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HANDLING AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Safety Symbols Information

The following safety symbols are used in this document. Familiarize yourself with the symbols and their meaning before installing or operating the system.

WARNING!

Denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure that, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in **injury or loss of life**. Do not proceed beyond a warning note until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.



AVERTISSEMENT!

Dénote un risque: il attire l'attention sur une opération qui, si elle n'est pas faite ou suivi correctement, pourrait causer des blessures ou un danger de mort. Ne pas dépasser une telle note avant que les conditions requises soient totallement comprises et accomplies.

CAUTION!

Denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure that, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in **damage or destruction of the product**. Do not proceed beyond a caution sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.



ATTENTION!

Dénote un risque: il attire l'attention sur une opération qui, si elle n'est pas faite ou suivi correctement, pourrait causer un dommage ou destruction de l'équipement. Ne pas dépasser une telle note avant que les conditions requises soient totallement comprises et accomplies.



NOTE

Denotes additional information about the current subject.



IMPORTANT SAFETY FEATURE

Denotes information about safety issues.



IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS / CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ IMPORTANTES

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS / CONSERVEZ CES INSTRUCTIONS



Warning!

To reduce the risk of injury, read all instructions in this document.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Pour réduire le risque de blessure, lisez toutes les instructions de ce document.

WARNING!



When servicing or replacing SolarEdge equipment, instructions in the SolarEdge Inverter Installation Guide must be followed to maintain the integrity of the PV hazard control system. SolarEdge Power Optimizers and/or inverters may only be replaced with SolarEdge Power Optimizers and/or inverters. Third party equipment is not compatible with SolarEdge equipment.



WARNING!

Using this equipment in a manner not specified by SolarEdge in this document may impair the protection provided by this equipment.

WARNING!



The inverter cover must be opened only after switching the inverter ON/OFF/P switch located at the bottom of the inverter to OFF. This disables the DC voltage inside the inverter. Wait five minutes before opening the cover. Otherwise, there is a risk of electric shock from energy stored in the capacitors.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Ne pas ouvrir le couvercle de l'onduleur avant d'avoir coupé l'interrupteur situé en dessous de l'onduleur. Cela supprime les tensions CC et CA de l'onduleur. Attendre cinq minutes avant d'ouvrir le couvercle. Sinon, il y a un risque de choc électrique provenant de l'énergie stockée dans le condensateur.



P = Program/Pair

1 = ON

WARNING!



Before operating the inverter, ensure that the inverter is grounded properly. This product must be connected to a grounded, metal, permanent wiring system, or an equipment-grounding conductor must be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment grounding terminal or lead on the product.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Avant d'utiliser l'onduleur monophasé, assurez-vous que l'onduleur est correctement mis à la terre. Ce produit doit être raccordé à un système de



câblage fixe, métallique, l'équipement-le conducteur de mise à la terre doit être exécuté avec les conducteurs de circuit et raccordé à l'équipement borne de mise à la terre ou de plomb sur le produit.



WARNING!

Opening the inverter and repairing or testing under power must be performed only by qualified service personnel familiar with this inverter.

AVERTISSEMENT!

L'unité ne doit être ouverte que par un technicien qualifié dans le cadre de l'installation et de la maintenance.

WARNING!



The Connection Unit meets all requirements for a code-compliant installation of this system. The DC Disconnect Switch disconnects both the positive and negative conductors.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Le sectionneur externe (inclus) repond aux exigences de conformité pour l'installation de ce système . Le coupeur CC ouvre les conducteurs positifs et négatifs.

WARNING!

The inverter input and output circuits are isolated from the enclosure. This system does not include an isolation transformer and should be installed with an ungrounded PV array in accordance with the requirements of NEC Articles 690.35 and 690.43 National Electric Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, 2011 (and Canadian Electrical Code, Part I, for installations in Canada).



Equipment grounding is the responsibility of the installer and must be performed in accordance with all applicable Local and National Codes.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Les circuits d'entrée et de sortie de l'onduleur sont isolés de l'enveloppe. Ce système n'inclut pas d'isolation galvanique (transformateur) et devra être installé sans mise à la terre du champ PV et en accord avec les articles 690.35 et 690.43 du National Electric Code (NEC), ANSI/NFPA 70, 2011 (et du Code Electrique Canadien, Partie 1, pour les installations faites au Canada). La mise à la terre des équipements est la responsabilité de l'installateur et doit être faite en accord avec les toutes les règles locales et nationales applicables.

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WARNING!

SafeDC complies with IEC60947-3 when installing the system with a worst case SafeDC voltage (under fault conditions) < 120V.



The worst case voltage is defined as: Voc, max+ (String Length-1)*1V, where:

- Voc,max = Maximum Voc (at lowest temperature) of the PV modules in the string (for a string with multiple modules, use the max value)
- String Length = number of Power Optimizers in the string

WARNING!

SolarEdge products can expose you to chemicals including antimony trioxide, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information, go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.



AVERTISSEMENT!

Les produits SolarEdge peut vous exposer à des agents chimiques, y compris trioxyde d'antimoine, identifiés par l'État de Californie comme pouvant causer le cancer. Pour de plus amples informations, prière de consulter www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.



CAUTION!

This unit must be operated according to the technical specification datasheet provided with the unit.

ATTENTION!

Cette unité doit être utilisée selon les spécifications de fonctionnement, comme décrit dans la dernière fiche technique des spécifications.

CAUTION!

HEAVY OBJECT. To avoid muscle strain or back injury, use proper lifting techniques, and if required - a lifting aid.



ATTENTION!

Objet lourd. Pour éviter la fatigue musculaire ou des blessures au dos, utilisez des techniques de levage appropriées et, si nécessaire - un auxiliaire de levage lors du retrait.



NOTE

This inverter is provided with an IMI (Isolation Monitor Interrupter) for ground fault protection.



NOTE

The symbol (appears at grounding points on the SolarEdge equipment. This symbol is also used in this manual.



NOTE

SolarEdge inverters can be installed in sites with an alternative power source such as a generator. SolarEdge requires installing a physical or electronic interlock, which will signal to the inverter when the grid has been disconnected. Interlock procurement, installation, maintenance and support are the responsibility of the installer. Damage to the inverter due to incorrect interlock installation or use of an interlock that is incompatible with the SolarEdge system will render the SolarEdge warranty invalid.



For more information on connecting an alternative power source to SolarEdge inverter, refer to







Photovoltaic Rapid Shutdown System Requirements

WARNING!



THIS PHOTOVOLTAIC RAPID SHUTDOWN SYSTEM (PVRSS) INCORPORATES ONE OR MORE PIECES OF EQUIPMENT THAT EXERCISE THE RAPID SHUTDOWN CONTROL OF PV SYSTEM CONDUCTORS REQUIRED BY SECTION 690.12 OF THE NEC (NFPA 70). OTHER EQUIPMENT INSTALLED IN OR ON THIS PV SYSTEM MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THE OPERATION OF THIS PVRSS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INSTALLER TO ENSURE THAT THE COMPLETED PV SYSTEM MEETS THE APPLICABLE RAPID SHUT DOWN FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS. THIS EQUIPMENT MUST BE INSTALLED ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS.

- SolarEdge inverters and power optimizers installed together form a photovoltaic rapid shutdown system (PVRSS). All inputs and outputs of the inverter and power optimizers comply with photovoltaic rapid shutdown requirements for controlled conductors both inside and outside the array boundary. To form a PV rapid shutdown system, no more than 30 power optimizers should be installed in series. Each power optimizer will output around 1 Vdc when rapid shutdown is initiated. Rapid shutdown time limit is 30 Sec.
- This SolarEdge system is compatible with the Grid support interactive compatible functionality.
- All DC and AC conductors served by the power optimizers and inverters are controlled by the photovoltaic rapid shutdown system. The AC branch circuit conductors serving the inverter may remain energized until the AC service panel is de-energized. Installers must provide signage complying with Section 690.56(C) of the NEC (NFPA 70).
- Buildings with rapid shutdown PV systems, complying with NEC 690.56(C), shall have permanent labels as described in 690.56(C)(1) through (C)(2):
 - (1)(a) For PV systems that shut down the array and conductors leaving the array: The title "SOLAR PV SYSTEM EQUIPPED WITH RAPID SHUTDOWN" shall utilize capitalized characters with a minimum height of 3/8 in. in black on yellow background, and the remaining characters shall be capitalized with a minimum height of 3/16 in. in black on white background.



SOLAR PV SYSTEM EQUIPED WITH RAPID SHUTDOWN

TURN RAPID SHUTDOWN SWITCH TO THE "OFF" POSITION TO SHUTDOWN THE PV SYSTEM AND REDUCE SHOCK HAZARD IN ARRAY!



(2) A rapid shutdown switch shall have a label located on or no more than 3 ft from the switch that includes this wording. The label shall be reflective, with all letters capitalized and having a minimum height of 3/8 in., in white on red background.

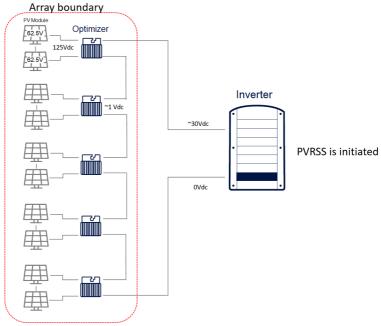
PV SYSTEM PV WITH RAPID SHUTDOWN



Photovoltaic Hazard Control Application

SolarEdge commercial optimizers and inverters have been evaluated and listed to UL 3741 and may be used to form a PV hazard control system that utilizes SolarEdges PV rapid shutdown system to comply with NEC 690.12. Multiple modules may be connected in series to the optimizer input without exceeding the input voltage rating of the optimizer (125V dc). The diagram below depicts a typical PV hazard control system using multiple PV modules in series connected to optimizers. Installation instructions, warnings and cautions in this installation guide must be followed to comply with Local codes. The PVRSS shall be installed by qualified persons in accordance with the installation instructions and all applicable installation codes and standards.





Power optimizer models P followed by 600-1100 with input voltage up to 125Vdc when used with SolarEdge three phase inverters and DC safety switches listed and marked with PVRSS may be used to form a Listed Photovoltaic Hazard Control System.



WARNING!



Upon servicing replacing equipment, instructions in this installation guide must be followed to maintain the integrity of the PV hazard control system. SolarEdge commercial optimizers and three phase inverters should only be replaced with SolarEdge commercial optimizers and inverters. Third party equipment is not compatible.



Chapter 1: Introducing the SolarEdge Power Harvesting System

The SolarEdge power harvesting solution maximizes the power output from any type of solar photovoltaic (PV) installation while reducing the average cost per watt. The following sections describe each of the system's components.

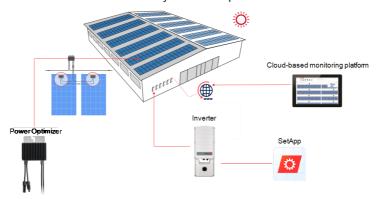


Figure 1: The SolarEdge power – harvesting system components

Power Optimizer

The Power Optimizers are DC-DC converters connected to PV modules in order to maximize power harvesting by performing independent Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) at the module level.

Each Power Optimizer also transmits module performance data over the DC power line to the inverter.

Inverter

The inverter efficiently converts DC power from the modules into AC power that can be fed into the main AC service of the site and from there to the grid. The inverter also receives the monitoring data from each power optimizer and transmits it to a central server (the monitoring platform; requires Internet connection).

The Connection Unit has a manually operated switch for disconnecting the DC power of a SolarEdge system. The Connection Unit is located below the inverter and is connected to the inverter with AC and DC wires.



Designer

Designer recommends inverter and Power Optimizer selection per site size and enables report generation. You can create a project in Designer and export the site design with the string layout to the monitoring platform.

Monitoring Platform

The monitoring platform enables monitoring the technical and financial performance of one or more SolarEdge sites. It provides past and present information on the system performance both at the system and module levels.

SetApp

SetApp is a mobile application that enables activating and configuring the inverter through a smartphone or any mobile device.

Installation Procedures

The following procedures are used for installing and setting up a new SolarEdge site. Some procedures, may also apply to modify an existing site.

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- 2. Recording power optimizer serial numbers (optional), page 61
- 3. Mounting the inverter, page 35
- 4. Activating, commissioning and configuring the system, page 57
- 5. Connecting the inverter to the monitoring platform, page 62

Installation Equipment List

Standard tools can be used during the installation of the SolarEdge system. The following is a recommendation of the equipment needed for installation:

- 4 mm Allen torque screwdriver for the inverter enclosure screws
- Standard torque flat-head screwdrivers set
- Non-contact voltage detector
- Cordless drill (with a torque clutch) or screwdriver and bits suitable for the surface on which the inverter and optimizers will be installed and for opening the Connection Unit drill guides. Use of an impact driver is *not* allowed.
- Mounting hardware (stainless bolts, nuts, and washers) for attaching:



- the mounting brackets to the mounting surface
- the power optimizer to the racking (not required for smart modules)
- Tools:
 - Wire cutters
 - Wire strippers
 - Voltmeter
 - Mobile phone with latest SetApp version

For installing the communication options, you may also need the following:

- For Ethernet:
 - CAT6 twisted pair Ethernet cable with RJ45 connector
 - If using a CAT6 cable spool: RJ45 plug and RJ45 crimper
- For RS485 / CAN Bus :
 - Four- or six-wire shielded twisted pair cable
 - Watchmaker precision screwdriver set



Chapter 2: Installing the Power Optimizers

Safety



WARNING!

The metallic enclosure of the Power Optimizer must be grounded in accordance with the product's listing and local and national codes.

AVERTISSEMENT!

L'enceinte métallique de l'optimiseur de puissance doit être mise à la terre en accord avec les régulations locales et nationales.

WARNING!



When modifying an existing installation, turn OFF the inverter ON/OFF/P switch, the DC Disconnect Switch and the AC circuit breaker on the main AC distribution panel.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Avant de faire ces étapes, éteignez l'onduleur monophasé en mettant sur OFF l'interrupteur ON/OFF situé au bas de l'onduleur.



CAUTION!

Power Optimizers are IP68/NEMA6P rated. Choose a mounting location where optimizers will not be submerged in water.

ATTENTION!

Les optimiseurs de puissances sont compatibles à la norme IP68/NEMA6P. Choisissez le lieu de montage tel que l'optimiseur ne puisse pas être submergé par l'eau.



CAUTION!

This unit must be operated according to the operating specifications provided with the unit.

ATTENTION!

Cette unité doit être opérée suivant les instructions trouvées dans le manuel fourni avec le produit.



CAUTION!

Cutting the Power Optimizer input or output cable connector is prohibited and will void the warranty.

ATTENTION!

Sectionner les cables d'entrées ou de sortie de l'optimiseur est interdit et annule sa garantie.





CAUTION!

All PV modules must be connected to a Power Optimizer.

ATTENTION!

Tous les modules doivent être connectés à un optimiseur de puissance.

CAUTION!



If you intend to mount the Power Optimizers directly to the module or module frame, first consult the module manufacturer for guidance regarding the mounting location and the impact, if any, on module warranty. Drilling holes in the module frame should be done according to the module manufacturer instructions.

ATTENTION!

Pour installation à même le module ou la monture du module, consultez d'abord le fabricant du module sur la position et son impact sur la garantie du module. Le perçage de trous dans le cadre du module devra se faire suivant les instructions du fabricant.

IMPORTANT SAFETY FEATURE



Modules with SolarEdge Power Optimizers are safe. They carry only a low safety voltage before the inverter is turned ON. As long as the Power Optimizers are not connected to the inverter or the inverter is turned OFF, each Power Optimizer will output a safe voltage of 1V.



CAUTION!

Installing a SolarEdge system without ensuring compatibility of the module connectors with the Power Optimizer connectors may be unsafe and could cause functionality problems such as ground faults, resulting in inverter shut down. To ensure mechanical compatibility of the SolarEdge Power Optimizers' connectors with the PV modules' connectors to which they are connected:

- Use identical connectors from the same manufacturer and of the same type on both the Power Optimizers and on the modules; or
- Verify that the connectors are compatible in the following way:
- The module connector manufacturer should explicitly verify compatibility with the SolarEdge Power Optimizer connector; and the Inverter DC input connectors.
- A third-party test report by one of the listed external labs (TUV, VDE, Bureau Veritas UL, CSA, InterTek) should be obtained, verifying the compatibility of the connectors.

ATTENTION!



ATTENTION!

Les connecteurs du module doivent être mécaniquement compatibles avec les optimiseurs de puissance. Sinon, le système SolarEdge installé peut être dangereux ou causer des problèmes fonctionnels, tels que les défauts de terre, qui peuvent provoquer un arrêt de l'onduleur. Afin d'assurer la compatibilité mécanique entre les optimiseurs de puissance SolarEdge et les modules auxquels ils sont connectés:.

- Utiliser des connecteurs identiques du même fabricant et du même type aussi bien pour les optimiseurs de puissance que pour les modules.
- Vérifiez que les connecteurs sont compatibles de la manière suivante:
- Le fabricant du connecteur doit explicitement vérifier la compatibilité avec le connecteur SolarEdge.
- Un rapport de test de tierce partie doit être effectué par l'un des laboratoires externes indiqués ci-dessous:(TUV, VDE, Bureau Veritas UL, CSA, Intertek), qui vérifiera la compatibilité des connecteurs.

Package Contents

- Power Optimizers
- Stainless steel grounding lock washers

Installation Guidelines

- For the minimum and maximum number of Power Optimizers in a string (string length), see the Power Optimizer datasheets. Refer to the Designer for string length verification. The Designer is available on the SolarEdge website at: https://www.solaredge.com/us/products/installer-tools/designer#/.
- Do not use extension cables between a module and a Power Optimizer, between two modules connected to the same Power Optimizer, or between two Power Optimizers other than in the following cases:

Between a Power Optimizer and a module:

- Extension cables of up to 6 ft / 1.8 m are allowed for all Power Optimizers (3 ft / 0.9 m for DC+, and 3 ft / 0.9 m for DC-).
- P-Series Power Optimizers with the 4-type suffix in their part number (Pxxx-4xxxxxx) and the Mxxxx-Series extension cables of up to 52 ft / 16 m can be installed per Power Optimizer (26 ft / 8 m for DC+, and 26 ft / 8 m for DC-).



Between two Power Optimizers or between a Power Optimizer and the inverter:

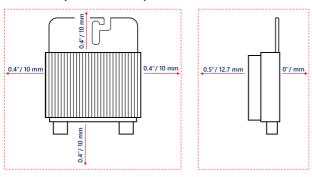
Extension cables can be installed between Power Optimizers only from row to row, around obstacles or pathways within a row and from the end of the string to the inverter. The total length of the extension cables may not exceed the following values:

Single Phase Inverters	Three Phase Inverters				
	SE9KUS, SE20KUS - 300 m / 1000 ft				
All - 1000 ft / 300 m	SE14.4KUS, SE17.3KUS, SE33.3KUS, SE40KUS -700 m				
	/ 2300 ft				

- Frame-mounted Power Optimizers are mounted directly on the module frame, regardless of racking system (rail-less or with rails). For installation of framemounted Power Optimizers, refer to http://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/installing_frame_mounted_power_ optimizers.pdf.
- The Power Optimizer can be placed in any orientation.
- If connecting more modules than Power Optimizer inputs in parallel, use a branch cable. Some commercial Power Optimizer models have a dual input.
- Position the Power Optimizer close enough to its module so that their cables can be connected.
- Make sure to use Power Optimizers that have the required output and input conductor length.
- Completely shaded modules may cause their Power Optimizers to temporarily shut down. This will not affect the performance of the other Power Optimizers in the string, as long as the minimum number of unshaded Power Optimizers connected in a string of modules is met. If under typical conditions fewer than the minimum Power Optimizers are connected to unshaded modules, add more Power Optimizers to the string. To allow for heat dissipation, maintain clearance shown in
- Equipment grounding tightening torques: 4-6 AWG: 45 lb-in, 8 AWG: 40 lb-in, 10-14 AWG: 35 lb-in.



All Power Optimizers, except for the P860 and P960 Power Optimizers



P860, P960 and M1600 Power Optimizers

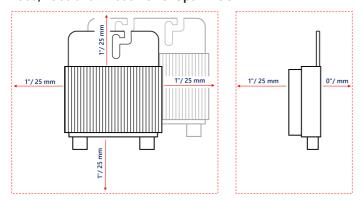


Figure 2: Power Optimizers clearance

When installing PV modules in a confined space such as Building-integrated photovoltaic (BIPV) modules, ventilation measures may be required to ensure that the Power Optimizers are not exceeding the maximum temperatures stated in their specifications.



Step 1: Mounting and Grounding the Power **Optimizers**

For each of the Power Optimizers⁽¹⁾:

1. Determine the Power Optimizer mounting location and use the Power Optimizer mounting brackets to attach the Power Optimizer to the support structure (See *Figure 3*). It is recommended to mount the Power Optimizer in a location protected from direct sunlight. For frame-mounted Power Optimizers follow the instructions supplied with the optimizers, or refer to https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/installing_frame_mounted_power_ optimizers.pdf.

2. If required, mark the mounting hole locations and drill holes.

CAUTION!



Drilling vibrations may damage the Power Optimizer and will void the warranty. Use a torque wrench or an electric drill with adjustable clutch that meets the mounting torque requirements. Do not use impact drivers for mounting the Power Optimizer.

Do not drill through the Power Optimizer or through the mounting holes.

ATTENTION!

Les vibrations résultant du perçage peuvent endommager l'optimiseur de puissance et annulera la garantie. Utilisez une clé dynamométrique ou une perceuse électrique avec embrayage adaptable compatible avec les moments indiqués. Ne pas utiliser des tournevis à percussion pour fixer l'optimiseur. Ne pas percer à travers l'optimiseur de puissance ou ses trous de fixation.

3. Attach each Power Optimizer to the rack using M6 (1/4") or M8 stainless steel bolts, nuts and washers or other mounting hardware. Apply torque of 6.5-7 lb*ft/9-10 N*m. For 3NA series power optimizes, SolarEdge recommends mounting the Power Optimizer on a rail with the smooth side facing out, so that the Power Optimizer body will prevent its rotation.

⁽¹⁾Not applicable to smart modules.



4. Use the following methods⁽¹⁾ to ground the Power Optimizer:



WARNING!

The metallic enclosure of the Power Optimizer must be grounded in accordance with the requirements of the local and national codes.

AVERTISSEMENT!

L'enceinte métallique de l'optimiseur de puissance doit être mise à la terre en accord avec les régulations locales et nationales.

For mounting on a grounded metal rail: Use the provided 5/16" stainless steel grounding star washer between the railing and the flat side of the mounting bracket. The grounding washer should break through the anodize coating of the railing to ensure low resistive connection. Apply a torque of 9.5 N*m / 7 lb*ft.

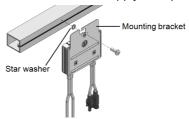


Figure 3: Power Optimizer installation and grounding using a star washer

⁽¹⁾These methods have been evaluated by a nationally recognized testing laboratory as part of the Power Optimizer evaluation. The SolarEdge-supplied grounding lug kit has been evaluated only for use with SolarEdge power optimizers. It is not intended or listed to be used as a general purpose grounding lug with other electrical equipment.



For mounting on rails with sliding nut fasteners: If the star washer cannot be used, use the SolarEdge grounding plate (purchased separately) between the railing and the flat side of the mounting bracket. Use mounting specific hardware as needed. Apply a torque of 9.5 N*m / 7 lb*ft.

See Figure 4.

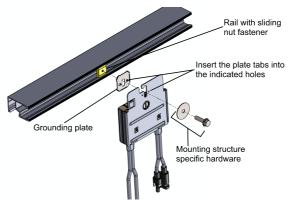


Figure 4: Power Optimizer installation and grounding using a grounding plate

For mounting on un-grounded structures (such as a wooden structure): If the star washer or the plate cannot be used, use the SolarEdge grounding lug (purchased separately) with an equipment-grounding conductor according to the supplied instructions. The grounding terminal accepts a wire size of 6-14 AWG, and must be sized for equipment grounding per NEC 250.122 requirements. Tighten the screws connecting the Power Optimizer to the frame and the grounding terminal screw. Apply a torque of 9.5 N*m / 7 lb*ft.

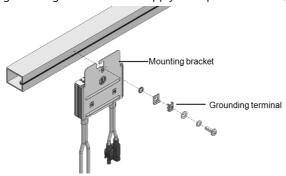


Figure 5: Power optimizer grounding terminal



- 5. Verify that each Power Optimizer is securely attached to the module support structure.
- 6. Record Power Optimizer serial numbers and locations, as described in *Reporting and Monitoring Installation Data* on page 60.

Step 2: Connecting a PV module to a Power Optimizer

NOTE



Improper wiring may cause electrical faults in a PV system. To avoid electrical faults, verify proper locking of connectors and avoid cable tension and friction. Proper planning, materials and installation reduce the risk of electric arcs, short-circuits and ground faults in the PV system.



NOTE

Images are for illustration purposes only. Refer to the label on the product to identify the plus and minus input and output connectors.

For each of the Power Optimizers:

- Connect the Plus (+) output connector of the module to the Plus (+) input connector of the Power Optimizer.
- Connect the Minus (-) output connector of the module to the Minus (-) input connector of the Power Optimizer.

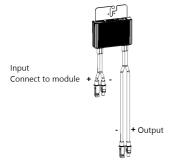


Figure 6: S-Series (left) and P-Series (right) Power Optimizer connectors

Step 3: Connecting Power Optimizers in Strings

You can construct parallel strings of unequal length, that is, the number of Power Optimizers in each string does not have to be the same. The minimum and maximum string lengths are specified in the power datasheets. Refer to the SolarEdge Site Designer for string length verification.



IMPORTANT SAFETY FEATURE



- For a compliant PV Rapid Shutdown (PVRSS) installation, use no more than 30 Power Optimizers per string.
- Enabling PVRSS from the inverter menu is only required if the installed Power Optimizers were manufactured before 2015, otherwise it is enabled by default.

NOTE



The DC bus of each unit is separate and not shared for all units. Therefore, in addition to following the inverter design rules, each unit should follow the unit design rules as detailed in the Technical Specifications.

- 1. Connect the Minus (-) output connector of the string's first Power Optimizer to the Plus (+) output connector of the string's second Power Optimizer.
- 2. To minimize electromagnetic interference (EMI), make sure to minimize the distance between the positive and negative DC cables.

For detailed instructions, see:

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-emiperformance-application-note.pdf.



3. Connect the rest of the Power Optimizers in the string.

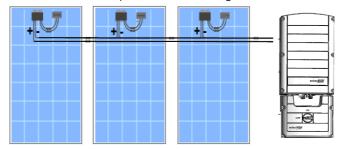


Figure 7: Power Optimizers connected in series

4. If you intend to monitor the installation, using the SolarEdge Monitoring platform, record the physical location of each Power Optimizer, as described in *Creating* Logical and Physical Layout using Installation Information on page 61.

Step 4: Verifying Proper Power Optimizer Connection

When a module is connected to a Power Optimizer, the Power Optimizer outputs a safe voltage of 1V (±0.1V). Therefore, the total string voltage should equal 1V times the number of Power Optimizers connected in series in the string. For example, if 10 Power



Optimizers are connected in a string, then 10V should be produced.

Make sure the PV modules are exposed to sunlight during this process. The Power Optimizer will only turn ON if the PV module provides at least 2W.

In SolarEdge systems, due to the introduction of Power Optimizers between the PV modules and the inverter, the short circuit current I_{SC} and the open circuit voltage V_{OC} hold different meanings from those in traditional systems.

For more information about the SolarEdge system's string voltage and current, refer to the V_{OC} and I_{SC} in SolarEdge Systems Technical Note, available on the SolarEdge website at:

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/isc_and_voc_in_solaredge_sytems_technical_note.pdf



- → To verify proper Power Optimizer connection:
- Measure the voltage of each string individually before connecting it to the other strings or to the inverter. Verify correct polarity by measuring the string polarity with a voltmeter. Use a voltmeter with at least 0.1V measurement accuracy.



NOTE

Since the inverter is not yet operating, you may measure the string Voltage and verify correct polarity on the DC wires inside the Connection Unit.

For troubleshooting Power Optimizer operation problems, refer to *Power Optimizer Troubleshooting* on page 65.

Proper Power Optimizer connection can also be verified in the Designer application.

For more information, refer to

https://www.solaredge.com/products/installer-tools/designer#/.





Chapter 3: Installing the Inverter

Package Contents

- Mounting bracket kit
- Quick installation guide
- Warranty card
- Safety instructions page
- **Technical Specifications page**

Identifying the Inverter

Refer to the sticker on the inverter that specifies its Serial Number and its Electrical Ratings. Provide the serial number when contacting SolarEdge support. The serial number is also required when opening a new site in the monitoring platform.

Inverter Interfaces

Figure 8 shows an inverter with a Connection Unit, located at the bottom of the inverter.



The Connection Unit is applicable based on the inverter model and country of

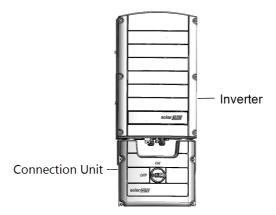


Figure 8: Inverter front view

Figure 9 shows the inverter connectors and components, located at the bottom of the inverter.



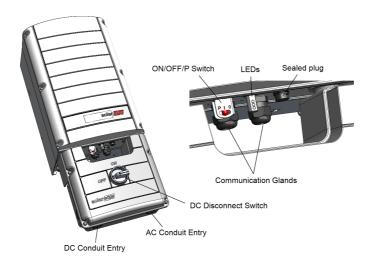


Figure 9: Inverter interfaces

- AC and DC conduit entries: Connection entry points of the Connection Unit.
- **Two communication glands**: for connection of inverter communication options. Each gland has three openings. Refer to *Setting Up Communication with the Monitoring Platform* on page 46 for more information.
- P/ON/OFF switch:

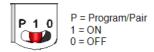


Figure 10: ON/OFF/P switch

- ON (1) Turning this switch ON (after Power Optimizer pairing) starts the operation of the Power Optimizers, enables power production and allows the inverter to begin exporting power to the utility grid.
- OFF (0) Turning this switch OFF reduces the Power Optimizer Voltage to a low safety Voltage and inhibits exportation of power. When this switch is OFF, the control circuitry remains powered up.



P - Moving and releasing the switch allows viewing system information via the LEDs, and performing the following functions:

P Position Duration	Function	Comments
Switch moved to P for 2 seconds, then released.	 Displays (via LEDs) production information for 5 seconds, or error type indications (if exist) for 5 seconds. Activates the Wi-Fi access point for connecting to the SetApp 	While the switch is in P, all LEDs are ON. When the switch is released all LEDs turn OFF for 0.5 sec and then display the production or error indication.
Switch moved to P for more than 5 seconds, then released.	Starts pairing	Pairing is indicated by all 3 LEDs blinking simultaneously.

LEDs: three LEDs indicate, by color and state (on/ off/blinking⁽¹⁾/ flickering⁽²⁾/alternating⁽³⁾), different system information, such as errors or performance indications. For more information, refer to https://www.solaredge.com/leds.

The main LFD indications are:

- Blue ON the inverter is communicating with the monitoring platform
- Green ON the system is producing
- Green blinking AC is connected but the system is not producing
- Red ON system error



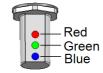


Figure 11: LED indicators

 $^{^{(1)}}$ Blinking = Turns ON and OFF for the same duration

⁽²⁾ Flickering = Tums ON for 100 ms and tums OFF for 5 seconds

⁽³⁾Alternating = Alternate LED flashes



The following table describes system performance information by LED color and ON/OFF/P switch position.

Indication	ON/ OFF/ P				Commont	
indication	Switch Position	Red Green Blue		Comment		
Power Optimizers not paired		OFF	Blinking	• S_OK: ON • No S_OK: OFF	S_OK: ON communication with the monitoring platform is established.	
Pairing		Blinking	Blinking	Blinking		
Wake-up/ Grid Monitoring	ON (1)	OFF	Blinking	Blinking		
System Producing		OFF	ON	• S_OK: ON • No S_OK: OFF	For detailed percentage of production, refer to the following table.	
Night mode (no production)		OFF	Flickering	• S_OK: ON • No S_OK: OFF		
Inverter is OFF (Safe DC)	OFF (0)	OFF	Blinking	• S_OK: ON • No S_OK: OFF		
Inverter is OFF (DC not safe)	OFF (0)	Blinking	Blinking	• S_OK: ON • No S_OK: OFF		
Inverter configuration or reboot	ON / P	ON	ON	ON		
Inverter firmware upgrade	ON / P	Alternating	Alternating	Alternating	The upgrade process can take up to 5 minutes	
Error	Any	ON	ON/ OFF/ Blinking/ Flickering	ON/ OFF / Blinking	Refer to <i>Errors and Troubleshooting</i> on page 63	



The following table describes production percentage of AC information by LED color and ON/OFF/P switch position.

Indication	ON/ OFF/ P Switch Position	LED Color			Comment
maication		Red	Green	Blue	Comment
Percentage of AC Production: 0 %	ON (1)	OFF	OFF	OFF	Th's 's al' and a second
Percentage of AC Production: 0 - 33 %		OFF	ON	OFF	This indicates power production as percentage of rated
Percentage of AC Production: 33 - 66 %		OFF	OFF	ON	peak AC output
Percentage of AC Production: 66 - 100 %		OFF	ON	ON	power

Connection Unit Interfaces

- The Connection Unit, includes:
 - ON/OFF switch: For connection/disconnection of the DC power from the PV strings
 - AC conduit entries for connection of AC cable to the grid
 - DC conduit entries for connection of the DC wires from the PV strings

NOTE

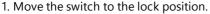


Open the required AC and DC conduit drill guides according to the conduits used in the installation. Taking care not to interfere with any of the internal components. It is recommended to use a Unibit drill.

Use 3/4" or 1Unibit drill to create holes for AC and DC conduits.

NOTE

When the safety switch of the Connection Unit is OFF (for example during maintenance) it may be locked to prevent a safety hazard. To lock the switch:



2. Insert the lock through the knob opening and lock.





Opening the Conduit Drill Guides

This step may be performed before mounting the inverter.

- → To open the conduit drill guides:
- 1. Move the DC Disconnect Switch and the inverter ON/OFF switch to OFF.
- 2. Loosen the screws on the front cover of the Connection Unit, as shown below:

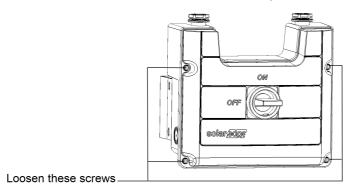


Figure 12: Opening the Connection Unit cover

- 3. Remove the Connection Unit cover.
- 4. Open the required conduit drill guides according to the conduits used in the installation: The drill guides are located at the bottom, right, left and back sides of the enclosure, each with two sizes: ³/₄" and 1". Open the required drill guides, taking care not to interfere with any of the internal components. It is recommended to use a Unibit drill.



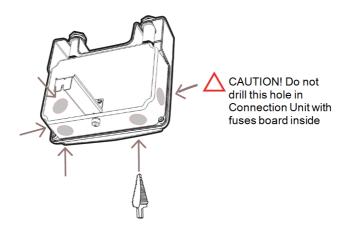


Figure 13: drill guides



NOTE

Unused conduit openings and glands should be sealed with appropriate seals.

Mounting the Inverter

The inverter is supplied with a mounting bracket kit:

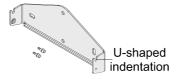


Figure 14: Mounting bracket kit



NOTE

Make sure the mounting surface or structure can support the weight of the inverter.

CAUTION!

SolarEdge inverters and Power Optimizers can be installed at a minimum distance of 50 m / 164 ft from the shoreline of an ocean or other saline environment, as long as there are no direct salt water splashes on the inverter or Power Optimizer.

For SolarEdge inverters installed at a distance of 200 m / 655 ft or closer to the shoreline, special brackets purchased separately from SolarEdge and SS304 stainless screws are required.



ATTENTION!

Les onduleurs SolarEdge peuvent être installés à une distance minimum de 50m de la ligne d'eau de l'océan ou autre environnement salin, tant qu'il n'y a pas d'éclaboussements d'eau salée directs sur l'onduleur.

Pour les onduleurs SolarEdge installés à une distance de 200 m ou moins du rivage, des supports spéciaux achetés séparément auprès de SolarEdge et des vis inox SS304 sont nécessaires.

1. Determine the inverter mounting location, on a wall, rails, stud framing or pole. It is recommended to mount the inverter in a location protected from direct sunlight.



NOTE

To avoid wobbly installation of the inverter on rails or stud framing, use a supporting rail on the back of the DC Safety Unit (see *Figure 15*).

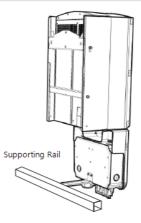


Figure 15: Supporting rail on the back of the DC Safety Unit

- 2. To allow proper heat dissipation, maintain the following minimum clearance areas between the inverter and other objects as described at:

 https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-clearance-guidelines-for
 - https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-clearance-guidelines-for-multiple-inverter-mounting.pdf
 - Verify that the fan, located at the bottom of the inverter, is not blocked and that air can flow freely.



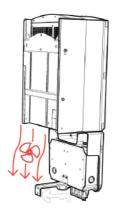


Figure 16: Inverter fan - airflow



CAUTION!

Do not block the airflow from the inverter.

→ To mount the inverter:

- 1. Position the mounting bracket against the wall/pole and mark the drilling hole locations (refer to Mechanical Specifications on page 1 for inverter and mounting bracket dimensions).
- 2. Drill at least two holes and mount the bracket to the mounting surface. Verify that the bracket is firmly attached to the mounting surface.
- 3. Hang the inverter on the bracket (See Figure 17):
 - a. Lift the inverter from the sides, or hold it at the top and bottom. Do not lift holding the Connection Unit as it may be damaged.
 - b. Lower the inverter onto the U-shaped indentations of the mounting bracket. Let the inverter lay flat against the wall or pole



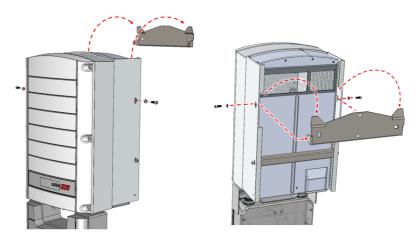


Figure 17: Hanging the inverter on the brackets

4. Mark the location of the drilling hole required for the screw that secures the bracket of the Connection Unit to the wall (See *Figure 18*) and remove the inverter from the wall.

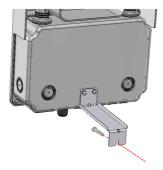


Figure 18: Securing the Connection Unit to the wall

- 5. Drill a hole for the screw anchor securing Connection Unit to the wall.
- 6. Hang the inverter on the bracket (See *Figure 17*):
 - a. Lift the inverter from the sides, or hold it at the top and bottom. Do not lift holding the Connection Unit as it may be damaged.
 - b. Lower the inverter onto the U-shaped indentations of the mounting bracket. Let the inverter lay flat against the wall or pole.
 - c. Insert the two supplied screws through the outer heat sink fin on both sides of the inverter and into the bracket. Tighten the screws with a torque of 2.9 lb.*ft.



- 7. Use a screw to secure the bracket that secures Connection Unit to the wall.
- 8. Verify that the inverter is firmly attached to the mounting surface.



Chapter 4: Connecting AC and DC Strings to the Connection Unit

The DC Disconnect Switch of the Connection Unit disconnects all ungrounded DC conductors in compliance with the National Electric Code (NEC; Specifically NEC690.35, which addresses ungrounded PV arrays). The Connection Unit is rated to the maximum operating conditions of the inverter.

Inverters of different models are equipped with different sizes / types of terminal blocks. *Figure 19* shows a Connection Unit with four DC pairs.

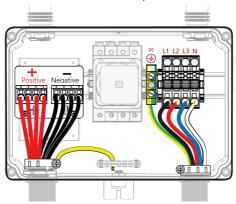


Figure 19: Connection Unit with four DC pairs

Grid Connection Guidelines

- The conduits, hubs and fittings must be suited for field wiring systems.
- The hubs and other fittings must comply with UL514B.
- Use the conduit and wiring appropriate for the installation location per the NEC. Outdoor installations must use components that are rated NEMA 3R or higher.
- Grids Supported by SolarEdge Inverters application note at:
 https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/grids_supported_by_se_inverters_europe_and_apac.pdf
- For recommended circuit breaker size per model refer to Determining the Circuit Breaker Size application note at
 - https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/determining-the-circuit-breaker-size-for-three-phase-inverters.pdf



For short-circuit currents in SolarEdge Three Phase Inverters refer to Short-Circuit
 Currents in SolarEdge Three Phase Inverters application note at

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-short-circuit-currents-three-phase-inverters-tech-note.pdf

NOTE



For more wiring information refer to the *SolarEdge Recommended AC Wiring Application Note*, available on the SolarEdge website at

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/application-note-recommended-wiring.pdf



Connecting the PV Strings to the Connection Unit of the Inverter

Up to four PV strings can be connected to the inverter. When connecting the PV strings to the inverter, use only 6 to 12 AWG wires.

NOTE



When installing a system with more than 3 strings per a single inverter (whether connected directly or via a combiner box), fuses are required on both the positive and negative conductors. For more information, refer to the "Technical Note – String Fusing Requirements in SolarEdge Systems" technical note at https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/string_fusing_requirements_eu_and_apac_en.pdf

- → To connect multiple PV strings to the Connection Unit of the inverter:
- 1. Release the four screws and remove the cover of the Connection Unit.
- 2. Strip 0.7" (18 mm) of the DC wire insulation.



NOTE

Use only DC wires with a gauge of 6 to 12 AWG. When using a stranded wire, use of ferrule is at the installer discretion.

- 3. Insert the DC conduit into the open DC-side drill guide.
- 4. Tighten the nut that secures the DC conduit to the Connection Unit.



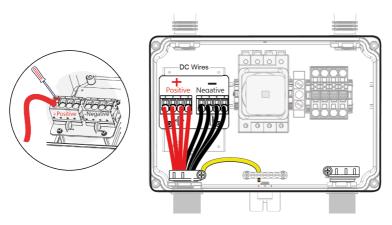


Figure 20: Connecting the ground wire Inside the of the multiple PV strings inverter

NOTE



Functional Electrical Earthing of DC-side negative or positive is prohibited because the inverter has no transformer. Equipment grounding of exposed conductive surfaces in the array is required per the NEC.

5. Connect the DC wires of the PV array to the DC+ and DC- terminal blocks, according to the labels on the terminals:

CAUTION!



To avoid electrical damage to the inverter, connect the DC+ and DC- wire, of each string to their corresponding location on the terminal blocks. <u>DO</u> NOT mix string wires.

- Use a standard flat-blade screwdriver to connect the wires to the spring-clamp terminals. The screwdriver blade should fit freely in the terminal opening. Too large a blade can crack the plastic housing.
- Insert the screwdriver and firmly tilt it to press the release mechanism and open the clamp.
- Insert the wire into the front opening.
- Remove the screwdriver the wire is automatically clamped. Check that the wire is fully inserted and cannot be pulled out easily.



Connecting the AC Grid to the Connection Unit

The inverter can operate with connection of four wires (N, L1, L2, L3) and Protective Ground (PE) wire or three wires (L1, L2, L3) and PE wire connections. Use 6 to 10 AWG gauge of wires. When using a stranded wire, use of ferrule is at the installer discretion.



WARNING

Turn OFF AC before connecting wires to the Connection Unit of the inverter.

→ To connect AC grid to the Connection Unit:

- 1. Insert the AC conduit with the grid wires through the drilled hole in the Connection Unit and secure the conduit with a nut.
- 2. Strip 0.4 to 0.43" (10 to 11mm) of the PE wire insulation.

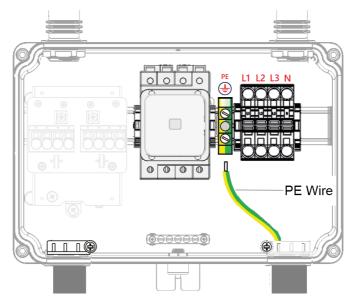


Figure 21: Connecting PE Wire to the PE Terminal Block inside the Connection Unit

3. Insert the PE wire into the PE terminal and tighten the screw using a torque of 1.1 lbin.



NOTE



Connect Protective Ground before connecting the AC wires to the AC terminal blocks.

Veillez à relier le conducteur de PE (la terre) avant de connecter les fils CA au bornier CA.

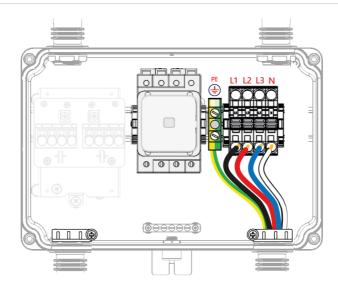


Figure 22: Connecting the N, L1 ,L2, L3 wires to the Terminal blocks inside the Connection Unit

- 4. Strip 0.7" (18mm) of the N, L1, L2, L3 wires insulation.
- 5. Connect the wires to the appropriate terminal blocks according to the labels on the terminal blocks (N, L1, L2, L3):
 - Use a standard flat-blade screwdriver to connect the wires to the spring-clamp terminals.
 - The screwdriver blade should fit freely in the terminal opening. Too large a blade can crack the plastic housing.
 - Insert the screwdriver, press the release mechanism and open the clamp.
 - Insert the wire into the square opening and remove the screwdriver the wire is automatically clamped.
- Verify that all wires are properly connected and cannot be pulled out from the terminals.



- 7. Close the Connection Unit cover: Attach the Connection Unit cover and secure the four screws with a torque of 6.6 ft.*lb (7.6 ft.*lb for plastic screws) in a crossed pattern.
- 8. Ensure proper conduit sealing; inspect the entire conduit run and use standard conduit sealants to avoid water penetration.



Chapter 5: Setting Up Communication with the Monitoring Platform

The inverter sends the following information to the monitoring platform:

- Power Optimizer information received via the DC power lines (the PV output circuit)
- Inverter information
- Information of any other connected devices

This chapter describes how to set up communication between:

- The inverter and the monitoring platform through the Internet (wired/ wireless)
- Multiple inverters for a leader-follower configuration

Communication setup is not required for power harvesting, however it is needed for using the monitoring platform.

CAUTION!



When connecting the communication cables, make sure that the ON/OFF/P switch on the inverter is turned OFF, the DC Disconnect Switch on the Connection Unit is turned OFF and the AC is turned OFF.

When configuring the communication parameters, make sure that the ON/OFF/P switch on the inverter is OFF, and the AC is turned ON.

ATTENTION!

Lors de la connexion des câbles de communication, assurez-vous que l'interrupteur MARCHE/ARRÊT à la base de l'onduleur soit en position ARRÊT, le sectionneur DC est éteint et le CA est en position ARRÊT. Lors de la configuration des paramètres de communication, assurez-vous que l'interrupteur MARCHE/ARRÊT soit en position ARRÊT, et le CA est en position MARCHE.

Communication Options

The following types of communication can be used to transfer the monitored information from the inverter to the monitoring platform.

NOTE



This guide refers to 3rd party communication products, such as internet switches and routers that are not supported by SolarEdge. For detailed information on how to install and use the products, refer to the respective publication provided with each product.



Ethernet

Ethernet is used for a LAN connection. For connection instructions refer to "Creating an Local Area Network (LAN) Connection" on page 1*Creating an Ethernet (LAN)*Connection on page 49*Creating an Ethernet (LAN) Connection* on page 49

RS485

RS485 is used for the connection of multiple SolarEdge devices on the same bus in a leader-follower configuration. RS485 can also be used as an interface to external devices, such as meters and third party data loggers.

- RS485-1: Enables the connection of multiple devices (inverters/Commercial Gateway) over the same bus, such that connecting only one device to the internet is sufficient to provide communication services for all the devices on the bus.
- RS485-2: Enables connection of multiple SolarEdge devices and of non-SolarEdge devices over the same bus.

For connection instructions refer to Creating an RS485 Bus Connection on page 53.

The Wireless Gateway collects inverter data using a dedicated Wi-Fi

The inverter connects to the Monitoring platform with via a home router. Wireless Repeater(s) extend the Wi-Fi signal range between the Wireless Gateway and inverter. Wireless Gateway and Wireless Repeaters can be purchased separately from SolarEdge. For more information, refer to https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-wirelessgateway-wireless-repeater-installation-guide.pdf.

Cellular

Cellular Plug-in (purchased separately) provides cellular communication to connect one or several inverters to the Monitoring platform. Cellular communication depends on the purchased data plan.



Communication Connectors

Two communication glands are used for connection of the various communication options. Each gland has three openings. The table below describes the functionality of each opening. Unused openings should remain sealed.

Gland#	Opening	Functionality	Cable size (diameter)
Com 1	One small	External antenna cable	2-4 mm
(PG16)	Two large	Ethernet connection (CAT6) or Cellular	4.5-7 mm
Com 2 (PG13.5)	All three	RS485	2.5-5 mm

Figure 23: Communication Glands

The communication board has a standard RJ45 terminal block for Ethernet connection, and a 6-pin terminal block for RS485 connection, as shown below:

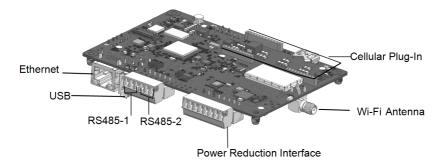


Figure 24: Internal communication connectors



Removing the Inverter Cover

- → To remove the inverter cover
- 1. Switch off the AC circuit breaker on the main distribution panel.
- 2. Switch off the inverter ON/OFF/P switch and wait 5 minutes for the internal capacitors to discharge.
- Turn the DC Disconnect Switch to OFF.
- 4. Open the Allen screws of the inverter cover and carefully pull the cover horizontally before lowering it.
- 5. Open the inverter cover.

CAUTION!

When removing the inverter cover, make sure not to damage the internal components. SolarEdge will not be held responsible for any components damaged as a result of incautious cover removal.



ATTENTION!

Lors du retrait du couvercle, assurez-vous de ne pas endommager les composants internes. SolarEdge ne peut être tenue pour responsable des composants endommagés à la suite d'une imprudence dans le retrait du couvercle.

Creating an Ethernet (LAN) Connection

This communication option enables using an Ethernet connection to connect the inverter to the monitoring platform via LAN.

Ethernet cable specifications:

- Cable type a shielded Ethernet cable (CAT6 may be used).
- Maximum distance between the inverter and the router 100 m/ 330 ft.

NOTE



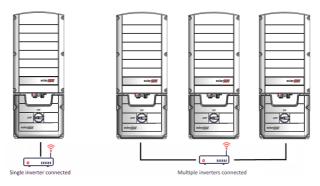
If using a cable longer than 10 m / 33 ft in areas where there is a risk of induced voltage surges by lightning, it is recommended to use external surge protection devices.



https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/overvoltage_ surge protection na.pdf.







Example of Ethernet connection

→ To connect the Ethernet cable:

- 1. Remove the inverter cover as described *Removing the Inverter Cover* on page 49
- 2. Open the communication gland #1.



CAUTION!

The gland includes a rubber waterproof fitting, which should be used to ensure proper sealing.

ATTENTION!

Le cote interne du gland contient une rondelle qui doit être utilisée pour une bonne étancheïté.

- 3. Remove the plastic seal from one of the large opening.
- 4. Remove the rubber fitting from the gland and insert the CAT6 cable through the gland and through the gland opening in the inverter.
- 5. Push the cable into the cut opening of the rubber fitting.

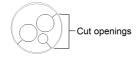


Figure 25: Rubber fitting

CAT6 standard cables have eight wires (four twisted pairs), as shown in the diagram below. Wire colors may differ from one cable to another. You can use either wiring standard, as long as both sides of the cable have the same pin-out and color-coding.



RJ45 Pin #	Wire Color ⁽¹⁾		10Base-T Signal
	T568B	T568A	100Base-TX Signal
1	White/Orange	White/Green	Transmit+
2	Orange	Green	Transmit-
3	White/Green	White/Orange	Receive+
4	Blue	Blue	Reserved
5	White/Blue	White/Blue	Reserved
6	Green	Orange	Received-
7	White/Brown	White/Brown	Reserved
8	Brown	Brown	Reserved

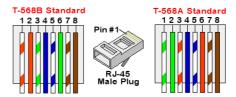


Figure 26: Standard cable wiring

- 6. Use a pre-crimped cable to connect via gland #1 to the RJ45 plug on the inverter's communication board or, if using a spool of cable, connect as follows:
 - a. Insert the cable through gland #1.
 - b. Remove the cable's external insulation using a crimping tool or cable cutter and expose eight wires.
 - c. Insert the eight wires into an RJ45 connector, as described in Figure 26.
 - d. Use a crimping tool to crimp the connector.
 - e. Connect the Ethernet connector to the RJ45 port on the communication board.

⁽¹⁾The connection does not support RX/TX polarity change. Supporting crossover Ethernet cables depends on the switch capabilities.



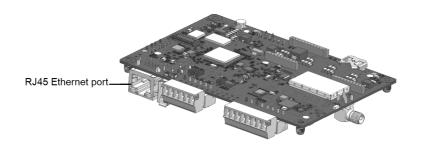


Figure 27: The RJ45 Ethernet connection

- 7. For the switch/router side, use a pre-crimped cable or use a crimper to prepare an RJ45 communication connector: Insert the eight wires into the RJ45 connector in the same order as above (*Figure 26*).
- 8. Connect the cable RJ45 connector to the RJ45 port of the Ethernet switch or router. You can connect more than one inverter to the same switch/router or to different switches/routers, as needed. Each inverter sends its monitored data independently to the monitoring platform.
- 9. The inverter is configured by default to LAN. If reconfiguration is required:
 - a. Make sure the ON/OFF/P switch is OFF.
 - b. Turn ON the DC Disconnect Switch
 - c. Turn ON the AC to the inverter by turning ON the circuit breaker on the main distribution panel.
 - d. Configure the connection as described in *Communication* on page 59.

NOTE

If your network has a firewall, you may need to configure it to enable

••• the connection to the following address:

- Destination Address: prod2.solaredge.com
- TCP Port: 22222, 22221, or 80 (for incoming and outgoing data)
- 10. Verify the connection, as described in *Verifying the Connection* on page 56.



Creating an RS485 Bus Connection

The RS485 option enables creating a bus of connected inverters, consisting of up to 31 follower inverters and 1 leader inverter. Using this option, inverters are connected to each other in a bus (chain), via their RS485 connectors. The first and last inverters in the chain must be terminated as described on page 54.

RS485 wiring specifications:

- Cable type: CAT6
- Maximum nodes: 32
- Maximum distance between first and last devices: 1 km /3300 ft

NOTE



If grounded metal conduits are used for routing the communication wires, a lightning protection device is not required.

The following sections describe how to physically connect the RS485 bus and how to configure the bus.

- → To connect the RS485 communication bus:
- 1. Release the six Allen screws and carefully remove the DC Safety Unit cover
- 2. Remove the seal from one of the openings in communication gland #2 and insert the wire through the opening.
- 3. Pull out the 6-pin RS485 terminal block connector, as shown in Figure 28.

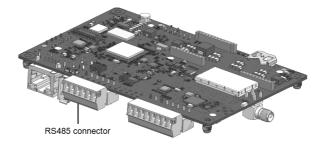


Figure 28: RS485 terminal block on the communication board

4. Loosen the screws of pins A(+), B(-), and G on the left of the RS485 terminal block (RS485-1 or RS485-2).



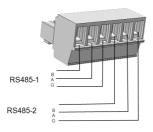


Figure 29: RS485 terminal block

5. Insert the wire ends into the **G**, **A** and **B** pins shown above. Use Four- or six-wire twisted pair cable for this connection.

You can use any color wire for each of the A, B and G connections, as long as:

- The same color wire is used for all A pins the same color for all B pins and the same color for all G pins
- The wire for G is not from the same twisted pair as A or B.
- 6. For creating an RS485 bus connect all B, A and G pins in all inverters. The following figure shows this connection schema:



Figure 30: Connecting the inverters in chain



NOTE

Do not cross-connect B, A and G wires.

- 7. Tighten the terminal block screws.
- 8. Check that the wires are fully inserted and cannot be pulled out easily.
- 9. Push the RS485 terminal block firmly all the way into the connector on the right side of the communication board.
- 10. Terminate the first and last SolarEdge device in the chain by switching a termination



DIP-switch inside the inverter to ON (move the left switch up). The DIP-switch is located on the communication board and is marked SW1.

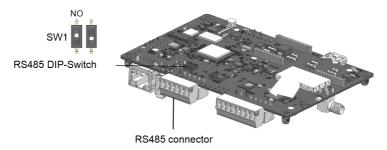


Figure 31: RS485 termination DIP-switch (SW1)

NOTE



Only the first and last SolarEdge devices in the chain should be terminated. The other inverters in the chain should have the termination switch OFF (down position).

11. Tighten the nut of the COMM2 gland in a torque of 3 lb*ft.

RS485 Bus Configuration

- → To connect to the monitoring platform:
- 1. Designate a single inverter as the connection point between the RS485 bus and the monitoring platform. This inverter will serve as the leader inverter.
- 2. Connect the leader to the monitoring platform using Ethernet (refer to Creating an Ethernet (LAN) Connection above).
- → To configure the RS485 bus:

All inverters are configured by default as followers. To configure the leader:

- 1. Make sure the inverter's ON/OFF/P switch is off.
- 2. Make sure that the AC circuit breaker on the main distribution panel is on.
- Turn-on the DC Disconnect Switch on the Connection Unit .
- 4. Access SetApp, as described in *Communication* on page 59.
- 5. From the Commissioning screen, select Site Communication > RS485-1 > Protocol > SolarEdge > SolarEdge Leader.
- 6. Return to the RS485-1 screen and select Follower Detect.



The system starts automatic detection of the follower inverters connected to the leader inverter. The inverter should report the correct number of followers. If it does not, verify the connections and terminations in all inverters in the chain.

- To check the follower IDs and last communication time, select RS485-1 > Follower List.
- 8. Verify the connection of the leader to the monitoring platform, as described below.

Verifying the Connection

After connecting and configuring a communication option, perform the following steps to check that the connection to the Monitoring platform has been successfully established.

- 1. If the DC Safety Unit cover is not closed, close it: Attach the DC Safety Unit cover and secure it by tightening the screws with a torque of 2.6 lb*ft. For proper sealing, first tighten the corner screws and then the two central screws.
- Commission the inverter as describe in "Activating, Commissioning and Configuring the System" on page 57.
- 3. Access SetApp and select **Status** from the **Configuring** screen.
- In the Summary section, under Server Comm., make sure S_OK is displayed together with the selected communication option.
- 5. Scroll down to the **Communication** section and check that the communication options are as required.



Chapter 6: Activating, Commissioning and Configuring the System

After the solar system is installed, it is important to activate and commission the solar system. Activation and commission of the system is performed using the inverter SetApp mobile application.

During the activation and commissioning, the inverter discovers and communicates with all connected components in the solar system, such as: optimizers, peripheral communication devices and other linked inverters. When commissioning is performed, the user is required to set the grid parameters and backup Voltage information (if used).

Before starting the activation and commissioning, verify the all the communication hardware is properly connect. For communication options, refer to: Setting Up Communication with the Monitoring Platform on page 46.

Before arriving at the site, download SolarEdge SetApp application to your mobile device from Apple App Store or Google Play.

Before activation and commissioning, download the SetApp application from:









For downloading SetApp, Internet connection, one-time registration and logging are required. No registration is required for using the SetApp.

Step 1: Activating the Installation

During system activation, a Wi-Fi connection is created between the mobile device and the inverter and the system firmware is upgraded.

Before activation

Download, register (first time only) and login to SetApp on your mobile device. Verify that the application is updated with the latest version.



If applicable, turn on all devices (battery, Energy Meter, Backup Interface) connected to the inverter, so that the devices may be auto-detected.

→ To activate the inverter:

- 1. Turn-on the AC circuit breaker on the main distribution panel.
- 2. Turn-on the DC Disconnect Switch (if applicable).
- 3. Open SetApp and follow the on-screen instructions (scan the inverter barcode; move the ON/OFF/P switch to P position for 2 seconds and release).
 - SetApp creates a Wi-Fi connection, upgrades the inverter firmware and activates the inverter.
- 4. When the activation is complete, do one of the following:
 - Select Connect to Another Device to continue activating additional inverters.
 - Select Start Commissioning for pairing and other system configuration.

Step 2: Commissioning and Configuring the Installation

This section describes how to use the SetApp menus for commissioning and configuring the inverter settings.

Menus may vary in your application depending on your system type.

→ To access the Commissioning screen:

Do one of the following:

- During first time installation: Upon activation completion, in the SetApp, tap Start Commissioning.
- If the inverter has already been activated and commissioned:
 - If not already ON turn ON AC to the inverter by turning ON the circuit breaker on the main distribution panel.
 - Open SetApp and follow the on-screen instructions (scan the inverter QR code, move the ON/OFF/P switch to P position for 2 seconds and release).
 - The mobile device creates a Wi-Fi connection with the inverter and displays the main Commissioning screen.

Setting Country, Grid and Language

The inverter must be configured to the proper settings in order to ensure that it complies with the country grid code and functions.



- 1. From the Commissioning screen select Country & Grid.
- From the Country & Grid drop-down list, select the required option and tap Set Country & Grid.
- 3. From the Language drop-down list, select your language and tap Set Language.

Pairing

- 1. From the Commissioning menu, select Pairing.
- 2. Tap Start Pairing.
- When Pairing Complete is displayed, the system startup process begins:
 Since the inverter is ON, the Power Optimizers start producing power and the inverter starts converting AC.



WARNING!

When you turn ON the ON/OFF/P switch, the DC cables carry a high Voltage and the Power Optimizers no longer output a safe output.

AVERTISSEMENT!

Après avoir mis l'interrupteur ON/OFF/P de l'onduleur monophasé sur ON, les câbles DC portent une haute tension et les optimiseurs de puissance ne génèrent plus la tension de sécurité.

When the inverter starts converting power after the initial connection to the AC, the inverter enters Wake up mode until its working voltage is reached. This mode is indicated by the flickering green inverter LED.

When working voltage is reached, the inverter enters Production mode and produces power. The steadily lit green inverter LED indicates this mode.

4. Tap **OK** to return to the **Commissioning** menu.

Communication

Communication settings can be configured only after communication connections are complete. Refer to Setting Up Communication with the Monitoring Platform on page 46.

- Select Monitoring Communication to configure communication with the monitoring platform.
- Select Site Communication to configure communication between multiple SolarEdge devices or external non-SolarEdge devices, such as batteries or loggers.



Power Control

For P(Q) diagram refer to: https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/application_ note_p_q_diagram_of_se_inverters_en_and_na.pdf.

NOTE



SolarEdge inverters with "Grid Support" functionality (as marked on the inverter certification label), are compliant with UL 1741 Supplement A. The functionality is built into the inverter and no additional external device is required.

Step 3: Verifying Proper Activation and Commissioning

- Select Information and verify that the correct firmware versions are installed on each inverter.
- 2. Select **Status** and verify that inverter is operating and producing power.
- 3. Verify that additional configurations were properly set by viewing the relevant Status screens.
- 4. Verify that the green inverter LED is steadily lit.

Your SolarEdge power harvesting system is now operational.

Reporting and Monitoring Installation Data

Monitoring the site requires connecting the to the monitoring platform, using any of the wired or wireless options available from SolarEdge. Refer to *Setting Up Communication with the Monitoring Platform* on page 46.

The Monitoring Platform

The monitoring platform provides enhanced PV performance monitoring and inverter yield assurance through immediate fault detection and alerts at the module, string and system level.

Using the platform, you can:

- View the latest performance of specific components.
- Find under-performing components, such as modules, by comparing their performance to that of other components of the same type.
- Pinpoint the location of alerted components using the physical layout.

The monitoring platform enables accessing site information, including up-to-date information viewed in a physical or logical view:



- Logical Layout: Shows a schematic tree-layout of the components in the system, such as: inverters, Power Optimizers, strings, modules, meters and sensors, as well as their electrical connectivity. This view enables you to see which modules are connected in each string, which strings are connected to each inverter, and so on.
- Physical Layout: Provides a bird's eye view of the actual placement of modules in the site, and allows pinpoint issues to the exact location of each module on a virtual site map.

If you do not report the mapping of the installed Power Optimizers, the monitoring platform will show the logical layout indicating which Power Optimizers are connected to which, but will not show strings or the physical location of Power Optimizers.

The monitoring platform includes a built-in help system that guides you through the monitoring functionality.

For more information, refer to https://www.solaredge.com/products/pv-monitoring#/.



Creating Logical and Physical Layout using Installation Information

To display a logical layout, insert in the new site created in the monitoring platform. When the communication between the and the monitoring server is established, the logical layout is displayed.

To display a physical layout, you need to map the locations of the installed power optimizers. To map the locations, use one of the methods described in the next sections.

Designer

Designer recommends inverter and Power Optimizer selection per site size and enables report generation. You can create a project in Designer and export the site design with the string layout to the monitoring platform.

For more information, refer to https://www.solaredge.com/products/installer-tools/designer#/.







Physical Layout Editor

 If you are a registered installer, access the monitoring platform site creation page at https://monitoring.solaredge.com/solaredge-web/p/createSelfNewInstaller.



2. Fill out all required information in the screen, which includes information about your installation, as well as details about its logical and physical mapping.



Appendix A: Errors and Troubleshooting

This chapter describes how to troubleshoot general system problems. For further assistance, contact SolarEdge Support.

Identifying Errors

Errors may be indicated in various system interfaces: On the inverter bottom panel, a red LED indicates an error. In the monitoring platform and SetApp, errors are displayed with codes.

For more information on the codes displayed for error and warning messages, refer to

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/troubleshooting_for_se_ inverter_insallation_guide_addendum_na.pdf. This document describes errors that appear in SetApp, monitoring platform, and LCD (for inverters with LCD). To identify the error types, use the methods described below.



→ To identify the error type using the inverter LEDs:

- 1. Move the ON/OFF/P switch to P position for 2 seconds and release it.
- 2. Observe the LED lights and use the following table to identity the error type. For more information, refer to https://www.solaredge.com/us/leds.



Ewon Time	Inverter LED Color and State		
Error Type	Red	Green	Blue
Arc detected	ON	OFF	OFF
Isolation or RCD problem	Blinking	OFF	OFF
Grid error	OFF	ON	OFF
High temperature	OFF	Blinking	OFF
Pairing failed	OFF	OFF	ON
Other issue	OFF	OFF	Blinking

→ To identify the error type using the monitoring platform:

- 1. Open the site dashboard and click the **Layout** icon.
- 2. Right-click the inverter and select Info from the menu. The inverter details window is displayed.
- 3. Click the **Errors** tab. The list is displayed.



Troubleshooting Communication

Troubleshooting Ethernet (LAN) Communication

The possible errors and their troubleshooting are detailed in the following table:

Error Message	Possible Cause and Troubleshooting	
LAN cable disconnected	Physical connection fault. Check the cable pinout assignment and cable connection.	
No DHCP	IP settings issue. Check the router and configuration. Consult your network IT.	
Configure Static IP or set to DHCP		
Gateway not responding	Ping to router failed. Check the physical connection to the switch/ router. Check that the link LED at the router /switch is lit (indicating phy-link). If OK - contact your network IT, otherwise replace the cable or change it from cross to straight connection.	
No Internet connection	Ping to google.com failed. Connect a laptop and check for internet connection. If internet access is unavailable, contact your IT admin or your internet provider.	

Troubleshooting RS485 Communication

- If the message RS485 Leader Not Found appears in the Status screen, check the connections to the leader device and fix if required.
- If after follower detection the number of followers displayed for the leader under RS485-1 > Follower Detect is lower than the actual number of followers, refer to the following application note to identify missing followers and troubleshoot connectivity problems: https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/troubleshooting_undetected_RS485_devices.pdf





Additional Troubleshooting

- 1. Check that the modem or hub/router is functioning properly.
- 2. Check that the connection to the internal connector on the communication board is properly done.
- 3. Check that the selected communication option is properly configured.
- 4. Use a method independent of the SolarEdge device to check whether the network and modem are operating properly. For example, connect a laptop to the Ethernet router and connect to the Internet.
- 5. Check whether a firewall or another type of network filter is blocking communication.

Power Optimizer Troubleshooting

Malfunction	Possible Cause and Corrective Action
	Power Optimizers are shaded.
Pairing failed	If you connected the inverter to the monitoring platform, retry pairing remotely (during sunlight). Make sure to leave the inverter ON/OFF/P switch ON and that S_OK appears in the status screen.
String voltage is 0V	Power Optimizer (s) output is disconnected.
	Connect all Power Optimizer outputs.
	Power Optimizer(s) not connected in the string.
	Connect all Power Optimizers.
String voltage not 0V but lower than number of Power Optimizers	Panel(s) not connected properly to Power Optimizer inputs (not applicable to smart modules).
	Connect the modules to the Power Optimizer
	inputs.
	String reverse polarity.
	Check string polarity using a voltmeter and correct if needed.
	correct if fleeded.



	Malfunction	Possible Cause and Corrective Action
		Extra Power Optimizer(s) connected in the string (not applicable to smart modules). Check if an extra Power Optimizer is connected
String Voltage is higher than number		in the string. If not – proceed to next solution. A module is connected directly to the string, without a Power Optimizer (not applicable to smart modules).
WARNING! If the measured voltage is too high, the installation may no have a safe low voltage. PROCEED WITH CARE! A deviation of ±1% per string i reasonable. AVERTISSEMENT! Si la tension mesuree est trop haute, la tension basse de securite pourrait manquer dans l'installation. REDOUBLEZ DE	WARNING! If the measured voltage is too high, the installation may not have a safe low voltage. PROCEED WITH CARE! A deviation of ±1% per string is reasonable. AVERTISSEMENT! Si la tension mesuree est trop	connected without a Power Optimizer. If the problem persists, proceed to the next step. Power Optimizer(s) malfunction.
	securite pourrait manquer dans l'installation. REDOUBLEZ DE PRECAUTION. Une deviation de ±1% par string est raisonnable.	Optimizer to locate the Power Optimizer that does not output 1V safety Voltage. If a malfunctioning Power Optimizers located, check its connections, polarity, module, and voltage. 3. Contact SolarEdge Support. Do not continue before finding the problem and replacing the malfunctioning Power Optimizer. If a malfunction cannot be bypassed or resolved, skip the malfunctioning Power Optimizer,

thus connecting a shorter string.



Appendix B: Adding Optional Components

AC Surge Protection Device (SPD)

The AC SPD is a device designed to protect the inverter from Voltage spikes and surge attempts forming on the AC grid lines. The SPD limits the Voltage supplied to the inverter by either blocking or shorting to ground Voltages above a safe threshold. The SPD is installed inside the inverter and communicates with the SolarEdge Monitoring platform for reporting surge protection events and faults.

For installation and configuration of AC SPD, refer to:

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-ac-surge-protection-deviceinstallation-guide.pdf

DC Surge Protection Device (SPD)

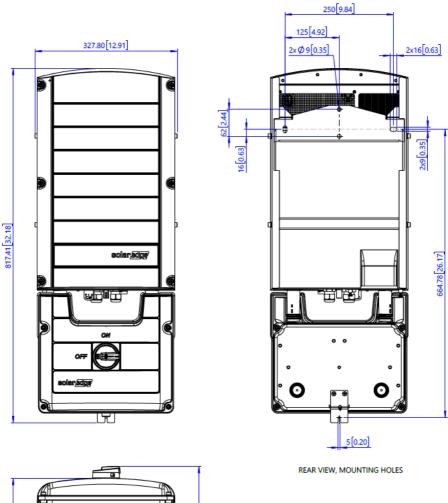
The DC SPD is a device designed to protect the inverter from Voltage spikes and surge attempts, forming on the PV DC lines, mainly induces by lightning. The SPD limits the Voltage supplied to the inverter by either blocking or shorting to ground Voltages above a safe threshold. The SPD is installed inside the inverter and communicates with the SolarEdge Monitoring platform for reporting surge protection events and faults.

For installation and configuration of DC SPD, refer to:

https://www.solaredge.com/sites/default/files/se-dc-surge-protection-deviceinstallation-guide.pdf



Appendix C: Mechanical Specifications



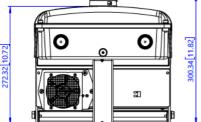


Figure 32: Dimensions of Three Phase Inverter with Connection Unit



Dimensions of Inverter Mounting Bracket

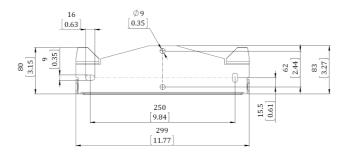


Figure 33: Dimensions of Inverter mounting bracket



Support Contact Information

If you have technical problems concerning SolarEdge products, please contact us:



https://www.solaredge.com/us/service/support

Before contact, make sure to have the following information at hand:

- Model and serial number of the product in question.
- The error indicated on the SetApp mobile application, on the monitoring platform, or by the LEDs, if there is such an indication.
- System configuration information, including the type and number of modules connected and the number and length of strings.
- The communication method to the SolarEdge server, if the site is connected.
- The product's software version as it appears in the status screen.

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