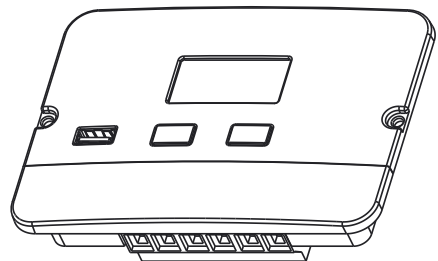


Grape Solar GS-PWM-20A Charge Controller User Manual



*Grape Solar reserves the right to modify the specification without notice.

1. Warnings and Tools Icon Chart

Icons	Name	Description
	High Voltage	High voltage device. Installation should be performed by an electrician.
	High Temperature	This device will produce heat. Mount device away from other items.
	Environmental Hazard	Electronic Equipment. Do not put in landfill.
	Wire Cutter	A wire cutter is needed for cutting and stripping wires prior to connection.
	Multimeter	A multimeter is needed for testing equipment and verifying polarity of cables.
	Anti-static Glove	Anti-static gloves are recommended to prevent controller damage caused by static electricity.
	Electrical Tape	Electrical tape is recommended to safely insulate spliced or bare wires.
	Screwdriver	A common size screwdriver is needed when attaching wires to the controller.

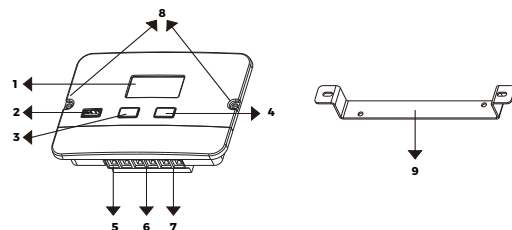
2. Product Features

Thank you for choosing Grape Solar. This PWM solar charge controller is a device for solar charge regulation and direct current output load control. This device is mainly used in small sized off-grid solar power systems.

The Grape Solar PWM-20A charge controllers have these features:

- Charging modes available for most common deep-cycle battery types in the market, including AGM (sealed lead acid batteries), GEL, Flooded, and Lithium mode with customizable parameters.
- Automatic recognition of 12V/24V battery system. *Lithium-ion batteries excluded from this feature.
- 5V 1A USB outlet provides charging for mobile devices.
- Provides multiple load control mode options for light based, time based and manually adjusted scenarios.
- Industrial grade design with reverse polarity protection for solar panels, battery and load.

3. Device Diagram

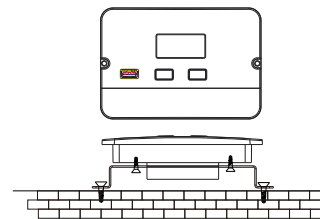


#	Description	#	Description
1	LCD Display Screen	6	Battery Terminals
2	5V 1A USB Port	7	Load Terminals
3	Arrow Key	8	Installation Mounting Holes
4	Load Key	9	Flat Mount Bracket
5	Solar Terminals		

4. Mounting Instruction

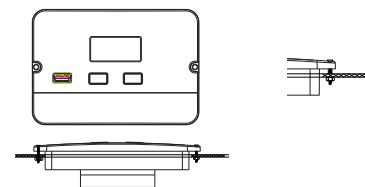
This controller can be mounted flush or flat with included bracket at a cool, dry and weather safe location.

Flat Mount with Bracket



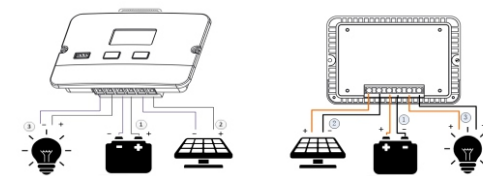
- Attach the mounting bracket to the back of the controller using screws.
- Mark the bracket's mounting holes on the mounting surface.
- Attach the mounting bracket to the mounting surface using screws.

Flush Mount



- Mark the controller's dimension and mounting holes on the mounting surface.
- Make necessary alterations to ensure the controller fits into the mounting surface snugly. Pre-install wires if needed (turn to next page for instructions).
- Attach the controller to the mounting surface using screws.

5. Wire Connection Sequences



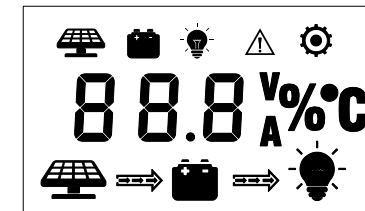
Front View

Back View

During installation of your PWM controller, please follow below order of connection:

- Connect the positive battery wire followed by the negative battery wire.
- Make sure your solar panels are fully covered to prevent electrical shock. Connect the positive solar array output wire followed by the negative solar array output wire.
- Connect the DC load wiring to the DC load output (if applicable).

6. LCD Display Interface Overview



Display Section	Display Layout
Charge Status	
Charge Mode & Parameter	88.8 V% C 88.8 A% C
Active Functions	

7. Status Information

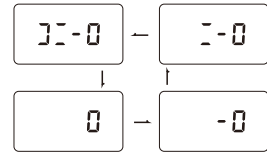
Status Icon	Indication	Status	Description
	Solar Charge Indication	Steady On	Daylight Detected
		Off	No Daylight Detected
		Flowing	Solar Charging Battery
	Battery Indication	Flash	Solar System Over Voltage
		Steady On	Battery Connected and Functional
		Off	No Battery Connection
	DC Load Indication	Flash	Battery Over-Discharged
		Flowing	DC Load On
		Off	DC Load Off
		Flash	Over-Load / Short-Circuit

8. Key Functionality Chart

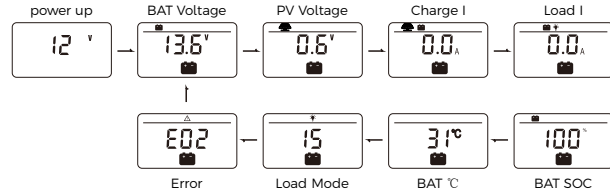
Function Key	System Mode	Input	Input Function
	View Mode	Long Press	Enter SET mode
		Short Press	View Next Page
	View Mode	Long Press	N/A
		Short Press	Switch Load On/Off (Manual Control Program Only)
	Set Mode	Long Press	Save Data & Exit SET Mode
		Short Press	View Next Page
	Set Mode	Long Press	N/A
		Short Press	Adjust parameter

9. 9LCD Display Rules & Cycles

Pre start-up display cycle when the MPPT controller turns on, this usually last several seconds while controller detects operating environment.

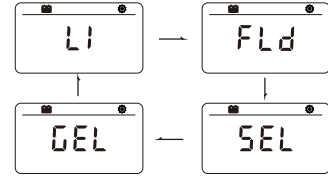


LCD Screen Display Cycle



- The battery voltage view will be displayed by default. Use the up and down arrow keys to cycle through different views. The battery voltage view will resume upon 12 seconds of inactivity.

Setting Battery Mode

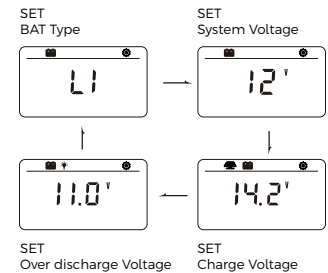


Abbreviations	Battery Types	Description
FLD	Flooded Battery	Auto-recognition with default parameters set for each type of batteries.
SEL	Sealed/AGM Battery	
GEL	Gel Battery	
LI	Lithium Battery	Customize charge & discharge voltages.

Advance Battery Settings

In Lithium mode, short press the arrow key again to cycle through each parameter view.

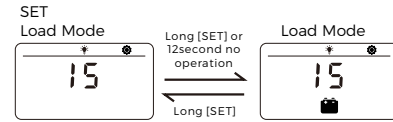
Use the load key to adjust parameter value, then long press arrow key to save and exit.



Load Mode Settings

Enter Load SET Mode by pressing the arrow key in Load Mode view only.

Short press the arrow key to cycle through load modes before long pressing the arrow key again to save and exit.



Mode	Definition	Description
0	Daylight Auto-Control	The PV voltage turns on the load when it is light
1-14	Daylight On/Timer Off	DC load turns on when daylight is detected. DC load turns off according to timer. Mode 1 = turn off after 1 hour, etc.
15	Manual Mode	DC load turns on/off by pressing the load key.
16	Testing Mode	DC load turns on and off in a quick succession.
17	Always on	DC Load Stays On

10. Error Code Chart

Code	Error	Description & Quick Troubleshoot
E00	No error	No action needed.
E01	Battery Over-discharged	Battery voltage is too low. DC load will be turned off until battery re-charges to recovery voltage.
E02	Battery Over-voltage	Battery voltage has exceeded controller limit. Check battery bank voltage for compatibility with controller.
E04	Load Short Circuit	DC load short circuit.
E05	Load Overload	DC load power draw exceeds controller capability. Reduce load size or upgrade to a higher load capacity controller.
E06	Overheating	Controller exceeds operating temperature limit. Ensure the controller is placed in a well-ventilated cool, dry place.
E08	Solar Over-amperage	Solar array amperage exceeds controller rated input amperage. Decrease the amperage of solar panels connected to the controller or upgrade to a higher rated controller.
E10	Solar Over-voltage	Solar array voltage exceeds controller rated input voltage. Decrease the voltage of solar panels connected to the controller.
E13	Solar Reverse Polarity	Solar array input wires connected with reverse polarity. Disconnect and re-connect with correct wire polarity.
E14	Battery Reverse Polarity	Battery connection wires connected with reverse polarity. Disconnect and re-connect with correct wire polarity.

*Contact Grape Solar for live technical support on additional troubleshooting.

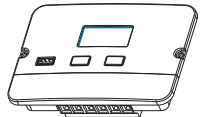
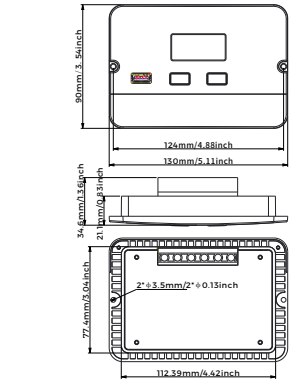
11. Controller Specification

The variable "n" is adopted as a multiplying factor when calculating parameter voltages, the rule for "n" is listed as: if battery system voltage is 12V, n=1; 24V, n=2.

For example, the equalize charge voltage for a 12V FLD (Flooded) battery bank is 14.8V*1=14.8V. The equalizing charge voltage for a 24V FLD (Flooded) battery bank is 14.8V*2=29.6V.

Parameter	Value
Model No.	GS-PWM-20A
Battery System Voltage	12V/24V Auto (FLD)/GEL/SLD Manual (LI)
No-load Loss	8ma (12V), 12ma (24V)
Max Solar Input Voltage	<55V
Rated Solar Charge Current	20A
Max Solar Input Power	340W/12V 680W/24V
Light Control Voltage	5V*n
Light Control Delay Time	10s
Max Load Output Current	20A
Operating Temperature	-35°C ~ +45°C / -31°F ~ +113°F
IP Protection	IP32
Net Weight	0.25 kg / 0.55 lbs
Operating Altitude	≤ 3000 meters / ≤ 9842 feet
Controller Dimension	130*90*34.6 mm / 5.11*3.54*1.36 inch
Battery Parameters	
Battery Types	FLD SEL GEL LI
Equalize Charge Voltage	14.8V*n 14.6V*n -- --
Boost Charge Voltage	14.6V*n 14.4V*n 14.2V*n 14.4V*n (adjustable)
Float Charge Voltage	13.8V*n -- --
Boost Charge Recovery Voltage	13.2V*n -- --
Over-discharge Recovery Voltage	12.6V*n 12.6V*n (adjustable)
Over-discharge Voltage	11.1V*n 11.1V*n (adjustable)

12. Product Dimensions



Product Dimension:
130*90*34.6 mm / 5.11*3.54*1.36 inch
Flat Mount Size: 124 mm / 4.88 inch
Flush Mount Size: 130 mm / 5.11 inch
Installation Hole Size:
φ3.5 mm / φ0.13 inch

