



CPS SCA-S/SM Series Grid-tied PV Inverter
CPS SCA1/2/2.5/3/3.6KTL-S
CPS SCA3/3.6/4/4.6/5/6KTL-SM

Installation and Operation Manual



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Dear User,

Thank you so much for your choosing 1K-6K, the latest generation of grid-tied PV Strings inverter (hereinafter referred to as the inverter) designed and developed by CHINT.

This user manual introduces the inverter in terms of its installation, electrical connections, operation, commissioning, maintenance, and troubleshooting. Please read through the manual carefully before installing and using the inverter, and keep the manual well for future reference.

Application Model

Grid-tied PV string inverter

- CPS SCA1/2/2.5/3/3.6KTL-S
- CPS SCA3/3.6/4/4.6/5/6KTL-SM

Intended Audience

This user manual is intended for photovoltaic (PV) inverter operating personnel and qualified electrical technicians.







Notes:

This user manual is subject to change (specific please in kind prevail) without prior notice.

The latest version of user manual and other more information about the product are available from <http://www.chintpower.com/en>, and/or by consulting your dealer.

Symbol Conventions

Safety symbols used in this manual, which highlight potential safety risks and important safety information, are listed as follows:

Symbol	Description
 DANGER	Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not correctly followed, will result in serious injury or death.
 WARNING	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not correctly followed, could result in serious injury or death.
 CAUTION	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not correctly followed, could result in moderate or minor injury.
 NOTICE	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not correctly followed, could result in equipment failure to run, or property damage.
 NOTE	Calls attention to important information, best practices and tips: supplement additional safety instructions for your better use of the PV inverter to reduce the waste of your resource.
	Refer to documentation (Remind operators to refer to the documentation shipped with the inverter).

1 Safety Precautions

Before beginning your journey, please read these safety precautions in User Manual carefully.

1.1 Personnel Safety

- The PV inverter must be installed, electronically connected, operated and maintained through specially trained technician;
- The qualified technician must be familiar with the safety regulations of electrical system, working process of PV power generation system, and standards of local power grid;
- The technician must read through this User Manual carefully and master it before any operation.

1.2 The PV Inverter Protection



NOTICE

As soon as receiving the PV inverter, please check if it is damaged during its transportation. If yes, please contact your dealer immediately.

- Do not tamper with any warning signs on the inverter enclosure because these signs contain important information about safe operation.
- Do not remove or damage the nameplate on the inverter's enclosure because it contains important product information.
- Do not remove the anti-dismantle label on the inverter's enclosure because it is the basis for product warranty.

1.3 Installation Safety



NOTICE

Please read the User Manual carefully before installing the PV inverter; warranty or liability will be void from CHINT if damage is caused by installation faults.

- Ensure there is no electronical connections around ports of the PV inverter before installing;
- Adequate ventilation must be provided for inverter installation location. Mount the inverter in vertical direction, and ensure that no object is put on the heat sink affecting the cooling. (For details, refer to Chapter 4 Installation)

1.4 Electrical Connections



DANGER

Before installing the inverter, check all electrical ports to ensure no damage and no short circuit. Otherwise personal casualty and/or fire will occur.

- a. Input terminals of the PV inverter apply only to input terminals of PV String; do not connect any other DC source to the input terminals.
- b. Before connecting PV modules, ensure that its voltage is within the safe range; when exposed to any sunlight, PV modules can generate high voltage.
- c. All electrical connections must meet the electrical standards of the country or region.
- d. Cables used in electrical connections must be well fixed, good insulation, and with appropriate specification.

1.5 Operating and Commissioning



DANGER

While the inverter operating, high voltage can lead to an electrical shock hazard, and even cause personal casualties. Therefore, operate the PV inverter strictly according to the safety precautions in the user manual.

- a. Before getting the permission of electrical power sector in the country / region, the grid-tied PV inverter cannot start generate power.
- b. Follow the procedures of commissioning described in the user manual when commissioning the PV inverter.
- c. Do not touch any other parts'surface except the DC switch when the PV inverter is operating; its partial parts will be extremely hot and can cause burns.

1.6 Maintenance



DANGER

Power OFF all electrical terminals before the inverter maintenance; strictly comply with the safety precautions in this document when operating the inverter.

- a. For personal safety, maintenance personnel must wear appropriate personal protective equipment (like insulation gloves and protective shoes) for the inverter maintenance.
- b. Place temporary warning signs or erect fences to prevent unauthorized access to the maintenance site.
- c. Follow the procedures of maintenance stipulated in the manual strictly.
- d. Check the relevant safety and performance of the inverter; rectify any faults that may compromise the inverter security performance before restarting the inverter.

1.7 Additional Information



NOTICE

To avoid any other unforeseeable risk, contact CHINT immediately, if there is any issue found during operation.



2 Overview of the Inverter

This chapter introduces the inverter and describes its functional model, network application, appearance, dimensions, and working process etc.

2.1 Functional Models

2.1.1 Function

This series is a single-phase grid-tied PV string inverter (transformer less) that converts the DC power generated by PV strings into AC power and feeds the power into power grid.

 WARNING	The inverter is transformerless. Add an isolation transformer before grounding the positive/ negative terminal of PV modules (like Thin Film module) for operation.
 WARNING	Do not connect PV modules in parallel to several PV inverters for operation.

2.1.2 Model Description

Figure 2.1 shows a model number of the inverter, using xK as an example.

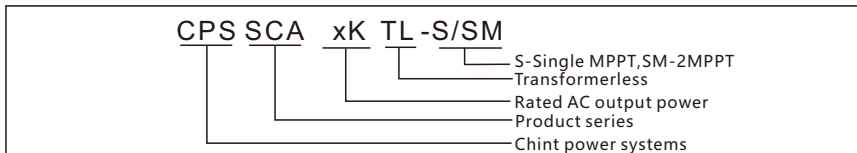


Figure 2.1 Model number descriptions

2.2 Network Application

2.2.1 Grid-tied PV Power Systems

The series applies to grid-tied PV power systems for outdoor power stations. Typically, a grid-tied PV power system consists of PV modules, grid-tied inverters, AC distribution units, and low-voltage power grid, as shown in Figure 2.2.

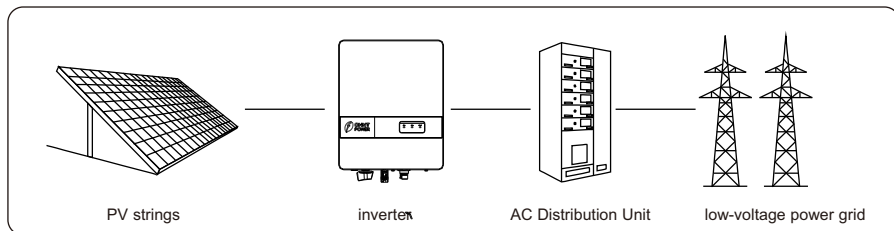


Figure 2.2 Grid-tied PV system

2.3 Outline and Dimensions

2.3.1 Outline

Figures 2.3 to 2.7 show the outline of the inverters as follows:

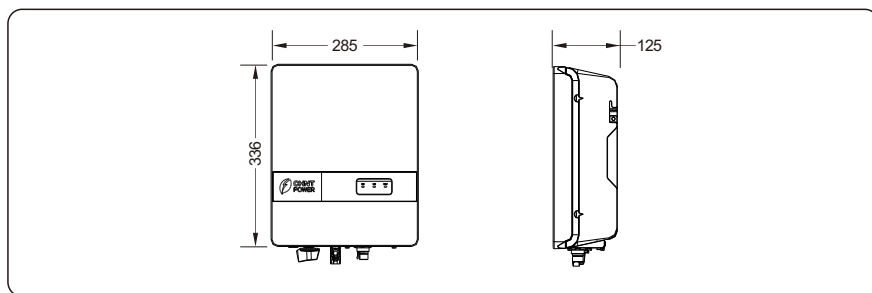


Figure2.3 1K-3.6K PV Inverter with Single MPPT Input (unit: mm)

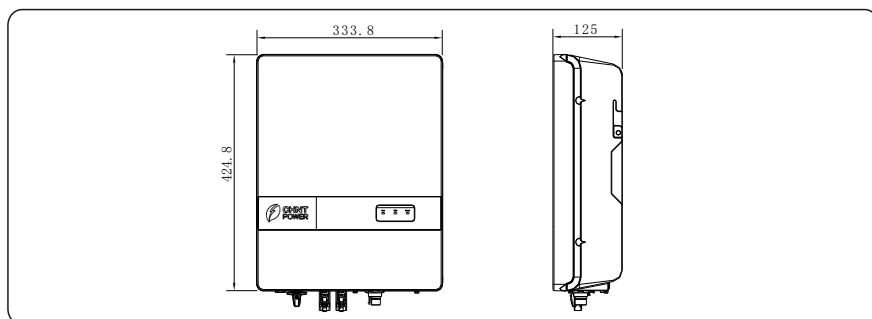


Figure2.4 3K-6K PV Inverter with Double MPPT Input (unit: mm)

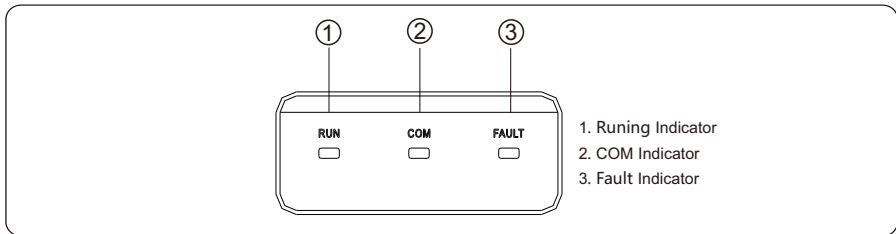


Figure 2.5 The front view and amplification effect of LED indicator area

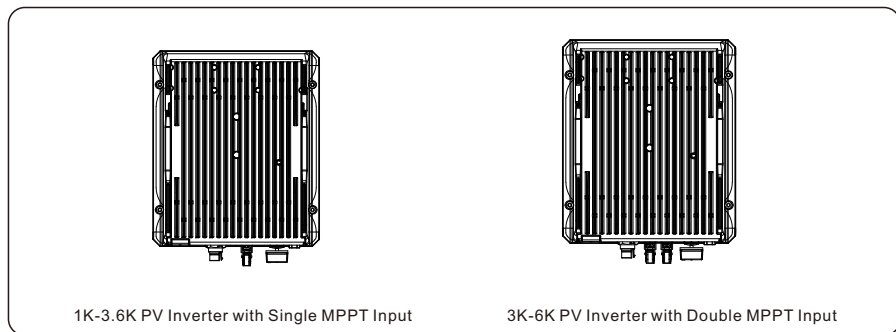


Figure 2.6 The rear view of this series inverter

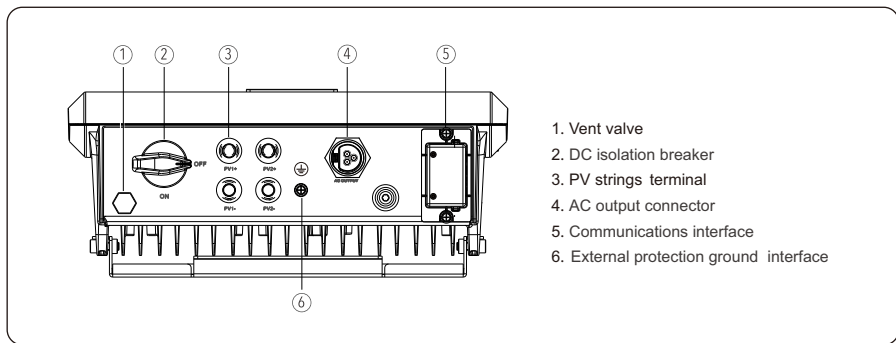


Figure 2.7 The bottom view of this series inverter

2.4 Working Process

2.4.1 Basic principle Description

The 3K-6 PV inverter with 2 MPPT input receives inputs from two strings of PV panel (1K-3.6K PV inverter with single MPPT input receives inputs from only one string of PV panel). Then the inputs are grouped into two independent MPPT routes inside the inverter to track the maximum power point of the PV panel. The two MPPT power is then converted into DC Bus, then the DC power is converted to AC power through an inverter circuit. Finally the AC power is fed to the power grid. EMI filter is used on both the DC and AC sides to reduce the electromagnetic interference; Surge protection is supported on AC side.

2.4.2 Circuit Diagrams

Figure 2.8 shows the circuit diagram for the 1K-3.6K PV Inverter with Single MPPT Input:

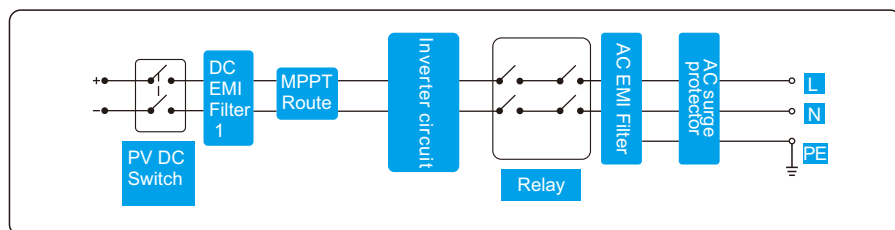


Figure 2.8 circuit diagram

Figure 2.9 shows the circuit diagram for the 3K-6K Inverter with 2 MPPT Input:

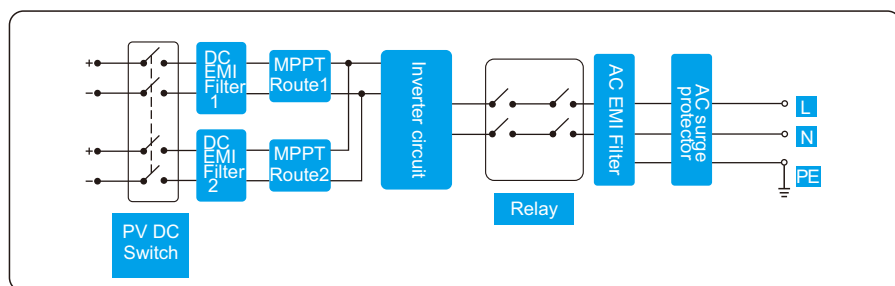


Figure 2.9 circuit diagram

2.5 Working Modes

Three working modes of the inverter are shown as follows: standby, operating, and shutdown. Table 2.1 shows the conditions for the inverter to switch between working modes.

Modes	Description
Standby	The PV inverter enters the standby mode when the input voltage of PV strings can enable auxiliary power supply to run, but cannot meet the inverter operation requirements. the input voltage of PV strings can meet the inverter to-start requirements, but cannot meet its minimum power requirements.
Operating	When the PV inverter is grid-tied and generates electricity, it tracks the maximum power point to maximize the PV string output. converts DC power from PV strings into AC power and feeds the power to the power grid. The PV inverter will enter to the shutdown mode if detecting a fault or a shutdown command.
Shutdown	The PV inverter switches from standby or operating mode to shutdown mode if detecting a fault or a shutdown command. The inverter switches from shutdown mode to standby mode if receiving a startup command or detecting that a fault is rectified.

Table 2.1 Working modes description

3 Storage

This chapter describes the storage requirements for the inverter.

The following storage instructions apply if the PV inverter will not be deployed immediately:

Do not unpack the inverter (put desiccant in the original box if the PV inverter is unpacked).

Store the PV inverter at a temperature range of -40°C to +70°C and with the relative humidity of 0% to 100% (no condensing).

The PV inverter should be stored in a clean and dry place and be protected from dust and water vapor corrosion.



A maximum of eight layers of inverters can be stacked.

Do not position the inverter at a front tilt, excessive back tilt, or side tilt, or upside down.

Conduct periodic inspection during storage. Replace the packing materials immediately if any rodent bites are found.

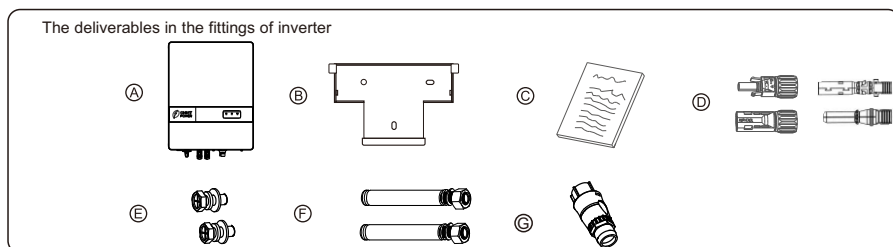
Ensure that qualified personnel inspect and test the inverter before use if it has been stored for a long time.

4 Installation

 DANGER	Do not install the inverter on flammable building materials or in an area that stores flammable or explosive materials.
 CAUTION	Do not install the inverter in a place where personnel are likely to come into contact with its enclosure and heat sinks to avoid electrical shock / burn.

4.1 Checking the outer packing

- When receiving the inverter, check that the packing materials are intact.
- After unpacking, check that the deliverables are complete, intact, and consistent with your order list.
- Examine the PV inverter and its fittings for damage such as scraps and cracks.



Items	Deliverables
A	The inverter
B	Rear panel
C	File package
D	DC terminal connector group
E	Screw
F	Bolt group (reserved for tightening the support and rear panel)
G	AC terminal

Figures 4.1 The deliverables: The inverter and its fittings



NOTICE

If any damage mentioned above is found, contact the dealer immediately.

4.2 Moving the inverter

After checking the outer packing, move the PV inverter to the designated installation position horizontally. Hold the handles on both sides of the inverter, as shown in Figure 4.2.

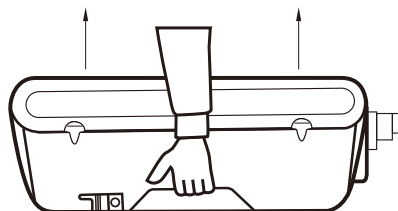


Figure 4.2 Moving the inverter



CAUTION






Do not place the PV inverter with its wiring terminals contacting the floor because the power ports and signal ports at the bottom of the device are not designed to support the weight of the inverter. When placing the inverter on the floor horizontally, put foam or paper under to protect its enclosure.

4.3 Identify the PV Inverter

4.3.1 Nameplate

After moving the PV inverter from packing box, identify it by reading its nameplate labeled on the side of the inverter. The nameplate contains important product information: the model information, communications/ technical specifications, and compliance symbols.

4.3.2 Compliance and Safety Symbols

Safety symbol	Description
	Electrical shock! There are residual voltages in the PV inverter. It needs 10 minutes to finish discharge.
	The PV inverter must not be touched when in operation. Its enclosure and heat sinks are extremely hot.
	Electrical shock! This part is charged. Only qualified and / or trained electrical technicians are allowed to perform operations on the inverter.
	If the inverter service life has expired, dispose it in accordance with local rules for disposal of electrical equipment waste. Do not dispose the PV inverter with household garbage.
	The PV inverter is compliant with TUV.

4.4 Installation Requirements

Applies to wall-mounting installation, as described below in detail.

4.4.1 Determining the Installation Position

Basic Requirements

- The inverter is protected to IP65 and can be installed indoors or outdoors.
- The installation method and position must be appropriate for the weight and dimensions of the inverter.
- Do not install the inverter in a place where personnel are likely to come into contact with its enclosure and heat sinks because these parts are extremely hot during operation.
- Do not install the inverter in an area that stores flammable or explosive materials.

Installation Environment Requirements

- The ambient temperature must be below 50°C which ensures the inverter's optimal operation and extends its service life.

- b. The inverter must be installed in a well ventilated environment to ensure good heat dissipation.
- c. The inverter must be free from direct exposure to sunlight, rain, and snow to extend its service life. It is recommended that the inverter be installed in a sheltered place. If no shelter is available, build an awning, as shown in Figure 4.3.

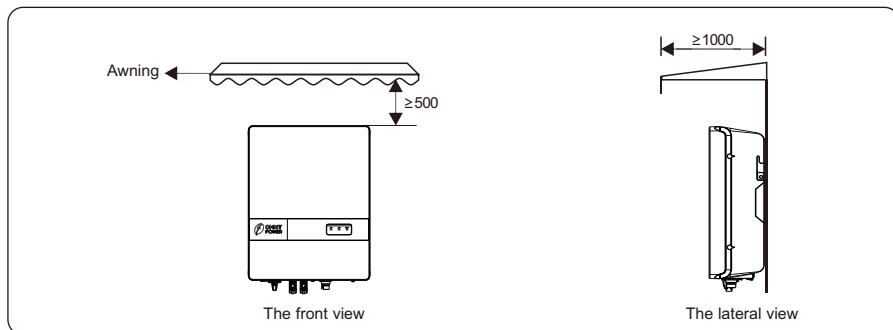


Figure 4.3 Installation environment with awning (unit: mm)

Carrier Requirements

- a. The carrier where the inverter is installed must be fire-proof. Do not install the inverter on flammable building materials.
- b. The wall must be solid enough to bear the weight of the inverter.
- c. Do not install the inverter on a wall made of gypsum boards or similar materials with weak sound insulation to avoid noise disturbance in a residential area.

Installation Space Requirements

- a. It is recommended that the inverter be installed at eye level to facilitate operation and maintenance.
- b. Reserve enough clearance around the inverter to ensure sufficient space for installation and heat dissipation, as shown in Figure 4.4.

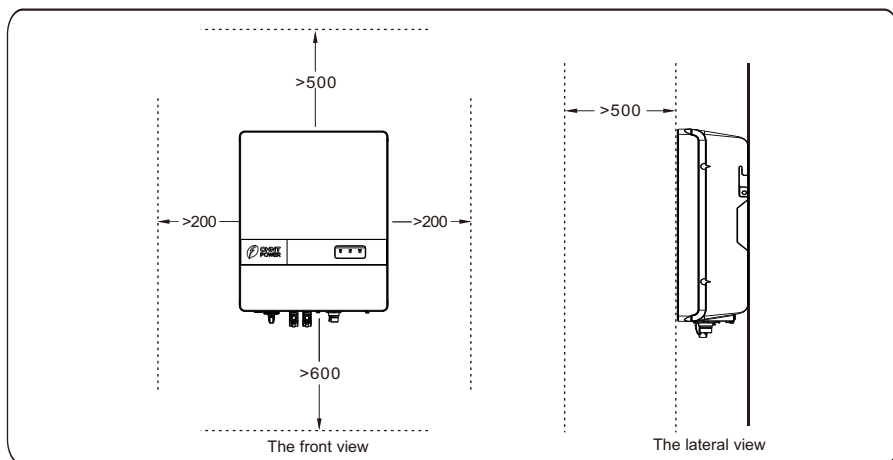


Figure 4.4 Installation Space Requirements (unit: mm)

- c. When installing multiple inverter, install them along the same line (as shown in Figure 4.5) if sufficient space is available, and install them in triangle mode (as shown in Figure 4.6) or in stacked mode (as shown in Figure 4.7) if no sufficient space is available. The installation modes ensure sufficient space for installation and heat dissipation.

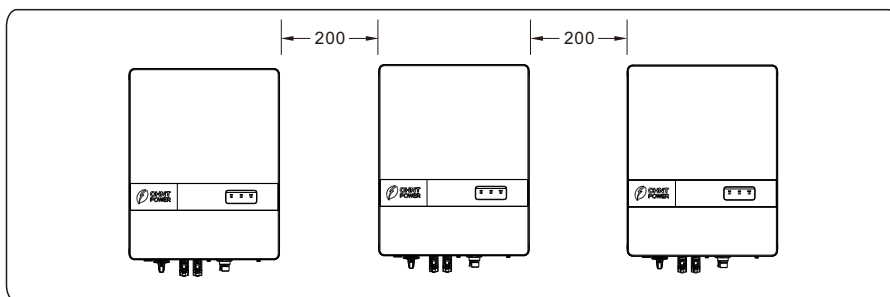


Figure 4.5 Installation along the same line (unit: mm)

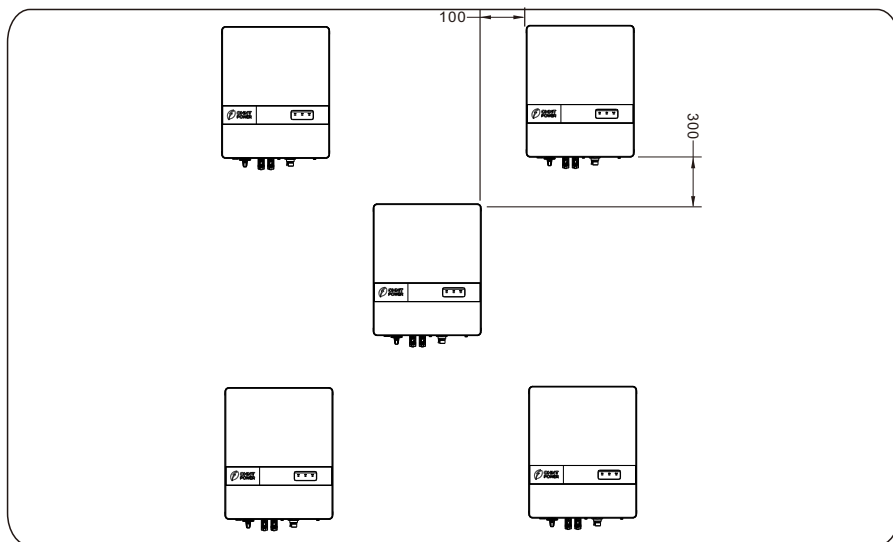


Figure 4.6 Installation in triangle mode (unit: mm)

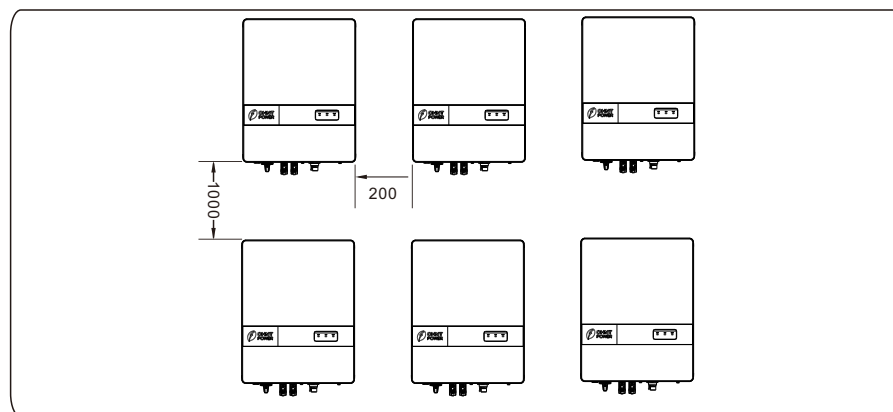


Figure 4.7 Installation in stacked mode (unit: mm)

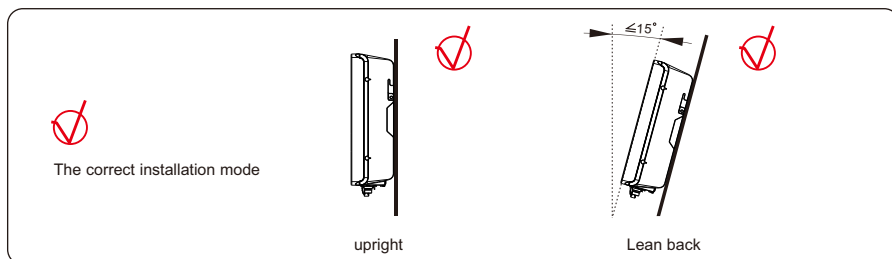


NOTICE

The clearance between multiple inverters must be increased to ensure proper heat dissipation when they are installed in a hot area.

4.4.2 Installation Mode Requirements

Install the inverter upright or at a maximum back tilt of 15 degrees to facilitate heat dissipation. Below are some correct / wrong installation modes, as shown in Figures 4.8&4.9.



Figures 4.8 The correct installation mode

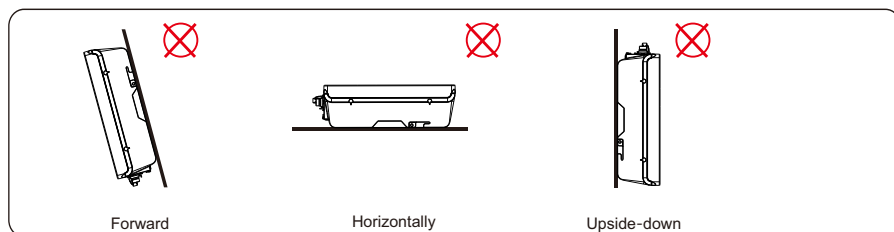


Figure 4.9 The wrong installation modes



NOTICE

The wrong installation will lead to failure of the inverter operation.

4.5 Installing a Rear Panel

Before installing the inverter, secure the shipped rear panel to a wall.

Step 1 Move out the rear panel from the packing case.

Step 2 Determine the positions for drilling holes (as shown in Figure 4.10) using the rear panel.

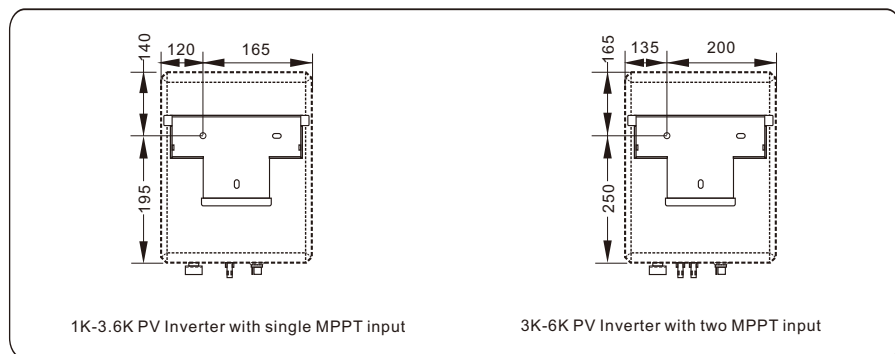


Figure 4.10 Determine the positions for drilling holes (unit: mm)

Step 3 Level the hole positions using a level, and mark the hole positions using a marker (as shown in Figure 4.11).

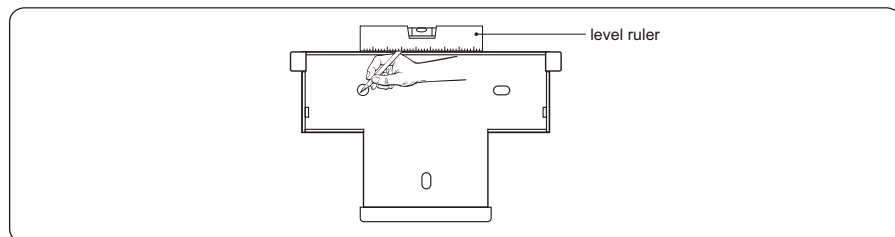


Figure 4.11 mark the hole positions using a marker

Step 4 Drill holes using a hammer drill and install expansion bolts, as shown in Figure 4.12.



DANGER

Before drilling the hole on the wall, ensure no damage on the electric wire and /or water pipe inside the wall.

- a. Drill a hole in a marked position to a depth of 60 mm using a hammer drill with a $\Phi 10$ mm bit
- b. Partially tighten an expansion bolt, vertically insert it into the hole, and knock the expansion bolt completely into the hole using a rubber mallet.

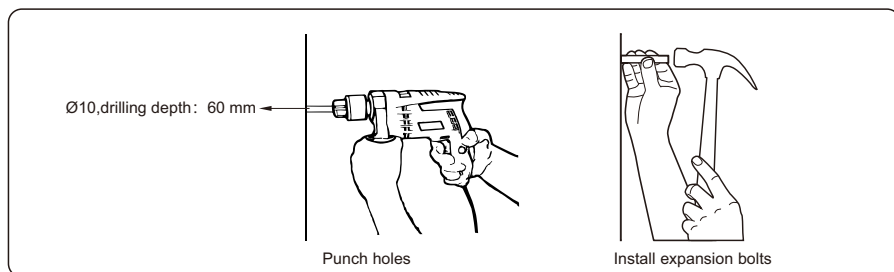


Figure 4.12 Punch holes and install expansion bolts (unit: mm)

Step 5 Align the rear panel with the holes, insert expansion bolts into the holes through the rear panel, and tighten the expansion bolts to a torque of 2-2.5 N·m using a torque wrench, as shown in Figure 4.13.

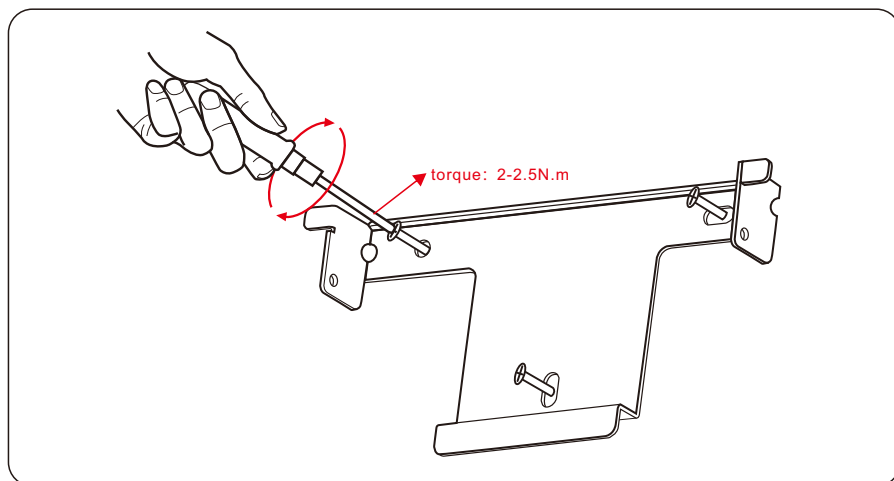


Figure 4.13 Installing the rear panel

4.6 Installing the inverter

Follow below procedures:

Step 1 The installer to hold the handle at both sides of the inverter and then lift and stand the inverter.

Step 2 Mount the inverter on the rear panel and keep them aligned with each other, as shown in Figure 4.14.

Step 3 Tighten the two hexagon screws at the both sides of the inverter to a torque of $1.2\text{N}\cdot\text{m}$ and $3\text{N}\cdot\text{m}$ respectively. Screw specs for 1K-3.6K and 3K-6K are M4 and M6 respectively, as shown in Figure 4.14.

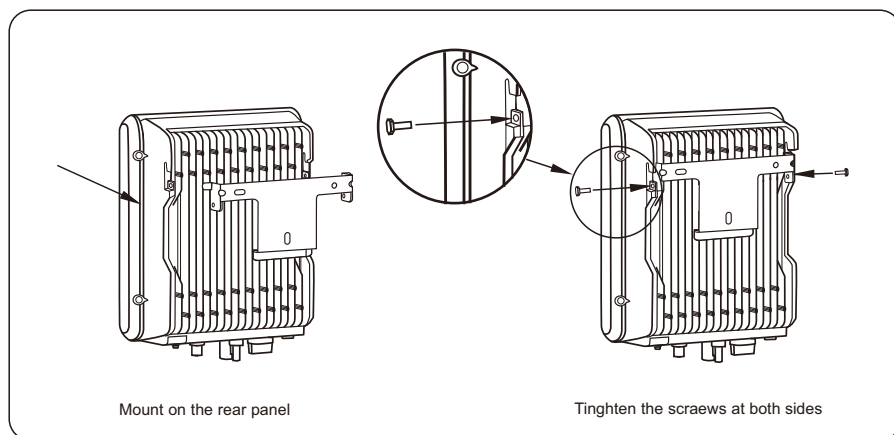




Figure 4.14 Securing the inverter

5 Electrical Connections

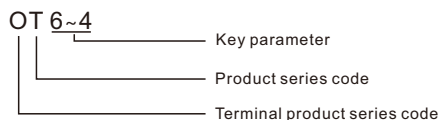
 DANGER	<p>Before performing any electrical connections, ensure that both DC and AC Switches are OFF. Otherwise, fatal injury can occur due to the high voltage caused from AC and DC cables.</p>
 CAUTION	<p>Grounding the PV Strings needs below prerequisites:</p>
	<p>An isolation transformer must be installed on the AC side of each inverter; Ensure that the neutral wire of the isolation transformer must be disconnected from the PGND cable.</p>
	<p>One isolation transformer is with one PV inverter: do not install a single isolation transformer for multiple inverters; otherwise, circulating current generated by the inverters will lead to operation failure.</p>
	<p>Select Isolation setting on the APP <i>ChintHome</i>, and set in Input Grounded, With TF.</p>


5.1 Connecting Protection Ground (PGND) Cables

5.1.1 Preparation

The ground cable and OT terminals have been prepared.

- Ground cable: Outdoor copper-core cables with a cross sectional area of 4 mm² or more are recommended.
- OT terminal: OT6~4.



 NOTE	<p>Good grounding for the inverter helps resist the impact of surge voltage and improve the EMI performance. Connect the PGND cable before connecting the AC power cables, DC power cables, and communications cables.</p>
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NOTE

It is recommended that the ground cable be connected to a nearby ground position. For a system with multiple inverters connected in parallel, connect the ground points of all inverters to ensure equipotential connections.

5.1.2 Wiring Procedures

Step 1 Remove an appropriate length of the insulation layer from the PGND cable using a wire Stripper; the length is a little bit longer than that of OT terminal's crimping end by 2mm~3mm, as shown in Figure 5.1.

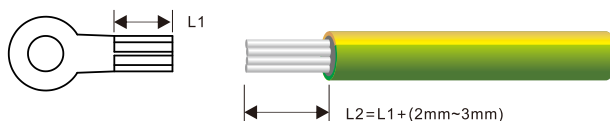


Figure 5.1 Stripped length (unit: mm)

Step 2 Insert the exposed core wires into the crimping areas of the OT terminal and crimp them using hydraulic pliers, as shown in Figure 5.2.

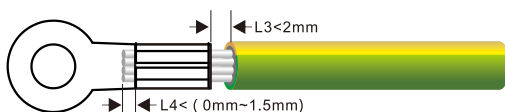


Figure 5.2 Crimping a cable (unit: mm)

Step 3 Remove the ground screws from the ground points, as shown in Figure 5.3.

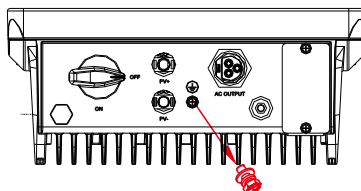


Figure 5.3 Remove the ground screws

Step 4 Secure the PGND cable (done by step 1 & 2) using the ground screw and tighten the screw to a torque of 1.2 N·m using a socket wrench, as shown in Figure 5.4.

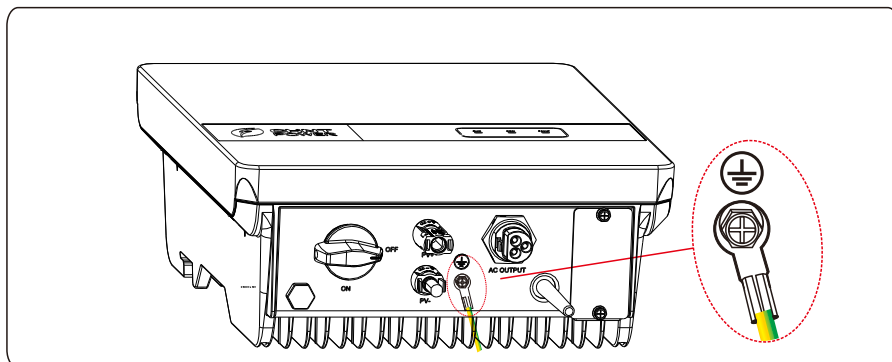


Figure 5.4 Secure the PGND cable

5.2 Connecting AC Output Cables



5.2.1 Preparation

The AC power cable and AC terminals have been prepared.

a. AC power cable: Outdoor copper-core cables are recommended. Table 5.1 describes the specifications.

Inverter Model	Cable type	Cross-sectional Area(mm ²)		Cable Outer Diameter(mm)	
		Range	Recommended Value	Range	Recommended Value
1K-3.6K	outdoor cable	4~6	4	10~14	14
3K-6K	outdoor cable		6		

Table 5.1 AC output cable specifications

 WARNING	An independent circuit breaker must be installed on the AC side of each inverter to ensure that the inverter can be safely disconnected from the power grid.
 WARNING	Do not connect loads between the AC output terminals of the inverter and circuit breaker.

5.2.2 Procedure of Connecting AC Cables

Step 1 Remove an appropriate length of the jacket and insulation layer from the AC output cable using a wire stripper, as shown in Figure 5.5.

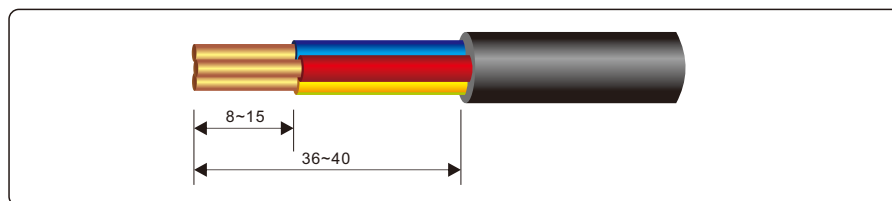


Figure 5.5 Stripped length (unit: mm)

Step 2 Insert the exposed core wires through nut of AC terminal, sleeve in the intermediate, L terminal of line wire, N terminal of neutral wire, into E terminal of Earth Wire, tighten the screw. The required torque is 0.8 N·m. After fixing the cables, tighten the nut and sleeve in the intermediate, as shown in Figure 5.6.

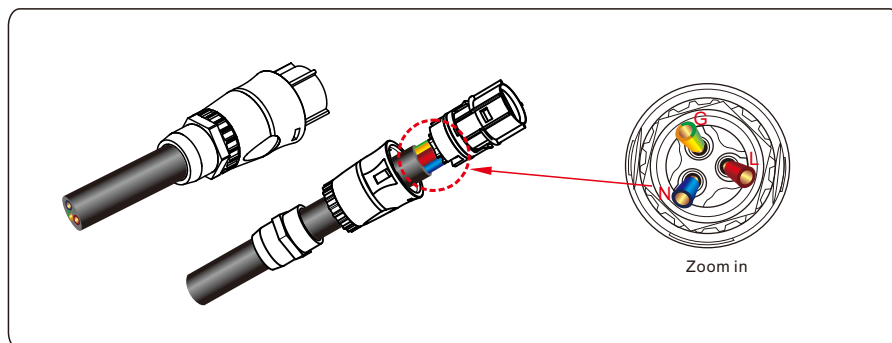


Figure 5.6 Connecting connector

Step 3 After AC wiring, route the AC connector into the AC terminal of the inverter and double check it, as shown in Figure 5.7.

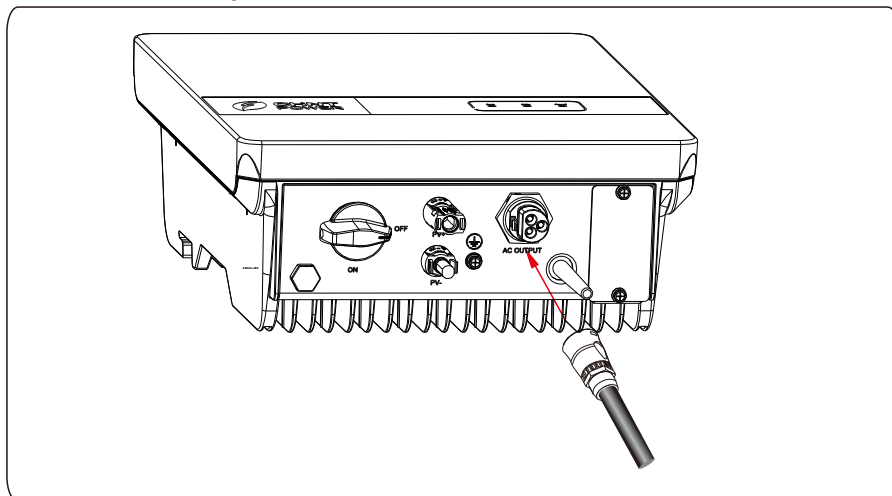




Figure 5.7 Connecting AC Connector

5.3 Connecting the PV Strings

 DANGER	<p>PV Strings connection needs below prerequisites; otherwise, an electrical shock can occur.</p>
<p>PV modules generate electric energy when exposed to sunlight and can create an electrical shock hazard. Therefore, when connecting the PV modules, shield them with opaque cloth.</p>	
<p>Before connecting DC input power cables, ensure that the voltage on the DC side is within the safe range and that the DC SWITCH on the inverter is OFF. Otherwise, high voltage may result in electric shock.</p>	
<p>When the inverter is grid-tied, it is not allowed to maintain DC input power cables, such as connect or disconnect a string or a module in a string. Only after the inverter enters in shutdown mode, it is allowable for preceding DC input power cables maintenance.</p>	

 WARNING	<p>Grounding the PV Strings needs below prerequisites; otherwise, a fire can occur.</p>
<p>PV modules connected in series in each PV string must be of the same specifications.</p>	
<p>The maximum open-circuit voltage of each PV string must be always lower than or equal to its permitted range.</p>	
<p>The maximum short circuit current of each PV string must be always lower than or equal to its permitted range.</p>	
<p>The positive and negative terminals of PV modules must be connected to the positive and negative DC input terminals of the inverter respectively.</p>	
<p>During the installation of PV strings and the inverter, the positive or negative terminals of PV strings cannot be connected with short circuit.</p>	

5.3.1 Preparation

Route collecting for the installation of PV strings and inverter:

Inverter model	Number of Input Route
1K-3.6K	Connected to route 1
3K-6K	Connected to route 2

PV Strings DC input cable and connectors have been prepared; Table 5.2 lists the recommended outdoor copper-core DC input cable specifications.

Inverter model	Cable Type	Cross-sectional Area(mm ²)		Cable OuterDiameter(mm)
		Range	Recommended Value	Range
1K-3.6K	Common PV cables in the industry (model:PV1-F)	4~6	4	5~8
3K-6K				

Table 5.2 Recommended DC input cable recommended specifications

- Connectors of PV Strings: Positive and negative DC input connectors are used, as shown in Figure 5.8 and Figure 5.9.

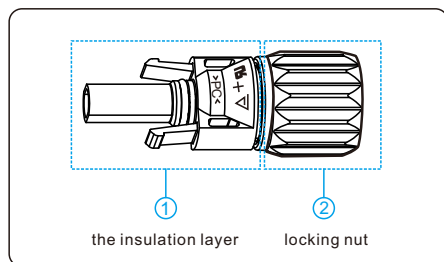


Figure 5.8 Positive connector compositions

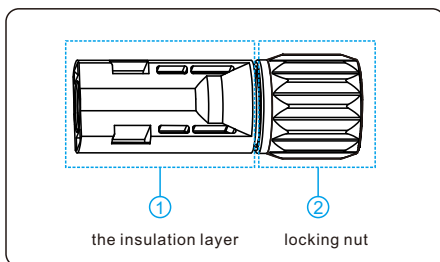



Figure 5.9 Negative connector compositions

 NOTE	<p>Positive and negative metal connectors are packed with positive and negative connectors respectively when shipped out. After unpacking, keep the positive and negative ones separate to avoid confusion.</p>
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- Procedures of connecting the PV Strings

Step 1 Remove an appropriate length of the insulation layer from the positive and negative power cables using a wire stripper, as shown in below Figure.

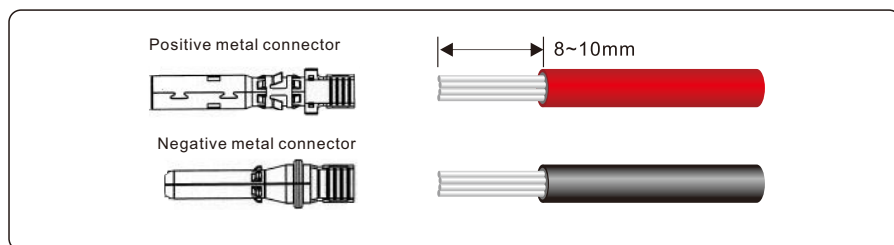


Figure 5.10 Removing insulation layer for DC cable (unit: mm)

Step 2 Insert the exposed areas of the positive and negative power cables into the metal terminals of the positive and negative connectors respectively and crimp them using a crimping tool, as shown in Figure 5.11.

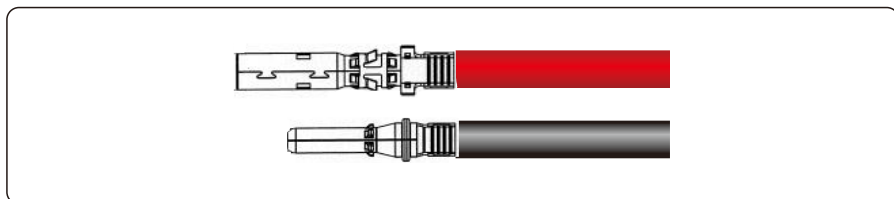


Figure 5.11 Crimping a metal connector

Step 3 Insert the crimped positive and negative power cables into the corresponding positive and negative connectors until a "click" sound is heard, as shown in Figure 5.12.

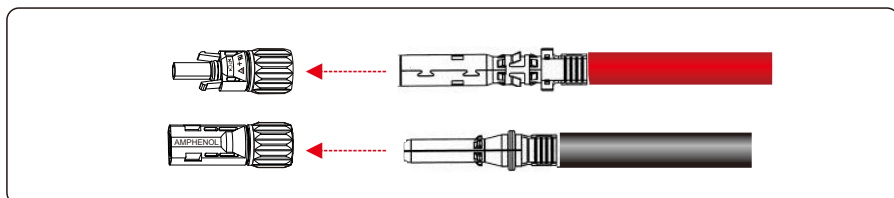


Figure 5.12 Connecting positive and negative connectors

Step 4 Tighten the locking nuts on the positive and negative connectors using a removal wrench, as shown in Figure 5.13.

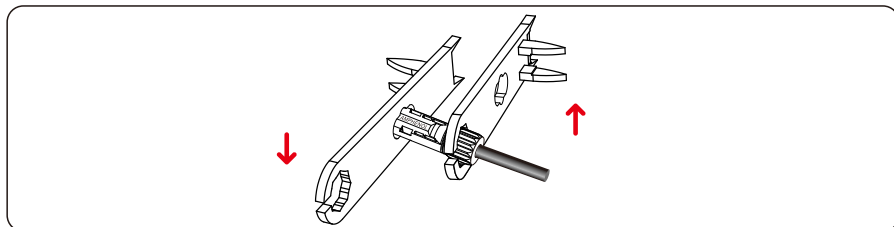


Figure 5.13 Locking connectors

Step 5 Measure the voltage of every route Strings using a multimeter. Ensure that the polarities of the DC input power cables are correct, as shown in Figure 5.14.

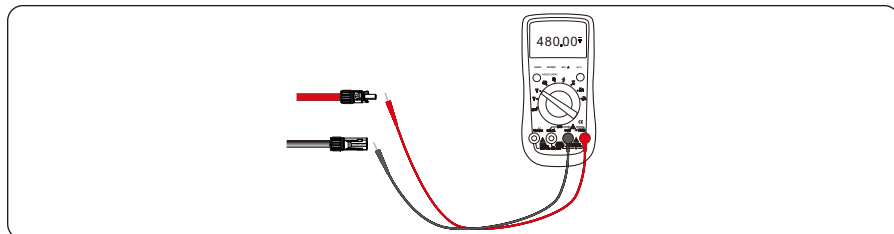


Figure 5.14 Checking the voltage of every route Strings

Step 6 Insert the positive and negative connectors into their corresponding terminals of the inverter until a "click" sound is heard, as shown in Figure 5.15.

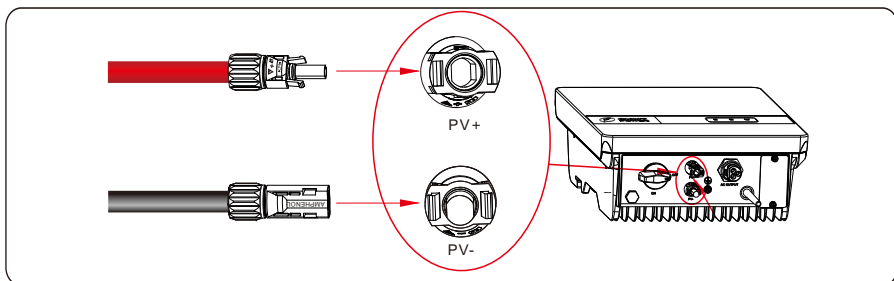


Figure 5.15 Connecting to the inverter

Step 7 After connecting the PV strings, ensure that all connectors are in position by checking for resistance when a slight pull is applied.

5.4 Connecting Communications Cables

5.4.1 Communications Mode Description

You can use the following communications modes to implement communications:

Bluetooth, WIFI, GPRS and RS485 all of which are described as follows.

Bluetooth Module

You can turn on the Bluetooth function of the mobile phone, and set parameters and monitor data of the inverter through the mobile APP ChintHome.

For details about operation, refer to APP User Manual. APP User Manual is available for free from www.chintpower.com/en.

WIFI & GPRS & RS485 Modules

Following figure show inverter's interface to connect WIFI, GPRS and RS485 accessory, please refer user manual of accessory for connecting method and its setting.

Module	Function description
WIFI	WIFI module implements communication with Cloud server through wireless network to monitor PV inverter's data status. For more details, refer to WIFI Product Application Manual.
GPRS	GPRS module implements communication with Cloud server through cellular to monitor PV inverter's data status. For more details, refer to GPRS Product Application Manual.
RS485	RS485 switching module monitors PV inverter's data status through collecting and uploading data to Cloud server. For more details, refer to RS485 switching Product Application Manual.
NOTE	You can choose and buy WIFI / GPRS / RS485 communication modules from CHINT. WIFI / GPRS User Manual are available from http://www.chintpower.com/en .

Table 5.3 WIFI & GPRS & RS485 Modules Description

5.5 Installation Verification

Check the following items after the inverter is installed according to Table 5.4.

1. No other objects put on the PV inverter.
2. All screws, especially the screws used for electrical connections, are tightened
3. The PV inverter is installed correctly and securely.
4. Ground, AC, DC, and Communications cables are connected tightly/correctly and securely.
5. Check there is no open circuit or short-circuits at AC and DC terminals using multimeter.
6. Waterproof connectors at AC terminals and RS485 ports are plugged with waterproof plugs tightly.
7. Covers at AC terminals are tightened.
8. Idle terminals are sealed.
9. All safety warning symbols are intact and complete on the inverter.

Table 5.4 Self-check items after installation

6 System Operation

6.1 Powering ON the Inverter

Step 1: Switch ON the AC circuit breaker.

Step 2: Set the DC SWITCH of the inverter to ON.

Step 3: Observe statuses of LED indicator lights on the inverter according to Table 7.2.



NOTE

When LED status lights display the inverter has entered grid-connecting, it means the inverter is operating well. Any query during operating the PV inverter, call your dealer.

6.2 Powering OFF the Inverter

Step 1: Run a shutdown command on the inverter APP, ChintHome.

Step 2: Switch off the circuit breaker at AC terminal.

Step 3: Set the DC SWITCH to OFF.



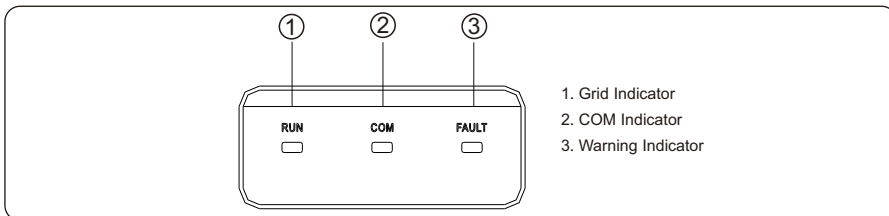
WARNING

After the inverter powers off, the remaining electricity and heat may still cause electrical shock and body burns. Please only begin servicing the inverter ten minutes after the power-off.

7 User Interface


7.1 LED Indicator

Inverter operation status can be obtained from observing LED indicator status. For more details, refer to Table 7.1 LED Indicator status.



LED indicator	Status	Description
Grid Indicator	blink	Power grid abnormal, and can't meet the requirements for inverter grid-connecting to generate power.
	on	When grid-on, the blink (every cycle last 30s) of Grid Indicator means loading amounts: quantity of blink means power size, and after that the Indicator keeps ON. When less than 20% rated power, blink one time; 20%~40% rated power, blink twice every 30s; 40%~60% rated power, blink three times every 30s; 60%~80% rated power, blink four times every 30s; 80%~100% rated power, blink five times every 30s.
COM Indicator	blink	Communications data transmission is underway.
	off	No external communications is connected or no communications data transmission.
Warning Indicator	on/blink	Refer LED status in warning table
	off	No warning

Table 7.1 LED Indicator status

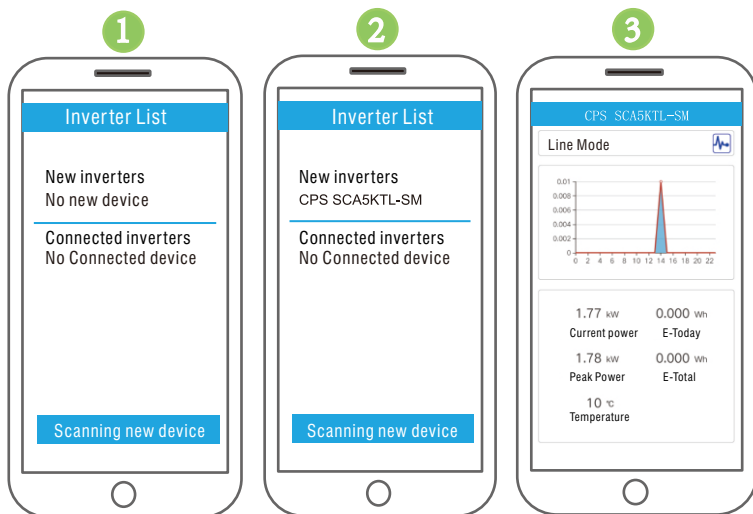
 NOTE	You can view & set data of the inverter through inverter APP, For details about operation.
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7.2 App ChintHome

Inverter parameters can be configured with APP through bluetooth connection

iPhone users can go to APP Store to search ChintHome to download APP.

Android phone users can scan below QR code to download APP.



1.Open APP ChintHome, click "Scanning new devices..." button.

2.Click new device for connection.

3. APP display inverter status after connection.



4.Scroll screen to see DC & AC meters.

5. Click top right button for parameter setting.

6.Click "Setting", setup date & time.(Note: If you want to configure inverter internal parameter, click "Switching user" button to switch to administration mode. Contact service engineer to get administration password. Non-dedicated users do not arbitrarily change related parameters)

8 Maintenance



WARNING

Before maintaining and commissioning inverter and its peripheral distribution unit, switch off all the charged terminals of the inverter and wait at least 10 minutes after the inverter is powered off.

8.1 Routine Maintenance

Check Item	Check Content	Maintain content	Maintenance Interval
inverter output status	Statistically maintain the status of electrical yield, and remotely monitor its abnormal status.	NA	Weekly
PV inverter cleaning	Check periodically that the heat sink is free from dust and blockage.	Clean periodically the heat sink.	yearly
PV inverter running status	Check that the inverter is not damaged or deformed. Check for normal sound emitted during inverter operation. Check and ensure that all inverter communications is running well.	If there is any abnormal phenomenon, replace the relevant parts.	monthly
PV inverter Electrical Connections	Check that AC, DC, and communications cables are securely connected; Check that PGND cables are securely connected; Check that cables are intact and there are not wire aging;	If there is any abnormal phenomenon, replace the cable or re-connect it.	Semiannually

Table 8.1 Maintenance checklist and interval

8.2 Inverter warning and exception handling


When the inverter has an exception, its basic common warning and exception handling methods are shown in the table 8.2.

Alarm Name	Causes	Measures Recommended
Grid Over Voltage	The grid voltage exceeds its allowable range.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If the alarm occurs accidentally, possibly the power grid is abnormal accidentally. No extra action is needed. 2. If the alarm occurs repeatedly, contact the local power station. After receiving approval of the local power bureau, revise the electrical protection parameters setting on the inverter through ChintHome APP. 3. If the alarm persists for a long time, check whether the AC circuit breaker / AC terminals is disconnected or not, or if the grid has a power outage.
Grid Under Voltage		
Over Frequency		
Under Frequency		
PV Over Voltage	PV modules input voltage exceeds the inverter's allowable range.	Check the number of PV modules and adjust it if need.
PV Under Voltage	PV modules input voltage is under the inverter's defaulted protection value.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When sunlight intensity weakens, PV modules voltage decreases. No action is needed. 2. If such phenomena occur when sunlight intensity does not weaken, check if there is short circuit, open circuit etc. in the PV strings.
Insulation Resistance Abnormal	<p>A short circuit exists between PV strings and protection ground.</p> <p>PV strings are installed in a long-term moist environment.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the insulation resistance against the ground for the PV strings. If a short circuit has occurred, rectify the fault. 2. If the insulation resistance against the ground is less than the default value in a rainy environment, set Insulation resistance protection on ChintHome.

Residual Current Abnormal	The insulation resistance against the ground at the input side decreases during the inverter operation, which causes excessively high residual current.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If the alarm occurs accidentally, possibly the external circuits are abnormal accidentally. The inverter automatically recovers to the normal operating status after the fault is rectified. 2. If the alarm occurs repeatedly or lasts a long time, check whether the insulation resistance against the ground of PV strings is too low.
PV Strings Abnormal	PV strings have been shielded for a long time. PV strings are deteriorating.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check whether the PV string is shielded. 2. If the PV string is clean and not shielded, check whether the PV modules are aging or deteriorated.
PV Strings Reverse	The cables of PV strings are connected reversely during the inverter installation.	Check whether the cables of PV strings are correctly connected. If they are connected reversely, reconnect the cables.
BUS Under Voltage	Abnormal internal energy control imbalance has been triggered by the PV Strings/grid sharp change of working conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If the alarm occurs occasionally, the inverter can automatically recover to the normal operating status after the fault is rectified. 2. If the alarm occurs repeatedly, contact your dealer for technical support.
BUS Over Voltage		
Invert Module Fault		
BOOST Fault		
EEPROM Fault	EEPROM Component damaged	Replace the monitoring board.
Zero power generation and Yellow alarm light illuminating in remote monitor system	Communications outage	If modem or other data logger is used, please reboot it; if still does not work after rebooting, contact your dealer.

remote monitor displays zero power generation	Communications outage	If modem or other data logger is used, please reboot it; if still does not work after rebooting, contact your dealer.
remote monitor displays no output voltage	Output switch tripping	Check if DC switch is damaged, and if not, switch it to ON. If it still doesn't work, contact your dealer.
Inverter off grid	1. Power grid fault; 2. DC switch tripping	1. Wait till power is restored; 2. Turn DC switch to ON, and if DC switch trips a lot, contact your dealer.

Table 8.2 Common troubleshooting measures

 NOTE	If you cannot clear the preceding alarm according the measures recommended, contact your dealer timely.
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8.3 Removing the Inverter

Perform the following procedures to remove the inverter:

Step 1: Disconnect all cables from the inverter, including communications cables, DC input power cables, AC output power cables, and PGND cables, as shown in Figure 8.1.

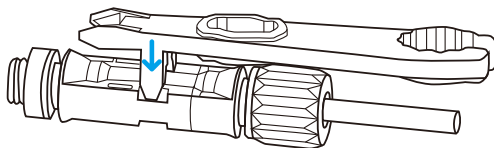


Figure 8.1 Removing DC input connector

Notes:

When removing DC input connector, insert the removal wrench to the bayonet, press the wrench down, and take out the connector carefully.

Step 2: Remove the inverter from the rear panel.

Step 3: Remove the rear panel.



WARNING

Before removing DC input connector, double check DC input switch is turned to OFF to avoid inverter damage and personal injury.

9 Quality Guarantee

9.1 Quality Terms

- 1) Where otherwise agreed to in a contract, quality warranty period of the inverter is 60 months
- 2) As for the PV inverter which is defective or damaged within its quality warranty period, CHINT shall repair or replace it for free.
- 3) The defective / damaged PV inverter replaced must be returned.

9.2 Liability Waiver

Warranty or liability will be void if damage is caused from below operations / situations. If customer asks for maintenance service, CHINT can, at its discretions, provide paid service.

- 1) The warranty period expired;
- 2) The damage caused during transit;
- 3) The damage caused by force majeure including, but not restricted to the following:
earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, debris flow etc;
- 4) Operation in adverse environments beyond that described in User Manual;
- 5) Any installation and operation environment beyond the relevant national standards;
- 6) Any installing, reconfiguring, or using faulty;
- 7) Any revising the product or modifying its software code without authorization;
- 8) Maintenance faulty caused by the technician personnel unauthorized;
- 9) Any operation ignoring the safety precautions stipulated in User Manual.

10 Disposal of the Inverter

The PV inverter and its packing case are made from environmental protection material. If the inverter service life has expired, do NOT cut it away with household garbage; dispose the inverter in accordance with local rules for disposal of electrical equipment waste.

11 Technical Specifications

Inverter Model	CPS SCA1KTL-S	CPS SCA2KTL-S	CPS SCA2.5KTL-S	CPS SCA3KTL-S	CPS SCA3.6KTL-S
Efficiency					
Max. Efficiency	97.7%	97.7%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%
European efficiency	96.2%	96.8%	97.3%	97.3%	97.5%
Input					
Max. input power	600V				
Max. input voltage	360V				
Max. input current	12.5A				11A
Starting voltage	90V/70V				
MPPT operation voltage range	70V-580V				
Full load MPPT voltage range	90V-520V	170V-520V	210V-520V	240V-520V	360V-520V
Max. number of inputs	1				
Number of MPPT routes	1				
Max. short circuit current	15A				
Max. back feed current	0A				
Over voltage class	II				
Output					
Rated output power	1,000W	2,000W	2,500W	3,000W	3,600W
Max. apparent power	1,100VA	2,200VA	2,750VA	3,300VA	3,960VA
Max. active power (PF=1)	1,100W	2,200W	2,750W	3,300W	3,960W
Max. output current	4.8A	9.5A	11.9A	14.3A	17.2A
Max. Inrush current	10A				
Max. output fault current	7A	13A	17A	20A	24A
Rated grid voltage	220V/230V/240V,L+N+PE				
Grid voltage range*	160V-300V				
Rated grid frequency	50Hz/60Hz				
THDi	<3% (Rated power)				
DC off-sets current	<0.5%In				
Power factor	>0.99 Rated power (Adjust range 0.8 lead----0.8lag)				
Over voltage class	III				

Common specs	
Topology	Transformerless
Protective class	I
Protection level	IP65
Pollution degree	PD3
Operating temperature range	-25 degree~60 degree
Relative humidity	0 - 100%
Warranty	5 year
Cooling	Natural convection
Max. operating altitude	4000m
Noise	<25dB
Dimensions	285*336*125mm
Weight	8.8KG
Protection	Input DC switch, Anti-islanding, protection, Output short circuit protection, Input reverse-connection protection, AC surge protection, Insulation resistance detection, RCD detection

Inverter Model	CPS SCA3KTL -SM	CPS SCA3.6KTL -SM	CPS SCA4KTL -SM	CPS SCA4.6KTL -SM	CPS SCA6KTL -SM	CPS SCA6KTL -SM
Efficiency						
Max. Efficiency	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%	97.7%
European efficiency	97.2%	97.2%	97.3%	97.3%	97.3%	97.3%
Input						
Max. input power	600V					
Max. input voltage	360V					
Max. input current	22A(2*11A)					
Starting voltage	90V/70V					
MPPT operation voltage range	70V-580V					
Full load MPPT voltage range(V)	150-520	170-520	190-520	220-520	240-520	300-520
Max. number of inputs	2 (1/1)					
Number of MPPT routes	2					
Max. short circuit current	15A					
Max. back feed current	0A					
Over voltage class	II					
Output						
Rated output power	3000W	3600W	4000W	4600W	5000W	6000W
Max. apparent power	3300VA	3680VA	4400VA	5060VA	5500VA	6000VA
Max. active power (PF=1)	3300W	3680W	4400W	5060W	5500W	6000W
Max. output current	14.3A	16.0A	19.1A	22.0A	23.8A	28.6A
Max. Inrush current	10A					
Max. output fault current	19A	23A	27A	31A	33A	40A
Rated grid voltage	220V/230V/240V,L+N+PE					
Grid voltage range*	160V-300V					
Rated grid frequency	50Hz/60Hz					
THDi	<3% (Rated power)					
DC off-sets current	<0.5%In					
Power factor	>0.99 Rated power (Adjust range 0.8 lead----0.8lag)					
Over voltage class	III					

Common specs	
Topology	Transformerless
Protective class	I
Protection level	IP65
Pollution degree	PD3
Operating temperature range	-25 degree~60 degree
Relative humidity	0 - 100%
Warranty	5 year
Cooling	Natural convection
Max. operating altitude	4000m
Noise	<25dB
Dimensions	335*426*125mm
Weight	12.8KG
Protection	Input DC switch, Anti-islanding, protection, Output short circuit protection, Input reverse-connection protection, AC surge protection, Insulation resistance detection, RCD detection

Notes:

- 1) Grid power voltage range can be set according to national voltage standards;
- 2) Power grid frequency range can be set according to national grid standards
- 3) The preceding technical specifications are subject to change without prior notice. The listed specifications are for your reference only.



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