



INSTALLATION GUIDE AND USER MANUAL

SOL-ARK LIMITLESS 12K-2P-LL HYBRID

Residential North America

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- The new [Limitless 12K-2P-LL QuickStart Guide](#) provides the essential steps for installing your Sol-Ark inverter, with links to more detailed information.
- This *Limitless 12K-2P-LL Installation Manual* gives complete details about your Sol-Ark Inverter, MySolArk, and more.



READ THE INSTRUCTIONS COMPLETELY BEFORE OPERATING THE EQUIPMENT



- **Check the utility voltage before turning ON the unit.**
- Verify the inverter's programmed grid type before connecting to the utility.
- The unit is programmed in 120/240 V Split-Phase at 60 Hz by default.
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Important Safety Instructions

This manual provides crucial information for installing and operating the Sol-Ark Limitless 12K-2P-LL Hybrid Inverter System. Qualified and authorized personnel are required to perform the installation and maintenance procedures adhering to all safety standards and system requirements outlined in this document. Sol-Ark assumes no responsibility for damage caused to a Sol-Ark product by unauthorized or unqualified personnel.

This manual applies to installations in countries that recognize the listed certifications. Standards and legal requirements of other countries might differ from the specifications outlined in this manual.

Symbols in this Document



WARNING: This symbol indicates information that, if ignored, could cause serious injury, equipment damage, or death.



CAUTION: This symbol indicates information that, if ignored, could result in minor injury or equipment damage.



NOTE: This symbol indicates relevant information that is not related to hazardous situations.

Symbols on the Equipment



CAUTION: Indicates risk of injury or equipment damage.



RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK: Indicates components that present risk of electrical shock.



DO NOT INCINERATE: Do not dispose of product by incineration.



RECYCLABLE: Product is recyclable. Proper disposal is required.



REFER TO INSTRUCTIONS: Read operating and installation instructions before proceeding.



TUV: SGS marking indicates NRTL product testing and certification for compliance with standards for North America and Canada.



DO NOT THROW AWAY: Proper disposal of inverters and/or batteries is required.

Notices

ATTENTION Read all instructions and cautionary markings in this document and on the equipment before installing the Limitless 12K-2P-LL inverter. Failing to follow any of these instructions may also void the limited warranty provided by Sol-Ark.

All installations must conform to the laws, regulations, codes, and standards applicable in the jurisdiction of installation.

Before starting an installation, consult a local building or electrical inspector for current requirements. Local codes may vary but are adopted and enforced to promote safe electrical installations. A permit may be needed to do electrical work, and some codes may require an inspection of the electrical work. Sol-Ark is not responsible for system design or installation and makes no representations regarding system performance, reliability, or compliance with local or other codes or requirements.

When installed in the US, electrical installations are required to follow the National Electrical Code (ANSI/NFPA 70) adopted by their local AHJ (Authority Having Jurisdiction) including any local amendments.

General

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Risk of fire. Only qualified electrical personnel should install, troubleshoot, service, or replace the equipment.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Apply appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow safe electrical work practices during installation and service. Turn off all power supplying this equipment before working on or inside equipment and ensure that no charge remains in the equipment. Always use a properly rated voltage sensing device to confirm power is off. Replace all devices, covers, and doors before turning on power to the equipment.

WARNING: Inspect the equipment for damage before installation. Do not install the equipment if it has been damaged in any way.

WARNING: Do not insert foreign objects into any part of the equipment.

WARNING: Do not expose the equipment or any of its components to direct flame.

WARNING: Do not attempt to open, disassemble, repair, tamper with, or modify the equipment other than what is expressly permitted in this manual. The equipment contains no user-serviceable parts. Contact the installer who installed the equipment for any repairs.

WARNING: Do not connect life-support systems, other medical equipment, or any other use where product failure could lead to injury to persons or loss of life.

CAUTION: Do not use solvents to clean the equipment or expose the equipment to flammable or harsh chemicals or vapors. Do not allow petroleum-based paints, solvents, or sprays to contact nonmetallic parts of the equipment.

CAUTION: Do not use parts or accessories other than those specified for use with the equipment.



Installation and Use

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Risk of fire. Only use electrical system components approved for dry locations.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Risk of fire. Ensure that all wiring is correct and that none of the wires are pinched or damaged.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Risk of fire. Before making any connections verify that the DC disconnect(s) are in the off position. Double-check all wiring before applying power.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Improper servicing of the equipment or its components may result in a risk of shock or fire. To reduce these risks, disconnect all wiring before attempting any maintenance or cleaning.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Always de-energize the equipment before servicing.

WARNING: Risk of electric shock. Do not use equipment in a manner not specified by the manufacturer. Doing so may cause injury or loss of life, or damage to equipment.

CAUTION: Risk of damage. DO NOT connect the grid to the **LOAD** output terminal.

CAUTION: Risk of damage. Do not exceed **500 Voc** on any MPPT on the Sol-Ark Limitless 12K-2P-LL.

CAUTION: Risk of damage or electric shock. All inverter inputs should only have one conductor connected to them.

NOTE: This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Environmental Conditions

WARNING: This equipment is intended for operation in an environment having a minimum temperature of -40°C (-40°F) and a maximum temperature of 60°C (140°F).

WARNING: Install the equipment in a location that prevents damage from flooding. Ensure that no water sources are above or near the equipment, including downspouts, sprinklers, or faucet.

Transportation and Handling

WARNING: To protect the equipment and its components from damage when transporting, handle with care. To help prevent damage, leave all equipment in its shipping packaging until it is ready to be installed.

WARNING: Risk of physical injury or death. Use caution when using lifting equipment to move battery modules and components.

WARNING: Risk of physical injury or death. Boxed battery modules.

Requirements for Installation Personnel

All work MUST comply with local code, regulations, and industry standards. The installation of the Limitless 12K-2P-LL can only be completed by qualified installers with appropriate qualifications as determined by the local AHJ.



DO NOT exceed **500 Voc** on any MPPT on the Sol-Ark.

Before You Start



Before you start, please note some important considerations about your Sol-Ark Inverter.

Dimmer Switches

The Sol-Ark inverter is designed to be compatible with most standard dimmer switches; however, compatibility may vary depending on the specific dimmer model and its settings. Light flickering, reduced performance, or improper dimming may occur when used with this inverter.

AC Coupling (Load Side) is Not Supported

AC coupling on the inverter's critical load output terminal (**LOAD**) will no longer be supported in Sol-Ark firmware after version **MCU E.2.2.8**, in combination with **COMM 1.4.5.2**.

The AC Coupling feature is limited to the **GEN** terminal due to multiple limitations and disadvantages with using the **LOAD** terminal for AC coupling:

- The Sol-Ark will not display or report AC-coupled power production of the connected inverter.
- In the event of a utility outage, the Sol-Ark may cut power to loads for several seconds to protect the battery. Longer transfer times are expected when operating off-grid.
- The inverter's **GEN** terminal cannot be used.
- Load-side AC coupling may damage the generator or inverter.



For complete information, see the [AC Coupling Guide](#).

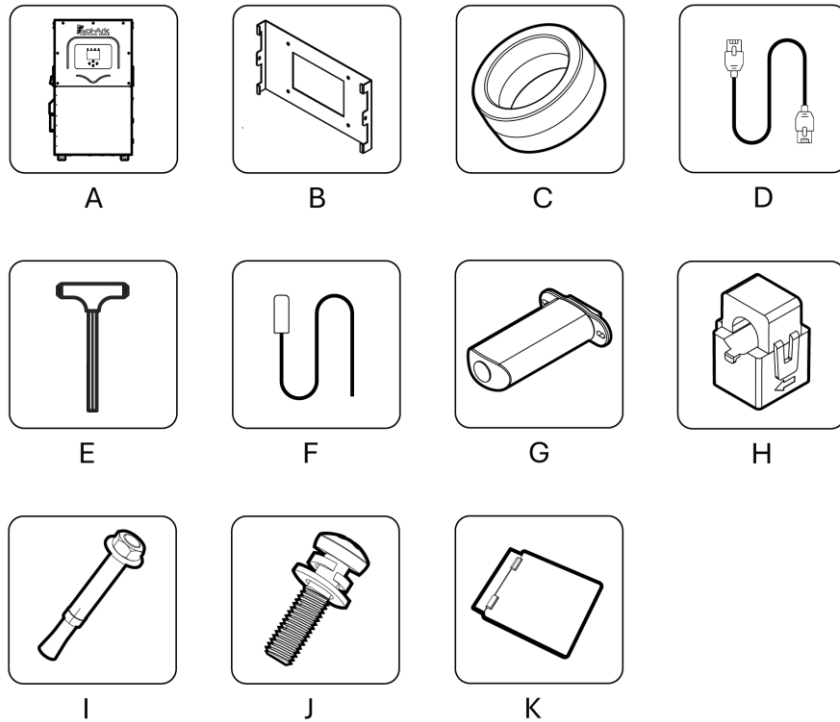
1. Product Overview

Inspect shipment

The box should include all items shown below. If there is any damage or missing parts, immediately call Sol-Ark Technical Support at (972) 575-8875 ext. 2.

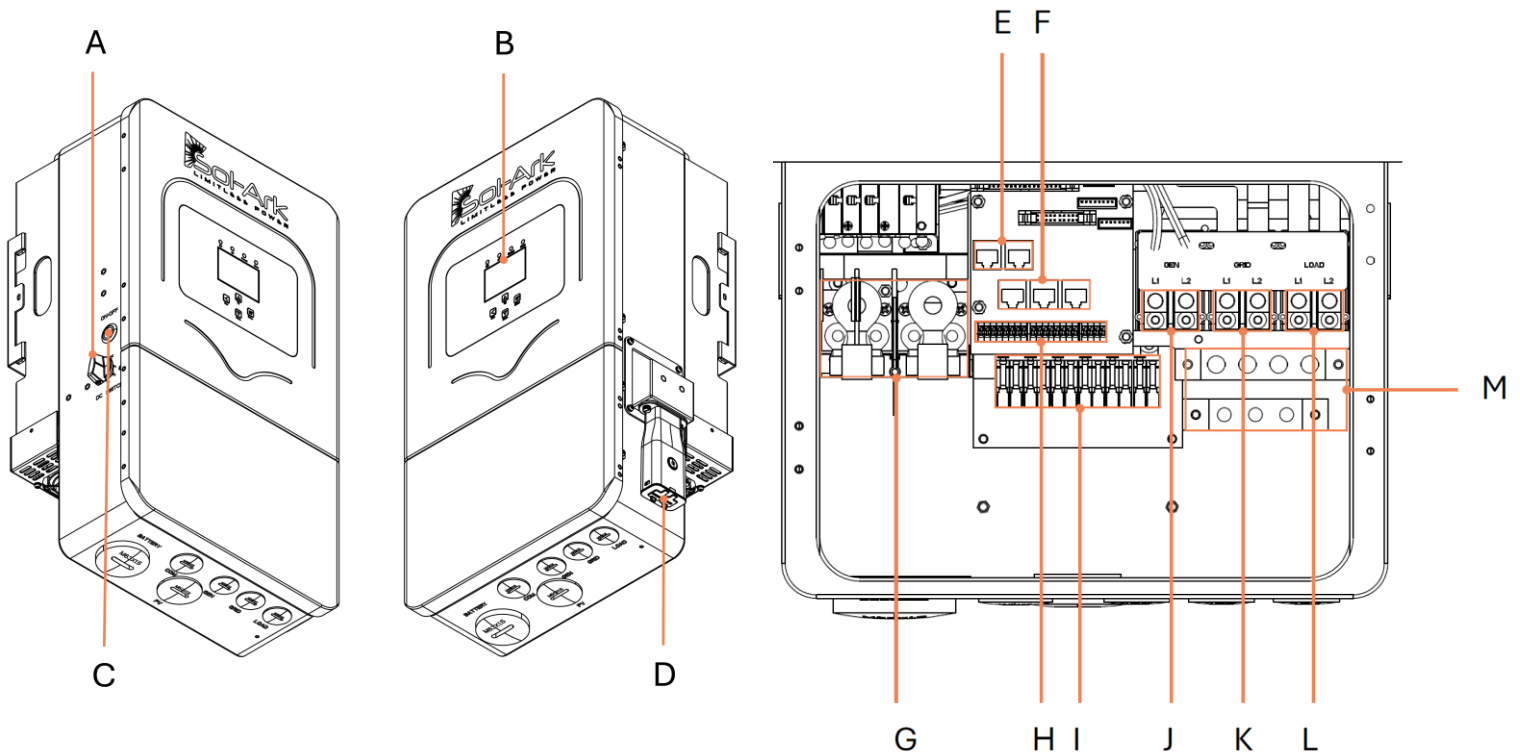
What's in the box

The Limitless 12K-2P-LL system includes the following components:



Component	Description	Quantity
A	Sol-Ark Limitless 12K-2P-LL inverter	1
B	Wall mounting bracket	1
C	Filter rings	9
D	CAT 5E communication cable	1
E	5mm T-type hex key for AC terminals	1
F	Temperature sensor	1
G	Wi-Fi / Ethernet antenna (dongle)	1
H	200 A (Ø0.94") Current Transformers (CT sensors)	2
I	Stainless steel mounting screws M4*12	4
J	Stainless steel anti-collision bolt M8×80	4
K	LCD Sunshade (for outside installations)	1

1.1 Inverter Components and Inputs



Component	Name
A	PV DC disconnect
B	LCD touch screen
C	ON / OFF Button
D	Wi-Fi / Ethernet dongle
E	BMS RJ45 ports (RS485 / CAN)
F	Parallel RJ45 ports
G	Battery terminals

Component	Name
H	Input pinouts for sensors and accessories
I	3x MPPT inputs
J	(60 A) GEN terminal
K	(100 A) GRID terminal
L	(100 A) LOAD terminal
M	GROUND / NEUTRAL Busbars

Limitless 12K-2P-LL Datasheet

Model: 12K-2P-LL					
Specification	Unit	Rating	Specification	Unit	Rating
PV (DC)			Battery (DC)		
Max. STC Rated PV Power	W	19,200	Compatible Technology		Lead-acid ³ or Lithium
Max. Usable Combined MPPT PV Power	W	12,000	Nominal DC Voltage	V	48
Rated MPPT Operating Voltage Range	V	150 - 425	Operating Voltage Range	V	43 - 59
Start-Up Voltage	V	125	Number of Inputs ⁴		1
Max. Input Voltage ¹	V	500	Terminal Current Rating	A	300
Max. Operating PV Input Current	A	32 (per MPPT)	Max. Charge / Discharge Current	A	220 / 220
Max. Input Short Circuit Current	A	60 (per MPPT)	BMS Communication		CANbus / RS485 / MODBUS RTU
Number of MPPT / Strings per MPPT		3/2	Charge Controller Type		3-Stage with Equalization ⁵ / CC/CV - BMS Controlled
Grid (AC)			Backup - Off-Grid (AC)		
Nominal Voltage (L-N/L-L)	V	120/240, 120/208	Rated Voltage (L-N, L-L)	V	120/240 120/208
Nominal Frequency	Hz	50 / 60	Rated Frequency	Hz	50 / 60
Nominal Voltage Range	V	185 - 275	Max. Continuous Power	W	10,000 8,660
Nominal Frequency Range	Hz	55 - 65	Peak Surge Power (10s)	W	24,000 20,800
Max. Passthrough Current (Grid to Load)	A	100	Backup Transfer Time	ms	5
Max. Input Short Circuit Current (100ms)	A	100	Max. Load Imbalance Ratio	%	50
Nominal Real Power (240V)	W	12,000	THDv	%	1.6
Max. Output Current, Batteries + PV	A	50			
THDi	%	2.5			
Power Factor Adjustment Range	+/-	0.9			
Efficiency			GEN Port (AC)²		
Max	%	97.6	Max. AC Coupled PV Power (240V)	W	14,000 12,410
Grid to Battery - Charge	%	92.7	Max. Generator Power ² (240V)	W	14,000 12,410
			Max. Current	A	60
Mechanical and Environment			Protection - Integrated		
Dimensions, H x W x D	mm (in)	653 x 421.4 x 249.5 (25.7 x 16.59 x 9.8)	PV DC Disconnect Switch — NEC 240.15	PV Arc Fault Detection — NEC 690.11	
Weight	kg (lbs.)	29.5 (65)	Ground Fault Detection — NEC 690.5	PV Input Lightning Protection	
			PV Rapid Shutdown — NEC 690.12	PV String Input Reverse Polarity Protection	
Ambient Temperature / De-rated	°C (°F)	-40 to 60 (-40 to 140) / +45 (+113))		Surge Protection - DC Type II / AC Type III	
Operating Altitude	m (ft)	> 3,000 (9843)	General		
Idle Consumption - No Load	W	96	Warranty Years		10
Noise (@ 25°C / 77°F)	dB	< 30	Parallel Units		12
Humidity non-condensing	%	0 - 100	Automatic Generator Start (AGS)		2-Wire Start - Integrated
Mounting (hanging bracket included)		Wall	Communication		WiFi / Bluetooth / LAN
Enclosure Rating		IP65 / NEMA 3R	Monitoring Platform		MySolArk Mobile and Web Apps
Cooling		Intelligent Fan	Options		
Display		LCD	Optional Accessories		4G Dongle, Wireless CT
Compliance and Certification					
Safety Certification	UL1741 3rd SB, UL1741 CRD-PCS ⁵ , UL1699B PVDC AFCI, UL1998, CSA C22.2 No. 107				
Interconnection Compliance	IEEE1547- 2018 and interoperability using IEEE2030.5, Hawaiian Electric SRD V2.0				
EMC	FCC Part 15 Class B				
Listings	CEC, SGIP				

¹ The highest input voltage is based on the open-circuit voltage of the array at the minimum design temperature (See Installation Manual for more details).

² Bidirectional AC port for AC fuel generator input, AC coupled PV input or AC load (EV Charger, etc.)

³ Lead-acid charge settings limited to: Capacity AH, Absorption V, Float V, (Equalization: V + Time).

⁴ Utilization of only a single battery input will derate inverter and charger output.

⁵ UL1741-CRD-PCS Open Loop Response Time (OLRT): Less than 10 seconds, per CA Rule 21.

1.3 Connection Requirements

Limitless 12K-2P-LL Torque Values for Terminals

 Do not use impact drivers to tighten any fasteners on the Sol-Ark

 All wire runs should be sized to be at or below a 2.5% voltage drop at full load. Wire size must comply with your local electrical code.

A. Field Wiring

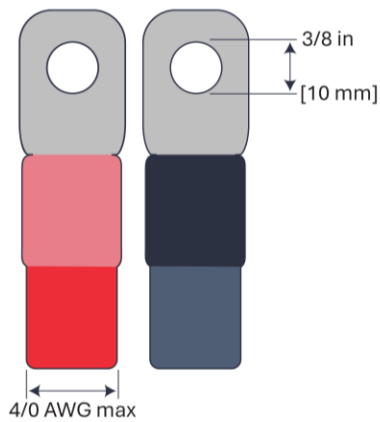
All wire runs should be sized to be at or below a 2.5% voltage drop at full load. Equipment wire sizing must comply with the NEC or local electrical code.

The table below shows the ampacity ratings of the various connection points in the field wiring area of the inverter. Copper conductor is recommended.

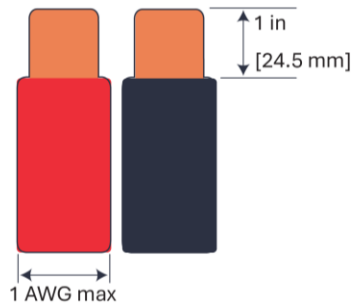
Field Wiring Terminal	Description	Terminal Rating	Terminal Wire Size (min-max)	Torque [in-lb]	Torque [Nm]
G	Battery terminals	300 A _{DC}	2/0 – 4/0 AWG	46 in-lb	5.2 Nm
H	Inputs for sensors and accessories				
I	MPPT inputs	60 A _{ISC}	10 AWG		
J	GEN terminals	60 A _{DC}	4 – 1 AWG	26.5 in-lb	3 Nm
K	LOAD terminal	100 A _{AC}	2 – 1 AWG	26.5 in-lb	3 Nm
L	GRID terminal	100 A _{AC}	2 – 1 AWG	26.5 in-lb	3 Nm
M	GROUND/NEUTRAL Busbars		6 – 1 AWG	26.5 in-lb	3 Nm

C. Sensors and Accessories Requirements

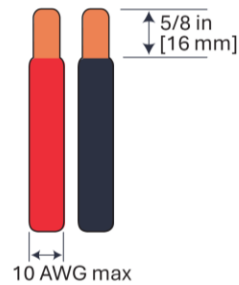
Component	Wire Size Range	Max Distance
CT Sensor	18-23 AWG	0' – 10' [3 m]: 23 AWG included 10' – 164' [50 m]: CAT6 extendable
Communications	24 – 23 AWG	0' – 100' [30 m]: 24 AWG 100' – 400' [120 m]: 23 AWG
RJ45 Parallel Communication	CAT 5E or better	0' – 7' [2.1 m]: Included 7' – 20' [6m]: Extendable



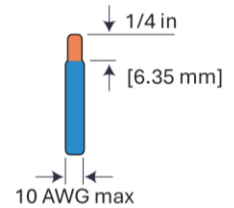
Batteries



AC Conductors

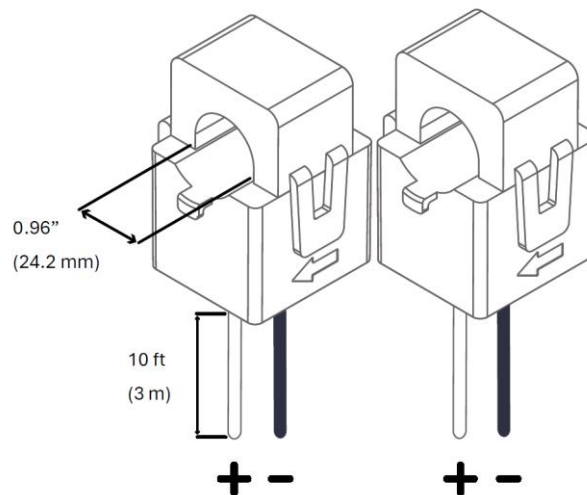


PV conductors



Sensors

CT Sensors (Included)



2. Installation

Backup Circuits

The **LOAD** connected service panel is called the **Essential Loads Panel**. You must keep the Essential Loads Panel within the limitations of the unit:

- Grid Tie > 24 kW = 240 V * 100 A max (passthrough)
- Off-Grid > 10 kW = 240 V * 41 A continuous

Verify that every load circuit power ($P=V*I$) does not surpass the limits listed above.

Single System Install

Proper tools and materials are essential to ensure a safe, efficient, and code-compliant installation.

Partial backup

Connect the output of the back-feed breaker or line side tap (depending on the point of interconnection) to the **GRID** terminal.

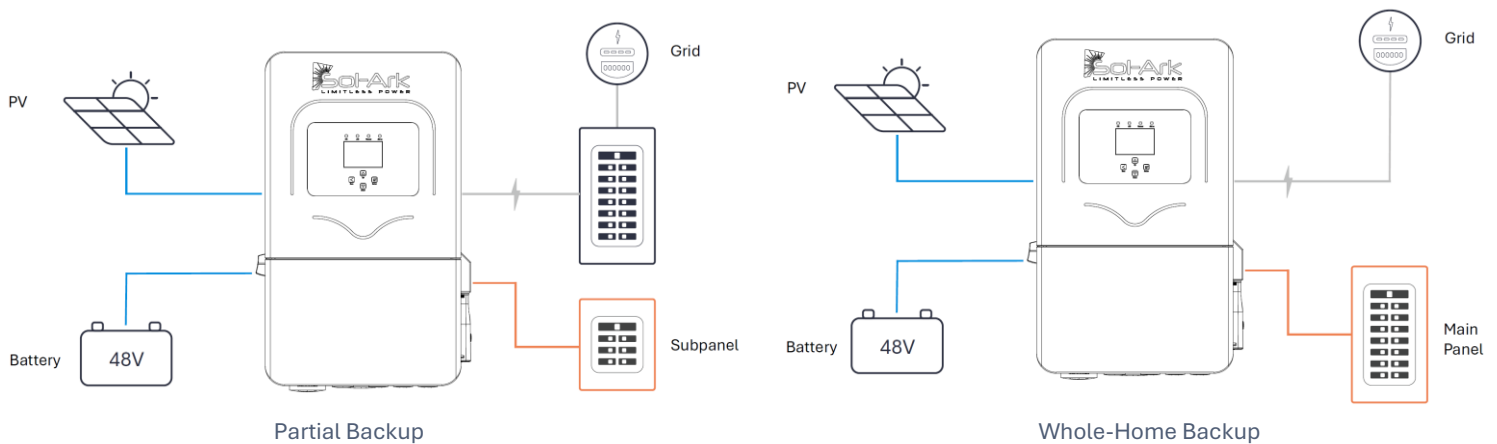
1. Install an external disconnect between the interconnection and the Sol-Ark. Size the disconnect according to code.
2. Connect the **LOAD** output to the Essential Loads Panel. Follow electric code to select proper wire gauge.

Whole-Home backup

Connect the utility grid directly to the GRID terminal.

1. Install an external disconnect between the grid and the Sol-Ark. Size the disconnect according to code.
2. Connect the **LOAD** output to the Main Service Panel. Follow electric code to select the proper wire gauge.

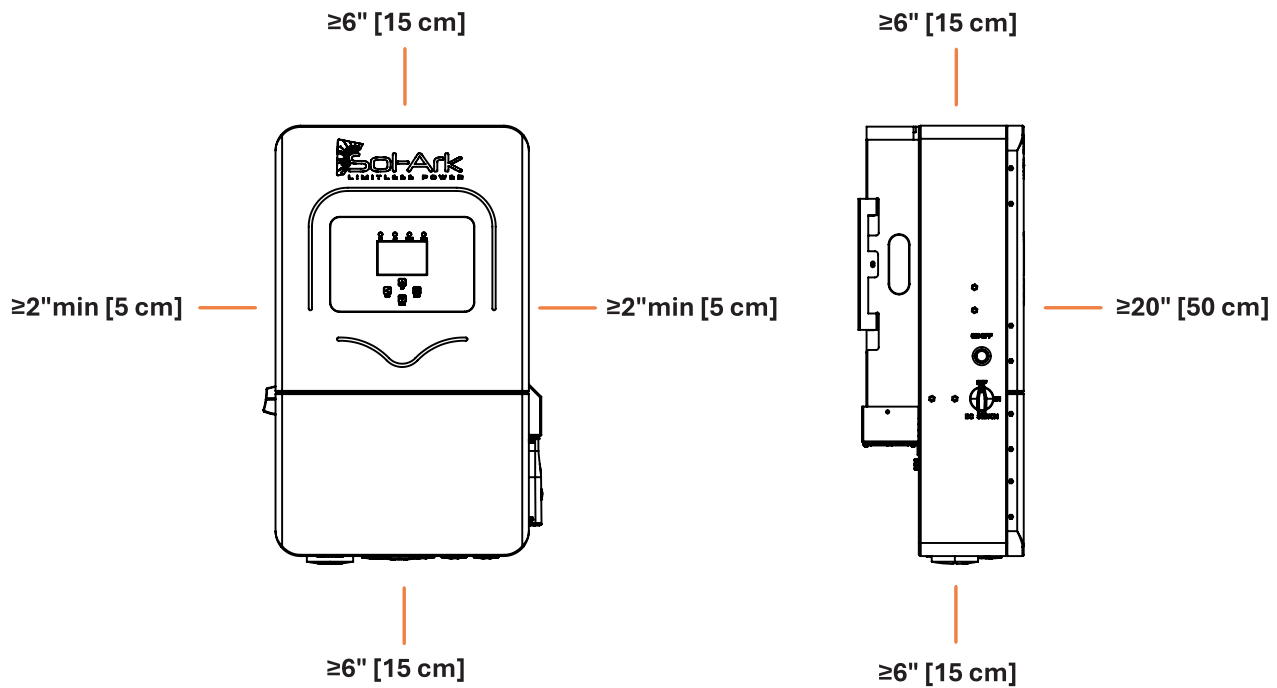
You can connect a generator or an AC-coupled source (58A max or 14,000W), such as string or micro inverters, to the inverter's **GEN** terminal. Only one AC source can be connected to the **GEN** terminal at a time.



2.1 Mounting the Sol-Ark

- A. Considering the dimensions of the inverter, find a suitable location for the system.

There must be at least 6 in [15 cm] of vertical clearance and 2 in [5 cm] of side clearance for proper heat dissipation.



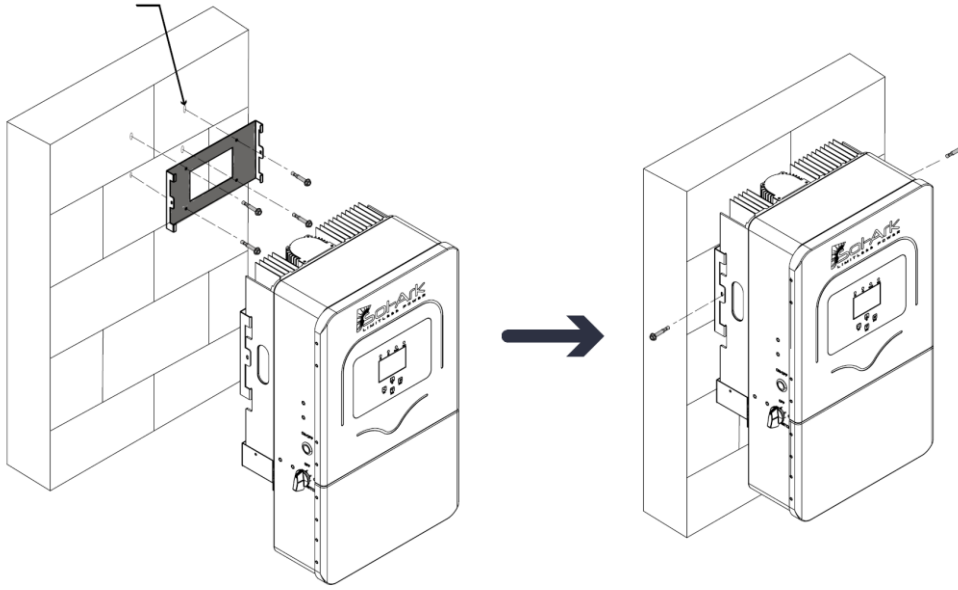
Under certain conditions, the National Electrical Code® specifies greater clearances. Ensure that the prescribed clearances in accordance with the National Electrical Code®, paragraph 110.26 and Canadian Electrical Code® CSA C22.1 are adhered to.

The Limitless 12K-2P-LL is a NEMA 3R - IP65 enclosure rated for outdoor installation, but it can also be installed indoors.

⚠️ PROTECT THE LCD SCREEN from direct exposure to UV light.

B. Use screws or anchors suitable for the support surface and capable of supporting the weight of the inverter (65 lb / 29.5 kg).

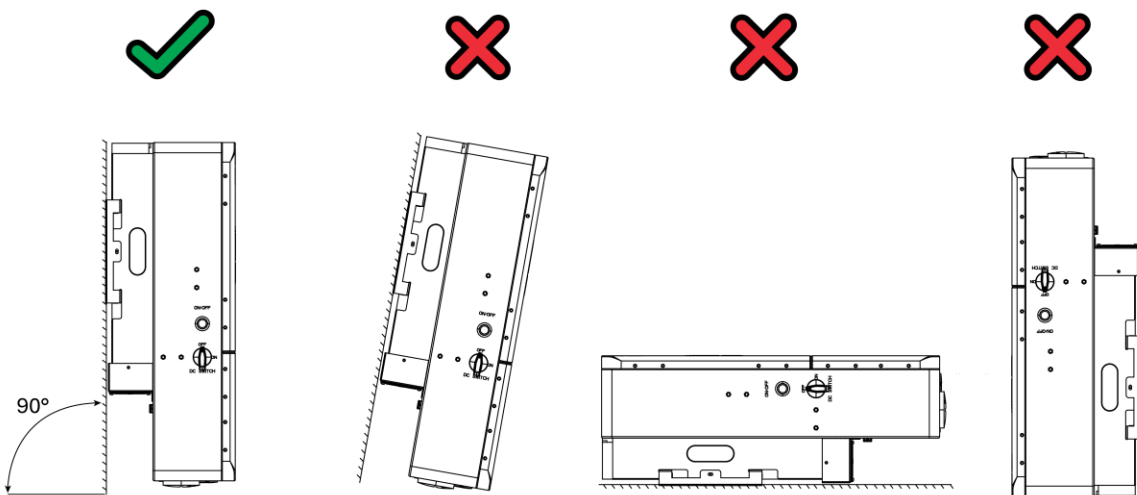
- **For Concrete or Masonry Mounting:** Use a minimum of 5-3/8in expanding anchors (not included).
- **For Wood Frame Mounting:** Use a minimum of 5-3/8in lag screws with flat washers, making sure to anchor into at least 2 framing members. (not included)
- **For Metal Framing Mounting:** Use a minimum of 5-1/4in self-tapping metal screws with flat washers (not included).



C. In case a different anchorage is required, calculate the support needed to properly hold the weight of the equipment.

 Damage to the LCD Screen due to direct sunlight exposure will not be covered by warranty.

D. Mount the inverter in the optimal orientation as shown below.



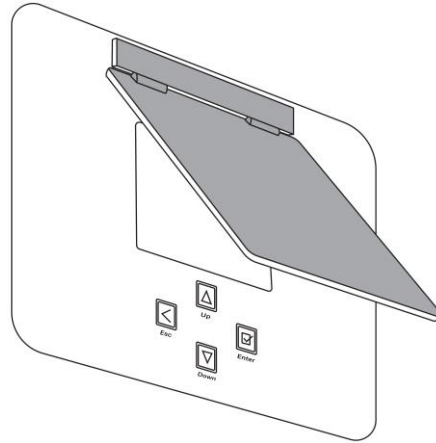
E. Remove the film cover from the LCD screen.

Installing the LCD Sunshade (outside installations only)

If the Sol-Ark inverter is installed outside, be sure to attach the LCD Sunshade. This will help prevent screen damage from UV exposure.

Peel off the plastic film from the inverter's display surface if it's not already removed.

1. Make sure the surface is clean and dry before installation.
2. Assemble the sunshade flap:
 - a. Insert the flap's hinge pins into the hinge slots on the base plate.
 - b. Verify that the flap opens and closes smoothly.
3. Attach the base plate:
 - a. Peel the backing from the double-sided adhesive tape.
 - b. Align the base plate with the display area just above the LED lights for DC, AC, Normal, and Alarm.
 - c. The adhesive is permanent, so confirm the alignment before applying pressure.
 - d. Press firmly to secure the LCD Sunshade.



The flap should cover the LED lights, LCD, and the blister-type buttons when properly installed.

 Damage to the LCD Screen due to direct sunlight exposure will not be covered by warranty.

Need to purchase an LCD Sunshade?

LCD Sunshades were included with Sol-Ark inverters starting on May 4, 2026. If you have an outdoor installation and did not receive an LCD Sunshade, you can purchase one by going to the [Sol-Ark Online Store](#).

2.2 Integrating Batteries

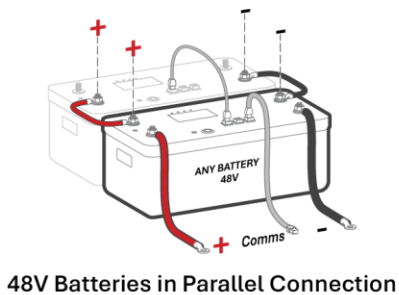
Note: It's best practice to not mix battery banks of a different make, model, age, or chemistry. Doing so can adversely affect performance, and in some cases, it could be hazardous.

⚠️ Limitless 12K-2P-LL must be OFF while you connect the batteries.

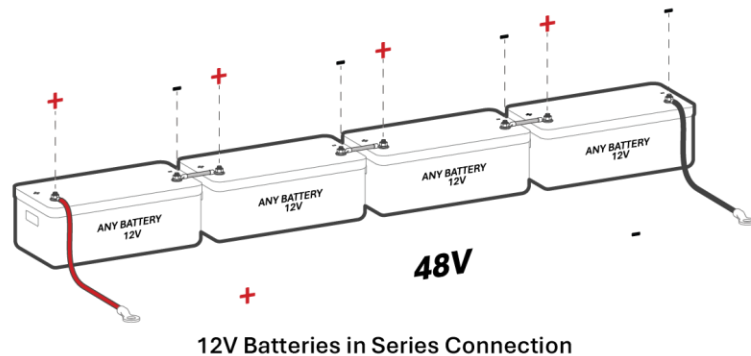
1. Depending on the battery voltage, wire the battery bank in the possible configurations shown below.
2. Battery breakers must be OFF when wiring. If your battery bank does not have internal breakers, maintain the necessary safety measures when handling.

⚠️ Limitless 12K-2P-LL is a **48 V_{DC} nominal system. DO NOT** connect the inverter to any other battery configuration. If you use 12V batteries, you **MUST NOT** exceed 4 batteries in series. The inverter can work with any battery chemistry as long as it remains within the range of **43 V_{DC} to 59 V_{DC}**.

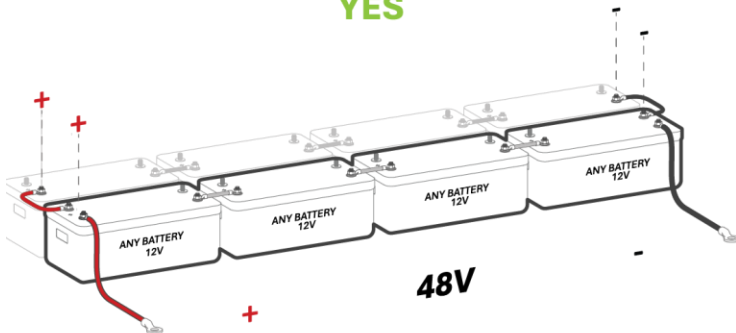
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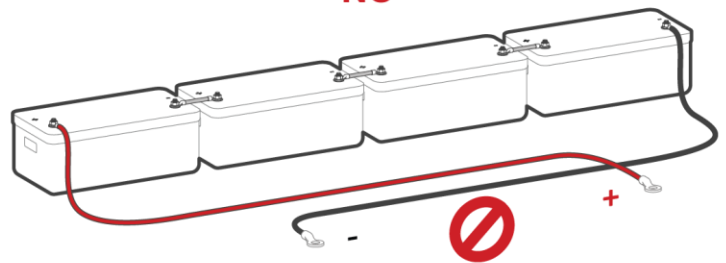
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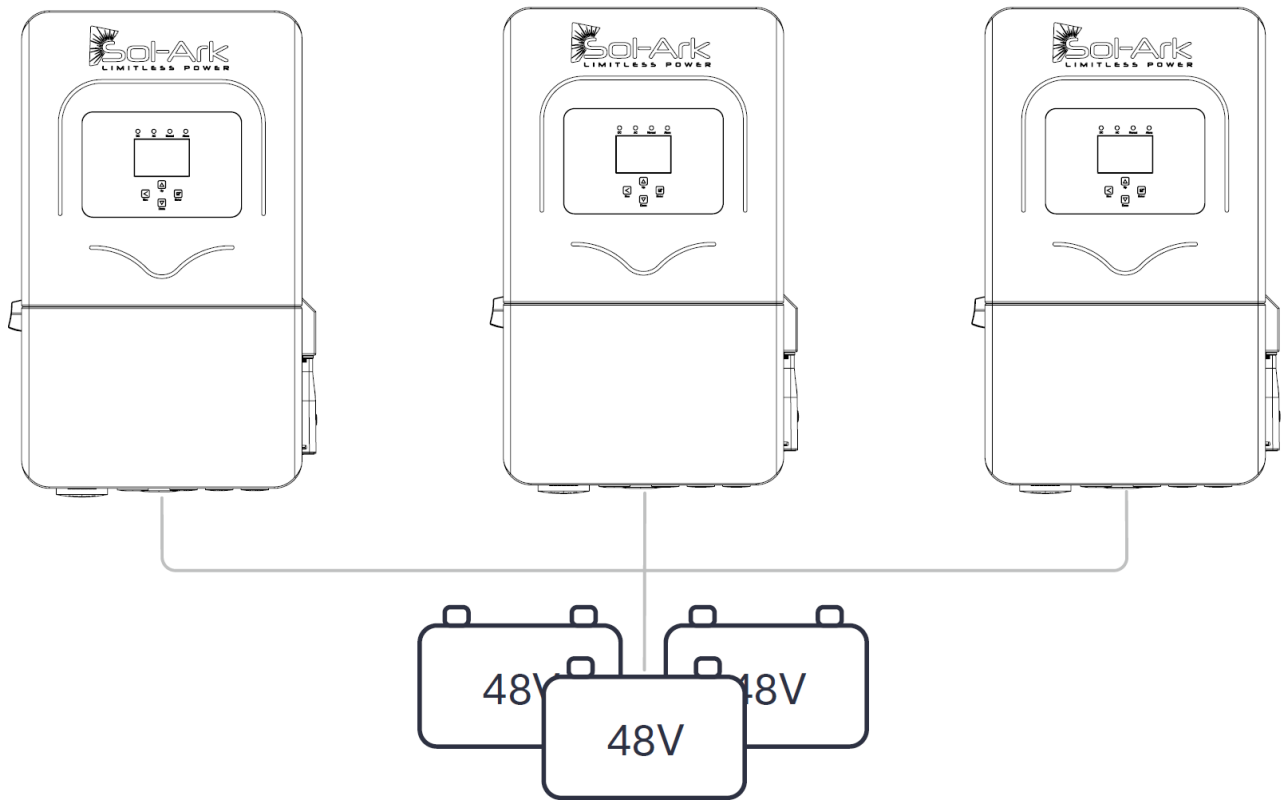


⚠️ DO NOT reverse polarity. The system will be damaged, and warranty voided!



Important Note: Multi-system installation

ALL parallel inverters **MUST** connect to a single battery bank. Otherwise, the system will **NOT** operate properly. **DO NOT** use separate battery banks in parallel systems.



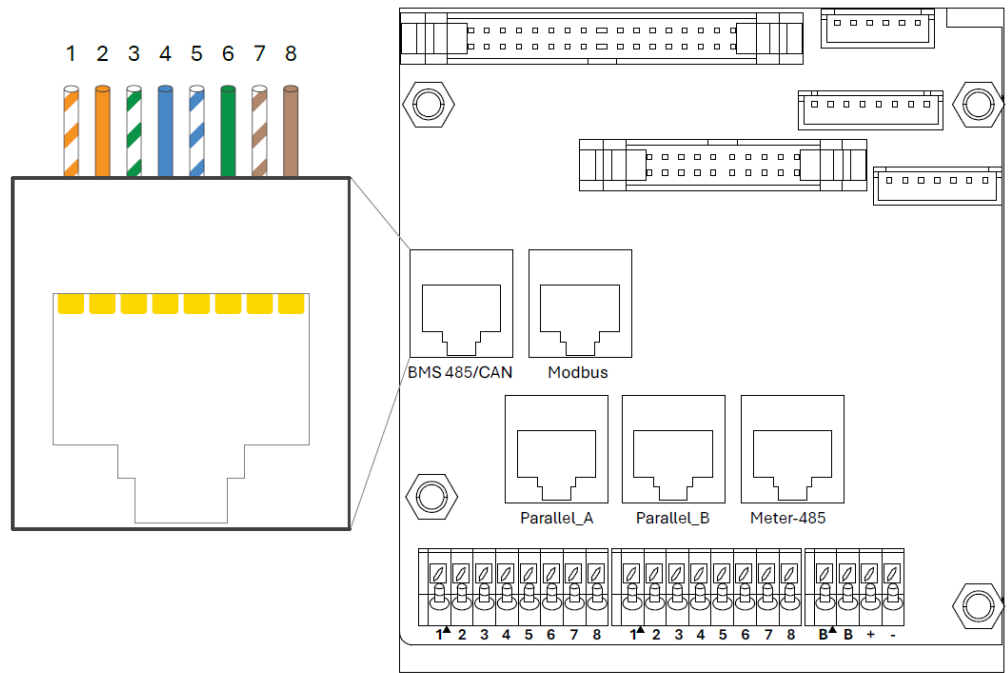
Follow all battery manufacturer-specified values to ensure proper charging and discharging.

2.3 Battery Communication

RJ-45 Configurations

The Limitless 12K-2P-LL inverter achieves battery communications through a single RJ-45 port labeled **BMS 485/CAN**.

Both **Modbus RS485** and **Battery CANBus** ports can do Modbus communication.



RJ-45 Port Configuration

Pin	RS485	BMS 485/CAN
1	RS-485 B-	--
2	RS-485 A+	--
3	--	--
4	--	CAN Hi
5	--	CAN Lo
6	GND	GND
7	RS485 A+	--
8	RS485 B-	--

! For a complete list of supported battery communications, see: sol-ark.com/battery-partners



Any damage caused by the improper use of the communication protocols (CANBUS or MODBUS) will not be covered by warranty. Modbus map is available upon request for **READ** operations only. Contact Sol-Ark Technical Support to receive the MODBUS map.

External Modbus Devices

When using an external Modbus device, be sure to change the inverter's Modbus serial number to **01**. The default value for the serial number is **00**.

2.4 Connecting PV Modules

⚠ The Limitless 12K-2P-LL has 3 independent MPPTs that support up to 2 PV strings each. MPPTs can handle a maximum V_{OC} of 500 V and an I_{SC} of 60 A, but will self-limit and operate at 32A max.

Max. Usable PV Power = 19.2 kW ($\pm 5\%$) | Max input power per MPPT = 6.4 kW | Max recommended input voltage per MPPT = 425 V_{mp} | Max input current per MPPT = 32A (self-limiting).

- ⚠** Design for a max input current of 32A per MPPT. The inverter will self-limit beyond 32A. If I_{SC} exceeds 60 A, damage will occur.
- ⚠** PV Source Circuit max voltage of 500 V_{DC} ; damage can occur with PV strings whose open-circuit voltage exceeds 500 V_{DC} .

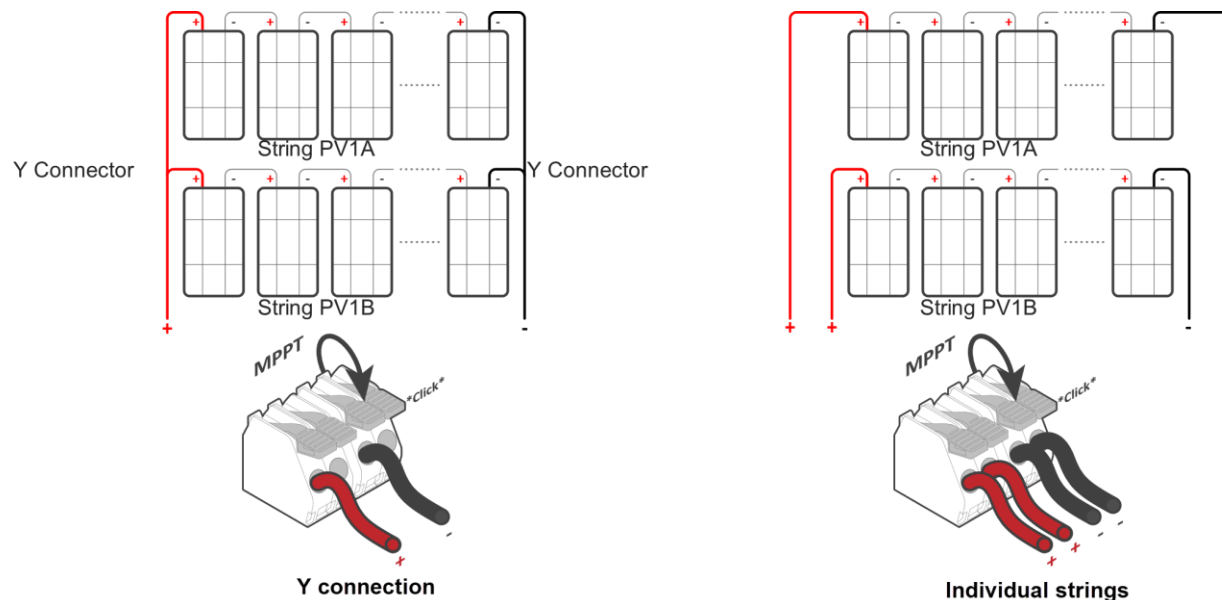
! Strings in parallel on the same MPPT must have the same designed open-circuit voltage (V_{oc}); otherwise, the system will be limited to the lowest string voltage.

- PV1 A/B must have the same V_{oc} .
- If the solar panels are oriented in different directions and connected in the same MPPT, there will be a loss of PV efficiency.

! According to NEC Art. 690.43, exposed non-current-carrying metal parts of PV module frames, electrical equipment, and conductor enclosures of PV systems must be connected to an equipment grounding conductor. All grounding conductors and grounding electrodes should be installed according to NEC Art. 690.47 or as required by the AHJ.

For ground-mounted arrays, Sol-Ark recommends installing an auxiliary grounding electrode placed near the array to ensure optimal earth-to-ground resistance of the grounding system. This auxiliary electrode must follow the requirements of NEC Art 250.54.

Connect the solar panel strings using either of the following configurations:



AC Coupling

The Sol-Ark inverter supports adding AC-coupled solar panels. The maximum solar input power can be expanded by coupling micro or string inverters into the **GEN** terminals.

A full AC-coupled solar system is not recommended because power control and monitoring are limited. Having DC coupled modules or a combination of DC coupled and AC-coupled solar panels is always preferred.

AC-coupled inverters need to be either UL 1741SA or UL 1741 certified. This certification confirms the inverter's ability to disconnect from the grid based on frequency; and it ensures that the Sol-Ark can safely frequency-shift to control the AC-coupled production.

Benefits of AC Coupling on GEN

- Produce solar power during grid outages
- Backup transfer time is not affected
- Frequency shifting and relays can fully isolate or disconnect the circuit if necessary

The maximum allowed AC coupling input is 14,000 W.



In Off-Grid systems, Sol-Ark uses Frequency Shift technology to shut down AC-coupled solutions when the battery is full. Grid-Tied AC-coupled solutions will always sell excess solar power back to the grid. **Limited to Load** will NOT limit production when AC-coupled.

AC Coupling Dark Start on **GEN**

If the inverter is running off-grid and reaches battery shutdown, the inverter will close the **GEN** relay for 10 minutes to try to import AC-coupled power. This process will repeat three times per day, every 2.5 hours. If the three attempts fail, the timer will restart the next day at 8:10 AM and repeat the process.



For dark start to succeed, AC-coupled power must exceed the load profile so it can charge the batteries.

2.5 Integrating a Generator

When needed, the Sol-Ark inverter can make use of a 240 Volt generator to charge the battery connected to the Sol-Ark via the GEN port.

Generators Smaller than 14kW → On **GEN** Terminals

- Supports **ONLY** 120/240 V Split-Phase generators.
- **60 A** rated **GEN** terminal.  **58A** continuous.
- Less than 15% Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) is recommended to avoid frequent disconnects.
- NOT compatible with:
 - 120 V Single Phase Generators
 - 120/208V 3-Phase Generators (2 of 3 Phases) -  Voids Sol-Ark Warranty

Generators Greater than 14kW → On **GRID** Terminals

Supports 220 V Single phase, 120/240 V Split phase, 120/208V 3-Phase (2 of 3 phases). Select the correct grid type before connecting the generator.

-  Program **GEN Connect to Grid Input**:
 > **Limiters** > **Other** > ☒ **GEN Connect to Grid Input**.

 **DO NOT** use **Grid Sell** in Off-Grid systems. Doing so could potentially damage the generator. Installation of CT sensors on generator lines is only required if “**Peak Shaving**” is intended to be used.

 **Weekly Gen Exercise**: If a generator has two-wire start compatibility, it will have weekly generator tests. This test occurs at 8:00 AM (local time) every Monday by default, and it takes 20 minutes to complete. The generator will start and stop automatically.
You can disable the test by specifying: **00 | 00 min** in the option **Generator Exercise Cycle Day & Time**.

Improve the Generator & Sol-Ark Compatibility

Navigate through the menus and program the following settings to improve the Sol-Ark and generator compatibility and operating range to avoid frequent disconnections.

1. Change the grid mode to **General Standard**:  > **Grid Setup** > **Grid Selection** > **Grid Mode**.
 - a. Tap and use the navigation arrows to cycle through the different grid modes. Choose General Standard.
2. Increase the frequency range of operation:  > **Grid Setup** > **Connect** > **Reconnect**
 - a. Increase **Grid Hz High** to **65 Hz**.
 - b. Decrease **Grid Hz Low** to **55 Hz**.
 - c. Make the same changes for the **Normal Connect** settings.
3. Increase the voltage range of operation:
 - a. Increase **Grid Volt High** to **275 V**.
 - b. Decrease **Grid Volt Low** to **185 V**.
 - c. Make the same changes for the **Normal Connect** settings.

 Sol-Ark will not charge the batteries using the generator unless the **Start V** or **Start %** condition is met. Only one condition (V or %) can be modified at a time, depending on the control mode selected (**Use Batt V Charged** or **Use Batt % Charged**).

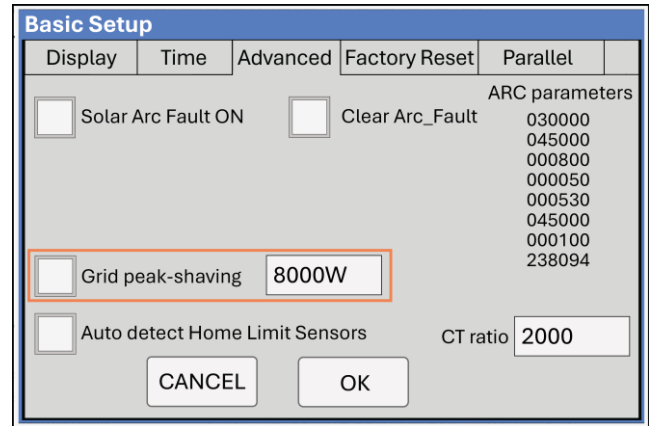
2.6 Grid Peak Shaving

! To use Peak-Shaving on a generator, the equipment **MUST** be connected to the **GRID** terminal of the inverter.

Peak-Shaving helps reduce grid consumption during peak demand by utilizing battery backup power. It can also be used to prevent generator overload above a specified power threshold.

Improper Peak-Shaving parameters can lead to depleting the battery bank. For more information on this feature, visit the Sol-Ark [Knowledge Hub](#).

1. Install the CT sensors on grid / generator lines L1, L2. The arrows on the CTs **MUST** point toward the grid / generator.
2. The Sol-Ark supplies power from the batteries whenever the **Power** threshold is met.



Basic Setup	
Display	Time
☐ Solar Arc Fault ON	☐ Clear Arc_Fault
ARC parameters	
030000	
045000	
000800	
000050	
000530	
045000	
000100	
238094	
☒ Grid peak-shaving	8000W
☐ Auto detect Home Limit Sensors	CT ratio 2000
CANCEL OK	



Grid Peak-Shaving automatically enables **Time of Use** and **MUST** be configured. To configure time-of-day-based Peak Shaving, see "Time of Use" on page 50.



The inverter has not been PCS tested or certified for Zero Export functionality on three-phase 120/208V operation.

Application Note

Sol-Ark residential low-voltage hybrid inverters support three-phase configurations using multiple units. However, advanced energy management features such as Grid Peak Shaving are not compatible with three-phase configurations on residential platforms.

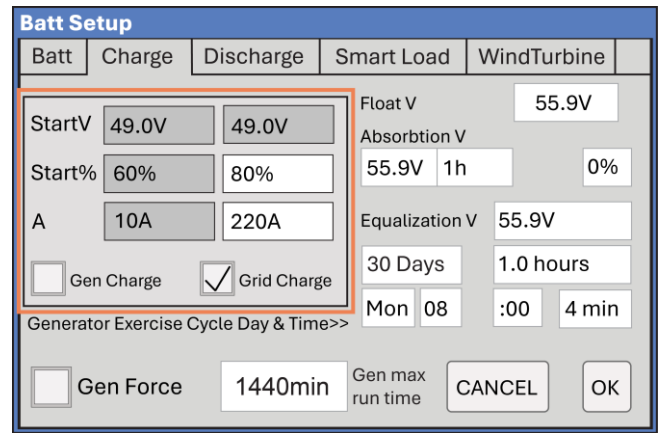
Three-phase configurations can still be used for standard energy management and backup applications.

For projects requiring native three-phase systems with advanced features like Peak Shaving, Sol-Ark offers commercial three-phase hybrid solutions designed for these use cases.

2.7 Automatic Generator Start

1. ☒ **Gen Charge** is used when the generator is connected to the **GEN** terminal.

- a. **Start V or Start %** is the set-point/condition that must be fulfilled to **automatically start** the generator.
- b. To charge from the **GEN** source, check the ☒ **Gen Charge** box.
- c.  Batteries will charge from a generator until the battery bank accepts 5% of its programmed capacity in Amperes (A). This is equivalent to around 95% of the state of charge (SOC).



Batt Setup

Batt	Charge	Discharge	Smart Load	WindTurbine
StartV	49.0V	49.0V	Float V	55.9V
Start%	60%	80%	Absorption V	55.9V 1h 0%
A	10A	220A	Equalization V	55.9V
☐ Gen Charge	☒ Grid Charge		30 Days	1.0 hours
Generator Exercise Cycle Day & Time>>				
☐ Gen Force	1440min	Gen max run time	CANCEL	OK

Generator and grid charge settings

2. ☒ **Grid Charge** is used to charge the battery from the **GRID** source (either the Grid or a generator).
 - a. **Start V or Start %** is the set-point/condition that must be fulfilled to start the battery charge from the **GRID** source. This will auto-start a generator as well.
 - b. To charge the battery from the **GRID** source, ☒ **Grid Charge** must be selected: ⚙️ > **Battery Setup > Charge**.
 - c.  From utility grid: the batteries will be charged to 100% SOC.
 - d.  From generator: the batteries will charge until the battery bank accepts 5% of its rated capacity in Amperes (A). This is equivalent to around 95% SOC.

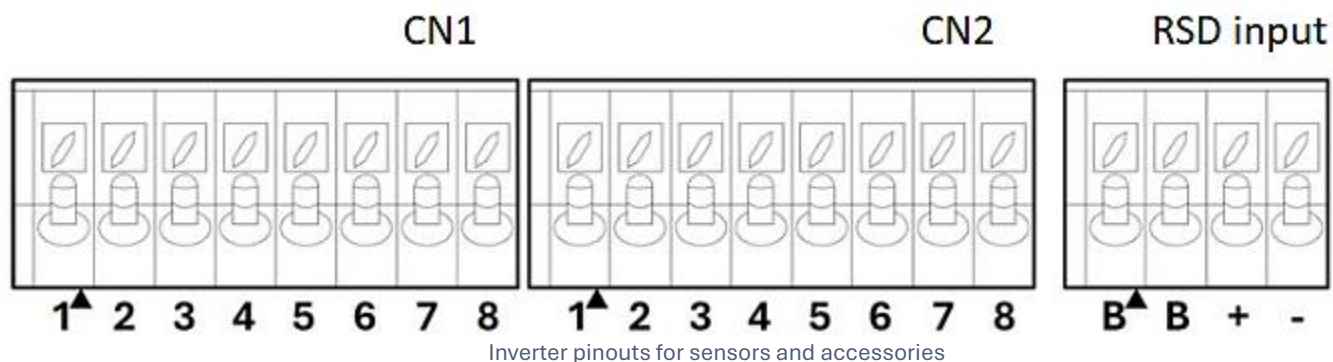
If **Time of Use (TOU)** is enabled, a time to charge from that **GRID** or **GEN** source **MUST** be designated. Be sure to check the ☒ **Charge box** for the time intervals needed; otherwise, the generator will not start automatically even if **Start V** or **Start %** condition is met.

To use the automatic generator start feature, the generator must have a 2-wire start component, and it must be connected to ports 1 and 2 on the CN2 board (see “2.8 Integrating Sensors and Accessories” on page 21). Consult the generator manufacturer to find out if your generator has a compatible **2-wire start** feature.

Gen Charge / Grid Charge A

A is how many amps (**DC**) are supplied to the battery from a generator. Adjusting and limiting the **GEN** or **GRID A** value will ensure that small generators are not overloaded when charging the battery bank. If you’re connecting more than one Sol-Ark in parallel, multiply the **Gen** or **Grid A** value by the **# of Sol-Ark inverters** to get the actual current (A) that will go into the battery bank.

2.8 Integrating Sensors and Accessories



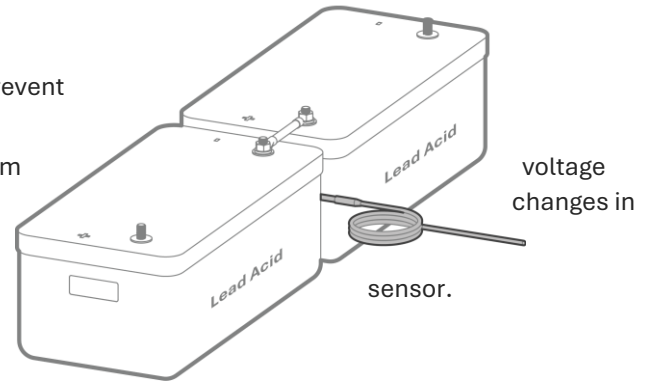
Sensors and accessories connect to these inverter pinouts:

CN1	
1 & 2: Battery temperature sensor	Not polarity sensitive. Used for voltage compensation.
+3 & -4: CT1	Current transformer (CT) inputs
+5 & -6: CT2	Current transformer (CT) inputs
7 & 8	Not in use
CN2	
1 & 2: Gen Start Relay	Normally open relay for generator two-wire start
3 & 4	Not in use
5 & 6	Not in use
7 & 8	12 V _{DC} power supply for RSD transmitters (1.0 A max, 12 V _{DC} , 12W)
RSD Input	
B & B: Emergency Stop	Normally open dry contact for emergency stop
+, -	Not in use

Temperature Sensor

1. Place the sensor between two batteries as shown below.
2. Secure with tape and place away from the battery terminals to prevent overheating.
3. This sensor has no polarity. The temperature sensor helps perform charging adjustments and capacity calculations due to temperature.

! Lithium Batteries **DO NOT** require our external temperature



BMS Port (CAN/RS485)

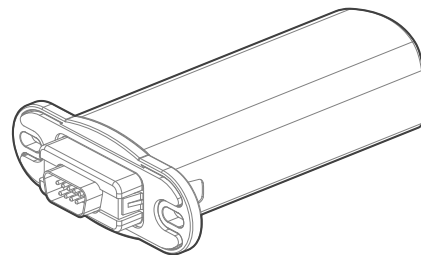
- This port is used to set up a Lithium Battery in closed-loop communication with the Limitless 12K-2P-LL. See the [Battery Integration Guide](#) for more information.
- You must use an RJ45 connector.
- Only use the CAN port for battery BMS communications (the CAN port supports both CANBus protocol and Modbus protocols).

GEN Start Signal (Two-wire start)

- Gen start relay: pins 1 & 2 on CN2.
- The signal comes from a normally open relay that closes when the generator **Start** condition is met.

Wi-Fi / Ethernet Antenna (Dongle)

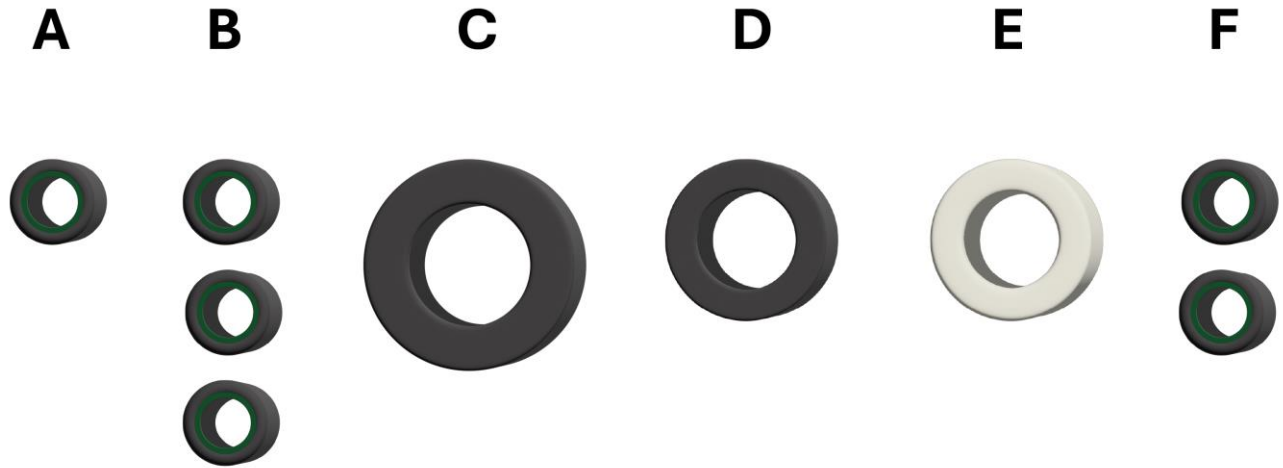
- Remote monitoring and software updates require an internet connection through the WI-FI / Ethernet Antenna (Dongle).
- Compatible with Wi-Fi or Ethernet connections.



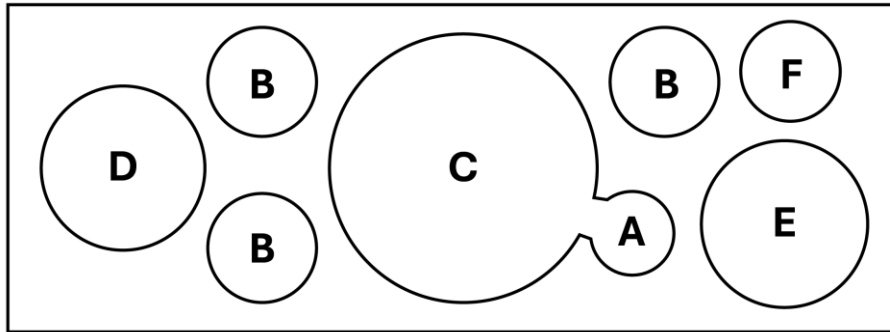
Wi-Fi dongle (antenna)

Installing Filter Rings

If your inverter includes filter rings, follow the installation steps on the next page. The Limitless 12K-2P-LL system includes these filter rings:



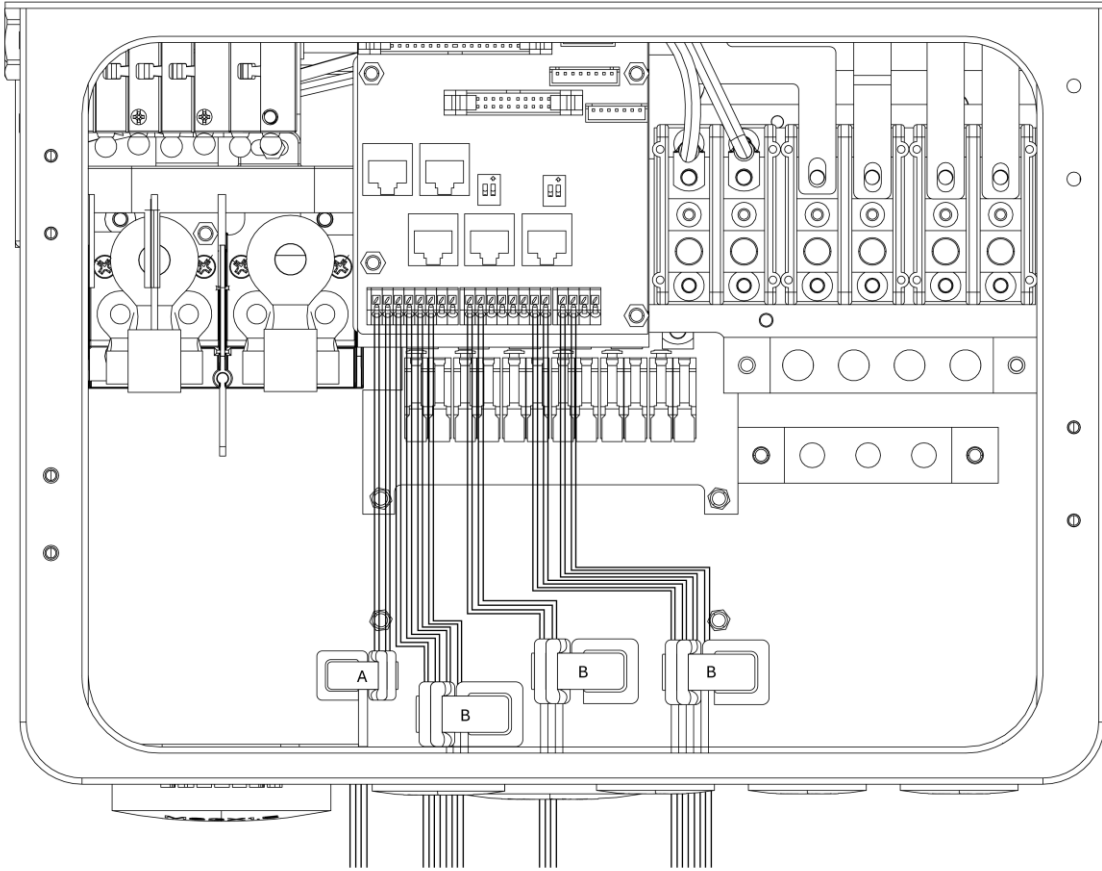
Packing box for filter rings



- A** 1 small black filter ring for temperature sensor (outside diameter 25.9mm, inside diameter 13 mm, height 28 mm)
- B** 3 small black filter rings for CT sensors, two-wire start and RSD (outside diameter 31 mm, inside diameter 19 mm, height 19 mm)
- C** 1 large black filter ring for battery (outside diameter 80 mm, inside diameter 50 mm, height 20 mm)
- D** 1 medium black filter ring for PV terminal (outside diameter 55.5 mm, inside diameter 33 mm, height 23 mm)
- E** 1 medium white filter ring for grid port (outside diameter 50 mm, inside diameter 32 mm, height 20 mm)
- F** 2 small black filter rings for gen and load ports (outside diameter 31 mm, inside diameter 17 mm, height 19 mm)

Filter Ring A (1 small black filter ring)

1. Pass the temperature sensor through filter ring A and wrap it around three times.



Filter Ring B (3 small black filter rings)

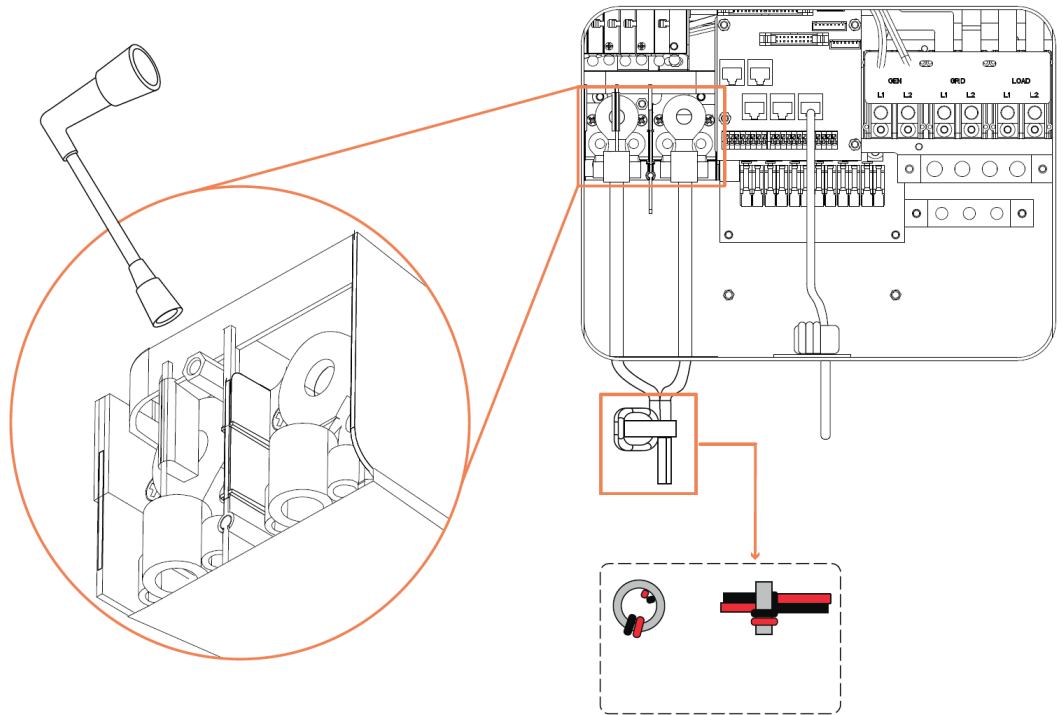
For each of the three filter rings B: wrap the wires three times around the filter ring, then thread the end of the wires through the filter ring. Do this for each of these components:

1. CT_L1_in (3,4), CT_L2_in (5,6) on CN1: Wrap these wires around one filter ring B.
2. Gen_Start_relay (1,2) on CN2: Wrap these wires around one filter ring B.
3. RSD 12V_out (7 +, 8-) on CN2 and RSD _ input (B, B): Wrap these wires around one filter ring B.

Filter Ring C (1 large black filter ring)

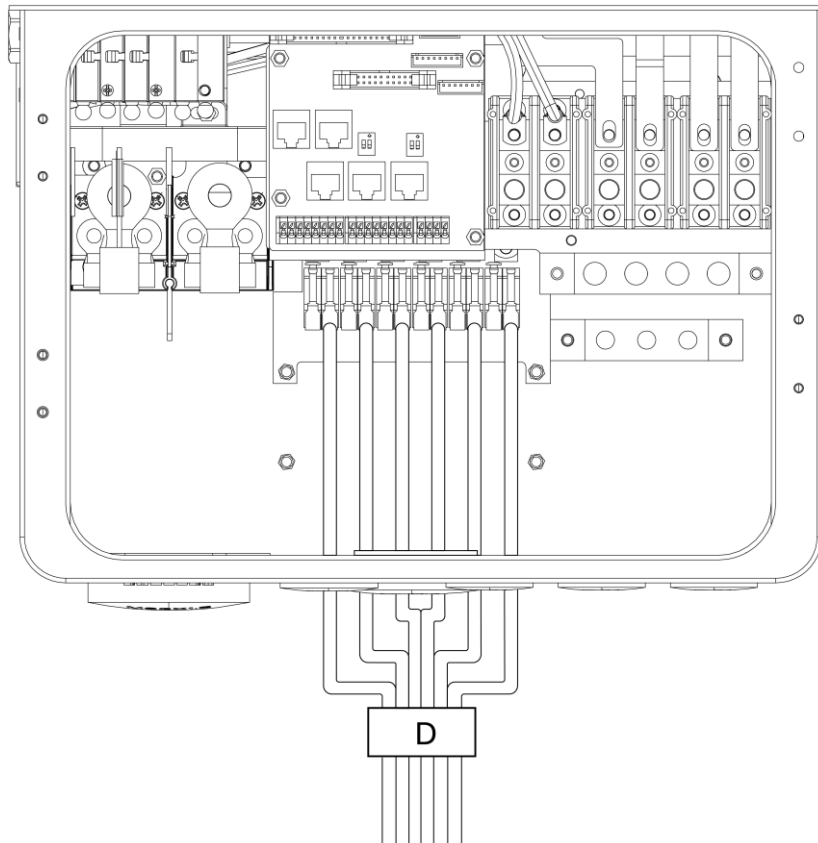
Pass one positive and one negative battery power cable through filter ring B, then wrap the cables around the ring one time.

Do the same for the other set of conductors.



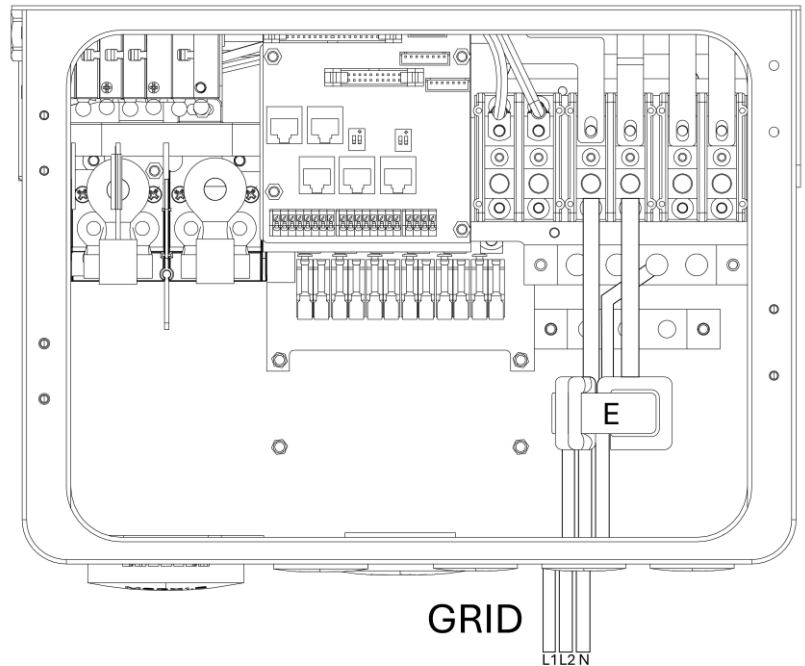
Filter Ring D (1 medium black filter ring)

Thread the wires of the PV terminal through filter ring D.



Filter Ring E (1 medium white filter ring)

Pass **GRID** conductors (L1, L2, Neutral) through filter ring E, then wrap the cables around the ring three times as shown below.

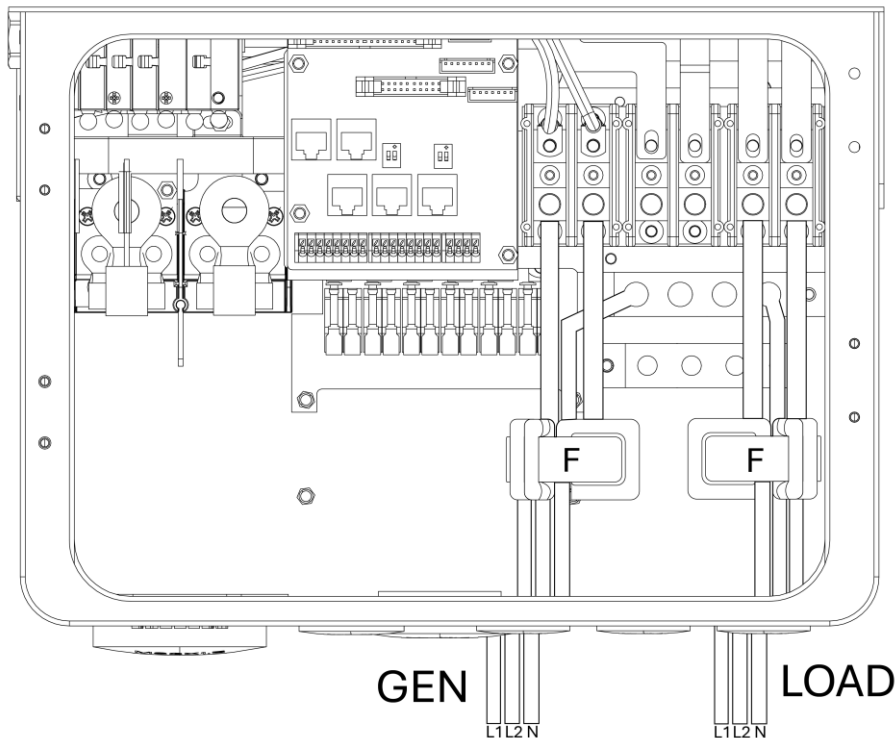


Filter Ring F (2 small black filter rings)

Filter rings F are the generator and load port rings. Follow the steps that apply to your setup.

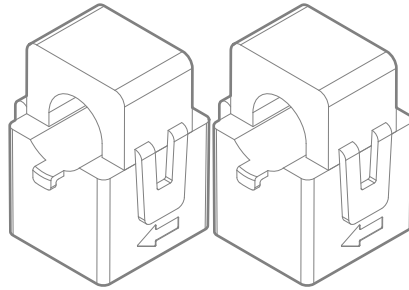
If using the **GEN** port: pass **GEN** and **LOAD** conductors through filter ring C, then wrap the cables around the ring three times.

If using the **LOAD** port: Pass all **LOAD** conductors through filter ring C, then wrap the cables around the ring three times.



2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)

The CT sensors (or limit sensors) enhance system capabilities by enabling the use of the system work modes known as **Limited Power to Home** (Meter Zero) and **Grid Peak-Shaving**. The CTs will measure and calculate total load demand which the Limitless 12K will then use to accurately supply and offset all existing loads (Meter Zero).



Off-Grid systems do not require CT sensors unless Grid Peak Shaving is used.

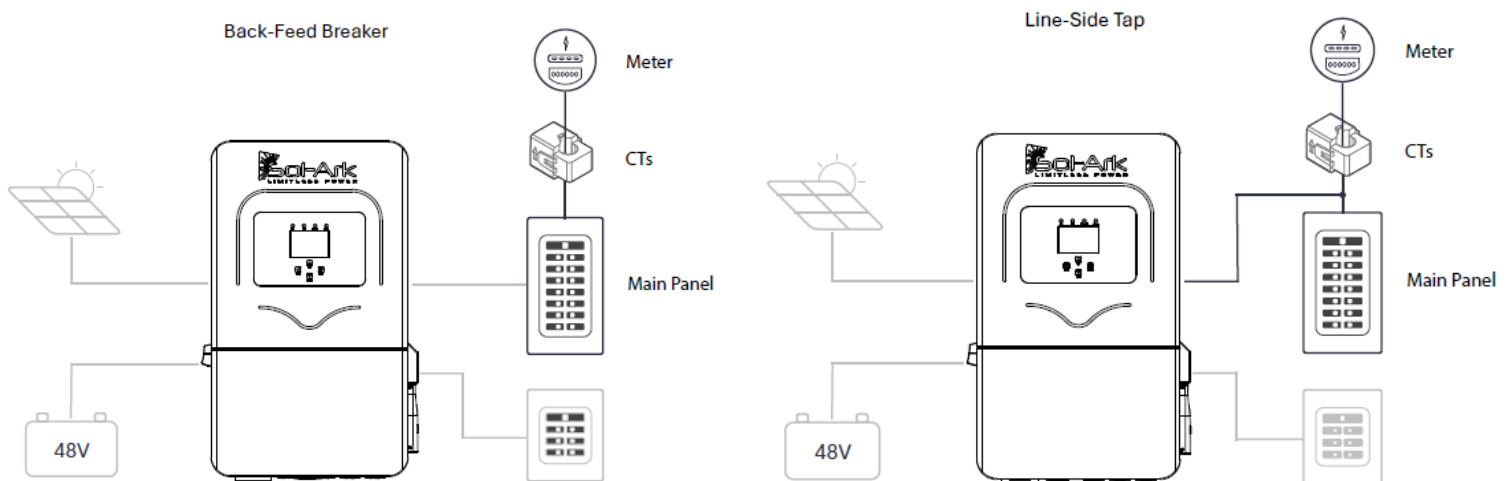
Installing CT Sensors

- Install sensors on incoming electrical service wires (L1, L2, and L3 if the system is 3 Φ).
- Embossed arrows on the sensors must point toward the grid.



If the system is 3 Φ , the arrows must point toward the inverter(s).

- To ensure proper fit, check incoming wire diameters (grid or generator). If the sensors are too small, you can contact Sol-Ark Sales to purchase bigger CTs at +1-972-575-8875 ext. 1, or sales@sol-ark.com
- **“Limited Power to Home”** (Meter Zero) and **“Grid Peak Shaving”** require CT sensors.
- See “3.5 Limiter” on page 46 for more information about the different work modes.
- See “Wiring Diagrams” starting on page 70 for more information on CT installation.



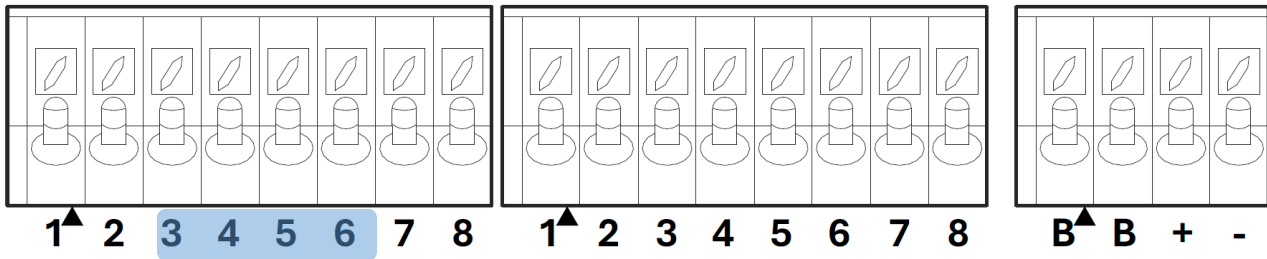
CT Sensor Size

- The Limitless 12K-2P-LL includes two **200 A** CT sensors (Ø0.94”).
- Sol-Ark offers extra-large **600 A** (Ø1.976”) CT sensors upon request.
Contact Sol-Ark Sales at +1 (972) 575-8875 or sales@sol-ark.com to purchase larger CT sensors.
- Default Sol-Ark CT ratio is 2000:1

 Unless authorized, DO NOT change CT Ratio or warranty will be voided.

Wiring the CT sensor

- Connect CT1 of line L1 to pins 3 (white) & 4 (black).
- Connect CT2 of line L2 to pins 5 (white) & 6 (black).
- Keep the wires twisted (white-black) throughout the connection.
- If the wires need to be extended, use CAT 6 (shielded) cable to make an extension.



CT Sensors for 120 V/240 V Split Phase

- Each inverter includes 2 CT sensors.
- Only one pair of CT sensors must be wired to the designated “Master” inverter.
- ! CT sensors are essential for multi-Sol-Ark systems as “Limited Power to Home” mode is highly recommended.

CT Sensors for 120 V/208V Three-Phase

- Install CT1 on L1 and CT2 on L2 of inverter 1. Program inverter 1 to Master, Phase A.
- Install CT3 on L3 of inverter 2. Program inverter to be Master Phase B. Use pins 5 and 6 for CT3.
- ! CT sensors on 3-Phase systems **MUST point in the opposite direction** (toward the inverters).

Configuring Automatic CT Limit Sensors

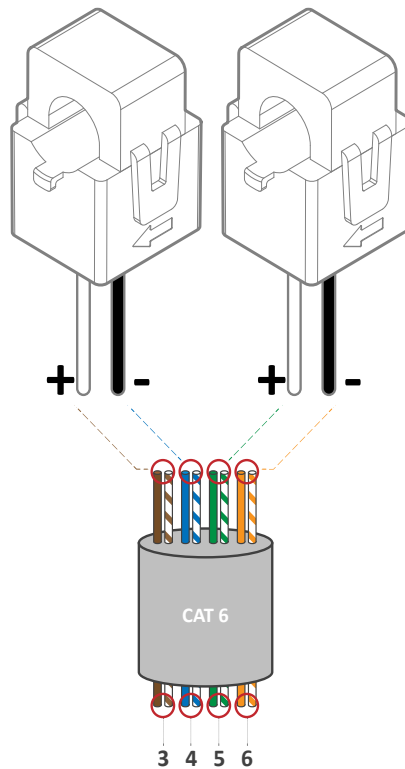
This function **REQUIRES** batteries and 120/240 V grid to auto detect and auto correct CT orientation. AC-coupled inverters need to be **OFF** during the detection test.

If this test is done with connected AC-coupled systems, a factory reset of the Sol-Ark must be performed.

1. Install the CT sensor as described in “2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)” on page 27.
2. A battery connection and grid power are required before starting the automatic configuration.
3. ⚙️ > **Basic Setup** > **Advanced** > ☒ **Auto detect Home Limit Sensors**
4. Wait at least 10 to 15 seconds while the inverter performs the test. The inverter will alternate the current distribution in all lines, determining the correct orientation of the sensor.



- On “Limited power to Home” mode (no Grid Sell), HM values will read close to zero (0). Be aware that all sensors have a 3% error.
- To avoid selling power to the utility use “Zero Export Power” equal to or greater than 20W.
- Buying power from the grid will display positive (+) HM values, while selling to the grid displays negative (-) HM values.



CT wire extensions with shielded CAT 6 cable

2.10 Emergency Stop and Rapid Shutdown

Note on optimizers: Some third-party module-level optimizers may not be compatible with the Sol-Ark inverter. If you're using optimizers, consult a qualified installer for an alternative method for optimization, such as microinverters or another rapid shutdown solution.

Powering the Rapid Shutdown Transmitter

There are two ways to set up your transmitter for rapid shutdown, depending on the rated power draw of the RSD transmitter. Check the manufacturer's documentation to determine how much amperage your transmitter draws.

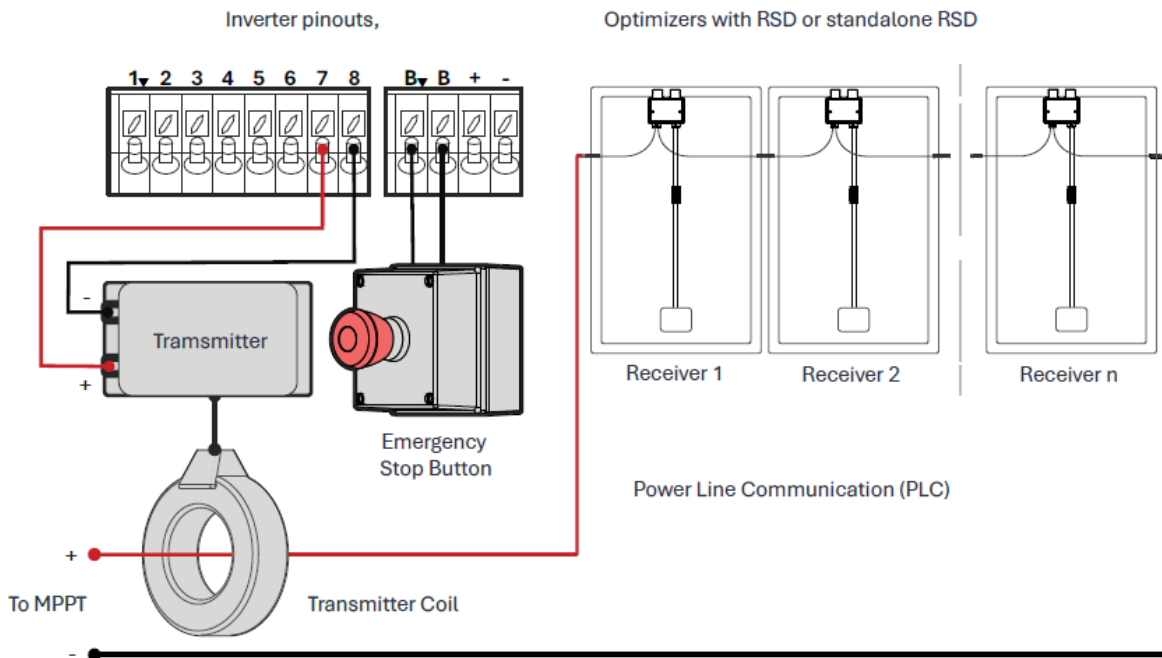
Option 1: RSD draws up to 1.0 A

The (B, B) emergency stop pins of the Limitless 12K-2P-LL are an ordinarily open contact that triggers rapid shutdown (RSD) when closed. RSD will cut all power, including the Sol-Ark's internal power supply and stop all AC outputs. The internal 12 V_{DC} (-3%) power supply of the Sol-Ark (pins 7 & 8 on CN2) will disconnect any RSD transmitter that will then shut down all solar panels when the emergency stop button is pressed.

- Emergency stop button connects to **(B, B)** pins of the Sol-Ark.
- RSD transmitter connects to pins **7 & 8** on **CN2** (12 V_{DC} power supply)



Transmitters placed inside the user area of the Sol-Ark can cause interference.



RSD Warning!



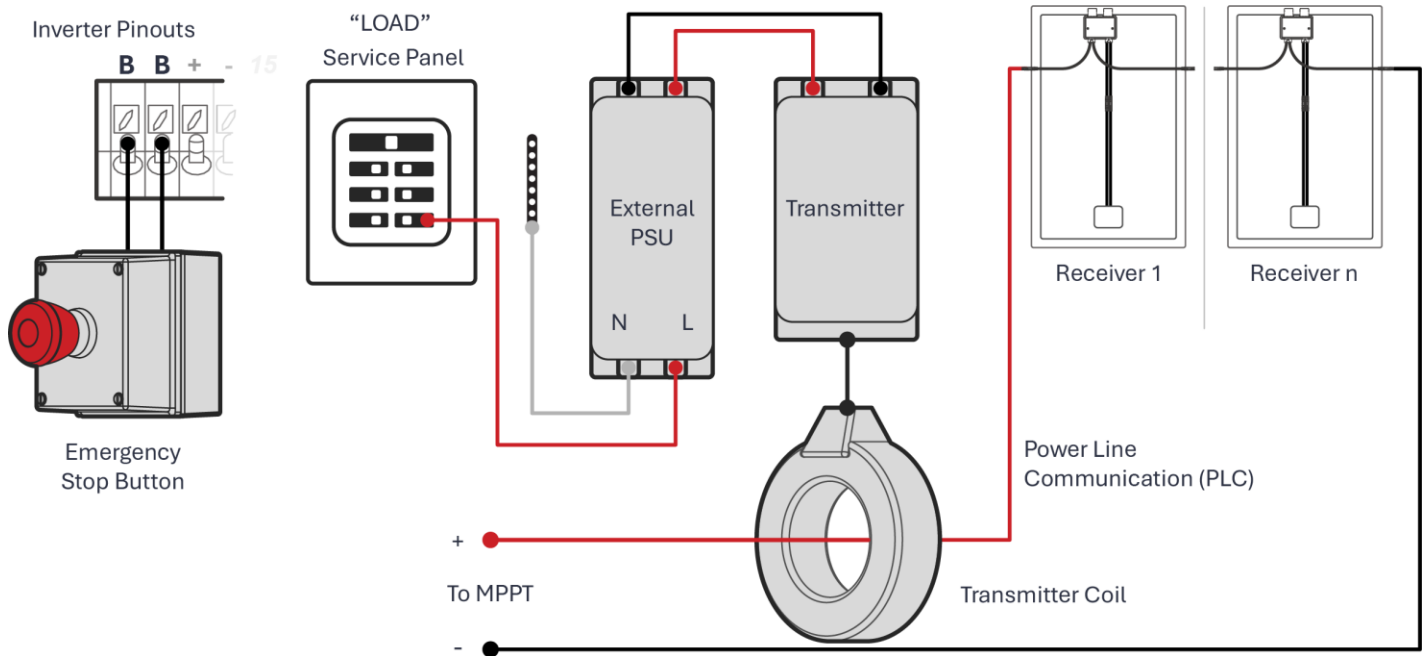
The Built-in 12 V_{DC} power supply of the Limitless 12K-2P-LL (Pins **7 & 8** on **CN2**) is rated for 1.0 A (12W). Do not exceed! If you are unsure of the current (A) rating of the transmitter, contact the manufacturer before connecting.

Option 2: RSD transmitter draws greater than 1.0 A

If a transmitter is equal to or more than the maximum 1.0 A limit, it can still be integrated into the Sol-Ark inverter through an external power supply connected to the **LOAD** output.

Pressing the **e-stop** button will disconnect all AC outputs, cutting power to the **LOAD** service panel, which will initiate rapid shutdown.

Here's an example.



Rapid Shutdown Product Recommendations

These recommended rapid shutdown solutions are readily available on the market:

- Tigo TS4-A-S
- Tigo TS4-A-O
- NEP PVG-Guard
- APsmart RSD S-PLC
- APsmart RSD-D

2.11 Powering-Up the Sol-Ark

! TURN ON the inverter with at least one power source: Battery, PV, or Grid.

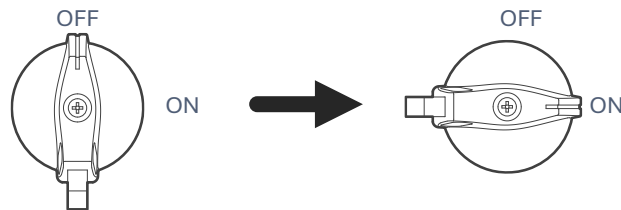
1. Check the voltage of the battery bank

- ⚠** The battery voltage must be between $43 V_{DC}$ - $59 V_{DC}$.
- If applicable, turn **ON** internal switches of the batteries. Measure individual voltages.
- Verify that the voltage of the battery bank at the Sol-Ark terminals is adequate.

⚠ DO NOT reverse polarity. **DO NOT** turn **OFF** battery disconnect if any current is flowing into or out of the battery.

2. Check the voltage of each PV input circuit

- ⚠** Input voltage must not exceed $500 V_{DC}$.
- Input voltage must be above the startup voltage of $125 V_{DC}$.
- ⚠** Do not ground PV+ or PV-.
- ⚠** Verify polarity in each PV string. Backward polarity will measure 0 Vdc by the Sol-Ark and will cause long-term damage.
- !** PV alone turns on the LCD screen only. The Inverter requires **grid** and/or **batteries** to operate; otherwise, an “OFF” message will appear.
- The PV DC disconnect switch on the side of the inverter will turn the PV ON or OFF.



3. Check GRID input voltage

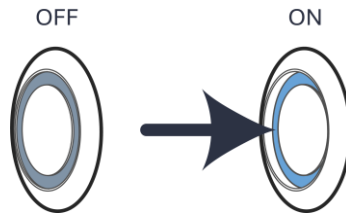
- Use the **GRID** terminals to measure AC voltage with a multimeter.
- Measure line (L) to neutral (N) voltages on the **GRID** terminals. Ensure $120 V_{AC}$ on all phases.
- Measure line (L) to line (L) voltages on the **GRID** terminals. Ensure $240 V_{AC}$. (If the voltage reading is close to 220 V or 210 V, verify if grid is single-phase or three-phase instead).
- Verify that the voltage between Neutral and Ground is $0 V_{AC}$.
- Verify that the voltage between **GRID L1** and **LOAD L1** is 0 V. Do the same for L2.

4. Power ON the Limitless 12K-2P-LL | Single Inverter Systems

Follow the instructions below for your power source.

4.1 Powering up from a Battery bank

- A. Turn **ON** the battery breaker(s).
- B. **PRESS** the power button to the **ON** position.
- C. **PROGRAM** the settings on the inverter according to your **Battery** and **GRID** type. The unit is programmed in **Split Phase 120/240 V** by default.
- D. Wait for the **Normal** LED indicator to turn on. This may take a few minutes.
- E. Turn **ON** the PV DC disconnect switch. Wait for the **DC** LED indicator to turn on.
- F. Turn **ON** the external **GRID** disconnect. Wait for the **AC** LED indicator to turn on.
- G. Turn **ON** the internal **LOAD** and external **GEN** breakers.



4.2 Powering up from the Grid

- A. Turn **ON** the external **GRID** disconnect and wait for “**AC**” LED indicator to turn on. Do **NOT** press the power button yet.
- B. **PROGRAM** the settings on the inverter according to your **GRID** type. The unit is programmed in **Split Phase 120/240 V** by default.
- C. **PRESS** the power button to the **ON** position.
- D. Turn **ON** the PV DC disconnect switch. Wait for the “**DC**” LED indicator to turn on.
- E. Wait for the **Normal** LED indicator to turn on. This may take a few minutes.
- F. Turn **ON** the internal **LOAD** breaker.



- If your system does not have a PV source, you can skip steps D and E. Under these conditions, the inverter will operate in pass-through mode only.
- If no battery bank is connected to the inverter, the **GEN** port will be disabled as it requires the battery **SOC%** to open and close the internal **GEN** port relays.

5. Power ON Limitless 12K-2P-LL | Parallel install

5.1 Powering up from a Battery bank

1. Turn **ON** the battery breakers for all of the units, the order does not matter in this step.
2. **PRESS** the power button to the **ON** position in all units; the order of the units is not important.
3. **SELECT** as the "**Master**" unit one of the inverters to **PROGRAM** the **GRID** type and **Battery** settings. By default, the units are set to **Split Phase 120/240 V**. The parallel communication will copy the settings from the "Master" unit to all "Slave" units. It's not necessary to program GRID and Battery settings in each unit.
4. **SET** the "**DIP switches**" as shown in "5.1 Before Enabling Parallel Operations."
5. **PROGRAM** each inverter for parallel operation as shown in "5.2 Parallel Systems Programming Sequence".
6. **VERIFY** the **GRID** and **Battery** parameters are properly transferred from the "Master" unit to the "Slave" units. Wait for the **Normal** LED indicator to light up on each unit. This may take a few minutes.
7. Turn **ON** the PV DC disconnect switch for all units. Wait for **DC** LED indicator to turn on for all units.
8. Turn **ON** the external **GRID** disconnect/breakers. Wait for **AC** LED indicator to turn on for all units.
9. Turn **ON** the internal **LOAD** and external **GEN** breakers.

5.2 Powering up from the Grid

1. Parallel communication CANNOT be established without a Battery Bank. In these systems, it's not necessary to activate parallel operation for the inverters.
2. The powering-up process is the same as the one described for single inverter systems in "5.2 Powering up from the Grid" on the previous page.

2.12 Power Cycle Sequence

Single Inverter Systems

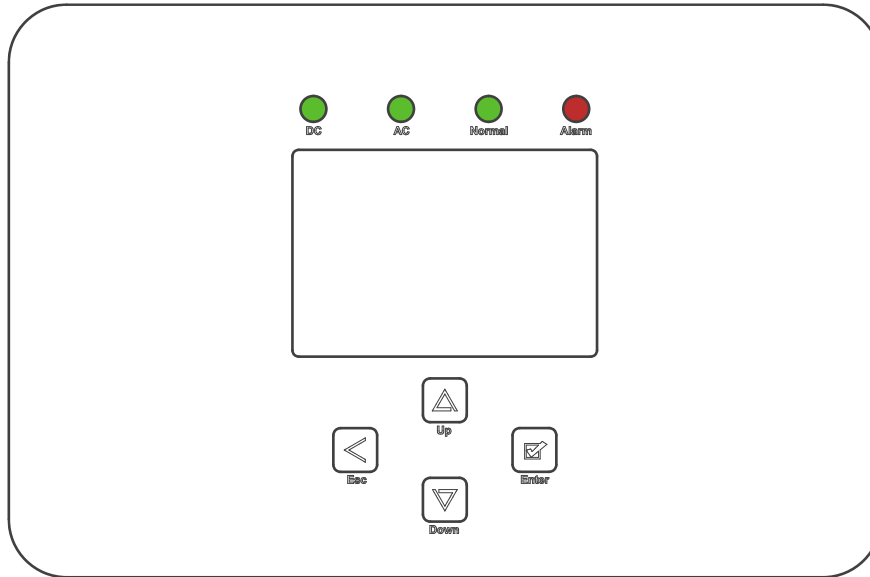
1. **TURN OFF** all AC breakers and disconnects (**GRID, GEN, and LOAD**).
2. **TURN OFF** the built-in PV DC disconnect switch on the side of the inverter.
3. **PRESS** the power button, making sure it is in the OFF position. The LCD screen will turn off after a few seconds.
4. **TURN OFF** the battery breakers.
5. Wait a moment (~1 min) to make sure the inverter is completely de-energized.
6. Make sure that the Sol-Ark is properly connected to the batteries, solar panels, **GRID, GEN, and LOAD**.
7. Reverse the steps to turn **ON** the Sol-Ark.

Parallel installation

1. **TURN OFF** all AC breakers/disconnects (**GRID, GEN, and LOAD**) for all units. Start with the “Master” units and then proceed to the “Slave” units.
2. **TURN OFF** the built-in PV DC disconnect switch on the side of the inverter. Start with the “Master” units and then proceed to the “Slave” units.
3. **PRESS** the power button, making sure it is in the **OFF** position. Start with the “Master” units and then turn off the “Slave” units.
4. **TURN OFF** the battery breakers. The order of the units in this step is not important.
5. Wait a moment (~1 min) to make sure the inverter is completely de-energized.
6. Make sure that the inverters are properly connected to the batteries, solar panels, **GRID, GEN, and LOAD**.
7. Reverse the steps to turn **ON** the inverters. When powering ON, always start with the “Slave” units and finish with the “Master” units.

3. User Interface

3.1 LED Indicators



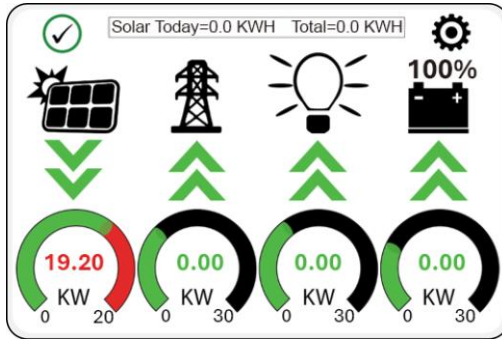
DC	AC	Normal	Alarm
Green > DC Solar Panels connected and providing voltage.	Green > Grid is connected and providing voltage.	Green > Sol-Ark is fully energized* and inverting power.	Red > Alarm state. Check the alarms menu. Home Screen > ⚙ > "System Alarms"
OFF > Minimum MPPT voltage not met, wrong polarity or no PV _{DC} .	OFF > Grid voltage out of range or Off-Grid system.	OFF > Not fully energized*, in fault state or in passthrough mode.	OFF > No alarms / error codes / setting change notifications

*Fully energizing the unit constitutes at least:



- a. DC Solar panels AND Grid
- OR
- b. Batteries only

3.2 Main Menus



Solar	Grid	INV	UPS LD	Batt
0W	10W	0W	0W	-84W
M1: 0V 0.0A 0W	60.0Hz	60.0Hz	119V	52.13V
M2: 0V 0.0A 0W	119V	119V	10W	I: -1.6 A
M3: 0V 0.1A 0W	HM: 0W	1.2A	119V	-100.0C
	LD: 10W	0W	0W	
	119V	119V	Gen 57v	TEMP
			L1: 0W L2: 2W 0.0Hz	DC: 36.5C AC: 42.0C

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Basic Setup System Alarms

Battery Setup

Only with BMS Lithium Mode

Li-Batt Info

Limiters Grid Setup

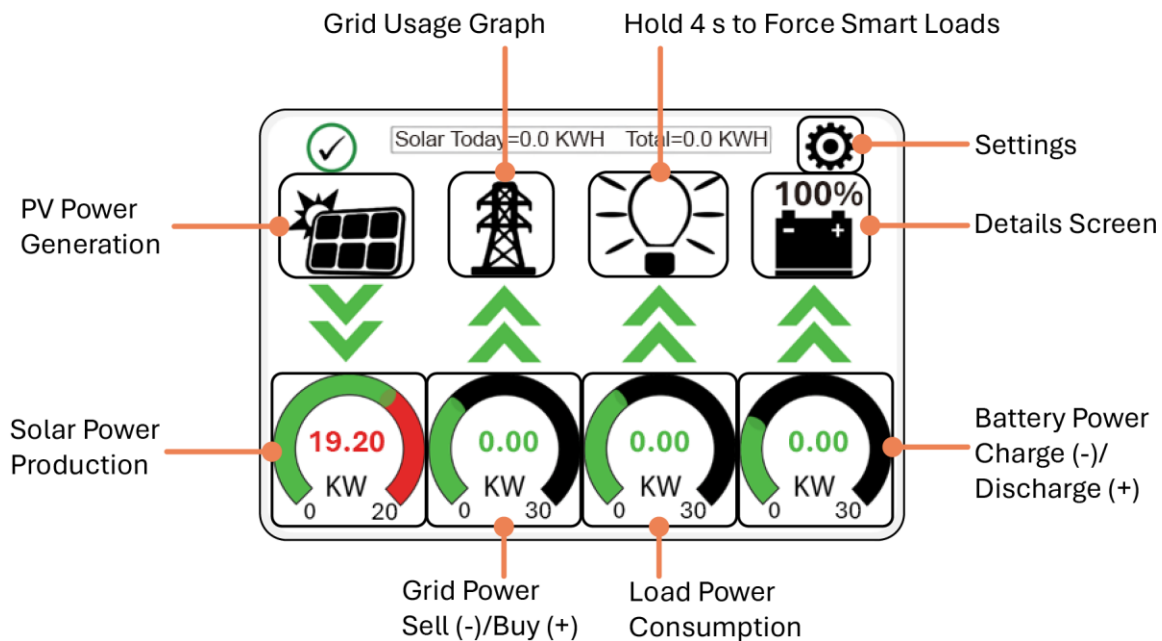
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-COMM: ####
-MCU: Ver####

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Alarms Code	Occurred
F13 Grid_Mode_changed	2021-01-13 11:22
F13 Grid_Mode_changed	2021-01-13 11:20

0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0%	0 Ah
0.0 V	0.0 V	0A	0A	0x00 0x00
Only w/ BMS Lithium Mode				
1. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
2. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
3. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
4. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
5. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
6. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
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9. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
10. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
11. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
12. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0
13. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V 0.0A 0 0 0

Main Screen



Details Screen

	Solar	Grid	INV	UPS LD	Batt	
Total Power	0W	10W	0W	0W	-84W	
		60.0Hz	60.0Hz	119V	52.13V	
V, I, & P of MPPT1	M1: 0V 0.0A 0W	119V HM: 0W	119V 1.2A	10W	I: -1.6 A	V, I, & P of L1
V, I, & P of MPPT2	M2: 0V 0.0A 0W	LD: 10W	0W	0W	-100.0C	Battery Temperature Sensor
V, I, & P of MPPT3	M3: 0V 0.1A 0W	119V HM: 0W	119V 1.1A	Gen 57V L1: 0W L2: 2W 0.0Hz	TEMP DC: 36.5C AC: 42.0C	V, I, & P of L2 Sol-Ark's Internal Temperatures

- ⚠ MPPT voltages **MUST NOT** exceed 500 V.
- Battery temperature will measure 25°C by default if the battery sensor is not connected.
- DC Temp: Internal DC conversion side temperature.
- AC Temp: Internal AC conversion side temperature. Output derating occurs at 75°C and above; shutdown occurs at 82°C.
- Grid column measures: Voltage, Current, Power and frequency of the utility grid.
 - If selling to the Grid, Watts = negative (-)
 - If buying from the Grid, Watts = positive (+)
 - HM: power measured by the external CT sensors. (L1, L2).
 - LD: power measured by the internal sensor on the **GRID** terminal. (L1, L2).

⚠ Opposing **GRID** or **HM** values indicate an incorrect installation of the CT. See "Wiring Diagrams" starting on page 70.

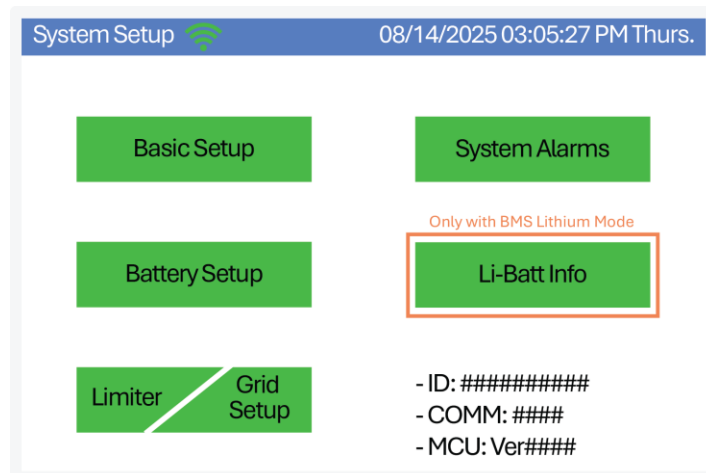
PV Power Generation Graph

- Displays power production over time for the PV array.
- Use up/down arrows (↑, ↓) to navigate between days.
- Month view/ year view/ total production.

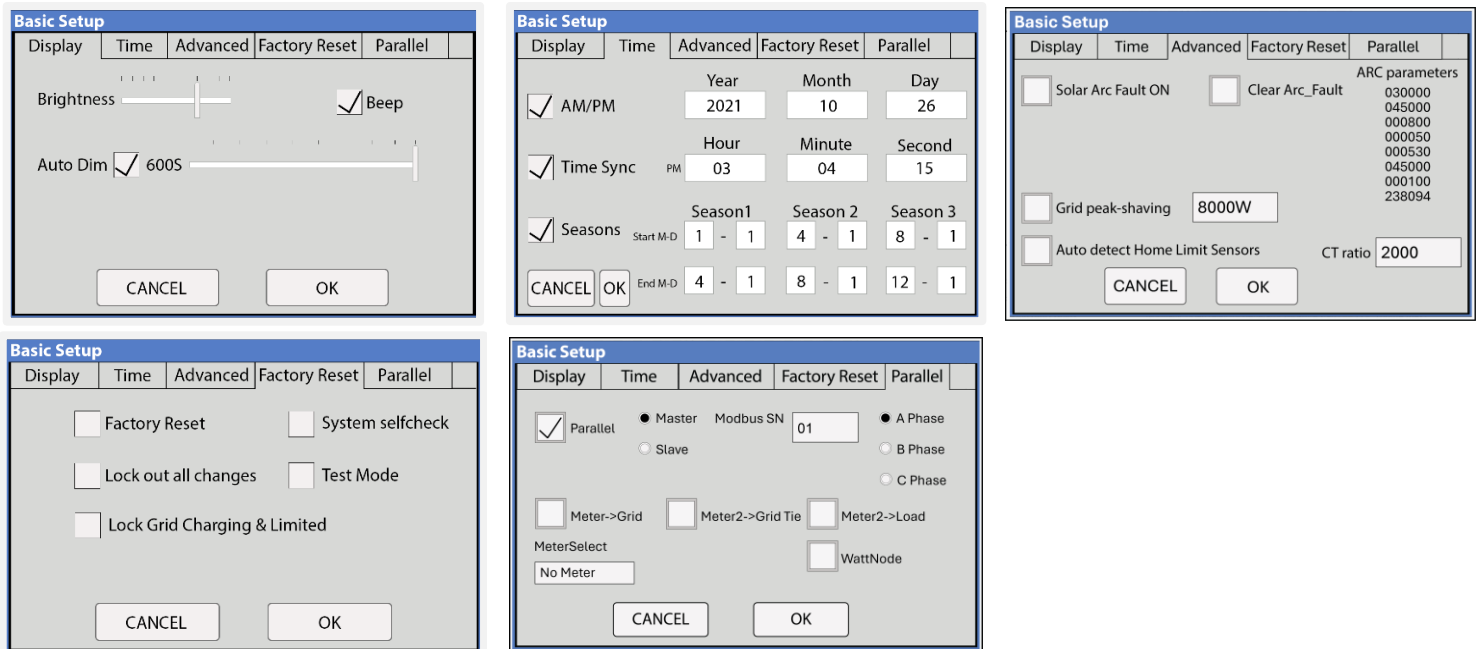
Grid Usage Graph

- Displays power drawn from grid (+) / sold to the grid (-).
- Values above the line indicate "power bought" from the grid.
- Values below the line indicate "power sold back" to the grid.
- This view can help to determine when the peak power is used from the grid.

System Setup Menu



3.3 Basic Setup



The screenshots show the following settings:

- Brightness:** Adjustable slider.
- Auto Dim:** Checked, 600S.
- Beep:** Checked.
- Time:** AM/PM, Year (2021), Month (10), Day (26), Hour (03), Minute (04), Second (15).
- Seasons:** Season 1 (1-1), Season 2 (4-1), Season 3 (8-1).
- Factory Reset:** Unchecked.
- System selfcheck:** Unchecked.
- Lock out all changes:** Unchecked.
- Test Mode:** Unchecked.
- Lock Grid Charging & Limited:** Unchecked.
- Parallel:** Checked, Master, Modbus SN (01).
- A Phase:** Selected.
- B Phase:** Unselected.
- C Phase:** Unselected.
- Meter->Grid:** Unchecked.
- Meter2->Grid Tie:** Unchecked.
- Meter2->Load:** Unchecked.
- MeterSelect:** No Meter.
- WattNode:** Unchecked.
- Solar Arc Fault ON:** Unchecked.
- Clear Arc_Fault:** Unchecked.
- ARC parameters:** 030000, 045000, 000800, 000050, 000530, 045000, 000100, 238094.
- Grid peak-shaving:** 8000W.
- Auto detect Home Limit Sensors:** Unchecked.
- CT ratio:** 2000.

Display

Brightness: Brightness adjustment (+, -).

Auto Dim: Must be enabled at all times to validate the warranty of the LCD screen.

Beep: Enable / disable the alarm sound.

Time

Time Sync: Automatically syncs with the internet for daylight saving time changes. (Enabling “Time sync” is recommended.)

Seasons: Set up and customize the seasons for TOU.

Advanced

Solar Arc Fault ON: Enables Arc fault detection algorithm on the MPPTs.

Clear Arc Fault: Command to clear an Arc Fault.  This must be done manually every time the system detects an **F63 Arc Fault** alarm. See “8.1 Sol-Ark Error Codes” on page 84 for more details.

Gen Limit Power: Limits the power drawn from the **GEN** AC source. The inverter will reduce battery charge when value is reached.

Load Limit Power: Sets a limit to the total **LOAD** output power. The max output power of the inverter is programmed by default.

Grid-Peak Shaving: Sets a **GRID** consumption threshold that allows use of battery backup power during peak demand. External CT sensors are required. Peak shaving can be used on a generator provided it is wired to the **GRID** terminal.

Auto detect home Limit Sensor: Detects and auto-corrects the polarity of the CTs. See “2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)” on page 27 for details.

CT Ratio: Specifies the transformation ratio of the CT. Default value of 2000:1

 **DO NOT** change or warranty will be voided.

UPS Time: Backup transfer time to essential loads upon grid disconnection. Default value of 5ms.

Factory Reset

Restrictions: Changes to these settings must be previously authorized by Sol-Ark Technical Support agents.

Parallel

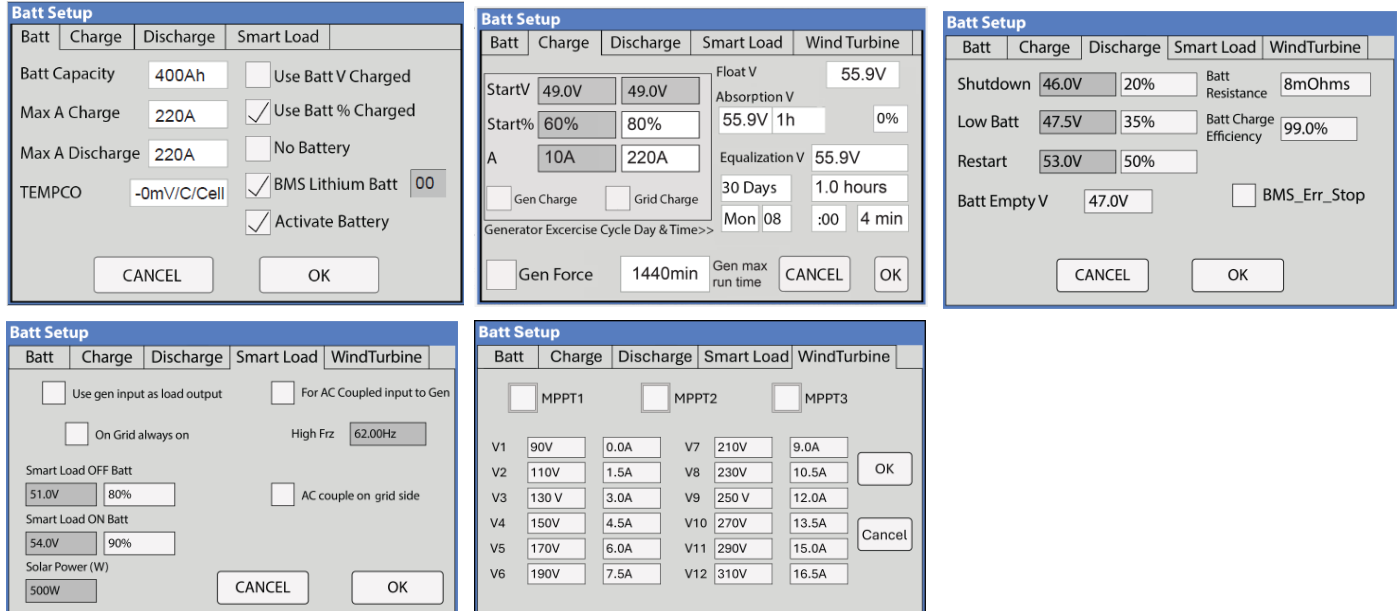
Parallel: Enables communication between parallel inverters. “Master” and “Slave” inverters must be programmed.

MODBUS SN: Identification number for each system configured in parallel (1,2,3,4, n).

Phase: When dealing with a 120/208V 3-Phase system, there must be a “Master” unit responsible of their own phase (A, B, C).

 See “Parallel Systems” on page 56 for more information.

3.4 Battery Setup



The screenshots show the following settings across the tabs:

- Batt Tab:** Batt Capacity (400Ah), Max A Charge (220A), Max A Discharge (220A), TEMPCO (-0mV/C/Cell), Use Batt V Charged, Use Batt % Charged, No Battery, BMS Lithium Batt (00), Activate Battery.
- Charge Tab:** StartV (49.0V), Start% (60%), A (10A), Gen Charge, Grid Charge, Float V (55.9V), Absorption V (55.9V 1h), Equalization V (55.9V), 30 Days, 1.0 hours, Generator Exercise Cycle Day & Time (Mon 08 :00 4 min), Gen Force (1440min), Gen max run time.
- Discharge Tab:** Shutdown (46.0V 20%), Low Batt (47.5V 35%), Restart (53.0V 50%), Batt Empty V (47.0V), Batt Resistance (8mOhms), Batt Charge Efficiency (99.0%), BMS_Err_Stop.
- Smart Load Tab:** Use gen input as load output, For AC Coupled input to Gen, On Grid always on, High Frz (62.00Hz), Smart Load OFF Batt (51.0V 80%), Smart Load ON Batt (54.0V 90%), Solar Power (W) (500W), AC couple on grid side.
- Wind Turbine Tab:** MPPT1, MPPT2, MPPT3, V1-V12 voltage and current settings.

Batt

Batt Capacity: Specifies the capacity of the battery bank. Capacity is expressed in amp-hours (Ah).

! **Batteries in series:** Voltage adds up (V).

! **Batteries in parallel:** Capacity adds up (Ah).

Max A Charge: Sets the maximum charge current (A) rate to the batteries when charged from solar power. The maximum allowed is 220 A.

! **For Lead-Acid batteries:** If the manufacturer does not specify rated charge amps, use 20% - 30% of battery capacity as **Max A Charge**.

Max A Discharge: Sets the maximum discharge current (A) rate from the batteries to > 220 A maximum allowed.

For Off-Grid systems, the battery bank will discharge 120% of this value for a 10 second surge before the inverter faults to prevent battery damage.

TEMPCO: Temperature coefficient used in conjunction with the battery temperature sensor to adjust optimal voltages for lead-acid batteries.

! Lithium batteries do not require a TEMPCO setting (-0 mV/C/Cell).

Use Batt V Charged: Displays battery charge in terms of voltage.

Use Batt % Charged: Displays battery charge in terms of %. The inverter uses algorithms measuring power in and out to estimate a true value for state-of-charge %. It compensates for aging batteries.

No Battery: The **No Battery** option **MUST** be selected if there is no battery. A power cycle sequence is **REQUIRED** when selecting this option. See “2.12 Power Cycle Sequence” on page 35 for power cycle instructions.

BMS Lithium Batt: Allows closed-loop communication with the tested batteries included in Sol-Ark’s [Low Voltage Battery Integration Guide](#). See www.sol-ark.com/battery-partners for complete list of compatible batteries.

Activate Battery: This option **MUST** be selected if the system has batteries, especially Lithium batteries.

When enabled, if battery voltage falls below the inverter’s normal operating voltage range, selecting **Activate Battery** allows the inverter to wake the battery if PV or Grid are available to trickle charge the battery back to its operational voltage range.

Charge

Float V: Lower steady voltage at which the battery is maintained after being fully charged.

Absorption V: Constant voltage used to charge the battery.

- Absorption will stop at 98% of the capacity of the battery bank and then drop to the Float setpoint.
- Example: A 400 Ah battery will stop charge reaching 392Ah.

Equalization V: Voltage that the system uses to generate a calculated overcharge, utilizing a higher voltage or equal to the absorption to remove the generation of sulfates in lead-acid batteries. Used to balance internal cells.

! Most Lithium batteries do not need to equalize.

Days: The period between equalization cycles.

Hours: The period taken to equalize batteries.

! If **Hours** is set to **0** hours, the system will not equalize batteries.

Gen Charge: Uses the **GEN** input of the system to charge the battery bank from a generator.

- **Start V:** Voltage at which the system will AutoStart a generator to charge the battery.
- **Start %:** Percentage state of charge (SOC) at which the system will AutoStart a generator to charge the battery.
- **A:** Maximum rate of charge of the batteries from the generator (DC amps).

Grid Charge: There are two scenarios in which this option is used:

- **Grid connected to Grid input:** The inverter will limit the charge rate to the set value in “**A**” and the battery will charge to 100% SOC.
- **Generator connected to Grid input:** It will be necessary to select ☒ **GEN connect to Grid input**. The system will use **Start V**, **Start%** and **A** conditions to charge the battery and stop charging at 95% SOC.

! Adjustable upper limit if Time of Use is enabled.

Gen Exercise Cycle (Day & Time): Set a weekly generator exercise schedule. (Day of the week/time/duration length). To disable the Gen exercise, adjust the time duration to 0 min.

Gen Force: Test function for generator auto-start. Enable and press **OK** to close normally open relay (pins 1,2) and force the generator on. Disable and press **OK** to disengage. The generator will not provide power during this test if grid power is available.

Note: The generator must be in automatic mode, if applicable, and must have a two-wire start (dry-contact, normally open) connected to the Sol-Ark.

Discharge

Shutdown: Battery voltage or % at which the inverter will shut down to protect the battery from an over discharge situation (battery symbol on the home screen will turn red).

Low Batt: Low battery voltage or % (battery symbol on the home screen will turn yellow). Stopping point for TOU.

Restart: Battery voltage or % at which AC output will resume after previously reaching “shutdown.”

Batt Resistance: Internal resistance of mOhms from the battery bank. Used in % SOC batt calculations.

Batt Charge Efficiency: Value provided by battery manufacturer. Used in % SOC batt calculations.

Batt Empty V: Sets the empty voltage and associates this voltage to 0% charge. This value determines the lowest % SOC limit.

BMS_Err_Stop: Enables system stop when there is loss of battery communications.



Continuous **GEN** input/output of 58A (AC amps). DO NOT EXCEED.

Smart Load

- This mode uses the **GEN** input as a load output that delivers power when the battery exceeds a user programmable threshold or when the Sol-Ark is connected to the grid.
- When ☒ **Use gen input as load output** is enabled, the **GEN** input terminal turns into an output to power high-power loads such as a water heater, irrigation pump, AC unit, pool pump, or any other loads.
- When ☒ **On Grid always on** is enabled, the **GEN** terminal will always output power as long as the grid is connected, regardless of battery charge.

Smart Load OFF Batt: Battery voltage or % at which the **GEN** terminal will stop outputting power.

Smart Load ON Batt: Battery voltage or % at which the **GEN** terminal will start outputting power.

Solar Power (W): Amount of PV production needed before **GEN** terminal starts outputting power.

AC Coupling Settings (for AC-coupled Input)

- Grid-tied systems with AC-coupled solar arrays must have ☒ **Grid Sell** enabled. Make sure that you are allowed to sell back to the grid.
- To use the **GEN** terminal as an AC coupling input for micro inverters or string inverters, select the check box ☒ **For AC-coupled Input to Gen**
- In off-grid systems, the Sol-Ark will use frequency shifting to control the AC-coupled solution based on the battery SOC. The meaning of **Smart Load OFF Batt** and **Smart Load ON Batt** will change in this mode:

Smart Load OFF Batt: The % SOC at which the AC-coupled inverters turn OFF.



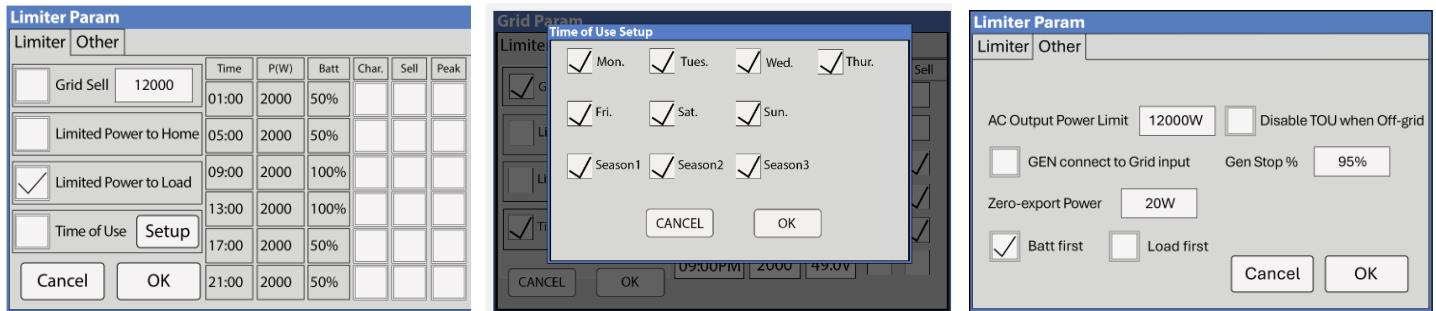
90% recommended.

Smart Load ON Batt: The % SOC at which the AC-coupled inverters turn ON.



80% recommended.

3.5 Limiter



The Limitless 12K-2P-LL inverter simultaneously utilizes different available power sources to satisfy load demand in the electrical service panels (essential loads panel/main service panel). The following work modes let you determine how generated power is utilized.

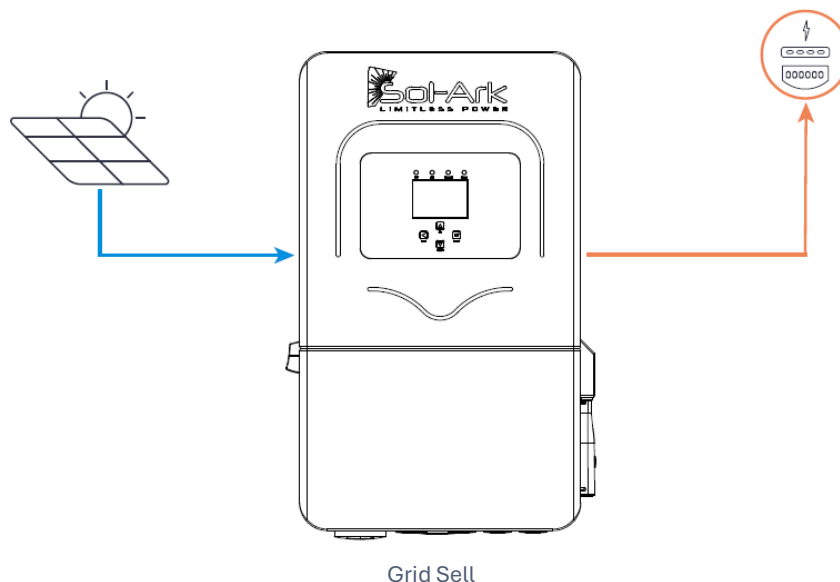
Grid Sell

Grid Sell: The inverter will produce as much power as it has available from a DC-coupled PV array according to the value programmed here. The maximum power that can be sold to the grid from battery and/or DC PV is 12,000W. The Grid Sell value acts as a limit on the amount of power, including any power from an AC-coupled source, which will be exported (sold) to the grid.

Note: The **Grid Sell** control cannot limit AC-coupled PV sources. If the AC-coupled power source meets or exceeds the **Grid Sell** value, all other sources, such as MPPT and battery, will be curtailed in order to not exceed the programmed **Grid Sell** value.

General description

- This mode allows your inverter to sell back to the grid all the excess power generated from the PV arrays without limitation.
- The inverter will show only loads connected to the **LOAD** terminal.
- The inverter will measure all power in or out of the **GRID** terminal as grid consumption or grid sellback.



Limited Power to Home

 This work mode **REQUIRES** batteries

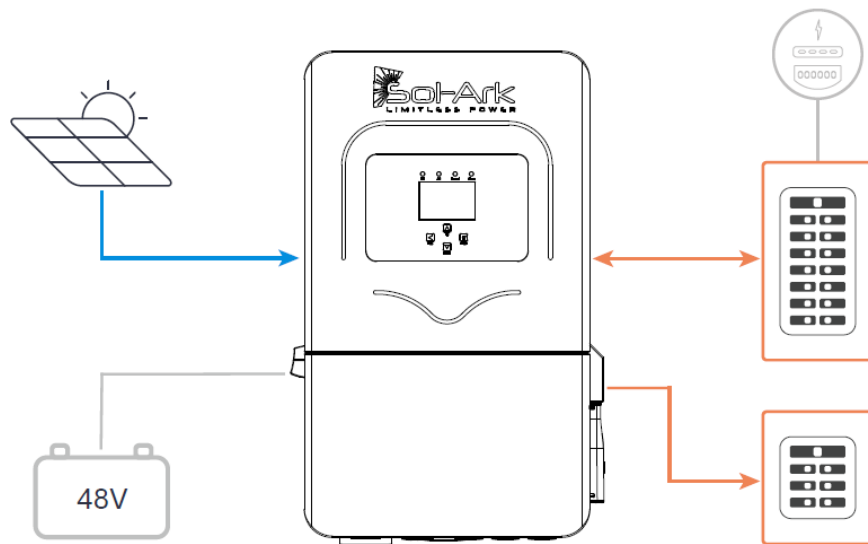
Limited Power to Home (Meter Zero)

This mode limits the energy produced by the inverter to satisfy the home demand (essential loads panel + main service panel). In this mode, the inverter delivers power to the **LOAD** terminal (essential loads panel) + the **GRID** terminal (main service panel).

CT sensors **MUST** be installed. These sensors measure load consumption in the main service panel to offset total load demand and prevent selling to the utility. This system's work mode is useful for users who don't have a permit to sell back. See "2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)" on page 27 for instructions on installing external CTs.

General description

- Power is delivered to the whole home without selling the excess solar back to the grid (this is required if there's no permit to sell back to the utility company).
- External CT sensors are **required** for proper operation of this system's work mode.
- Monitored loads will be the sum of the main service panel + the essential loads panel.
- **Energy Priority:** 1. Solar PV Power | 2. Grid Power | 3. Batteries | 4. Generator



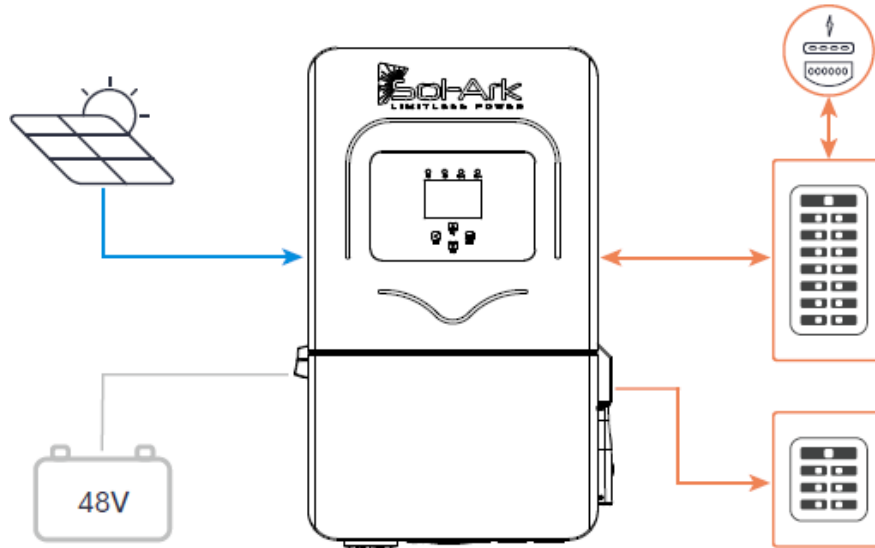
Limited Power to Home

Limited Power to Home + Grid Sell

This mode will **NOT** limit solar production to home demand. In this mode, the inverter delivers power to the **LOAD** terminal (essential loads panel) + excess power to the **GRID** terminal (main service panel AND grid).

The Sol-Ark will monitor grid sell and load consumption simultaneously (with $\pm 3\%$ error from CT sensors). The CT sensors **MUST** be installed. The inverter will sell excess solar power up to a programmable limit.

See "2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)" on page 27 for the correct placement of external CTs.



Limited Power to Home + Grid Sell

Limited Power to Load

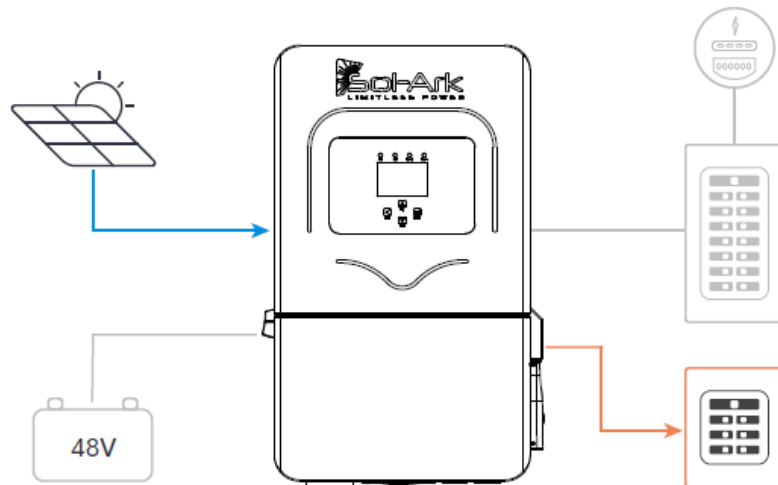
! This work mode **REQUIRES** batteries.

Limited Power to Load limits the solar production to cover **LOAD** demand (essential loads panel) exclusively. In this mode, the system disregards loads in the main service panel and will not deliver power to the **GRID** terminal.

General description

- The inverter will cover only the loads connected to the **LOAD** terminal.
- It will **NOT** produce more power than the load demand.
- This work mode will **NOT** deliver power to the **GRID** terminal (will NOT sell back).
- The loads reported by the inverter will be from only the essential loads panel (**LOAD** terminal).
- This system work mode is recommended for off-grid applications.

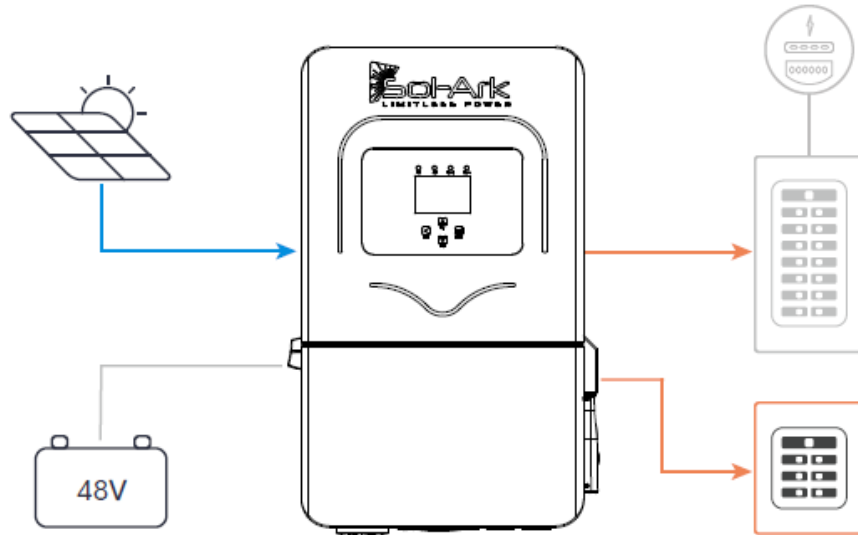
Energy Priority: 1. Solar PV Power | 2. Grid Power | 3. Batteries | 4. Generator



Limited Power to Load

Limited to Load + Grid Sell

This mode will NOT limit solar production to **LOAD** demand. The inverter delivers power to the **LOAD** terminal (essential loads panel) + excess power to the **GRID** terminal (main service panel AND grid); however, it will track **LOAD** demand and sell excess solar only up to a programmable limit. **GRID** loads cannot be measured, only the total output through the **GRID** terminal. This mode is recommended for single inverter systems or for whole-home backup installations.



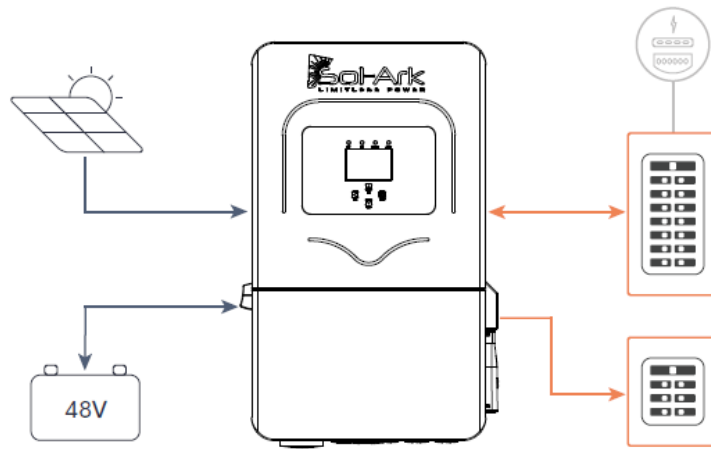
Limited Power to Load + Grid Sell

Time of Use

This mode combined with **Limited Power to Home** or **Limited Power to Load** lets you use battery backup power to reduce consumption from the grid during specific time intervals. Battery power will cover load demand at a programmable power rate **Power (W)** down to a programmable **Batt (V / %SOC)**. You can configure six different time intervals over a 24-hour period to cover a wide range of battery discharge or charge behaviors.

General description

- Uses battery power to reduce the power consumption during user-defined time intervals.
- Power (W) dictates the rate at which the battery discharges to assist with load demand.
- Batt (V or %) dictates the lower discharge limit or upper charge limit.
- **Energy Priority:**
 1. Solar PV Power | 2. Batteries (down to programmed discharge V or %) | 3. Grid Power | 4. Generator



Limited Power to Home + TOU

Time: Programmable time intervals over a 24-hour period. All time slots **MUST** follow chronological order and must be programmed.

Power (W): Sets the maximum discharge rate of the battery during the corresponding time slot.

Batt: V or % used to specify a lower discharge limit or upper charge limit whenever ☒ **Charge** is enabled.

 Grid-tied systems will not allow TOU to discharge lower than **Low Batt V/%**. Off-grid systems allow TOU discharge down to **Shutdown V/%**.

☒ **Charge:** During the hours selected, it is allowed to charge batteries from an external AC source up to a programmed voltage or %. If the external AC power source is a generator, the **Start V or Start %** condition must be fulfilled first. If available, the solar array will always charge the batteries at 100% regardless of ☒ **Charge** in TOU.

☒ **Sell:** Allows batteries to discharge and sell power to the grid at the programmable **Power (W)** rate.

☒ **Grid Sell MUST** be enabled.

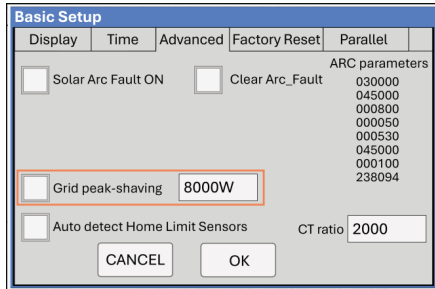


Do NOT enable **Charge** and **Sell** at the same time.

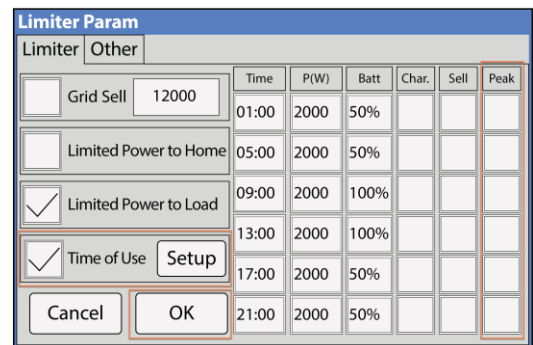
Specify Times for Peak Shaving

To limit Peak Shaving to certain time periods during the day, follow these steps:

1. Go to: ⚙️ > **Basic Setup** > **Advanced** tab.
2. Select the **Grid Peak Shaving** check box to enable adjustment of the **Power** field.



3. To the right of **Grid peak-shaving**, select the **Power** field and use the up and down arrows to set the usage (in watts) from the grid at which the Sol-Ark will begin Peak Shaving.
4. Uncheck the **Grid Peak Shaving** check box, then tap **OK**.
5. Tap the **Limiter** button to navigate to the **Limiter** tab on the **System Setup** screen.
6. Select any check boxes under the **Peak** column to specify a time period for grid peak shaving.
7. Select the **Time of Use** check box.
8. Tap **OK** to save the settings and complete programming.

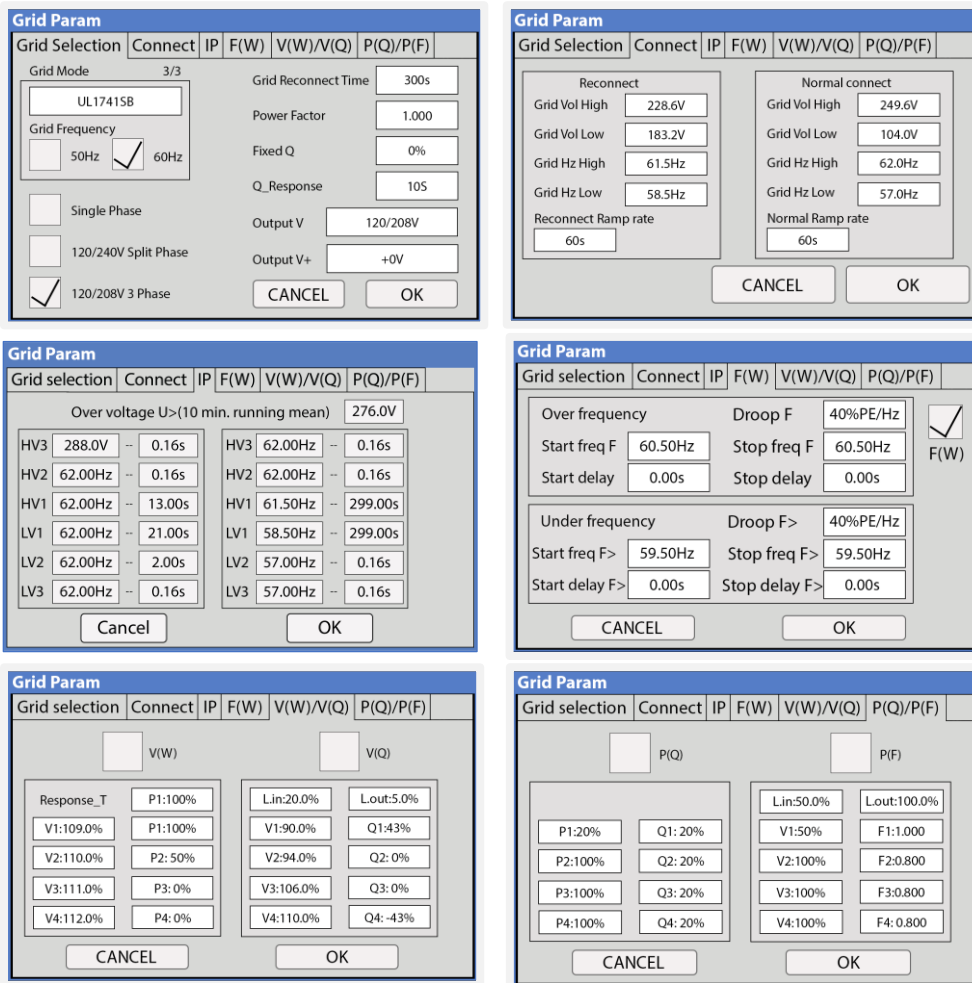


Limiter Param		Time	P(W)	Batt	Char.	Sell	Peak
☐	Grid Sell	12000	01:00	2000	50%		
☐	Limited Power to Home	05:00	2000	50%			
☒	Limited Power to Load	09:00	2000	100%			
☒	Time of Use	13:00	2000	100%			
		17:00	2000	50%			
		21:00	2000	50%			

Other

1. **GEN Connect to Grid Input:** Specifies when a generator is connected to the **GRID** terminal.
2. **Zero Export Power:** Minimum power imported from the grid. Helps avoid selling back by ensuring constant grid consumption. The value can be set between 1 – 100W (recommended 20W).
3. **Batt First:**  Default and recommended option. Sets the solar power priority of the system to charge batteries first. Do NOT change unless instructed by Sol-Ark technical support.
4. **Load First:** Sets the solar power priority of the system to cover loads demand first and deliver remaining power to batteries.
 This is recommended only for very specific situations.

3.6 Grid Setup



The screenshots show the following configuration options:

- Grid Param (General):** Grid Selection (UL1741SB), Grid Mode (3/3), Grid Reconnect Time (300s), Power Factor (1.000), Fixed Q (0%), Q_Response (10S), Output V (120/208V), Output V+ (+0V).
- Grid Param (Reconnect/Normal connect):** Reconnect settings (Grid Vol High: 228.6V, Grid Vol Low: 183.2V, Grid Hz High: 61.5Hz, Grid Hz Low: 58.5Hz, Reconnect Ramp rate: 60s) and Normal connect settings (Grid Vol High: 249.6V, Grid Vol Low: 104.0V, Grid Hz High: 62.0Hz, Grid Hz Low: 57.0Hz, Normal Ramp rate: 60s).
- Grid Param (Over voltage U>(10 min. running mean):** HV3 (288.0V, 0.16s), HV2 (62.00Hz, 0.16s), HV1 (62.00Hz, 13.00s), LV1 (62.00Hz, 21.00s), LV2 (62.00Hz, 2.00s), LV3 (62.00Hz, 0.16s).
- Grid Param (Over frequency):** Start freq F (60.50Hz), Stop freq F (60.50Hz), Start delay (0.00s), Stop delay (0.00s), Droop F (40%PE/Hz).
- Grid Param (Under frequency):** Start freq F> (59.50Hz), Stop freq F> (59.50Hz), Start delay F> (0.00s), Stop delay F> (0.00s), Droop F> (40%PE/Hz).
- Grid Param (V(W)/V(Q)):** Response_T (P1:100%, P2:50%, P3:0%, P4:0%), L.in:20.0%, L.out:5.0%, V1:109.0%, V2:110.0%, V3:111.0%, V4:112.0%, V1:90.0%, V2:94.0%, V3:106.0%, V4:110.0%, Q1:43%, Q2:0%, Q3:0%, Q4:-43%.
- Grid Param (P(Q)/P(F)):** P1:20%, P2:100%, P3:100%, P4:100%, Q1:20%, Q2:20%, Q3:20%, Q4:20%, Lin:50.0%, Lout:100.0%, V1:50%, V2:100%, V3:100%, V4:100%, F1:1.000, F2:0.800, F3:0.800, F4:0.800.

Grid Selection

Grid Mode: Tap and use navigation arrows to cycle through different grid modes:

- **General Standard:** Applies general grid interconnection standards. Enables grid frequency and voltage adjustments. (This is useful for off-grid applications with backup generators).
- **UL1741 & IEEE1547:** Applies UL 1741 and IEEE 1547 grid interconnection requirements and standards.
- **UL1741SB:** Applies UL 1741SB grid interconnection requirements and standards.

Grid Frequency: Frequency of the AC sine wave.

Grid Type: Determines the type of system voltage and grid interconnection. Includes Single Phase, Split-Phase, and 3-Phase.

Grid Reconnect Time: The amount of time in seconds the inverter will wait before reconnecting to the grid.

Power Factor: Allows for power factor correction, ± 0.8 to 1.0.

Fixed Q: Allows for power factor correction based on desired reactive power percentage.

Q Response: Response time that will take to follow supported Volt-Var or Watt-Var reactive response modes.

Output V: Tap and use navigation arrows to cycle through different nominal grid voltage levels.

⚠ Grid level must be selected according to nominal grid voltage.

Output V+: Allows fine voltage modifications to the Output V to ensure proper nominal voltage.

Connect

Reconnect: These parameters determine an allowable range of frequency and voltages for a reconnection to the grid after initial grid loss. Frequency and voltages must be within these margins during Grid Reconnect Time to allow reconnection to the grid.

! Parameters are set automatically based on selected grid mode compliance unless you select **General Standard**.

Normal connect: These parameters determine the allowable range of frequency and voltages to stay connected to the grid after a reconnect and normal operation.

! Parameters are set automatically based on selected grid mode compliance unless you select **General Standard**.

Reconnect Ramp Rate: Reconnection power ramp time in seconds.

Normal Ramp Rate: Startup power ramp time in seconds.

IP

HV1/HV2/HV3: Overvoltage protection point.

LV1/LV2/LV3: Undervoltage protection point.

HF1/HF2/HF3: Over frequency protection point.

LF1/LF2/LF3: Under frequency protection point.

F(W)

F(W): Enables using Frequency-Watt. The Sol-Ark regulates its power output to the grid as a function of the frequency to support grid stabilization during periods of over- and under-frequency.

Droop F: Percentage of inverter's nominal power increase or decrease per Hertz (Hz).

Start freq F: Frequency at which the inverter will start decreasing active power by the programmed Droop F percentage.

Stop freq F: Frequency at which the inverter will stop decreasing active power by the programmed Droop F percentage.

V(W) / V(Q)

V(W): Enables using Volt-Watt. The Sol-Ark regulates active power output to the grid as a function of voltage to help with stabilization during over- and under-voltage conditions.

V(Q): Enables the use of Volt-VAr. The Sol-Ark regulates reactive power output to the grid as a function of the voltage to support stabilization during periods of over and under-voltage.

V, P & Q: Percentage of nominal grid voltage (V) to which the Sol-Ark will reduce its active power (P) or reactive power (Q).

P(Q) / P(F)

P(Q): Enables using Watt-VAr to regulate reactive power output according to programmable active power parameters.

P(F): Enables PF regulation according to programmable active power parameters.

! Follow electrical grid code before changing grid settings

4. Installation Tips

4.1 Off-Grid Installation Tips

1. Limit sensors (CTs) are not required for completely off-grid installations UNLESS using “Grid Peak Shaving” for a generator connected to the **GRID** terminal or installing a parallel inverter system.
2. Connecting generators to the **GRID** terminal is recommended to facilitate the integration **GEN** connected service panel. This setup enables use of the **Smart Load** function.
3. There is no need for a transfer switch. Connect the **LOAD** output to the main panel.
4. **DO NOT** use **Grid Sell** mode when Off-Grid. **ONLY Limited Power to Load** (default work mode) in single inverter systems and **Limited Power to Home** in systems with multiple inverters.
5. When using a Generator in an Off-Grid situation, it’s recommended to change the Grid Mode to **General Standard** and the **Grid Reconnect Time** to 30 seconds. See “2.5 Integrating a Generator” on page 18 for instructions.
6. The **Auto Gen-Start** activates when the battery voltage (V) or percentage (%) reaches the pre-set **Start V / %** value. Subsequently, the generator will sustain the charging process until the batteries reach approximately 95% capacity.

 **Note:** This is a non-modifiable upper limit unless Time of Use is enabled and programmed.

An exercise function will turn on the generator once a week on Monday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for 20 minutes by default. This exercise is done to maintain the internal generator batteries.

7. If you plan to integrate a wind turbine, you **MUST** incorporate a 48V charge controller with a dump load to prevent battery overcharge. This charge controller must be connected directly to the battery bank.
8. Remember to set the battery capacity and reasonable charge/discharge rates.

4.2 Grid-Tie and No Battery Install Tips (Passthrough mode)

1. Check the “☒ **No Battery**” setting: ⚙️ > **Battery Setup** > **Batt** > **No Battery**. The inverter will fault momentarily.
 **A complete Power Cycle IS REQUIRED** when changing the battery mode to **No Battery**.
See “2.12 Power Cycle Sequence” on page 35 for instructions.
2. Enable ☒ **Grid Sell**: ⚙️ > **Limiters** > **Grid Sell**. Be sure to disable all other modes.
3. **DO NOT** check the **Parallel** check box in systems with multiple inverters and no battery bank.
Settings: > **Basic Setup** > **Parallel Tab** > **Parallel**
4. Tap the battery icon to access the **Details** screen and verify grid parameters and power import/export.

4.3 Battery Charge Controller

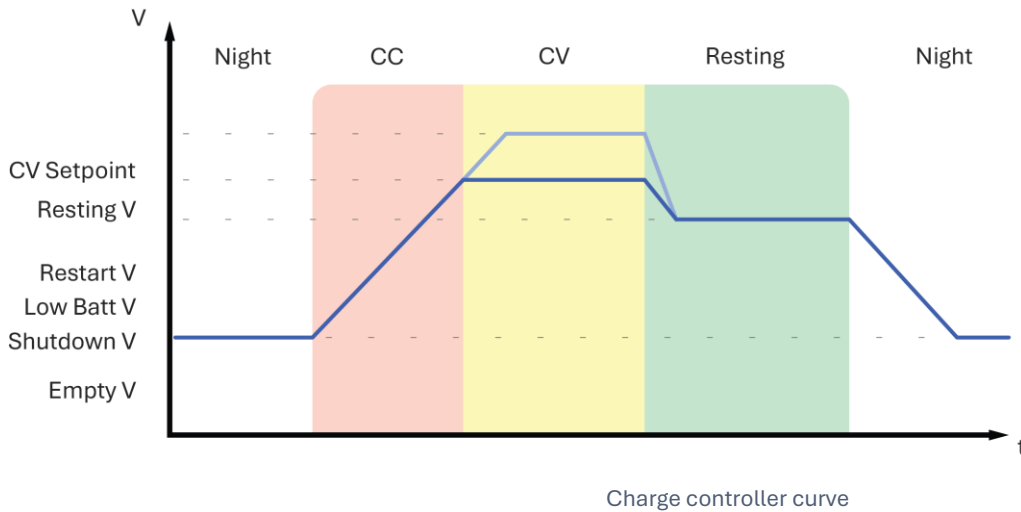
4-Stage Charging

The MPPT has a 4-stage battery charging algorithm for rapid, efficient, and safe battery charging. The figure shows the stage sequence.

Note: If you are not using closed-loop communications, the inverter will follow the stages below.

Bulk Charge Stage (CC)

In the Bulk Charge stage, the battery is not at a 100% state of charge and has not yet reached the Absorption voltage setpoint. The controller will deliver 100% of available solar power to recharge the battery.



Absorption Stage (CV)

When the battery has reached the absorption voltage setpoint, the Sol-Ark inverter uses constant-voltage regulation to maintain battery voltage at the absorption setpoint, preventing overheating and excessive battery gassing. The battery is allowed to come to a full state of charge at the absorption voltage setpoint. Absorption lasts until the battery charge amperage (A) rate reaches 2% of the programmed capacity (Ah).

Float Stage (Resting)

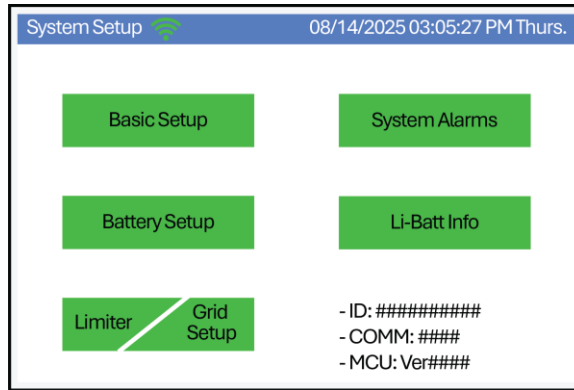
After the Absorption stage charges the battery fully, the MPPT reduces the battery voltage to the float voltage setpoint. If the batteries have 100% charge, there can be no more chemical reactions, and all the charging current turns into heat and gassing. The Float stage provides a minimum rate of maintenance charging while reducing the heating and gassing of a fully charged battery. The purpose of the Float stage is to protect the battery from long-term overcharge.

4.4 Local Grid Compliance Settings

See [Local Grid Compliance Settings](#) for required settings for Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

5. Parallel Systems

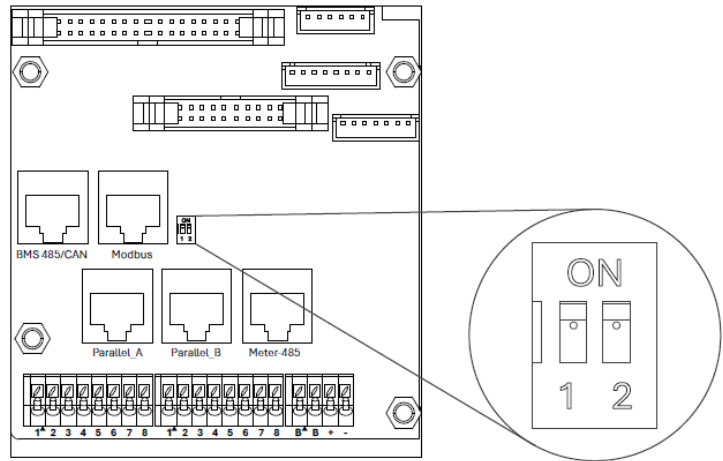
5.1 Before Enabling Parallel Operations



- A. Make sure all units in parallel have the same software version by verifying the **COMM** and **MCU** numbers on the **System Setup** screen.
- B. Batteries are required to meet UL compliance for three-phase parallel configurations.
Go to sol-ark.com/software-update/ to schedule an update, or contact Sol-Ark Technical Support for help at: support@sol-ark.com.
- ⚠ Parallel systems **REQUIRE** a joint battery bank. If you do not have a battery, keep all Sol-Ark inverters **OUT** of parallel and set every System to **Grid Sell** Mode. Without a battery bank, the inverter will not operate in parallel mode.
- ⚠ For systems with no battery, do NOT check the **Parallel** box on operation:
⚙ > **Basic Setup** > **Parallel** > ☒ **Parallel**.
- C. All INPUTS/OUTPUTS must be shared among **ALL** parallel inverters, except for DC solar inputs.

DIP Switch Configuration for Parallel Systems

In parallel systems, set the **DIP Switches** as shown, according to the table below.



RJ-45 Port Configuration

Inv 1 (Master)	Inv 2	Inv 3	Inv 4	Inv 5	Inv 6	Inv 7	Inv 8	Inv 9	Inv 10	Inv 11	Inv 12
OFF											
! ON	! ON										
OFF	ON	OFF									
OFF	ON	ON	OFF								
OFF	ON	ON	ON	OFF							
OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF						
OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF					
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OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF			
OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF		
OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	
OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF

! Parallel systems with 2 inverters must have their DIP switches in the ON position.



Parallel Systems Limitless 12K-2P-LL @ 120/240 V Split-Phase

# of inverters in parallel	Continuous output power with PV (kW)	Continuous output power with batteries (kW)	Max. Grid Passthrough Current (A)	Peak power 10 sec (kVA)
1*	12	10	100	24
2	24	20	200	48
3	36	30	300	72
4	48	40	400	96
5	60	50	500	120
6	72	60	600	144
7	84	70	700	168
8	96	80	800	196
9	108	90	900	216
10	120	100	1000	240
11	132	110	1100	264
12	144	120	1200	288

Parallel Systems Limitless 12K-2P-LL @ 120/208V 3-Phase

# of inverters in parallel	Continuous output power (kW)	Continuous output power with batteries (kW)	Grid Passthrough (A)	Peak power 10 sec (kVA)
1 (only 2 phases) *	10.4	8.5	100	17
2 (all phases but unbalanced)	20.8	17	200	34.1
3	31.2	25.5	300	51.1
6	62.4	51.1	400	102.3
9	93.6	76.7	500	153.5
12	124.8	102.3	600	204.6

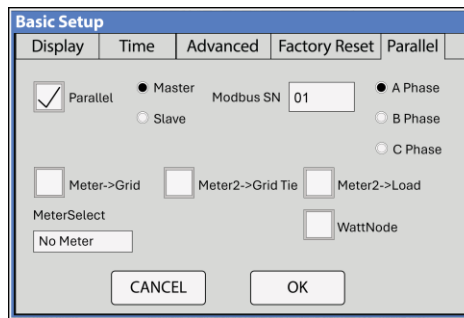
Note: For single-inverter systems, enabling the **Parallel** option on the **Parallel** tab is not required. Select the appropriate grid type and voltage for your application (such as split-phase, three-phase, etc.).

5.2 Parallel Systems Programming Sequence

1. Program each inverter for parallel operation: ⚙️ > **Basic Setup** > **Parallel** > ☒ **Parallel**
2. Assign the “Slave” unit as | **Modbus SN: 2,3,4...etc.**
3. Assign a “Master” inverter, **Modbus SN: 1.**
4. If a system is 3-Phase, there MUST be a “Master” for each phase (**Master Phase A, Master Phase B, Master Phase C**)
5. Connect communication cables between the inverters using the RJ45 cable (yellow ethernet cable) in daisy-chain configuration between ports: Parallel_1 or Parallel_2 from “Master” to “Slave” or “Slave” to “Slave.”
6. Perform a power cycle (see “2.12 Power Cycle Sequence” on page 35).
7. After the power cycle is completed, turn on the “Slave” units **FIRST**. Then turn ON the “Master” **LAST**.
8. Inverters will likely fault momentarily with F29 and F41 codes until all inverters are ON.



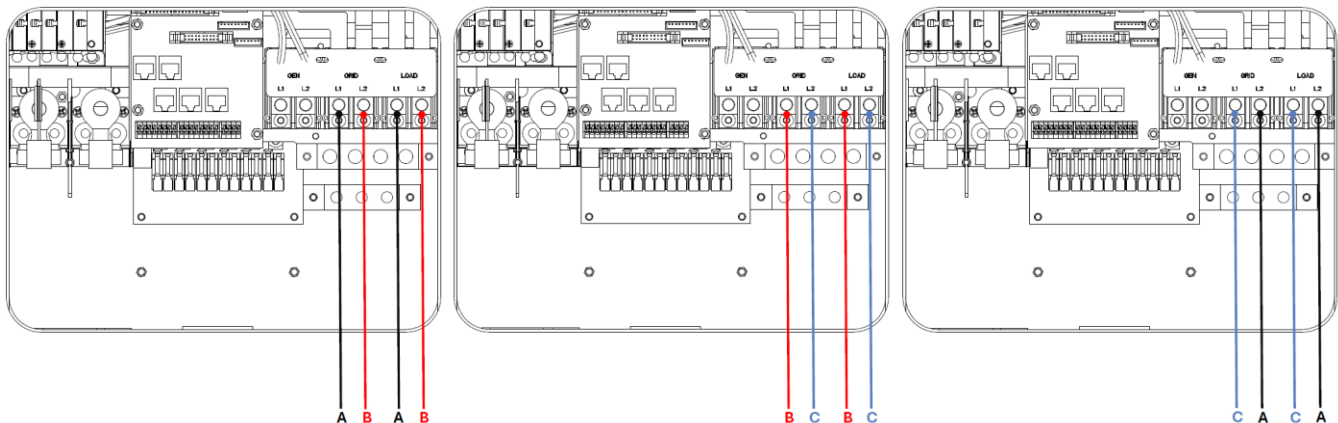
When integrating a generator, it must be connected to all the systems in parallel. The inverter assigned as “Master” will control the two-wire start feature.



Parallel setup tab

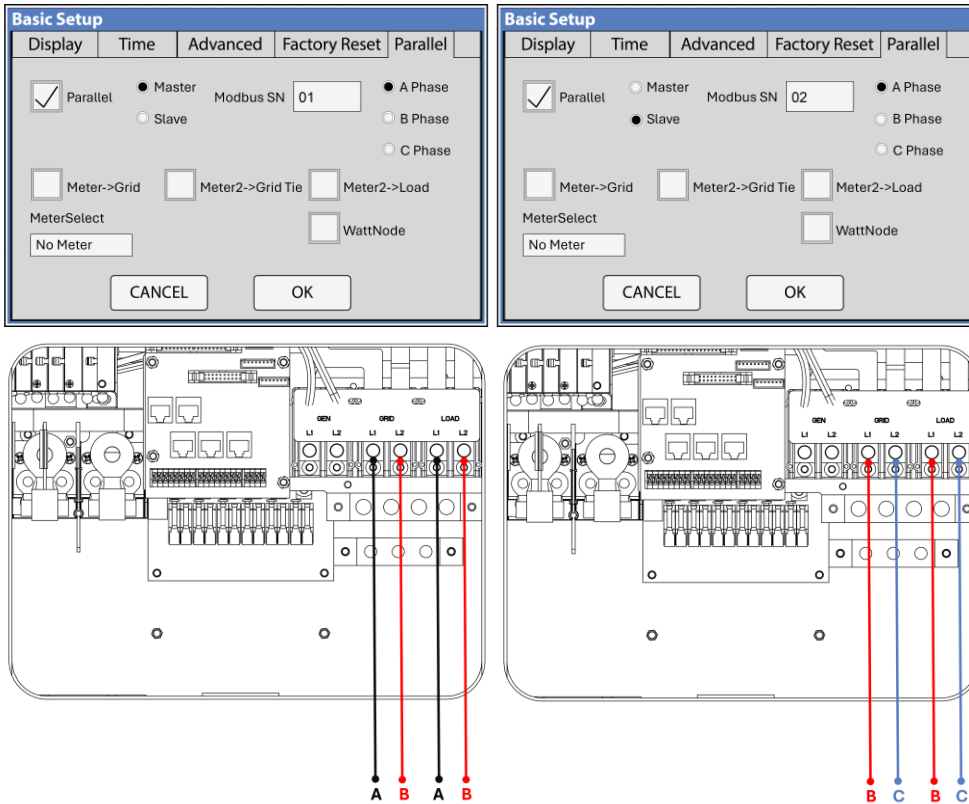
Parallel Configuration (Example on a 3 Phase System-Balanced). Phase A-B-C

A 3-Phase balanced system requires at least 3 Sol-Ark Units. Follow the illustrations below for programming and wiring.

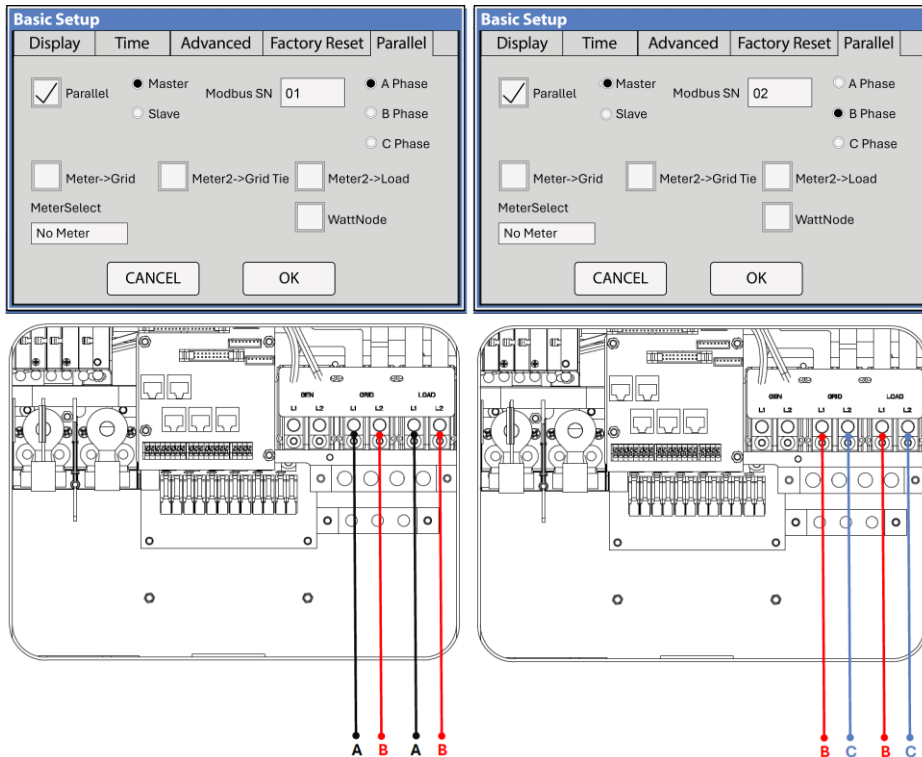


Examples of 3-Phase Parallel Configurations

2 inverters @ 120/208V using 2 phases of 3



2 inverters @ 120/208V using 3 phases of 3 (Unbalanced)



5.3 Three-Phase Systems

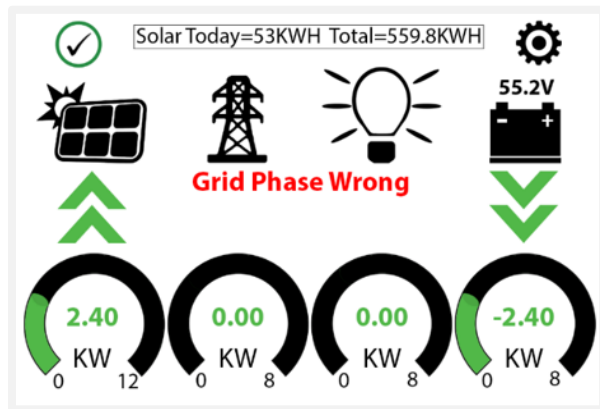
Three-phase systems with multiple Sol-Ark inverters must be programmed according to this table:

Number of inverters	Programming
2	Master Phase A 01 Master Phase B 02
3	Master Phase A 01 Master Phase B 02 Master Phase C 03
6	Master Φ A 01, Slave Φ A 02 Master Φ B 03, Slave B 04 Master Φ C 05, Slave Φ C 06
9	Master Φ A 01, Slave Φ A 02, Slave Φ A 03 Master Φ B 04, Slave Φ B 05, Slave Φ B 06 Master Φ C 07, Slave Φ C 08, Slave Φ C 09
12	M Φ A 01, S Φ A 02, S Φ A 03, S Φ A 04 M Φ B 05, S Φ B 06, S Φ B 07, S Φ B 08 M Φ C 09, S Φ C 10, S Φ C 11, S Φ C 12

Troubleshooting Guide with Phase Sequence

⚠ If the screen of the Sol-Ark inverter shows the error shown below, make sure the phase sequence follows the convention **AB-BC-CA**.

The message “Grid Phase Wrong” displays when the inverter does not detect the correct phase sequence. This situation can cause overloads faults in the system (F18, F26, F34) even with the **LOAD** disconnected and **WILL CAUSE DAMAGE** to the equipment if it is not corrected.

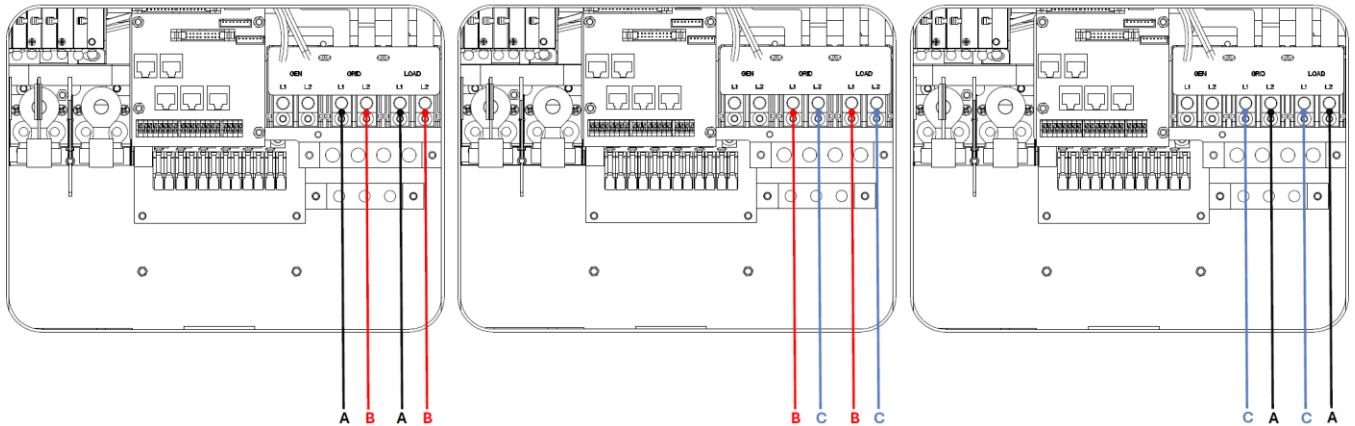


	L1	L2
Inverter (1)	A	B
Inverter (2)	B	C
Inverter (3)	C	A

How to find an incorrect phase if you see the message “Grid Phase Wrong”

- Measure L1 GRID of inverter (1) to L2 GRID of inverter (3). Should be 0 V_{AC}.
- Measure L2 GRID of inverter (1) to L1 GRID of inverter (2). Should be 0 V_{AC}.
- Measure L2 GRID of inverter (2) to L1 GRID of inverter (3). Should be 0 V_{AC}.
- Same process should be done for LOAD side.
- Measuring voltage different than 0 V_{AC} means the measured lines are not the same phase.
- **Sol-Ark can only receive direct rotation “C” (clockwise).**
- Be sure to check both **GRID** and **LOAD** terminal connections; both must be correct. If the error persists, check your AC connection beyond the inverter and verify that the phases are correctly labeled from your meter.

***In 3-phase systems, it’s recommended to use a rotational tester (1-2-3, A-B-C).**



If an inverter goes into a fault state, all other units will stop and follow. The system will automatically self-reboot. If the system faults 5 consecutive times, it will stop completely and it will require a manual restart. See “2.12 Power Cycle Sequence” on page 35.

6. MySolArk: Remote Monitoring



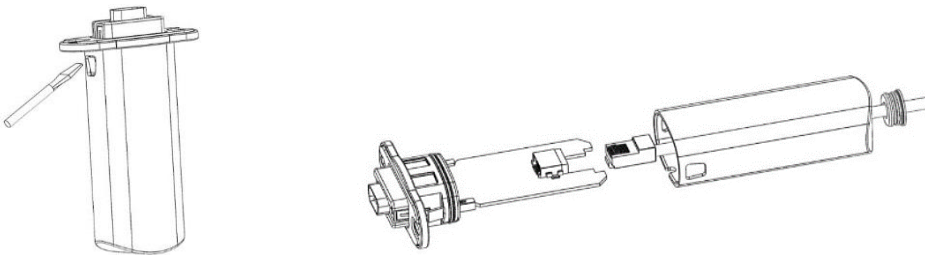
MySolArk is a powerful and comprehensive tool designed for remote system monitoring of Sol-Ark inverters and solar systems. This remote monitoring solution offers detailed insights into energy generation and power consumption, allowing users to track system performance with great precision. MySolArk displays all relevant electrical data on easy-to-understand energy generation graphs, providing a comprehensive overview of electrical usage.

Beyond its monitoring capabilities, **MySolArk** offers users the flexibility to remotely adjust inverter settings, allowing them to seamlessly configure their system from any location. This ensures that users can fine-tune parameters to optimize performance effortlessly. With **MySolArk**, users can confidently manage their solar systems and inverters to ensure peak performance and efficiency at all times. Visit www.mysolark.com to access the desktop version of MySolArk.

6.1 Setting Up MySolArk

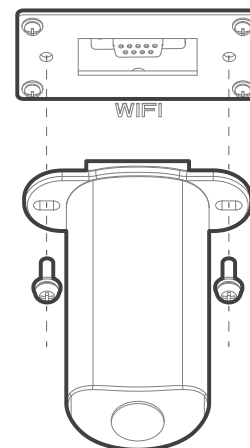
Connect to MySolArk through Ethernet

- Remove the plastic enclosure of the dongle by pressing the plastic latches with a flat screwdriver as shown in the figure below.
- Insert the ethernet cable through the plastic enclosure and connect the cable to the RJ45 port.
- Reassemble the dongle housing and plug the dongle into the Sol-Ark, securing it with screws. You'll see solid red and green lights after a couple of minutes.
- Follow the Step 1 instructions below to create a plant on MySolArk.



Connect to MySolArk through Wi-Fi

- Plug the Wi-Fi dongle into the Sol-Ark DB-9 port.
- Use two M4X10 screws to secure the dongle to the port.
- Follow Steps 1-3 in order to:
 - Create a plant on the MySolArk monitoring platform.
 - Connect the dongle to MySolArk through a Wi-Fi network.

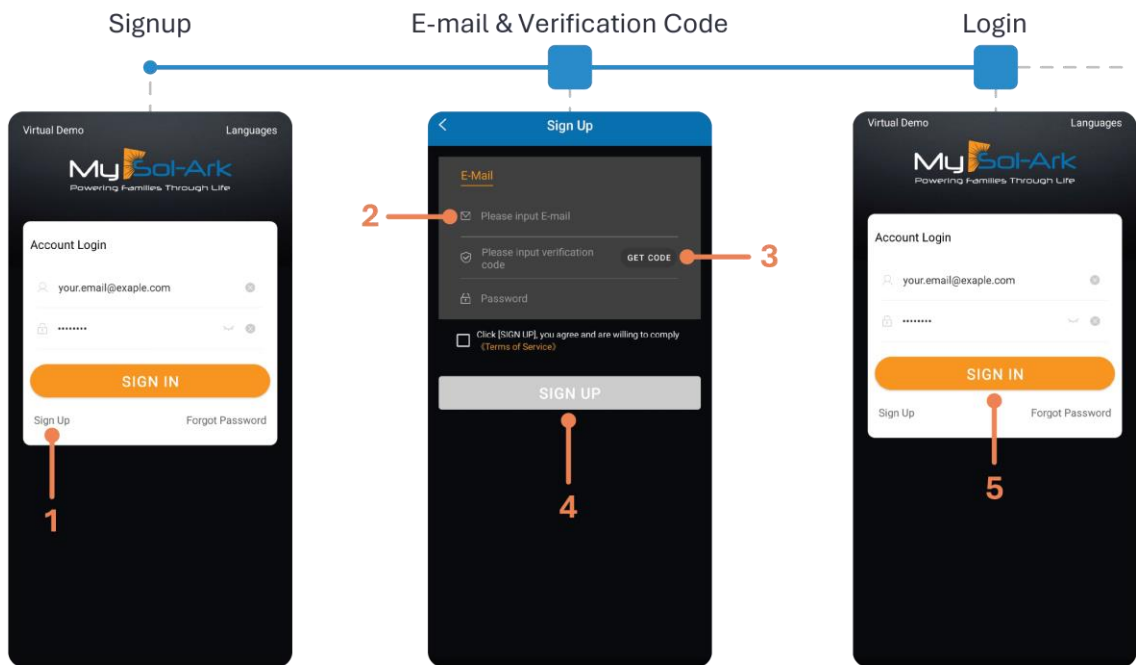


Step 1: Create a “Plant” on MySolArk

A. Download and install the MySolArk_app for Android or Apple smartphones. You can use the QR codes below.



B. Create a MySolArk account and log in.



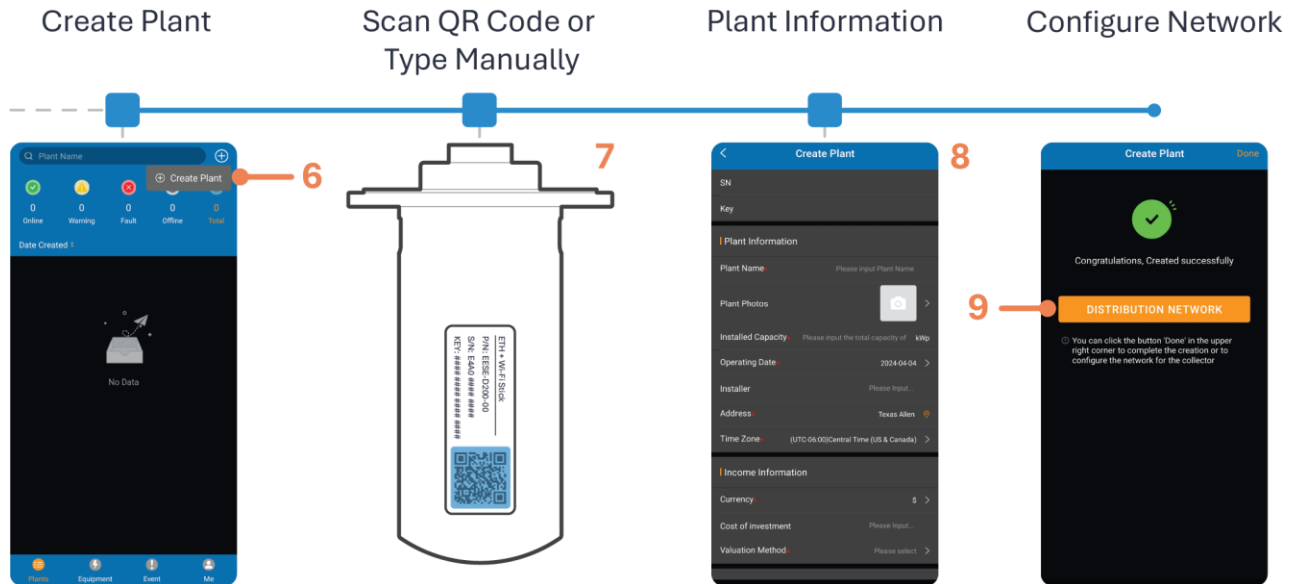
C. Create the Plant.

For Installers:



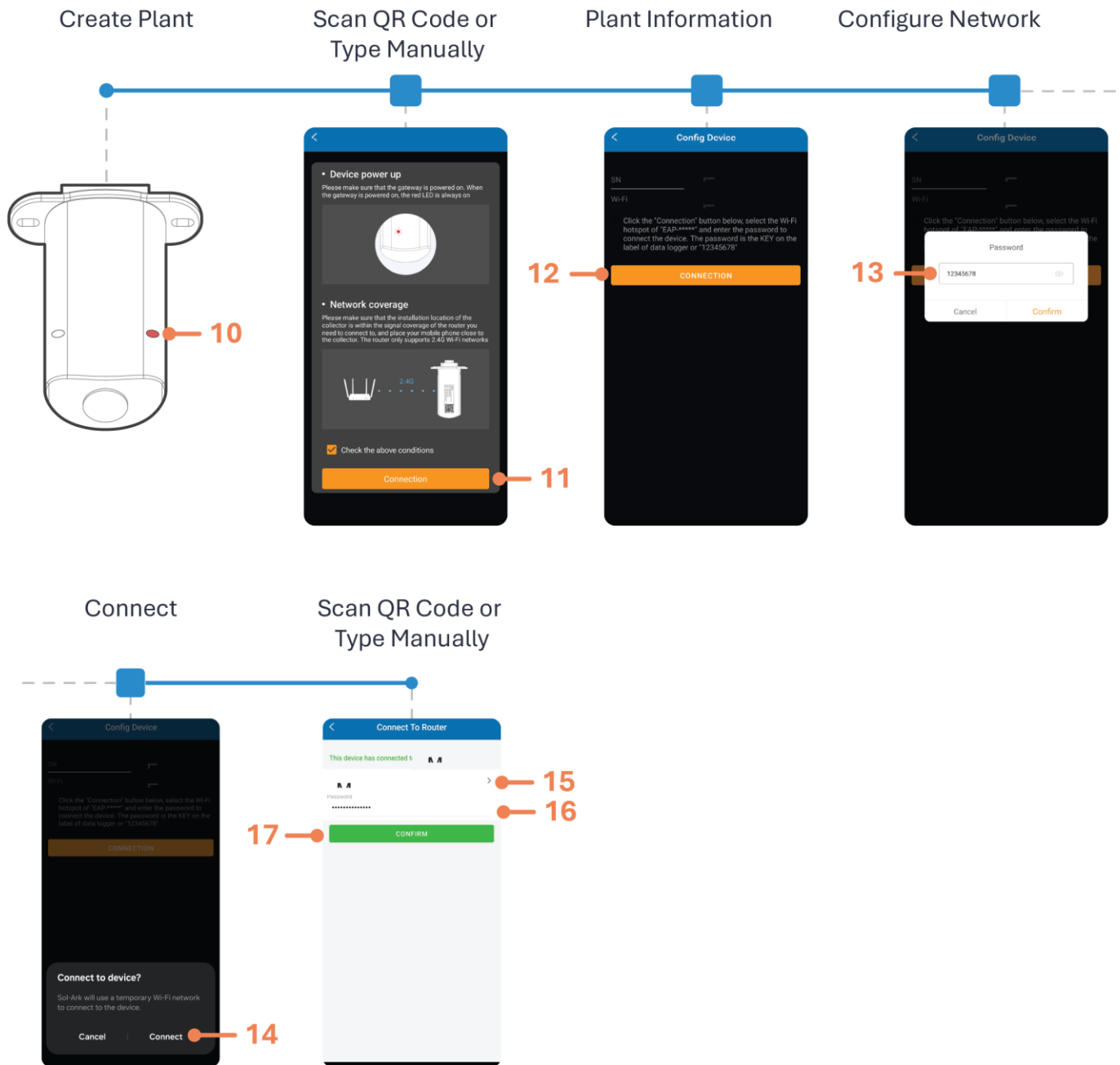
Create the plant and configure the system before sharing it with the owner.

After creating and configuring the plant, share and grant manager permissions to the owner by navigating to **My Plants > ... > Share > Add Account.** The homeowner must create their own **MySolArk** account first.



Step 2: Configure Wi-Fi network through MySolArk

D. Configure Wi-Fi network.



Note: You can access the Wi-Fi configuration tool at any other time by tapping **Me** at the bottom right corner, then **Tools > Wi-Fi configuration**. Step 3 shows another method of connecting the Wi-Fi dongle to a local network through an IP address.

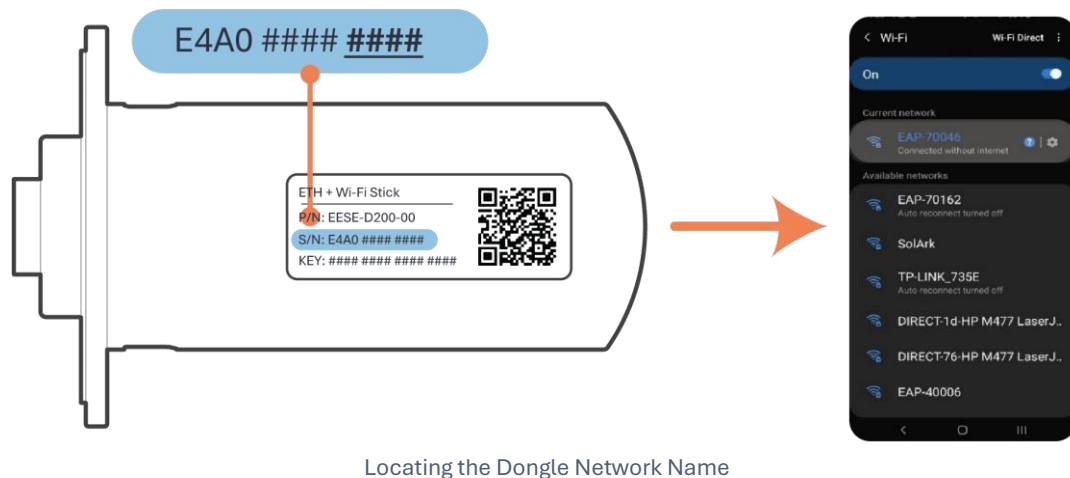
Step 3 (alternate method): Configure Wi-Fi Network Through an IP Address

An alternative to the “Distribution Network” configuration at the end of step C, or using the **Wi-Fi configuration** tool, is by configuring a Wi-Fi network through an IP address.

- A. On a Smart Phone or Computer, connect to the EAP-##### network.
Go to: **Settings > Wi-Fi > EAP-#####**
- B. Type in the password, which depends on the product you received:
 - **If you see “KEY” printed on the dongle**, the 16-digit password is printed there
 - If there is no “KEY” printed on the dongle, the password is 12345678

The **EAP-#####** network contains the last 5 digits of the Dongle serial number. You can find this number on the label.

- C. A message such as “Connected without internet” appears when the device is connected to the EAP-#####.



Locating the Dongle Network Name

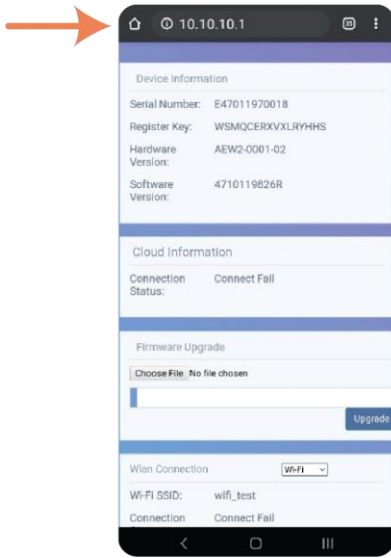


Note: The Wi-Fi dongle does NOT provide internet access. It needs an external internet provider to connect to. The dongle is compatible with Wi-Fi signal broadcast at 2.4 GHz (it is not possible to use 5 GHz)

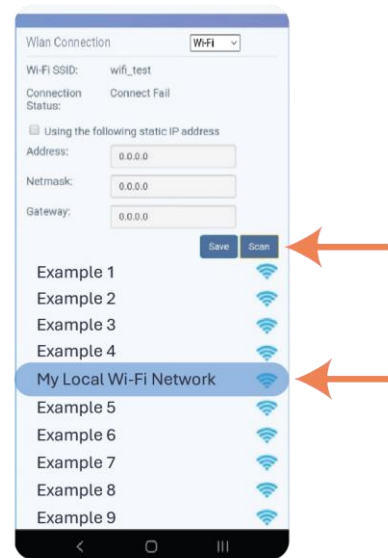
- D. After you’re connected, open an internet browser on the same device, such as Safari, Chrome, Firefox, Edge, or any other browser.
- E. On the address bar (**http://.....**), type the IP address: **10.10.10.1** as shown in the figure below. If you cannot access the configuration page, try again on a different device.
- F. Scroll down to the **Wlan Connection** section and tap the **Scan** button to scan for local Wi-Fi networks.
- G. Nearby Wi-Fi networks will appear. Select the local network you would like to connect to, input your credentials, and tap **Connect**.
- H. Once connected, a “Connection Successful” message appears. Tap the **Save** button next to **Scan** to save settings.
- I. Wait a few minutes. The dongle will connect to the Wi-Fi network, and you’ll now have access to **MySolArk**.



Note: DO NOT connect to the **EAP-##### network**, as that is the Wi-Fi dongle itself. The device does not provide internet access.



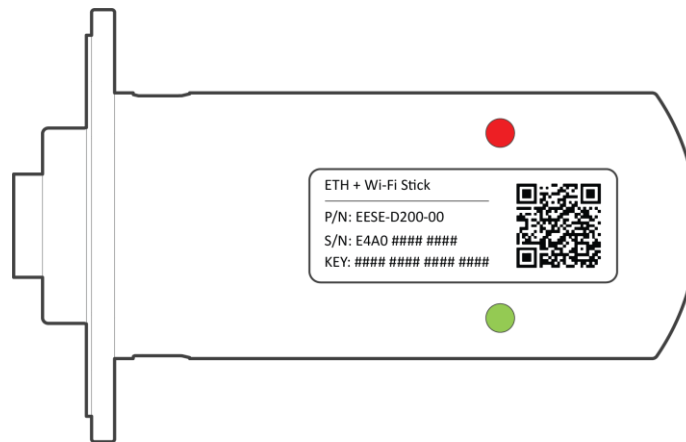
a. Internet Browser IP Address



b. Wi-Fi Network Scan

If the connection works, you'll see these LED indicators:

-  **SOLID:** Connected and powered by the Sol-Ark inverter.
-  **SOLID:** Connected to the router and to MySolArk.
-  **INTERMITTENT:** Connected to the router but not to the server (usually a VPN or Firewall problem). Ports 80 and 51100 must be populated.



Wi-Fi Dongle LED Indicators



Connecting the through the 10.10.10.1 IP address is meant to provide internet access to only the Wi-Fi dongle.
Users must still create a MySolArk account and must create a Plant.
Go to www.mysolark.com to access the desktop version of MySolArk.

6.2 LED Indicator and troubleshooting

When both the red and green LEDs on the Wi-Fi dongle are consistently illuminated, it signifies normal operation, while flashing indicates data transmission. If this isn't the case, reference the next table of LED indications for troubleshooting and corrective measures.

 **RED LED:** Device communication indicator.

 **GREEN LED:** MySolArk server communication indicator.

LED	State	Meaning
	Initial flashing, then constant illumination	Normal communication.
	Initial flashing but no further illumination	Communication failure. Check proper device connection.
	LED not illuminating	Power supply or device is abnormal. Contact Sol-Ark Technical Support.
	5 second illumination interval	Normal communication.
	1 flash every minute	Router not connected.
	3 flashes every minute	Connected to router but no internet access. Usually, a VPN or firewall issue. Ports 80 and 51100 must be enabled.
	4 flashes every minute	Device communication error. Contact support.
	2 synchronized flashes	Ethernet cable inserted.
	3 synchronized flashes	Ethernet cable disconnected.

7. Wiring Diagrams

CAUTION: The following diagrams are general use cases. Please remember that it's mandatory to adhere to local electrical codes and regulations.



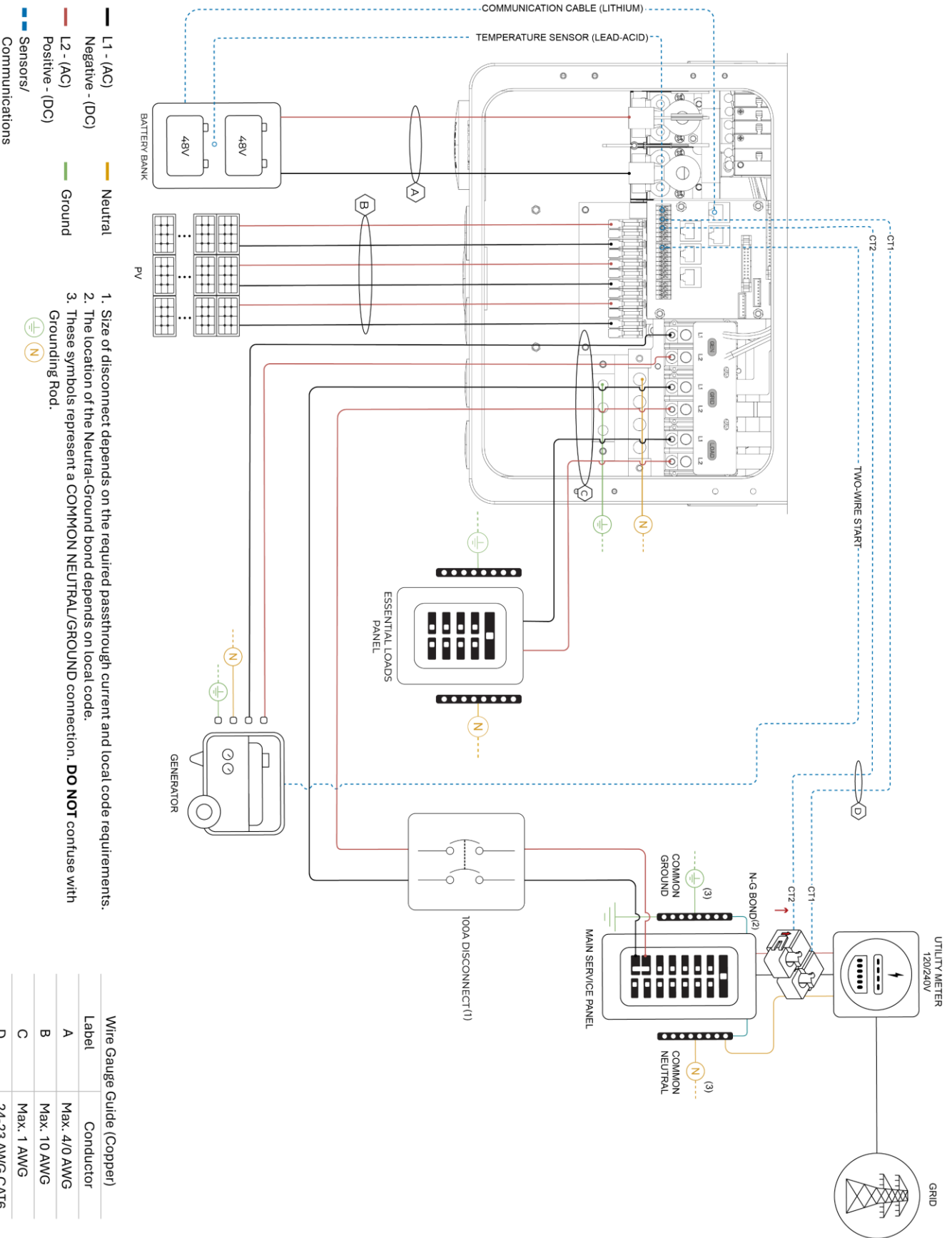
While these diagrams offer general guidance, they may not encompass all variations and specifics required by local codes. Consult with relevant authorities and ensure compliance before proceeding with any installation.

The diagrams in the following pages are not exhaustive and should not be relied upon solely for permitting or warranty verification. Please use caution, seek professional advice when necessary, and undertake installations with due diligence and according to established electrical standards and regulations.

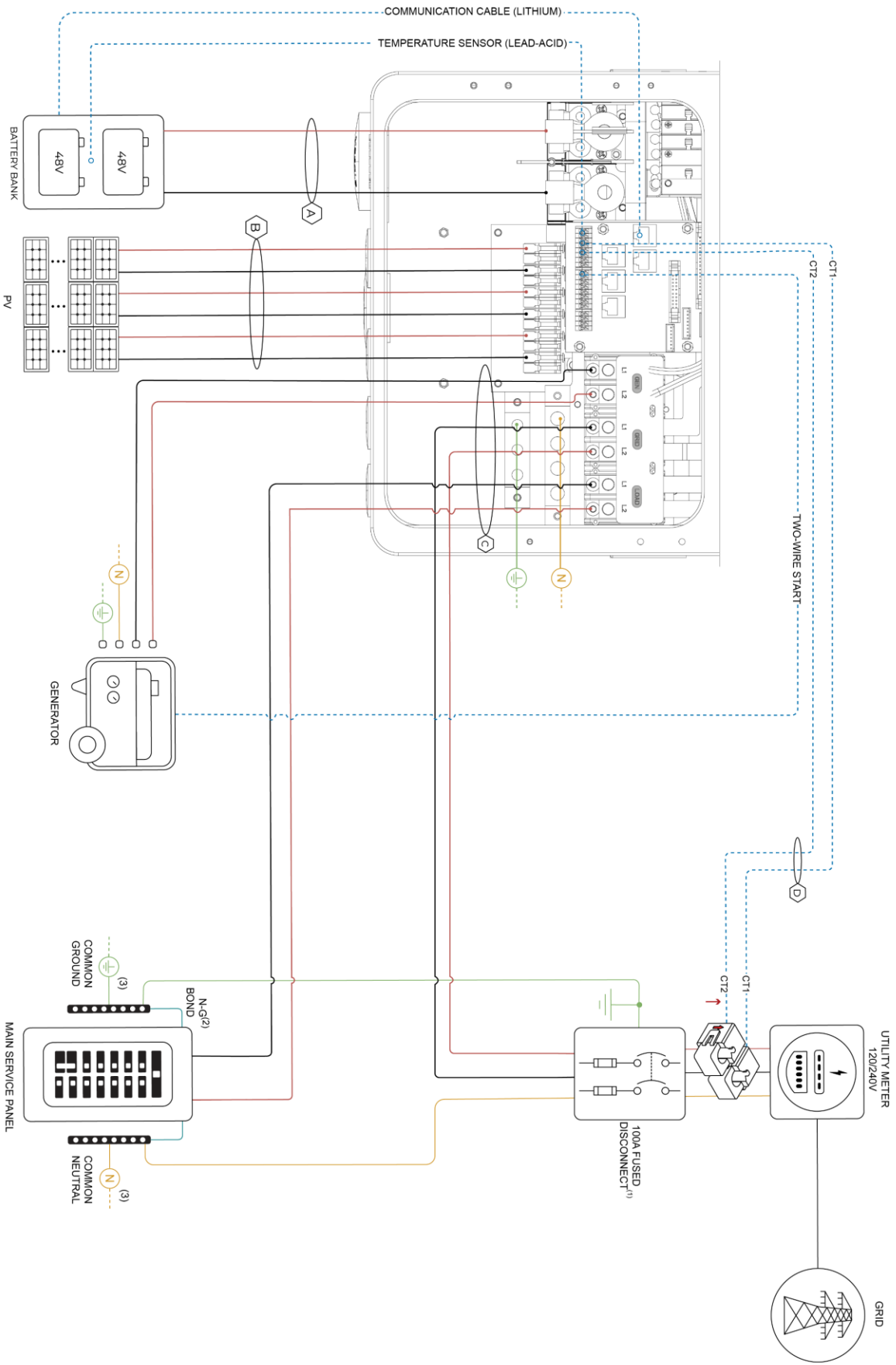


WARNING: Use only designated cable entry points. Drilling or altering the chassis without Sol-Ark written authorization will void any warranty and may adversely affect performance and safety.

7.1 Standard Wiring Diagram

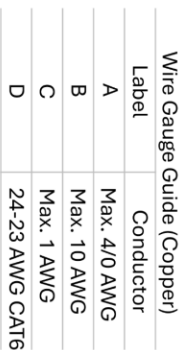


7.2 Standard Wiring Diagram for 100A Homes

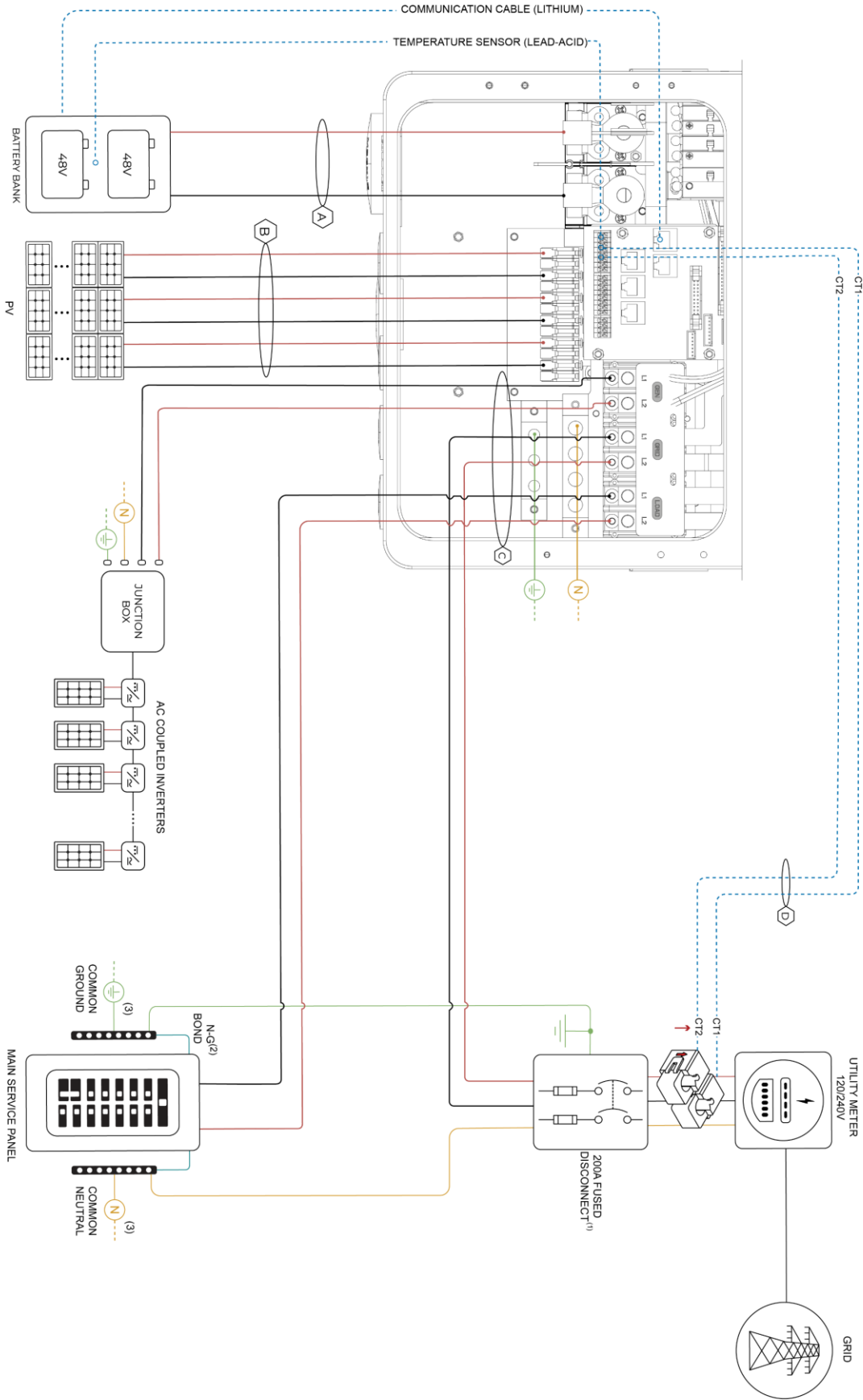


- L1 - (AC)
 - Negative - (DC)
 - L2 - (AC)
 - Positive - (DC)
 - Sensors/Communications
 - Neutral
 - Ground
1. Size of disconnect depends on the required passthrough current and local code requirements.
 2. The location of the Neutral-Ground bond depends on local code.
 3. These symbols represent a COMMON NEUTRAL/GROUND connection. **DO NOT** confuse with Grounding Rod.

Wire Gauge Guide (Copper)	
Label	Conductor
A	Max. 4/0 AWG
B	Max. 10 AWG
C	Max. 1 AWG
D	24-23 AWG CAT6



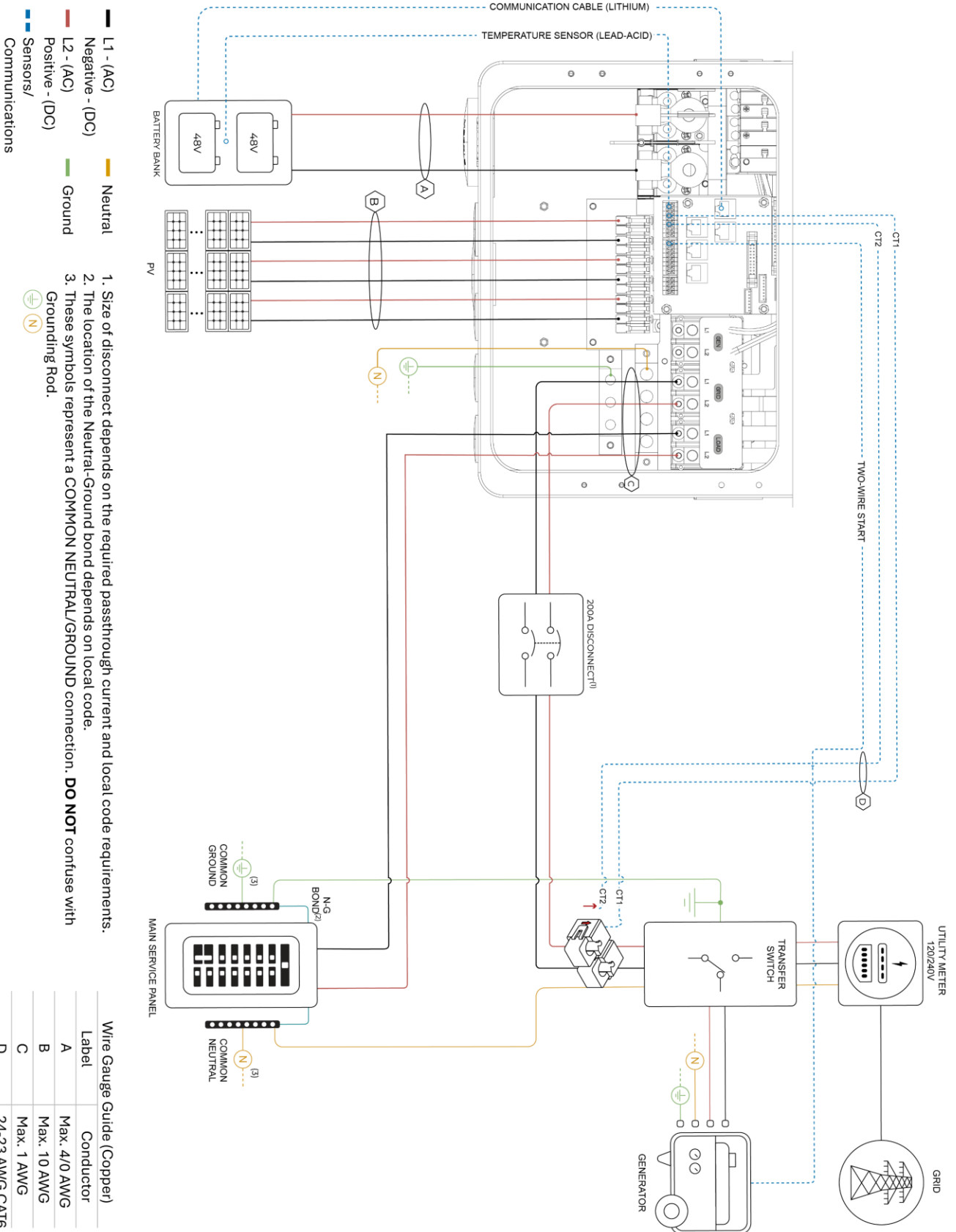
7.4 Standard Wiring Diagram – AC Coupling in GEN



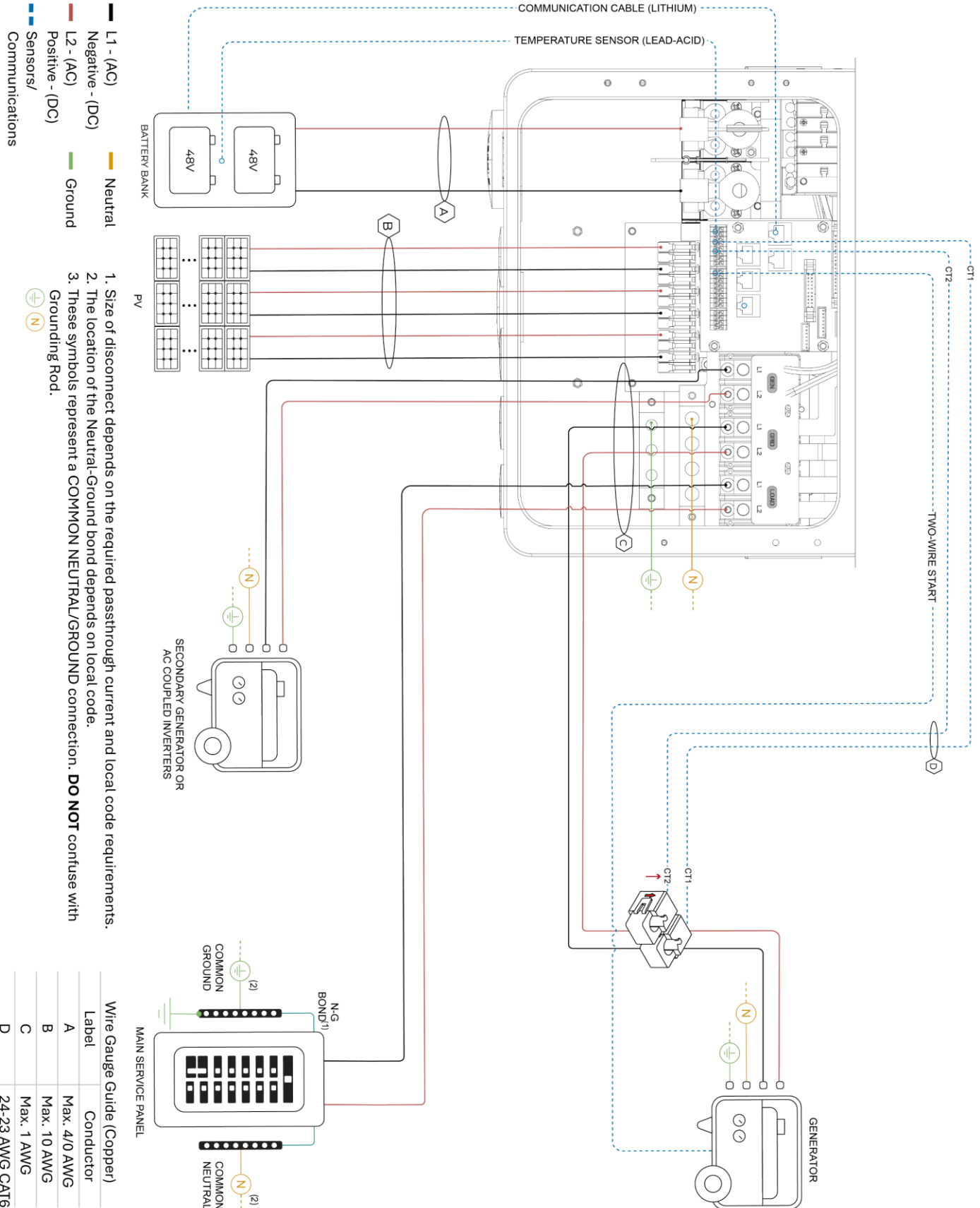
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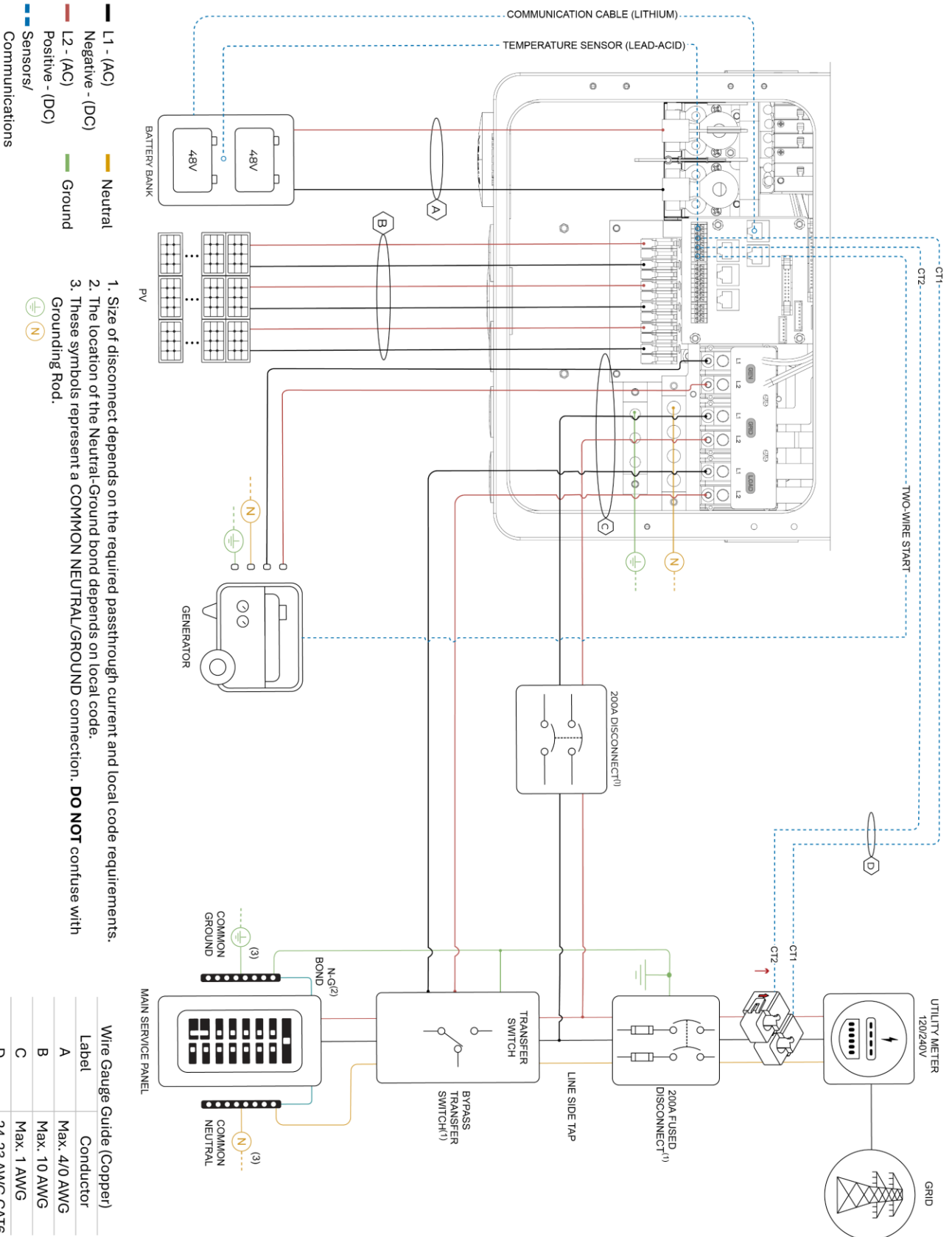
7.5 Standard Wiring Diagram – Whole Home Generator



7.6 Standard Wiring Diagram – Off Grid

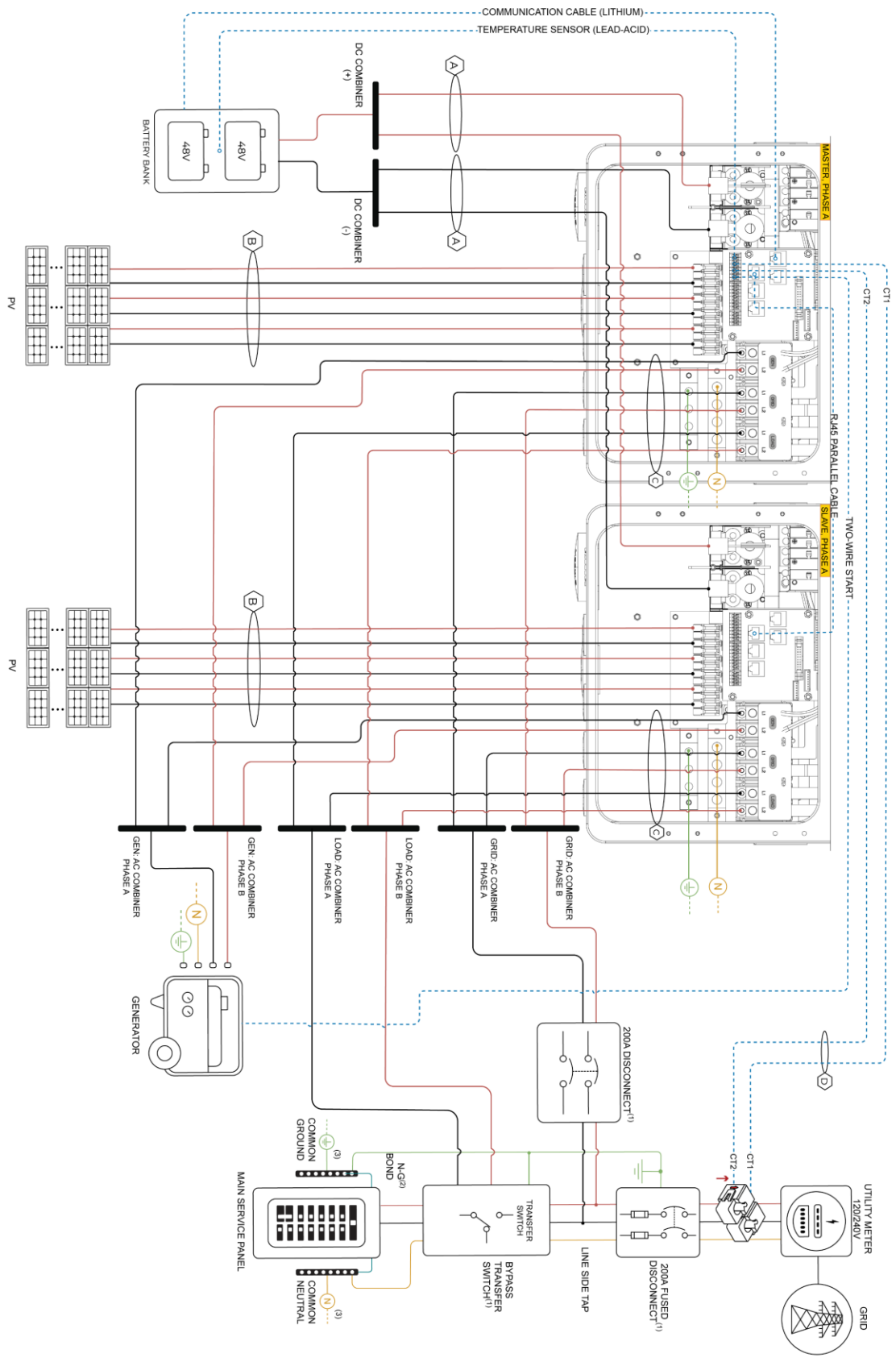


7.7 Standard Wiring Diagram – Bypass Transfer Switch



Before powering up Parallel System installs, see section 5 “Parallel Systems”

7.8 Standard Wiring Diagram – 2 Parallel Inverters | 120/240V



- L1 - (AC)
- L2 - (AC)
- Positive - (DC)
- Sensors/Communications
- Neutral
- Ground

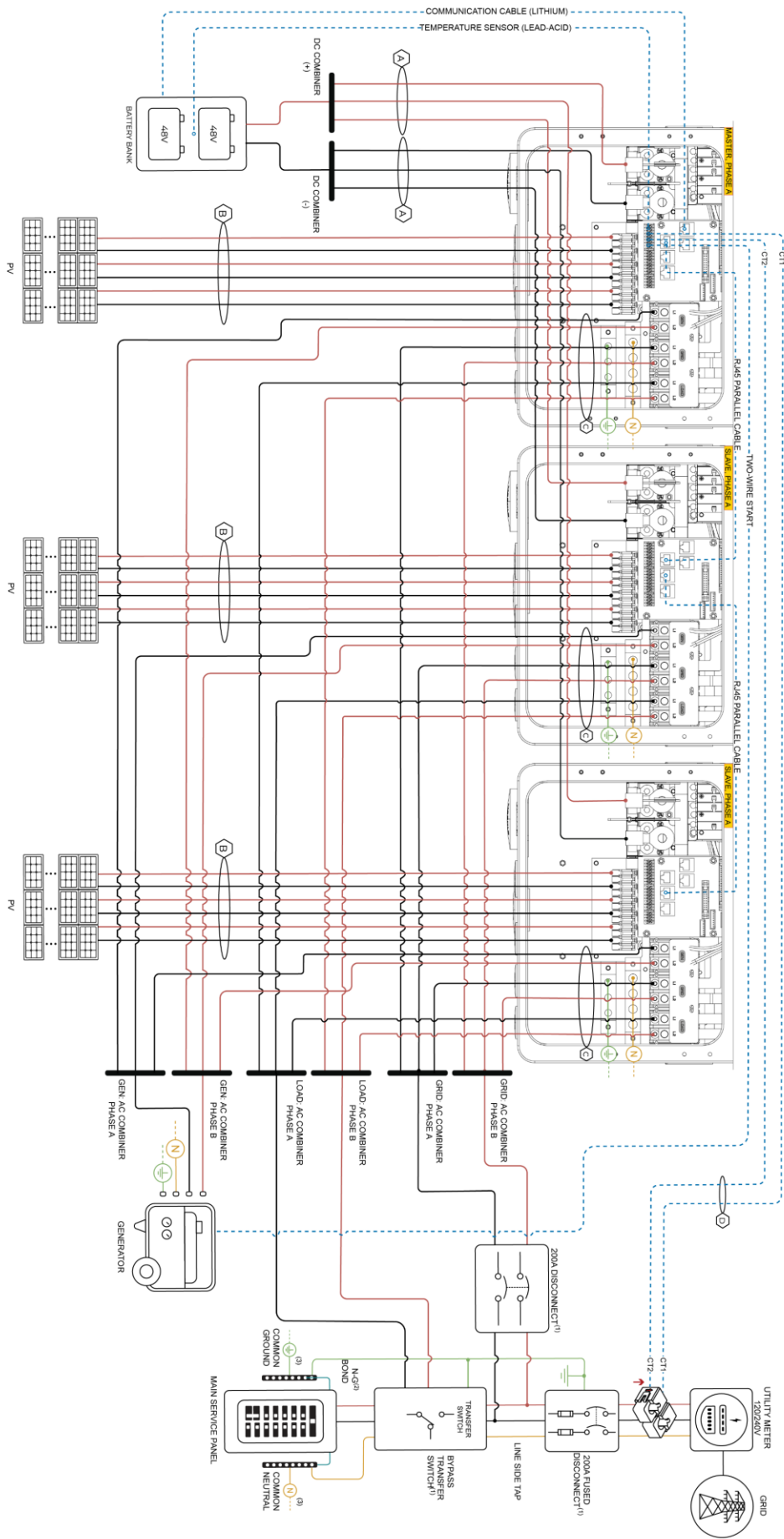
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! Before powering up Parallel System installs, see section 5, "Parallel Systems"

Wire Gauge Guide (Copper)	
Label	Conductor
A	Max. 4/0 AWG
B	Max. 10 AWG
C	Max. 1 AWG
D	24-23 AWG CAT6

7.9 Standard Wiring Diagram – 3 Parallel Inverters | 120/240V



- L1 - (AC)
- Negative - (DC)
- L2 - (AC)
- Positive - (DC)
- Sensors/
Communications
- Neutral
- Ground

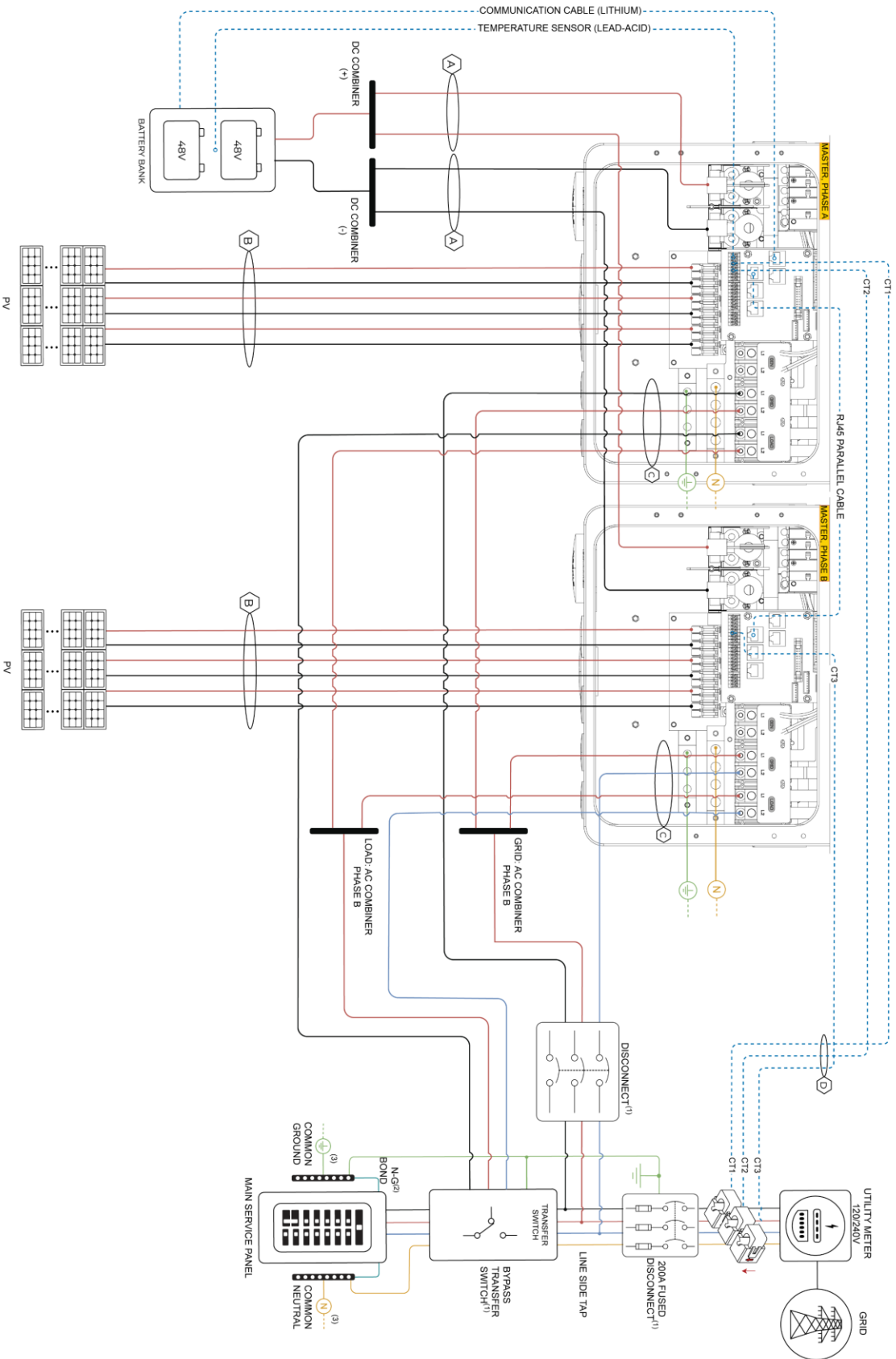
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Wire Gauge Guide (Copper)	
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A	Max. 4/0 AWG
B	Max. 10 AWG
C	Max. 1 AWG
D	24-23 AWG CAT6

1 Before powering up Parallel System installs, see section 5, "Parallel Systems"

7.10 Standard Wiring Diagram – 2 Parallel Inverters | 120/208V Unbalanced 3-Phase

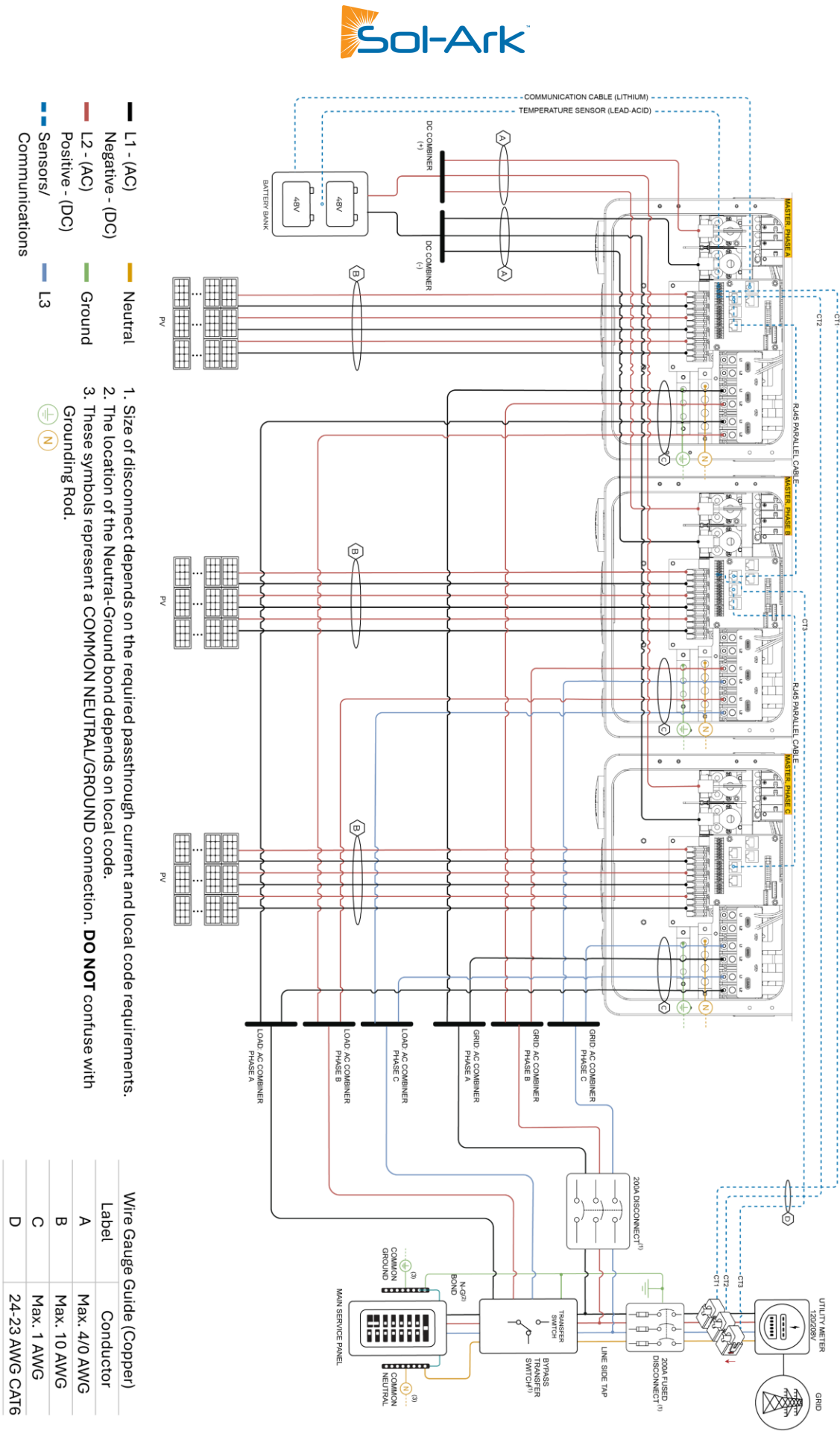


Wire Gauge Guide (Copper)

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D	24-23 AWG CAT6

! Before powering up Parallel System installs, see section 5, “Parallel Systems”

7.11 Standard Wiring Diagram – 3 Parallel Inverters 120/208V



1. Size of disconnect depends on the required passthrough current and local code requirements.
2. The location of the Neutral-Ground bond depends on local code.
3. These symbols represent a COMMON NEUTRAL/GROUND connection. **DO NOT** confuse with Grounding Rod.

1 Before powering up Parallel System installs, see section 5, "Parallel Systems"

8. Troubleshooting Guide

LCD is not powering on

- Check all connections – at least one of the following power sources is required: PV/Grid/Battery
- Try pressing the power button, touchscreen, or navigation buttons

Panels are connected, but DC LED indicator is not on

- Minimum starting voltage is 125 V. Voltage must be above 125 V and below 500 V
- Wrong polarity. Check string polarity on MPPT
- PV DC disconnect is not on the ON position

Panels are not producing

- Check for proper wiring on all solar panel connections
- Turn PV disconnect ON
- Check that the PV input voltage is not greater than 500 V
- If the system measures 0 V even when PV DC disconnect is ON, polarity might be wrong. Check PV polarity

Panels are not producing much power

- PV Wire Strip Length: 5/8". Your batteries are charged and is limited to house loads; you can test Grid Sell to verify.

The system does not keep batteries charged

- Verify there is proper communication between the Sol-Ark and the battery: ⚙️ > **Li-Batt Info**
- Verify proper Charge and Voltage settings according to battery manufacturer and battery bank arrangement

Auto Gen-Start is not working

- Make sure the generator has a compatible Two-Wire
- Verify adequate connection to the Sol-Ark auto-start input pins

Normal LED indicator is not on

- Sol-Ark is in pass-through-only mode, only a Grid connection
- Not fully energized (DC Solar panels AND Grid or just batteries)
- In alarm state
- Sol-Ark is not working correctly. Call Sol-Ark Technical Support at +1 (972) 575-8875 ext. 2

The Alarm LED indicator is on

- Check the system alarms menu to identify the alarm

Grid HM value is negative when it should be positive (only applies in Limited to Home mode)

- Limiter Sensors are backwards, L1/L2 sensors are swapped, or incorrectly wired.
- Execute the **Auto Learn Home Limit Sensors** command shown in “2.9 Limit Sensors (CT sensors)” on page 27.

AC Overload Fault or Bus Unbalance Fault

- Check Transfer Switch/Subpanel wiring
- Check for large loads that consume more than the inverter rating

The system connects to grid and quickly disconnects

- Verify Neutral wire connection (0 V_{AC} referenced to GND)
- Check the programmed frequency, and verify the Sol-Ark measures 120 V between L and N
- If the system is overloading, verify that proper phase sequence between **GRID** and **LOAD** terminals

DC Overload Fault

- Check PV voltage. Ensure no more than 500 V
- Make sure you have not wired more than 2 solar strings in parallel per MPPT

System is beeping

- Check the System Alarms menu to see which alarm has been triggered. Most alarms will self-reset
- Do a Power Cycle as shown in "2.12 Power Cycle Sequence" on page 35.

Battery cable sparks when connected

- If applicable, flip the built-in breakers of the battery bank before connecting or disconnecting batteries

Battery symbol on the home screen is red

- The battery is below the empty voltage
- Battery is over-voltage

Battery symbol on the home screen is yellow

- The battery is low, or the charge/discharge current is close to the programmed limit

Grid symbol on the home screen is yellow

- Grid parameters are out of specified operating range
- There is a grid outage and there is no voltage on the **GRID** terminal
- System is Off-Grid

System has restarted

- Occurs when the system has overloaded, battery voltage has surpassed 63 V
- There was a software update

Batteries were connected backwards

-  System will be damaged, and warranty will be lost

Why is the LCD screen still on when the power button is off?

- This happens when the power button is in the "OFF" position
- This happens when the system is not fully energized: PV or Grid only

The Batt SOC% is not reaching 100%

- The Sol-Ark might be in the calibration phase and estimating the battery SOC. We suggest waiting three full days to let the unit go through the 4-stage charging curve to converge to an accurate percentage
- If the suggestion above does not work, you can re-adjust the battery capacity under **Battery Setup > Batt Capacity** to restart the calibration process

Generator setup is reading 0 Hz

- Generator is operating at a frequency outside the permissible range. Select **General Standard** grid mode. Widen the frequency range to 55 Hz-65 Hz as shown in "2.5 Integrating a Generator" on page 18.

Color Touchscreen is Frozen

- Press and hold the Escape button (◀) for 7-10 seconds.
- If the **Escape** button doesn't work, do a power cycle sequence as shown in "2.12 Power Cycle Sequence" on page 35.

Grid Phase Wrong

-  If the Sol-Ark screen shows a "Grid Phase Wrong" message, it means there is a phasing issue in the wiring. If left unchecked, it may cause overload faults and **DAMAGE**. See "5.3 Three-Phase Systems" on page 61.

8.1 Sol-Ark Error Codes

Fault	Instruction	Common Cause/Remedy
F1	DC_Inversed_Failure	If you have parallel systems and turn one system off, you will get this notification. NOT a fault.
F8	GFDI_Relay_Failure	Check for continuity on the inverter's neutral and ground. Ensure there is only ONE neutral-to-ground bond in the system. Current Leakage from inverter AC output to Ground, check Ground and neutral are connected at the main panel.
F13	Grid_Mode_change	This happens when not using batteries or if Grid Input settings are changed. This is a notification, NOT a fault. If you switch from No Batt to Battery mode, power down completely to restart.
F15	AC_OverCurr_Failure	It is usually caused by Loads too large for the inverter. If Off-Grid, the battery discharge Amps are programmed too low. Overloads can result in F15, F18, F20, or F26.
F16	GFCI_Failure	Ground fault. Check PV+ or PV- wiring (which must be ungrounded). Exposed PV conductors + rain can also cause. Check that the neutral line and Ground are not double-bonded (common with portable generators).
F18	Tz_AC_OverCurr_Fault	Overloaded the Load Output (reduce loads) or overloaded a generator (reduce Gen Start A). Wiring Short on AC Side can also cause this error. Overloads can result in F15, F18, F20, or F26.
F20	Tz_Dc_OverCurr_Fault	It is typically caused by DC current from the battery that is too large (ex: 4 Ton AC Unit) or too much PV current (3 or more strings in parallel). Overloads can result in F15, F18, F20, or F26.
F22	Tz_EmergStop_Fault	Initiated Emergency Stop; see sensor pinout table.
F24	DC_Insulation_Fault	An exposed PV conductor combined with moisture is faulting (can cause F16, F24, and F26).
F25	DC_Feedback_Fault	No battery connection to the Inverter and Activate Battery is enabled. Disable Activate Battery in settings while no battery is connected.
F26	BusUnbalance_Fault	Too much load on one leg (L1 or L2) vs. the other leg or DC loads on the AC output when Off-Grid. Grounded PV+/- wire can cause F20, F23, or F26.
F29	Parallel_CANBus_Fault	Usually, a communication error for parallel systems. Check cables, and MODBUS addresses.
F30	AC_MainContactor_Fault	Possibly caused by fused grid relay. Disconnect grid from inverter. If Normal light stays on, the grid relay is likely fused. Otherwise, contact Sol-Ark Technical Support.
F31	Soft_Start_Failed	Soft Start of the large motor failed.
F34	AC_Overload_Fault	AC Overload or load shorted. Reduce heavy loads.
F35	AC_NoUtility_Fault	Grid connection lost.
F37	DCLLC_Soft_Over_Cur	Software DC overcurrent.
F39	DCLLC_Over_Current	Hardware DC overcurrent.
F40	Batt_Over_Current	Batteries exceeded their current discharge limit.
F41	Parallel_System_Stop_Fault	If one system faults in parallel, this normal fault will register on the other units as they disconnect from the grid.
F45	AC_UV_OverVolt_Fault	Grid under voltage causes a disconnect. This will self-reset when the grid stabilizes.
F46	Battery_Backup_Fault	Cannot communicate with other parallel systems. Check "Master" = 1, "Slaves" = 2-9, and that ethernet is connected.
F47	AC_OverFreq_Fault	Grid over Frequency (common in power outages) causes a disconnect. Will self-reset when grid stabilizes.
F48	AC_UnderFreq_Fault	Grid under Frequency (common in power outages) causes a disconnect. Will self-reset when grid stabilizes.
F55	DC_VoltHigh_Fault	PV may be higher than 500 V. Battery voltage should not be above 59 V or 63 V (depending on the model).

Fault	Instruction	Common Cause/Remedy
F56	DC_VoltLow_Fault	Batteries are overly discharged, the inverter is Off-Grid and exceeded the programmed batt discharge current by 20%, or Lithium BMS has shut down. If battery settings are incorrect, this can also happen.
F58	BMS_Communication Fault	Sol-Ark is programmed to BMS Lithium Battery Mode but cannot communicate with a BMS. BMS_Err_Stop is enabled, but cannot communicate with a battery BMS
F60	Gen_Volt_or_Fre_Fault	Generator Voltage or Frequency went outside the allowable range.
F61	Button_Manual_OFF	The parallel “Slave” system turned off without turning off the “Master.”
F63	Arc_Fault	Can be a poor PV connector/connection, or a false alarm due to powerful lighting storms.
F64	Heatsink_HighTemp_Fault	Check that the built-in fans are running; the ambient temperature may be too high. Make sure there’s proper clearance.

9. Installation Checklist

AFTER the system is operational, please register your product by filling out this verification checklist and sending it to Sol-Ark. Go to <https://www.sol-ark.com/register-your-sol-ark/> to register.



Installer/Company: _____ Date: (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

Inverter SN: _____ Gateway SN: _____

Mark ☒ for all that apply

Indicate the type of system (all that apply):

☐ Grid-Tied only ☐ Grid-Tied with battery backup ☐ Off-Grid ☐ Parallel system: # _____ inverters

Indicate integrated components (all that apply):

☐ Utility grid	☐ DC solar panels	☐ AC coupled solar panels	☐ Generator
☐ LOAD installed service panel	☐ GRID installed service panel	☐ GEN installed service panel	☐ Lithium batteries
☐ Lead-Acid batteries	☐ Wind Turbine		

⚠ It is strongly recommended to send a **Wiring Diagram** of the installation to support@sol-ark.com for verification, otherwise Sol-Ark expressly disclaims any responsibility for performance issues arising from improper installation. Installers and users are solely responsible for following proper installation procedures outlined in provided documentation. Sol-Ark disclaims any liability for changes in the installation that might result in electrical malfunctions or any other issues related to the Sol-Ark product.

! Circle **N/A** (Not Applicable) if the verification step is not relevant to the type of system or does not apply to the integrated components.

A wiring diagram of the installation was sent to Sol-Ark for verification	☐ Y ☐ N
Setup for remote system monitoring through Wi-Fi / Ethernet is completed. Gateway SN: _____	☐ Y ☐ N
The inverter is installed in a location where the LCD screen is always protected from direct sunlight	☐
The inverter has the minimum specified vertical and lateral clearance for proper heat dissipation	☐
The maximum DC input voltage does not surpass 500V _{DC}	☐
The battery bank does not surpass 63V _{DC}	☐
All battery conductors are properly connected and secured to the (+, -) terminals of the inverter	☐ N/A
Battery communication was successfully established	☐ N/A
All Battery Setup parameters are programmed according to battery manufacturer specifications	☐ N/A
The Sol-Ark properly generates power from the solar panels to charge the batteries	☐ N/A
Grid / Generator is properly connected to the Sol-Ark and the phase sequence was verified	☐ N/A
☒ Grid / Gen Charge settings are programmed correctly. Grid / Generator adequately charge the batteries	☐ N/A
For Off-Grid systems: The mode General Standard is programmed and the V & f ranges are increased	☐ N/A
When ☒ Grid Sell is enabled, the Sol-Ark sells power back to the grid (negative HM measurements for L1, L2)	☐ N/A
Limit sensors are correctly installed on Grid lines / Generator lines	☐ N/A
Only when ☒ Limited Power to Home is enabled, the Sol-Ark matches total load demand (Meter Zero)	☐ N/A
Disconnect the grid: during Off-Grid operation, the inverter properly supplies LOAD demand for PV and batteries	☐ N/A
Disconnect the grid AND solar panels: during Off-Grid operation, the inverter properly draws power from batteries	☐ N/A

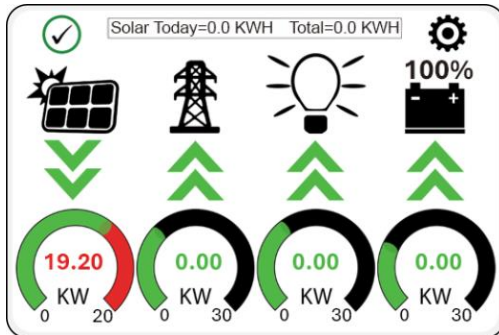
Installer name and signature

Customer name and signature

Date

10. GUI Screens

10.1 Main Menu



Solar	Grid	INV	UPS LD	Batt
0W	10W 60.0Hz	0W 60.0Hz	0W 119V	-84W
M1: 0V 0.0A 0W	119V HM: 0W	119V 1.2A	10W 119V	52.13V I: -1.6 A
M2: 0V 0.0A 0W	LD: 10W	0W	0W	-100.0C
M3: 0V 0.1A 0W	119V HM: 0W LD: 0W	119V 1.1A 0W	Gen 57V L1: 0W L2: 2W 0.0Hz	TEMP DC: 36.5C AC: 42.0C

System Setup 08/14/2025 03:05:27 PM Thurs.

Basic Setup System Alarms

Battery Setup

Only with BMS Lithium Mode

Li-Batt Info

Sol-Ark 5K/8K/12K/15K/18K

-ID: #####

-COMM: ###

-MCU: Ver####

Limiter Grid Setup

System Alarms 1/25/2021 03:05:27 PM Mon.

Alarms Code	Occurred
F13 Grid_Mode_changed	2021-01-13 11:22
F13 Grid_Mode_changed	2021-01-13 11:20

0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0%	0 Ah
0.0 V	0.0 V	0A	0A	0x00 0x00

Only w/ BMS Lithium Mode

1. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
2. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
3. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
4. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
5. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
6. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
7. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
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10. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
11. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
12. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0
13. 0.00 V	0.00 A	0.0 C	0.0%	0.0V	0.0A	0 0 0

10.2 Basic Setup

Basic Setup

Display Time Advanced Factory Reset Parallel

Brightness ☒ Beep

Auto Dim ☒ 600S

CANCEL OK

Basic Setup

Display Time Advanced Factory Reset Parallel

☒ AM/PM Year 2021 Month 10 Day 26

☒ Time Sync PM 03 Minute 04 Second 15

☒ Seasons

Season	Start M-D	End M-D
Season 1	1 - 1	4 - 1
Season 2	4 - 1	8 - 1
Season 3	8 - 1	12 - 1

CANCEL OK

Basic Setup

Display Time Advanced Factory Reset Parallel

☐ Solar Arc Fault ON ☐ Clear Arc_Fault

ARC parameters: 030000, 045000, 000800, 000050, 000530, 045000, 000100, 238094

☐ Grid peak-shaving 8000W

☐ Auto detect Home Limit Sensors CT ratio 2000

CANCEL OK

Basic Setup

Display Time Advanced Factory Reset Parallel

☐ Factory Reset ☐ System selfcheck

☐ Lock out all changes ☐ Test Mode

☐ Lock Grid Charging & Limited

CANCEL OK

Basic Setup

Display Time Advanced Factory Reset Parallel

☐ Parallel ☒ Master Modbus SN 01 ☒ A Phase

☐ Slave ☐ B Phase ☐ C Phase

☐ Meter->Grid ☐ Meter2->Grid Tie ☐ Meter2->Load

MeterSelect: No Meter ☐ WattNode

CANCEL OK

10.3 Battery Setup

Note: Default values on your model may be different than those pictured.

Batt Setup

Batt Charge Discharge Smart Load

Batt Capacity 400Ah ☐ Use Batt V Charged

Max A Charge 220A ☒ Use Batt % Charged

Max A Discharge 220A ☐ No Battery

TEMPCO -0mV/C/Cell ☒ BMS Lithium Batt 00

☒ Activate Battery

CANCEL OK

Batt Setup

Batt Charge Discharge Smart Load Wind Turbine

StartV 49.0V 49.0V Float V 55.9V

Start% 60% 80% Absorption V 55.9V 1h 0%

A 10A 220A Equalization V 55.9V

☐ Gen Charge ☐ Grid Charge 30 Days 1.0 hours

Generator Exercise Cycle Day & Time>> Mon 08 :00 4 min

☐ Gen Force 1440min Gen max run time CANCEL OK

Batt Setup

Batt Charge Discharge Smart Load WindTurbine

Shutdown 46.0V 20% Batt Resistance 8mOhms

Low Batt 47.5V 35% Batt Charge Efficiency 99.0%

Restart 53.0V 50%

Batt Empty V 47.0V ☐ BMS_Err_Stop

CANCEL OK

Batt Setup

Batt Charge Discharge Smart Load WindTurbine

☐ Use gen input as load output ☐ For AC Coupled input to Gen

☐ On Grid always on High Frz 62.00Hz

Smart Load OFF Batt 51.0V 80% ☐ AC couple on grid side

Smart Load ON Batt 54.0V 90%

Solar Power (W) 500W

CANCEL OK

Batt Setup

Batt Charge Discharge Smart Load WindTurbine

☐ MPPT1 ☐ MPPT2 ☐ MPPT3

V	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	V11	V12
90V	110V	130V	150V	170V	190V	210V	230V	250V	270V	290V	310V	9.0A
0.0A	1.5A	3.0A	4.5A	6.0A	7.5A	9.0A	10.5A	12.0A	13.5A	15.0A	16.5A	

OK Cancel

10.4 Limiter

Limiter Param

Limiter Other

☐ Grid Sell 12000

☐ Limited Power to Home

☒ Limited Power to Load

☐ Time of Use Setup

Time	P(W)	Batt	Char.	Sell	Peak
01:00	2000	50%			
05:00	2000	50%			
09:00	2000	100%			
13:00	2000	100%			
17:00	2000	50%			
21:00	2000	50%			

Time of Use Setup

☒ Mon. ☒ Tues. ☒ Wed. ☒ Thur.

☒ Fri. ☒ Sat. ☒ Sun.

☒ Season1 ☒ Season2 ☒ Season3

Limiter Param

Limiter Other

AC Output Power Limit 12000W ☐ Disable TOU when Off-grid

☐ GEN connect to Grid input Gen Stop % 95%

Zero-export Power 20W

☒ Batt first ☐ Load first

10.5 Grid Setup

Grid Param

Grid Selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

Grid Mode 3/3

Grid Reconnect Time 300s

UL1741SB

Power Factor 1.000

Grid Frequency

50Hz ☐ 60Hz ☒

Fixed Q 0%

Single Phase

Q_Response 10S

120/240V Split Phase

Output V 120/208V

120/208V 3 Phase ☒

Output V+ +0V

Grid Param

Grid Selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

Reconnect

Grid Vol High 228.6V

Grid Vol Low 183.2V

Grid Hz High 61.5Hz

Grid Hz Low 58.5Hz

Reconnect Ramp rate 60s

Normal connect

Grid Vol High 249.6V

Grid Vol Low 104.0V

Grid Hz High 62.0Hz

Grid Hz Low 57.0Hz

Normal Ramp rate 60s

Grid Param

Grid selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

Over voltage U>(10 min. running mean) 276.0V

HV3 288.0V -- 0.16s

HF3 65.00Hz -- 0.16s

HV2 288.0V -- 0.16s

HF2 65.00Hz -- 0.16s

HV1 264.0V -- 13.00s

HF1 65.00Hz -- 299.00s

LV1 211.2V -- 30.00s

LF1 55.00Hz -- 299.00s

LV2 168.0V -- 2.00s

LF2 55.00Hz -- 0.16s

LV3 120.0V -- 0.16s

LF3 55.00Hz -- 0.16s

Grid Param

Grid selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

Over frequency

Droop F 40%PE/Hz

Start freq F 60.50Hz

Stop freq F 60.50Hz

Start delay 0.00s

Stop delay 0.00s

☒ F(W)

Under frequency

Droop F> 40%PE/Hz

Start freq F> 59.50Hz

Stop freq F> 59.50Hz

Start delay F> 0.00s

Stop delay F> 0.00s

Grid Param

Grid selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

V(W)

V(Q)

Response_T

P1:100%

Lin:20.0%

Lout:5.0%

V1:109.0%

P1:100%

V1:90.0%

Q1:43%

V2:110.0%

P2:50%

V2:94.0%

Q2:0%

V3:111.0%

P3:0%

V3:106.0%

Q3:0%

V4:112.0%

P4:0%

V4:110.0%

Q4:-43%

Grid Param

Grid selection Connect IP F(W) V(W)/V(Q) P(Q)/P(F)

P(Q)

P(F)

P1:20%

Q1:20%

Lin:50.0%

Lout:100.0%

P2:100%

Q2:20%

V1:50%

F1:1.000

P3:100%

Q3:20%

V2:100%

F2:0.800

P4:100%

Q4:20%

V3:100%

F3:0.800

V4:100%

F4:0.800

