# **INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

----- duo-battery charging solar controller,

For RVs,Caravans,and boats

-----EPIP20-DB series



# RATINGS (12V or 12/24V auto work)

EPIP20-2B,12V or 12/24V auto-work, 10AmpEPIP20-2B12V or 12/24V auto-work, 20AmpNOTES: For use with solar panels only

# **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

| Setpoint              | Sealed battery                 | Flooded battery | Gel battery |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Regulation voltage    | 14.2V                          | 14.4V           | 14.6V       |
| Boost voltage         | 14.4V                          | 14.6V           | 14.8V       |
| Float voltage         | 13.7V                          | 13.7V           | 13.7V       |
| Maximum solar voltage | 30V(or 55V)                    |                 |             |
| Battery voltage range | 1-15V                          |                 |             |
| Boost time            | 30 minutes                     |                 |             |
| Self-consumption      | 4mA at night, 10mA at charging |                 |             |
| Meterbus connection   | 8-pin RJ-45                    |                 |             |
| Temp. compensation    | -30mV/12V                      |                 |             |
| Terminals             | 4mm2                           |                 |             |
| Temperature           | -35℃ to +55℃                   |                 |             |

Note: all the data is for 12V, for 24V, please use 2x.

### Major feature of duo-battery controller:



(Note: connect the components as the 1-6)

Connect with the battery #1



Connect with the battery #2



Connect with the PV.

#### Remote temp. sensor

A connection point for RTS(option) to remotely monitor battery temperature.

#### Local temp. sensor

Measures ambient temperature. Battery regulation is adjusted accordingly.

#### For battery 1

Provides charging & battery status and errors

#### For battery 2

Provides charging & battery status and errors

#### Remote meter connection(option)

A communication port for the remote meter.

Note: where is no RTS, the controller calculate the data which got from the local temp. sensor. The controller will come to RTS automatically when the RTS was connected.

### SETTING MODE:

| Battery type       |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Charging priority  | mode |
| Charging frequency |      |

Three leds flashing, each LED express different specifications, choose the LED first according to the following information, and then press the switch for 5 seconds until the number flashing, choose one number as you need, and leave it and the number you set will be saved.

1. 1<sup>st</sup> led is the battery type setting,

| Number | Battery type    |
|--------|-----------------|
| shows  |                 |
| 1      | Sealed battery  |
| 2      | Gel battery     |
| 3      | Flooded battery |

2. 2<sup>nd</sup> led is for charging priority, only set the percentage you want for battery #1, the controller will automatically calculate the rest for battery #2.

| Number | Battery #1   | Battery # 2 |
|--------|--------------|-------------|
| shows  | charging     | charging    |
| 0      | 0%           | 100%        |
| 1      | 10%          | 90%         |
| 2      | 20%          | 80%         |
| 3      | 30%          | 70%         |
| 4      | 40%          | 60%         |
| 5      | 50%          | 50%         |
| 6      | 60%          | 40%         |
| 7      | 70%          | 30%         |
| 8      | 80%          | 20%         |
| 9      | 90%(pre-set) | 10%         |

Note: in the normal charging status, the controller will divide the charging as the setting. While battery #1 is fully charged, more charge current will be diverted to battery #2, and return to the setting charging automatically when the battery #1 is in low voltage.

When the controller detects there is only battery #1, all the charging will go to the battery #1 automatically.

3. 3<sup>rd</sup> led is for charging frequency.

| Number | PWM Charging  |
|--------|---------------|
| shows  | frequency     |
| 0      | 25Hz(pre-set) |
| 1      | 50Hz          |
| 2      | 100Hz         |

# TROUBLESHOOTING:

- 1. LED blinking, short circuit, check the PV and battery, and make sure that they are in correct connection.
- 2. LED slowly flashing, fully charged.
- 3. LED ON, on charging
- 4. LED frequent flashing, no charging, and there is battery
- 5. LED OFF, no battery or over voltage.

### **MECHANICAL DRAWING:**



### REMOTE METER DISPLAY:





### **REMOTE METER OPERATION INSTRUCTION:**

the key(from left to right) is: K1-K4, or Next I, Left $\ominus$ , Right $\ominus$ , Set  $\bigcirc$ .

#### The meter display as following order:

Solar panel, battery 1, battery 2, other data as four team data. Use K2 or K3 to check the data between the teams. Symbol is the repeat between the team 1 and team 4. K1 is the key for repeating the data. Data shows as picture 2.

**Data setting instructions:** press K4 for setting, K1 for next data and save it. K4 for next data, but no save. K2 and K3 for modify the data, shows as picture 3.

**Backlight instruction:** press any key while its connected, the backlight will be on. And set the backlight timer on setting mode. Backlight options:

| OFF: backlight is off all the time       | <b>On:</b> backlight is on all the time in any case. |
|--|--|
| <b>B: 30</b> backlight on for 30 seconds | B: 20 backlight on for 20 seconds                    |
| <b>B: 10</b> backlight on for 10 seconds | B: 05 backlight on for 5 seconds                     |

Note: backlight timer calculated as the last key press. And backlight has 2 class:

FULL: high bright HALF: low bright

#### Data repeat: auto or manual, options as following:

**Auto** each team data will repeat every 3 seconds, K1 for next team. K2, K3 for data repeating in the team.

**OFF** data will not repeat automatically, unless press K2 or K3, or K1 for the next team data.

**System checking:** at any time, press K3+K4, it will check and display the related data automatically. Details as PICTURE 4. If there is NO, means there is no connection. If the connections is correct, the related data will be displayed. If no remote temperature sensor is connected, the meter will show thermometer and NO. if connection is correct, it will show the data it detects. **OPEn** means no battery connection or over voltage, the data will be displayed while the connection is right.

**Data erase to 0**: at any time, press K1+K2, the data will be erased to 0, such as max, min, Ah. AH accumulate from 0.

PICTURE 2.





### **OTHER INSTRUCTION:**

#### Specifications:

| Rated voltage: 12V, sug     | ggest min voltage: 8.0V.   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Low backlight on:           | <23mA, no backlight and LED.   |
| Strong backlight on:        | <20mA  |
| Backlight and LED ir        | dicator off: <17mA   |
| Working temperature: -15 °C | $^{\rm C}$ ~ +40 $^{\rm \circ}\rm{C}$ ,the LCD will give wrong data while out of the temperature |
| range.                      |  |
| Humidity:                   | 0-100%   |
| Communication cable:        | RI45(8PIN) 10 meter  |

#### Trouble indicator on

: following occasion may occur, check the connection. And the

symbol will disappear automatically when it resume.

- 1. While one battery disconnect, or open circuit, or over voltage.
- 2. The remote temperature sensor is no probe.
- 3. Over charging current
- 4. Solar PV short-circuit.

**Telecommunication port:** while the meter run by individual power or communication cutoff, display temperature, battery, solar panel symbol only, data shows 4 pieces of "\_". Press key, no answer. The display will resume while communications is on.

Note: the data displayed will come from the communication, check if the cable correct if the data is wrong. Too long cable may bring mistakes too. The data will update every 20 seconds.

Battery capacity strip flash: each strip equals to 20% of battery capacity. The over part will be showed as flashing. For example, the first trip flash, the battery capacity is 1-19%, the second trip flash, it is 21-39%, etc. the calculation is based on fully charged voltage, and over discharged as 0%. All is calculated as the battery voltage, not the real capacity of battery.