



## **INSTALLATION & OPERATION MANUAL**

### **IBC320 INTELLIGENT BATTERY CHARGER**



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# AC-SOURCE BATTERY CHARGER

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS** — This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for the battery charger.

### BATTERY CHARGER PRECAUTIONS

1. Do not expose the battery charger to rain or snow unless it is a sealed model.
2. Use of an attachment not recommended or sold by the battery charger manufacturer may result in a risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
3. Do not disassemble the battery charger; return it to the manufacturer or an authorized service center when service or repair is required. Incorrect reassembly may result in a risk of electric shock or fire. Voltages in excess of 350 volts are present inside the charger anytime it is plugged into an AC outlet, even if it is switched off.
4. To reduce risk of electric shock, unplug the battery charger from the AC outlet before attempting any maintenance or cleaning. Turning off controls will not reduce this risk.
5. Never place battery charger directly above battery; gases from battery will corrode and damage battery charger.
6. Never allow battery acid to drip on the battery charger.

### BATTERY SAFETY

1. **WARNING — RISK OF EXPLOSIVE GASES**
  - i. **WORKING IN VICINITY OF A LEAD-ACID BATTERY IS DANGEROUS. BATTERIES GENERATE EXPLOSIVE GASES DURING NORMAL BATTERY OPERATION. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT EACH TIME BEFORE SERVICING EQUIPMENT IN THE VICINITY OF THE BATTERY, YOU READ THIS USER GUIDE AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS EXACTLY.**
  - ii. To reduce risk of battery explosion, follow these instructions and those published by the battery manufacturer and manufacturer of any equipment you intend to use in vicinity of battery. Review the cautionary marking on these products.
2. **PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS**
  - i. Someone should be within range of your voice or close enough to come to your aid when you work near a battery.
  - ii. Have plenty of fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing, or eyes.
  - iii. Wear complete eye protection and clothing protection. Avoid touching eyes while working near battery.
  - iv. If battery acid contacts skin or clothing, wash immediately with soap and water. If acid enters eye, immediately flood eye with running cold water for at least 10 minutes and get medical attention immediately

- i. NEVER smoke or allow a spark or flame in the vicinity of a battery.
- ii. Be extra cautious to reduce risk of dropping a metal tool onto battery. It might spark or short-circuit the battery or another electrical part and cause a fire or explosion.
- iii. Remove personal metal items such as rings, bracelets, necklaces, and watches when working with a lead-acid battery. A lead-acid battery can produce a short-circuit current high enough to melt metal, causing a severe burn.
- iv. NEVER charge a frozen battery.
- v. If it is necessary to remove a battery from service, always remove grounded terminal from battery first. Make sure all accessories connected to the battery are off, to prevent an arc when reconnecting the new battery.
- vi. Be sure the area around battery is well ventilated.
- vii. Clean the battery terminals regularly. Be careful to keep corrosion from coming in contact with eyes.
- viii. Study all the battery manufacturer's specific precautions such as removing or not removing cell caps while charging and recommended rates of charge.

## **GROUNDING AND AC POWER CORD CONNECTION INSTRUCTIONS**

The plug must be plugged into an outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

**DANGER:** Never alter the AC power cord or plug provided. If it will not fit the output, use an approved adapter or have the proper AC power cord installed by a qualified electrician. Improper connection can result in the risk of electric shock.

## **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT NOTICE**

This unit is not recommended for use in life support applications where failure or malfunction can be reasonably expected to cause failure of the life support device or to significantly affect its safety or effectiveness. This unit is not recommend the use of any of its products in direct patient care. Examples of devices considered to be life support devices are neonatal oxygen analyzers, nerve stimulators (whether used for anesthesia, pain relief, or other purposes), auto-transfusion devices, blood pumps, defibrillators, arrhythmia detectors and alarms, pacemakers, hemodialysis systems, peritoneal dialysis systems, neonatal ventilator incubators, ventilators for both adults and infants, anesthesia ventilators, and infusion pumps as well as any other devices designated as "critical" by the U.S. FDA.

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## Introduction

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The IBC320 series *Intelligent* AC-source Battery Charger works any standard AC voltage worldwide to deliver up to 300 watts of precision charging power to charge your 12, 24, 32, or 48 volt battery systems (The batteries must share a common ground).

This unit uses advanced Power Factor Correction circuitry on the input to use the electricity in the most effective and efficient way. Inside, LLC Resonant Converter technology allows Zero Voltage/Zero Current switching on the primary or high voltage side of the main power transformer. On the secondary or low voltage side, active rectification ensures maximum efficiency and minimum electromagnetic interference (EMI) for operation near sensitive radio frequency communication equipment.

On the front panel, eight dual color LEDs to clearly indicate charging levels and operating condition. Two sets of easy-to-use color coded battery connection terminals. Two battery temperature sensor ports are available for connection with the supplied battery temperature sensor (a second sensor can be added for monitoring two bank systems).

The charger is pre-programmed with the charging profiles for three standard types of Lead Acid batteries; Flooded (traditional Lead Acid), AGM (Absorbed Glass Mat Lead Acid) and Gel or VRLA (Valve Regulated Lead Acid). A fourth profile pre-set for a typical Lithium Ion battery is also available. These profiles can be further customized by choosing 2 or 3 stage charging using the stage select switch on the front panel.

Any of the charging profiles can adjusted to suit any specific make and model of battery using the free-to-download PowerWizard software. PowerWizard adds advanced algorithm reprogramming, charger monitoring and graphing function all accessible through the front panel USB port.

The charger uses the temperature data to compensate the output voltage for optimal charging as well as for monitoring purposes to prevent the battery from overheating during charging and equalize cycles. Other safety features include charger over temperature shutdown, current limiting, short circuit protection, input under voltage shutdown and output over voltage protection all with automatic recovery.

## Box Contents

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The box you have received should contain the following:

- One IBC320 *Intelligent* Battery Charger
- One Battery Temperature Sensor
- One USB cable
- This user guide
- One Warranty Registration Card

*If anything is missing or damaged please contact your dealer for a replacement*

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# Main Parts



## Front Panel

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|--|---|
| 1. Power Button                          | 7. End-of-Charge function Switch  |
| 2. MicroUSB Port                         | 8. Equalize Cycle Start Button  |
| 3. Indicator LEDs                        | <b>9. DC Output Connection:</b> 2x Phoenix VDFK Terminal Block Connctions (Red: Positive, Black Negative) |
| 4. Battery Temperature Sensor Connection | 10. Chassis Ground Stud   |



## Rear Panel

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| <b>1. AC Power Input Connection:</b> 6-foot/2-meter cord ending in a NEMA 5-15 Plug | <b>2. Input Fuse:</b> AGC-5 Amp |
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## Operation

The IBC320 battery charger is designed for simple and intuitive operation. It is intended to operate fully unattended and will attempt to recover from any fault, including Charger Over-Temperature, Battery Over-Temperature, Low Input Voltage, AC Power Failure and more.

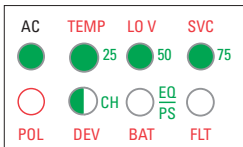
In addition to being a battery charger, the IBC320 is also capable of functioning as a power supply. While in Power Supply Mode, the unit's functionality is changed in the following ways:

- The DC outputs will be live regardless of whether or not a battery is detected.
- The End-of-Charge switch and Stage Select switch have no function.
- The Equalize push button has no function.
- The output voltage of the Power Supply is set to the Float Voltage. This value can be changed using PowerWizard. For more information, see the *PowerWizard manual*.

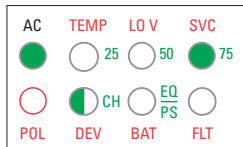
## BATTERY CHARGER MODE

1. Connect the unit to the battery and AC power source.
2. Press the Power Button on the unit's front panel.
3. The charger will go through its startup sequence. All 6 microprocessor-controlled LEDs flash red and then green. When the Power Button starts glowing, the sequence is complete.
4. The charger will automatically begin charging the connected battery or batteries according to the settings selected during setup. See *Configuration Mode* for more information.

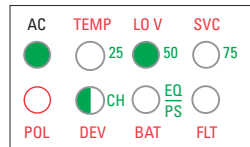
**In Charger mode, the LED indicators show the amount of current being supplied to the battery. This current drops and the battery voltage rises as charging finishes.**



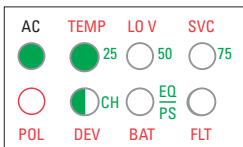
CHARGING CURRENT  
>85%



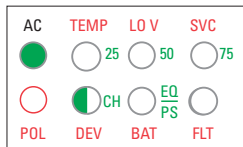
CHARGING CURRENT  
60-84%



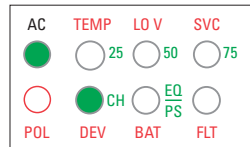
CHARGING CURRENT  
40-59%



CHARGING CURRENT  
11-39%



CHARGING CURRENT  
1-10%



CHARGING COMPLETE

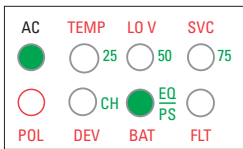




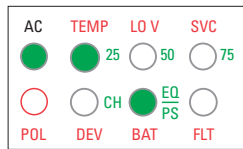
## POWER SUPPLY MODE

1. Connect the unit to the load and AC power source.
2. Press the Power Button on the unit's front panel.
3. The charger will go through its startup sequence. All 6 microprocessor-controlled LEDs flash red and then green. When the Power Button starts glowing, the sequence is complete.
4. Press and hold the Power Button until you hear two beeps, to change the unit to Power Supply mode. The unit will remain in Power Supply mode until switched back to Charger mode, even if it is turned off.
5. To change the unit back to Battery Charger mode, press and hold the Power Button until you hear one beep.

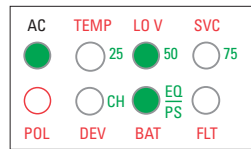
**In Power Supply mode, the LED indicators show show the amount of current being drawn by the load(s).**



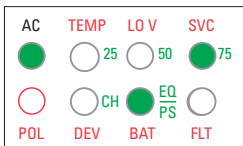
CURRENT < 10%



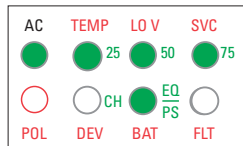
CURRENT > 11-39%



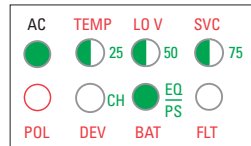
CURRENT > 40-59%



CURRENT > 60-84%



CURRENT > 85%



CURRENT = 100%

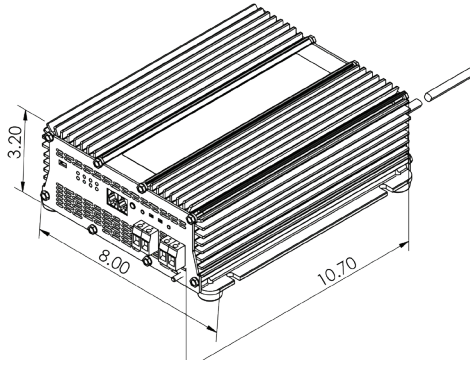


## Installation

### MOUNTING

When mounting your unit, take the following into consideration:

- The indicator LEDs and front panel controls should be easy to see and access.
- There are at least 2 inches of clearance all around the charger for air circulation and heat dissipation.
- The battery should be close to the charger to easy connection and to prevent trampling of the wiring.
- If there is possibility of water drippage, such as if the charger is in a marine environment, install the optional drip shield above the unit.



### AC INPUT CONNECTION

This unit is equipped with a 5-foot (2.5m) power cable terminating in a NEMA 5-20 Connector (for North American models) or a CEE7/7 Connector (for European models) to serve as an AC Input Connection.

If you must extend the power cable be sure to use a 3 conductor grounded type extension cable. For hard wiring to a source of power, cut off the plug, and strip the wires as necessary.

The wire colors are as follows:

#### North American Plug

Black - AC Hot

White - AC Neutral

Green - Ground

#### European Plug

Brown - AC Hot / Phase 1

Blue - AC Neutral / Phase 2

Green/Yellow - Ground

All connections should be made inside of an appropriate junction box with appropriately rated circuit breakers used in the circuit panel to feed power to the IBC320. See *Specifications* for the maximum input current and recommended fuses.

## DC OUTPUT CONNECTION

This unit is equipped with a pair of Phoenix VDFK Terminal block connectors to serve as a DC Output connection for connection to battery banks. The connection can support up to two connected battery banks. The polarity for these connections can be found on the unit's front panel label.

**CAUTION: IF YOU ARE CHARGING TWO BANKS OF BATTERIES, THEY MUST SHARE A COMMON GROUND!**

Connector Color	Polarity
Red	Battery Positive Output
Black	Battery Negative Output

**CAUTION: DO NOT CONNECT THE BATTERY IN THE REVERSE POLARITY!!**

This will activate the reverse connection protection which will blow the output fuses inside the unit in order to protect the device. The unit will be inoperable until these fuses have been replaced.

**IMPORTANT: OUTPUT CONNECTION WIRING USED MUST BE APPROPRIATELY RATED FOR THE EXPECTED OUTPUT CURRENT.** See specifications or your unit's label for the maximum output current and the table below for usable wire gauges.

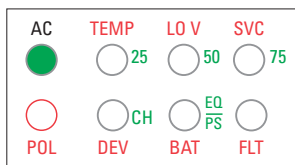
Max. Output Current	24.00 A	15.00 A	9.30 A	5.90 A	3.70 A
American Wire Gauge	#8AWG	#10AWG	#12AWG	#14AWG	#16AWG

Max. Output Current	2.30 A	1.50 A	0.92 A	0.58 A	0.23 A
American Wire Gauge	#18AWG	#20AWG	#22AWG	#24AWG	#28AWG

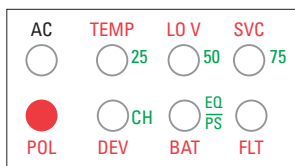
## Connection

1. Connect the charger to the batteries as indicated under *Installation*.
2. Check the POL LED on the front panel. If it is glowing red, the battery is connected in reverse polarity. Correct the connection to the battery (The red terminal should go to Positive and black to Negative).
3. Once the POL LED is off, connect the charger to the AC power source. The AC LED should start glowing green. This indicates that the charger is receiving power from the AC source and that its internal power supply is working.

### CONNECTION INDICATORS



AC PRESENT



BATTERY POLARITY REVERSED

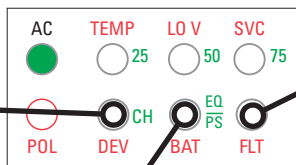
## Configuration Mode

After turning the charger on, it will immediately begin charging any connected batteries with its pre-programmed parameters. These parameters can be accessed and changed through Configuration mode.

### TO ACCESS CONFIGURATION MODE:

1. Press and hold the Program (PRG) button for three seconds until you hear a beep and the DEV LED starts blinking. This indicates that the unit is in Configuration mode.
2. Press the Program (PRG) button to cycle through the parameters you can program. The parameter which you programming can be determined by which bottom row LED is blinking.

**If the DEV LED is blinking, you are programming the Battery Type parameters.**



**If the FLT LED is blinking, you are programming the Default Battery Temperature parameters.**

**If the BAT LED is blinking, you are programming the Current Limit parameters.**

3. Press the Select (SEL) button to cycle through the settings for each parameter. The setting can be determined by the combination of top row LEDs glowing.

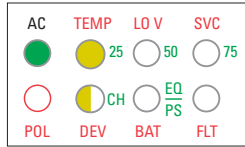
## BATTERY TYPE

The Battery Type parameters controls the type of charging profile that the unit will use to charge the battery. Different types of batteries have different optimal charging voltages and currents due to their construction and chemical composition. This unit is pre-programmed with four common battery types.

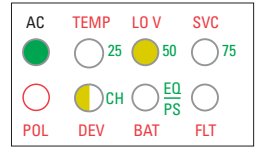
- Flooded Lead-Acid
- Absorbed Glass Mat (AGM)
- Gel Lead-Acid
- Lithium Ion (Li-ion)

You can create your own custom charging profile using PowerWizard. For more information, see the *PowerWizard manual*.

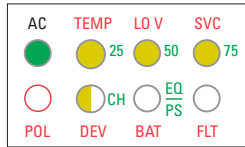
## BATTERY TYPE INDICATORS



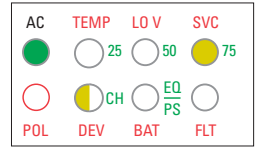
FLOODED LEAD ACID (DEFAULT)



ABSORBED GLASS MAT



LITHIUM ION



GEL LEAD ACID

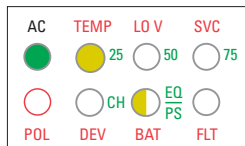


## CURRENT LIMIT

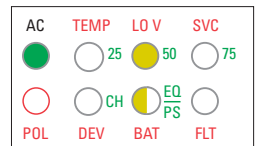
The Current Limit parameters controls the unit's maximum charging current. Depending on the size and type of your batteries, this unit's standard maximum current may be more than what is optimal or recommended. Refer to your battery manufacturer's documentation to determine its maximum safe charging current.

If needed, the unit's maximum charging current can be reduced to 25, 50 or 75 percent of the standard maximum rating.

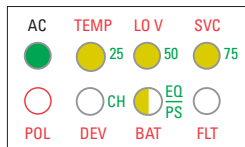
## CURRENT LIMIT INDICATORS



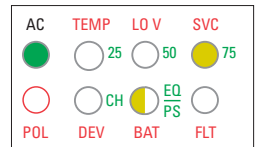
25% OF MAX CURRENT



50% OF MAX CURRENT



DEFAULT CURRENT (100%)



75% OF MAX CURRENT

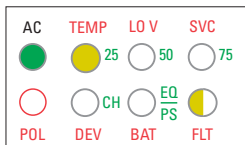


## DEFAULT BATTERY TEMPERATURE

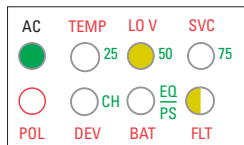
The Default Battery Temperature parameters controls the charger's estimated value of the battery temperature. The optimal charging voltage of a battery will decrease as its temperature increases. The charger uses this value to calculate its charging compensation if there are no battery temperature sensors installed and it cannot obtain real-time data.

The three settings are 5°C, 21°C and 38°C and Auto. In Auto, the charger measures its own internal temperature during startup and estimates the batteries to be the same. If the charger detects the battery temperature sensor(s) is/are installed, their readings will take precedence.

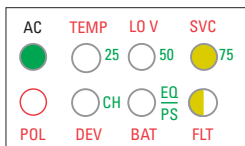
### DEFAULT BATTERY TEMPERATURE INDICATORS



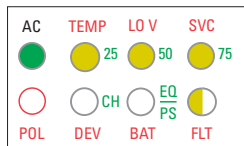
DEFAULT COLD (5°C/41°F)



DEFAULT WARM (21°C/70°F)



DEFAULT HOT (38°C/105°F)



DEFAULT AUTO



## SAVING AND EXITING

To save your settings and exit Configuration mode at any point, press and hold the Program (PRG) button until you hear a one second beep.

To exit without saving, simply press then Power Button to turn the unit off.

**NOTE:** If 60 seconds passes and no button is pressed, the charger will automatically exit Configuration mode without saving any settings.

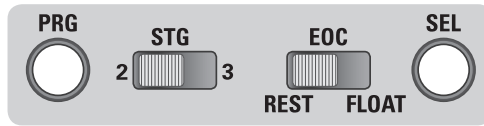
## FULL RESET

To restore the charger to its factory settings, press and hold both the Program (PRG) and Equalize (EQL) buttons for 10 seconds until you hear multiple beeps.

## Front Panel Adjustments

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Using the two switches between the Program and Select buttons on the front panel, you can select whether a 2-stage or 3-stage charging profile is used to charge the batteries and control the battery charger's behavior when the charging cycle ends.



### END-OF-CHARGE SELECT

The End-of-Charge (EOC) select switch controls the charger's behavior after it finishes charging the battery/ batteries.

#### SETTING THE SWITCH TO REST:

- Causes the unit to remain in rest mode after finishing the recharge cycle. The charger will remain like this until it detects that the battery voltage has dropped <90% of the rated voltage. It will then initiate a new recharge cycle.
- The charger will also initiate a new recharge cycle if power to the unit is disconnected or cycled.
- This EOC Select Switch **MUST** be in the Rest position for the unit to meet the California Energy Commission regulations.

#### SETTING THE SWITCH TO FLOAT:

- Causes the unit to maintain the battery at the float voltage indefinitely. This will ensure that the battery is always fully recharged and ready for use.
- A new recharge cycle will only be initiated if the charger is proving its full rated current to keep the battery at float, or if the power is disconnected or cycled.

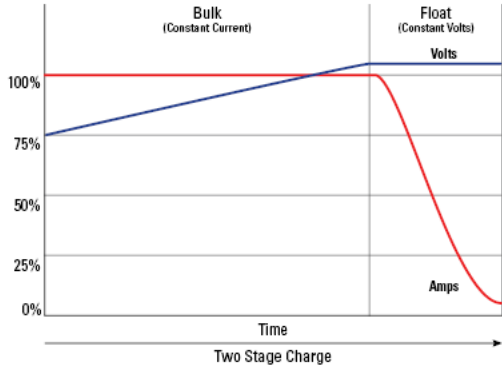
## Charging Profiles

This unit has both two-stage and three-stage charging capability. You can choose which charging profile is used during operation by using the Stage Select switch on the front panel.

Below are explanations of the two profiles:

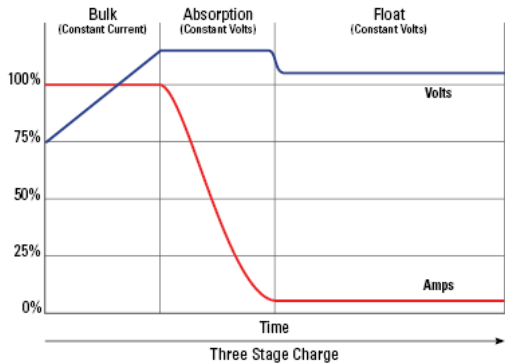
### TWO-STAGE CHARGING

- The battery is charged at a constant current until the battery's voltage reaches the float voltage.
- Then the charging current diminishes as necessary to maintain the battery at that voltage.
- Once the current drops to 10%, the charging cycle is complete. The unit will maintain the battery at full charge until needed.
- Two-stage charging is gentler on the battery since the battery is subjected to lower voltages and currents than in three-stage. In addition, a reasonable load can be connected to the battery without affecting the charger's ability to keep the battery at full charge.



### THREE-STAGE CHARGING

- The battery is charged at a constant current (higher than in two-stage) until the battery's voltage reaches the absorption voltage.
- Then the charging current diminishes as necessary to maintain the battery at that voltage.
- Once the current drops to 10%, the charging cycle is complete. The unit switches to keeping the battery at the float voltage and will maintain the battery at full charge until needed.
- Three-stage charging is faster than two-stage, however the battery is subjected to higher voltages and currents. Three-stage charging is not recommended for charging loaded batteries because the unit cannot differentiate between current going to a load connected to the battery and current being absorbed by the battery; this can cause overcharging.





# Equalize Cycle

If a battery's cells are left discharged for too long, sulfate crystals can form on the plates interfering with their conductance. This reduces the battery's capacity and recharging ability.

An equalize cycle is a deliberate overcharge of the battery at high voltage (110% of float voltage) and low current (10% of standard output) to force undercharged cells to match charge of the good cells in the battery.

An equalize cycle should only be performed once every six months as it is hard on the good cells of the battery and can cause water loss in non-sealed batteries.

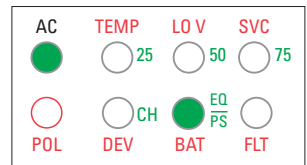
**DANGER: AN EQUALIZE CYCLE CAN ONLY BE PERFORMED IN A WELL VENTILATED AREA.** Hydrogen gas is a normal by-product of the cycle and is explosive at concentrations greater than 4%.

**CAUTION: BATTERY TEMPERATURE SENSOR MUST BE USED. DURING EQUALIZE** A battery temperature sensor must be connected and installed at the battery. Careful temperature monitoring is required during the equalize cycle. Failure to do so can result in severe damage to the battery!

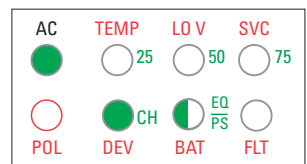
## TO PERFORM AN EQUALIZE CYCLE

1. Connect the battery temperature sensor to the unit and install the sensor at the battery as indicated in *Installation*.
2. The charger must be in battery charger mode and not power supply mode.
3. Push the Equalize button on the front panel. The button is recessed to prevent accidental operation; a ballpoint pen can be used to access it.
4. The EQUALIZE LED will glow green indicating the beginning of the equalize cycle. If the battery charger is currently charging a battery, the EQUALIZE LED will blink green. Once the charging cycle is complete, the EQUALIZE LED will glow green.
5. Three hours later, the Equalize cycle will end and the EQUALIZE LED will turn off. The cycle will also end if the charger detects that the battery temperature has reached 40°C or higher.
6. Afterwards, the charger will maintain that battery at either standby or rest depending on the position of the End-of-Charge switch.

## EQUALIZATION INDICATORS



## EQUALIZING



## EQUALIZE PENDING

## Battery Temperature Sensor

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This unit is supplied with one battery temperature sensor. This sensor communicates the temperature of the battery to the charger and is required to access the charger's voltage temperature compensation, battery over temperature alarm and equalize cycle functions.



**Pictured:** An Battery Temperature Sensor (B-TEMP)

### BATTERY TEMPERATURE SENSOR CONNECTION

This unit is equipped with 2 RJ45 Telephone Jack connector to connect to up to two battery temperature sensor(s).

There are multiple ways to install the sensor at the battery. Regardless of which method you use, the sensor must be firmly secured to the battery. The sensor should not lose physical contact with the battery at any point in the charging cycle.

#### TO INSTALL THE SENSOR AT THE BATTERY, YOU MAY:

- Slide the sensor between the side of the battery and wall of the battery platform so it sits flush.
- Place the battery so it is sitting on top of the sensor to hold it in place.
- Apply a small amount of silicone RTV sealant to the sensor and stick it to the top of the battery.

### VOLTAGE TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION

Heat is a normal by-product of the charging cycle. However, excessive heat can cause overcharging, damaging the battery. With a battery temperature sensor installed, your battery charger will automatically reduce the charging voltage to compensate for rising temperature.

The ambient battery temperature is set to 77°F (25°C). For each degree above 77°F (25°C), the charger will reduce the charging voltage by a small amount. See *Specifications* for the temperature compensation coefficient specific to your unit. You can adjust the voltage temperature compensation and the temperature compensation range using the free-to-download software PowerWizard.

## Maintenance

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This charger requires no maintenance other than the occasional wipe down to remove dust that could reduce its ability to dissipate heat. Carefully blow air through the cooling vent to remove any dust buildup inside the unit.

## Dry Contact Relay

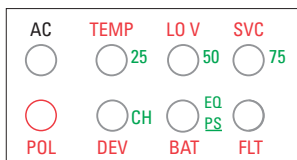
The charger can be fitted with a 1 amp dry contact relay to indicate charger status to a monitoring system. It has both a normally-open and normally-closed contact which changes state depending on the presence or absence of charging voltage on the output and is independent of the microprocessor.

If the charger is producing voltage on the output, the normally closed contact will be closed and there will be an electrical connection between NC and COM. If the voltage on the output of the charger goes to zero, the contact will change state. The Normally Open contact operates exactly in the reverse of the Normally Closed contact.

## Troubleshooting

The IBC320 is designed to provide years of reliable service and to auto-recover in the event of an operational failure. In the event of malfunction, the unit is fitted with eight LED indicators and an audible alarm to help diagnose the cause of the issue. Below is a list of potential issues, and how to repair them.

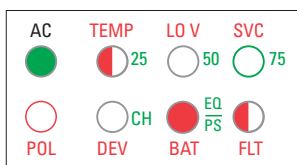
### FAULT INDICATORS



### NO AC POWER DETECTED

#### No AC Power Detected

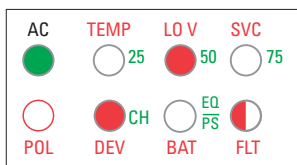
The charger is not detecting any AC power. Using a multimeter, check that the power source is working. Check that the input fuse hasn't blown. If the fuse is open, replace it with the recommended fuse listed on the label and reconnect to AC power. If the AC LED still does not glow, then there is likely an internal failure and the charger will have to be returned for service.



### BATTERY OVERTEMP

#### Battery Over Temperature Indication

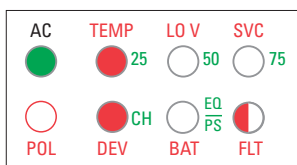
The charger has detected that the battery is too hot to safely charge (>43°C/110°F) and shut off. The charger will automatically reconnect when the battery cools to a safe temperature (<32°C/90°F). If this happens frequently, particularly in relatively normal ambient temperatures, the battery is likely damaged or defective and should be replaced.



### CHARGER LO VOLTAGE

#### Low Input Voltage Indication

The charger has detected that the input voltage has dropped below the minimum level needed for normal operation. The charger will shut off and wait for the voltage to recover.



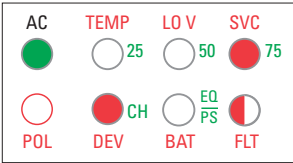
### CHARGER OVERTEMP

#### Charger Over Temperature Indication

The charger has detected that its internal temperature is above safe operating limits. The charger will shut off until the temperature has returned to normal limits. If this happens frequently, the charger may need to be remounted for better air circulation.



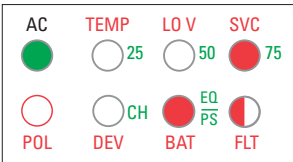
**FAULT INDICATORS**



**CHARGER FAILED**

**Charger Failure Indication**

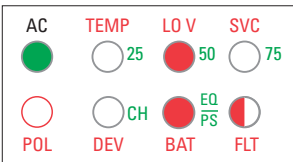
The microprocessor has detected a condition that prevents the charger from operating. Try disconnecting the AC power and re-connecting it. If this does not clear the fault, the cause is likely an internal component failure and the charger will have to be returned for service



**BATTERY FAILED**

**Battery Fail Indication**

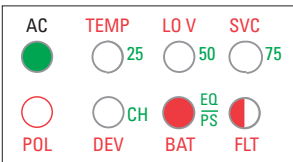
The charger has detected the connected battery is defective and will not accept a charge, the charger will stop attempting to charge the battery. Replace the battery and cycle power to the unit using the Power Button to reset this condition.



**BATTERY LO VOLTAGE**

**Battery Low Voltage Indication**

If the battery is seriously discharged, and the charger voltage drops below 85% of nominal (ie. 10V for a 12V charger), the charger will show this display until the battery voltage exceeds 85% of nominal.



**NO BATTERY**

**No Battery Detected**

The charger has detected that no battery is connected. Connect a battery to the unit to clear this fault.

If a battery IS connected and you see this fault, this usually means the battery is completely discharged. Try switching the unit to Power Supply mode for a few minutes and then back to Charger mode to see if it will return the battery to life. If it doesn't, the battery is defective and will have to be replaced.

# Glossary

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We use a number of abbreviations on the labels to save space. Here are the full words corresponding to each abbreviation along with common battery charger terms and their definitions:

## ABBREVIATIONS

**POL** – Polarity. Refers to the correct connection of the Positive and Negative terminals of the battery to the charger.

**DEV** – Device. Refers to the charger. Used together with the Fault LED to indicate a problem with the Device.

**BAT** – Battery. Refers to the battery. Used together with the Fault LED to indicate a problem with the Battery.

**FLT** – Fault. Used to indicate a problem with the battery (BAT) or the device (DEV) AC – Alternating Current

**TEMP** – Temperature. Used to indicate that either the Battery or the Device is too hot.

**LO V** – Low Voltage. Used to indicate that either the Input Voltage or the Battery Voltage is too low.

**FAIL** – Used to indicate that either the battery or the device needs repair or replacement.

**PRG** – Program - Button used to initiate the Programming Mode

**STG** – Stage – Switch used to select between 2-Stage or 3-Stage charging profile

**EOC** – End Of Charge – Switch used to select Rest or Float at the end of a charge cycle

**EQ** – Equalize

**PS** – Power Supply

## DEFINITIONS

**CC** – Constant Current. Typically the first phase of a recharge cycle where a constant current is delivered to the battery until the voltage reaches a specific level.

**CV** – Constant Voltage. Typically the 2nd or 3rd phases of a recharge cycle where the battery voltage is maintained at a constant level.

**ABSORPTION** – The first Constant Voltage stage in a 3 stage charging algorithm, where the battery is maintained at an elevated voltage for a period of time to ensure full and equal recharging of all cells.

**EQUALIZE** – A deliberate overcharge at low current to bring a weak cell up to the same charge level as the good cells in a weak battery. Typically only performed once every few months, and only if battery exhibits reduced capacity.

**FLOAT** – The second and final Constant Voltage stage in a 3 stage charging algorithm, or the only Constant Voltage stage in a 2 stage algorithm where the battery is held at safe voltage indefinitely.

**AMP-HOUR CAPACITY** – The energy capacity of a battery expressed in the number of hours the battery can last a specific output current. For example, 100 Amp-Hours means that a battery can supply 100 amps for 1 hour, or 10 amps for 10 hours, etc.

**C/20 RATE** – The number of amps that a battery can supply for 20 hours. For example a 100 amp hour battery should be able to supply 5 amps continuously for 20 hours. Battery capacity varies with the discharge rate. The higher the discharge rate, the lower the capacity of the battery.

**DEEP DISCHARGE BATTERY** – a battery designed to have a lower maximum current capability, but can be repeatedly deeply discharged without damaging it or seriously affecting its lifespan.

**ENGINE STARTING BATTERY** – a battery designed to produce a very high amperage for engine starting, but typically does not tolerate repeated deep discharging.

# Specifications

## Input

Nominal Voltage	85 - 265 VAC, 1 Phase, 45 - 65 Hz
Maximum Input Amps	4 Amps w. Inrush Protection
Input Fuse	AGC-5 Amp
Power Factor	> 0.99 at Full Load
Efficiency	> 90% at Full Load

\*Maximum Input Current Specified at 85 VAC

## Output

Nominal Voltage	12 VDC	24 VDC	28 VDC	32 VDC	36 VDC	48 VDC
Voltage Range (VDC)**	12.0-15.5	24.0-31.0	28.0-36.2	32.0-41.3	36.0-46.5	48.0-62.0
Output Current	20 A	10 A	8 A	7.5 A	7A	5 A
Recommended Battery Size (Amp-Hours)	100	50	45	40	33	25
Std. Temperature Compensation	-15mV/°C	-30mV/°C	-35mV/°C	-40mV/°C	-45mV/°C	-60mV/°C
Number of Battery Banks	1 or 2					
Charging Stages	2 or 3 stage (user-selectable)					
End of Charge	Float or Rest (user-selectable)					

\*\* Actual Output Voltage determined by User Settings or by Charger Firmware

## Mechanical

Length	9.5 in. / 24.1 cm
Width	8.0 in. / 20.3 cm
Height	3.25 in. / 8.3 cm
Clearance	2.0 in. / 5.0 cm all around
Weight	6.2 lb / 2.8 kg
Material and Finish	Marine-grade black anodized aluminum
Fasteners	18-8 Stainless steel
Mounting	Vertical or horizontal mounting
Output Connection	<b>DC Output:</b> 2x sets of Phoenix VDFK Terminal Block (Red and Black)
Input Connection	<b>AC Input:</b> One 6-foot (2-meter) cable ending in a NEMA 5-15 plug
Other Connections	<b>Data/Communications:</b> MicroUSB port <b>Battery Temperature Sensor:</b> RJ45 'telephone jack' connector

## Environmental and Safety

Operating Temperature Range	-25°C+ to +40°C (-40°C to +55°C Optional)
Storage Temperature Range	-55°C to +85°C
Humidity	0 - 95% Relative Humidity (non-condensing)
Emissions	Complies with FCC Class B, Part 15
Isolation	Input-Output, Input-Case, Output-Case: > 1500 VDC
Audible Noise	None (Ø db)
Duty Cycle	Continuous
Warranty	Five Years Parts and Labor
Safety	Built to meet ABS, CE, UL458 and CSA 22.2.107.1

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