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GdSocTm1Str	SOC limit for switching on the grid for time 1			40%
02	GdSocTm1Stp	SOC limit for switching off the grid for time 1			80%
03	GdSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on the grid for time 2			40%
04	GdSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off the grid for time 2			80%

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
05	GdTm1Str	Time 1 for grid request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin time 1, end time 2			
06	GdTm2Str	Time 2 for grid request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin time 2, end time 1			
07	GdPwrStr	Grid request starting capacity			4.0 kW
08	GdPwrStp	Grid request disconnection power limit			2.0 kW
09	GdStrChrgMod	Charge start when connecting to the grid	Off	Off	Equal
			Full	Full charge	
			Equal	Equalization charge	
			Both	Full and equalization charge	

### 234# Generator Control

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GnVtgMin	Minimum generator voltage			80 V
02	GnVtgMax	Maximum generator voltage			150 V
03	GnCurNom	Nominal generator current			30 A
04	GnFrqNom	Generator nominal frequency with nominal load			60 Hz
05	GnFrqMin	Minimum generator frequency			54 Hz

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
06	GnFrqMax	Maximum generator frequency			66 Hz
07	GnStrMod	Generator interface	Manual	Manually	Autostart
			Autostart	Automatically	
			GenMan	Generator management box from SMA Solar Technology	
08	GnOpTmMin	Minimum run time of the generator			15 min
09	GnStpTmMin	Minimum stop time of the generator			15 min
10	GnCoolTm	Cooling time of the generator			5 min
11	GnErrStpTm	Stop time of generator in case of errors			1 h
12	GnWarmTm	Warm-up time			60 sec
13	GnRvPwr	Generator reverse power (active power)			100 W
14	GnRvTm	Permissible time for reverse power/ reverse current			30 sec
15	GnCtlMod	Generator regulation	Cur	current	Cur
			CurFrq	Frequency	
20	GnAlSns	AI sensitivity	Low	Low	Normal
			Medium	Medium	
			Normal	Normal	
			High	High	

**235# Generator Start**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GnAutoEna	Generator autostart	Off	Disable	On
			On	Enable	
02	GnAutoStr	Number of autostarts			3
03	GnSocTm1Str	SOC limit for switching on generator for time 1			40%
04	GnSocTm1Stp	SOC limit for switching off generator for time 1			80%
05	GnSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on generator for time 2			40%
06	GnSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off generator for time 2			80%
07	GnTm1Str	Time 1 for generator request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2			
08	GnTm2Str	Time 2 for generator request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			
09	GnPwrEna	Generator request based on power	Off	Disable	Off
			On	Enable	
10	GnPwrStr	Generator request switch-on power limit			4 kW
11	GnPwrStp	Generator request switch-off power limit			2 kW

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
12	GnPwrAvgTm	Average time for powerrelated generator start			60 sec
13	GnTmOpEna	Time-controlled generator operation	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
14	GnTmOpStrDt	Starting date for time-controlled generator operation			2010-01-01
15	GnTmOpStrTm	Starting time for time-controlled generator operation in hours, minutes and seconds			
16	GnTmOpRnDur	Running time for time-controlled generator operation in hours, minutes and seconds			
17	GnTmOpCyc	Repeat cycle of the time controlled generator operation	Single	One-time	Single
			Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	
18	GnStrChrgMod	Generator start for charge type	Off	Off	Both
			Full	Full charge	
			Equal	Equalization charge	
			Both	Full and equalization charge	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
19	GnStrDigIn	Generator start upon signal at activated digital input.  Based on the value at the input "DigIn", the Sunny Island decides whether to start or stop the generator.  If the value of "DigIn" is at high level, the Sunny Island starts the generator.  If the value of "DigIn" is at low level, the Sunny Island stops the generator.	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	

**236# CHP Control (Combined Heat and Power)**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChpOpTmMin	Minimum run time of CHP plant			60 min
02	ChpStpTmMin	Minimum stop time of CHP plant			10 min
03	ChpPwrMax	Maximum power of CHP plant			5 kW
04	ChpPwrMin	Minimum power of CHP plant			2 kW
05	ChpFrqPwrMax	Maximum frequency of CHP plant			51 Hz
06	ChpFrqPwrMin	Minimum frequency of CHP plant			52 Hz
07	ChpFrqOff				53 Hz

**237# CHP Start**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChpSocTm1Str	SOC limit for switching on CHP plant for time 1			40%
02	ChpSocTm1Stp	SOC limit for switching off CHP plant for time 1			80%
03	ChpSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on CHP plant for time 2			40%
04	ChpSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off CHP plant for time 2			80%
05	ChpTm1Str	Time 1 for CHP plant request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2			
06	ChpTm2Str	Time 2 for CHP plant request in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			
07	ChpPwrEna	Activate CHP plant request based on power	Disable	Disable	Enable
			Enable	Enable	
08	ChpPwrStr	Combined heat and power system request switch-on power limit			4 kW
09	ChpPwrStrDly	Time delay for power request for CHP plant			5 min
10	ChpManStr		Auto		
			Start		
			Stop		

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
11	ChpAddOnTm	Time activated for the additional CHP request			60 sec
12	ChpAddOffTm	Time deactivated for the additional CHP request			120 sec
13	ChpAddSocDel	Distance to the next SOC limit			5%

## 19.2.4 Relay Settings (240#)

### 241# Relay General

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Rly1Op	Function of relay 1	Off	Off	AutoGn
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicuster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SIComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
02	Rly2Op	Function of relay 2	Off	Off	AutoLod Ext
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicuster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SiComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

**242# Relay Load**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Lod1SocTm1Str	SOC limit for load shedding 1 start for t1			30%
02	Lod1SocTm1Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 1 stop for t1			50%
03	Lod1SocTm2Str	SOC limit for load shedding 1 start for t2			30%
04	Lod1SocTm2Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 1 stop for t2			50%
05	Lod1Tm1Str	Time 1 for Loadshed 1 in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2			
06	Lod1Tm2Str	Time 2 for Loadshed 1 in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			
07	Lod2SocTm1Str	SOC limit for load shedding 2 start for t1			30%
08	Lod2SocTm1Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 2 stop for t1			50%
09	Lod2SocTm2Str	SOC limit for load shedding 2 start for t2			30%
10	Lod2SocTm2Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 2 stop for t2			50%

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
11	Lod2Tm1Str	Time 1 for Loadshed 2 in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2			
12	Lod2Tm2Str	Time 2 for Loadshed 2 in hours, minutes and seconds Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			

**243# Relay Timer**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	RlyTmr1StrDt	Start date for timer 1			2006-01-01
02	RlyTmr1StrTm	Start time for relay control timer 1 in hours, minutes and seconds			
03	RlyTmr1Dur	Running time for relay control timer 1 in hours, minutes and seconds			
04	RlyTmr1Cyc	Repetition cycle time for timer 1	Single	One-time	Single
			Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	
05	RlyTmr2StrDt	Start date timer 2			2006-01-01
06	RlyTmr2StrTm	Start time for relay control timer 2 in hours, minutes and seconds			
07	RlyTmr2Dur	Running time for relay control timer 2 in hours, minutes and seconds			
08	RlyTmr2Cyc	Repetition cycle time for timer 2	Single	One-time	Single
			Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	

**244# Relay Slave1**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Rly1OpSlv1	Function of relay 1 on slave 1	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SIComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
02	Rly2OpSlv1	Function of relay 2 on slave 1	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicuster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SiComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

## 245# Relay Slave2

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Rly1OpSlv2	Function of relay 1 on slave 2	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SIComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
02	Rly2OpSlv2	Function of relay 2 on slave 2	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicuster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SiComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

**246# Relay Slave3**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Rly1OpSlv3	Function of relay 1 on slave 3	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SIComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
02	Rly2OpSlv3	Function of relay 2 on slave 3	Off	Off	Off
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	Operation	
			BatFan	Battery fan (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicuster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
CHPAdd	Additional CHP request				
SiComRemote	SI Com module				
Overload	Overload				

## 19.2.5 System Settings (250#)

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	AutoStr	Autostart If the value 0 has been set, this means that the autostart is deactivated.			3
02	Dt	Date		MM/DD/YYYY	99.99.9 999
03	Tm	Time in hours, minutes and seconds		HH:MM:SS	99:99:9 9
04	BeepEna	Key clicks	Off	Disable	On
			On	Enable	
05	ClstCfg	Cluster configuration	Slave1	Cluster slave 1	1Phase1
			Slave2	Cluster slave 2	
			Slave3	Cluster slave 3	
			1Phase1	1-phase, 1 Sunny Island inverter	
			1Phase2	1-phase, 2 Sunny Island inverters	
			1Phase3	1-phase, 3 Sunny Island inverters	
			1Phase4	1 phase, 4 Sunny Island inverters	
			2Phase2	2 phase, 2 Sunny Island inverters	
			2Phase4	2 phase, 4 Sunny Island inverters	
			3-Phase	3-phase, 3 Sunny Island inverters	
			MC-Box	Setting for Multicluster operation	
06	ComBaud	Baud rate	1200		1200
			4800		
			9600		
			19200		
09	ComAdr	Address for communication			1

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
10	SleepEna	Sleep mode	Disable	Disable	Enable
			Enable	Enable	
11	AfraEna	Tertiary control (AFC - Automatic Frequency Control)	Disable	Disable	Enable
			Enable	Enable	
13	SlpAtNgt	Switch off slaves at night	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
14	SlpStrTm	Start time for switching off at night (sleep mode)			20:00:00
15	SlpStpTm	Stop time for night shut down (sleep mode)			05:00:00
23	Box	Type of Multicluster Box used		Multicluster Box 12-US	MC-Box-12
24	ClstMod	Cluster type in Multicluster operation (system configuration)	SingleCluster		SingleCluster
			MainCluster		
			ExtensionClst1		
			ExtensionClst2		
			ExtensionClst3		
			ExtensionClstN		
25	ClstAdr	Cluster address			
28	ChrgCltOp	Typ of DC charging device	Auto	Automatic	Auto
			DOnly	Battery charger only	
			SMA	Sunny Island Charger	
30	RnMod	"Run mode"	RunAlways	Always available	RunAlways <sup>s</sup>
		Behavior when error occurs	StopAlways	Stop if device malfunctions	

## 19.2.6 Password Setting (280#)

For detailed information on this menu, see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86).

## 19.3 Diagnosis (300#)

### 19.3.1 Inverter Diagnosis (310#)

#### 311# System Total Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	EgyCntIn	Energy absorbed in kWh
02	EgyCntOut	Energy fed in kWh
03	EgyCntTm	Energy metering run time in hours

#### 312# Inverter Device Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation	Default value
01	Adr	Device address	Master (1)	Address	Master
			Slave1 (2)	Address	
			Slave2 (3)	Address	
			Slave3 (4)	Address	
02	FwVer	Firmware version of the Sunny Island master			
03	SN	Serial number of the Sunny Island master			
04	OnTmh	Operating hours of the Sunny Island in hours			
05	ClstCfgAt	Set cluster configuration The value is based on the setting in QCG			
06	OpStt	Operating state of the Sunny Island	Operating (1)	Operation	
			Warning (2)	Warning	
			Failure (3)	Error	

No.	Name	Description	Value clear text (No.)	Explanation	Default value
07	CardStt	SD card status message	Off (1)	None	Off
			Operational (2)	Busy	
			Mount (3)	Initialization	
			OutOfSpace (4)	No storage space available	
			BadFileSys (5)	No file system detected	
			Incomp (6)	Incompatible file system	
			Parameter (7)	Parameter set write access	
			ParamFailed (8)	Parameter set write access failed	
			WriteLogData (9)	Log data write access	
			WriteLogFailed (10)	Log data write access failed	
08	FwVer2	DSP firmware version			
09	FwVer3	BFR boot loader			
10	FwVer4	DSP boot loader			

### 313# Inverter Slave1 Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv1	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
02	SNSlv1	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 1		
03	OnTmhSlv1	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 1 in hours		
04	PhSlv1	Phase of the Sunny Island slave 1	L1	Phase L1
			L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv1	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 1	Operating	Operation
			Warning	Warning
			Failure	Error

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
06	FwVer2Slv1	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
07	FwVer3Slv1	BFR boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 1		
08	FwVer4Slv1	DSP boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 1		

### 314# Inverter Slave2 Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv2	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 2		
02	SNSlv2	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 2		
03	OnTmhSlv2	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 2 in hours		
04	PhSlv2	Phase of the Sunny Island slave 2	L1	Phase L1
			L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv2	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 2	Operating	Operation
			Warning	Warning
			Failure	Error
06	FwVer2Slv2	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
07	FwVer3Slv2	BFR boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 2		
08	FwVer4Slv2	DSP boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 2		

**315# Inverter Slave3 Diagnosis**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv3	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 3		
02	SNSlv3	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 3		
03	OnTmhSlv3	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 3 in hours		
04	PhSlv3	Phase of the Sunny Island slave 3	L1	Phase L1
			L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv3	Operating state of the Sunny Island slave 3	Operating	Operation
			Warning	Warning
			Failure	Error
06	FwVer2Slv3	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 3		
07	FwVer3Slv3	BFR boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 3		
08	FwVer4Slv3	DSP boot loader of the Sunny Island slave 3		

### 19.3.2 Battery Diagnosis (320#)

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Soh	State of Health (SOH) Ratio of current capacity to its nominal value			100%
02	StatTm	Run time of statistics counter in days			
03	ChrgFact	Charge factor			1.00
04	BatEgyCntIn	Energy meter for battery charge in kWh			
05	BatEgyCntOut	Energy meter for battery discharge in kWh			
06	AhCntIn	Meter for battery charging ampere hours			
07	AhCntOut	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours			
08	BatTmpPkMin	Minimum battery temperature in °C			
09	BatTmpPkMax	Maximum battery temperature in °C			
10	EquChrgCnt	Equalization charge counter			
11	FulChrgCnt	Full charge meter			
12	BatCurOfsErr	Offset error of battery current in A			
13	OcvPointCnt	Meter for open-circuit voltage points			
15	AhCntFul	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours since the last full charge (in Ah/100 Ah)			

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
16	AhCntEqu	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours since the last equalization charge (in Ah/100 Ah)			
17	BatVtgPk	Maximum battery voltage to have arisen in V			
18	BatCurPkIn	Maximum battery current in the charging direction (in A)			
19	BatCurPkOut	Maximum battery current in discharging direction (in A)			
20	SocHgm100	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 100% > SOC >= 90%			
21	SocHgm090	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 90% > SOC >= 80%			
22	SocHgm080	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 80% > SOC >= 70%			
23	SocHgm070	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 70% > SOC >= 60%			
24	SocHgm060	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 60% > SOC >= 50%			

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
25	SocHgm050	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 50% > SOC >= 40%			
26	SocHgm040	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 40% > SOC >= 30%			
27	SocHgm030	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 30% > SOC >= 20%			
28	SocHgm020	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 20% > SOC >= 10%			
29	SocHgm010	Frequency scale of state of charge, in percent, 10% > SOC >= 0%			
30	SocHgm000	Frequency scale of state of charge in percent SOC < 0%			
31	SocVtgCal	Recalibration of state of charge only via open-circuit voltage (in percent)			
32	ErrSocVtgCal	Estimated error of the voltage-calibrated state of charge			50%
33	SocChrgCal	Recalibration of state of charge only via full charge			50%
34	ErrSocChrgCal	Estimated error of the full-charge-calibrated state of charge			50%

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
35	OcvGra	Slope of the open-circuit voltage curve			700 Ah/V
36	OcvMax	Maximum open-circuit voltage			2.12 V

### 19.3.3 External Diagnosis (330#)

#### 331# Grid Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	GdEgyCntIn	Energy meter for grid feed-in in kWh
02	GdEgyCntOut	Energy meter for power taken from the grid in kWh
03	GdEgyTmh	Running time of grid energy meter in hours
04	GdOpTmh	Operating hour meter for grid operation
05	GdCtcCnt	Counter for grid connections
06	TotTmh	Feed-in hours

#### 332# Generator Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	GnEgyCnt	Generator energy meter in kWh
02	GnEgyTm	Running time of generator energy meter in hours
03	GnOpTmh	Operating hours counter for generator
04	GnStrCnt	Number of generator starts

## 19.4 Events, Warnings and Errors (History)

### 19.4.1 Failure / Event (400#)

More information on the "410# Failures Current", "420# Failure History" and "430# Event History" menus is provided as of section 10.9 "Display of Warnings and Failures" (page 92).

## 19.5 Functions in Operation

### 19.5.1 Operation (500#)

#### 510# Operation Inverter

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	InvRs	Tripping a restart of the Sunny Island	Restart	Restart	
02	InvRmOpEna	Time-controlled inverter operation	Disable	Disable	Disable
			Enable	Enable	
03	InvTmOpStrDt	Start date for time-controlled inverter operation			2006-01-01
04	InvTmOpStrTm	Start time for time-controlled inverter operation in hours, minutes and seconds		Value can be set freely	
05	InvTmOpRnDur	Running time for time-controlled inverter operation in hours, minutes and seconds		Value can be set freely	
06	InvTmOpCyc	Repetition cycle for time-controlled inverter operation (Tm1)	Single	One-time	Single
			Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	
07	CntRs	Delete energy meter  The value indicates which energy meter is to be deleted.	Inv	Sunny Island	
			Bat	Battery	
			Gn	Generator	
			Gd	Grid	
			All	All energy meters	
			Sic1	Sunny Island Charger 1	
			Sic2	Sunny Island Charger 2	
			Sic3	Sunny Island Charger 3	
			Sic4	Sunny Island Charger 4	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
			SicAll	All Sunny Island Chargers	
08	TstClstCom	Activates the communication test between the individual clusters:	Off	Off	
			Transmit	Enable	
09	ClstComStt	Communication test status	Wait	Wait	
			OK	Completed	
10	FrcClstUpd	Manual update of the cluster	UpdateClst	Cluster Update (BFR & DSP)	
			UpdateClstBFR	Cluster Update (BFR)	
			UpdateClstDSP	Cluster Update (DSP)	

### 520# Operation Battery

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChrgSelMan	Manual equalization charge	Idle	Wait	Idle
			Start	Starting	
			Stop	Stopping	

### 540# Operation Generator

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GnManStr	Manual generator start	Auto	Automatically	Auto
			Stop	Stopping	
			Start	Starting	
			Run1h	Run for 1 h	
02	GnAck	Error confirmation for generator fault	Ackn	Failure confirmation	

## 550# Operation MMC

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ParaSto	Save parameter settings	Set1	Parameter Set1	
			Set2	Parameter Set2	
02	ParaLod	Load parameter settings	Set1	Parameter Set1	
			Set2	Parameter Set2	
			Factory	Load default settings	
03	CardFunc	Functions of the SD card	ForcedWrite	Forced write	
			StoEvtHis	Save event memory	
			StoFailHis	Save error memory	
			StoHis	Save event and error memory	
04	DatLogEna	Automatic data storage	Off	Disable	On
			On	Enable	

## 560# Operation Grid

The 560# Operation Grid menu can only be seen if the external voltage source of the Sunny Island is set to "Grid" or "GenGrid".

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GdManStr	Manual grid start	Auto	Automatically	Auto
			Stop	Stopping	
			Start	Starting	

## 19.6 Direct Access to the parameters

### 19.6.1 Direct Access (600#)

Direct access to parameters is explained in detail in section 10.3 "Direct Access - Direct Access to the Parameters" (page 82).

## 20 Troubleshooting

In general the Sunny Island distinguishes between events and errors.

- **Events** describe state changes or transient states (e.g. generator connection).
- **Errors** describe states that are not permitted or are only permitted up to a certain rate. This includes warnings, failures and errors. A user interaction is generally required.

### 20.1 Failure Acknowledgement

If there is a failure or an error, the Sunny Island goes into standby.

Proceed as follows to confirm a failure:

1. Remove the cause.
2. Confirm error with <ENTER>.
3. Start the Sunny Island again.

### 20.2 Autostart Handling

The Sunny Island has an autostart meter which counts down by 1 with every automatic start. After 10 minutes of normal operation of the Sunny Island, the autostart meter is set back to its original value.

If another fault occurs when the autostart meter is at 0, the Sunny Island waits for 10 minutes and then attempts to restart. The autostart meter begins to run again.

The number of the autostarts allowed can be set using the "250.01 AutoStr" parameter (in standby mode).

### 20.3 Master-Slave Handling

Each device detects the errors separately and saves them. The slaves transfer their errors to the master. The master collects these error messages and enters the slave errors as warnings into its history.

Example:

Slave 1 has detected overtemperature. It enters this error in its history and reports it to the master, which also enters it as a warning into its failure history ("Menu 420# Failure History").

The following message appears in the lower display line on the master.



F138 S1 Warning ↵

If warning 138 is still active on slave 1, the Enter symbol appears at the end.

After the warning has been confirmed on the master by pressing the <ENTER> key, it is forwarded to the respective slave.

The master shows the following message after confirmation.



F138 S1 Warning



### No comparison between master and slave

The failure and event memory are not compared between the master and slaves. The slave device's errors are confirmed when the Sunny Island system is restarted.

## 20.4 Handling Pending Failures During the Booting Procedure

During the booting procedure, all pending failures are generally confirmed without an entry being made in the history. This way, after the booting procedure failure that is still pending will be re-entered, or if the system detects that this failure has stopped, it is entered as no longer being present.

## 20.5 Display of Failures and Events

Each failure and each event have a unique three-digit display number that is created according to the parameter/measuring value assignment. The events and failures have the identical numerical range:

- 1xx - INV - Inverter
- 2xx - BAT - Battery
- 3xx - EXT - External
- 4xx - GEN - Generator
- 5xx - GRD - Grid
- 6xx - RLY - Relay
- 7xx - SYS - System
- 8xx - AUX - External devices and components



### Meaning of Abbreviations

"F" indicates a failure, "W" a warning and "E" an event.

In the event of a failure, and provided it is recorded, "I" is displayed for a failure that has occurred and "C" is displayed for a failure that has stopped.

## 20.6 Events

The meanings of the events displayed by the Sunny Island are described in the following table:

## 20.6.1 Category INV

Display no.	Description
E101	Wait status
E102	Startup process
E103	Operation
E104	Operating on the generator (at external input)
E105	Operating on the grid (at external input)
E106	Feeding-in grid operation (at external input)
E107	Sleep mode (slave in 1-phase systems)
E108	Silent mode on the grid
E110	Shutting down due to error
E115	Emergency charge
E118	Automatic start
E119	Manual start (transition from standby mode to operation)
E120	Manual stop (transition from operation to standby mode)
E129	External start (remote)
E130	External stop (remote)
E131	AFC Start
E132	AFC Stop

## 20.6.2 Category BAT

Display no.	Description
E202	(Partial) reset of BMS due to new battery
E203	State change, battery charging algorithm for float charge
E204	State change, battery charging algorithm for boost charge
E205	State change, battery charging algorithm for full charge
E206	State change into silent mode option
E207	State change, battery charging algorithm for equalization charge
E221	Status change Battery preservation mode level 1
E222	Status change Battery preservation mode level 2
E223	Status change Battery preservation mode level 3

### 20.6.3 Category GEN

Display no.	Description
E401	Automatic generator start due to set criteria (battery state of charge, power, time, etc.)
E402	Automatic generator stop due to set criteria (battery state of charge, power, time, etc.)
E403	Manual generator start
E404	Manual PV array stop
E405	Manual error confirmation of PV array fault
E406	PV array request

### 20.6.4 GRD Category

Display no.	Description
E501	Grrd request due to SOC (insufficient value)
E502	Release of grid due to SOC (exceeds)
E503	Grid request due to exceeding the power limit
E504	Release of grid due to falling below the power limit
E505	Manual grid request
E506	Manual grid clearance
E507	Feed-in started
E508	Feed-in stopped

### 20.6.5 Category REL

Display no.	Description
E601	Relay 1 off
E602	Relay 1 on
E603	Relay 1 on slave 1 off
E604	Relay 1 on slave 1 on
E605	Relay 1 on slave 2 off
E606	Relay 1 on slave 2 on
E607	Relay 1 on slave 3 off
E608	Relay 1 on slave 3 on
E609	Transfer relay open
E610	Transfer relay closed
E611	Transfer relay on slave 1 open
E612	Transfer relay on slave 1 closed

Display no.	Description
E613	Transfer relay on slave 2 open
E614	Transfer relay on slave 2 closed
E615	Transfer relay on slave 3 open
E616	Transfer relay on slave 3 closed
E617	Relay 2 open
E618	Relay 2 closed
E619	Relay 2 on slave 1 open
E620	Relay 2 on slave 1 closed
E621	Relay 2 on slave 2 open
E622	Relay 2 on slave 2 closed
E623	Relay 2 on slave 3 open
E624	Relay 2 on slave 3 closed
E625	Digital input OFF (Low)
E626	Digital input ON (High)
E629	Digital input slave 2 to OFF (low)
E630	Digital input slave 2 to ON (high)
E631	Digital input slave 3 to OFF (low)
E632	Digital input slave 3 to ON (high)

## 20.6.6 Category SYS

Display no.	Description
E705	Device start
E706	Date, time changed
E707	New system configured in QCG
E708	Part 1 of firmware updated
E709	Part 2 of firmware updated
E710	Cluster firmware updated
E711	MMC/SD card inserted
E712	Parameters from MMC/SD card loaded
E851	Sunny Island Charger #1 detected
E852	Sunny Island Charger #2 detected
E853	Sunny Island Charger #3 detected
E854	Sunny Island Charger #4 detected

## 20.7 Failure Categories

The Sunny Island distinguishes between five different levels of errors, each requiring different user interaction:

Level	Designation	Display	Significance
1	Warning	Warning	Warning, device continues to run. There is an explicit information on the Home Screen that a warning was recorded.
2	Malfunction 1	Malfunction	Failure that can only be detected during operation. Device switches off. Device can be restarted immediately (autostart).
3	Malfunction 2	Malfunction	Failure that can also be detected in standby mode. Device switches off. The device can only be restarted (autostart) once the system detects that the failure has ended.
4	Error	Failure	Device fault. Device switches off. User interaction required (failure removal, confirmation, manual restart)
5	Device defect	Defect	Device is defect. Device switches off and does not switch on again. Permanent disable. Device must be replaced.

## 20.8 Warnings and Error Messages

The meanings of the warnings and errors displayed by the Sunny Island are described in the following table:

### 20.8.1 Category INV

Display no.	Level	Description
F109	3	Transformer overtemperature
W110	1	Transformer overtemperature slave 1
W111	1	Transformer overtemperature slave 2
W112	1	Transformer overtemperature slave 3
F113	3	Heat sink overtemperature
W114	1	Heat sink overtemperature slave 1
W115	1	Heat sink overtemperature slave 2
W116	1	Heat sink overtemperature slave 3
F117	2	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long)
W118	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 1
W119	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 2

Display no.	Level	Description
W120	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 3
F121	3	Inverter overvoltage
W122	1	Inverter overvoltage slave 1
W123	1	Inverter overvoltage slave 2
W124	1	Inverter overvoltage slave 3
W137	1	Derating due to temperature (heat sink or transformer)
W138	1	Derating due to temperature (heat sink or transformer) on slave 1
W139	1	Derating due to temperature (heat sink or transformer) on slave 2
W140	1	Derating due to temperature (heat sink or transformer) on slave 3
F141	2	Inverter undervoltage
W142	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 1
W143	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 2
W144	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 3
F158	2	Voltage on output AC1
W159	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 1
W160	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 2
W161	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 3

## 20.8.2 Category BAT

Display no.	Level	Description
F201	2	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded
W202	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 1
W203	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 2
W204	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 3
F206	3	Battery overtemperature
F208	3	Battery overvoltage error
W209	1	Battery overvoltage error
W210	1	Battery overvoltage warning
W211	1	Low battery temperature warning
W212	1	High battery temperature warning
F213	2	Warning low battery voltage
W220	1	Warning SOH < 70%

## 20.8.3 Category EXT

Display no.	Level	Description
W309	1	Relay protection
W310	1	Relay protection slave 1
W311	1	Relay protection slave 2
W312	1	Relay protection slave 3
F314	2	External voltage failure
W315	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage
W316	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 1
W317	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 2
W318	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 3
W319	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage
W320	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 1
W321	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 2
W322	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 3
W323	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency
W324	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 1
W325	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 2
W326	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 3
W327	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency
W328	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 1
W329	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 2
W330	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 3
W331	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to anti-islanding
W332	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to violation of anti-islanding on slave 1

Display no.	Level	Description
W333	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to violation of anti-islanding on slave 2
W334	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to violation of anti-islanding on slave 3
W335	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement)
W336	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 1
W337	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 2
W338	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 3
W339	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage increase protection
W340	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage increase protection on slave 1
W341	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage increase protection on slave 2
W342	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage increase protection on slave 3
W343	1	Disconnection from the external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W344	1	Disconnection from the slave 1 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W345	1	Disconnection from the slave 2 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W346	1	Disconnection from the slave 3 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W347	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load
W348	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 1
W349	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 2
W350	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 3
W351	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short circuit
W352	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short circuit slave 1
W353	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short circuit slave 2
W354	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short circuit slave 3

### 20.8.4 Category GEN

Display no.	Level	Description
W401	1	Reverse power protection (generator)
W402	1	Generator management switches into the block fault status (Fail-Lock)

### 20.8.5 GRD Category

Display no.	Level	Description
W501	1	Grid reverse current prevented (quick grid disconnection)
W502	1	Grid reverse current prevented (quick grid disconnection) on slave 1
W503	1	Grid reverse current prevented (quick grid disconnection) on slave 2
W504	1	Grid reverse current prevented (quick grid disconnection) on slave 3
W505	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom")
W506	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 1
W507	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 2
W508	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 3

### 20.8.6 Category RLY

Display no.	Level	Description
F605	4	Transfer relay does not open
W606	1	Transfer relay does not open slave 1
W607	1	Transfer relay does not open slave 2
W608	1	Transfer relay does not open slave 3

### 20.8.7 Category SYS

Display no.	Level	Description
F702	5	DSP reset
F703	2	Timeout during a task
F704	4	Invalid DSP calibration
W705	1	DSP watchdog has been tripped
F706	4	Watchdog meter has expired (watchdog tripped several times in succession)
W707	1	Watchdog meter on slave 1 has expired (watchdog tripped several times in succession)

Display no.	Level	Description
W708	1	Watchdog meter on slave 2 has expired (watchdog tripped several times in succession)
W709	1	Watchdog meter on slave 3 has expired (watchdog tripped several times in succession)
F710	4	Autostart counter elapsed (several autostarts in succession)
W713	1	Watchdog has been tripped
F716	2	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded
W717	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 1
W718	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 2
W719	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 3
F720	4	Short circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor
F721	4	Short circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor
W722	1	Short circuit on battery temperature sensor
W723	1	Cable break on battery temperature sensor
W724	1	Autostart counter slave 1 elapsed
W725	1	Autostart counter slave 2 elapsed
W726	1	Autostart counter slave 3 elapsed
F731	4	Error in cluster configuration
F732	4	Error in address assignment of cluster devices
F733	4	No message from cluster master (only slave)
W734	1	No message from cluster slave 1
W735	1	No message from cluster slave 2
W736	1	No message from cluster slave 3
W738	1	Synchronization not successful
F739	3	Internal communication of the master is interrupted
W740	1	Internal device communication of slave 1 interrupted
W741	1	Internal device communication of slave 2 interrupted
W742	1	Internal device communication of slave 3 interrupted
F743	3	Internal CAN communication of the master is interrupted
W744	1	Internal CAN communication of slave 1 is interrupted
W745	1	Internal CAN communication of slave 2 is interrupted
W746	1	Internal CAN communication of slave 3 is interrupted
W747	1	Short circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 1
W748	1	Short circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 2
W749	1	Short circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 3
W750	1	Short circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 1
W751	1	Short circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 2

Display no.	Level	Description
W752	1	Short circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 3
W753	1	Invalid system time
F754	2	Communication with Multicluster Box interrupted
W755	1	Battery Preservation Mode 1 (LBM)
W756	1	Battery Preservation Mode 2 (LBM)
W757	1	Battery Preservation Mode 3 (LBM)
W758	1	No output voltage measured from the main cluster
W759	1	No output voltage measured from slave 1 of main cluster
W760	1	No output voltage measured from slave 2 of main cluster
W761	1	No output voltage measured from slave 3 of main cluster
F781	4	Error at a slave which leads to shutdown of the system (for the "RunMod" function)
F782	4	Failure of the grid monitoring
F783	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls
F784	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 1
F785	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 2
F786	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 3

## 20.8.8 AUX Category

Display no.	Level	Description
F801	4	Plausibility check of contactors in a Multicluster Box failed
W804	1	Grid operation not possible
W805	1	Generator operation not possible
F806	4	Multicluster Box settings do not match software settings.
W807	1	No valid grid voltage for requested grid operation
W808	1	Error Q4 contactor
F809	4	Error Q10 contactor (load shedding)
F810	4	Error in 15 V supply of Multicluster Box
F811	4	Error in 24 V supply of Multicluster Box
W815	1	Error Q5 contactor
F816	2	Error Q7 contactor
F817	4	Error Q9 contactor
F818	4	A phase is missing, Multicluster Box goes into "Failure" status
W824	1	Error Q4 contactor
W851	1	Pole of battery connection reversed or short circuit on Sunny Island Charger 1
W852	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 1

Display no.	Level	Description
W853	1	Overvoltage PV array Sunny Island Charger 1
W854	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 1
W855	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 1
W856	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 1
W857	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 1 for more than 24 h
W861	1	Pole of battery connection reversed or short circuit on Sunny Island Charger 2
W862	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 2
W863	1	Overvoltage PV array Sunny Island Charger 2
W864	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 2
W865	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 2
W866	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 2
W867	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 2 for more than 24 h
W871	1	Pole of battery connection reversed or short circuit on Sunny Island Charger 3
W872	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 3
W873	1	Overvoltage PV array Sunny Island Charger 3
W874	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 3
W875	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 3
W876	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 3
W877	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 3 for more than 24 h
W881	1	Pole of battery connection reversed or short circuit on Sunny Island Charger 4
W882	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 4
W883	1	Overvoltage PV array Sunny Island Charger 4
W884	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 4
W885	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 4
W886	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 4
W887	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 4 for more than 24 h
F890	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box
F891	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box slave 1
F892	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box slave 2

## 20.9 Troubleshooting

Answers are provided below for faults that may occur in practice:

### Why does the Sunny Island not connect to the running generator?

- Is the fuse on the generator ok?
- Has the power which is allowed to be fed back into the generator during the permissible time been exceeded ("233.14 GnRvTm" parameter)? If yes, "I" is displayed. Generator connection is blocked for the set time. Set the "540.02 GnAck" parameter to Ackn.
- If the generator control relay (GnReq) is open has the generator been started manually ("234.07 GnStrMod" parameter)? Change the setting to autostart, if required.
- Is a GenMan used in the system?
  - Check the return signal (DigIn)
  - The generator can only be started manually using GenMan.

### Why is the display of the Sunny Island dark and why is nothing shown on the display?

- Is the DC miniature circuit-breaker on the Sunny Island set to "On"? In this case, the device has switched off to protect the battery from deep discharge (see also section 13.3 "State of Charge (SOC) and State of Health (SOH)" (page 108)). To restart the Sunny Island, see section 9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 75).
- The external battery fuse may have been tripped.

### Why is it not possible to change the parameters?

- Has the installer password been entered correctly? Check whether you are actually in "Installer Level" (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 86)). If necessary, repeat the calculation and entry of the password.
- You are e.g. in the "100-Meters" (measuring data) menu or the "300-Diagnosis" (diagnosis) menu. You can only read the data values shown here.
- Some parameters can only be changed in standby mode or in the QCG (see for example the parameter "234.07 GnStrMod" in section 19.2 "Adjustable Parameters" (page 163)). Stop the Sunny Island as described in section 9.2 "Stopping the Sunny Island (Standby)" (page 74). Note that this causes a dropout in the stand-alone grid system and the loads are no longer supplied.

### Why does the Sunny Island connect to the running generator only for a short time?

- The limits for the maximum permissible AC voltage or the minimum permissible frequency of the generator are too strict (parameter in the menu "233# Generator Control"). Change voltage and/or frequency limiting values while observing the technical data for your generator.

### **Why does the "VAC-Low" error (output voltage too low) also occur when the Sunny Island is started?**

- A permanent short-circuit exists in the stand-alone grid system. Check the AC output connections of the stand-alone grid system (see section 6.3 "AC Connection" (page 46)).
- The loads connected to the stand-alone grid system are too heavy. The power/electrical energy of the Sunny Island is not sufficient to supply the loads. Switch off some of the loads and restart the Sunny Island.

### **Why is the off-grid frequency not at 60 Hz?**

- The Sunny Boy inverter is controlled via the frequency (see section 17.5 "Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)" (page 151)).
- The "AFC" function of the Sunny Island 4548-US/6048-US is activated (see section 12.7 "Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)" (page 105)).
- Power fluctuations cause frequency deviations.

### **What do I do when a battery cell can no longer be used?**

- Remove the unusable cell from your battery bank. Start the Sunny Island and change the battery voltage in the QCG under "New Battery".

### **What can I do when the QCG does not run?**

- Switch off the Sunny Island (see section 9.3 "Switching Off" (page 75)) and restart it (see section 9.1 "Switching On" (page 73)).

### **What can I do when "MMC operation failed" appears on the display?**

- You wanted to perform an action using the SD card, but it failed (see section 10.9 "Display of Warnings and Failures" (page 92)). Check the card (on your PC/laptop) and use a new SD card, if necessary.

### **Why does my Sunny Island stay on even though I switched the DC miniature circuit-breaker to Off?**

- Your Sunny Island may be powered by the AC side. Switch off all AC consumers and disconnect them from the Sunny Island (see section 9.4 "Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources" (page 75)).

### **Why is my battery discharging even though the generator is running?**

- The power produced by the generator does not reach the Sunny Island. Check the voltage and frequency values. The fuses on the generator may have been tripped.
- The consumer power exceeds the generator power "234.03 GnCurNom".
  - Check error messages Find the cause.

### **Why is the deactivation defined by the SOC in case of a full or equalization charge and generator start in the second time zone?**

- The equalization charge has a higher priority than silent time.

**Why is the SOC not at 100%, even after completion of a full charge?**

- Set a longer absorption period.

**How is it possible to ensure that the maximum battery charging current is correctly calculated after a reinstallation of the battery current sensor?**

- Recalibrate the battery current sensor using the "225.04 BatCurAutoCal" parameter with the setting "Start".

**What is required if the Sunny Island is continuously switched off after Low Battery Mode (LBM) when restarting the device?**

- Start the generator manually, if required (e.g.: Run 1h). Consider the time for warming up: 5 minutes without charging current in BatProtMode can cause the device to change to standby mode.

**How is it possible to change between wintertime and summertime operation e.g. for alpine huts?**

- Save two different parameter sets on the SD card and activate them via the "550.02 ParaLod" parameter (see section 11.3 "Saving and Loading Parameters" (page 97)).

**What happens if the card inserted is not FAT16 formatted?**

- The Sunny Island displays the message "Incomp".

**Why does the generator and/or the grid not reconnect although the (voltage or frequency) limit for disconnection has not been exceeded?**

- The Sunny Island connects with a so-called hysteresis, i.e., the connection value is slightly below or above the disconnection value. These limiting values are predefined ex-works.

**Why is it not possible to set any combinations of voltage and frequency limits?**

- The possible ranges for voltage and frequency of the Sunny Island allow the combination of special frequencies and voltages that result in transformer saturation and are therefore not permitted.

**Why is it that one (or more) extension clusters remain in standby, although the main cluster is operating properly?**

- Is the communication cable between the master devices connected? The main master cannot forward the "Start" command to the extension master. The devices remain in standby.

**Why is the Multicenter system not supplying full power?**

- Has an extension cluster's slave failed? The system continues to operate, but with correspondingly lower output on the phase of the failed device.

**Why is it that shortly after startup, the slave switches to standby with the error message F117, but the master continues to operate?**

- Are the phases within the cluster, or from the cluster to the Multicenter Box connected the wrong way around? This causes a permanent short-circuit in the cluster, and the slave reports this to the master.

## What is the meaning of the F605 error message?

- The F605 error message might occur, among other things, if you have installed a direct connection with switch between the AC input (AC2) and the AC output (AC1) of the Sunny Island. If such a connection is not installed on the Sunny Island and if the switch is closed, the Sunny Island is surpassed. If the Sunny Island did not give the order for closing its internal transfer relay itself, it displays the F605 error message and does not start operation. Open the bypass switch and restart the Sunny Island afterwards to fix this error.

## Why is it that high outputs are being transferred back and forth between the clusters in the cluster network?

- The nominal frequencies and voltages are defined differently. Correct this by means of the appropriate parameters.

## 20.10 What to Do during Emergency Charge Mode

The Sunny Island cannot provide voltage with full amplitude with a deeply discharged battery and can no longer synchronize with an existing grid or generator. Using the emergency charge mode (ECM), it is possible to charge the batteries in current-controlled mode.

To charge the batteries in the emergency charge mode, either bridge the AC1 with AC2 (for a stationary generator) or connect a portable generator directly to AC1.

All loads must be disconnected in emergency charge mode.



### Battery Management

The battery management is active and the current set battery parameters and the current charging phase are used. These values can be changed in "normal operation".



### Generator and Grid Management

In emergency charge mode, the generator management and grid management are **not** active. Reverse power protection and relay protection are also not active.



### AC1 and AC2 are bridged

In case that AC1 and AC2 have been bridged the generator should be connected and then manually started. Otherwise, it is possible that the magnetizing current trips the generator fuse. (This can also happen when connecting the relay without using a bridge.)

Emergency charge mode is activated in the QCG. For a description how to access the QCG see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 67). Follow the instructions up to point 2. The emergency charge mode is described below.

1. Choose "Emerg Charge" in QCG with <ENTER>.

```
01#StartMenu
Emerg. Charge
```



**Prematurely ending the Emergency Charge Mode**

In order to exit the emergency charge mode early, the Sunny Island must be restarted with the "510.01 InvRs" parameter.

In emergency charge mode, process values are shown in the display. Parameters cannot be changed during the charging process. If the Sunny Island is restarted, the settings that were saved before the ECM are loaded.

**Bridge between AC1 and AC2**

After emergency charge mode has been completed make sure to remove the bridge between AC1 and AC2!

**Restarting**

Observe information for restarting and wait for fifteen minutes (see also section 9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 75)).

## 21 Accessories

You will find the corresponding accessories and spare parts for your product in the following overview. If necessary, you can order these from SMA Solar Technology or your specialty retailer.

<b>Designation</b>	<b>Brief description</b>	<b>SMA order number</b>
Batfuse-B.01 (250 A) (not UL certified)	2-pole NH1 battery fuse-switch-disconnector for up to one Sunny Island, 3 DC input ports (1 x Battery and 2 x Sunny Island Charger), 1 X auxiliary voltage output with 8 A	BATFUSE-B.01
Batfuse-B.03 (250 A) (not UL certified)	2-pole NH1 battery fuse switch disconnector for up to 3 Sunny Island, 6 DC input ports (2 x Battery and 4 x Sunny Island Chargers), 1 X auxiliary voltage output with 8 A	BATFUSE-B.03
Load-Shedding Contactor	3-pole load-shedding contactor with 48 V DC coil for Sunny Island  The load-shedding contactor is available in several versions. You can obtain more information from SMA or your specialty retailer.	SI-LSXX
SI-Shunt	Measuring shunts for the battery current detection  The measuring shunt is available in several versions. You can obtain more information from SMA.	SI-SHUNTXXX
Sunny Island Charger (not UL-certified)	Solar charge regulator for Sunny Island systems Battery voltage: 48 V/24 V/12 V Battery current: 50 A at 48 V, 50 A at 12 V/24 V Nominal power: 2000 W at 48 V, max. PV voltage: 140 V	SIC50-MPT
Smart Load 6000	Adjustable dump load	SL6000
RS485 upgrade kit	RS485 interface	485PB-G3
Multicluster Piggy-Back	Interface for communication between the Sunny Island and the Multicluster Box	MC-PB
Sunny Island Charger Piggy-Back	Interface for communication between the Sunny Island and Sunny Island Charger	SIC-PB

## 22 Technical Data

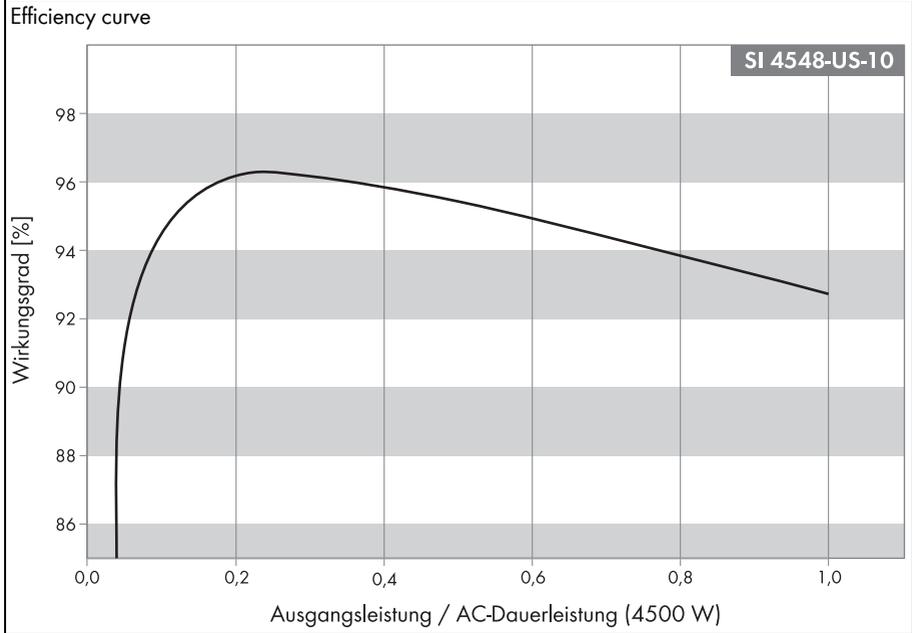
### 22.1 Sunny Island 4548-US

Output values		SI 4548-US-10
Nominal AC voltage (adjustable)	U <sub>AC, nom</sub>	120 V (105 V ... 132 V)
Nominal Frequency	f <sub>nom</sub>	60 Hz (55 ... 65 Hz)
Continuous AC output at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	4 500 W
AC output power for 30 min at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>30 min</sub>	5 300 W
AC output power for 1 min at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>1 min</sub>	8 400 W
AC output power for 3 seconds at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>3 sec</sub>	11 000 W
AC continuous power at 104°F (40°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	3 100 W
AC power at 104°F (40°C) for 3 hours	P <sub>3h</sub>	4 000 W
AC continuous power at 122°F (50°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	1 800 W
AC continuous power at 140°F (60°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	200 W
nominal AC current	I <sub>AC, nom</sub>	37.5 A
Maximum current (peak value) for 60 ms	I <sub>AC, max</sub>	180 A
Total harmonic factor of output voltage	K <sub>VAC</sub>	< 3%
Power factor cosφ		-1 ... +1

Input values		
Input voltage (adjustable)	U <sub>AC, ext</sub>	120 V (80 V ... 150 V)
Input frequency (adjustable)	f <sub>ext</sub>	60 Hz ( 54 Hz ... 66 Hz)
Maximum AC input current (adjustable)	I <sub>AC, ext</sub>	56 A (0 A ... 56 A)
Maximum input power	P <sub>AC, ext</sub>	6.7 kW

Battery Data		
Battery voltage (range)	U <sub>Bat, nom</sub>	48 V (41 V ... 63 V)
Maximum battery charging current	I <sub>Bat, max</sub>	110 A
Continuous charging current	I <sub>Bat, nom</sub>	85 A
Battery capacity	C <sub>Bat</sub>	100 Ah ... 10 000 Ah
Charge Control		IUoU procedure with automatic full and equalization charge
Battery type		VRLA / FLA / NiCd

Efficiency / Power consumption		SI 4548-US-10
Maximum efficiency		96%
Efficiency > 90%		5% P <sub>nom</sub> ... 120% P <sub>nom</sub>
CEC efficiency		94.0 %

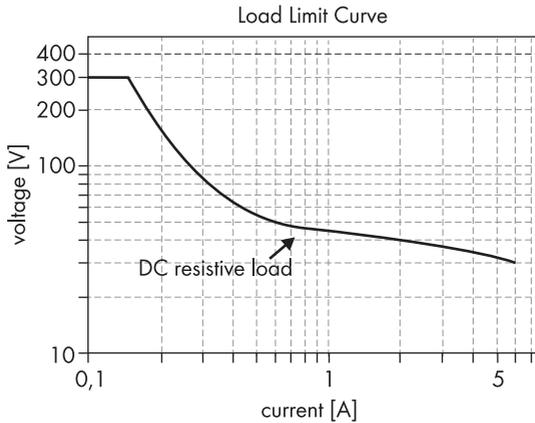


self-consumption with no load (in standby mode)	25 W (4 W)
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General data	
Dimensions (W x H x D)	1 17/32 ft. x 2 ft. x 3/4 ft. (467 mm x 612 mm x 235 mm)
Weight	approx. 139 lb. (approx. 63 kg)
Certification	UL 1741/UL1998
Degree of protection	NEMA 1
Device protection	short-circuit, overload, overtemperature
Ambient temperature	- 13°F ... 140°F (- 25°C ... +60°C)

Interfaces		SI 4548-US-10
Number of LEDs		2
Number of buttons		4
Display		2-line display
Multi-function relay		2
Communication		RS485, galvanically insulated (optional)
Memory card		SD card
Digital input level (Dig-In)		High level from 5 V (up to 63 V), low level 0 V ... 2V
Load limits for multi-function relays 1 and 2		AC: 6 A at at 250 V DC: see graphic

Load limitation curve



## 22.2 Sunny Island 6048-US

Output values		SI 6048-US-10
Nominal AC voltage (adjustable)	U <sub>AC, nom</sub>	120 V (105 V ... 132 V)
Nominal Frequency	f <sub>nom</sub>	60 Hz (55 ... 65 Hz)
Continuous AC output at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	5 750 W
AC output power for 30 min at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>30 min</sub>	7 000 W
AC output power for 1 min at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>1 min</sub>	8 400 W
AC output power for 3 seconds at 77°F (25°C)	P <sub>3 sec</sub>	11 000 W
Continuous AC output at 104°F (40°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	4 700 W
AC power at 104°F (40°C) for 3 hours	P <sub>3h</sub>	5 000 W
Continuous AC output at 122°F (50°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	3 500 W
Continuous AC output at 140°F (60°C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	2 200 W
Nominal AC current	I <sub>AC, nom</sub>	48.0 A
Maximum current (peak value) for 60 ms	I <sub>AC max</sub>	180 A
Total harmonic factor of output voltage	K <sub>VAC</sub>	< 3%
Power factor cosφ		-1 ... +1

Input values		
Input voltage (adjustable)	U <sub>AC, ext</sub>	120 V (80 V ... 150 V)
Input frequency (adjustable)	f <sub>ext</sub>	60 Hz ( 54 Hz ... 66 Hz)
Maximum AC input current (adjustable)	I <sub>AC, ext</sub>	56 A (0 A ... 56 A)
Maximum input power	P <sub>AC, ext</sub>	6.7 kW

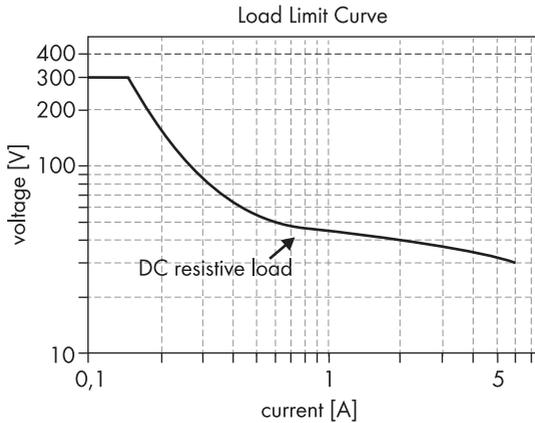
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Battery capacity	C <sub>Bat</sub>	100 Ah ... 10 000 Ah
Charge Control		IUoU procedure with automatic full and equalization charge
Battery type		VRLA / FLA / NiCd

Efficiency / Power consumption		SI 6048-US-10
Maximum efficiency		96%
Efficiency > 90%		5% ... 120% P <sub>nom</sub>
CEC efficiency		93.5%
Efficiency curve		
self-consumption with no load (in standby mode)		25 W (< 4 W)

General data		
Dimensions (W x H x D in mm)		1 17/32 ft. x 2 ft. x 3/4 ft. (467 mm x 612 mm x 235 mm)
Weight		approx. 139 lb. (approx. 63 kg)
Certification		UL 1741/UL1998
Degree of protection		NEMA 1
Device protection		short-circuit, overload, overtemperature
Ambient temperature		-13 °F ... 140 °F (-25 °C ... +60 °C)

Interfaces		SI 6048-US-10
Number of LEDs		2
Number of buttons		4
Display		2-line display
Multi-function relay		2
Communication		RS485, galvanically insulated (optional)
Memory card		SD card
Digital input level (Dig-In)		High level from 5 V (up to 63 V), low level 0 V ... 2V
Load limits for multi-function relays 1 and 2		AC: 6 A at at 250 V DC: see graphic

Load limitation curve



## 23 Glossary

### Absorption phase

Constant Voltage phase: A charging phase using constant charging voltage. The charging current constantly decreases in this phase.

### AC

Abbreviation for "Alternating Current"

### AC coupling

The AC side connection between loads, generators and storage devices.

### AGM battery

Absorbent glass mat separator battery. This is a battery where the electrolyte (a mixture of water and sulfuric acid) is bound to a glass fiber mat. This is a type of a sealed or valve regulated lead-acid (VRLA) lead acid battery. A gas mixture (hydrogen and oxygen) is always generated when lead acid batteries are charged, and in normal operation this internally recombines to form water. This removes the need for regularly refilling the battery cells with water, which is why these batteries are often described as "low maintenance" or even "maintenance free". AGM batteries are available from many different manufacturers for a wide range of applications. They usually have very good high current properties but are not very charge-cycle resistant in relation to deep discharge.

### Ah

Abbreviation for "ampere-hour". Unit of electrical charge, one ampere hour is the charge provided by a constant current of 1 A over a period of one hour.

### Backup system

Backup systems are power supply systems that provide an extra level of security for standard power supply systems. The power distribution grid is usually the standard power supply system and the backup system is provided by an additional stand-alone grid in the case of a power outage. In addition to the backup systems, diesel generators in PV battery systems are also described as backup generators. Here they perform the same task as a backup system for the power distribution grid.

### Battery

A battery is an electrochemical storage device that can release previously stored chemical energy as electrical energy. A distinction is made between non-rechargeable batteries (often used in consumer markets) and rechargeable batteries (accumulators). In stand-alone grid systems, lead acid batteries are almost always used and, very rarely, Nickel/Cadmium batteries are used as secondary rechargeable batteries.

### Battery bank

See Battery system

## **Battery charge mode**

An operating mode of a battery inverter in which the inverter takes energy from the AC grid to charge the batteries in a controlled fashion. In this operating mode, the battery inverter is responsible for correctly charging the batteries and acts like an independent battery charger.

## **Battery inverters**

See Battery power converter

## **Battery Management**

The battery management is responsible for optimal battery bank charging and reliable protection against deep discharge. This is the only way of ensuring that the battery service life reflects the manufacturer's specifications.

## **Battery power converter**

A bidirectional power converter that can regulate voltage and frequency in a stand-alone grid as well as correctly charging the batteries.

## **Battery system**

The combination of serial and possibly also parallel connection of several identical batteries.

Battery banks of 12 V, 24 V, 48 V and 60 V are typical.

## **Boost charge**

Boost charge: serves to charge the battery as quickly and efficiently as possible to a state of charge of approx. 85% – 90%.

## **Capacity**

Describes the storage capability of a cell or battery, specified in Ah (ampere hours).

The capacity of a battery is heavily dependent on the charging cycle, the amount of current drawn and the temperature.

## **CEC**

Abbreviation for California Energy Commission

## **Central Inverter**

An inverter concept, in which all PV modules are connected to each other (in series and/or parallel) and which uses a single inverter for feeding energy into the mains power distribution grid. The low cost of the inverter is usually offset by the much higher installation efforts required and possible yield losses due to variations in shadowing of different solar modules.

## **Charge Mode**

See Battery charging mode

## **Constant current phase**

I-Phase: The charging phase in which charging can be done using the maximum allowable charging current.

## C rate

The nominal capacity specification is always provided with the discharge time on which the capacity is based. The nominal capacity is the product of the constant discharging current  $I_N$  and the discharge time  $t_N$ , that passes between commencement of discharge of the fully charged battery until the final discharge voltage  $V_S$  is reached. For stationary batteries, the C10 capacity is usually specified, i. e. a battery with C10 = 200 Ah can be discharged for 10 hours at a nominal current of  $0.1 \times C10 = 10 \times 20 = 20$  A.

## DC

Abbreviation for "Direct Current"

## Derating

A controlled reduction in performance, usually dependent on component temperatures. Derating is initiated in order to avoid the shutting down of the complete plant.

## DSP

Abbreviation for Digital Signal Processor. A DSP is a microprocessor chip especially developed for digital signal processing and control.

## Electrolyte

A chemical solution that allows the conduction of ions within a battery. In lead acid batteries, the electrolyte is diluted sulfuric acid and is also a reactant in the electrochemical reaction. Nickel/Cadmium batteries use an alkaline electrolyte (potassium hydroxide).

## EPROM

See Flash EEPROM

## Equalization charge

Equalization charge: allows different series-connected battery cells to be charged to a unified state of charge of 95% - 100%. Without regular equalization charge, the state of charge of the different cells slowly drift apart, which can lead to a poor battery power performance and a premature battery bank failure.

## Firmware

Firmware is software that is stored in a chip in various electronic devices, such as Sunny Island, hard disk recorders, DVD burners and players, newer television sets, household appliances and computers - in contrast to software that is stored on a hard drive, CD-ROM or other media. These days, firmware is usually stored in Flash memory or an EEPROM chip.

## FLA

Flooded Lead Acid battery: A lead acid battery with liquid electrolyte, also often described as a sealed lead acid battery.

## Flash EEPROM

The abbreviation EEPROM stands for Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory. Flash memory is a digital storage chip, the exact designation is Flash EEPROM. In contrast to "normal" EEPROM storage, individual bytes (the smallest addressable storage units) cannot be deleted. EEPROM is a non-volatile, electronic storage component that is used in the Sunny Island, the computer industry (among others) and usually in Embedded Systems. Flash EEPROMs are used where information must be permanently stored in the smallest amount of space, e.g. for storing the firmware.

## Float charge

Maintenance charge: Allows the batteries to be slowly charged to a state of charge of 100% without the negative effects of overcharging. Complete charging to 100% using float charge takes several days. For this reason, maintenance charging is more important for grid backup systems and less important for stand-alone grids.

## Full charge

Recharging of the batteries to a level of approx. 95% on a regular basis (at least once a month). This efficiently avoids premature aging of the batteries caused by inadequate charging.

## Gel battery

A type of battery in which the electrolyte (a mixture of water and sulfuric acid) is bound into a gel. This is a type of a sealed or valve regulated lead-acid (VRLA) lead acid battery. A gas mixture (hydrogen and oxygen) is always generated when lead acid batteries are charged, and in normal operation this internally recombines to form water. This removes the need for regularly refilling the battery cells with water, which is why these batteries are often described as "low maintenance" or even "maintenance free" (see also AGM batteries). Gel batteries are available from many different manufacturers for a wide range of applications. There are Gel batteries for high-current applications but also for cycle operation with very good deep-cycle resistance.

## Grid-tie plant

A PV plant that is connected to the power supply grid of an external energy supply such as the power company.

## Inverter

A device for converting the direct current (DC) from the PV array into alternating current (AC), which is necessary for connection of most normal household devices and especially for the feed-in of solar energy into an existing supply grid. Inverters for PV systems usually include one or more MPP trackers, store operating data and monitor the grid connections of the PV system (see also MSD).

## Inverter mode

Operating mode of a battery inverter where it supplies the stand-alone grid from the battery energy. In this operating mode, the battery inverter is especially responsible for the control of frequency and voltage in the stand-alone grid.

## Maximum Power Point MPP

The working point (current/voltage characteristic curve) of a PV array where the maximum power can be drawn. The actual MPP changes constantly depending (e.g.) on the level of solar irradiation and the ambient temperature.

## MPP tracker

Regulation of the power drawn so that a PV array remains as close as possible to the MPP. This working point varies with the solar irradiation and the temperature conditions of the modules. MPP tracking optimizes the extraction of electrical power and is a feature of inverters and charge controllers.

## Multi-string inverter

An inverter that combines the advantages of several string inverters (separate MPP control of individual strings) and a central inverter (low performance-specific costs).

## NiCd

Nickel/Cadmium battery, contains Nickel, Cadmium, and potassium hydroxide as the electrolyte. They require a significantly higher charging voltage, have a lower level of efficiency and are significantly more expensive than lead acid batteries. Their robustness, cycle resistance and low temperature capabilities allow them to be used in certain special applications.

## Overload capability

The overload capacity of an inverter describes its ability to supply short-term (seconds or minutes) excessive loads that can be significantly higher than the nominal power of battery-powered inverters. The overload capacity is necessary in order to be able to also start electronic machines that have a nominal power similar to the nominal power of the inverter in the stand-alone grid, since these machines typically need six times more current during start up in relation to the nominal current.

## Parallel connection

Parallel connection of the batteries (all positive poles together and all negative poles together) increases the capacity of the battery bank while keeping the voltage constant.

Example: Two 24 V/100 Ah batteries connected in parallel still have a voltage of 24

## Protected loads panel

See "Stand-alone grid system".

## Piggy-Back (Board)

A printed circuit board that is plugged into another board to increase performance or expand capabilities. A Piggy-Back printed circuit board can also replace an individual chip. In this case, the chip is removed and the board is plugged into the empty plinth.

## **PLC**

Abbreviation for Power Line Communication: Describes the process of data transmission over the grid supply cables. The PLC power module is used to amplify the signal and is connected in Multi-String and Sunny Mini Central inverters. Powerline communication is not suitable for Sunny Island inverters.

## **PV**

Photovoltaics (PV) is the conversion of solar irradiation into electrical energy using special semiconductors called solar cells.

## **PV plant**

Describes a PV plant for generating electrical power. Describes the totality of components required for the exploitation and utilization of solar energy. In grid-tie plants this includes not only the PV array, but also the inverter, e.g. Sunny Boy or Sunny Mini Central.

## **PV array**

See PV array

## **PV array**

Technical device for the conversion of solar energy into electrical energy. All electrically connected (in series and in parallel) PV modules of a PV plant are referred to as the PV array.

## **PV modules**

See Solar module.

## **PV module**

Electrical connection of several solar cells encapsulated in a enclosure to protect the sensitive cells from mechanical stress and environmental effects.

## **PV cell**

An electronic component part that generates electrical energy when irradiated with sunlight.

Since the voltage produced by a solar cell is very low (approx. 0.5 V), several solar cells are combined in a series to form a solar module. The most common semiconductor material presently used for solar cells is silicon, which is manufactured in different forms (monocrystalline, polycrystalline, amorphous). In addition to different mechanical variations, that are usually designed to increase the level of efficiency, completely new materials are currently being tested (Cadmium Telluride, Cadmium Indium Sulphide, Titanium Dioxide and many others.)

## **Series connection**

In this case the positive pole of each battery is connected to the negative pole of the next battery. There is only one circuit where current can flow. Series connection increases the voltage of the entire battery bank. If four 12 V batteries with a capacity of 100 Ah each are connected in series, the total voltage is  $4 \times 12 \text{ V} = 48 \text{ V}$ , while the total capacity remains at 100 Ah.

## **Stand-alone grid system**

An energy generation system that supplies electrical energy completely independently of any external electrical energy supply.

## State of charge

Describes the current amount of charge that can be drawn from the battery, in percent of the nominal capacity (100% = battery full, 0% = battery empty).

## Self discharge

Loss of battery charge while it is stored or not used. A higher ambient temperature has a strong influence on self discharge.

## SOC

State of Charge: the state of charge of the battery, see State of charge. If (e.g) 25 Ah is taken from a 100-Ah battery, the state of charge (SOC) is then 75%.

## Solar energy

"Sun energy", this means energy from sunlight or other solar irradiation (heat and/or UV radiation).

## Split-phase

A split-phase system is a 3-conductor single-phase distribution system, commonly used in North America, the UK, Australia and New Zealand for single-family residential and light commercial (up to 100 kVA) applications. Its primary advantage is that it saves conductor material since a 1-phase system with 1 N conductor is used, while on the supply side of the distribution system only one phase is necessary. Since there are two live conductors in the system, it is sometimes incorrectly referred to as "two-phase system". To avoid confusion with split phase applications, it would be correct to call this power distribution system a 3-conductor, single-phase, mid-point, neutral system.

## String

Describes a group of solar modules connected in series. A PV plant usually consists of a number of strings, which avoids excessive yield losses caused by variations in shadowing on different modules.

## String inverter

Inverter concept in which the disadvantages of the central inverter concept are avoided. The PV is split into individual strings, each of which is connected to the external mains supply with its own string inverter. This greatly simplifies installation and greatly reduces the yield losses caused by manufacturing deviations or variations in shadowing of the solar modules.

## VRLA

Valve Regulated Lead Acid battery: Lead-acid battery with semi-solid electrolyte or sealed lead acid battery. Examples of this type of battery are Gel batteries and AGM batteries (Absorbent Glass Mat).

## 24 Contact

If you have technical problems concerning our products, contact the SMA Service Line. We need the following data in order to provide you with the necessary assistance:

- Sunny Island type
- Serial number of the Sunny Island
- Firmware version of the Sunny Island
- Displayed error message
- Type of battery connected
- Nominal battery capacity
- Nominal battery voltage
- Communication products connected
- Type and size of additional energy sources
- Type of connected generators
- Power of the connected generator
- Maximum current of the generator
- Interface of the generator

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