# Commissioning Procedure \& Instruction Manual 

MR2-24/30V0 OPEN CHASSIS CHARGER<br>MK3 VERSION<br>Manufactured For<br>Rickson Engineering Ltd



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SPECIFICATION FOR MR2-24V \& 30V BATTERY CHARGERS.

| INFORMATION | 24V Charger | 30V Charger |
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| INPUT VOLTAGE: | 188-234V AC | As Left |
| INPUT POWER FACTOR: | >0.75 LAGGING | As Left |
| INPUT CURRENT: | APPROX 0.8A AC | As Left |
| FREQUENCY: | 50-60HZ | As Left |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE (FLOAT): | 28.2V DC +/-1\% | 35 V DC +/-1\% |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE (BOOST): | N/A | N/A |
| OUTPUT RIPPLE VOLTAGE: | <50mV PK-PK | As Left |
| OUTPUT CURRENT (SET AMPS): | 120/800mA. Max 2A <br> Trip Level 25V DC | As Left 30V DC |
| AUX OUTPUT CURRENT: | N/A | N/A |
| AUX OUTPUT VOLTAGE: | N/A | N/A |
| AUX OUTPUT RIPPLE VOLTAGE: | N/A | N/A |
| HIGH ALARM SETTING: | 29V DC +/-1\% | 36V DC +/-1\% |
| LOW ALARM SETTING: | 20V DC +/-1\% | 25V DC +/-1\% |
| CHARGE FAIL SETTING: | Less than approx 9mA | As Left |
| EARTH ALARM SETTING: | N/A | N/A |
| LOW MAINS SETTING: | N/A | N/A |
| LOW BATTERY DISCONNECT SETTING: | N/A | N/A |
| BATTERY IMBALANCE SETTING: | N/A | N/A |
| SIZE: | 300 mmW 225 mmD |  |
| WEIGHT: | APPROX 2.55 Kg |  |
| IP RATING: | N/A |  |

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

The MR2 constant current/constant potential battery charger has been specifically designed to meet the requirements of battery manufacturers' specifications when used in switch tripping or other applications where a quick recharge, together with a safe secondary level of float charge.

The output voltage and current settings are fully adjustable and will meet a wide range of applications where battery capacity can vary from 4 up to 10 amp-hours and the number of cells change.

The output voltage level can be preset to cover a range of 20-36 and can be adjusted using a PCB mounted potentiometer. With a different model transformer and changes to some of the on-board component values, the unit can be converted for 48 V operation.

Initial - secondary current levels, the I1 - I2 trip level, high and low alarm levels are also adjustable using dedicated pots.

Technical instruction on how to reset the units can be found on page 7.

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## FEATURES OF THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

Output Ripple less than 50mV PK to PK.
Meets the following national and international standards
Low Voltage DC Power Supplies
IEC 61204-3 BS EN 61204-3
IEC 61204-6 BS EN 61204-6
Stabilized DC Power Supplies
IEC 60478-1 BS EN 5654-1
IEC 60478-2 BS EN 5654-2
IEC 60478-4 BS EN 5654-4
Information Technology Equipment Safety
IEC 60950-1 BS EN 60950-1
IEC 60950-21 BS EN 60950-21
Electromagnetic Compatibility
IEC 61000-6-1
IEC 61000-6-2

Earthing
BS EN 61000-6-1
BS EN 61000-6-2
BS EN 55014-1
BS EN 55014-2

Automatic negative temperature co-efficient at 20 degrees centigrade and above.
Short circuit protection. The MR2 charger incorporates an uprated heatsink \& output Transistor which enables the unit to withstand temporary short circuits. Additionally the Unit will recharge totally discharged batteries quickly. The thermal protection fitted to Earlier versions of this unit has been removed to reduce the recharge period to a minimum.

Output current regulation better that $0.5 \%$.
On board thermal trip protection circuitry.
Test facility to disable charger for battery capacity evaluation.
On board LED drivers for High, Low, Charge Failure alarms and Mains On.
On board timer factory set with battery voltage override facility.
Manual boost facility: Disables I2 current mode and switches charger to I1.
Potentiometers fitted allowing user adjustment of High alarm, Low Alarm, Charge Failure, Float Voltage, I1, I2 current modes and Trip Level.

Terminations provided for add on alarm relay modules.

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## CONNECTIONS TO THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

A terminal strip is fitted to the printed circuit board. Connections to the charger are as follows:-

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CONNECTION/FUNCTION

Live Input
Neutral Input
Earth
Battery Positive
Battery Negative
Voltmeter Positive
Voltmeter Negative
Ammeter Positive
Ammeter Negative
Boost Switch
Boost Switch
External Battery Thermal Trip
External Battery Thermal Trip
Mains On LED +
Mains On LED -
Charge Fail LED +
Charge Fail LED -
Low Alarm LED +
Low Alarm LED -
High Alarm LED +
High Alarm LED -
Test Switch
Test Switch

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## COMMISSIONING PROCEDURE FOR THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

In order to install and commission the charger, the following instructions should be followed:-

1. Connect mains leads to terminals 1,2 and 3.
2. Connect the battery to terminals $4(+)$ and $5(-)$.
3. Connect a voltmeter to terminals 6(+) and 7(-).
4. Connect an ammeter to terminals $8(+)$ and $9(-)$ or fit a link.
5. Connect a normally open boost switch to 10 and 11.
6. Connect the normally closed contact of the battery pack thermal trip to 12 and 13 or fit a link.
7. Connect the mains on led to terminals $14(+)$ and $15(-)$.
8. Connect the charge failure led to terminals $16(+)$ and $17(-)$.
9. Connect the low alarm led to terminals $18(+)$ and $19(-)$.
10. Connect the high alarm led to terminals 20(+) and 21(-).
11. Connect a normally open Test switch to terminals 22 \& 23 .

Once all of the above connections are complete, the mains supply can be switched on.

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## OPERATION OF MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

The incoming mains supply is taken from terminals 1,2 and 3 and is fed to the output terminals P and $P$ and on to the transformer primary connections via cable.

The isolated secondary output from the mains transformer is fed onto the PCB mounted terminals S and S where it is rectified and smoothed by BR1 and C4 in order to supply the on board electronics and the charger output.

The output voltage is monitored on a continuous basis by the op amp IC1. Any change in the output potential is detected by pin 3 which alters the output drive signal from pin 1 which feeds the voltage control transistor.

Output current is measured by monitoring the volts drop across the resistor R50. Changes in this potential are detected by pin 5 of IC1 which adjusts the output drive signal from pin 7 which feeds the current limit transistor.

Both the voltage control and current limit transistors are connected to the base of the main output transistor T9. As the transistors conduct they adjust the base potential on T9 which alters the output voltage or current.

Output current levels depend upon the logic output signals derived by the voltage sensing network R5, VR6 and R49. Set at 30 V for example, batteries with terminal voltages of $<30 \mathrm{v}$ force the charger into the primary current mode I1. In this case the output current will be at maximum.
As the battery voltage crosses the trip potential ( 30 V in this example), the output voltage from pin 14 of IC2 switches from zero to 15 V dc which causes the charger to switch into the secondary current mode I2. Where batteries fail to recharge normally, the I1 - I2 trip is initiated by an on board timer.

When required, the charger can be forced into the I1 initial current mode by applying a short circuit to the terminals 10 and 11 . This overrides the voltage sensing logic and the timer but not the battery charge output voltage sensing circuit. So, when the battery output voltage reaches to the pre-set changeover level, the charger will switch to the I2 secondary current mode regardless whether terminals 10 and 11 are short-circuited or not. Please note that the forced I1 initial current mode has no effect on the status of I1 and I2 indicators.

In series with the output supply is a diode. It is fitted to prevent discharge of the batteries when the mains supply to the charger is interrupted. A small discharge current will be drawn however in order to energise the alarm circuits.

A current sensing charge fail monitor is fitted to the MR2 range of chargers. Should the charging Current fall below a preset limit, the alarm switches from healthy to fault mode.

The high and low voltage alarm monitors function in a similar manner to the charge failure alarms. The cathode potential is monitored and potentials greater than or less than predetermined levels initiate the alarms.

## ADD ON ALARM RELAYS

Add on alarm relays designed specifically for the MR2 range of battery chargers is available. They are connected to the appropriate connectors, 5, 6 or 7 . Fitted with a single pole relay, the add on alarm units are ideally suited for remote signal applications.

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## SETTING UP THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

## 1. I1 \& I2 TRIP LEVEL

Disconnect the batteries from the charger leaving all other connections intact.
Adjust the potentiometer VR1 until the output voltage is at the required trip potential.
Adjust potentiometer VR6 clockwise until the I1 LED switches on. Turn VR6 anti-clockwise until the I1 LED switches off and the I2 LED switches on.

## 2. CURRENT SETTINGS

Make sure a discharged battery and all other items are connected to the output terminals of the charger.
With the mains supply on adjust potentiometer VR3 until the output current is at the required level.
The battery voltage must be some 2-3 volts below the trip level to correctly set the unit. Allow the battery voltage to cross the trip threshold and the I2 LED to switch on. Adjust potentiometer VR2 until the output current is at the required level.
I1 SETTING RATE
$0.2 \times$ Cell Capacity $=0.2 \times 4=0.8 \mathrm{~A}$
I2 SETTING RATE

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0.03 \times \text { Cell Capacity }=0.03 \times 4=0.12 \mathrm{~A}
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3. HIGH ALARM SETTING

Disconnect the battery from the charger output terminals.
Adjust the charger output until the potential is at the required high alarm trip level.
Adjust the potentiometer VR5 until the high alarm LED switches on.
The setting can be confirmed by reducing the output voltage by 1 volt followed by a slow adjustment in the opposite direction. The LED will switch on at the preset level.
4. LOW ALARM SETTING

Disconnect the battery from the charger output terminals.
Adjust the charger output until the potential is at the required low alarm trip level.
Adjust the potentiometer VR4 until the low alarm LED switches on.
The setting can be confirmed by increasing the output voltage by 1 volt followed by a slow adjustment in the opposite direction. The LED will switch on at the preset level.

## 5. FLOAT VOLTAGE ADJUSTMENT

With the batteries disconnected from the charger output terminals adjust potentiometer VR1 until the output voltage is at the required level.

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## FAULT FINDING ON THE MR2 RANGE OF BATTERY CHARGERS.

The MR2 battery charger, when used within the prescribed operating parameters are designed to be totally reliable and maintenance free. In the unlikely event of failure proceed as follows:-

1. Make sure the thermal trip connected to the charger is closed. This can be confirmed using a multimeter set to ohms.
2. Check the condition of all three on board fuses. MAINS DISCONNECTED
3. Measure the secondary output voltage from the transformer. The reading obtained should be approx 40 V AC.
4. Measure the voltage across the rectifier (BR1) positive and negative terminals. The reading obtained should be approx 60 V dc.

If all tests are complete and the results specified on this sheet are obtained, the pcb assembly should be replaced.


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