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Solar System Controller SR500

Operation Instructions

⚠️ Please read this manual carefully before using the controller
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1. Safety information

1.1 Installation and commissioning

- When laying cables, please ensure that no damage occurs to any of the constructional fire safety measures presented in the building.
- The controller must not be installed in rooms where easily inflammable gas mixtures are present or may occur.
- All devices connected to the controller must conform to the technical specifications of the controller.
- All operations on an open regulator are only to be conducted cleared from the power supply. All safety regulations for working on the power supply are valid. Connecting and/or all operations that require opening the regulator (e.g. changing the fuse) are only to be conducted by specialists.

1.2 Liability waiver

The manufacturer cannot monitor the compliance with these instructions or the circumstances and methods used for installation, operation, utilization and maintenance of this controller. Improper installation can cause damages to material and persons. This is the reason why we do not take over responsibility and liability for losses, damages or cost that might arise due to improper installation, operation or wrong utilization and maintenance or that occurs in some connection with the aforementioned. Moreover we do not take over liability for patent infringements or infringements – occurring in connection with the use of this controller- on third parties rights. The manufacturer preserves the right to put changes to product, technical date or installation and operation instructions without prior notice. As soon as it becomes evident that safe operation is no longer possible (e.g visible damage). Please immediate take the device out of operation.
Note: ensure that the device cannot be accidentally placed into operation.

1.3 Description of symbols

Safety instruction:

⚠️ Safety instructions in the text are marked with a warning triangle. They indicate measures, which can lead to injury of persons or safety risks.

Operation steps: small triangle “►” is used to indicate operation step.
Note: Contains important information on operation or function.

2. Installation

2.1 Installing the controller

Note: the controller must only be installed in an area having an adequate level of protection.

► Choose a suitable location
► Mark the hole position of hang panel on the wall (note the right side of hang panel)
► Drill the fastening hole and insert a plastic expansion screw.
► Fix the bottom panel with screw on the drilled hole.
► Hang up the controller on the hang-panel.

2.2 Opening/closing the connection cover of controller

► Loosen the screw ① and ②, open the cover, move the cover upwards.
► Close the cover: insert the hinge grooves of upper case into the retaining pegs of the lower case.
► Pivot the upper cover down.
► Fasten the cover tightly with the screw.
2.3 Electrical connections

Remove the device from the mains supply before opening the case!
All guidelines and regulations of the local electricity supplier must be observed!

2.3.1 Preparation before connections

Power can only be switched on when the housing of controller is closed, an installer must make sure that the IP protection class of the controller is not damaged during installation.

Depending on the type of installation, the cables may enter the device through the rear of the case ④ or the lower side of the case ⑤.

Cable come from the rear ④: remove the plastic flaps from the rear side of the case using an appropriate tool.

Cable come from the below ⑥: cut the left and right plastic flaps using an appropriate tool (e.g. knife) and break them out of the case.

Note: the flexible cable must be fastened to the case using the strain-relief clamps provided.

2.3.2 Terminal connection

- According to following layout to connect wires.
- Wire with two colors is ground wire.
## Power Connection

1. Please note the type of power supply required from the type plate on the case of the device.

2. The protective conductor (GND) which two colors must be connected also.

### Inputs:

1. Water level and temperature sensor input:
   - Port1: connect red wire
   - Port2: connect white wire
   - Port3: connect black wire

2. "T" input:
   - Temperature sensor input for electrical heating cable

### Outputs:

1. Output H1:
   - Electromagnetic relay, for electrical heater, max. switching current 10A.

2. Output P1:
   - Electromagnetic relay, for pressure increasing pump, max. switching current: 5A

3. Output R1: for electromagnetic valve, outlet voltage: DC12V

4. Output R2:
   - Electromagnetic relay, maximal switching current: 5A, R2 is used for electrical heat cable

## 2.4 Installing electromagnetic valve

- Before installing electromagnetic valve, please clean up and wash pipe.
- If water is provided by water tower, please select electromagnetic valve, which caters the water pressure of water tower. So to avoid the low flow rate or even no water flows from electromagnetic valve.
Check whether the output voltage of controller caters to the label voltage of electromagnetic valve; check whether the filter net is completed, whether the body of electromagnetic valve is completed. Outlet and inlet of electromagnetic valve should be right installed, the side with filter net is input, and water flow direction should be same as the arrow which marked on the body of electromagnetic valve.

Electromagnetic should be installed in the place where is easy to maintain and does not bring other lose, please take measures for anti-freezing, anti-sunburn and therefore to avoid aging of body of valve and to prolong the lifetime of valve. Please pay attention to install the wire coil upwards.

It is forbidden to use wrench to work on the wire coil and on plastic part. The inlet and outlet pipe of electromagnetic valve should keep at a same level, and ensure not to mount valve compulsively when both connection parts are not at a same level, and therefore to avoid damaged of valve. It should be noted that installed valve doesn’t bear the torsional strength which caused by wrong mounted pipe.

Two-cores wire should be connected with electromagnetic valve, when wire need to be prolonged, please select 1.0mm² cable.

The pipe, which is connected with valve, should be easy to dismount or use flexible pipe, it should be easy to clean the filter.

Switch-on power and check valve after installation.

Note: electromagnetic valve has check-valve function, it is not necessary to install one way valve any more.

### 2.5 Faults checking of electromagnetic valve

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### 2.6 Installation of Water Level and Temperature Sensor

- Insert silicon-sensor (B03) into overflow outlet of solar tank.

- Tighten the sensor screw

- Temperature sensor wires connection.

Red wire connect to Port1
White wire connect to Port2
Black wire connect to Port3

**Note:** In order to avoid measuring error of tank temperature, water level and temperature sensor can’t touch the electrical heater or is too near to electrical heater.
2.7 Installation of underside positioned sensor

Underside positioned sensor has 2 ways of installation, one is upward installed at the collector pipe hole, one is upward installed at the bottom of water tank. (see picture), diameter of 47mm and 57mm installed holes are available for selection.

installed at the collector pipe hole  
installed at the bottom of water tank
3. Introduction of solar system

3.1 System diagram
Description: this system is water and collector integrated solar water system, it is easy for mounting, and efficiency is high.

Note: Customer only ask one kind of sensors for order
4. Button of controller and display illustration

4.1 Adjusting button

Controller is adjusted by 9 buttons, which are showed on below display screen.

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4.2 Screen display illustration

Temperature display area  Water level display area

Time sections display  Constant Temperature
Function signal Display area  Auto display area
Clock and function display area  Auto setting display area

Clock area  Function display area  Auto display area
4.3 Signal illustration

- **First time section signal**
- **Second time section signal**
- **Third time section signal**
- **Water loading signal**
- **Back-up heating signal**
- **Pipe insulation signal**

![Images of signal illustrations]

- **Tank temperature display**
- **Tank water level display**
- **Auto signal**
- **Temperature controlled water loading**
- **Low water pressure signal**

4.4 Code illustration

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5. Commissioning

⚠ Connect the sensors, pump or switching valves to the controller before you connect the power supply!
After switching on power to the controller, firstly it will ask for the “time” to be set.

5.1 Setting the Clock

► Press “SET” button, hour selection area “00” blinks on display screen.
► Press “▲”“▼” button to adjust hour of clock
► Press “→” button again, the minute selection area “00” blinks
► Press “▲”“▼” button to adjust minute of clock
After 8 seconds controller confirms the setting automatically, the current time is displayed on the screen.

6. Functions setup and operation

6.1 Description of auto mode function

After switching on the power to controller, default setting of controller is on, controller entries “full auto mode”.

**Auto mode setting**: within 24 hours, default setting like following descriptions.

- First time, loading water to 50% water level at 3:00 o’clock AM, and triggering to heat water up to 50°C at 4 o’clock AM, preparing hot water for using after getting up.
- Second time, loading water to 100% water level at 9:00 o’clock AM, at noon not triggering electrical booster, using solar irradiation to heat
water as more as possible.

- Third time, loading water to 100% water level at 16:00 o’clock PM, start to heat water to 60°C at 17:00 o’clock PM, preparing hot water for using in night.

Note: above parameter can be set according to customer habit. (detailed see chapter 6.2)

Switch on/off auto heating during preset three time sections:

If want to stop auto heating function,

► Press “ ” for 3 seconds to stop this function, heat signal doesn’t display

► Press “ ” for 3 seconds again to trigger the function

Switch on/off auto water loading during preset three time sections:

If want to stop auto water loading function

► Press “ ” for 3 seconds to stop auto water loading. Water loading signal doesn’t display, program switches on temperature-controlled water loading function automatically.

► Press “ ” for 3 seconds again to trigger auto water loading.

Water loading signal displays, program switches off temperature-controlled water loading function automatically.

6.2 Temperature controlled auxiliary heating at preset three time sections

**Functional description of back-up electrical heater:**

Solar system can be combined with electrical booster or gas, oil boiler, controller can achieve automatically temperature and timing controlled heating, during the preset time sections electrical booster starts working when the temperature of tank is below the preset turning on temperature, when tank temperature exceeds the preset turning off temperature, electrical booster stops heating.

When time is outside of the preset time section, electrical booster doesn’t
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work automatically even when the tank temperature reaches the turning – on temperature of electrical heating.

**Timing water loading function:**
Within 24 hours, three time sections for water loading can be set. When time gets to the preset time section, controller starts to load water to the desired water level.

**Setup steps:**
- Press “SET” button for two times, timing area blinks on display, you can set turning on time and temperature of electrical heating now,
- Press “+” “−” button to set hour,
- Press “→” button to shift to minute setting,
- Press “+” “−” to set minute.
- Press “→” again to shift to temperature area,
- Press “+” “−” to set turning on temperature of electrical heating. (Adjust range is 00°C ~ 80°C), default valve is 50°C.
- Press “→” button again, you can set turning on time of water loading
  - press “+” “−” button to set hour,
  - press “→” button to shift to minute setting,
  - press “+” “−” to set minute.
- Press “→” again to shift to water level setting,
- Press “+” “−” to set desired water level

5 seconds later controller confirms the settings

- Doing like above described steps, three timing sections can be set
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- Default setting: within 24 hours
  - First time, loading water to 50% level at 3:00 o’clock AM, and automatically heating water up to 50 °C at 4:00 o’clock AM, prepare hot water for using after getting up.
  - Second time, loading water to 100% level at 9:00 o’clock AM, electrical heating doesn’t work, use solar energy as more as possible.
  - Third time, loading water to 100% and start electrical heater at 17:00 o’clock and heat temperature up to 60 °C, prepare hot water for night using
- Controller has memory function, your setting is remembered, and you don’t need to set everyday.
  The setting can be checked by pressing “SET” button.

### 6.3 Thermostat water supply function

Functional description:
when water temperature is too low, and below the preset Ahon temperature, electromagnetic valve R2 is opened, water of tank is heated firstly by boiler and then flows to user. When water temperature rises up to preset Ahof temperature, electromagnetic valve is closed, hot water is prepared directly by water tank.

Setup steps:
► Press “SET” button until “Ahon” displays on time area, and 40°C displays on temperature area, default set is 40 °C.
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► Press “+” “—” to adjust switch-on temperature, adjustable range: 20-80 °C.
► Press “ SET” button again until “Ahof” displays on time area, and 45 °C displays on temperature area, default set is 45 °C.
► Press “ +” “—” to adjust switch-off temperature, adjustable range: 20-80 °C.

Activate and deactivate this function:
► Press“ ” button to activate this function, AH displays on screen. When tank temperature is below the preset Ahon temperature, R2 valve will be opened; signal “AH” blinks on screen.
► Press“ ” button again to deactivate this function,

Note: thermostat hot water supply function and pipe insulation function are controlled by a same output R2, when use thermostat water supply function, R2 outlet is used, pipe insulation function will be deactivated automatically.

6.4 Manual heating function

Functional description:
When water tank temperature is too low, user needs to trigger heating immediately, it can be achieve by press “ ” button.

Activate/ deactivate function:
► press “ ” button, heating signal displays.
► press “+” “—” button to adjust heating temperature (adjustable range: 0
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°C – 80°C), default setting is 50°C, press this button again to stop heating.

► press “ ” button again to switch off heating.

Operation condition of electrical heater:
When electrical heater is switched on, but in the same time water level is below 50% position, firstly, controller starts water loading until water level reaches 50% position, and then start heating. When water level drops below 50% due to water is used during the heating, then controller stops heating automatically, doing like this to avoid dry-heating and therefore to protect electrical heater.

Note: manual heating can only be triggered one time, it works until water temperature rises up to preset temperature, if water temperature is higher than preset temperature, then this function will not be triggered.

6.5 Manual water loading function

Functional description:
When water isn’t full in tank, and user wants to start water load immediately, it can be achieve by press “ ” button to start manual water loading function

Activate and deactivate function:
► press “ ” button, water loading signal displays. Water level area blinks,
► press “ ” button continuously to set desired water level (50% - 100%)
► press “ ” button again to deactivate function.

Note:
● Water level of loading can be set by user.
● First time loading of new installation, there is some water overflow, it’s normal operation by controller.
● Or power off suddenly during the using, these is some water overflow when power on again, it’s normal operation by controller.
6.6 Temperature controlled water-loading function

Functional description:
When this function is activated, water will be loaded according to preset loading temperature. In the case that water tank isn’t full, when tank temperature is above the preset loading temperature, controller starts to load water automatically until tank temperature drops to 5°C below the loading temperature. In the case that water level is changed in the same, then water loading will be started after 60 minutes, doing like this can avoid water temperature changes so acutely and therefore avoid uncomfortable feeling for customer. This function is only useful during 8:00 AM to 17:00 PM daily.

Activate/deactivate function:
► press “” button for 3 seconds to activate this function.
► press “+” “—” button to adjust loading temperature (adjustable range 35°C ~95°C), default setting is 60°C.
► press “” button for 3 seconds again to deactivate this function.

Note: when this function is activated, then function of auto loading at three time sections will be deactivated automatically.

6.7 Water supply function when lack of water

Functional description:
Water level from high to lower, when water level lower than 20% postion, delay 30 minutes, then loading water to preset position (default setting: delay 30 minutes)
6.8 Temperature controlling of water pipe insulation function

Note: Temperature sensor (T) is not included within standard delivery scope, if you want to use this function, please use an extra sensor.

Function description:
When ambient temperature is lower in winter, in order to avoid freezing of water pipe, this function can be used, controller checks the temperature of water pipe (T), if T is less than the preset switch-on temperature, controller will activate the heating belt until the pipe temperature rises up to the switch-off temperature.

If the preset switch-on temperature is 1°C, then when T reaches to 1°C, the power of heating belt will be switch-on, when T rises up to 6°C, power of heating belt is switch-off.

Activate and deactivate this function:
► Press “insulation” button, minute of insulation icon blinks.
► Press “+” “-“ button to adjust the switch-on temperature of heating belt, adjustable range: 0~ 90°C
► Press “insulation” button again to deactivate this function.

Note:
● When no temperature sensor of heating belt is installed, this function is deactivated automatically.
● Both functions of pipe insulation and hot water circuit pump use a same output terminal R2, so both functions are alternative.

2. At the time you load water first time for a new installed system, or power is switched off during using, when power is switch-on, any water flows out from overflow pipe, this is normal.
3. Connects the cable of overflow sensor ( 2 cores) on the terminal 3 & 4 of sensor (detailed see 2.6)
Note: a prevent–overflow-probe should be installed for this controller

6.9 Pipe insulation function

Functional description:
In Winter when ambient temperature is low, in order to avoid freezing pipe man can press “
” button to activate accompany electrical heating cable (R2) to heat pipe. When this function is activated, electrical heating wire will works for 10 minutes and then stops for 30 minutes, this process repeats. Doing like this can save electricity, prolong the lifetime of heating wire and avoid fire accident which caused by aging electrical heating wire.

Activate/deactivate function:
► press “
” button, insulation signal displays.
► press “+” “−” button to adjust the no working time of electrical heating wire, (no working time can be adjusted for 0-90 minutes), default setting is 30 minutes, (if set no working time is 0 minute, that means electrical heating wire will be switch-on for long term.
► press “
” button again to deactivate function.

Note: thermostat hot water supply function and pipe insulation function are controlled by a same output R2, when use pipe insulation function, R2 outlet is used, then thermostat hot water supply function will be deactivated automatically.

6.10 Constant temperature heating function

Functional description:
When this function is activated, controller will trigger electrical heater according to user desired temperature. When tank temperature is 8 °C below the preset temperature, electrical heater is triggered immediately and works until tank temperature rises up to desired temperature. This
process repeats automatically to keep the tank temperature constant.

Activate/deactivate function:
► press “ “ button for 3 seconds, entry the thermostat heating mode, thermostat character and heating signal display.
► press “+” “—” button to adjust heating temperature, (0 °C – 80 °C), default setting is 50 °C.
► press “ ” button for 3 seconds again to deactivate function.

Note: when water level is below 50% position, the water loading is triggered firstly until water level rises up to 50%, and then heating starts. Design like this can avoid dry-heating problem. When this function is triggered, then timing heating function is deactivated automatically.

7. Protection Function

7.1 Collector high temperature protection
Functional description:
In the status that there is no water inside tank, and tank temperature is over 100 °C, then water-loading button is invalided, and “E4” displays on screen, water loading is complete stopped until tank temperature drops below 80 °C. Doing like this can avoid breaking collector pipe, which caused by large temperature difference.

7.2 Low water pressure protection
Functional description:
During the water loading mode, because of low water pressure or no water flow rate (when water level can rise 1 level within 60 minutes, then it means no water flow rate) controller will entry low water pressure
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- Protection mode automatically, low water pressure signal displays, after 30 minutes, controller exit program automatically. Doing like this can avoid damaging of electromagnetic valve, which caused by long operation, and avoid water flows back from tank to pipe.

7.3 Memory protection
► In case power failure occurs, controller keeps the parameter settings unchanged.

7.4 Recovery factory setting
Hold down "set" button for 3 seconds, buzzer makes "du----"2 times, then release "set" button, controller recover to factory set, new parameters can be reset now.

8. Technical data
- Appearance of controller: see product itself (dimension: 210mm x145mm x48mm)
- Power supply: AC230V±10%
- Power consumption: < 4W
- Accuracy of temperature measuring: ± 2°C
- Range of tank temperature measuring: 0~99 °C
- Range of temperature display: 0~ 99 °C
- Suitable power of pump: 1pc ≤300W
- Suitable power of electrical heating cable: 1pc ≤600W
- Suitable power of electrical booster: standard ≤1500W.
- Ambient temperature: -10°C ~ 50°C.
- Water proof grade: IP40.

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9. Delivery scope

Controller--------------------------------------------------------------- 1 piece
Customer manual-------------------------------------------------------- 1 piece
Water level and temperature sensor--------------------------------------1 piece
Solenoid valve-----------------------------------------------------------1 piece
Hang plate  -------------------------------------------------------------1 piece
M6 Plastic expansion screw-----------------------------------------------2 pieces
Ø4*30 flat screw--------------------------------------------------------2 pieces
Power cord---------------------------------------------------------------1 piece

10. Liability range of manufacturer

Manufacturer provides following quality responsibilities to end-users: within the period of quality responsibilities, manufacturer will exclude the failure caused by production and material selection. A correct installation will not lead to failure. When a user takes incorrect handling way, incorrect installation, improper or crud handling, wrong connection of sensor in system and incorrect operation, the quality responsibility is invalid for them.

The warrantee expires within 12 months after the date of purchasing the controller.