





Morningstar's **SunKeeper** solar controller provides a low cost regulated output directly from the solar module to maximize battery life in small solar power applications. The SunKeeper is epoxy encapsulated and rated for outdoor use. By mounting directly to the module junction box and wiring through the junction box knockout, the connection is weather-proof. This eliminates the need for an additional housing for the controller.

The SunKeeper is available in a 6 amp or 12 amp version (both at 12 volts DC). To withstand the high temperatures at the solar module, the controller has been designed using extremely efficient power electronics and is rated to



70°C. The SunKeeper is also certified for use in Class 1, Division 2 hazardous locations, making it an ideal controller for solar powered oil/gas applications.

Key Features and Benefits:

High Reliability

Rated to 70°C to operate in high temperatures at the solar module. More reliable than controllers mounted inside the junction box. Uses very low on-resistance power MOSFET's. No need to re-rate.

Outdoor Rated

ETL approved for outdoor use without an additional enclosure. Rugged IP65, UV resistant case. Epoxy encapsulated printed circuit board and watertight connection to the module junction box.

Extensive Electronic Protections

Fully protected against reverse polarity, short circuit, overcurrent, lightning and transient surges, high temperature and reverse current at night.

Longer Battery Life

Series PWM with 3 stage charging: bulk, PWM regulation and float. Includes temperature compensation at the controller or alternatively at the battery when using optional remote temperature sensor. Able to charge a zero voltage battery.

Rated for Hazardous Locations

Specifically designed for solar power systems in the oil/gas industry. Approved for use in Class 1, Division 2, Groups A,B,C,D.

■ More Information

Bi-color LED is easy to read from the ground when the solar module is pole-mounted. Indicates solar charging, regulation, normal nighttime operation and any controller or system faults.

Easy to Install

Fits standard half inch conduit knockout (PG 13.5, M20) in module junction box. Quickly fastens with included locknut. Wires have fork connectors for easy connection to solar module terminals.







SUNKEEPER SOLAR CONTROLLER

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Electrical Specifications

Rated Solar Input: SK-6 6 ampsSK-12 12 amp

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Nominal System Voltage
Min. Battery Voltage
Max. Solar Voltage
30 Volts

• Self-Consumption Charging...7 mA

Night2 mA

Voltage Accuracy ± 150 mV

Battery Charging

Regulation Voltage
Float Voltage
14.1 Volts (at 25°C)
13.7 Volts (at 25°C)

• Type of Charging Series PWM

3 stage: bulk, PWM and float

Temperature Compensation
 Reading temp at controller
 Attaching remote temp sensor -30 mV / °C
 Disable temp comp
 Defaults to 25°C

Ability to Charge a Zero Voltage Battery

Electronic Protections

Reverse Polarity
Lightning and Transient Surges

Short Circuit
High Temperature

Overcurrent
Reverse Current at Night

Environmental Specifications

• Operating Temperatures - 40°C to +70°C

• Humidity 100%

• **Tropicalization** Encapsulated in epoxy

UV resistant plastic enclosure Conduit connection with rubber gasket seal

Mechanical Specifications

• **Dimensions** 99 x 51 x 13 mm

(3.9 x 2.0 x 0.5 inches)

• Weight 0.11 kg / 0.25 lbs

• Enclosure IP65

• Fitting to Module J-box PG 13.5, M20, 1/2 inch conduit

Wire Size
Wire Terminations
2.0 mm2 (#14 AWG)
#8 fork connectors

Bi-color LED

Green Blink 3 Times
Green On Solar
Successful installation
Solar charging battery

Green Blink Fast
In regulation

Green Blink Slow Normal nighttime operation

Red On Controller damaged
Red Blink System problem

LED Off
No power

Options

Remote Temperature Sensor (RTS)

Certifications

CE Compliant Successful installation

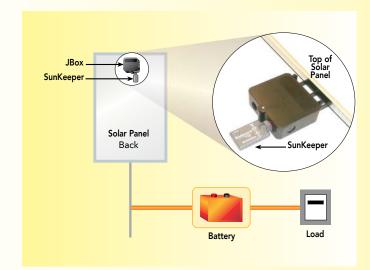
Hazardous Locations: Class 1, Division 2, Groups A-D,

UL 1604

CSA 22.2 No. 213-M1987

Complies with U.S. National Electric Code

Manufactured in a Certified ISO 9001 Facility



Typical System Configuration

WARRANTY: Five year warranty period. Contact Morningstar or your authorized distributor for complete terms.

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