

Model 6929 DC-DC Charger For Lithium Iron and AGM Batteries Rev 3 Owner's Manual

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I Introduction

Model 6929 is shipped in fully assembled form. The installer should locate a bag containing a quantity of (4) blade terminals intended for use with the I/O cabling to be used with the unit. After removal of the unit from its packaging it should be verified that it has suffered no damage in shipment. It is very important to follow the instructions of this manual to ensure proper connection and mounting.

Model 6929 is a high power 12 Volt to a maximum of 29.2 Volt DC-DC battery charger capable of delivering 45A to a lithium iron phosphate battery bank of 8 cells and a nominal 25.6V rating. It is designed for mounting in vehicles of any type and is capable of enduring harsh vibration and shock.

II Installation

2.1 Mounting

Model 6929 has an overall length of 17.85 inches with mounting flanges included in this dimension. Hole mounting centers are 17.34×3.93 (inches)

2.2 Connections

Tools Required - 1 flat blade screw driver (1/4 in. wide)

Figure 1 shows the connection panel view of the 6929.

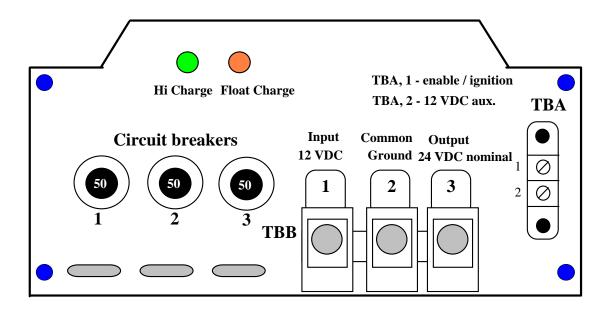


Figure 1

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Prior to Main Input Power Connections:

The 6929 comes supplied with 4 blade terminals intended for crimping on to #2 AWG multi-stranded battery cable. It is important to utilize these terminals in order to realize reliable high current capacity connections between the terminal block and input/output cables.

Prior to hook up to the vehicle power source, the buttons on the three circuit breakers shown in Figure 1 should be pulled out into the OFF position. This position is indicated by the exposure of the white portion of the breaker button shaft. This ensures that there is no sparking from the source of power and also allows a reprieve in case there should be a hook up error. (This error would have to be detected prior to energizing the unit).

Once the breaker buttons are pulled, proceed to make connections as follows:

- A) Connect input +12V line to position #1 of TBB.
- B) Connect input GROUND to position #2 of TBB.
- C) Connect output (+24V nominal) line to position #3 of TBB.
- D) Connect output GROUND to position #2.

Prior to depressing the circuit breaker buttons, installer should:

- 1) Ensure that hook up in steps A through D are correct.
- 2) Select the method of converter activation.

Grounding Stud: The flat side of the unit is equipped with a ground stud which is connected to the 6929 housing. It may be connected to the chassis of the vehicle at the user's option.

2.3 Methods of Charger Activation (with all circuit breakers on)

- A) Connect terminal #1 to terminal #2 on terminal block TBA. (The 6929 is shipped from the factory with a shorting jumper in place between those terminals.) This configuration allows for charger activation by turning the source power "ON". For this method the circuit breakers must be <u>left in the ON position</u>.
- B) Alternately the converter can be switched on from the vehicle's ignition system. Remove the jumper between terminals #1 and #2 on TBA. To energize the charger, connect terminal 1 to 12 V through the ignition switch or another switch that would enable terminal 1 to access 12 VDC. For this method the circuit breakers must be <u>left in the ON position.</u>
- C) Terminal #1 can be connected to terminal #2 through a remote ON/OFF switch or relay thereby activating the charger. For this method the circuit breakers must be left in the ON position.

III Performance Characteristics and Indicator Light Functions

Once 6929 is properly connected, it is ready for activation. A microprocessor controls the 6929 performance and protection functions:

ON STATE FUNCTIONS

Output Voltage Cycles

- A) Upon initial turn on, the unit comes on with a float voltage of 25.6 VDC which is discernible by the illumination of the amber light (float charge indicator). If the battery bank (load) is fully charged and the current drawn is less than 5A, the unit will remain in this state of float indefinitely.
- B) Should the current draw exceed 7A-8A for a period of 5 seconds, the 6929 will auto adjust its voltage to 29.2 VDC which is discernible by the amber light turning off and the green light (high charge indicator) turning on.
- C) As the battery bank charges up again, the 6929 monitors output current. When the current dips below 3A-4A, the output voltage of the converter reverts back to float charge (25.6 VDC). This becomes discernible by the green light turning OFF as the amber light turns ON.

Current Limit and Overload

- A) In high charge mode, the 6929 will supply up to a maximum of 45A at 29.2 VDC and will current limit should the load demand more than 45A.
- B) Should severe loading occur, bringing the voltage below 18 VDC, the unit will shut off.
- C) Once the unit has endured such severe overloads (B), in order for it to resume normal functions the overload must be removed. Then it needs to be reset by power down and then power up by any of the means described in section 2.3. 10 minutes should be allowed prior to power up. In this period the cooling fan of the unit will bring internal temperatures down to tolerable limits.

Input Voltage Limits

- A) The nominal input operating voltage of the Model 6929 is 12VDC. The unit will accept a range between 10.8 VDC and 16 VDC. When input voltage is outside of this range, the unit shuts down and the amber light flashes continuously.
- B) After the unit shuts down due to the input voltage dipping below 10.8, it will turn back on once input voltage is restored back to at least 11.8V after a minimum time lapse of 5 seconds. This hysteresis and delay prevent ON/OFF cycling.

OFF STATE

A) When the unit is inactive both lights are off.

Table 1 shows the correspondence between indicator light states and the state of unit's operation:

Indicator Light Functions

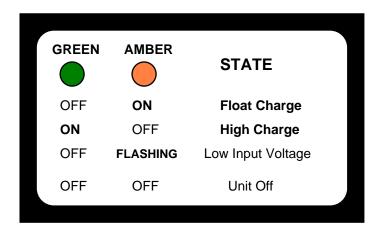


Table 1

IV Battery Type Selection

Model 6929 is preprogrammed at the factory to be usable with batteries of 2 distinctive chemistries – 8 cell Lithium Iron Phosphate and 24V Lead Acid (AGM). The algorithm to charge Lithium Iron Phosphate or AGM is selectable by the position of a slide switch located on the blank panel of the unit.

Units are shipped from the factory with switch position in the Lithium mode. Figure 2 shows a battery type selector switch available at the rear of the unit to allow the user to select the AGM profile.

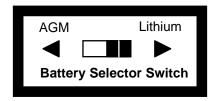


Figure #2

IV Internal Adjustment of Output Voltage

There should be no need for any adjustment provided the unit is used for its intended application. In the event that there is a need to alter the output voltage, use the following procedure:

Varying the adjustments of the Model 6929 requires the technician to have a stable DC power supply variable from at least 10 VDC to 15 VDC with a current capacity of at least 3A. This adjustment should be conducted with no load on the charger.

To access the adjustment turn the unit upside down and remove the base plate by unscrewing the 4 securing screws in its corners.

Orient the converter upside down and horizontally with the connection panel to the left as shown in figure #3.

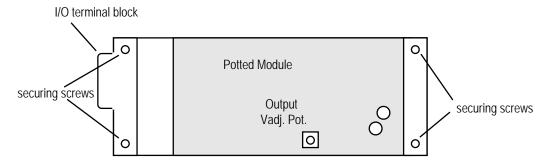
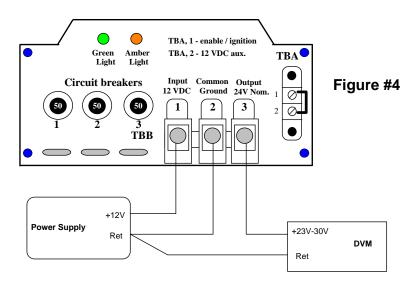


Figure #3

A potentiometer adjustment screw can be noticed. Pink sealant compound may need to be removed to gain access. The potentiometer is used to adjust output voltage in a range of 23.0 – 29.5 VDC at no load float condition (amber light is ON). 6929 is factory adjusted in the Lithium Iron Phosphate setting to 25.6 VDC output at no load (float voltage). This corresponds to a high charge voltage of 29.2 VDC. If float voltage is changed, the high charge voltage will automatically also be altered by the same amount.

4.1) Instrumentation Configuration for Voltage Adjustment

a) Hook up the unit under test as shown in Figure #4



- b) Make sure terminals 1 & 2 on TBA are jumpered and that the Power supply is turned off. Set the DVM to the appropriate scale to read up to 30 VDC.
- c) Energize power supply and adjust its output voltage to +12 VDC. Adjust Potentiometer to the desired output as read on the DVM.
- d) Turn off power supply.

V Warranty and Repair

Should your investigations indicate that your new Model 6929 is defective or damaged and your unit is still under warranty, contact SEC America, LLC at 802-865-8388 and obtain return merchandise authorization for credit or exchange.

If the warranty period has expired or if the warranty has been violated due to operator error or misuse, call:

SEC America, LLC, Repair Department, at **802-865-8388** or fax SEC America, LLC at 802-865-8389 to receive authorization for shipment back to factory for analysis and possible repair.

Warranty

The Model 6929 has a 2 year warranty covering parts and labor. The warranty is found on page 7 of this owner's manual.

LIMITED WARRANTY

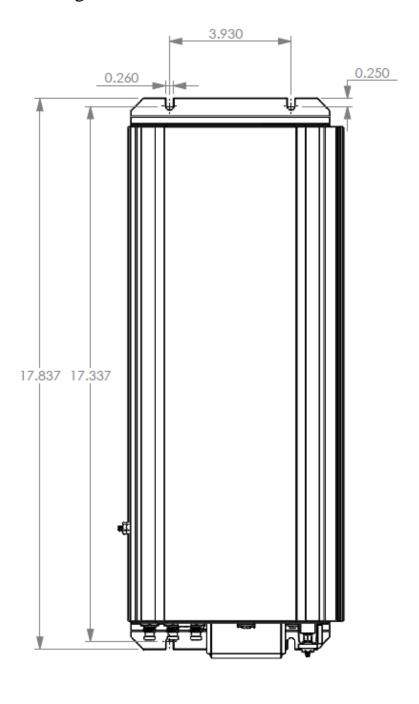
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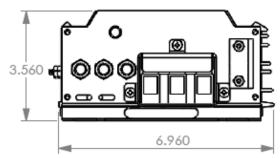
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VII Electrical Specifications:

Output Voltage: 25.6 / 29.2 Float/Charge Nominal (8 cell LiFePO4)

Output Voltage Adjust Range 23.5 VDC to 28.0 VDC (float voltage)

Continuous Max Load Amps: 45 ADC @ 40C - 60C ambient (Input 12.5 VDC)

Maximum Power Dissipation: 110 Watts @ Full Load (45A, 29.2 VDC out)

Maximum Input Current: 130 A (12 VDC in)

Overload Protection: Electronically current limited (primary protection)

Thermal Circuit Breakers at the Input (secondary

protection)

Cooling: Convection and Forced Air

Thermostat Controlled Fan

Output Ripple Voltage: 10 mV RMS (20C to 75C)

50 mV RMS (-30C)

Input Voltage Range: 10.8 VDC to 15 VDC

Input/Output Isolation: Input and Output returns are Common (non isolated)

Low Voltage Cutout Circuit:

Low Voltage cutout point: 10.8 VDC

Low Voltage cutout Hysteresis: 1.0 VDC; Unit turns on at 11.8 VDC

Activation Circuits:

1) The unit may be activated through the command terminal #1 of terminal block TBA which when connected to +12 VDC of the vehicle will turn the charger on.

2) The charger may be turned on by energizing the primary power source.

Ambient Operating Temperature: -30C to +60C

Maximum Humidity: 100% non condensing
Maximum Elevation: 15000 ft. above sea level

Mechanical Specifications:

Dimensions: See Drawing on Page 8

Shipping Weight: 16 lb.

Construction: Aluminum housing with painted steel end panels and base

Mounting Method: #12 Hardware via front and rear mounting flanges

Mounting Centers: 17.34 x 3.93 (inches)

Hook Up: 3 Position Splicer Terminal Blocks