



USER'S MANUAL WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger



12V 20A (WP-BC 12/20-3)

12V 40A (WP-BC 12/40-3)

12V 60A (WP-BC 12/60-3)



- Multistage charger algorithms for fast and safe recharge
- Extend the lifetime of your battery banks
- High current three outputs as standard
- Auto ranging universal AC input 90..265VAC
- Wide frequency range 47..63Hz
- Compatible with generator or low-quality power sources
- Setting for GEL, AGM, Lithium-Ion and open lead acid batteries
- Standard temperature sensor and easy to read remote control panel

For safe and optimum performance, the WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger must be used properly. Carefully read and follow all instructions and guidelines in this manual and give special attention to the CAUTION and WARNING statements.

PLEASE KEEP THIS MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Disclaimer

While every precaution has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the contents of this guide, **WhisperPower BV** assumes no responsibility for errors or omissions. Note as well that specifications and product functionality may change without notice.

Important

Please be sure to read and save the entire manual before using your **WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger**. Misuse may result in damage to the unit and/or cause harm or serious injury. Read manual in its entirety before using the unit and save manual for future reference.

Product Numbers

61112302 12V 20A (WP-BC 12/20-3)

61112304 12V 40A (WP-BC 12/40-3)

61112306 12V 60A (WP-BC 12/60-3)

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1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger. With our state of the art, easy to use design, this product will offer you reliable service by providing a multi-stage multi-bank battery charger to charge different types of batteries you have installed in your boat, RV, vehicle or your cabin battery bank.

An innovative feature we offer is the ability to charge your main battery bank as first priority so that you may charge this main bank quickly. Another unique feature is our silent mode setting that reduces the charging current at night, thereby reducing the fan noise. This manual will explain how to use this unit safely and effectively. Please read and follow these instructions and precautions carefully.

Important safety information

This section contains important safety information for the WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger. Each time, before using the unit, READ ALL instructions and cautionary markings on or provided with the unit, and all appropriate sections of this guide.

The WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger contains no user-serviceable parts. See Warranty section for how to handle product issues.

WARNING: FIRE AND/OR CHEMICAL BURN HAZARD
Do not cover or obstruct any air vent openings and/or install in a zero-clearance compartment.

WARNING: FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY. KEEP AWAY FROM CHILDREN!

- When working with electrical equipment or lead acid batteries, have someone nearby in case of an emergency.
- Study and follow all the battery manufacturer's specific precautions when installing, using and servicing the battery connected to the charger.
- Wear eye protection and gloves.

- Avoid touching your eyes while using this unit.
- Keep fresh water and soap on hand in the event battery acid comes in contact with eyes. If this occurs, cleanse right away with soap and water for a minimum of 15 minutes and seek medical attention.
- Batteries produce explosive gases. DO NOT smoke or have an open spark or fire near the system.
- Keep unit away from moist or damp areas. Never expose unit to snow, water etc.
- Avoid dropping any metal tool or object on the battery. Doing so could create a spark or short circuit which goes through the battery or another electrical tool that may create an explosion.

WARNING: EXPLOSION HAZARD!
DO NOT use the unit in the vicinity of flammable fumes or gases (such as propane tanks or large engines).
AVOID covering the ventilation openings. Always operate the unit in an open area.

Caution:

- For indoor use only.
- Before charging, read the instructions.
- This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Do not charge non-rechargeable batteries because of the danger of eruption.
- During charging, batteries should be placed in the ventilated area.
- The battery terminal which is not connected to the chassis has to be connected first.
- The other connection is to be made to the chassis, remote from the battery and fuel line. The battery charger is then to be connected to the supply mains.
- After charging, disconnect the battery charger from the supply mains. Then remove the chassis connection and then the battery connection.
- Only allow children at least 8 years old to use the battery charger. Give sufficient instruction so that the child is able to use the battery charger in a safe way and explain that it is not a toy and must not be played with.
- The child does not try to charge non-rechargeable batteries because of the danger of eruption.
- Examine the battery charger regularly for damage, especially the cord, plug and enclosure. If the battery charger is damaged, it must not be used until it has been repaired.

Fcc information

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by taking one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Limitations on use

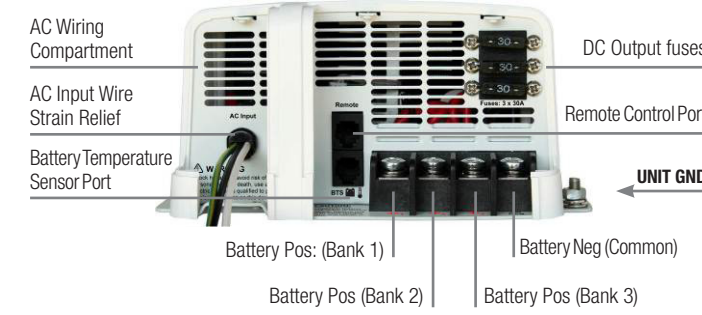
Do not use in connection with life support systems or other medical equipment or devices.

2. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

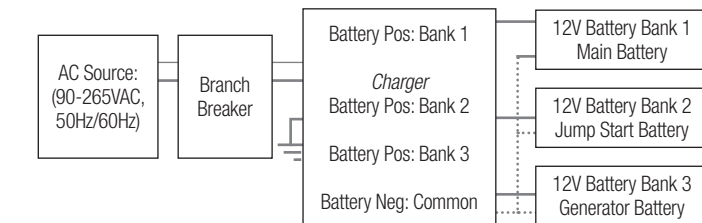
The WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger includes the items list below.

- Base unit:
61112302 12V 20A (WP-BC 12/20-3) or
61112304 12V 40A (WP-BC 12/40-3) or
61112306 12V 60A (WP-BC 12/60-3)
- Owner's manual
- Battery Temperature Sensor 1,5 m

3. UNDERSTANDING THE UNIT



Typical wiring block diagram of the Battery Charger with three battery banks:



Battery Bank 1, 2 and 3:

- Bank 1 is separate from Bank 2 & 3 and will be charged separately during bulk and absorption stages.
- Bank 2 & 3 are charged together and are connected in parallel internally (with a separation diode). Only one setting is required for Bank 2 & 3.
- Once all three battery banks have reached float stage, all three battery banks are connected in parallel internally (with a separation diode) to maintain the float stage on all the battery banks.
- The charger can charge Bank 1 with the choice of four different battery types (GEL, AGM, Flooded and Lithium) and charge Bank 2 & 3 together with the choice of three different battery types (GEL, AGM and Flooded).
- The charger will charge Bank 1 to float stage first before it charges Banks 2 & 3 (see more on Section 5 'Understanding the Charging Mechanism'). Bank 1 on the charger is highly recommended to be connected to the main battery bank for first priority charging and Banks 2 & 3 on the charger to be connected to the other battery banks with lower priority (such as jump-start battery bank and/or AC generator battery bank used in marine application).
- There are two main settings required on the charger for battery charging:

CH 1 setting (Bank 1):

- Battery type (GEL, AGM, Flooded, Lithium)
- Maximum charging current ('h-current' in A)
- Absorption to float stage current ('L-current' in A - GEL, AGM, Flooded battery type only)
- Number of charging stages (Mode 2 - Bulk and Absorption stage only, Mode 3 - Bulk, Absorption and Float stage)
- Battery temperature (Low- 'Lo', Normal - 'nor', High - 'hi')
- Charge voltage (14.2, 14.3, 14.4 in V - Lithium battery type only)
- Charge termination current ('L-current' in A - Lithium battery type only)

CH 2 & 3 setting (Bank 2 & 3):

- Battery type (GEL, AGM, Flooded only, No Lithium battery)
- Maximum charging current ('h-current' in A)
- Absorption to float stage current ('L-current' in A - GEL, AGM, Flooded battery type only)

- The charger can also be set to power supply mode (Program setting on CH 1). With this setting, the charger will only provide constant voltage and current to CH 1 only, CH 2 & 3 (Bank 2 & 3) are disabled. No DC voltage or current will be supplied to CH 2 & 3 even if battery banks are connected to the two channels. The charger will act as a constant voltage power supply with user selected supply voltage and maximum current.

Branch Breaker:

For AC Input hardwire charging systems, it is required to use a 15A branch breaker to connect between the AC source and the charger AC input.

AC Source:

The charger accepts full universal input voltage (90 .. 265Vac, 47 .. 63Hz).

Remote Charger Control Port:

Use for external display

The interface port is used for connecting an optional external display. The external display (sold separately) has identical functions to the built-in display.

Battery Temperature Sensor Port:

CAUTION: RISK OF BATTERY DAMAGE.
If temperature sensor is not being used, never set the battery temperature lower than the actual temperature. This may **overcharge and damage** the battery.

- A Whisperpower Temperature Sensor (sold separately) is available and is used to attach to one of the batteries. It measures the battery temperature and will make small adjustments to the battery charging voltage for better battery charging performance. As Bank 1 is designed for charging the main battery bank on the system, it is highly recommended to have the battery temperature sensor attached to Bank 1 battery bank.
- If the temperature sensor is not used, you can also manually set the charger to Low - 'Lo', Normal - 'nor', or High - 'hi' to reflect the environmental temperature for better charging effect. Manufacturing default setting is set to 'Normal' temperature. See more details on Understanding the Battery Temperature Function in Section 5.

Digital Display:

- 'CH1', 'CH2' and 'CH3' represent Battery Bank 1, 2 and 3 respectively. With 'CH1' turned on, the numerical value on the display shows individual battery information like battery voltage in 'V' or charging current in 'A'. 'CH2' and 'CH3' will always turn on together, the numerical value on the display shows the total charging current in 'A'.
- 'GEL', 'AGM', 'Flooded', 'Lithium' and 'Program' represent different battery types setting.
- 'Auto' indicates silent mode is activated.
- 'Mode' only turns on during the setting of charging stage (Mode 2 - 2 stages: Bulk and Absorption stage only, or Mode 3 - 3-stages: Bulk, Absorption and Float stage).
- 'Temp' only turns on during the setting of battery temperature.

Battery Charger Voltage:

Battery Type	Absorption	Float	Equalization
GEL	14.2V	13.8V	N.A.
AGM	14.3V	13.4V	N.A.
Flooded	14.4V	13.5V	16.0V(See Note1)
Lithium	Constant 13.9 .. 14.4V (0.1V step; see Note2)	N.A.	N.A.
Program (Power Supply)	Constant 13.3 .. 13.7V (0.2V step; see Note3)	N.A.	N.A.

Note 1: Equalization setting can only be used on flooded battery type selection only. See more details on Procedure to Equalize the Flooded Battery.
Note 2: Charger will terminate charging when charging current drop to below the set charger termination value.
Note 3: Charger is acting as a power supply with selected constant output voltage and preset maximum output current.

Battery Bank Size Recommendation:

The battery charging current rating is based on the battery size. Each battery bank should meet the minimum Ah rating as shown. If a smaller size battery bank is used, set the current rating to lower value to match with the battery bank size. Normally, the minimum battery bank capacity is based on twice the charger current rating.

AC 1220		AC 1240		AC 1260	
Current Setting	Battery Capacity	Current Setting	Battery Capacity	Current Setting	Battery Capacity
5A	Min 10Ah	5A	Min 10Ah	5A	Min 10Ah
10A	Min 20Ah	10A	Min 20Ah	20A	Min 40Ah
15A	Min 30Ah	20A	Min 40Ah	40A	Min 80Ah
20A	Min 40Ah	40A	Min 80Ah	60A	Min 120Ah

4. INSTALLING THE CHARGER

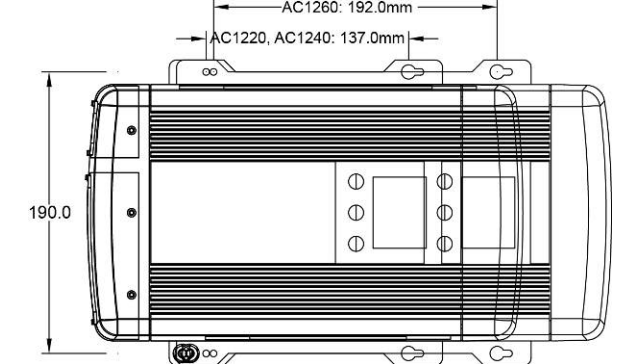
WARNING: Whisper Power BV recommends that all wiring be done by a certified technician or electrician to ensure adherence to the applicable electrical safety wiring regulations and installation codes. Failure to follow these instructions can damage the unit and could also result in personal injury or loss of life. CAUTION: Before beginning your unit installation, please consider the following:

- The unit should be used or stored in an indoor area away from direct sunlight, heat, moisture or conductive contaminants.
- When placing the unit, allow a minimum of three inches of space around the unit for optimal ventilation.

Note: The WP-BC Supreme Battery Charger is designed to be permanently mounted.

Mounting the Charger:

- Choose an appropriate mounting location.
- For installing in an indoor location, the unit can be mounted in any direction.
- For installing in boat or marine environment, the unit can be mounted horizontally and vertically (AC and DC panel facing downwards) only.
- Use the mounting template below to mark the positions of the mounting screws.
- Drill the 4 mounting holes and place the Charger in position and fasten the unit to the mounting surface. See mounting location as below.



Chassis Grounding Connection:

DANGER: The unit chassis has to be grounded properly. Never operate the Charger without proper grounding. Failure to do so may result in death or serious injury. Ground connection to the charger must comply with all local and application-specific codes and ordinances.

- Connect the unit's chassis ground to the common ground point through the ground stud located near one of the unit mounting slots. See image in Section 3.

DC Output Wiring:

WARNING: The DC wiring used must be of appropriate size. An individual over-current protection device usually within 7 inches (17.8cm) of each battery bank is required. A DC disconnect switch is also recommended. Both devices must be rated for DC voltage and current and be rated to withstand the short circuit current available from the connected battery bank. Both devices must match with the size of the DC wiring.



Recommended Cable Length, Size and Required Fuse Size:

Wire Length	Wire Size (AWG/mm²) - Fuse Size (A)		
	AC1220	AC1240	AC1260
5' (1.5 m)	#10 / 6mm² - 30A	#8 / 12mm² - 50A	#6 / 16mm² - 80A
7.5' (2.2m)	#10 / 6mm² - 30A	#6 / 16mm² - 50A	#4 / 25mm² - 80A
20' (6m)	#6 / 16mm² - 30A	#2 / 35mm² - 50A	#1 / 50mm² - 80A

- Remove the DC compartment cover by removing the two screws located on the top surface of the unit near the AC wiring compartment.
- Keep the connection between the battery and the charger as short as possible.
- Connect one end of the positive wire (red wire) to the Bank 1 of the charger positive terminal with torque 4.0 .. 5.0 N-m 35 .. 45 lb-in). Connect the other end to the over current protection device, then the DC disconnect device. Do not over tighten as this may result in damage to the charger.
- Connect another wire from the DC disconnect device to the battery bank.
- For systems with multi-battery banks: Follow the same instruction as on Bank 1 and connect to Bank 2 & 3 accordingly.
- Prepare the negative wire (black wire) and connect to the negative terminal of the charger. Connect the other end of the negative wire to all the negative terminals of the battery bank(s).
- Place the DC Compartment cover back to the original position and secure the cover using the two screws provided.

AC Input Wiring:

WARNING: The AC wiring must be of appropriate size, and it must be protected by an appropriate branch breaker (not provided) connected between the AC source and the Charger. A three color coded #14 AWG wire (L, N and GND) with a rated minimum of 75°C wire and a minimum 12 inches in length must be used.

- Before connecting AC wiring, make sure the AC source is OFF.
- Remove AC compartment cover by unscrewing the two screws located at the top of the AC compartment cover.
- Remove the top section of the AC Input wire strain relief located at the bottom of the base panel inside the AC wiring compartment by unscrewing the two strain relief mounting screws.
- Use the provided butt-splices to extend the AC Input wires (L, N and GND) to the customer-provided chosen AC wire.
- Feed the extended AC Input wire through the strain relief located at the bottom of the unit's base panel.
- Place the top section of the strain relief back to the original position and secure the AC extended wire by using the strain relief and secure with the two screws provided.
- Connect the other end of the extended AC wire to the chosen branch breaker and connect it to the AC power source. Please verify all the connections from Charger AC Live wire (black color) to Black AC extended wire, Charger AC Neutral (white color) to White AC extended wire and AC Charger green wire to AC extended green wire.

Optional Remote Display Connection:

- To install the optional Remote Display in a specific location, a 6 pin standard RJ12 cable (maximum length 25 ft) is required.
 - Install the standard RJ12 cable in your desired location.
 - Connect one end of the RJ12 cable to the Interface Port and the other end of the cable to the Display Panel. Please note polarity.
 - The Remote Display is now ready for use.
- Note: do not use **'COM_2'** on the Remote Display !

Optional Temperature Sensor Connection:

- To install the temperature sensor, simply connect the RJ12 plug from the sensor to the RJ12 Temperature Sensor Port on the charger located near the Interface Port.
- On the temperature sensor end, simply connect the ring terminals to the negative terminal of one of the chosen battery banks. As Bank 1 is for the main battery bank charging, it is highly recommended to connect to Bank 1 when in use.

Test the Charger Connection:

- Switch AC branch breaker switch to ON.
- The display will turn on. Pressing the 'Info' key will toggle the display to show the factory default setting. The charger is now ready to use.

5. UNIT OPERATION

Understanding the Charging Mechanism

- The charger is a three bank battery charger that is capable of charging a maximum of three battery banks.
- The charger is designed to have Bank 1 charge the main battery bank. Always use Bank 1 first when connected to a single battery bank.
- At start, if the charger senses Bank 2 and 3 has battery voltage above 11V, the charger will then concentrate on fully charging Bank 1 first until it reaches float stage. It will then switch to charge Bank 2 and 3.
- At start, if the charger senses either Bank 2 or Bank 3 have voltage below 11V, it will cycle to charge Bank 1 for 15 minutes then Bank 2 and 3 together for 15 minutes. When the charger senses both Bank 2 and 3 reached 13V, it will then concentrate on charging Bank 1 until it reaches the float stage. After, it will then concentrate on recharging Bank 2 and 3 to float stage.
- Once all three banks have reached the float stage, the charger will adjust the charger voltage to the preset float voltage and all three banks will be connected in parallel float stage charging. During the float stage charging stage, each battery bank is separate by an internal separation diode.
- In float stage, see the below chart for the maximum allowable current draw:

	AC 1260	AC 1240	AC 1220
Maximum Float Current	40A	40A	20A

For charging GEL, AGM and Flooded batteries:

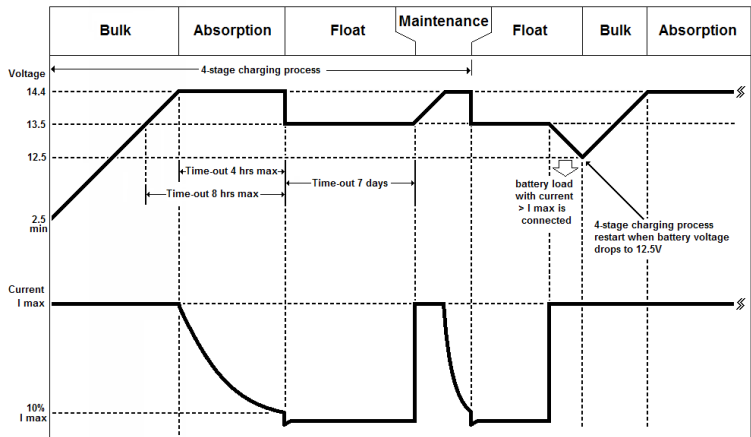
- The charger can be set to Mode 2 - 2 stage charging (Bulk and Absorption stage charging only) or Mode 3 - 3 stage charging (Bulk, Absorption and Float stage charging).
- Each battery bank can have its own maximum charging current and absorption-to-float mode current settings.

For charging Lithium batteries:

This can only be set at Bank 1, it has its own charging voltage and current setting. It also requires the user to set the charger termination current. The charging process will terminate when the charging current drops to the set termination current.

For charging as Power Supply (Program setting):

The charger can be used as a constant voltage power supply that will deliver the preset output voltage (13.3, 13.5, 13.7 V) with the maximum current setting. With this setting, only Bank 1 can be used and the other banks are disabled.



Understanding the Display and Function Key during Normal Operation:

During normal operation, the display shows the related channel's battery voltage, charging current and charging stage ('bul' - Bulk stage, 'Abs' - Absorption stage, 'Flo' - Float stage). When the 'INFO' key is pressed, it displays other channel's battery voltage only. When all channels reach float stage, the display will show 'Full' indicating all the batteries connected are fully charged. During equalization operation on a flooded battery, the numerical section on the display will show a flashing 'eq', indicating the equalization process is in progress; it will not show the battery voltage or the charging current.

Understanding the Function Key 'INFO', 'NEXT' and 'SET' during Charger Setting:

'INFO': Press and hold the key for longer than 3 seconds to enter charger setting mode and show function setting. Once new setting is done, press **'INFO'** again to exit the charger setting mode.

'NEXT': Press the key once to keep or save the chosen setting and change the display to show the next menu to continue other settings. Note: The selected setting will quickly flash 3 times to acknowledge the setting.

'SET': Press the key to view other available settings. Or press and hold for 3 seconds to activate or deactivate the 'Silent Mode' - 'Auto' icon to show on Display (see more details in Section 3 - 'Digital Display').



Understanding the Three-Stage (Mode 3) Charging:

The Three-Stage Charging (Mode 3) has a Bulk, then Absorption and then Float sequence. During the Bulk stage, the battery accepts the maximum constant current from the charger. In the Absorption stage, the battery voltage is held to constant voltage and the charging current will slowly reduce. In Float stage, the charger continuously produces lower constant float voltage to fully top up and maintain the battery in a fully charged stage. The charger will automatically restart the full charging cycle if it senses that one of the battery banks is discharged to lower than 12.5V or after seven days in float stage to refresh the battery banks.

Understanding the Two-Stage (Mode 2) Charging:

The Two-Stage charging is similar to the Three-Stage charging except there is no float stage after the absorption stage. The charger will terminate the battery charging after Absorption. The charger will automatically restart the full charging cycle if it senses anyone of the battery bank is discharged to lower than 12.5V or after seven days in float stage to refresh the battery banks.

Understanding the Battery Temperature Functions:

Optional Battery Temperature Sensor Whisperpower Part Number 60201202 is highly recommended with the charger to protect your battery and provide better charging voltage accuracy. When the battery temperature sensor is use, it is highly recommended to be installed on the main battery bank - Bank 1. The sensor senses the battery temperature and overrides the manual temperature setting and makes small adjustments to the charging voltage.

Battery Temperature	Battery Charging Voltage Adjustment from 25 °C normal setting	Battery Type	AGM type
< 25°C	+ 0.027V /°C	GEL, Flooded	+ 0.021V /°C
25°C	0V	AGM	0V
> 25°C	- 0.027V /°C	GEL, Flooded	- 0.021V /°C

When battery sensor is not in used, you can also manually set the battery temperature. There are three manual battery temperature settings on the unit ('Lo', 'nor' and 'hi'). See below for voltage adjustments for temperature compensation.

Setting	Recommended for Battery Temperature	Battery Type	Voltage adjustment from 25°C normal setting
Low (Lo)	<5°C (41°F)	GEL, Flooded	0.675 V
Normal (nor)	>5°C and <30°C (>41°F and <86°F)	AGM	0.525 V
		GEL, Flooded	0 V
High (Hi)	>30°C (86°F)	GEL, Flooded	-0.27 V
		AGM	-0.21 V

Procedure to set or view charger setting:

- Follow the procedure or sequence in Appendix A1 and A2 to set or view the charger setting.
- *GEL, AGM or Flooded battery type:*
 - Parameters below are required for setting:
 - Battery type (GEL, AGM, Flooded)
 - Maximum Current setting (see table below)
 - Absorption to float mode current setting (see table below)
 - Charging stage (3 stage , 2 stage)
 - Battery temperature (low, normal, high temperature)

The following table shows the maximum available charging current and its related available Absorption to Float Mode current.

Model	Maximum Current Setting	Absorption to Float Mode Current Setting
AC 1220	* 20A	* 1A / 2A / 4A
	15A	0.75A / 1.5A / 3A
	10A	0.5A / 1A / 2A
	5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A
	* 40A	* 2A / 4A / 8A
AC 1240	20A	1A / 2A / 4A
	10A	0.5A / 1A / 2A
	5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A
	* 60A	* 3A / 6A / 12A
	40A	2A / 4A / 8A
AC 1260	20A	1A / 2A / 4A
	5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A

Note: * Recommended setting (Factory Default Setting)

Lithium battery type:

- Parameters below are required for setting:
 - Charging Voltage (13.9 .. 14.4V)
 - Maximum Charging Current (see table below)
 - Termination Charging Current (current to define when the charging process will terminate)
- The following table shows the available charging voltage, maximum charging current, and the available termination charging current.

Model	Charging Voltage	Maximum Charging Current	Termination Charging Current
AC 1220	14.2V / 14.3V / 14.4V	* 20A	* 1A / 2A / 4A
		15A	0.75A / 1.5A / 3A
		10A	0.5A / 1A / 2A
		5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A
		* 40A	* 2A / 4A / 8A
AC 1240	14.2V / 14.3V / 14.4V	20A	1A / 2A / 4A
		10A	0.5A / 1A / 2A
		5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A
		* 60A	* 3A / 6A / 12A
		40A	2A / 4A / 8A
AC 1260	14.2V / 14.3V / 14.4V	20A	1A / 2A / 4A
		5A	0.3A / 0.5A / 1A

Program (Power Supply) type:

- Parameters below are required for setting:
 - Supply Voltage 13.3, 13.5, 13.7VDC
 - Maximum available current (see table)

The following table shows the programed voltage and the maximum current setting.

Model	Program Output Voltage Setting	Max. Current
AC 1220	13.3V/13.5V/13.7V	20A/15A/10A/5A
AC 1240	13.3V/13.5V/13.7V	40A/20A/10A/5A
AC 1260	13.3V/13.5V/13.7V	60A/40A/20A/5A

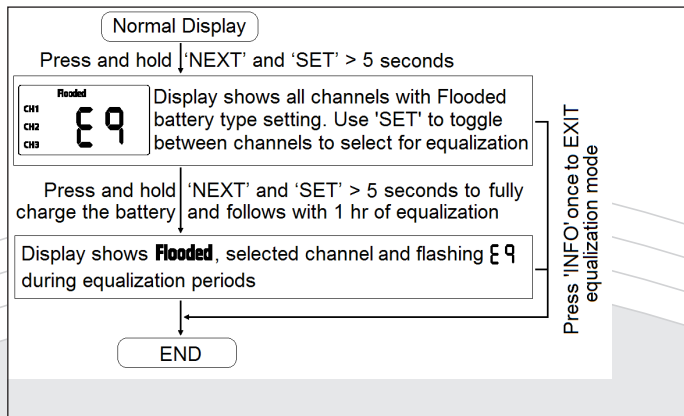
Procedure to Equalize Flooded Battery:

DANGER: Explosion Hazard. The battery generates explosive gases during equalization. Follow all the battery safety precautions listed in the manual.

DANGER: Explosion Hazard and Risk of Battery damage. When using the equalization mode, the user has to be sure the battery connected to the channel is a flooded battery type. Equalizing a non-flooded battery may overcharge the battery and may cause the battery to explode.

CAUTION: Risk of Battery and Equipment damage. Only the Flooded lead-acid can be equalized. Consult your battery manufacturer or read the battery manual when you try to equalize your batteries. Disconnect any DC load connected to the battery, as during equalize mode, the charger will produce 16V to the batteries. You must monitor the battery specific gravity throughout the equalization process to determine the end of the equalizing cycle.

Before setting the equalization mode on the specific channel, please be sure the channel chosen for battery equalization is for a flooded battery type. When the battery equalization is started, the charger will automatically fully charge the selected channel first and will execute equalization for one hour. Check the battery electrolyte level during the equalization period. If necessary, refill with distilled water only. All cells should have similar electrolyte levels. If distilled water is added, batteries must undergo a complete charge cycle. The charger cannot determine when to terminate the equalization of the battery. A one hour time-out is set and this is used as a safety feature to require the user to continually re-activate it as necessary after checking batteries manually. During equalization mode the other two banks are disabled. Use the following procedure to setup the charger for battery equalization.



Understanding the Auto Mode Function

The charger also comes with another unique 'Auto' mode function that reduces the fan speed and charger current automatically for a silent operation.

Tips: Use this function during night time or when a quiet environment is needed. Please also note that the charging time will increase in this mode because the charger is not running at maximum power.

- This function can switch to ON or OFF at any time during the charging period.
- To set this function, press and hold **'SET'** key for 3 seconds to execute the 'Auto' mode. The 'Auto' icon will show on the display.
- To turn this function off, press and hold the **'SET'** function for 3 seconds to exit the 'Auto' mode. The 'Auto' icon on the display will turn off and the charger current and the fan speed will return to normal.

Understanding the Protection Features

De-rating Charging Current:

When the charger senses the environmental temperature is above 50°C, the maximum charger current will de-rate to 1/2 of the value (A02 warning code will display). The charger will recover automatically back to maximum charging current when the environmental temperature drops to below 45°C.

Over Temperature Shutdown:

When the charger senses the environmental temperature is above 60°C, the charger will shutdown. It will recover automatically when the environmental temperature drops to below 45°C.

Battery Reverse Polarity:

When a reverse polarity is connected to the battery bank, Fault Code E03 on display will appear. In some case, the user replaceable DC fuse located near the DC Output terminals may blow and Error code E08 will display.

AC Input Voltage Protection:

The charger will shutdown when it senses the AC input voltage is outside of the operating range. A fault code will display. The charger will recover automatically when it senses the AC input voltage has returned back to the normal operation range.

Charging Dead Battery

The charger is designed to charge batteries with terminal voltage greater than 2.5VDC.

Understanding the Error Codes

Error codes will show on the display when either an internal fault such as high internal temperature or external fault like AC input voltage out of range is detected. The unit will shutdown.

Code	Condition	Corrective Action
A01	Temperature Sensor (BTS) is defective.	Check and or replace the sensor.
E01	Unit shutdown due to low AC Input (< 85 +/- 5Vac)	The unit will automatically recover when the AC Input voltage return to > 108 +/-5Vac
E02	Unit shutdown due to high AC Input (>270 +/- 5Vac)	The unit will automatically recover when the AC Input voltage return to < 260 +/-5Vac
E03	Battery is connected backwards	Check all battery connections
E04	Charger Internal temperature is too high and unit has shutdown. Unit will automatically recover when the unit cools down.	The ventilation of the unit is blocked or the environmental temperature is high. Reduce charging current or improve the ventilation near the unit.
E05	Not used.	
E06	High battery temperature >70 °C (158°F) is sensed by the BTS. The unit will shutdown. Unit will automatically recover when battery temperature has reduced to 60°C (140°F).	Check battery, charger setting and the environment the charger is in.
E07	Low battery temperature < -25°C (-13°F) is sensed by the BTS. The unit will shutdown. Unit will automatically recover when battery temperature reaches -20°C (-4°F).	It is not recommended to charge the battery at extreme low temperatures.
E08	DC Output fuses are brown.	Check battery connection and replace fuse with the same type and rating.
E09	Unit shutdown due to high battery voltage (> 17Vdc). Unit will automatically recover when battery temperature reduced to <16Vdc.	Check battery and charger setting. Check also if there is any other DC supply connected to the battery banks.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Note: Specifications are subject to change without notices.

	AC 1220	AC 1240	AC 1260
Charger Output:			
Output Current (Maximum)	20A	40A	60A
Output Voltage Range:			
Charge	14.2 .. 15.5V		
Float	13.4 .. 13.8V		
Equalize	16.0V		
Charging Control	Three stages (Bulk/Absorption/Float)		
	Two stages (Bulk/Absorption)		
	Constant Power Supply (Program setting)		
DC Output Bank	Three		
Selectable Battery Type	Gel, AGM, Flooded, Lithium, Program		
Parasitic Current	< 2mA		

Charger Input:			
AC Input Voltage (Nominal)	100, 120, 220, 230, 240VAC		
AC Input Operating Range	90 .. 265VAC		
AC Input Frequency Range	47 .. 63Hz		
Power Consumption (Full Load)	350W	700W	1050W
Power Factor Correction	Yes		
Charger Efficiency	> 82%		

Protection and Features:	
Reverse Battery	Yes, unit shutdown
Over Charge	Yes, unit shutdown
Over Temperature	Yes, unit de-rated and shutdown
Output Short Circuit	Yes, unit shutdown
DC Fuse	2*15A, 32V 2*30A, 32V 3*30A, 32V
Cooling	Force air ventilation
Temperature Setting	Hot, Normal, Cold (no sensor connected)
Battery Temperature Sensor Port	RJ12 (optional battery temp. sensor use)
Digital Display Port	RJ12 (optional display panel use)
Display:	
LCD Display (with back lighting)	Charging status, Battery Voltage
Warning and Fault Code	A01, E01 .. 09

AC Input and DC Output Connection:	
AC Input Connection	Hardwire or AC Cord
DC Output Connection	Heavy Duty Studs (3 banks)
DC Output Ground	Single Heavy Duty Common Ground Stud
Environmental and Operating Temperature:	
Storage Range	-40° to 70°C (-40° to 158°F)
Operating Range	-20° to 60°C (-4° to 140°F)
Humidity	5 .. 95%, RH non-condensing
Ingress Protection	IP32

Based Unit Weight and Dimensions:	
WP-BC 12/20-3	5.3lb., 11.6 x 8.1 x 3.4 inches (2.4kg, 295 x 206 x 86mm)
WP-BC 12/40-3	5.7lb., 11.6 x 8.1 x 3.4 inches (2.6kg, 295 x 206 x 86mm)
WP-BC 12/60-3	8.8lb., 14 x 8.1 x 3.8 inches (4.0kg, 356 x 206 x 99mm)
Regulatory Compliance:	
Standards/Safety (North America)	Approved to UL1236 including the marine supplement UL1564 CSA C22.2 107.2-01
Standards/Safety (European Union)	CE marked for the low voltage directive 2006-95-EC Complying with EN60335-2-29 battery chargers Approved to IEC60529:2001, IP32 ingress protection level
Standards/EMC (North America)	Class B according to FCC part15B and ANSI C63.4
Standards/EMC (European Union)	CE marked for the EMC directive 2004-108-EC Complying with EN55014-1, EN55014-2, EN61000-3-2 and EN61000-3-3 (as equivalent IEC standards series)

Accessories (optional):

WP - BCC remote control	61112301
WP - Battery Temperature Sensor + 6mtr. cable	60201202
WP - BC PC Interface & Software	61112309

7. WARRANTY

One Year Limited Warranty

The limited warranty program is the only one that applies to this unit, and it sets forth all the responsibilities of Whisper Power BV. There is no other warranty, other than those described herein. Any implied warranty of merchantability of fitness for a particular purpose on this unit is limited in duration to the duration of this warranty.

This unit is warranted, to the original purchaser only, to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for one year from the date of purchase without additional charge. The warranty does not extend to subsequent purchasers or users. Manufacturer will not be responsible for any amount of damage in excess of the retail purchase price of the unit under any circumstances. Incidental and consequential damages are specifically excluded from coverage under this warranty. This unit is not intended for commercial use. This warranty does not apply to damage to units from misuse or incorrect installation/connection. Misuse includes wiring or connecting to improper polarity power sources.

Return/repair policy:

If you are experiencing any problems with your unit, please contact our customer service department at service@whisperpower.com or phone +31 (0) 512 571 555 before returning product to the retail store. After speaking to a customer service representative, if products are deemed non-working or malfunctioning, the product may be returned to the purchasing store within 30 days of original purchase. Any defective unit that is returned to manufacturer within 30 days of the date of purchase will be replaced free of charge. If such a unit is returned more than 30 days but less than one year from the purchase date, manufacturer will repair the unit or, at its option, replace it, free of charge. If the unit is repaired, new or reconditioned replacement parts may be used, at manufacturer's option. A unit may be replaced with a new or reconditioned unit of the same or comparable design. The repaired or replaced unit will then be warranted under these terms for the remainder of the warranty period. The customer is responsible for the shipping charges on all returned items.

Limitations:

This warranty does not cover accessories, such as adapters and batteries, damage or defects result from normal wear and tear (including chips, scratches, abrasions, discoloration or fading due to usage or exposure to sunlight), accidents, damage during shipping to our service facility, alterations, unauthorized use or repair, neglect, misuse, abuse, failure to follow instructions for care and maintenance, fire and flood. If your