



PROSTAR™ SOLAR CHARGE CONTROLLER

THE LEADING MID-RANGE PULSE WIDTH MODULATION (PWM) CONTROLLER SINCE 1995

- High Reliability
- High Temperature Operation
- Auto-Battery-Select
- Data Logging

The ProStar solar charge controller has been the leading mid-range pulse width modulation (PWM) controller since 1995. With over 350,000 units installed in the harshest environments in over 100 countries, ProStar sets the standards in performance and reliability for the rest of the solar industry.

While the latest Generation 3 ProStar shares the outstanding build quality and familiar form factor as its predecessors, it comes with new data and lighting control capabilities, a new graphical interface, and advanced protection features that meet the needs of today's most demanding off-grid solar applications. ProStar provides both "the legend and the latest" in a single new product.

- Longer battery life through 4-stage charging and temperature compensation. Constant voltage PWM series regulation.
 Voltage-sense terminals for more accurate battery monitoring
- More information with three battery-level LED indicators. Optional meter includes safety disconnect and displays amps, volts, temperature and self-test
- Extensive electronic protection against reverse polarity, reverse current at night, short circuits, overcurrent and excessive temperature. No mechanical fuses
- · Fanless design for long-term reliability

KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS

High Reliability

Latest electronic and environmental protections, quality control, and design considerations comply with IEC 62109 and promote longevity in the harshest environments.

• High Temperature Operation

Full nameplate current rating, both solar and load up to 60°C continuous.

Auto-Battery-Select

12V and 24V systems.

Data Logging

Up to 256 days of solar charge and load consumption data.

Self-diagnostics

Continuous monitoring and reporting of any errors or system faults through its status LED's, optional display and communication port.

Meter

High resolution LCD, multi-lingual backlit graphical display of system voltage, current, temperature, lighting settings, etc.

• Custom Programming

Dip switches, meter interface, or connection with a computer can be used to adjust charging, load communications, and lighting control.

• Low Noise Design

Meets US Federal Communications Commission Class B specifications.

• Automatic Solar-Based Lighting Control

Field adjustable, multi-event load control enables powerful options for solar lighting systems.

• MODBUS Communications

Open standard MODBUS communications protocol allows for control and remote data access.



Technical Specifications

Versions	PS-15: 15 amps-no meter PS-15M: 15 amps with meter PS-30: 30 amps-no meter PS-30M: 30 amps with meter
Electrical	
Nominal Battery Voltage	12V or 24V
Battery Voltage Range	10-35V
Voltage Accuracy	<= 0.1% +/- 50mV
Maximum Battery Current	15A or 30A
Maximum Solar Input Voltage	12V/24V bat: 60Voc
Load Current Rating	15A or 30A
Self-Consumption	<20mA*
LED Indications	(1) status, (3) Battery state of charge
Transient Surge Protection	1500 Watts (solar, battery, load)
Environmental	
Operating Temperature	-40°C to + 60°C
Meter Operating Temperature	-20°C to + 60°C
Storage Temperature	-40°C to + 80°C
Humidity	100% non-condensing
Tropicalization	conformal coating, marine-rated terminals

Meter

Resolution: 128 X 64 pixels Viewing Area: 5.0 cm x 2.5 cm

Display Color: Blue on white

Backlight: LED

Battery Charging

- Battery Types: 7 Standard Battery Settings + Custom
- 4-Stage Charging: Bulk, Absorption, Float, Equalize
- Temperature Compensation
 - Coefficient: -5 mV / °C / cell (25°C ref)
 - Range: -30°C to + 60°C
 - Set Points: Absorption, Float, Equalize

Electronic Protections

- Solar Input: overload, short-circuit, high voltage, reverse polarity, high temperature, nighttime reverse current
- Load Output: overload, short-circuit, high temperature, reverse polarity
- Battery: reverse polarity

Mechanical

- Dimensions:
 - 15.3(W) x 10.5(L) x 5.5(D) cm
 - 6.0(W) x 4.1(L) x 2.2(D) in
- Weight:
 - 0.4 kg / 1.0 lbs
- Wire Size Range
 - Power terminals: 2.5 - 16 mm2 / 14 - 6 AWG
 - Battery/Temp:
 - Sense: 0.25 1.0 mm2 / 24 16 AWG
- Enclosure: IP20, Type 1

Data & Communications

- **RJ-11 Communication Port**
- Communication Protocols: Morningstar MeterBus, MODBUS
- Datalogging: Up to 256 days, daily records
- PC Software: MSView

Accessories

- Remote Temperature Sensor (RTS)
- Remote Meter (RM-1)
- PC MeterBus Adapter (MSC)
- **USB** Communications Adapter (UMC-1)
- **Ethernet Communications** Adapter (EMC-1)
- Meter Hub (HUB-1)
- Relay Driver (RD-1)
- **Ground Fault Protection Device** (GFPD-150)

Load & Lighting Control

- Low Voltage Disconnect, Low Voltage Reconnect Settings: 11.4 V / 12.6 V or Custom (x2 for 24 volt systems)
- Lighting Settings: Dusk to Dawn or Custom
- LVD Current Compensation: -20 mV per Amp @ 12 Volts / -40 mV per Amp @ 24 Volts
- LVD Warning Timer: 10 minutes
- Lighting Test Timer: 5 minutes

Certifications

- CE: RoHS: TUV Listed: UL62109/CSA.107.1; IEC 62109; FCC Part-15 class B compliant
- Manufactured in a certified ISO 9001 facility



^{*35} mA for metered versions when meter is at 50% brightness; 50 mA when meter is at 100% brightness. WARRANTY: Five year warranty period. Contact Morningstar or your authorized distributor for complete terms.