

Off-Grid Inverter **SUNNY ISLAND** 5048-US

**Technical Description** 



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# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

This manual contains important instructions for the following products:

• Sunny Island 5048-US

This manual must be followed during installation and maintenance.

The Sunny Island 5048-US is designed and tested according to international safety requirements, but as with all electrical and electronic equipment, certain precautions must be observed when installing and/or operating the Sunny Island 5048-US. To reduce the risk of personal injury and to ensure the safe installation and operation of the Sunny Island 5048-US, you must carefully read and follow all instructions, cautions and warnings in this manual.

#### Warnings in this document

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



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

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

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

#### NOTICE

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

#### Other symbols in this document

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



#### Information

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

#### Markings on this product

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



Warning regarding dangerous voltage

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



Electric arc hazards

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



Beware of hot surface

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



Observe the operating instructions

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



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

#### **General warnings**

## General warnings

All electrical installations must be done in accordance with the local and National Electrical Code<sup>®</sup> ANSI/NFPA 70 or the Canadian Electrical Code<sup>®</sup> CSA C22.1. This document does not and is not intended to replace any local, state, provincial, federal or national laws, regulation or codes applicable to the installation and use of the Sunny Island 5048-US, including without limitation applicable electrical safety codes. All installations must conform with the laws, regulations, codes and standards applicable in the jurisdiction of installation. SMA assumes no responsibility for the compliance or noncompliance with such laws or codes in connection with the installation of the product.

The Sunny Island 5048-US contains no user-serviceable parts. For all repair and maintenance, always return the unit to an authorized SMA Service Center.

Before installing or using the Sunny Island 5048-US, read all of the instructions, cautions, and warnings in this manual.

Before connecting the Sunny Island 5048-US to the electrical utility grid, contact the local utility company. This connection must be made only by qualified personnel.

Wiring of the Sunny Island 5048-US must be made by qualified personnel only.

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# 1 Notes on this Manual

This manual describes the functionality, mounting, electrical connections and operation of the Sunny Island 5048-US. Store this manual where it will be accessible at all times.

# 1.1 Area of validity

This manual is valid for the Sunny Island 5048-US (SI 5048U), firmware version 6.002/6.000 and later.

# 1.2 Target Group

This manual is for qualified personnel. Qualified personnel has received training and has knowledge of the design and function of the device and has demonstrable practical experience of mounting, connecting and commissioning of the device. Qualified personnel is trained to deal with the dangers and hazards involved in installing electric devices.

# 1.3 Additional Information

You will find further information on special topics such as selecting and using PV inverters in off-grid power systems in the download area of www.SMA-America.com.

# 1.4 Nomenclature

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

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

Menu:Menu number, hash and menu name (150# Compact Meters)Parameter:Menu number, dot, parameter number and parameter name (150.01 GdRmgTm)

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# 2 The Sunny Island 5048U

## 2.1 Properties

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

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

The operation of up to 3 devices in a 1-phase parallel system, of 3 devices in a 3-phase system or of up to 4 devices in a double split-phase system enables the Sunny Island to establish off-grid power supply systems with a power of between 2 kW ... 20 kW. In Multicluster systems, powers of up to as much as 100 kW are possible. Thanks to its sophisticated generator management, the Sunny Island can control connected diesel generators in a particularly low-stress and fuel-saving manner. It can also be integrated into the public grid. The Sunny Island can also deactivate loads automatically if the battery does not provide sufficient electrical energy.

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

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

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

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#### Saving Data and Events

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

The Sunny Island monitors the set voltage and frequency limits on the grid and generator. If these limits are not observed, it disconnects from the external source without interruption and changes to off-grid operation. The Sunny Island also has an integrated anti-islanding feature which will stop the production of electricity when the grid goes down.

If this process is tripped, the system also completely switches into off-grid mode without interruption. The Sunny Island can be integrated into different system constellations. The following graphics show the components of a Sunny Island system and the different wirings (single-phase, single-phase parallel, split-phase and 3-phase).

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#### Components of a Sunny Island System



#### single-phase system, 120 Vac, 5 kW:



### single-phase parallel system, 120 Vac, up to 15 kW



#### split-phase system, 240 Vac, 10 kW



#### 3-phase system, 120/208 Vac, 15 kW





#### Double Split-Phase System, 240 Vac, 20 kW



#### **Multicluster Technology**

Refer to the manual of the Multicluster Box for informations about Multicluster Technology.

# 2.2 At a Glance

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



Marker	Description
A	Display
В	LEDs showing device operation
С	Control buttons
D	Slot for the SD card
E	Opening for the additional connections area (insertion of the cables via conduits)
F	Connection area for additional connections
G	Opening for the additional connections area (insertion of the cables via conduits)
Н	Rubber connection block for the additional connections area
	(insertion of the cable without conduits)
I	DC Connection Area
К	Opening for the DC connection area
	(insertion of DC+, DC-and the grounding conductor).
L	Opening for AC2 connection (insertion of the line L, N and PE)
М	AC connection area
N	Opening for AC1 connection (insertion of the line L, N and PE)
0	DC Circuit Breaker

# 2.3 Scope of Delivery

Check the delivery for completeness. Check the packaging and the Sunny Island for externally visible damage.

Contact your supplier in case of damage to the packaging. Contact your dealer if you find any damage on the Sunny Island or if there are parts missing in the delivery.



#### Keeping the packaging

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





Marker	Number	Designation
A	1	Sunny Island
В	1	Wall mounting bracket
С	2	Fan grills
D	1	Battery temperature sensor
E	3	Filler plugs
F	3	Counter nut for filler plugs
G	1	RJ45 cable, black
Н	1	Silicone tube
I	1	Rubber plugs for inserting one cable
К	2	Rubber plugs for inserting 2 cables
L	1	SD Card

Marker	Number	Designation
м	2	M6x10 mm screws and locking washers for connecting the Sunny Island with the wall mounting bracket.
N	1	Technical Description
0	1	Test Report
Ρ	2	4-pole print terminal for connecting the battery temperature sensor and current sensor
Q	2	3-pole print terminal for the connection of relays 1 and 2
R	1	RS485 PiggyBack (optional)
S	2	RJ45 cable, white (optional)

### 2.4 Required Tools and Resources

The following tools and materials are required in order to mount and install the Sunny Island 5048-US:

#### Tools (not included in delivery)

**Bootlace** ferrules

Cable knife

Combination pliers

Crimping tool for terminal lugs (suitable for cable cross-sections of up to 2/0 AWG)

Diagonal cutting pliers

Drill

Drill bit (e.g. masonry or wood bit), fastener  $^{3}/_{8}$  in. or Ø 10 mm

Flat-head screwdriver 0.4 x  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. (2.5 mm) 1.0 x  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. (10 mm) / 1.0 x  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. (5.5 mm)

Flathead screwdriver SZS 1.0 x 6.5

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

Multimeter

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

Phillips screwdriver, PH1 and PH2

Spirit level

Torque wrench 35 in-lbs. – 50 in-lbs. (4 Nm – 5 Nm) with flat-head screwdriver adapters in the sizes  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. /  $\frac{1}{4}$  in./  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. (10/5.5/2.5 mm) and SZS 1.0 x 6.5

Insulation stripping tool

#### Material (not included in delivery)

Cable ties Heat shrink tubing Hexagon bolts,  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. x  $2\frac{3}{8}$  in. (8 mm x 60 mm), washers Wall anchors for the wall mounting bracket (e.g. SX 10)

# 2.5 Identifying the Sunny Island

Identify the Sunny Island by the serial number and the device type on the type plate. The type plate is on the right side of the enclosure.

# **3 Safety Instructions**

## 3.1 Important Notes regarding Operation

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



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

- All work on the Sunny Island must only be carried out by qualified personnel.
- Work on the Sunny Island should only be carried out as described in this manual.
- All listed safety instructions must be followed.

#### NOTICE!

DANGER

Destruction of the Sunny Island due to parallel connection of Sunny Island inverters which are set to different grid voltages.

- Always employ Sunny Island inverters of the same type within a system.
- Do not connect Sunny Island inverters in parallel with grid voltages set to different values.

#### NOTICE!

Batteries may be destroyed due to deep discharge.

The self-consumption of the Sunny Island discharges the battery. In standby mode, this load is about 4 W and about 25 W in idle mode.

- If you install the Sunny Island and do not wish to use it immediately, switch the Sunny Island off (see section 9.3 "Switching off" (page 74)).
- If you want to decommission the Sunny Island for a long period, switch the Sunny Island off (see section 9.3 "Switching off" (page 74)).



#### **Connection Requirements**

Be sure to observe all valid regional standards and guidelines.



#### Installation Altitude

The Sunny Island has been designed for use at elevations of up to 9840 ft. (3000 m) above sea level. Contact SMA before using the device at elevations above 9840 ft. (3000 m).

A performance loss of 0.5 % per 330 ft (100 m) is to be expected starting at an elevation of 6560 ft. (2000 m) above sea level!

# 3.2 Potential Hazards



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

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

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

#### DANGER

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

The Sunny Island can start on its own.

 Before working on the off-grid power system disconnect all AC and DC power sources.

#### DANGER

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

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

#### NOTICE!

Destruction of the Sunny Island if installed in improper locations.

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

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

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# 4 Assembly

# 4.1 Selecting the Mounting Location

DANGER

Danger of death if installed in improper locations. Death or serious burns. Despite careful construction, a fire can occur with electrical devices.

- Do not mount the Sunny Island on flammable construction materials.
- Do not mount the Sunny Island near highly flammable materials.
- Do not mount the Sunny Island in potentially explosive areas.

#### CAUTION

Risk of injury through contact with hot enclosure parts during operation.

Burns to the body will result.

• Mount the inverter in such a way that the enclosure cannot be touched inadvertently.

#### CAUTION

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

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

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Overheating of the Sunny Island due to close proximity to other Sunny Island inverters in areas with high ambient temperatures.

If several inverters have been installed in areas with high ambient temperatures, the independent cooling of individual inverters needs to be guaranteed.

If needed, increase the distance between the individual inverters and provide enough fresh air to ensure the optimal operation of the inverters.

The Sunny Island switches itself off automatically in the event of overtemperature.

#### Assembly

#### Observe the following conditions during mounting:

- The mounting method and mounting location must be suitable for the weight and dimensions of the Sunny Island.
- Mount on a solid surface.
- The installation location must be accessible at all times.
- The ambient temperature must be between -13 °F (-25 °C) and 122 °F (+50 °C).
- Do not expose the Sunny Island to direct sunlight to avoid power reduction (derating) due to excessive heating.
- Install the Sunny Island that way, that the display is at eye level in order to allow the operating status to be read at all times.
- Install vertically or tilted backwards by 45° max.
- Never install the device with a forward tilt.
- Do not mount in a horizontal position.
- The connection area may not point upwards.
- The room air can have a humidity of up to 100%, but this must not be condensing.







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

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



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





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

# 4.2.1 Mounting the Sunny Island on a Stone Wall

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

- If mounting onto a stone wall, ensure that the wall can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.
- If mounting onto a wooden wall with studs, ensure that the wall mounting bracket is firmly connected with all studs and that the studs can carry the weight of the Sunny Island.
- Place the wall mounting bracket against a suitable wall for mounting and align using a level. Mark the position of the drill holes using the wall mounting bracket. When doing this, use at least 1 hole on the left side and 1 hole on the right side of the wall mounting bracket.
- 2. Check the mounting location for the presence of current-carrying cables. If there are currentcarrying cables at the mounting location, select a different mounting location.
- 3. Drill holes on the markings for them.
- 4. Secure the wall mounting bracket to the wall using appropriate screws and washers. Tighten the screws in a clockwise direction.



### CAUTION

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

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

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

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- Screw the Sunny Island to the wall mounting bracket on both sides using the screws (Móx10) provided. Tighten the screws clockwise.
- 7. Make sure that the device is securely in place.

- Close the recessed grips with the fan grills provided. To help you identify the sides, the fan grills are marked with "links/left" and "rechts/ right" on the inside.
- ☑ The Sunny Island is mounted using the wall mounting bracket.



## 4.2.2 Mounting the Sunny Island Using Wall Studs



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

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

If the Sunny Island is to be mounted on wall studs, then use the holes in the wall mounting bracket as shown in the figures. Ensure that the wall mounting bracket is positioned at least over one wall stud. Note that the wall mounting bracket is designed to mount on a single wall stud or on 2 wall studs. When mounting to wall studs use minimum of four  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (8 mm) lag screws with a minimum length of 2 in. (50 mm).



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

Otherwise proceed as per the mounting on a stone wall (see section 4.2.1 "Mounting the Sunny Island on a Stone Wall" (page 34)).
## 5 Opening and Closing

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

## 5.1 Opening the Sunny Island

- 1. Stop the Sunny Island (see section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73)).
- 2. Disconnect the Sunny Island from voltage sources (see section 9.4 "Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources" (page 74)).
- 3. Ensure that the system cannot be accidentally switched on again.



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

- Wait 15 minutes before opening the Sunny Island, until its capacitors are discharged.
- 4. Loosen all 6 allen screws on the enclosure lid and set them aside.
- 5. Remove the enclosure lid and set it aside.
- ☑ The Sunny Island is open.



## 5.2 Closing the Sunny Island

#### DANGER

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

• Fasten the washers for all 6 screws with the toothing facing toward the enclosure lid.



#### Tighten the Screws with Washers in the Correct Order

Tighten the screws with 53 in-lbs (6 Nm) torque in the order shown. The toothing of the washers must face toward the enclosure lid.

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



- 2. Commission the Sunny Island as described in section 9.1 "Switching on" (page 72)
- ${f {f D}}$  The Sunny Island is closed and in operation.

## **6** Electrical Connection

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



Use cable ducts to install the cables on the DC and AC sides on the Sunny Island. The cable ducts guarantee a dust-free and waterproof installation of the cables in the enclosure and also provide strain relief for the cable connection. Close all unused openings in the enclosure using the appropriate filler plugs.

Use the provided terminal blocks to connect the cables inside the Sunny Island enclosure in a manner conforming to the appropriate standards.

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

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

Terminal	Bolt clamp	Wire Size	Wire type
DC connections	50 in-lbs. (5.7 Nm)	AWG 10 - AWG 2/0 (6 mm² – 70 mm²)	Only use copper conductors. These must be rated for at least 167°F (75°C). Do not use fine-wire strands.

Terminal	Bolt clamp	Wire Size	Wire type
AC connections	22 in-lbs. – 39 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm – 4.5 Nm)	AWG 4 (25 mm²)	Only use copper conductors. These must be rated for at least 167°F (75°C). Do not use fine-wire strands.
Additional Connections	5 – 7 in. lbs. (0.56 Nm – 0.79 Nm)	AWG 30 – AWG 12 (0.05 mm² - 4 mm²)	Only use copper conductors. These must be rated for at least 167°F (75°C).

An overview of the different components and their connection areas of the Sunny Island 5048U can be found in section 2.2 "At a Glance" (page 22).

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

- Grounding (section 6.5 "Interface for External Communication" (page 60))
- DC connection (section 6.2 "DC terminal" (page 43))
- AC connection (section 6.3 "AC Connection" (page 46))
- Battery temperature sensor (section 6.4.1 "Battery Temperature Sensor" (page 50))
- Battery current sensor (section 6.4.2 "Battery Current Sensor" (page 52))
- Communication for multi-device connection (section 6.4.3 "Communication for Multi-device Connection" (page 53))
- Multi-function relay 1 and 2 (section 6.4.4 "Multi-function Relay 1 and 2" (page 55))
- External communication (section 6.5 "Interface for External Communication" (page 60)).

## 6.1 Grounding

#### WARNING

Risk of lethal electric shock.

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

### WARNING

Risk of lethal electric shock due to faulty grounding.

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

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

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

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

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

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#### Connecting the grounding conductor



- 1. Install a conduit with a diameter of 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> in. (38.1 mm) at the opening in the center of the Sunny Island. Attach the conduit in the inside of the Sunny Island using the appropriate nut.
- 2. Pull the cabling through the supply line from the inside of the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
- 3. Remove the protective insulation from the groundig conductor.
- 4. Plug the grounding conductor into the DC connection block for grounding and tighten the screw to a torque of 50 in.-lbs. (5.7 Nm).
- ☑ The grounding conductor is connected.

#### Calculating the cross-section of a grounding conductor

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



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

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

## 6.2 DC terminal

#### NOTICE

Function impairments of devices on the DC busbar.

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

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

## 6.2.1 Safety Precautions/Conditions

Connect a suitable battery to the DC side (see section 22 "Technical Data" (page 216)). The DC connection must observe all applicable local ordinances and guidelines.

#### WARNING

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

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

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

## 6.2.2 Cable Sizing

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#### Keep the Cables to the Battery as Short as Possible

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



#### **Choice of Cable Cross-sections**

SMA recommends choosing cable cross-sections greater than those given by NEC 250.122 in the case of cable lengths exceeding 32.8 ft (10 m).

#### **Example of Cable Sizing**

With a 48 V battery voltage and an outgoing AC power of 5 000 W, a current of up to 140 A flows through the SI 5048U battery cable.

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

Cable Cross-section	Power loss	Voltage drop
AWG 1/0 (50 mm²)	2.6 W/ft. (8,5 W/m)	18 mV/ft. (60 mV/m)
AWG 2/0 (70 mm²)	1.8 W/ft. (6 W/m)	14 mV/ft. (45 mV/m)

#### Example:

For a 32.8 ft. (10-meter) distance between the Sunny Island and the battery, at least 65.6 ft. (20 m) of cable are needed (distance there and back). Using a cross-section of AWG 1/0 (50 mm<sup>2</sup>), 140 A (current flowing through the battery cable) cause a power loss of 170 W in total and an effective voltage drop of 1.2 V.

#### Calculation of the Average Nominal Current of the Battery

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

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

$$I_{Bot} = Nominal current of the battery$$

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

$$U_{Bot} = Nominal voltage of the battery$$

 $\eta_{INV}$  = Efficiency of the inverter at a given AC power

### 6.2.3 Cable Protection

In addition to the internal DC circuit breaker, install a separate, external fuse as close as possible to the battery. Install a suitable fuse plug for the fuse according to the maximum specified DC currents.



When doing so, observe all applicable local standards and guidelines.

## 6.2.4 Connecting the Sunny Island to the DC side

## WARNING

Risk of lethal electric shock.

• Connect the external fuse and the battery cable to the battery only after all installation work has been completed.

#### Requirements

- 1 conduit with a diameter of 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> in. (38.1 mm) is installed at the opening in the middle of the Sunny Island (see section 6.1 "Grounding" (page 41)).
- The conduit is attached inside the Sunny Island with a suitable nut.

#### Installing the DC connection

- 1. Pull the positive DC cable through the conduit from the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
- 2. Pull the negative DC cable through the conduit from the distribution board into the enclosure of the Sunny Island.
- 3. Remove the protective insulation from the positive and the negative DC cable.



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#### **DC Connection Area**

The space between the conductor and the connection area must be clean. This way a transition resistance and the heating of the terminals is reduced.

The Sunny Island has a MAX DC terminal rated for 2x #2/0 AWG for DC+, DC- and PE.

- 4. Plug the negative DC lines into the "DC-" connection block and tighten the screw to a torque of 50 in.-lbs. (5.7 Nm).
- Plug the positive DC lines in to the "DC+" connection block and tighten the screw to a torque of 50 in.-lbs. (5.7 Nm).



#### DC Cables

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

The Sunny Island has a MAX DC terminal rated for 2x#2/0 for Pos, Neg and PE.

## 6.3 AC Connection

### 6.3.1 Line Fuse

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

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



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

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



#### Maximum permissible input current

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



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

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

## 6.3.2 AC1 (Loads/Sunny Boys)

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

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

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



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

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



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

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



#### Connection in a Split-Phase System

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



#### Double Split-Phase System

In a double split-phase system, connect the master and slave 2 to phase L1. In a double split-phase system, connect the slave 1 and the slave 3 to phase L2.



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

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



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

If in a 3-phase system a phase fails on the master, the cluster stops. If a phase fails on a slave, the cluster can either continue to operate or switch off. Whether the cluster continues to work or disconnects depends on the setting of the parameter "250.30 RnMod" (see section 19.2.5 "System Settings (250#)" (page 181)).

#### Connecting the AC1 lines:



#### Cable cross-section

The maximum cable cross-section for connecting the loads / PV inverters is 4 AWG (25  $\rm mm^2).$ 

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



- Insert PE into the terminal labeled "AC1 Loads/Sunny Boys" and tighten the fastening screw with a torque of 22 in-lbs. – 39 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm – 4.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
- Insert N and L into the terminals labeled "AC1 Loads/Sunny Boys" and tighten the fastening screws with a torque of 22 in-lbs. – 39 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm – 4.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
- ☑ The AC1 cables are connected.

## 6.3.3 AC2 (Generator/Grid)

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



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

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



#### 1-phase parallel system

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



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

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



#### Split-Phase System

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



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

In a double split-phase system, connect the master and slave 2 to phase L1. In a double split-phase system, connect the slave 1 and the slave 3 to phase L2.



#### 3-phase system

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



#### Additional Fuses in the System

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

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

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

#### Connecting the AC2 Lines (Generator/Grid):



#### Cable cross-section

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

- Install a conduit with a diameter of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> in. (19 mm) at the right opening on the left side of the Sunny Island enclosure. Fasten the conduit on the inside of the Sunny Island with a counter nut.
- 2. Install the conduit on the distribution board.
- 3. Pull the cable from the distribution board through the conduit into the Sunny Island.
- 4. Remove the protective insulation of the 3 conductors (length to be stripped:  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (18 mm)).
- Insert PE into the terminal labeled "AC2 Gen/Grid" and tighten the fastening screw with a torque of 22 in-lbs. – 39 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm – 4.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.
- Insert N and L into the terminals labeled "AC2 Gen/Grid" and tighten the fastening screws with a torque of 22 in-lbs. – 39 in-lbs. (2.5 Nm – 4.5 Nm). Use a torque wrench with flat-head screwdriver bit SZS 1.0 x 6.5.



## 6.4 Additional Connections

For installing the connections described below, feed the cables through the specified holes in the cable insert. Plugs for sealing the RJ45 communication cable for internal and external communication are provided in the rubber terminal block upon delivery. Combining plugs allows you to establish up to 4 cable entries (2 plugs without entry, 1 with 1 entry and 2 with 2 entries). Use the plugs with entries as needed to connect the communication cables.



## 6.4.1 Battery Temperature Sensor

The battery temperature sensor measures the temperature of the connected battery. This is necessary since the optimum charging voltage for a battery strongly depends on the temperature. Further information is provided in section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107).

A battery temperature sensor (included in the delivery) must be connected in order to operate the Sunny Island. In case of a fault (short-circuit, cable break), the Sunny Island operates in a safe setting, which over time, however, leads to insufficient battery charging. A warning indicating that the defective battery temperature sensor should be replaced immediately is displayed.

#### NOTICE

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

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



#### Battery Temperature Sensor in a cluster

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

#### **Connecting the Battery Temperature Sensor**



#### **Polarity of the Cables**

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

- 1. Pierce the appropriate place on the cable insert with a pointed object.
- 2. Starting from the outside, feed the cables with wire end sleeves through the hole in the Sunny Island.



- 3. Connect the cables correspondingly to the "BatTmp" connection of the 4-pole print terminal included in delivery.
- 4. Tighten the terminals (torque: 5 in-lbs. 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm 0.79 Nm)).
- 5. Insert the 4-pole print terminal into the "BatTmp" socket on the Sunny Island.
- 6. Attach the battery temperature sensor externally to one of the battery cells. Choose a spot between two cells and the middle area of the battery bank. The heat generation during operation is the greatest here.

## 6.4.2 Battery Current Sensor

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

#### NOTICE

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

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

• Install an external battery current sensor (shunt).

#### Example:



**Connecting the Battery Current Sensor** 



#### Use Cables of Intrinsically Safe Circuits

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



#### Installation Information

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

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



#### Commissioning the Battery Temperature Sensor

When connecting a battery current sensor to the Sunny Island, the device's internal offset must be adjusted during the first commissioning of the off-grid power system. To do this, proceed as described in section 8.3 "Connecting the Battery Current Sensor" (page 70).

## 6.4.3 Communication for Multi-device Connection

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

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

- 1. Remove one of the two plugs from the cable insert.
- 2. Feed the RJ45 cable from the outside through the plugs inside the Sunny Island master.
- 3. Remove the terminating resistor from the "ComSyncOut" socket of the master and plug it into the "CompSyncIn" socket of the master.
- 4. Plug the RJ45 cable into the "ComSyncOut" socket.

5. Connect the Sunny Island master to the slave.

Number of slaves	Con	nection Procedure
1 slave	•	Take the RJ45 cable leading away from the master, introduce it into the Sunny Island slave and plug it into the "ComSyncIn" socket.
	•	Leave the termination resistor plugged into the "ComSyncOut" socket.
	Ø	The Sunny Island master and slave are connected.
2 slaves	•	Take the RJ45 cable leading away from the master, introduce it into the Sunny Island slave 1 and plug it into the "ComSyncIn" socket there.
	•	Remove the terminating resistor from the "ComSyncOut" socket in the Sunny Island slave 1.
	•	Plug the RJ45 cable included in delivery into the "ComSyncOut" socket of the slave 1.
	•	Take the RJ45 cable leading away from the slave 1, introduce it into the Sunny Island slave 2 and plug it into the "ComSyncIn" socket there.
	Ø	The Sunny Island master and the slaves are connected.

Master



Slave 2



## 6.4.4 Multi-function Relay 1 and 2

The Sunny Island offers you several options for the control of internal and external processes. For this purpose, two multi-function relays are integrated into the Sunny Island to which you can assign functions using the "241.01 Rly1Op" and "241.02 Rly2Op" parameters (see section 15 "Relays" (page 136)).

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



#### **Operating Principles of the Relays**

The relays are changeover contacts; they can be used as normally closed contacts (NCC) or as normally open contacts (NOC).

You can only assign one function to each relay!

#### **Connection to the Relay Contact**

Danger to life from electric shock due to incorrect insulation.

- Securely disconnect the relay cable from the communication area and the AC area.
- Strip the insulated conductors of the relay cable.
- Sheathe all relay cables installed using the silicone tube provided.
- Do not operate the device without the silicone tube.
- 1. Pierce the appropriate place on the cable insert with a pointed object.
- 2. Starting from the outside, feed the cables with wire end sleeves through the hole in the Sunny Island.
- 3. Cut an appropriate piece from the silicone tube (included in the delivery) and pull it over the wires.



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



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

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#### Power Contactor for Load Shedding

The Sunny Island can automatically switch off loads to protect the batteries from deep discharge. To do this, an external (AC or DC) power contactor must be installed between the Sunny Island and the loads (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 101)).

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

#### Power Supply of the DC Power Contactor

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

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



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#### **Generator start**

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



#### **Default Setting of the Relays**

By default, relay 1 is set to the generator start function "AutoGn" and relay 2 is set to the load shed function "AutoLodSoc".

## 6.4.5 BatVtgOut Power Supply

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

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

#### Connecting the BatVtgOut Power Supply

- 1. Pierce the appropriate place on the cable insert with a pointed object.
- 2. Starting from the outside, feed the cables with wire-end sleeves through the hole in the Sunny Island.
- 3. Connect the cables to the "BatVtgOut" connection of the 4-pole print terminal.
- 4. Tighten the print terminal screws (torque: 5 in-lbs. 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm 0.79 Nm)).
- ☑ The BatVtgOut power supply is connected.



## 6.4.6 DigIn Digital Input

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

Range of the Input Voltage at the DigIn Input

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



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#### **Related Functions**

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

#### Connect the DigIn Digital Input

- 1. Pierce the appropriate place on the cable insert with a pointed object.
- 2. Starting from the outside, feed the cables with wire-end sleeves through the hole in the Sunny Island.
- 3. Connect the cables correspondingly to the "DigIn" connection of the 4-pole print terminal.
- 4. Tighten the print terminal screws (torque: 5 in-lbs. 7 in-lbs. (0.56 Nm 0.79 Nm)).
- ☑ The DigIn digital input is connected.



## 6.5 Interface for External Communication

You can connect communication devices from SMA Solar Technology (e.g., Sunny Boy Control, Sunny WebBox) or a PC with the appropriate software to a communication interface. A detailed wiring diagram can be found in the communication device manual, of the software or on the Internet at www.SMA-America.com.

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



#### Powerline Modem (NLM)

Communication via Powerline/Powerline modem (NLM) is not possible in off-grid power systems.



#### Communication in a cluster

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

## 6.5.1 Connection of the Interface for External Communication

#### NOTICE

Destruction of the communication interface through electrostatic discharge.

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

• Ground yourself before touching components.

#### **Connect the Interface for External Communication**

1. Remove the right plug from the cable insert.



Marker	Description
A	Slot for communication interface
В	Cable route
С	Enclosure entry in the base of the Sunny Island

- 2. Feed the cable from the outside through the cable entry (C) inside the Sunny Island.
- 3. Plug the cable into the "ComSmaln" socket.
- 4. Place the plug around the cable.
- 5. Reinsert the plug in the opening provided in the cable insert.
- 6. Lay the cable in area (B).
- 7. Connect the cable. Assignment pins in the RJ45 socket:

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

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

# Connecting Sunny Island to Sunny Boy and Sunny WebBox with one RS485 cable



# Connecting Sunny Island to Sunny Boy and Sunny WebBox with seperate RS485 cables



#### **Data Transmission Speed**

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



#### Setting the Baud Rate

If PV inverters are connected to the communication bus, then the baud rate must be set to 1,200 bps (default setting).

## 7 Control Elements

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



Marker	Description
A	Display
В	Red LED
С	Green LED
D	Control buttons
E	Slot for the SD card
F	DC Circuit Breaker

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## 7.1 Display Messages

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



#### Meaning of the symbols

You will find information on the meaning of the individual symbols in section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)" (page 87).



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

For more information see section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)" (page 87).

## 7.2 DC Circuit Breaker

The DC circuit breaker is used to switch on/off as well as to disconnect the Sunny Island on the DC side. For details, see section 9 "Switching On and Off" (page 72).

### 7.3 Buttons

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

Button	Function
	cancels the selected function
ESC	answers NO
	navigates one menu level higher
	stops device (when held pressed down)
	navigates up one list element, increases data value
	navigates down one list element, decreases data value
	selects function
ENTER	selects value
	confirms change
	answers YES
	navigates one menu level down
	starts device (when held pressed down)
	stops device (when held pressed down)

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

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

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

## 7.5 SD Card

The Sunny Island features an SD card which can be used for updating firmware and as a service interface. For details, see section 11 "Archiving Data on an SD Card" (page 92).

## 8 Initial Start-up

### 8.1 Requirements



#### Check the connections

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



#### Always save data

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

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

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

## 8.2 Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)



#### Occurrence of an Error

If the device displays an error message unexpectedly, this error must be fixed before the device can be put into operation. For this purpose, refer to section 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 195).



#### **Default Setting of Parameters**

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

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

- 1. Switch the Sunny Island's DC circuit breaker to the "ON" position.
  - ☑ The Sunny Island initiates the start-up phase. The notifications shown here are displayed. The last notification is displayed as soon as the start-up phase is completed.

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- $\ \ 2. \ \ {\rm Press \ and \ hold \ down \ < Enter > until the \ \ {\rm Sunny \ Island \ beeps \ three \ times.} }$ 
  - ☑ The QCG is started.

01#StartMenu Start System



#### Systems with several Sunny Islands

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

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

- 3. Use "New System" to set the following parameters:
  - Device type (master, slave1, slave2, slave3)



#### Systems with One Sunny Island

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

- System configuration (see table for setting options)

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

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



#### **Battery types**

#### VRLA: Valve Regulated Lead Acid

Closed lead acid batteries with immobilized electrolyte in gel or AGM (Absorbent Glass Mat Separator) in all standard designs available on the market (grid plate, tubular plate, small, large, AGM, Gel, etc.).

#### FLA: Flooded Lead Acid

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

#### NiCd: Nickel Cadmium

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

- Adjustable for FLA and VRLA: Nominal voltage of the battery 42 V 52 V adjustable in 2V- steps; default setting 48 V. For NiCd: Nominal voltage of the battery 43.2 V to 48 V adjustable in 1.2 V-steps; default setting 45.6 V.
- Nominal capacity of the battery (100 Ah 10,000 Ah), default setting: "100 Ah"

- External power supply unit

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

GenGrid:

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

Grid:

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

Gen:

- Maximum generator current (0 A 224 A), default setting: "30 A"
- Generator interface (Manual, GenMan, Autostart), default setting: "Autostart"
- 4. The following parameters must be set when "New Battery" is selected:
  - Battery type (VRLA, FLA, NiCd), default setting: "VRLA"
  - Nominal battery voltage (42 to 52 V in 2-V steps for FLA and VRLA, 43.2 V to 48 V in 1.2-V steps for NiCd), presetting is "48.0 V"
  - Nominal capacity of the battery (100 Ah 10,000 Ah), default setting: "100 Ah"
  - After entering all parameters, the following notification appears.

INIT MASTER OK START?

5. Press <Enter> to confirm.

☑ The notification shown here is displayed.

STNDBY: To Start INV hold (ENTER)

- 6. Press <Enter> and hold until you hear a peep.
- ☑ The Sunny Island has started and is in operation.



#### **Adjustable Parameters**

For more information on adjustable parameters, see section 19 "Parameter lists" (page 150).

Note that some parameters can only be changed after entering the installer password (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85)), or in standby mode (see section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73)).

## 8.3 Connecting the Battery Current Sensor

If you have installed a battery current sensor in your system you must calibrate the device's internal offset. To do this, proceed as follows:

1. Put the Sunny Island in standby, as described in section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73).

## NOTICE! Entering incorrect parameters endangers operational safety. Damage to the off-grid system and its components. All parameters which could affect the operating safety of the off-grid power system are protected by the installer password.

- Only qualified personnel are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.
- Enter the password as described in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85).
- 2. Short-circuit the battery current sensor cables.
  - BatCur+ to terminal 1
  - BatCur- to terminal 1



3. Set the following parameters:

Choose the type of battery current sensor:

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

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6. Check the offset error:

"120.06 TotBatCur" should be around zero.

- Connect the battery current sensor cables correctly again, as shown in the figure. Make sure the wires have the correct polarity when doing this.
  - BatCur+ to terminal 1
  - BatCur- to terminal 2



- 8. Start the Sunny Island (see section 9.1 "Switching on" (page 72)).
- 9. Check the current direction: "120.06 TotBatCur".

#### Current Direction: Discharging the Battery

- No generator / grid connected
- Loads are being supplied

The value of the battery current is positive.

#### **Current Direction: Charging the Battery**

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

The value of the battery current is negative.

## 9 Switching On and Off

## 9.1 Switching on



#### Systems with Several Sunny Island Inverters

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

- 1. Check the following requirements:
  - correct electrical connections
  - voltages and polarities.
- 2. Switch the Sunny Island's DC circuit breaker to the "ON" position.
  - ☑ The Sunny Island's display lights up.



#### "250.01 AutoStr" Parameter

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

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

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3. Wait 5 seconds (QCG starts automatically) **or** manually start QCG (press and hold down <ENTER> until the Sunny Island beeps 3 times).

 The QCG is started and the notice shown here is displayed. Continue as described in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66).
 or
 Wait 5 seconds.

01#StartMenu Start System
- ☑ The Sunny Island skips the QCG and the notification shown here is displayed.
- Press <Enter> and keep pressed.
  ✓ Process bars is shown in the display.
  - ☑ On a slave, the notification displayed here is shown until the master is started.

STNDBY: To Start INV hold (ENTER)

Hold to start...

Ready Wait for Master

- 5. Press <Enter> on the master.
- ${f Z}$  A peep is heard. The Sunny Island is in operation and the green LED is on.

# 9.2 Stopping (Standby)

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#### Standby

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

Proceed as follows to stop the Sunny Island:

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

☑ The notification shown here is displayed.

2. Press and hold <Enter>.

☑ The remaining time is displayed as a bar.

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

Hold to stop...

Hold to stop...

STNDBY: To Start INV hold (ENTER)

# 9.3 Switching off

To switch off the Sunny Island, proceed as follows:



#### "Disconnection sequence"

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

- 1. Stop the Sunny Island as described in section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73).
- 2. Switch the Sunny Island's DC circuit breaker to the "OFF" position.
- ☑ The Sunny Island is switched off.

### 9.4 Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources

- 1. Switch off the Sunny Island as described in section 9.3 "Switching off" (page 74).
- 2. Disconnect the Sunny Island from the battery.
- 3. Disconnect the Sunny Island from the voltage sources (AC1 and AC2). Separate AC1 and AC2 and disconnect from voltage sources.

☑ When PV inverters connected to AC1 sense a power outage, they shut themselves down automatically.

- 4. Check that the Sunny Island has been disconnected from voltage sources.
- 5. Wait at least 15 minutes to let the capacitors discharge and to allow the voltage inside the device to drop to a safe level.
- $\blacksquare$  The Sunny Island is free of voltage.

### 9.5 Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown

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

### NOTICE

Damage to the Sunny Island and connected devices.

- Disconnect the loads only.
- Do not disconnect generators.
- Install an external load-shedding contactor if the off-grid power system on the AC generating side is coupled to PV generators or wind generators.

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

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

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

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

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

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3. Switch the Sunny Island's DC circuit breaker to the "ON" position.

☑ The Sunny Island's display lights up.



#### Switching on the DC Circuit Breaker

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

4. Switch on the Sunny Island as described in section 9.1 "Switching on" (page 72).



#### Charging the Batteries

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

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



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

If, after reactivation, the Sunny Island immediately switches into battery preservation mode (see section 13.5 "Battery Preservation Mode" (page 111)), disconnect all loads from the AC output.

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

For more information refer to section 20.10 "Procedure During Emergency Charge Mode" (page 212).

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# 10 Operation

The main menu consists of a "Home Screen" and the main menu entries, which split up into the different menu levels. Operating modes are displayed on the Home Screen, e.g., the current operating mode, performance, etc. (see section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)" (page 87)).

The menu consists of a main menu and a maximum of two sub-menu levels (see section 10.1 "Menu Structure" (page 77)).

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



#### Fast Access to Menus

If you would like to access sub-menu 7, go backwards starting from "1" over "9", instead of going six steps forwards.

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



#### Switching to the "Home Screen" after Inactivity

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



#### **Background Illumination**

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



#### **Button Sound**

The button sound is switched on by default. To deactivate it, set the "250.04 BeepEna" parameter to off. If "250.04 BeepEna" is set to off, the Sunny Island does not alert faults and errors with an acoustic warning signal.



#### Slave Devices Wait for Commands from the master Devices.

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

Ready	I	
Wait	for	Master

The Sunny Island utilizes an operation concept referred to as **"Single Point of Operation"**. For a system with more than one device, all entries are made on the master. There you configure the entire system, confirm events, warnings and errors in the QCG (see section 8 "Initial Start-up" (page 66)), and update your firmware when required (see section 11.6 "Updating the Firmware" (page 98)).

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



### Single Point of Operation

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



#### Messages

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

### 10.1 Menu Structure

The navigation area includes the "Home Screen" and the following main menu items

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

The main menus are divided into several sub-menus.

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

#### NOTICE

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

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

- Only electrically skilled persons are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.
- Enter the password as described in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85).

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

- User level
- Installer level (password required).

The menu items and parameters which allow the changing of system parameters are accessible after entering the installer password (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85)).

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### Overview of the Menu Structure

Home Screen 100# Meters	 110#	Inverter Meters —	-	111# 112# 113# 114#	Inverter Total Meters Inverter Device Meters Inverter Slave 1 Meters Inverter Slave 2 Meters	
	120#	Battery Meters		115#	Inverter Slave3 Meters	
	130#	External Meters —		131# 132# 133# 134#	Total Meters Grid State Generator State Device Meters	
	140#	Charge Controller —	7	135# 136# 137#	Slave1 Meters Slave2 Meters Slave3 Meters	
	150#	Compact Meters		138#	CHP Meters	
200# Settings	 • 210#	Inverter Settings		Menu i Sunny I The Su listed.	tem can only be selected i Island Charger is installed nny Island Charger is not	if UL-
	220#	Battery Settings —	-	221# 222# 223# 224# 225#	Battery Property Battery Charge Mode Battery Protection Battery Silent Mode Battery Current Sensor	
		<b>E</b>				
	230#	External Settings — Relay Settings —		231# 232# 233# 234# 235#	Ext General Grid Control Grid Start Generator Control Generator Start	
	250#	System Settings		230#	CHP Start	
	200#	Password Seming	4	241#	Relay General	
300# Diagnosis	 310#	Inverter Diagnosis —	7	242# 243# 244#	Relay Timer Relay Slave 1	
	320#	Battery Diagnosis		245# 246#	Relay Slave2 Relay Slave3	
	330#	External Diagnosis—	╶┶	311#	System Total Diagnosis	
400# Failure/Event	 410# 420# 430#	Failures Current Failure History Event History		312# 313# 314# 315#	Inverter Slave 1 Diagnosis Inverter Slave 2 Diagnosis Inverter Slave 3 Diagnosis	; 5 5 5
500# Operation	 510#	Operation Inverter	_ <b>_</b> ₽;	331# 332#	Grid Diagnosis Generator Diagnosis	
	520# 540# 550# 560#	Operation Battery Operation Generator Operation MMC Operation Grid				
600# Direct Access	 Select I	Name: Number:				

#### 100# Meters - Display values:

In this main menu you will find the display values for the following components of the off-grid power system:

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

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

#### 200# Settings

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

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

#### 300# Diagnosis

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

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

#### 400# Failure/Event

The following sub-menus contain various failure and event lists:

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

#### 500# Operation - Functions during operation

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

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

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

This is a main menu that gives you direct access to the settings and display values (see section 10.3 "Direct Access (to the parameters)" (page 81)).

### **10.2 Changing Parameters**

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

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

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



#### Increment Size (speed)

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

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

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

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



#### **Changing Parameters**

Note that some parameters can only be changed when the device is in standby mode (see section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73)). The parameters for which this applies can be found in the tables in sections 19.2 "Adjustable parameters" (page 159) and 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 195).

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

Display	Description
No permission to chan9e the value	Incorrect password level, you cannot make any changes in the menus. This is explained in section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85).
	All menu items and parameters that can only be changed by the installer are shown with a gray background in the parameter list (see section 19 "Parameter lists" (page 150).
Stop device to chan9e the value	This parameter can only be changed in standby mode. Stop the Sunny Island to change the parameter (see section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73)).

# 10.3 Direct Access (to the parameters)

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

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

- GnManStr: manual starting of the generator (see section 14.1.4 "Manual Generator Operation" (page 118)),
- ManChargSel: manual starting of equalization charge (see section 13.4.3 "Equalization Charge" (page 110)).

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



#### Example:

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

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

Exit the menu level after the parameter has been set.

### 10.4 Compact Meters

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

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



#### Selecting the range of values

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

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

### Bat 1 (Battery Value 1)



Marker	Description
A	Compact Meter name
В	Present battery charge state (BatSoc)
С	Estimated error of the charge state (BatSocErr)
D	Total battery current of the cluster (TotBatCur)
E	Battery temperature (BatTmp)

### Bat 2 (Battery Value 2)



Marker	Description
А	Compact Meter name
В	Battery voltage (BatVtg)
С	Nominal value of charging voltage (BatChrgVtg)
D	Active charging process (BatChrgOp)
E	Remaining absorption time [AptTmRmg]

### Inv (AC values of inverter)



Marker	Description
A	Compact Meter name
В	Present voltage at the inverter (InvVtg)
С	Present frequency at the inverter (InvFrq)
D	Present active power of the inverter (InvPwrAt)
E	Present reactive power at the inverter (InvPwrPt)

### InvTot (total AC values of inverter)



Marker	Description
А	Compact Meter name
В	Total active power of the inverter (cluster)
С	Total reactive power of the inverter (cluster)

### Ext (AC values of external source)



Marker	Description
A	Compact Meter name
В	Voltage of the external source (ExtVtg)
С	Frequency of the external source (ExtFrq)
D	Active power of the external source (ExtPwrAt)
E	Reactive power of the external source (ExtPwrPt)

### ExtTot (total AC values of external source)



Marker	Description
А	Compact Meter name
В	Total active power of the external source (cluster)
С	Total reactive power of the external source (cluster)

### **OpStt (Inverter and Generator Status)**



Marker	Description
A	Compact Meter name
В	Operating state of the inverter (InvOpStt)
С	State of the generator (GnStt)

# 10.5 Entering the Installer Password

#### NOTICE

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

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

• Only qualified personnel are permitted to set and adjust system parameters.



#### Do not Disclose the Password to Unauthorized Persons

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



#### Enter Password

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

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

### Password = Sum of digits of the operating hours.

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

- Keep pressing the down arrow button until you reach the menu "200# Settings".
- 2. Press <ENTER>.
- Keep pressing the down arrow button until you reach the menu "280# Password Setting".
- 4. Press <ENTER>.

☑ The sub-menu for "280# Password Setting" opens.

- 5. Press <ENTER>.
- 6. Determining the password. Calculate the sum of the digits of the operating hours. In the message shown here:

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PW:** Level[0]
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OnTmh 123456 h

OnTmh 123456 h

Level[0]

200# Settings

280# Passuord

Set.t.ing

Phises

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

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

PW:21	Level[1]
OnTmh	123456 h



#### Switching Operating Levels

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

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

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

# 10.6 Display Messages (Overview)

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

### "Home Screen"



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

In the Home Screen, the Sunny Island also shows the following values in succession (in 3-second intervals: parameter name and parameter value) in the upper line:

- Bar graph for output power or charging power (the direction of energy flow is displayed by the arrows in the lower line)
- Total active power of the inverter (cluster)
- Active power of external source (total of all phases)
- Present state of charge of the battery (SOC)
- Counters (always one of five possibilities, depending on priority)
  - remaining absorption time
  - remaining generator warm-up time
  - remaining Run1h time for the generator
  - remaining time of Timer 1
  - remaining time of Timer2

• Active charging process



#### Situation-Dependent Value Display

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



#### **Messages on the Slave Devices**

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

### Meaning of the Symbols Appearing on the "Home Screen"

Symbol	Meaning
1	Nominal power
>	Nominal load exceeded.
÷ ÷	Direction of energy flow between grid/generator side, battery and load side.
E	Generator/grid side is on.
ü	Battery
	Load side (loads/Sunny Boys)
÷	Power pole
₩.r	The Sunny Island is working with grid limits.
Ŧ×	The Sunny Island is working with generator limits.
M1	The Sunny Island is configured as master.
S1	The Sunny Island is configured as slave 1.
S2	The Sunny Island is configured as slave 2.
-11-	Status of the external source:
	Voltage and frequency of the generator/grid are within set limits.
2	Status of the external source:
•	Voltage and frequency of the generator/grid are not within set limits. In this case, the Sunny Island does not connect the generator to the off-grid power system.

Symbol	Meaning
	Status of the external source is displayed (at position E):
•	The maximum admissible generator reverse power was exceeded; the Sunny Island has disconnected the generator from the off-grid power system.
	Request reason " <b>B</b> attery":
	The generator has been requested as a result of the battery charge level.
Ĺ.	Request reason " <b>C</b> ycle":
)	The generator was requested via the generator operation's time-dependent repetition cycle (parameter: 235.17 GnTmOpCyc).
	This symbol can only be shown in Multicluster operation.
<b>i</b>	Request reason "External":
	The generator was requested via the extension cluster. This request can only take place in multicluster operation.
1	Request reason "Load":
<b>L</b>	The generator has been requested as a result of the load-dependent generator request.
C	Request reason "Start":
	The generator has been requested by the operator manually setting the generator request in the Sunny Island from "Auto" to "Start". The generator is then <b>no longer</b> automatically controlled or switched off by the Sunny Island.
	Request reason " <b>T</b> ime":
•	The generator was started for one hour using the "Run1h" setting in the Sunny Island. Once this time has passed, the Sunny Island automatically switches off the generator.
•	Display for relays (solid circle = the relay is activated / empty circle = the relay is deactivated).
	Warning message is displayed (at position (H):
•	This symbol blinks until you have confirmed the warning or the error in the menu "#410 Failures Current" or "#420 Failure History".

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#### Display "Generator Status" and "Request Reason"

Both indications mentioned above are alternatively displayed as status of the external source.

#### Example:

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



#### Stopping the Generator Manually

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



#### Indications of a Warning

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

### 10.7 Parameter Display

Parameters on the Sunny Island are displayed as follows:

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

02#AptTmBoost 120 min 🛛 🖊



#### Parameter/Value List

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



#### Syntax for Menus and Parameters

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

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

A parameter is identified by the menu number, period, parameter number and the name of the parameter (120.02BatVtg).

### 10.8 Display of Events

The Sunny Island can display a list of events:

The running count of the events is on the upper line; the date and time display changes in 2-second intervals On the lower line are the number of the event and the corresponding short text.

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

001 10.08.2009 Silent

# 10.9 Display of Warnings and Failures

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

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

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

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

001 11:55:01 C F208 Warning

001 10.08.2009 C BatVt9Hi



#### **Direct Access to the Error List**

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

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# 11 Archiving Data on an SD Card

The Sunny Island can save firmware, parameters and measuring data on a multimedia card (MMC/ SD card) that must be FAT-16-formatted and may have a maximum capacity of 2GB (possible memory capacities are 32/64/128/256/512 MB as well as 1 GB and 2 GB). Use the SD card included in delivery solely for the Sunny Island. Do not save any multimedia data on the SD card.

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



#### Format example

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

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



#### Type of Memory Card

SMA recommends using MMC/SD cards manufactured by Transcend.

If you use a memory card from another manufacturer, check whether the card is FAT16-formatted. If necessary, format the card. Be aware that data stored on the card will be lost.

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

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Back - O - A	Search C Fold	ars 1020 037	× IO m.		AL.
Address C E 1		104 2			<b>T</b> [] (a
Name o	976	Type	Date Modified		
m hatstat.sma	5.KB	SMA File	12/1/2009 10:00 PM		
batstat.txt	3 KB	Text Document	12/1/2009 10:00 PM		
a011209.evt	10 KB	EVT File	12/1/2009 12:00 AM		
F si011209.log	1.005 KB	Text Document	12/1/2009 12:00 AM		
si051109.evt	10 KB	EVT File	11/5/2009 7:06 AM		
5 si051109.log	1,005 KB	Text Document	11/5/2009 7:06 AM		
si231109.evt	10 KB	EVT File	11/23/2009 12:00 AM		
E si231109.log	1,005 KB	Text Document	11/23/2009 12:00 AM		
🖬 si241109.evt	10 KB	EVT File	11/24/2009 12:00 AM		
🗄 si241109.log	1,005 KB	Text Document	11/24/2009 12:00 AM		
🖬 si251109.evt	10 KB	EVT File	11/25/2009 12:00 AM		
🗄 si251109.log	1,005 KB	Text Document	11/25/2009 12:00 AM		
🖬 sipar 1.lst	30 KB	LST File	11/5/2009 7:06 AM		
🖬 sipar2.lst	30 KB	LST File	11/5/2009 7:06 AM		
🖬 sipar.lst	30 KB	LST File	12/2/2009 12:00 AM		
🖬 update.bin	736 KB	BIN File	11/4/2009 1:12 PM		
i6 objects				5.76 MB	My Computer

File name	Meaning
evthism.log (evthisN.log for slaveN)	Event history of the device, saved by means of parameter "550.03 CardFunc",
	option StoEvtHis
failhism.log (failhisN.log for slaveN)	Failure history of the device, saved by means of parameter "550.03 CardFunc", option StoFailHis
si030607.evt	Event/failure history for the day
	(format: mmddyy)
si030607.log	Data recording for the day
	(format: mmddyy)
sipar 1.lst	Parameter list of the device, created by means of parameter "550.01 ParaSto", option Set1
sipar2.lst	Parameter list of the device, created by means of parameter "550.01 ParaSto", option Set2
sipar.lst	This file is saved after changing a parameter.
update.bin	Software for the device
batstat.txt	Statistical values of the battery. These values are saved every day at 10:00 p.m.
batstat.sma	Internal data from SMA
si.ccf	System information from Sunny Island.

The files on the SD card have the following meanings:



#### "BOOTEX.LOG" File

The "BOOTEX.LOG" file is not necessarily on the card. It is created depending on the operating system used (e.g., Windows XP or Windows2000).

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

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

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

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

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

- Battery
- Inverters
- System
- External source

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• Loads



#### **Always Save Data**

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

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

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

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



#### Log data

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

### 11.1 Inserting the SD Card

#### NOTICE

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

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

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



After inserting the SD card into the Sunny Island, the message shown is displayed, prohibiting the removal of the card.

Do	not	remov	e		
MMC	>SD	card			

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

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

MMC	operatin
fi	nished

☑ The Sunny Island initializes the SD card and writes a file "Sipar 1.1st" to the SD card.

In case of a fault, the following message appears:

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!	ļ	ļ	fa	i 1	ed	l	l	!

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# 11.2 Removing the SD Card

To ensure that all log data is saved upon deactivation, write all as-yet unsaved data from the buffer to the SD card by using the parameter "550.03 CardFunc" with the option "ForcedWrite".



#### Data loss

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

### 11.3 Saving and Loading Parameters

You can specify and use different settings with different parameter, i.e. for winter and summer. These sets of parameters are called set 1 and set 2. Using the "550.01 ParaSto" parameter, you can save the current parameter settings and using the "550.02 ParaLod" parameter, you can load the saved parameters.



#### Save Settings

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

When saving the parameters you have the following options:

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

When loading the parameters you have the following options:

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



#### SD Card Write Protection

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

# 11.4 Writing Log Data

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

If the Sunny Island is writing data to the SD card, removing the card is prohibited and the message shown here is displayed.

Do not remove MMC/SD card ...

### 11.5 Status Messages

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

Display	Description
07# CardStt Off	The SD card is deactivated.
07# CardStt Operational	The SD card is activated.
07# CardStt Out of Space	The memory capacity of your SD card has been exceeded.
07# CardStt Bad File Sys	The SD card has an invalid file format.
07# CardStt Incomp	The SD card is not compatible.
07# CardStt Parameter	Your Sunny Island is loading parameters from the SD card.
07# CardStt Param Failed	Loading parameters from SD card has failed.
07# CardStt Mount	The SD card is being accessed.
07# CardStt Write Lo9 Data	The Sunny Island is writing log data onto the SD card.

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# 11.6 Updating the Firmware

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



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#### Duration of the firmware update

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

Depending on the system configuration with more than one Sunny Island, updating the software might take up to 20 minutes.

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

Proceed as follows for a firmware update:

#### Note:

- You may only download firmware versions from www.SMA-America.com. Using unauthorized firmware versions cancels the warranty.
- None of the already-existing parameter settings are changed or erased during a firmware update.
- New parameters are assumed with default values.
- If there is an update to firmware version greater or equal to 5.000 the battery management is automatically reset. All set parameters are lost.
- Do not activate the DC circuit breaker during the firmware update.
- Do not switch off the Sunny Island during the firmware update.
- 1. Create a security copy of the existing parameter lists (see section 11.3 "Saving and Loading Parameters" (page 96)).
- 2. Download the current version of the firmware from the Internet at www.SMA-America.com.
- 3. Copy the "UPDATE.BIN" file onto the SD card.
- 4. Set the master device to standby.
- 5. Insert the SD card in the master's slot.
  - ☑ The update is carried out.



#### Reset after a successful update

After the update has been successfully completed a reset ensures the changes become effective. After the reset, the master device remains in standby mode.

- 6. Press <Enter> and keep pressed.
- ☑ The Sunny Island starts and the update is complete.



#### Starting QCG

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

### Firmware Update in a System with one Sunny Island Inverter

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

Update 1/2
Update 2/2
Load parameter
STNDBY: To Start INV hold <enter></enter>

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

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

While the master updates the slaves, the devices display, among others, the following messages.. The display duration of the display messages listed below may vary. Wait until the master displays the message "Update finished. Press Enter" and the slaves display the message "Ready. Wait for Master." Do no enter anything while the update is running.

Display message	Message shown by	Explanation
Start update Please wait	Master	Update of master starts.
Update 1/2 erase	Master	Update of master part 1/2.
Update 2/2 erase	Master	Update of master part 2/2.

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Display message	Message shown by	Explanation
i		
Start update Please wait	Master	Update of slaves starts.
:		
Update Slaves	Master	Update of slaves running.
÷		
Update finished Press Enter	Master	Update of master finished.
:		
Ready Wait for Master	Slave	Update of slaves finished.



### **Parameters and Settings**

Individual parameters and settings are retained during a firmware update.



### Switching on a Slave with a Different Firmware Version

If a slave with a different firmware version is switched on, first stop the master. All slaves stop. Then start the master again. The slaves start automaticaly and the master performs the firmware-update.

# **12 Additional Functions**

# 12.1 Load Shedding

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

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

You can avoid the Sunny Island's automatic shutdown by installing a power contactor for load shedding. If the battery shows a low SOC, the power contactor disconnects the loads in the off-grid power system automatically. The Sunny Island remains in operation and can charge the battery.

Install an external (AC or DC) power contactor between the Sunny Island and the loads (see also section 21 "Accessories" (page 215)).

### NOTICE

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

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



The graphic shows an example for the settings that minimize the load shedding function at night. From 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. the load shedding is activated for a charge state (SOC) of 40 %, at nighttime (from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.), however, the charge state of the battery is allowed to go down to 30 % before the load-shedding contactor is activated.

The load shedding function can be assigned a total of two times. Thus in the above listed parameters the part "Lod1" (see Parameter 242.01 "Lod1SocTm1Str" - "242.06 Lod1Tm2Str") for the first assigned function, the part "Lod2" (see Parameter 242.07 "Lod2SocTm1Str" - 242.12 "Lod2Tm2Str") for a second, identical function. These two load-shedding functions, which are dependent on the battery's state of charge, allow for tiered load-shedding in which, by using different SOC values, different priorities can be given to various load groups.

Define the time intervals t1 and t2:

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

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

- The battery state of charge during the t1 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the loadshedding function being started: Parameter "242.01 Lod1SocTm1Str".
- The battery state of charge during the t1 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the loadshedding function being stopped: Parameter "242.02 Lod1cTm1Stp".

- The battery state of charge during the t2 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the loadshedding function being started: Parameter "242.03 Lod1SocTm2Str".
- The battery state of charge during the t2 interval, the recognition of which will lead to the loadshedding function being stopped: Parameter "242.04 Lod1SocTm2Stp".

### 12.2 Sleep Mode

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

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#### Sleep Mode

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

# 12.3 Time-Controlled Operation

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

To do this, this function must be activated by using the "510.02 InvTmOpEna" parameter. With the "510.03 InvTmOpStrDt" parameter you can specify the starting date, and with the

"510.04 InvTmStrTm" you specify the starting time. With the parameter "510.05 InvTmOpRnDur" you set the running time and with the parameter "510.06 InvTmOpCyc" you determine whether this function will be carried out once, or every day or week, at, or starting at, the specified start time (date and time).

# 12.4 Overload and Short-Circuit Behavior

The Sunny Island can be temporarily operated under overload conditions. It can also supply shortcircuit currents.

In case of overload, the Sunny Island supplies an output of 6 500 W for 30 minutes and can supply 7 200 W for 5 minutes. The device can even supply 8 400 W of output power for one minute.

If a short-circuit occurs, the Sunny Island provides current of max. 180 A (for 60 ms). This is sufficient to trigger commercial 20 A circuit breakers.

# 12.5 Device Faults and Autostart

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



#### Automatic Start Counter

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



#### Display of messages

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

# 12.6 Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)

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

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

The time deviation is compensated on average.



#### Quartz-controlled Clock in the Sunny Island

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

# 12.7 Time-Controlled Standby

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

After activation set the start and stop times for the standby. Carry out the setting via the parameter "250.14 SlpStrTm" and "250.15 SlpStpTm".

### 12.8 Reaction in Case of Faults in a 3-phase system

Using the parameter "250.30 RnMod" you can influence the behavior of the Sunny Island in a 3-phase system in case of a fault. The parameter is set to "RunAlways" at the factory. This means that the Sunny Island master ignores all faults at the slave devices.

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

# 13 Battery Management

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

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

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

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

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



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

# 13.1 Battery Temperature

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

When lead acid batteries drop below 14 °F ( – 10 °C) and NiCd batteries drop below – 4 °F ( – 20 °C), a warning is displayed.

The battery temperature is taken into consideration when the charging voltage is calculated (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107)).

#### NOTICE

Destruction of the battery through deep discharge.

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

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

### 13.2 Start Options

If the battery is replaced in a system, the battery management system must be restarted and reconfigured. This can be done using the "Quick Configuration Guide QCG" (see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66)).

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

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

After full charge has been reached, the charge state value is reset to 90 %, 95 % or 100 %, depending on the actual state of charge of the battery. If default settings are not changed, a state of charge of 90 % after boost charge, 95 % after full charge and 100 % after equalization charge is reached.

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

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

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

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

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

The present capacity for the Sunny Island is automatically adjusted downwards for temperatures < 68 °F (20 °C), since the usable capacity of batteries is significantly reduced at temperatures below the nominal temperature.

In case of lead acid batteries, the nominal capacity is adjusted by a fixed factor of -0.6 %/°F (-1 %/°C). For NiCd batteries a factor of -0.4 %/°F (-0.75 %/°C) is used.

# 13.4 Charge Control

The Sunny Island uses a 3-phase charge control, using the IUoU procedure. When the device operates with the public grid, there is also an optional fourth phase called silent mode.



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

Once the battery voltage reaches the predefined value for the second phase Uo ("222.07 – 222.09", ChrgVtgBoost or ChrgVtgFul or ChrgVtgEqu parameters), the constant voltage charging (absorption phase) begins. In this phase, the battery voltage is maintained at a constant level, resulting in a continually decreasing battery current. The Sunny Island remains in this phase for a defined period of time ("222.02 – 222.04", AptTmBoost or AptTmFul or AptTmEqu" parameters). For this charging phase, the Sunny Island automatically selects one of three possible charging methods (boost, full, equalizing) which are described in detail in sections 13.4.1 "Boost Charge" (page 109) to 13.4.3 "Equalization Charge" (page 110). The remaining charging time (display value "120.04 AptTmRmg") of this phase and the actual process (display value "120.05 BatChrgOp") can be read on the display.

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



Once this constant voltage phase is finished, the Sunny Island switches to float charge which again carries out constant voltage charging but at a greatly reduced charging voltage

("222.10 ChrgVtgFlo" parameter). The purpose of the float charge is to keep the battery in a fully charged state without causing premature aging through overcharging. The Sunny Island remains in this phase until either more than 30 % of the nominal capacity has been used (all discharges are added up) or the state of charge is below 70 %. When the Sunny Island is operating on the public grid, it can also switch from the float charge into silent mode.

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### Changing the Charging Voltage

The charging voltage does not rapidly change, but is slowly adjusted to the new nominal value by approx. 0.5 mV/cell\*s as the constant voltage phase changes to the float charge. This also takes place if the nominal value is changed manually.
The charging capability of batteries is highly dependent on the battery temperature. For temperatures < 77 °F (25 °C), the charging voltage must be slightly increased, and for temperatures > 77 °F (25 °C) it must be slightly decreased. This is necessary to prevent overcharging and deep discharge reliably at any battery temperature. For this reason, the Sunny Island is equipped with automatic temperature compensation of the charging voltage.

The battery charging voltage is adjusted by:

- 2 mV/°F (4 mV/°C) and cell, in the case of VLA and FRLA battery types.
- 0 mV/°F (0 mV/°C), in the case of NiCd batteries.

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

## 13.4.1 Boost Charge

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

## 13.4.2 Full Charge

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



#### Nominal Charge Throughput

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

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

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



#### Change to a Full Charge

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



#### More than 1% of the Nominal Capacity of the Battery will be Discharged

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



#### External Charging Device

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



#### Procedures Parallel to the Full Charge

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

## 13.4.3 Equalization Charge

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

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



#### Change to an Equalization Charge

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



#### More than 1% of the Nominal Capacity of the Battery will be Discharged

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



#### **External Charging Device**

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

## 13.4.4 Manual Equalization Charge

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



#### Carrying out the Equalization Charge

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

## 13.4.5 Silent Mode

In addition to the float charge, the silent mode can be used ("224.01 SilentEna" parameter), only when operating on the public grid in the operation type "GridCharge".

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

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

## 13.5 Battery Preservation Mode

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

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

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



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



**Level 3:** The third level ensures that the battery is protected from deep discharge and thus against damage. In this case, the Sunny Island is switched off completely. To start it, see section 9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 74).

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

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

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#### Parameter BatPro1Soc < BatPro2Soc

If the BatPro1Soc parameter < BatPro2Soc, level 1 is skipped and only level 2 is carried out.

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

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

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



During inverter operation, the Sunny Island burdens the battery with 25 W. If the Sunny Island is in standby, only the on-board power supply is fed, which needs approx. 4 W. This results in a savings of 21 W.

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

## **13.6 Battery Diagnostics**

The "320# Battery Diagnosis" menu displays several values that provide information on the past operational behavior of the battery. These values are helpful in checking the efficiency of the set parameters and in viewing the typical operating conditions of the battery (see section 19.3 "Diagnosis (300#)" (page 183)).

## 13.7 Battery Lead Resistance

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

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

R = R (cable 1) + R (fuse 1) + R (cable 2).



#### The following applies:

 $R = \rho \frac{l}{A} \qquad \rho = \text{specific resistance for copper } \rho = 0.018 \frac{\Omega \text{ mm}^2}{\text{m}}$   $L = \text{length of cable in m (1 m = 3\%_{32} \text{ ft.})}$   $A = \text{cross-section of the cable in mm}^2 \text{ (for conversion of cable sizes see page 43)}$ 

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#### Batfuse

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

## 14 Connecting External Sources

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

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



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

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

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

## 14.1 Generator

The Sunny Island can start or stop a generator depending on consumer power or battery state of charge. In this case, different limits and times are taken into consideration (see section 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 120)).

#### **Expanded Generator Management System**

If necessary, the Sunny Island and the generator can supply loads jointly; the sum of (nominal) power of both energy sources is available via the off-grid power system.

## 14.1.1 Parallel Connection

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

Number of Sunny Island inverters	Maximum current
1 Sunny Islands	56 A
2 Sunny Island inverters	112 A
3 Sunny Island inverters	150 A

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



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

#### Sunny Island with a split-phase connection to a 240 V generator



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

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

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#### Cable Length and Cable Cross-section

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

## 14.1.2 Generator Start Options

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

- Manual
- Autostart

#### Manual (Manual Generator Start)

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

In this case, the Sunny Island does not have the option of starting the generator. It only monitors the generator input (AC2). If, while monitoring the input, the device detects that the generator voltage and frequency are within the set limits (see 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 122)), the device is synchronized and connected following the warm-up time.

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



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



#### GenReq Signal

The GnReq signal (see section 15 "Relays" (page 136)) is set for signaling the generator request and can thus be used as an alarm contact (in this case: a bulb). If no request is pending, the signal is reset.

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



#### **Disconnecting the Generator**

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

#### Autostart

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

The Sunny Island requests the generator via the GnReq signal. If the generator voltage and frequency are within the set limits (see 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 122)), the device is synchronized and connected following the warm-up time.

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



#### Shut-off Delay

Autostart generators can have an internal shut-off delay that is only activated when the request has been disabled. This can extend the shut-off delay time accordingly.



#### Internal Warm-up Phase

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

• 2 x "234.12 GnWarmTm" + 2 minutes for manual and automatic start



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

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



#### **Generator Request**

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

## 14.1.3 Generator Operation

The Sunny Island allows automatic operation (depending on charge state or load) (see section 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 120)). In addition, manual operation is also possible.

## 14.1.4 Manual Generator Operation

The manual operating modes for the generator management are triggered using the "540.01 GnManStr" parameter. The following operating modes are distinguished:

 Auto:
 In this operating mode, the generator is automatically started due to the settings. This includes the start via the state of charge or the consumer power or by the request for a manual equalization charge.

 ("520.01 ChrgSelMan" = Start).

 Stop:
 The generator is manually stopped. The current generator request is canceled – immediate disconnection from generator and change to lock state. Once the lockout time has ended, the generator switches into automatic operation.

- **Start:** Manual generator start the generator runs "continuously" until stopped. The generator can only be manually stopped.
- **Run1h:** Operation for one hour. Once the lockout time has expired, the transition back into automatic mode follows.

An equalization charge can be manually started using the "520.01 ChrgSelMan" parameter. This sets the battery management (see 13 "Battery Management" (page 105)) into the equalization charge state and requests the generator. This request persists until equalization charge has been completed.

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

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

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



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

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



## 14.1.5 Automatic Generator Operation

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

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

#### **Charge State Dependent Start**



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

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

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

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#### GnTm1Str = GnTm2Str

If GnTm1Str = GnTm2Str, only t1 is activated!

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

The following figure shows an example of the settings if operation of the generator at night is to be avoided as much as possible. Between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., the generator is started at a charge state (SOC) of 40 % and by contrast, the battery is discharged to 30 % at night (between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.) before the diesel generator starts.



#### Reaching the floating charge process

If the float charging process (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107)) is activated before the cutoff limit (GnSocTm1Stp or GnSocTm2Stp) is reached, the generator request is disabled again. If a full or equalization charge is active, the generator is only stopped after this charge is completed and not when "235.04 GnSocTm1Stp" or "235.06 GnSocTm2Stp" is reached.

#### Load Dependent Start

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

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

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



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#### Multi-phase system

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

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

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

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

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



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

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





#### **Power-Dependent Generator Start**

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

## 14.1.6 Limits and Power Adjustment

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



#### System Voltage (AC)

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

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



#### Generator Disconnection by the master

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



#### Generator Disconnection by a Slave

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

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

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

Low values for this limit may be the reason why the defined generator current cannot be adjusted. If the battery voltage reaches the charging voltage nominal value, it is also reduced (absorption phase, see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107)).



#### Value for the "234.03 GnCurNom" Parameter

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

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

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

The Sunny Island provides all the required reactive power.

## 14.1.7 Run Times

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

If the generator cannot be connected at the GenMan within twice the time set at "234.12 GnWarmTm" + 2 minutes, the connection process is canceled and a new attempt is made.

After three attempts, the system changes to error state (Fail "GnNoSync").

If the generator has been connected, the minimum run time begins ("234.08 GnOpTmMin" parameter). The generator remains connected during this time, even if in the meantime the generator request is no longer pending.

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

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

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



#### Suppression of the internal generator request

An internal generator request is disabled during the shut-off delay time and stop time or in error state.

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

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



#### Autostart Counter

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



#### **Error State**

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

The "133.03 GnRmgTm" display value is used to display the remaining time of the generator meter. Depending on the current request or the phase in which the generator state machine is, the following times are displayed:

- Remaining time of Run1h
- Remaining run time during the warm-up phase (Warm)
- Remaining minimum run time in operation (Run)
- Remaining run time during the shut-off delay time (Cool)

- Remaining stop time after the shut-off delay time has expired (Lock)
- Remaining time in the error state (Fail)
- Remaining time in the locked error state (FailLock)

## 14.1.8 Operation in Conjunction with PV Inverters

#### NOTICE

Wrong system design may lead to exceeding the maximum AC power of the PV inverters. Damage to the Sunny Island.

- The maximum AC output power of the PV inverters connected should not exceed 10 kW per Sunny Island.
- Observe the following:
  - $P_{AC max}$  of the PV inverter = 2 x  $P_{AC nom}$  of the Sunny Island

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

## 14.1.9 Stopping the Generator

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

#### DANGER

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

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

- Wait until the generator does no longer deliver any voltage.
- Measure voltage to ensure that none is present in the system.



#### Generators with a Manual Start Option

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



#### **Generator Start Prevented**

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

## 14.1.10 Stopping the Sunny Island

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



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

## 14.1.11 Faults

#### **Reverse Power**

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



#### **Reverse Power**

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

#### **Generator Failure**

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

#### **Generator Phase Failure**

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

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

#### **Slave Device Failure**

You can influence the behavior of the cluster upon failure of a slave device. For further information see section 12.8 "Reaction in Case of Faults in a 3-phase system" (page 104).

## 14.2 Grid

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

#### Operating Mode "Grid Feed"

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

## 14.2.1 Voltage and Frequency Limits

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



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#### **Default Settings**

- The default settings for limits during grid operation comply with the following standards:
  - For 120V\_60Hz: UL1741

## 14.2.2 Starting the Sunny Island

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

# 14.2.3 Operation During Grid Loss in Grid-Tied Backup Configuration

In this scenario, when the utility grid is down, the Sunny Island supplies the demands of the protected loads panel. At the same time the Sunny Island serves as the voltage source for Sunny Boy inverters or any other grid-compatible current sources.

If the supply of energy of the current sources like Sunny Boy inverters exceeds the demands of the protected loads panels, the excess will be used by the Sunny Island to charge the batteries.

## 14.2.4 Backup Operation and "Anti-Islanding"

In general, Sunny Boy inverters in backup systems are working for feeding energy into the public grid. According to UL1741 an Anti-Islanding has to be active. During normal operation, the Sunny Island performs this verification. The battery inverter is connected to the Sunny Boy via a CAT5 cable using a RS485 communication. This communication line tells the Sunny Boy that the Sunny Island is active and monitors the public grid. Whenever this information is missing (in case of maintenance or a failure) the Sunny Boy inverters switch from the "OffGrid" to the "grid-tied" setting and take over the Anti-Islanding function. This ensures that an Anti-Islanding is active at all times according to UL1741 when feeding into the public grid.

If the Sunny Island continues working it tells the Sunny Boy inverters to switch back to "OffGrid" settings and performs the Anti-Islanding again.

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

RS485 Piggy-Backs must be integrated into the Sunny Island as well as in the Sunny Boy inverters. In addition, a CAT5 cable is needed.

## 14.2.5 Grid Reconnection

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

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

## 14.2.6 Grid Operation

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



#### **Grid Failures**

All grid failures that occur during grid operation affect the off-grid power system.

In grid operation, the grid monitoring checks whether the permissible limits for voltage and frequency (see Grid Reconnection) are maintained or whether the grid fails to assume powering the off-grid power system. To do this, the main power grid is disconnected (grid backup operation).

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

#### Charge Mode

Charge mode on the grid is indicated by energy flowing to the battery. The battery is charged until the respective charge process (Boost, Full, Equalize) has been completed and the system changes to float charge (Float) (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107)).

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



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

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

- "Stop": public grid is never connected.
- "Start": public grid is always connected.
- "Auto": public grid connects automatically and protects the battery from deep discharge.

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

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



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

- "233.01 GdSocTm1Str" "233.02 GdSocTm1Stp"
- "233.03 GdSocTm2Str" "233.04 GdSocTm2Stp"

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

- "233.05 GdTm1Str"
- "233.06 GdTm2Str"

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

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

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

"233.07 GdPwrStr" – "233.08 GdPwrStp"



#### Feeding into the grid

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

#### Silent Mode

In order to save energy, the silent mode can be activated using the "224.01 SilentEna" parameter set to "enable" (default disable). In this case, the Sunny Island is set to standby mode if the charge has been completed and the battery has been in float charge for some time (see section 13.4.5 "Silent Mode" (page 111)).

The silent mode is exited regularly to recharge the battery.

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

#### **Feeding Operation**

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

The cross-section of the cable to the public grid must be adjusted to the maximum current. This guarantees, that the Sunny Island - in case of a fully charged battery and total solar irradiation - can feed in the entire power into the public grid.

In any case, talk to your utility operator to find out whether it is possible to feed into the grid!

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



#### Feeding in from the DC Side into the Grid

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

AC feed-in generators on the off-grid side (Sunny Boy) can feed their energy into the grid through the internal transfer relay of the Sunny Island; for limitations, see section 14.1.6 "Limits and Power Adjustment" (page 122).

The following illustration shows the energy flow direction for net metering and energy consumption of public grid.



## 14.2.7 Grid Failure

A grid fault is characterized by the voltage or frequency being outside of the permissible limits (see section 14.2.5 "Grid Reconnection" (page 128)) or the main power grid being disconnected. In this case, the time limits are relevant: Smaller deviations are permitted for longer than large deviations (see section 14.2.1 "Voltage and Frequency Limits" (page 127)).

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

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#### Waking Up from the Silent Mode

If the Sunny Island is in silent mode when there is a public grid failure, there is a short grid failure in the off-grid power system (see section 13.4.5 "Silent Mode" (page 111)).

## 14.2.8 Faults

#### **Reverse Power**

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

#### **Grid Failure**

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

#### **Grid Phase Failure**

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

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

#### **Slave Device Failure**

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

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## 14.2.9 Limits and Power Adjustment

The Sunny Island draws power from the public grid during each phase using the current specified via the "232.03 GdCurNom" parameter. The power that is not directly used by the loads flows into the battery for charging. At the same time, the limits for the AC charging current ("210.02 InvChrgCurMax" parameter) on the Sunny Island and the DC charging current ("222.01 BatChrgCurMax" parameter) are active. If the battery voltage reaches the charging voltage nominal value, it is also reduced (see section 13.4 "Charge Control" (page 107)).

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

#### Silent Mode Active

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

A short grid outage can occur. This way, the voltage fed to the loads will be interrupted for a short time.

## 14.2.10 Operation in Conjunction with PV Inverters

Since electricity is fed into the grid through the relay of the Sunny Island, it must be prevented from overloading. For this reason, reverse power monitoring is used which, if required, establishes the connection to the main power grid if the reverse power limit is exceeded, or if an excessive load is applied to the relay.

#### NOTICE

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

If the current flowing through the relay exceeds the maximum permissible current, the grid is disconnected (relay protection).

• Do not install more PV power in the off-grid power system than the maximum quantity allowed by the AC input (see section 22 "Technical Data" (page 216)).

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

## 14.3 Generator and Grid

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

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



To use such a switch, proceed with the installation as follows:

#### NOTICE

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

- If an automatic switch is installed, make sure that the breaker completely disconnects the Sunny Island from the grid and from the generator for at least 5 seconds.
- If a manual switch is installed, leave the switch in off-position for at least 5 seconds before switching to the new position.
- Refer to the download area at www.SMA-America.com for further information on how to install a switch for connecting the Sunny Island to the power distribution grid and to a generator.
- 1. Connect the negative pole of the DigIn connection on the Sunny Island to the negative pole of the BatVtgOut connection, also located on the Sunny Island.
- 2. Connect the positive pole of the DigIn connection to a NO connection of an auxiliary contact of the transfer switch.

3. Connect the positive pole of the BatVtgOut connection to the second contact of the same auxiliary contact on the transfer switch.

An auxiliary contact is used because the Sunny Island must "know" whether it is connected to the public grid or whether it must manage a diesel generator.

To enable such a kind of operation, you must set the "231.06 ExtSrc" parameter to "GenGrid" (see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66)).



#### Settings Performed on the Generator and Grid

All the settings made for the generator and grid in the sub-menus also apply to the "GenGrid" selection.

## 15 Relays

The Sunny Island offers you several options for the control of internal and external processes. For this purpose, two relays are integrated into the device with which you can assign functions using the parameters "241.01 Rly1Op" and "241.02 Rly2Op".

You can find more information on both relays in section 6.4.4 "Multi-function Relay 1 and 2" (page 55). The different settings have the following meanings:

Function/Setting	Meaning	Function description	
Off	Off	Relay remains permanently switched off (deactivated).	
On	On	Relay remains permanently switched on (e.g. relay function test during commissioning).	
AutoGn	Automatic generator request	The generator is automatically activated due to set criteria (see section 14.1.5 "Automatic Generator Operation" (page 120)).	
AutoLodExt	Automatic load shedding dependent on an external source	Automatic connection / disconnection of loads. Connection only occurs if the device is connected to an external source (e.g. generator), or if the Lod1Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 101)).	
AutoLodSoc1	Auto LoadShedding Soc1	Automatic connection / disconnection of loads. Connection if Lod1Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 101)).	
AutoLodSoc2	Auto LoadShedding Soc2	Automatic load disconnection. Connection if Lod2Soc limits are exceeded (see section 12.1 "Load Shedding" (page 101)).	
Tm 1	Timer 1 (time-controlled switching of relay 1)	Programmable timer (once, daily, weekly) with duty cycle.	
Tm2	Timer 2 (time-controlled switching of relay 2)	Programmable timer (once, daily, weekly) with duty cycle.	
AptPhs	Absorption phase is active	Relay switching when battery charge is in absorption phase.	
GnRn	Generator active	Relay switching when generator is in operation and connected.	
ExtVfOk	External voltage and frequency is OK	External voltage and frequency are within the valid range for connection.	

Function/Setting	Meaning	Function description	
GdOn	Public grid	Relay switching when public grid is available and connected.	
Error	Error	Sunny Island has a fault; in case of fault, contact is open (relay is deactivated).	
Warn	Warning	The Sunny Island has warning pending.	
Run	Run	Sunny Island is in operation, contact is closed (relay is activated) if the device is running in inverter operation.	
BatFan	Battery fan	Relay is used for automatic battery room ventilation (switching the fan).	
AcdCir	Acid circulation	Relay is used for automatic acid circulation (switching the electrolyte pump).	
MccBatFan	Multicluster Battery Fan	Relay is used for automatic battery room ventilation (switching the fan).	
MccAutoLod	Multicluster Auto Loadshedding	Automatic disconnection of loads through an extension cluster in the Multicluster system.	
CHPReq	CHP plant request	Request of the CHP plant through the CHP plant control.	
CHPAdd	Request additional CHP plant	Request of additional CHP plant through the CHP plant control.	
SiComRemote	Remote control via SI Com module.	nodule. The relay can be controlled remotely via the SI Com module.	
Overload	Overload	When applying the power limit of the Sunny Island (temperature-dependent) the relay will open.	

## 16 Multicluster Operation

## 16.1 Communication between the Sunny Islands

For increased output, up to four Sunny Island clusters can be interconnected to form a Multicluster system. For such a system, the Multicluster Box for Sunny Island 4548-US/5048-US/6048-US (MCB12-U) is required. Within each cluster, a communication cable connects the master to the slaves. Each cluster is connected to the others via another communication cable, connected to the respective master.

The Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB) is mounted at the external communication plug-in position in the Sunny Island. The scope of delivery of the Multicluster Piggy-Back includes a PE cable. Install the PE cable (B) as illustrated in the following figure.



Marker	Description
A	Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB)
В	Connection of the PE cable
С	Cable route



#### **Electrostatic Discharge**

Electrostatic discharges are an acute danger to the Sunny Island and to the communication interface. Ground yourself before removing the communication interface from the packaging, and before touching any components within the Sunny Island. To achieve this, touch PE.



#### RJ45 Cable

The RJ45 communication cable is a standard Cat5e-FTP cable (simple shielding), with gold contacts.

Each Multicluster Piggy-Back (MC-PB) is delivered with one yellow and one gray RJ45 communication cable and two plugs (termination resistors).

You require the yellow cable to establish communication between the master of the main cluster and the masters of the extension clusters.

The gray cable is used for external communication (via RS485) needed for the system monitoring (Sunny WebBox).



#### **Multicluster Piggy-Back**

If just one cluster is used in connection with an MC-BOX, no Multicluster Piggy-Back is required.

Proceed as follows when connecting the communication cable:

- 1. Remove the left of the two plugs from the cable insert.
- 2. Feed the RJ45 cable from the outside through the plugs inside the Sunny Island master.
- 3. Plug the RJ45 plug in the lower socket. The termination resistor remains plugged in the upper one.
- 4. Lead the RJ45 cable into the next Sunny Island and connect it to the upper socket there.
- 5. Insert the termination resistor into the lower socket if no other Sunny Island will be connected.
- 6. Wrap the rubber plug (with one or two entries, depending on the number of cables) around the RJ45 cable.
- 7. Reinsert the plug in the opening provided in the cable insert.



## 16.2 Initial Commissioning of the Multicluster System

- Carry out steps 1 3 in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66).
- 2. At "New System" set the following parameters:
  - Device type (master, slave1, slave2, slave3)
  - System configuration (3Phase, 1Phase 1, 1Phase 2, 1Phase 3, 1Phase 4, 2Phase2, 2Phase4, MC-Box), for Multicluster operation choose "MC-Box". Default setting: "1Phase 1"
  - Multicluster configuration (MainCluster, ExtensionClst1, ExtensionClst2, ExtensionClst3), default setting is "MainCluster"
  - Device type of the Multicluster Box (MC-Box-12), default setting: "MC-Box-12"
- 3. For the other settings proceed as described in section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66) under point 3.

## 16.3 Switching a Multicluster System On and Off

## 16.3.1 Activation / Startup

Switching on a Multicluster system can only take place at the master of the main cluster. The extension clusters will be started automatically after starting the main cluster. A requirement is that the DC circuit breakers of all Sunny Island inverters in the extension cluster are set to "ON".

Proceed as follows:

- 1. Carry out steps 1 4 in section 9.1 "Switching on" (page 72) on the master of the main cluster.
  - ☑ The extension cluster masters show the message shown here.

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 Press and hold <ENTER> on the main cluster master.

☑ The remaining time is displayed as a bar.



☑ A peep is heard. The main master is on and in operation. The green LED is on.



#### Starting the Multicluster System

The Multicluster system is started once the main master has started. All extension clusters follow the main master.



#### Occurrence of an Error

If the device displays an error message unexpectedly, this error must be fixed before the Sunny Island can be put into operation. For this purpose, refer to section 20 "Troubleshooting" (page 195).

## 16.3.2 Stopping and Switching off

The Sunny Island Multicluster system can only be stopped at the master of the main cluster. Proceed at the main cluster master as described in sections 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73) and **9.3** "Switching off" (page 74).

## 16.4 Generator Operation

The main master's generator request comprises its own request (based on SOC, time, etc.) and possible requests from one or more extension clusters. The generator remains in a requested state as long as a request is present.



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#### **Generator Request**

The established generator request at the extension clusters is transferred to the main master via a communication connection.

## 16.5 Behavior with Different Charge States

In Multicluster systems, each cluster has its own battery bank. To prevent the charge states of the various battery banks from diverging over time, a function for equalization of the charge states is integrated into the Sunny Island devices. This ensures that instead of the power always being divided equally among all clusters, the cluster with the highest charge state delivers the highest output, or charges its battery with the lowest amount of power.

The differences in outputs depend on the differences in charge states, and amount to 1 % of the nominal power per 1 % difference in charge state. Thus, when initial charge states differ, equalization of the charge states over the course of time is ensured. If all batteries in the various clusters have the same capacity, the charge states should always be within a few percent of each other. Only if an error occurs, or upon deliberate deactivation of individual clusters, can a greater imbalance arise, but even then, such an imbalance should also be equalized after one day at most.

#### Nominal Capacity of the Battery Banks

Ideally, the various battery banks should all have the same nominal capacity.

In the event of differences of up to 30 %, the equalization function guarantees a similar average charge state. However, the smallest battery is then cycled more intensively. The nominal capacity and overload capability are no longer equal to the value of an individual device multiplied by the number of devices, but are 10 % - 20 % lower for the cluster with the smaller battery.

## 16.6 Testing Multicluster communication

Enter the installer password in order to be able to select the parameters "510.08 TstClstCom" und "510.09 ClstComStt".

- Using the parameter "510.08 TstClstCom" a communication test between the clusters can be started from each master device of a cluster. Only switch the master device of the extension cluster to "Transmit".
- 2. Request the status of the test via the Parameter "510.09 ClstComStt" at each master, including the master at which the test was started.
- $\blacksquare$  If the communication test is successful, the status "OK" appears on each master.

## 16.7 Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)

In Multicluster operation, automatic frequency control (AFC) can only be activated at the main master. This function is activated using the "250.11 AfraEna" parameter.

## 16.8 Firmware Update



#### Stopping the Sunny Island

It is recommended to stop the entire cluster network, and to deactivate the loads insofar as this is possible.



#### **DC Circuit Breaker**

Do not activate the DC circuit breaker during update process!

Carry out the update on all masters of the individual clusters via an SD card. All extension masters must have completed their updates! The message shown on the right is displayed.

STNDBY: Waiting for Main Master

After the update of the masters has been carried out, carry out an automatic update of the slaves.

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#### Starting the Multicluster System

Start the system only after the firmware update has been carried out on all Sunny Islands.

## 16.9 Fault Handling in a Multicluster System

For Multicluster system operation, the entire main cluster is always required. If a device in the main cluster fails (master and/or slave), this causes the main cluster to stop.

If the main cluster is stopped – whether due to a fault, or otherwise – this causes the extension clusters to stop, and thus the entire Multicluster system.

For operation of an extension cluster, it is necessary that at least the master device (of the extension cluster) is operating. If a slave device in the extension cluster fails, this does not cause the master device to stop.

The devices in an extension cluster are only started up if the respective device detects a voltage upon starting.

## 16.10 Grid Operation

The Multicluster system is not certified for gried-tie applications.

## 16.11 Emergency generator load support

If a Multicluster system fails, manual operation via the generator is possible. For this purpose, the generator must be started manually, directly at the generator. As soon as a voltage is present, the Multicluster Box connects the generator through to the loads, without there being a Sunny Island in operation.
# 17 PV Inverter

The following section provides information for connecting and configuring the Sunny Boy inverter in off-grid power systems.

The Sunny Island along with the Sunny Boy inverters are optimized to work in backup (grid-tied) as well as in off-grid applications.

This section describes the parameter setting of the Sunny Boy for both kinds of application. In backup operation, the "Default" parameter has to be set to "UL 1741". In operation in parallel with the grid, the Sunny Island automatically detects a grid failure and sets the Sunny Boy inverters automatically to "Off-Grid" mode. To set up this arrangement, the Sunny Island and the Sunny Boy have to be connected with a communication cable and the parameters of the Sunny Boy inverters has to be set according to this documentation. In case the grid returns, the Sunny Island switches back to grid-tied mode according to "UL 1741".

# 17.1 Connection to the Off-Grid Power System (Protected Loads Panel)

WARNING

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

- Ensure that the entire connection area of the Sunny Island 5048U is free of voltage before installing the Sunny Boy inverter. Refer to Section 3 "Safety Instructions" (page 27).
- Connect the Sunny Boy inverter to the grid in accordance with the Sunny Boy installation guide.
- Connect the AC distribution sub-panel to the AC1 terminals of the Sunny Island. This distribution sub-panel is where the PV inverter will be connected as well.
- You must set the corresponding parameters in the Sunny Boy to suit an off-grid power system so that it works properly together with the Sunny Island. The required values for these settings are described in the next section.

# 17.2 Setting the off-grid parameters (Sunny Boy)

#### NOTICE

Risk of death from back-feed into the power distribution grid in the event of grid failure.

Once you set the Sunny Boy to stand-alone grid parameters, the device no longer complies with IEEE 929 and the IEEE 1547.

- Observe the locally applicable regulations.
- Consult the electric utility company.

Controlled battery charging is needed in an off-grid configuration. Sunny Boy inverters can reduce their feed-in power for this reason. This task is performed by a "Power adjustment via frequency" system (see section 17.5 "Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)" (page 147)).

To activate this feature, you must first pre-configure the Sunny Boy via programming.

# 17.3 Configuration

In order to adjust the parameters of the Sunny Boy, you need a connection to a communication device. Install one of these three variants:

- Sunny WebBox
- Sunny Boy Control
- PC/laptop with Sunny Data Control software and a service cable for data transmission (SMA order number: "USBPBS-11" - USB service interface)

# 17.4 Sunny Boy Parameter Settings

#### Grid-tied

Inverter	Parameters	Setting
Sunny Boy 3000-US	Default	UL1741
Sunny Boy 3800-US	BackupMode	OnAll*
Sunny Boy 4000-US		
Sunny Boy 5000-US		
Sunny Boy 6000-US		
Sunny Boy 7000-US		
Sunny Boy 8000-US		

\*Even with the setting "BackupMode" to "OnAll", the system fulfills the regulations according to UL 1741.

#### Stand-alone grid with or without generator

Inverter	Parameters	Setting
Sunny Boy 3000-US	Default	OffGrid
Sunny Boy 3800-US	BackupMode	Off
Sunny Boy 4000-US		
Sunny Boy 5000-US		
Sunny Boy 6000-US		
Sunny Boy 7000-US		
Sunny Boy 8000-US		

The "OffGrid" parameter setting automatically sets the following Sunny Boy parameters to the values below:

No.	Parameters	Short descr.	Value
1	Test current	mA	Off (MSD = 0)
2	Vac.Min	V	106 (-12% Vac nom)
3	Vac.Max	V	132 (+10% Vac nom)
4	Fac-delta – lower range in which the Sunny Boy is active relative to f <sub>0</sub>	Hz	–3.0 (starting from the base frequency f <sub>0</sub> )
5	Fac-max+ Upper range, where the Sunny Boy is active, based on f0	Hz	+3.0 (starting at the base frequency f <sub>0</sub> )
6	dFac-Max max. rate of change	Hz/s	4
7	Fac-start delta frequency increase in relation to f0, at which point the power adjustment via frequency begins	Hz	1 (starting from the base frequency f <sub>0</sub> )
8	Fac-Limit delta Frequency increase based on f <sub>0</sub> , where the power control via frequency ends. The output power of the Sunny Boy at this point is 0 W.	Hz	2 (starting from the base frequency f <sub>0</sub> )

This completes the stand-alone grid parameter settings for the Sunny Boy.

# 17.5 Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)

This section describes the operating principles of the "power adjustment via frequency" (Frequency Shift Power Control - FSPC).

If Sunny Boy inverters are connected to the AC side of the off-grid power system, the Sunny Island must be able to limit their output power. This situation can occur when, e.g., the Sunny Island battery is fully charged and the (solar) power available from the PV generator exceeds the power required by the connected loads.

To prevent the excess energy from overcharging the battery, the Sunny Island 5048U recognizes this situation and changes the frequency at the AC output. This frequency adjustment is analyzed by the Sunny Boy. As soon as the grid frequency increases beyond the value specified by "f<sub>AC</sub>-Start Delta" the Sunny Boy limits its output power accordingly.

This function is shown in the following figure:



The different settings have the following meanings:

- f<sub>0</sub> refers to the base frequency of the micro grid created by the Sunny Island.
- $f_{AC}$  Delta- and  $f_{AC}$  Delta+ refer to the maximum range in which the Sunny Boy is active relative to  $f_0$ , 60 Hz.
- f<sub>AC</sub> Start Delta refers to the frequency increase relative to f<sub>0</sub>, at which point the power adjustment via frequency begins
- f<sub>AC</sub> Limit Delta refers to the frequency increase relative to f<sub>0</sub>, at which point the power adjustment via frequency ends. The output power of the Sunny Boy at this point is 0 W.

If the value is below the  $f_{AC}$ -Delta- limit or exceeds the  $f_{AC}$ -Delta+ limit, the Sunny Boys disconnect from the grid.

When FSPC is activated and the diesel generator in the off-grid power system is operating, the diesel generator determines the frequency, and the Sunny Boys react to certain changes in the diesel generator frequency. The diesel generators generally operate at 60 Hz under load. For this reason, in most cases the Sunny Boys will deliver their entire power to the off-grid power system, even when the generator is running.



If the current battery voltage (V<sub>Bat</sub>) is greater than the nominal battery voltage (V<sub>Bat, nom</sub>) and is also to be synchronized with an external source (generator), the Sunny Island temporarily increases the frequency and disconnects the Sunny Boys using the frequency shutdown method (overfrequency). Afterwards, it synchronizes with the generator.

# 18 Maintenance and Care

The Sunny Island has been constructed for low maintenance. Thus, the necessary work is limited to only a few points.

## 18.1 Enclosure

Check that the Sunny Island enclosure is mechanically sound. If damage (e.g. cracks, holes, missing covers) endangers the operating safety, the Sunny Island must be deactivated immediately.

Larger particles of dirt should be removed from the device with a soft brush or similar item. Dust can be removed with a damp cloth. Never use solvents, abrasives or corrosive materials for cleaning!

# 18.2 Cleaning the Fans

The cleaning intervals depend on the ambient conditions. If the fans are covered with loose dust, you can clean them with the aid of a vacuum cleaner (recommended) or a soft paint brush/hand brush. Clean the fans only when at a standstill. If it is necessary to replace the fans, contact your installer.

# 18.3 Display

It is best to clean the control elements with a soft, damp cloth. Never use solvents, abrasives or corrosive materials for cleaning!

Take care not to accidentally press the membrane buttons during cleaning. Only clean the membrane keypad when the Sunny Island is deactivated.

# 18.4 Function

Check regularly whether fault indications are present. If a fault indication is displayed, for which you cannot identify any apparent cause, the off-grid power system must be inspected by an installer. To ensure optimal operation, the operator should regularly check the Sunny Island's entries in the error list at short intervals (monthly, or even weekly), especially during the first months after commissioning. This can help to discover hidden faults in the installation or errors in the configuration.

# 18.5 Battery

Inspect and maintain the battery at regular intervals. In this regard, observe all of the battery manufacturer's specifications.

# 18.6 Disposal

Dispose of the Sunny Island at the end of its service life in accordance with the disposal regulations for electronic waste which apply at the installation site at that time. Alternatively, send the devices back to SMA with shipping paid by sender, and labeled "FOR DISPOSAL" (section 24 "Contact" (page 226).

# 19 Parameter lists

Only parameters in the menu branches "200 Settings" and "500 Operation" can be changed. All other values are only displayed on the Sunny Island 5048-US display. All menu items that can only be changed after entering the installer password are shaded in gray in the following tables.



#### Menu structure depends on system configuration

Depending on the set system configuration, individual menu items may be missing.



#### Failure during operation due to wrong parameter settings.

Use caution when setting parameters. Incorrect settings can lead to faulty operation of the inverter. Take note of the original values of all parameters that you change.

### 19.1 Display Values

### 19.1.1 Inverter Meters (110#)

#### 111# Inverter Total Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	TotInvPwrAt	Total active power of the inverters (cluster) in kW
02	TotInvCur	Total current of the inverters (cluster) in Amps
03	TotInvPwrRt	Total reactive power of the inverters (cluster) in kVAr

#### #112 Inverter Device Meters

No.	Name	Description	Display value Plain text (No.)	Explanation
01	InvOpStt	Operating mode of	Standby (2)	Standby
		the Sunny Island	Run (3)	Operation
			Run (4)/EmCharge	Emergency charge mode
			Error (5)	Error
			Startup (1)	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAt	Effective power of the Sunny Island in kW		
03	InvVtg	Voltage of the Sunny Island in V		
04	InvCur	Current of the Sunny Island in A		
05	InvFrq	Frequency of the Sunny Island in Hz		

No.	Name	Description	Display value Plain text (No.)	Explanation
06	InvPwrRt	Reactive power of the Sunny Island in kVAr		
07	Rly1Stt	State of relay 1	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed
08	Rly2Stt	State of relay 2	Off	Relay open
			On	Relay closed

### #113 Inverter Slave1 Meters

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv1	Operating mode of	Standby	Standby
		the Sunny Island	Run	In operation
		slave 1	Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv1	Effective power of the Sunny Island slave 1 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv1	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 1 in V		
04	InvCurSlv1	Current of the Sunny Island slave 1 in A		
05	InvPwrRtSlv1	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 1 in kVAr		
06	Rly1S#Slv1	State of relay 1 on	Off	Relay open
		Sunny Island slave 1	On	Relay closed
07	07 Rly2SttSlv1 State of relay 2 on Sunny Island slave 1	State of relay 2 on	Off	Relay open
		On	Relay closed	

### #114 Inverter Slave2 Meters

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv2	vOpSttSlv2 Operating mode of	Standby	Standby
		the Sunny Island	Run	In operation
		slave 2	Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv2	Effective power of the Sunny Island slave 2 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv2	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 2 in V		
04	InvCurSlv2	Current of the Sunny Island slave 2 in A		
05	InvPwrRtSlv2	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 2 in kVAr		
06	Rly1S#Slv2	State of relay 1 on	Off	Relay open
		Sunny Island slave 2	On	Relay closed
07	Rly2SttSlv2	2SttSlv2 State of relay 2 on	Off	Relay open
	Sunny Island slave 2	On	Relay closed	

### #115 Inverter Slave3 Meters

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation
01	InvOpSttSlv3	Operating mode of	Standby	Standby
		the Sunny Island	Run	In operation
		slave 3	Error	Error
			Startup	Transfer standby > operation
02	InvPwrAtSlv3	Effective power of the Sunny Island slave 3 in kW		
03	InvVtgSlv3	Voltage of the Sunny Island slave 3 in V		
04	InvCurSlv3	Current of the Sunny Island slave 3 in A		
05	InvPwrRtSlv3	Reactive power of the Sunny Island slave 3 in kVAr		
06	Rly1S#Slv3	State of relay 1 on	Off	Relay open
		Sunny Island slave 3	On	Relay closed
07	Rly2SttSlv3	State of relay 2 on	Off	Relay open
	Sunny Island 3	Sunny Island slave 3	On	Relay closed

# 19.1.2 Battery Meters (120#)

No.	Name	Description	Display value Plain text (No.)	Explanation
01	BatSoc	Present battery charge state (SOC) in %		
02	BatVtg	Battery voltage in V		
03	BatChrgVtg	Charging voltage target value in V		
04	AptTmRmg	Remaining absorption time in hours, minutes and seconds		
05	BatChrgOp	Active charging	Boost (1)	Boost charge
		process	Full (2)	Full charge
			Float (3;7)	Float charge
			Equalize (4;5)	Equalize charge
			Silent (6;8)	Silent mode (resting phase)
06	TotBatCur	Total battery current of the cluster in A		Negative values indicate charging, positive values indicate discharging.
07	BatTmp	Battery temperature in °C		
08	RmgTmFul	Remaining time until next full charge in days		
09	RmgTmEqu	Remaining time until next equalization charge in days		
10	AptPhs	Absoption phase	Off (1)	Absorption phase not active
		state	On (2)	Absorption phase is active
11	BatSocErr	Estimated SOC error in %		Estimated error of the displayed state of charge from the battery's actual state of charge in percent (e.g. +/-3 %).

# 19.1.3 External Meters (130#)

### #131 Total Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	TotExtPwrAt	Total active power of the external source in kW
02	TotExtCur	Total current of the external source in A
03	TotExtPwrRt	Total reactive power in kVAr
04	TotLodPwr	Total averaged active power of the consumers (cluster) in kW
05	TotMccLodPwr	Total averaged active power of the consumers (Multicluster) in kW

### 132# Grid State

No.	Name	Description
01	GdRmgTm	Remaining time of GdValTm parameter in hours, minutes and seconds

### #133 Generator State

No.	Name	Description	Display value Plain text (No.)	Explanation
01	GnDmdSrc	Source for	None (1)	No request
		generator request:	Bat (2)	Battery charge state-dependent
			Lod (3)	Load-dependent
			Tim (4)	Time-controlled
			Run1h (5)	Requested for 1 hour
			Start (6)	Manually started
			ExtSrcReq (7)	Requested via an external
				source
02	GnStt	Generator state	Off (1)	Off
			Init (2)	Init
			Ready (3)	Waiting for request (ready)
			Warm (4)	Warming up
			Connect (5)	Connecting
			Run (6)	In operation
			Retry (7)	Restarting
			AC Disconnect (8)	Disconnecting
			Cool (9)	Cooling down
			Lock (10)	Locked after gen operation
			Fail (11)	Generator failure or error
			FailLock (12)	Locked after gen failure

No.	Name	Description	Display value Plain text (No.)	Explanation
03	GnRmgTm	Minimum remaining generator run time. Displayed in hours, minutes and seconds.		
04	GnRnStt	Generator run state that is detected by Sunny Island master.	Off (1) On (2)	off

### #134 Device Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAt	Active power of the external source in kW
02	ExtVtg	Voltage of the external source in V
03	ExtCur	Current of the external source in A
04	ExtFrq	Frecuency of the external source in Hz
05	ExtPwrRt	Reactive power of the external source in kVAr

### 135# Slave1 Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv1	Active power of the external source slave 1 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv1	Voltage of the external source slave 1 in V
03	ExtCurSlv1	Current of the external source slave 1 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv1	Reactive power of the external source slave 1 in kVAr

### 136# Slave2 Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv2	Active power of the external source slave 2 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv2	Voltage of the external source slave 2 in V
03	ExtCurSlv2	Current of the external source slave 2 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv2	Reactive power of the external source slave 2 in kVAr

#### 137# Slave3 Meters

No.	Name	Description
01	ExtPwrAtSlv3	Active power of the external source slave 3 in kW
02	ExtVtgSlv3	Voltage of the external source slave 3 in V
03	ExtCurSlv3	Current of the external source slave 3 in A
04	ExtPwrRtSlv3	Reactive power of the external source slave 3 in kVAr

#### 138# Chp Meters (Combined Heat and Power)

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation
01	ChpStt	State of CHP plant	Idle	Off
			Run	In operation
			Lock	Locked after operation
02	ChpPwrAt	Power of the CHP plant		
03	ChpRmgTm	Remaining time of the CHP plant (minimum running time in hours, minutes and seconds)		
04	ChpStrRmgTm	Remaining time of the power request of the CHP plant (minimum running time in hours, minutes and seconds)		

# 19.1.4 Charge Controller (140#) (not UL-certified)



#### Visibility of parameters in menu 140#

The parameters in menu 140# are only visible, if at least one Sunny Island Charger is connected to the system.

#### 141# SIC40 Total

No.	Name	Description
01	TotSicEgyCntIn	Total energy of all Sunny Island Chargers in kWh
02	TotSicDyEgyCntIn	Total daily yield of all Sunny Island Chargers in kWh
03	TotSicPvPwr	Total PV power of all Sunny Island Chargers in W
04	TotSicBatCur	Total battery current of all Sunny Island Chargers in A

#### 142# SIC40 1

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic1EgyCntIn	Energy of the first Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic1TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the first Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic1PvPwr	PV power of the first Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic1PvVtg	PV voltage of the first Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic1BatVtg	Battery voltage of the first Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic1BatCur	Battery current of the first Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic1HsTmp	Heatsink temperature of the first Sunny Island Charger in °C
80	Sic1SWVers	Software version of the first Sunny Island Charger

### 143# SIC40 2

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic2EgyCntIn	Energy of the second Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic2TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the second Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic2PvPwr	PV power of the second Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic2PvVtg	PV voltage of the second Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic2BatVtg	Battery voltage of the second Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic2BatCur	Battery current of the second Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic2HsTmp	Heatsink temperature of the second Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic2SWVers	Software version of the second Sunny Island Charger

#### 144# SIC40 3

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic3EgyCntIn	Energy of the third Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic3TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the third Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic3PvPwr	PV power of the third Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic3PvVtg	PV voltage of the third Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic3BatVtg	Battery voltage of the third Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic3BatCur	Battery current of the third Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic3HsTmp	Heatsink temperature of the third Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic3SWVers	Software version of the third Sunny Island Charger

#### 145# SIC40 4

No.	Name	Description
01	Sic4EgyCntIn	Energy of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in kWh
02	Sic4TdyEgyCntIn	Daily yield of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in kWh
03	Sic4PvPwr	PV power of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in W
04	Sic4PvVtg	PV voltage of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in V
05	Sic4BatVtg	Battery voltage of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in V
06	Sic4BatCur	Battery current of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in A
07	Sic4HsTmp	Heatsink temperature of the fourth Sunny Island Charger in °C
08	Sic4SWVers	Software version of the fourth Sunny Island Charger

# 19.2 Adjustable parameters

## 19.2.1 Inverter Settings (210#)

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	InvVtgNom	Nominal voltage of the Sunny Island		120 V / 60 Hz	120 V
02	InvChrgCurMax	Maximum AC charging current			38 A
03	InvFrqNom	Nominal frequency of the Sunny Island		120 V / 60 Hz	60 Hz

# 19.2.2 Battery Settings (220#)

### #221 Battery Property

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ВатТур	Battery type	VRLA	Valve regulated lead acid (AGM or GEL type)	VRLA
			FLA	Flooded lead acid battery	
			NiCd	Nickel-cadmium battery	
02	BatCpyNom	Nominal battery capacity (E:C10/U:C20)			100 Ah
03	BatVtgNom	Nominal battery		VRLA	48 V
		voltage		FLA	48 V
				NiCd	45.6 V
04	BatTmpMax	Maximum battery temperature	104°F 122°F (40 °C 50 °C)		113°F (45 °C)
05	BatTmpStr	Battery start	32 °F 104 ° F		104°F
		temperature following stop due to overtemperature	(0 °C 40 °C) "BatTmpMax"		(40 °C)
06	BatWirRes	Power resistor of the battery connection in mOhm	0 mOhm 50 mOhm		
07	BatFanTmpStr	Starting temperature for the "BatFan" function			104°F (40 °C)

### #222 Battery Charge Mode

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	BatChrgCurMax	Charging current of the battery	10 A 1200 A		1,200 A
02	AptTmBoost	Absorption time for	1 min 600 min	VRLA	120 min
		boost charge	1 min 600 min	FLA	90 min
			1 min 600 min	NiCd	300 min
03	AptTmFul	Absorption time for	1 h 20 h	VRLA	5 h
		full charge	1 h 20 h	FLA	5 h
			1 h 20 h	NiCd	7 h
04	AptTmEqu	Absorption time for equalization charge	1 h 48 h		10 h
05	CycTmFul	Full charge cycle time	1 day 180 days		14 days
06	CycTmEqu	Equalization charge cycle time	7 days 365 days		180 days
07	ChrgVtgBoost	VtgBoost Nominal value of cell voltage for normal charge	2.2 V 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V
				FLA	2.55 V
			1.5 V 1.8 V	NiCd	1.65 V
80	ChrgVtgFul	ChrgVtgFul Nominal value of cell voltage for full charge	2.3 V 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V
				FLA	2.50 V
			1.5 V 1.8 V	NiCd	1.65 V
09	ChrgVtgEqu	rgVtgEqu Nominal value of	2.3 V 2.7 V	VRLA	2.40 V
		cell voltage for		FLA	2.50 V
		equalization charge	1.5 V 1.8 V	NiCd	1.65 V
10	ChrgVtgFlo	Nominal value of	2.2 V 2.4 V	VRLA	2.25 V
		cell voltage for float		FLA	2.25 V
		charge	1.4 V 1.6 V	NiCd	1.55 V
11	BatTmpCps	Battery temperature	0 mV /°C	VRLA	4.0 mV/°C
		compensation	10 mV /°C		
				FLA	4.0 mV/°C
				NiCd	0 mV/°C
12	AutoEquChrgEna	Automatic	Disable	disable	Enable
		equalization charge	Enable	enable	

### #223 Battery Protection

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Default value
01	BatPro1TmStr	Starting time of the battery- preservation mode (level 1)		22:00:00
02	BatPro1TmStp	End time of battery- preservation mode (level 1)		06:00:00
03	BatPro2TmStr	Starting time of the battery- preservation mode (level 2)		17:00:00
04	BatPro2TmStp	End time of battery- preservation mode (level 2)		09:00:00
05	BatPro1Soc	Battery charge state for battery- preservation mode level 1	0 % 70 %	20 %
06	BatPro2Soc	Battery charge state for battery- preservation mode level 2	0 % 70 %	15 %
07	BatPro3Soc	Battery charge state for battery- preservation mode level 3	0 % 70 %	10 %

#### #224 Battery Silent Mode

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	SilentEna	Silent mode on the	Disable	disable	Disable
		grid	Enable	enable	
02	SilentTmFlo	Maximum time for float charge until transfer into silent	1 h 48 h		3 h
03	SilentTmMax	Maximum time for silent until transfer into float charge	1 h 168 h		12 h

#### 225# Battery Current Sensor

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	BatCurSnsTyp	Battery current sensor type	None	No sensor is connected.	None
			60 mV	Battery Current Sensor 60 mV	
			50 mV	Battery Current Sensor 50 mV	
02	BatCurGain60	External battery current sensor type (60 mV type)	0 A 1.000 A		100 A/ 60 mV
03	BatCurGain50	External battery current sensor type (50 mV type)	0 A 1.000 A		100 A/ 50 mV
04	BatCurAutoCal	Automatic calibration of the external battery current sensor	Start	Start the automatic calibration:	

# 19.2.3 External Settings (230#)

### 231# Ext General

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	PvFeedTmStr	PV feed-in start			04:00:00
02	PvFeedTmStp	PV feed-in stop			22:00:00
03	ExtLkTm	Lock time after reverse power or relay protection	0 min 60 min		20 min
05	ExtSrc	ExtSrc Generator and grid operating mode	PvOnly	PV only	PvOnly
			Gen	Generator	
			Grid	Grid	
			GenGrid	Generator / Grid	
12	ChpEna	Combined heat	Disable	disabled	Disable
		and power	Enable	enabled	

### 232# Grid Control

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default
					value
01	GdVtgMin	Minimum grid voltage			105.6 V
02	GdVtgMax	Maximum grid voltage			132 V
03	GdCurNom	Grid nominal current			30 A
04	GdFrqNom	Grid nominal frequency			60 Hz
05	GdFrqMin	Minimum grid frequency			59.3 Hz
06	GdFrqMax	Maximum grid frequency			60.5 Hz
07	GdVldTm	Minimum time required for grid voltage and grid frequency to be within permissible range for connection			300 sec
08	GdMod	Grid interface	GridCharge	Grid charging only	GdFeed
			GridFeed	Grid feed and grid charging	
09	GdRvPwr	Permissible grid reverse power (active power)	0 W 5000 W		100 W
10	GdRvTm	Permissible time for grid reverse power	0 sec 60 sec		5 sec
15	GdAlSns	Al sensitivity	Low	Low	Normal
			Medium	Medium	
			Normal	Normal	
			High	High	
37	GdVtgIncProEna	Voltage increase	Disable	disable	Disable
		protection	Enable	enable	
38	GdVtgIncPro	Boundary for voltage increase protection			132 V
41	GdSocEna	Activate the grid request	Disable	disable	Disable
		based on SOC	Enable	enable	
42	GdPwrEna	Activate the grid request	Disable	disable	Disable
		based on power	Enable	enable	

#### 233# Grid Start

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
01	GdSocTm 1 Str	SOC limit for switching on the grid for time 1			40 %
02	GdSocTm 1 Stp	SOC limit for switching off the grid for time 1			80 %
03	GdSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on the grid for time 2			40 %
04	GdSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off the grid for time 2			80 %
05	GdTm 1 Str	Time 1 for grid request in hours, minutes and seconds.			
		Begin time 1, end time 2.			
06	GdTm2Str	Time 2 for grid request in hours, minutes and seconds.			
		Begin time 2, end time 1.			
07	GdPwrStr	Grid request starting capacity			4.0 kW
08	GdPwrStp	Grid request disconnection power limit			2.0 kW
09	GdStrChrgMod	Charging start	Off	Off	Equal
		upon grid	Full	Full charge	
		connection	Equal	Equalize charge	
			Both	Full and equalization charge	

#### 234# Generator Control

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
01					value
01	GnVfg/Min	Minimum generator voltage			80 V
02	GnVtgMax	Maximum generator voltage			150 V
03	GnCurNom	Nominal generator current			30 A
04	GnFrqNom	Generator nominal frequency at nominal load			60 Hz
05	GnFrqMin	Minimum generator frequency			54 Hz
06	GnFrqMax	Maximum generator frequency			66 Hz
07	GnStrMod	Generator interface	Manual	Manual	Autostart
			Autostart	Automatic	
			GenMan	Generator management box from SMA	
08	GnOpTmMin	Minimum run time of the generator			15 min
09	GnStpTmMin	Minimum stop time of the generator			15 min
10	GnCoolTm	Cooling-down time of the generator			5 min
11	GnErrStpTm	Stop time of the generator if there is a fault			1 h
12	GnWarmTm	Warm-up time			60 sec
13	GnRvPwr	Generator reverse power (active power)			100 W
14	GnRvTm	Permissible time for reverse power/ reverse current			30 sec
15	GnCtlMod	Generator regulation	Cur	Current	Cur
			CurFrq	Frequency	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
20	20 GnAlSns A	AI sensitivity	Low	Low	Normal
			Medium	Medium	
			Normal	Normal	
			High	High	

#### 235# Generator Start

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GnAutoEna	Generator autostart	Off	Disable	On
			On	Enable	
02	GnAutoStr	Number of autostarts			3
03	GnSocTm1Str	SOC limit for switching on generator for time 1			40 %
04	GnSocTm1Stp	SOC limit for switching off generator for time 1			80 %
05	GnSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on generator for time 2			40 %
06	GnSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off generator for time 2			80 %
07	GnTm 1 Str	Time 1 for generator request in hours, minutes and seconds.			
		Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2			
80	GnTm2Str	Time 2 for generator request in hours, minutes and seconds.			
		Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			
09	GnPwrEna	Generator request based on	Off	Disable	Off
		power	On	Enable	
10	GnPwrStr	Generator request switch-on power limit			4 kW
11	GnPwrStp	Generator request switch-off power limit			2 kW
12	GnPwrAvgTm	Average time for power- related generator start			60 sec
13	GnTmOpEna	Time-controlled generator	Disable	Disable	Disable
	operation		Enable	Enable	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value	
14	GnTmOpStrDt	Starting date for time- controlled generator operation			2010- 01-01	
15	GnTmOpStrTm	Starting time for time- controlled generator operation in hours, minutes and seconds				
16	GnTmOpRnDur	Running time for time- controlled generator operation in hours, minutes and seconds				
17	GnTmOpCyc	Repeat cycle for time-	Single	One-time	Single	
		controlled generator	controlled generator	Daily	Daily	
		operation	Weekly	Weekly		
18	GnStrChrgMod	GnStrChrgMod Generator start for charge	Generator start for charge	Off	Off	Both
		туре	Full	Full charge	_	
			Equal	Equalization charge		
			Both	Full and Equalization charge		
19	GnStrDigIn	Generator start upon signal on	Disable	Disable	Disable	
		activated digital input.	Enable	Enable	-	
		Based on the value at the input "DigIn", the Sunny Island decides whether to start or stop the generator.				
		If the value of "DigIn" is at high level, the Sunny Island starts the generator. If the value of "DigIn" is at low level, the Sunny Island stops the generator.				

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChpOpTmMin	Minimum run time of CHP plant			60 min
02	ChpStpTmMin	Minimum stop time of CHP plant			10 min
03	ChpPwrMax	Maximum power of CHP plant			5 kW
04	ChpPwrMin	Minimum power of CHP plant			2 kW
05	ChpFrqPwrMax	Maximum frequency of CHP plant			51 Hz
06	ChpFrqPwrMin	Minimum frequency of CHP plant			52 Hz
07	ChpFrqOff				53 Hz

### 236# CHP Control (Combined Heat and Power)

### 237# CHP Start

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChpSocTm1Str	SOC limit for switching on CHP plant for time 1			40 %
02	ChpSocTm 1 Stp	SOC limit for switching off CHP plant for time 1			80 %
03	ChpSocTm2Str	SOC limit for switching on CHP plant for time 2			40 %
04	ChpSocTm2Stp	SOC limit for switching off CHP plant for time 2			80 %
05	ChpTm 1 Str	Time 1 for CHP plant request in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2.			

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
06	ChpTm2Str	Time 2 for CHP plant request in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1.			
07	ChpPwrEna	Activate CHP plant	Disable	Disable	Enable
		request based on power	Enable	Enable	
08	ChpPwrStr	Combined heat and power system request switch-on power limit			4 kW
09	ChpPwrStrDly	Time delay for power request for CHP plant			5 min
10	ChpManStr		Auto		
			Start		
			Stop		
11	ChpAddOnTm	Time for the additional CHP request activated			60 sec
12	ChpAddOffTm	Time for the additional CHP request deactivated			120 sec
13	ChpAddSocDel	Distance to the next SOC limit			5 %

# 19.2.4 Relay Settings (240#)

### 241# Relay General

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
01	Rly1Op	Function of relay 1	Off	Off	AutoGn
			On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadsheddina	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	-
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	-
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP plant additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
02	Rly2Op	Function of relay 2	Off	Off	AutoLod
			On	On	Ext
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	-
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP plant additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

#### 242# Relay Load

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Lod 1 SocTm 1 Str	SOC limit for load shedding 1 start for t1			30 %
02	Lod1SocTm1Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 1 stop for t1			50 %
03	Lod1SocTm2Str	SOC limit for load shedding 1 start for t2			30 %
04	Lod1SocTm2Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 1 stop for t2			50 %
05	Lod 1 Tm 1 Str	Time 1 for Loadshed 1 in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2.			
06	Lod1Tm2Str	Time 2 for Loadshed 1 in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1			
07	Lod2SocTm1Str	SOC limit for load shedding 2 start for t1			30 %
08	Lod2SocTm1Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 2 stop for t1			50 %
09	Lod2SocTm2Str	SOC limit for load shedding 2 start for t2			30 %
10	Lod2SocTm2Stp	SOC limit for load shedding 2 stop for t2			50 %

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
11	Lod2Tm1Str	Time 1 for Loadshed 2 in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 1, End: Time 2.			
12	Lod2Tm2Str	Time 2 for Loadshed 2 in hours, minutes and seconds. Begin: Time 2, End: Time 1.			

### 243# Relay Timer

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
01	RlyTmr 1 StrDt	Start date for timer 1			2006- 01-01
02	RlyTmr 1 StrTm	Start time for relay control timer 1 in hours, minutes and seconds.			
03	RlyTmr1Dur	Running time for relay control timer 1 in hours, minutes and seconds.			
04	RlyTmr1Cyc	Repetition cycle	Single	One-time	Single
		time for timer 1	Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	
05	RlyTmr2StrDt	Start date timer 2			2006- 01-01
06	RlyTmr2StrTm	Start time for relay control timer 2 in hours, minutes and seconds.			
07	RlyTmr2Dur	Running time for relay control timer 2 in hours, minutes and seconds.			

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
08	RlyTmr2Cyc	Repetition cycle	Single	One-time	Single
		time for timer 2	Daily	Daily	
			Weekly	Weekly	

### 244# Relay Slave1

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	Rly1OpSlv1	ly1OpSlv1 Function of relay 1	Off	Off	Off
		on slave 1	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP plant additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
02	Rly2OpSlv1	Function of relay 2	Off	Off	Off
		on slave 1	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP pland additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

### 245# Relay Slave2

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
01	Rly10pSlv2	Function of relay 1	Off	Off	Off
		on slave 2	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP pland additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
02	Rly2OpSlv2	Function of relay 2	Off	Off	Ott
		on slave 2	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP pland additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

### 246# Relay Slave3

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
01	Rly1OpSlv3	Function of relay 1	Off	Off	Off
		on slave 3	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP pland additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default
					value
02	Rly2OpSlv3	Function of relay 2	Off	Off	Off
		on slave 3	On	On	
			AutoGn	Generator request	
			AutoLodExt	External loadshedding	
			AutoLod1Soc	SOC1 Loadshedding	
			AutoLod2Soc	SOC2 Loadshedding	
			Tmr 1	Timer 1	
			Tmr2	Timer 2	
			AptPhs	Absorption phase	
			GnRn	Generator in operation	
			ExtVfOk	External source (voltage and frequency OK)	
			GdOn	Grid in operation (connected)	
			Error	Error	
			Warn	Warning	
			Run	In operation	
			BatFan	Battery ventilation (room)	
			AcdCir	Acid circulation	
			MccBatFan	Multicluster battery room ventilator	
			MccAutoLod	Loadshedding	
			CHPReq	CHP plant request	
			CHPAdd	CHP pland additional request	
			SiComRemote	SI Com module	
			Overload	Overload	
# 19.2.5 System Settings (250#)

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value	
01	AutoStr	Autostart If the value 0 has been set, this means that the autostart is deactivated.			3	
02	Dt	Date		MM/DD/YYYY	99.99.99 99	
03	Tm	Time in hours, minutes and seconds		HH:MM:SS	99:99:99	
04	BeepEna	Button Sound	Off	Disable	On	
			On	Enable		
05	ClstCfg C	ClstCfg Cluster	Cluster	Slave 1	Cluster Slave 1	1Phase 1
		configuration	Slave2	Cluster Slave 2		
			Slave3	Cluster Slave 3		
			1Phase1	Single-phase, 1 Sunny Island		
			1Phase2	Single-phase, 2 Sunny Island inverters		
			1Phase3	Single-phase, 3 Sunny Island inverters		
			1Phase4	Single-phase, 4 Sunny Island inverters		
			2Phase2	2-phase, 2 Sunny Island inverters		
			2Phase4	2-phase, 4 Sunny Island inverters		
			3Phase	3-phase, 3 Sunny Island inverters		
			MC-Box	Setting for Multicluster operation		

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
06	ComBaud	Baudrate	1200		1200
			4800		
			9600		
			19200		
09	ComAdr	Address for communication			1
10	SleepEna	Sleep Mode	Disable	Disable	Enable
			Enable	Enable	
11	AfraEna	Tertiary regulation	Disable	Disable	Enable
		(AFC - automatic frequency control)	Enable	Enable	
13	SlpAtNgt	Switch off the	Disable	Disable	Disable
		slaves at night	Enable	Enable	
14	SlpStrTm	Start time for switching off at night (sleep mode)			20:00:00
15	SlpStpTm	Stop time for switching off at night (sleep mode)			05:00:00
23	Вох	Type of Multicluster Box used		MCB-12U	MC-Box- 12
24	ClstMod	Cluster type in	SingleCluster		Single
		Multicluster	MainCluster		Cluster
		operation (system	ExtensionClst1		
		configuration	ExtensionClst2		
			ExtensionClst3		
			ExtensionClstN		
25	ClstAdr	Cluster address			
28	ChrgCtlOp	Typ of DC charging	Auto	Automatic	Auto
		device	DCOnly	Battery charger only	
			SMA	Sunny Island Charger	
30	RnMod	"Run mode"	RunAlways	Always available	RunAlway
		Reaction in case of failures	StopAlways	Stop in case of device failure	S

# 19.2.6 Password Setting (280#)

For detailed information about this menu see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85).

# 19.3 Diagnosis (300#)

# 19.3.1 Inverter Diagnosis (310#)

### 311# System Total Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	EgyCntIn	Energy absorbed in kWh
02	EgyCntOut	Energy fed in kWh
03	EgyCntTm	Energy metering run time in hours

### 312# Inverter Device Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value Plain text (No.)	Explanation	Default value
01	Adr	Device address	Master (1)	Address	Master
			Slave1 (2)	Address	
			Slave2 (3)	Address	
			Slave3 (4)	Address	
02	FwVer	Firmware version of the Sunny Island master			
03	SN	Serial number of the Sunny Island master			
04	OnTmh	Operating hours of the Sunny Island in hours			
05	ClstCfgAt	Set cluster configuration			
		The value is based on the setting in QCG			
06	OpStt	Operating mode of	Operating (1)	In operation	
		the Sunny Island	Warning (2)	Warning	
			Failure (3)	Error	

No.	Name	Description	Value Plain text (No.)	Explanation	Default value
07	CardStt	SD card status	Off (1)	None	Off
		message	Operational (2)	Busy	
			Mount (3)	Initialization	
			OutOfSpace (4)	No storage space available	
			BadFileSys (5)	No filing system recognized	
			Incomp (6)	Incompatible filing system	
			Parameters (7)	Parameter set write access	
			ParamFailed (8)	Parameter set write access failed	
			WriteLogData (9)	Log data write access	
			WriteLogFailed (10)	Log data write access failed	
08	FwVer2	DSP firmware version			
09	FwVer3	BFR boot loader			
10	FwVer4	DSP boot loader			

### 313# Inverter Slave1 Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv1	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
02	SNSIv1	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 1		
03	OnTmhSlv1	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 1 in hours		
04	PhSlv1	PhSlv1 Phase of the Sunny	L1	Phase L1
		Island slave 1	L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv1	Operating mode of	Operating	In operation
		the Sunny Island	Warning	Warning
		slave 1	Failure	Error

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
06	FwVer2Slv1	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
07	FwVer3Slv1	Bootloader BFR of Sunny Island slave 1		
08	FwVer4Slv1	Bootloader DSP of Sunny Island slave 1		

### 314# Inverter Slave2 Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv2	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 2		
02	SNSIv2	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 2		
03	OnTmhSlv2	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 2 in hours		
04	PhSlv2	PhSlv2 Phase of the Sunny	L1	Phase L1
		Island slave 2	L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv2	DpSttSlv2 Operating mode of the Sunny Island slave 2	Operating	In operation
			Warning	Warning
			Failure	Error
06	FwVer2Slv2	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 1		
07	FwVer3Slv2	Bootloader BFR of Sunny Island slave 2		
08	FwVer4Slv2	Bootloader DSP of Sunny Island slave 2		

### 315# Inverter Slave3 Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation
01	FwVerSlv3	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 3		
02	SNSIv3	Serial number of the Sunny Island slave 3		
03	OnTmhSlv3	Operating hours of the Sunny Island slave 3 in hours		
04	PhSlv3	PhSlv3 Phase of the Sunny	L1	Phase L1
		Island slave 3	L2	Phase L2
			L3	Phase L3
05	OpSttSlv3	DpSttSlv3 Operating mode of the Sunny Island slave 3	Operating	In operation
			Warning	Warning
			Failure	Error
06	FwVer2Slv3	Firmware version of the Sunny Island slave 3		
07	FwVer3Slv3	Bootloader BFR of Sunny Island slave 3		
08	FwVer4Slv3	Bootloader DSP of Sunny Island slave 3		

# 19.3.2 Battery Diagnosis (320#)

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
01	Soh	State of Health (SOH)			100 %
		Ratio of current capacity to its nominal value			
02	StatTm	Statistics metering run time in days			
03	ChrgFact	Charging factor			1.00

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
04	BatEgyCntIn	Energy meter for battery charge in kWh			
05	BatEgyCntOut	Energy meter for battery discharge in kWh			
06	AhCntIn	Meter for battery charging ampere hours			
07	AhCntOut	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours			
08	BatTmpPkMin	Minimum battery temperature in °C			
09	BatTmpPkMax	Maximum battery temperature in °C			
10	EquChrgCnt	Equalization charge meter			
11	FulChrgCnt	Full charge meter			
12	BatCurOfsErr	Offset error of battery current in A			
13	OcvPointCnt	Meter for open- circuit voltage points			
15	AhCntFul	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours since the last full charge (in Ah/100 Ah)			
16	AhCntEqu	Meter for battery discharging ampere hours since the last equalization charge (in Ah/ 100 Ah)			
17	BatVtgPk	Maximum battery voltage to have appeared in V			

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
18	BatCurPkIn	Maximum battery current in the charging direction to have appeared (in A)			
19	BatCurPkOut	Maximum battery current in discharging direction to have appeared (in A)			
20	SocHgm100	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 100 % > SOC >= 90 %			
21	SocHgm090	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 90 % > SOC >= 80 %			
22	SocHgm080	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 80 % > SOC >= 70 %			
23	SocHgm070	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 70 % > SOC >= 60 %			
24	SocHgm060	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 60 % > SOC >= 50 %			
25	SocHgm050	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 50 % > SOC >= 40 %			

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
26	SocHgm040	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 40 % > SOC >= 30 %			
27	SocHgm030	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 30 % > SOC >= 20 %			
28	SocHgm020	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 20 % > SOC >= 10 %			
29	SocHgm010	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, 10 % > SOC >= 0 %			
30	SocHgm000	Frequency distribution of the charge state, in percent, SOC < 0 %			
31	SocVtgCal	Charge state recalibration only via open-circuit voltage (in percent)			
32	ErrSocVtgCal	Estimated error of the voltage- calibrated charge state			50 %
33	SocChrgCal	Charge state recalibration only via full charge			50 %
34	ErrSocChrgCal	Estimated error of the full-charge- calibrated charge state			50 %

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
35	OcvGra	Slope of the open- circuit voltage curve			700 Ah/ V
36	OcvMax	Maximum open- circuit voltage			2.12 V

# 19.3.3 External Diagnosis (330#)

### 331# Grid Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	GdEgyCntIn	Energy meter for grid feed-in in kWh
02	GdEgyCntOut	Energy meter for power taken from the grid in kWh
03	GdEgyTmh	Running time of grid energy meter in hours
04	GdOpTmh	Operating hour meter for grid operation
05	GdCtcCnt	Meter for grid connections
06	TotTmh	Feed-in hours

### 332# Generator Diagnosis

No.	Name	Description
01	GnEgyCnt	Generator energy meter in kWh
02	GnEgyTm	Running time of generator energy meter in hours
03	GnOpTmh	Operating hour meter for generator
04	GnStrCnt	Number of generator starts

# 19.4 Events, Warnings and Failures (History)

# 19.4.1 Failure / Event (400#)

You can find further information about the menus "410# Failures Current", "420# Failure History" and "430# Event History" starting on section 10.9 "Display of Warnings and Failures" (page 91).

# 19.5 Functions in Operation

# 19.5.1 Operation (500#)

### #510 Operation Inverter

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	InvRs	Triggering a new start of the Sunny Island	Restart	Restart	
02	InvRmOpEna	Time-controlled	Disable	Disable	Disable
		inverter operation	Enable	Enable	
03	InvTmOpStrDt	Start date for time- controlled inverter operation			2006- 01-01
04	InvTmOpStrTm	Start time for time- controlled inverter operation in hours, minutes and seconds		Value can be set freely	
05	InvTmOpRnDur	Running time for time-controlled inverter operation in hours, minutes and seconds		Value can be set freely	
06	InvTmOpCyc	Repetition cycle for	Single	One-time	Single
	time-cc inverte (Tm1)	time-controlled	Daily	Daily	
		inverter operation (Tm1)	Weekly	Weekly	01-01 Single

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
07	CntRs	Erase energy	lnv	Sunny Island	
		counter	Bat	Battery	
		The value indicates	Gn	Generator	
		which energy	Gd	Grid	
		counters should be	All	All energy meters	
		eruseu.	Sic 1	Sunny Island Charger 1	
			Sic2	Sunny Island Charger 2	
			Sic3	Sunny Island Charger 3	
			Sic4	Sunny Island Charger 4	
			SicAll	All Sunny Island Chargers	
08	TstClstCom	Activates the	Off	Off	
		communication test between the individual clusters:	Transmit	Enable	
09	ClstComStt	Communication test	Wait	Wait	
		status	OK	Completed	
10	FrcClstUpd	Manual update of the cluster	UpdateClst	Cluster Update (BFR & DSP)	
			UpdateClstBFR	Cluster Update (BFR)	
			UpdateClstDSP	Cluster Update (DSP)	

### 520# Operation Battery

No.	Name	Description	Display value	Explanation	Default value
01	ChrgSelMan	Manual	Idle	Wait	Idle
		Equalization	Start	Start	
		Charge	Stop	Stop	

### **#540 Operation Generator**

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GnManStr	Manual generator	Auto	Automatic	Auto
		start	Stop	Stop	
			Start	Start	
			Run 1 h	Run for 1 h	
02	GnAck	Error confirmation for generator fault	Ackn	Failure confirmation	

### 550# Operation MMC

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	ParaSto	Save parameter	Set1	Parameter Set 1	
		settings	Set2	Parameter Set2	
02	ParaLod	Load parameter	Set1	Parameter Set 1	
		settings	Set2	Parameter Set2	
			Factory	Load factory settings	
03	CardFunc	CardFunc Functions of the SD	ForcedWrite	Forced writing	
		card	StoEvtHis	Save event memory	
			StoFailHis	Save error memory	
			StoHis	Save event and error	
				memory	
04	DatLogEna	Automatic data	Off	Disable	On
		storage	On	Enable	

### 560# Operation Grid

The 560# Operation Grid menu can only be seen if the external voltage source of the Sunny Island is set to "Grid" or "GenGrid".

No.	Name	Description	Value	Explanation	Default value
01	GdManStr	Manual grid start	Auto	Automatic	Auto
			Stop	Stop	
			Start	Start	

# 19.6 Direct Access to the Parameters

## 19.6.1 Direct Access (600#)

Direct access to parameters is explained in detail in section 10.3 "Direct Access (to the parameters)" (page 81).

# 20 Troubleshooting

In general the Sunny Island distinguishes between events and errors.

- Events describe state changes or transient states (e.g. generator connection).
- **Failures** describe states that are not permitted or are only permitted up to a certain rate. This includes warnings, failures and errors. A user interaction is generally required.

## 20.1 Failure Confirmation

If there is a disturbance or failure, the Sunny Island goes into standby.

Proceed as follows to confirm a failure:

- 1. Remove the cause.
- 2. Confirm failure with <ENTER>.
- 3. Start the Sunny Island again.

### 20.2 Autostart Handling

The Sunny Island has an autostart counter which counts down by 1 with every automatic start. After 10 minutes of normal operation of the Sunny Island, the autostart counter is set back to its original value.

If another failure occurs when the autostart counter is at 0, the Sunny Island waits for 10 minutes and then attempts to restart. The autostart counter begins to run again.

The number of the autostarts allowed can be set using the "250.01 AutoStr" parameter (in standby mode).

## 20.3 Master Slave Handling

Each device detects the failures separately and saves it. The slaves transfer their failures to the master. The master collects these failure messages and enters the slave failures as warnings into its history.

Example:

Slave 1 has detected overtemperature. It enters this failure in its history and reports it to the master, which also enters it as a warning into its failure history ("Menu 420# Failure History").

The following message appears in the lower line on the master.



If warning 138 is still active on slave 1, the Enter symbol is displayed at the end of the line. After confirmation on the master using ENTER, the warning is forwarded to the corresponding slave. The master shows the following message after confirmation.





#### No Comparison between Master and Slave

The failure and event memory are not compared between the master and slaves. When the Sunny Island system starts anew the failures in the slave devices are confirmed.

# 20.4 Handling Pending Failures During the Booting Procedure

During the booting procedure, all pending failures are generally confirmed without an entry being made in the history. This way, after the booting procedure failure that is still pending will be re-entered, or if the system detects that this failure has stopped, it is entered as no longer being present.

# 20.5 Display of Failures and Events

Each failure and each event have a unique three-digit display number that is created according to the parameter/measuring value assignment. The events and failures have the identical numerical range:

- 1xx INV Inverter
- 2xx BAT Battery
- 3xx EXT Extern
- 4xx GEN Generator
- 5xx GRD Grid
- 6xx RLY Relay
- 7xx SYS System
- 8xx AUX external devices and components



### Meaning of the abbreviations

"F" marks a failure, "W" marks a warning and "E" marks an event.

In the event of a failure, and provided it is recorded, "!" is displayed for a failure that has occurred and "C" is displayed for a failure that has stopped.

### 20.6 Events

The meanings of the events displayed by the Sunny Island are described in the following table:

# 20.6.1 Category INV

Display no.	Description
E101	Wait status
E102	Startup process
E103	In operation
E104	Operating on the generator (at external input)
E105	Operating on the grid (at external input)
E106	Feed-in grid operation (at external input)
E107	Sleep mode (slave in single-phase systems)
E108	Silent mode on the grid
E110	Shutting down due to fault
E115	Emergency charge
E118	Automatic start
E119	Manual start (transition from standby mode to operation)
E120	Manual stop (transition from operation to standby)
E129	External start (remote)
E130	External stop (remote)
E131	AFC Start
E132	AFC Stop

# 20.6.2 Category BAT

Display no.	Description
E202	(Partial) reset of BMS due to new battery
E203	State change, battery charging algorithm for float charge
E204	State change, battery charging algorithm for boost charge
E205	State change, battery charging algorithm for full charge
E206	State change into silent mode option
E207	State change, battery charging algorithm for equalization charge
E221	Status change Battery preservation mode level 1
E222	Status change Battery preservation mode level 2
E223	Status change Battery preservation mode level 3

# 20.6.3 Category GEN

Display no.	Description	
E401	Automatic generator start due to set criteria	
	(battery charge state, power, time, etc.)	
E402	Automatic generator stop due to set criteria	
	(battery charge state, power, time, etc.)	
E403	Manual generator start	
E404	Manual generator stop	
E405	Manual error confirmation of generator fault	
E406	Generator Request	

## 20.6.4 GRD Category

Display no.	Description
E501	Grid request due to SOC (goes below limit)
E502	Release of grid due to SOC (exceeds)
E503	Grid request due to exceeding the power limit
E504	Grid release due to going below the power limit
E505	Manual grid request
E506	Manual grid release
E507	Grid feeding starts
E508	Grid feeding stops

# 20.6.5 Category REL

Display no.	Description
E601	Relay 1 off
E602	Relay 1 on
E603	Relay 1 on slave 1 off
E604	Relay 1 on slave 1 on
E605	Relay 1 on slave 2 off
E606	Relay 1 on slave 2 on
E607	Relay 1 on slave 3 off
E608	Relay 1 on slave 3 on
E609	Transfer relay open
E610	Transfer relay closed
E611	Transfer relay on slave 1 open
E612	Transfer relay on slave 1 closed
E613	Transfer relay on slave 2 open
E614	Transfer relay on slave 2 closed
E615	Transfer relay on slave 3 open
E616	Transfer relay on slave 3 closed
E617	Relay 2 open
E618	Relay 2 closed
E619	Relay 2 on slave 1 open
E620	Relay 2 on slave 1 closed
E621	Relay 2 on slave 2 open
E622	Relay 2 on slave 2 closed
E623	Relay 2 on slave 3 open
E624	Relay 2 on slave 3 closed
E625	Digital input OFF (Low)
E626	Digital input ON (High)
E629	Digital input slave 2 to OFF (low)
E630	Digital input slave 2 to ON (high)
E631	Digital input slave 3 to OFF (low)
E632	Digital input slave 3 to ON (high)

Display no.	Description
E705	Device start
E706	Date, time changed
E707	New system configured in QCG
E708	Part 1 of the firmware updated
E709	Part 2 of the firmware updated
E710	Cluster firmware updated
E711	MMC/SD card inserted
E712	Parameters from MMC/SD card loaded
E851	Sunny Island Charger #1 detected
E852	Sunny Island Charger #2 detected
E853	Sunny Island Charger #3 detected
E854	Sunny Island Charger #4 detected

# 20.6.6 Category SYS

## 20.7 Failure Categories

The Sunny Island distinguishes between five different levels of failures, each requiring different user interaction:

Level	Designation	Display	Meaning
1	Warning	Warning	Warning, device continues to run. There is an explicit information on the Home Screen that a warning was recorded.
2	Fault 1	Malfunction	Failure that can only be detected during operation. Device switches off. Device can be restarted immediately (autostart).
3	Fault 2	Malfunction	Failure that can also be detected in standby mode. Device switches off. The device can only be restarted (autostart) after the system detects that the failure has stopped.
4	Failure	Failure	Device fault. Device switches off. User interaction required (troubleshooting, confirmation, manual restart).
5	Device Failure	Defect	Device is defect. Device switches off and does not switch on again. Permanent disable. Device must be replaced.

# 20.8 Warnings and Failure Messages

The meanings of the failures and warnings displayed by the Sunny Island are described in the following table:

# 20.8.1 Category INV

Display no.	Level	Description
F109	3	Transformer overtemperature
W110	1	Overtemperature on transformer on slave 1
W111	1	Overtemperature on transformer on slave 2
W112	1	Overtemperature on transformer on slave 3
F113	3	Overtemperature on heatsink
W114	1	Overtemperature on heatsink on slave 1
W115	1	Overtemperature on heatsink on slave 2
W116	1	Overtemperature on heatsink on slave 3
F117	2	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long)
W118	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 1
W119	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 2
W120	1	AC current limit (short-circuit control active for too long) on slave 3
F121	3	Inverter overvoltage
W122	1	Inverter overvoltage on slave 1
W123	1	Inverter overvoltage on slave 2
W124	1	Inverter overvoltage on slave 3
W137	1	Derating due to temperature (heatsink or transformer)
W138	1	Derating due to temperature (heatsink or transformer) on slave 1
W139	1	Derating due to temperature (heatsink or transformer) on slave 2
W140	1	Derating due to temperature (heatsink or transformer) on slave 3
F141	2	Inverter undervoltage
W142	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 1
W143	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 2
W144	1	Inverter undervoltage slave 3
F158	2	Voltage on output AC1
W159	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 1
W160	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 2
W161	1	Voltage on output AC1 slave 3

Display no.	Level	Description
F201	2	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded
W202	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 1
W203	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 2
W204	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 3
F206	3	Battery overtemperature
F208	3	Battery excess voltage error
W209	1	Battery excess voltage error
W210	1	Battery overvoltage warning
W211	1	Low battery temperature warning
W212	1	High battery temperature warning
F213	2	Warning low battery voltage
W220	1	Warning SOH < 70 %

# 20.8.2 Category BAT

# 20.8.3 Category EXT

Display no.	Level	Description
W309	1	Relay protection
W310	1	Relay protection on slave 1
W311	1	Relay protection on slave 2
W312	1	Relay protection on slave 3
F314	2	External voltage failure
W315	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage
W316	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 1
W317	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 2
W318	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external voltage on slave 3
W319	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage
W320	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 1
W321	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 2
W322	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external voltage on slave 3
W323	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency

Display no.	Level	Description
W324	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 1
W325	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 2
W326	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to insufficient external frequency on slave 3
W327	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency
W328	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 1
W329	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 2
W330	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to excessive external frequency on slave 3
W331	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to anti-islanding
W332	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to anti-islanding on slave 1
W333	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to anti-islanding on slave 2
W334	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to anti-islanding on slave 3
W335	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement)
W336	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 1
W337	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 2
W338	1	Disconnection from grid/generator due to violation of voltage limits (redundant measurement), slave 3
W339	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage rise protection
W340	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage rise protection on slave 1
W341	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage rise protection on slave 2
W342	1	Grid/generator disconnection due to voltage rise protection on slave 3
W343	1	Disconnection from the external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W344	1	Disconnection from the slave 1 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W345	1	Disconnection from the slave 2 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W346	1	Disconnection from the slave 3 external source, because the relation of the external voltage to the battery voltage is too high.
W347	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load
W348	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 1

Display no.	Level	Description
W349	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 2
W350	1	Disconnection from external source due to excessive load slave 3
W351	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short-circuit
W352	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short-circuit slave 1
W353	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short-circuit slave 2
W354	1	Disconnection from external source due to external short-circuit slave 3

## 20.8.4 Category GEN

Display no.	Level	Description
W401	1	Reverse power protection (generator)
W402	1	Generator management switches into the block fault status (Fail-Lock)

# 20.8.5 Category GRD

Display no.	Level	Description
W501	1	Grid reverse current prohibited (quick grid disconnection)
W502	1	Grid reverse current prohibited (quick grid disconnection) on slave 1
W503	1	Grid reverse current prohibited (quick grid disconnection) on slave 2
W504	1	Grid reverse current prohibited (quick grid disconnection) on slave 3
W505	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom")
W506	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 1
W507	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 2
W508	1	Feed-in current is greater than the nominal grid current (Parameter "232.03 GdCurNom") Slave 3

## 20.8.6 Category RLY

Display no.	Level	Description
F605	4	Transfer relay does not open
W606	1	Transfer relay does not open on slave 1
W607	1	Transfer relay does not open on slave 2
W608	1	Transfer relay does not open on slave 3

# 20.8.7 Category SYS

Display no.	Level	Description	
F702	5	DSP reset	
F703	2	Timeout during a task	
F704	4	Invalid DSP calibration	
W705	1	DSP watchdog has been triggered	
F706	4	Watchdog meter has expired	
		(watchdog triggered several times in succession)	
W707	1	Watchdog meter on slave 1 has expired	
		(watchdog triggered several times in succession)	
W708	1	Watchdog meter on slave 2 has expired	
		(watchdog triggered several times in succession)	
W709	I	Watchdog meter on slave 3 has expired	
5710	4		
F710	4	Autostart meter has expired (several autostarts in succession)	
W/13	1	Watchdog has been triggered	
F716	2	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded	
W717	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 1	
W718	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 2	
W719	1	Measuring range of battery voltage exceeded on slave 3	
F720	4	Short-circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor	
F721	4	Short-circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor	
W722	1	Short-circuit battery temperature sensor	
W723	1	Cable break on battery temperature sensor	
W724	1	Autostart counter has expired slave 1	
W725	1	Autostart counter has expired slave 2	
W726	1	Autostart counter has expired slave 3	
F731	4	Error in the cluster configuration	
F732	4	Error in the address assignation of the cluster devices	
F733	4	No message from cluster master (only slave)	
W734	1	No message from cluster on slave 1	
W735	1	No message from cluster on slave 2	
W736	1	No message from cluster on slave 3	
W738	1	Synchronization not successful	
F739	3	Internal communication of the master is interrupted	
W740	1	Internal communication of the slave 1 is interrupted	
W741	1	Internal communication of the slave 2 is interrupted	
W742	1	Internal communication of the slave 3 is interrupted	

Display no.	Level	Description	
F743	3	Internal CAN communication of the master is interrupted	
W744	1	Internal CAN communication of the slave 1 is interrupted	
W745	1	Internal CAN communication of the slave 2 is interrupted	
W746	1	Internal CAN communication of the slave 3 is interrupted	
W747	1	Short-circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 1	
W748	1	Short-circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 2	
W749	1	Short-circuit or cable break on transformer temperature sensor slave 3	
W750	1	Short-circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 1	
W751	1	Short-circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 2	
W752	1	Short-circuit or cable break on heat sink temperature sensor slave 3	
W753	1	Invalid system time	
F754	2	Communication with Multicluster Box interrupted	
W755	1	Battery Preservation Mode 1 (LBM)	
W756	1	Battery Preservation Mode 2 (LBM)	
W757	1	Battery Preservation Mode 3 (LBM)	
W758	1	No output voltage measured from the main cluster	
W759	1	No output voltage measured from slave 1 of main cluster	
W760	1	No output voltage measured from slave 2 of main cluster	
W761	1	No output voltage measured from slave 3 of main cluster	
F781	4	Error at a slave which leads to shutdown of the system	
		(for the "RunMod" function)	
F782	4	Failure of the grid monitoring	
F783	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls	
F784	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 1	
F785	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 2	
F786	2	Slave does not receive a Syncpuls Slave 3	

# 20.8.8 AUX Category

Display no.	Level	Description	
F801	4	Plausibility check of the contactors in a Multicluster Box has failed	
W804	1	Grid operation not possible	
W805	1	Generator operation not possible	
F806	4	Multicluster Box settings do not correspond to the software settings.	
W807	1	No valid grid voltage with the requested grid operation	
W808	1	Error Q4 contactor	
F809	4	Error Q10 contactor (load shedding)	
F810	4	Error in 15 V supply of the Multicluster Box	
F811	4	Error in 24 V supply of the Multicluster Box	
W815	1	Error Q5 contactor	
F816	2	Error Q7 contactor	
F817	4	Error Q9 contactor	
F818	4	A phase is missing, Multicluster Box goes into "Failure" status	
W851	1	Pole of battery connection is reversed or short-circuit on the Sunny Island Charger 1	
W852	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 1	
W853	1	Overvoltage PV generator Sunny Island Charger 1	
W854	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 1	
W855	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 1	
W856	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 1	
W857	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 1 for more than 24 h	
W861	1	Pole of battery connection is reversed or short-circuit on the Sunny Island Charger 2	
W862	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 2	
W863	1	Overvoltage PV generator Sunny Island Charger 2	
W864	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 2	
W865	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 2	
W866	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 2	
W867	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 2 for more than 24 h	
W871	1	Pole of battery connection is reversed or short-circuit on the Sunny Island Charger 3	
W872	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 3	
W873	1	Overvoltage PV generator Sunny Island Charger 3	
W874	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 3	
W875	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 3	
W876	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 3	

Display no.	Level	Description
W877	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 3 for more than 24 h
W881	1	Pole of battery connection is reversed or short-circuit on the Sunny Island Charger 4
W882	1	Battery overvoltage Sunny Island Charger 4
W883	1	Overvoltage PV generator Sunny Island Charger 4
W884	1	No PV voltage or short-circuit on Sunny Island Charger 4
W885	1	Sensor error (or undertemperature) on Sunny Island Charger 4
W886	1	Overtemperature Sunny Island Charger 4
W887	1	No communication with Sunny Island Charger 4 for more than 24 h
F890	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box
F891	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box slave 1
F892	2	Fault at the external measuring point of the Multicluster Box slave 2

## 20.9 Troubleshooting

Answers are provided below for failures that may occur in practice:

### Why does the Sunny Island not connect to the running generator?

- Is the fuse on the generator ok?
- Has the power which is allowed to be fed back into the generator during the permissible time been exceeded ("233.14 GnRvTm" parameter)? If yes, "!" is displayed. Generator connection is blocked for the set time. Set the "#540.02 GnAck" parameter to Ackn.
- If the generator control relay (GnReq) is open has the generator been started manually ("234.07 GnStrMod" parameter)? Change the setting to autostart, if required.
- Is a GenMan used in the system?
  - Check the return signal (DigIn)
  - The generator can only be started manually using GenMan.

# Why is the display of the Sunny Island dark and why is nothing shown on the display?

- Is the DC circuit breaker on the Sunny Island set to "On"? In this case, the device has switched
  off to protect the battery against deep discharge (see also section 13.3 "State of Charge (SOC)
  and State of Health (SOH)" (page 106)). To restart the Sunny Island, see section
  9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 74).
- The external battery fuse may have been triggered.

### Why is it not possible to change parameters?

- Has the installer password been entered correctly? Check whether you are actually in "Installer Level" (see section 10.5 "Entering the Installer Password" (page 85)). If necessary, repeat the calculation and entry of the password.
- You are in the "100-Meters" (measuring data) menu or the "300-Diagnose" (diagnosis) menu. You can only read the data values shown here.
- Some parameters can only be changed in standby mode or in the QCG (see for example the
  parameter "234.07 GnStrMod" in section 19.2 "Adjustable parameters" (page 159)). Stop
  the Sunny Island as described in section 9.2 "Stopping (Standby)" (page 73). Note that this
  causes a dropout in the off-grid power system and the loads are no longer supplied.

# Why does the Sunny Island connect to the running generator only for a short time?

 The limits for the maximum permissible AC voltage or the minimum permissible frequency of the generator are too strict (parameter in the menu "233# Generator Control"). Change voltage and/or frequency limits while observing the technical data for your generator.

# Why does the "VAC-Low" error (output voltage too low) also occur when the Sunny Island is started?

- A permanent short-circuit exists in the off-grid power system. Check the AC output connections of the off-grid power system (see section 6.3 "AC Connection" (page 46)).
- The loads connected to the off-grid power system are too heavy. The power/electrical energy of the Sunny Island is not sufficient to supply the loads. Switch off some of the loads and restart the Sunny Island.

### Why is the off-grid frequency not at 60 Hz?

- The Sunny Boy inverter is controlled via the frequency (see section 17.5 "Frequency Shift Power Control (FSPC)" (page 147)).
- The "AFC" function of the Sunny Island 5048U is activated (see section 12.6 "Automatic Frequency Control (AFC)" (page 104)).
- Power fluctuations cause frequency deviations.

### What do I do when a battery cell can no longer be used?

• Remove the unusable cell from your battery bank. Start the Sunny Island and change the battery voltage in the QCG under "New Battery".

### What can I do when the QCG does not run?

• Switch off the Sunny Island (see section **9.3** "Switching off" (page 74)) and restart it (see section 9.1 "Switching on" (page 72)).

### What happens when "MMC operation failed" is displayed?

• You wanted to perform an action using the SD card, but it failed (see section 10.9 "Display of Warnings and Failures" (page 91)). Check the card (on your PC/laptop) and use a new SD card, if necessary.

# Why does my Sunny Island stay on even though I switched the DC circuit breaker to Off?

 Your Sunny Island may be powered by the AC side. Switch off all AC loads and disconnect them from the Sunny Island (see section 9.4 "Disconnecting the Device from Voltage Sources" (page 74)).

### Why is my battery discharging even though the generator is running?

- The power produced by the generator does not reach the Sunny Island. Check the voltage and frequency values. The fuses on the generator may have been triggered.
- The consumer power exceeds the generator power "234.03 GnCurNom".
  - Check error messages Find the cause.

# Why is the deactivation defined by the SOC in case of a full or equalization charge and generator start in the second time zone?

• Equalization charge has a higher priority than silent time.

### Why is the SOC not at 100 % even after full charging has been completed?

• Set a longer absorption period.

### How is it possible to ensure that the maximum battery charging current is correctly calculated after a reinstallation of the battery current sensor?

• Re-calibrate the battery current sensor using the "225.04 BatCurAutoCal" parameter with the setting "Start".

### What is required if the Sunny Island is continuously switched off after Low Battery Mode (LBM) when restarting the device?

 Start the generator manually, if required (e.g.: Run 1 h). Consider the time for warming up: 5 minutes without charging current in BatProtMode can cause the device to change to standby mode.

# How is it possible to change between wintertime and summertime operation e.g. in case of alpine huts?

• Save two different parameter sets on the SD card and activate them via the "550.02 ParaLod" parameter (see section 11.3 "Saving and Loading Parameters" (page 96).

### What happens if the card inserted is not FAT16 formatted?

• The Sunny Island displays the message "Incomp".

# Why does the generator and/or the grid not reconnect although the (voltage or frequency) limit for disconnection has not been exceeded?

• The Sunny Island connects with a so-called hysteresis, i.e., the connection value is slightly below or above the disconnection value. These threshold values are predefined ex-works.

### Why is it not possible to set any combinations of voltage and frequency limits?

 The possible ranges for voltage and frequency of the Sunny Island allow the combination of special frequencies and voltages that result in transformer saturation and are therefore not permitted.

# Why is it that one (or more) extension clusters remain in standby, although the main cluster is operating properly?

• Is the communication cable between the master devices connected? The main master cannot forward the "Start" command to the extension master. The devices remain in standby.

### Why is the Multicluster system not supplying full power output?

• Has an extension cluster's slave failed? The system continues to operate, but with correspondingly lower output on the phase of the failed device.

# Why is it that shortly after startup, the slave switches to standby with the failure message F117, but the master continues to operate?

• Are the phases within the cluster, or from the cluster to the Multicluster Box connected the wrong way around? This causes a permanent short-circuit in the cluster, and the slave reports this to the master.

### What is the meaning of the F605 error message?

• The F605 error message might occur, among other things, if you have installed a direct connection with switch between the AC input (AC2) and the AC output (AC1) of the Sunny Island. If such a connection is not installed on the Sunny Island and if the switch is closed, the Sunny Island is surpassed. If the Sunny Island did not give the order for closing its internal transfer relay itself, it displays the F605 error message and does not start operation. Open the bypass switch and restart the Sunny Island afterwards to fix this error.

# Why is it that high outputs are being transferred back and forth between the clusters in the cluster network?

• The nominal frequencies and voltages are defined differently. Correct this by means of the appropriate parameters.

## 20.10 Procedure During Emergency Charge Mode

The Sunny Island cannot provide voltage with full amplitude with a deeply discharged battery and can no longer synchronize with an existing grid or generator. Using the emergency charge mode (ECM), it is possible to charge the batteries in current-controlled mode.

To charge the batteries in the emergency charge mode, either bridge the AC1 with AC2 (for a stationary generator) or connect a portable generator directly to AC1.

All loads must be disconnected in emergency charge mode.



### **Battery Management**

The battery management is active and the current set battery parameters and the current charging phase are used. These values can be changed in "normal operation".



### **Generator and Grid Management**

In emergency charge mode, **no** generator management and **no** grid management are active. Reverse power protection and relay protection are also not active.



### AC1 and AC2 are bridged

In case that AC1 and AC2 have been bridged the generator should be connected and then manually started. Otherwise, it is possible that the magnetizing current trips the generator fuse. (This can also happen when connecting the relay without using a bridge.)

Emergency charge mode is activated in the QCG. For a description how to access the QCG see section 8.2 "Starting the Quick Configuration Guide (QCG)" (page 66). Follow the instructions up to point 2. The emergency charge mode is described below.

1. Choose "Emerg Charge" in QCG with <ENTER>.

01#Star	rtMenu
Emer9.	Char9e

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2. Confirm the following view with <ENTER>.

OK? Y/N Emer9. Char9e

#01ExtCurMax

Y/N

10.0 A

0K.5

10.0 A

3. Set the maximum external current, e.g., the generator current.

- 4. Confirm the set value with <ENTER>.
- Use the down arrow key.
   ☑ The notification shown here is displayed.

6. Press <ENTER> to confirm.

7. Press <ENTER>.

INIT ECM OK Start?

INIT ECM OK Start?

YZN

STNDBY: To start ECM hold <ENTER>

☑ The emergency charge mode starts.

### Interrupt the emergency charge mode, e.g., in order to refill diesel.

Press <Enter> to stop the Sunny Island.
 ☑ The notification shown here is displayed.

Hold to stop...

2. Press and hold <Enter>.

☑ The remaining time is displayed as a bar.

☑ The emergency charge mode is interrupted. The notification shown here is displayed.

STNDBY: To start ECM hold <ENTER>

Hold to stop ...



### Premature ending of the emergency charge mode.

In order to exit the emergency charge mode early, the Sunny Island must be restarted with the "510.01 InvRs" parameter.

In emergency charge mode process values are displayed. Parameters cannot be changed during the charging process. If the device is restarted, the settings that were saved before the ECM are loaded.



### Bridge between AC1 and AC2

After emergency charge mode has been completed make sure to remove the bridge between AC1 and AC2!



### Restarting

See the instructions for restarting the device and wait 15 minutes (see also section 9.5 "Reactivating the Device Following Automatic Shutdown" (page 74)).

# 21 Accessories

You will find the corresponding accessories and replacement parts for your product In the following overview. If needed, you can order these from SMA or your dealer.

Designation	Brief description	SMA order number
Batfuse-B.01 (250 A) (not UL certified)	2-pole NH1 battery fuse switch disconnector for up to one Sunny Island, 3 DC input ports (1 x Battery and 2 x Sunny Island Chargers), 1 x auxiliary voltage output with 8 A.	BATFUSE-B.01
Batfuse-B.03 (250 A) (not UL certified)	2-pole NH1 battery fuse switch disconnector for up to 3 Sunny Island inverters, 6 DC input ports (2 x Battery and 4 x Sunny Island Chargers), 1 x auxiliary voltage output with 8 A.	BATFUSE-B.03
Load-shedding contactor	3-pole load-shedding contactor with a 48 V coil for Sunny Island.	SI-LSXX
	The load-shedding contactor is available in several versions. You can obtain more information from SMA or your dealer.	
SI-Shunt	Measuring resistor for battery current detection The measuring resistor is available in several versions. You can obtain more information from SMA.	SI-SHUNTXXX
Sunny Island Charger (not UL-certified)	Solar charge regulator for Sunny Island systems Battery voltage: 48 V/24 V/12 V Battery current: 40 A at 48 V, 50 A at 12 V/24 V Nominal power: 2,000 W at 48 V, ´ max. PV voltage: 140 V	SIC50-MPT
Smart Load 6000	Adjustable dumpload	SL 6000
RS485 upgrade kit	RS485 interface	485PB-G3
Multicluster Piggy-Back	Interface for communication between the Sunny Island and the Multicluster Box	MC-PB
Sunny Island Charger Piggy-Back	Interface for communication between the Sunny Island and Sunny Island Charger	SIC-PB

# 22 Technical Data

Output Values				
Nominal AC voltage (adjustable)	U <sub>AC, nom</sub>	120 V (105 V 132 V)		
Nominal frequency	f <sub>nom</sub>	60 Hz (55 65 Hz)		
Continuous AC output at 77 °F (25 °C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	5 000 W		
Continuous AC output at 113 °F (45 °C)	P <sub>nom</sub>	4 000 W		
AC output power for 30 min at 77 °F (25 °C)	P <sub>30min</sub>	6 500 W		
AC output power for 1 min at 77 °F (25 °C)	P <sub>1min</sub>	8 400 W		
AC output power for 3 seconds at 77 °F (25 °C)	P <sub>3sec</sub>	11 000 W		
Nominal AC current	I <sub>AC, nom</sub>	41.7 A		
Maximum current (peak value) for 60 ms	I <sub>AC max</sub>	180 A		
Harmonic distortion of output voltage	K <sub>VAC</sub>	< 3 %		
Power factor cosq		-1 +1		
		120 1/ (20 )/ 150 1/		
	U <sub>AC, ext</sub>	120 (80 ( 150 ))		
Input trequency (adjustable)	t <sub>ext</sub>	60 Hz ( 54 Hz 66 Hz)		
Maximum AC input current (adjustable)	I <sub>AC, ext</sub>	56 A (0 A 56 A)		
Maximum input power	P <sub>AC, ext</sub>	6.7 kW		
Battery Data				
Battery voltage (range)	U <sub>Bat, nom</sub>	48 V (41 V 63 V)		
Maximum battery charging current	I <sub>Bat, max</sub>	120 A		
Continuous charging current	I <sub>Bat, nom</sub>	100 A		
Battery capacity	C <sub>Bat</sub>	100 Ah 10 000 Ah		
Charge control		IUoU procedure with automatic full and equalization charge		
Battery type		VRLA/FLA/NiCd		
Efficiency / Power consumption				
		42 % (at 1 000 vv)		
Etticiency > 90 %		5 120 % P <sub>nom</sub>		




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#### Absorption phase

Constant Voltage phase: A charging phase using constant charging voltage. The charging current constantly decreases in this phase.

# AC

Abbreviation for "Alternating Current".

# AC coupling

The AC side connection between loads, generators and storage devices.

# AGM battery

Absorbent Glass Mat separator battery. This is a battery where the electrolyte (a mixture of water and sulfuric acid) is bound to a glass fiber mat. This is a type of a sealed or valve regulated lead-acid (VRLA) lead acid battery. A gas mixture (hydrogen and oxygen) is always generated when lead-acid batteries are charged and in normal operation this internally recombines to form water. This removes the need for regularly refilling the battery cells with water, which is why these batteries are often described as "low maintenance" or even "maintenance free". AGM batteries are available from many different manufacturers for a wide range of applications. They usually have very good high current properties but are not very deep-discharge-cycle resistant.

#### Ah

Abbreviation for "Ampere hours". Unit of electrical charge, one ampere hour is the charge provided by a constant current of 1 A over a period of one hour.

#### **Backup system**

Backup systems are power supply systems that provide an extra level of security for standard power supply systems. The public grid is usually the standard power supply system and the backup system is provided by an additional stand-alone grid in the case of a power outage. In addition to the backup systems, diesel generators in PV battery systems are also described as backup generators. Here they perform the same task as a backup system for the public grid.

#### Battery

A battery is an electrochemical storage device that can release previously stored chemical energy as electrical energy. A distinction is made between non-rechargeable batteries (often used in consumer markets) and rechargeable batteries (accumulators). In stand-alone grid systems, lead acid batteries are almost always used and, very rarely, Nickel/Cadmium batteries are used as secondary rechargeable batteries.

#### **Battery bank**

See Battery system.

#### Battery charge mode

An operating mode of a battery inverter in which the inverter takes energy from the AC grid to charge the batteries in a controlled fashion. In this mode of operation, the battery inverter is responsible for correctly charging the batteries and acts like an independent battery charger.

#### **Battery inverter**

See Battery power converter.

#### **Battery management**

The battery management is responsible for the optimum charging of the battery bank and for protection against deep discharge. This is the only way of ensuring that the battery service life reflects the manufacturer's specifications.

#### Battery power converter

A bidirectional power converter that can regulate voltage and frequency in a standalone grid as well as correctly charging the batteries.

#### **Battery system**

The combination of serial and possibly also parallel connection of several identical batteries. Battery banks of 12 V, 24 V, 48 V and 60 V are typical.

#### **Boost charge**

Rapid charging: Allows the batteries to be charged to a level of approx. 85 – 90 % in the shortest time and the most efficient manner.

#### **Bulk phase**

I-Phase: The charging phase in which charging can be done using the maximum allowable charging current.

# Capacity

Describes the storage capability of a cell or battery, specified in Ah (ampere hours). The capacity of a battery is heavily dependent on the charging cycle, the amount of current drawn and the temperature.

#### CEC

Abbreviation for California Energy Commission

#### **Central inverter**

An inverter concept, in which all PV modules are connected to each other (in series and/or parallel) and which uses a single inverter for feeding energy into the mains supply grid. The low cost of the inverter is usually offset by the much higher installation efforts required and possible yield losses due to variations in shadowing of different solar modules.

#### Charge mode

See Battery charging mode.

# C-rate

The nominal capacity specification is always provided with the discharge time on which the capacity is based. The nominal capacity is the product of the constant discharging current IN and the discharge time tN, that passes between commencement of discharging the fully charged battery until the final discharge voltage VS is reached. In permanently on-site batteries, the C10 capacity is usually specified. i.e. a battery with C10 = 200 Ah can be discharged for 10 hours at a nominal current of 0.1 x C10 = 110 = 20 A.

# DC

Abbreviation for "Direct Current"

# Derating

A controlled reduction in performance, usually dependent on component temperatures. Derating is used instead of performing a complete shutdown of the system.

#### DSP

Abbreviation for Digital Signal Processor. A DSP is a microprocessor chip especially developed for digital signal processing and control.

# Electrolyte

A chemical solution that allows the conduction of ions within a battery. In lead acid batteries, the electrolyte is diluted sulfuric acid and is also a reactant in the electrochemical reaction. Nickel/Cadmium batteries use an alkaline electrolyte (potassium hydroxide).

# EPROM

See Flash EEPROM

#### Equalize charge

Equalize charge: Allows multiple series-connected battery cells to be charged to a unified state of charge of 95 – 100 %. Without regular equalization charging, the state of charges of the various cells slowly drift apart, which can lead to poor battery performance and premature battery bank failure.

#### Firmware

Firmware is software that is stored in a chip in various electronic devices, such as Sunny Island, hard disk recorders, DVD burners and players, newer television sets, household appliances and computers – in contrast to software that is stored on a hard drive, CDROM or other media. These days, firmware is usually stored in Flash memory or an EEPROM chip.

#### FLA

Flooded Lead Acid battery: A lead acid battery with liquid electrolyte, also often described as a sealed lead acid battery.

# Flash EEPROM

The abbreviation EEPROM stands for Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory. Flash memory is a digital storage chip, the exact designation is Flash EEPROM. In contrast to "normal" EEPROM storage, individual bytes (the smallest addressable storage units) cannot be deleted. EEPROM is a non-volatile, electronic storage component that is used in the Sunny Island, the computer industry (among others) and usually in Embedded Systems. Flash EEPROMs are used where information must be permanently stored in the smallest amount of space, e.g. for storing the firmware.

# Float charge

Maintenance charge: Allows the batteries to be slowly charged to a state of charge of 100 % without the negative effects of overcharging. Complete charging to 100 % using float charge takes several days. For this reason, float charging is more important for grid backup systems and less important for stand-alone grids.

# Full charge

Recharging of the batteries to a level of approx. 95 % on a regular basis (at least once a month). This efficiently avoids premature aging of the batteries caused by inadequate charging.

# Gel battery

A type of battery in which the electrolyte (a mixture of water and sulfuric acid) is bound into a gel. This is a type of sealed or valve regulated (VRLA) lead acid battery. A gas mixture (hydrogen and oxygen) is always generated when lead acid batteries are charged, and in normal operation this internally recombines to form water. This removes the need for regularly refilling the battery cells with water, which is why these batteries are often described as "low maintenance" or even "maintenance free" (see also AGM batteries). Gel batteries are available from many different manufacturers for a wide range of applications. There are Gel batteries for high-current applications but also for cycle operation with very good deep-cycle resistance.

# Grid-coupled system

PV system that is connected to the power supply grid of an external energy supplier, such as the utility company.

#### Inverters

A device for converting the direct current (DC) from the PV generator into alternating current (AC), which is used by most normal household devices and especially for feeding energy into an existing supply grid. Inverters for PV systems usually include one or more MPP trackers, store operating data and monitor the grid connections of the PV system (see also MSD).

#### Inverter mode

See Inverter operation

#### Inverter operation

Operating mode of a battery inverter where it supplies the stand-alone grid from the battery energy. In this operating mode, the battery inverter is especially responsible for the control of frequency and voltage in the stand-alone grid.

#### Maximum Power Point "MPP"

The working point (current/voltage characteristic curve) of a PV generator where the maximum power can be drawn. The actual MMP changes constantly depending (e.g.) on the level of solar irradiation and the ambient temperature.

# MPP tracker

Regulation of the power drawn so that a PV array remains as close as possible to the MPP. This working point varies with the solar irradiation and the temperature conditions of the modules. MPP tracking optimizes the extraction of electrical power and is a feature of inverters and charge controllers.

#### MSD

See Independent disconnection device.

#### **Multi-string inverter**

An inverter that combines the advantages of several string inverters (separate MPP tracking of individual strings) and a central inverter (lower performance specific costs).

# NiCd

Nickel/Cadmium battery, contains Nickel, Cadmium, and potassium hydroxide as the electrolyte. They require a significantly higher charging voltage, have a lower level of efficiency and are significantly more expensive than lead acid batteries. Their robustness, cycle resistance and lowtemperature capabilities allow them to be used in certain special applications.

# **Overload capability**

The overload capability of an inverter describes the ability of the inverter to supply shortterm (seconds or minutes) excessive loads, that can be significantly higher than the nominal capacity in battery inverters. The overload capability is important to allow electrical machines with a nominal power output close to the nominal power output of the standalone grid inverter to be started, since these machines typically require six times the nominal current when starting.

#### **Parallel connection**

Parallel connection of the batteries (all positive poles together and all negative poles together) increases the capacity of the battery bank while keeping the voltage constant.

Example: Two 24 V/100 Ah batteries connected in parallel still have a voltage of 24 V, but have a capacity of 100 Ah + 100 Ah = 200 Ah.

# Piggy-Back (Board)

A printed circuit board that is plugged into another board to increase performance or expand capabilities. A piggy-back board can also replace a single chip. In this case, the chip is removed and the board is plugged into the empty socket.

# PLC

Abbreviation for Power Line Communication: Describes the process of data transfer over the grid supply cables. The PLC power module is used to amplify the signal and is connected in Multi-String and Sunny Mini Central inverters. Powerline communication is not suitable for Sunny Island inverters.

#### **Protected loads panel**

See "Stand-alone grid system".

#### PV

Photovoltaics (PV) is the conversion of solar irradiation into electrical energy using special semiconductors called solar cells.

#### **PV** array

See PV generator.

#### **PV** generator

Technical device for the conversion of light energy into electrical energy. All the series and parallel mounted and electrically connected solar modules in a PV system are known as the PV generator.

#### **PV** module

See Solar module.

#### **PV** system

Describes a solar power system for generating electrical power. Describes the complete collection of components needed for the acquisition and utilization of solar energy. As well as the PV generator, this includes the Sunny Boy or Sunny Mini Central, for example, in the case of grid-coupled systems.

#### Self discharge

Loss of battery charge while it is stored or not used. A higher ambient temperature has a strong influence on self discharge.

#### Series connection

In this case the positive pole of each battery is connected to the negative pole of the next battery. There is only one circuit where current can flow. Series connection increases the voltage of the entire battery bank. If four 12 V batteries with a capacity of 100 Ah each are connected in series, the total voltage is  $4 \times 12$  V = 48 V, while the total capacity remains at 100 Ah.

# SOC

State of Charge: The state of charge of the batteries, see State of Charge. If (e.g) 25 Ah is taken from a 100-Ah battery, the state of charge (SOC) is then 75 %.

#### Solar energy

"Sun energy", this means energy from sunlight or other solar irradiation (heat and/or UV radiation).

# Solar module

Electrical connection of several solar cells encapsulated in a housing to protect the sensitive cells from mechanical stress and environmental effects.

# Solar cell

An electronic component that generates electrical energy when irradiated with sunlight. Since the voltage produced by a solar cell is very small (approx. 0.5 V), several solar cells are combined in series to form a solar module. The most common semiconductor material presently used for solar cells is silicon, which is manufactured in different forms (monocrystalline, polycrystalline, amorphous). In addition to different mechanical variations, that are usually designed to increase the level of efficiency, completely new materials are currently being tested (Cadmium Telluride, Cadmium Indium Sulphide, Titanium Dioxide and many others.)

# Split phase

A split phase power supply system is a 3-wire single-phase distribution system, commonly used in North America, UK, Australia and New Zealand for single-family residential and light commercial (up to about 100 kVA) applications. Its primary advantage is that it saves conductor material over a single ended single phase system while only requiring single phase on the supply side of the distribution system. Since there are two live conductors in the system, it is sometimes incorrectly referred to as "two phase". To avoid confusion with split phase applications, it is appropriate to call this power distribution system a 3-wire, single-phase, mid-point neutral system.

# Stand-alone grid system

An energy generation system that is completely independent of any external power sources.

#### State of Charge

Describes the current amount of charge that can be drawn from the battery, in percent of the nominal capacity (100 % = battery full, 0 % = battery empty).

#### String

Describes a group of solar modules connected in series. A PV system usually consists of a number of strings, which avoids yield losses due to variations in shading over different modules.

#### String inverter

An inverter concept that avoids the disadvantages of the central inverter concept. The PV is split into individual strings, each of which is connected to the external mains supply with its own string inverter. This greatly simplifies installation and greatly reduces the yield losses caused by manufacturing deviations or variations in shadowing of the solar modules.

#### VRLA

Valve Regulated Lead Acid battery: Lead-acid battery with semi-solid electrolyte or sealed lead acid battery. Examples of this type of battery are Gel batteries and AGM batteries (Absorbent Glass Mat).

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If you have technical problems concerning our products, contact the SMA Service Line. We require the following information in order to provide you with the necessary assistance:

- Type of the Sunny Island
- Serial number of the Sunny Island
- Firmware version of the Sunny Island
- Failure indication displayed
- Type of battery connected
- Nominal battery capacity
- Nominal battery voltage
- Communication products connected
- Type and size of additional energy sources
- Type of connected consumer loads
- Power of the connected generator
- Maximum current of the generator
- Interface of the generator

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